



## FLORIDA DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

Despite a recent slowing in the rate of growth in new residents, Florida remains one of the fastest growing states in the nation. During the 1990's, the number of people in the state increased by 23.5%. Only California and Texas grew by more during the decade. Florida remains the fourth largest state behind California, Texas and New York. Within the state of Florida, the 1990's saw five counties increase in residents by more than 60 percent – Flagler, Sumter, Collier, Wakulla and Osceola.

The 2000 census enumerated 17.5% of the total population as 65 and older. The youth population (0-19) accounted for 25.5% of the population. The prime labor force group (ages 25-59) made up 46.6% of the population.

<b>2000 POPULATION COMPARISON</b>					
<b>County</b>	<b>Total Population</b>	<b>Total Change 1990-2000</b>	<b>Percentage change 1990-2000</b>	<b>Population Under 18</b>	<b>Population 18 &amp; older</b>
Alachua	217,955	36,359	20.0%	43,938	174,017
Baker	22,259	3,773	20.4%	6,118	16,141
Bay	148,217	21,223	16.7%	35,642	112,575
Bradford	26,088	3,573	15.9%	5,725	20,363
Brevard	476,230	77,252	19.4%	104,699	371,531
Broward	1,623,018	367,487	29.3%	382,929	1,240,089
Calhoun	13,017	2,006	18.2%	3,021	9,996
Charlotte	141,627	30,652	27.6%	22,186	119,441
Citrus	118,085	24,572	26.3%	20,330	97,755
Clay	140,814	34,828	32.9%	39,385	101,429
Collier	251,377	99,278	65.3%	49,941	201,436
Columbia	56,513	13,900	32.6%	14,337	42,176
DeSoto	32,209	8,344	35.0%	7,310	24,899
Dixie	13,827	3,242	30.6%	3,055	10,772
Duval	778,879	105,908	15.7%	204,991	573,888
Escambia	294,410	31,612	12.0%	69,271	225,139
Flagler	49,832	21,131	73.6%	8,925	40,907
Franklin	11,057	2,090	23.3%	1,989	9,068
Gadsden	45,087	3,971	9.7%	11,919	33,168
Gilchrist	14,437	4,770	49.3%	3,529	10,908
Glades	105,765	2,985	39.3%	2,337	8,239
Gulf	13,332	1,828	15.9%	2,895	10,437
Hamilton	13,327	2,397	21.9%	3,137	10,190
Hardee	26,938	7,439	38.2%	7,435	19,503
Hendry	36,210	10,437	40.5%	10,874	25,336
Hernando	130,802	29,687	29.4%	24,726	106,076
Highlands	87,366	18,934	27.7%	16,744	70,622
Hillsborough	998,948	164,894	19.8%	253,138	745,810
Holmes	18,564	2,786	17.7%	4,258	14,279
Indian River	112,947	22,739	25.2%	21,694	91,253
Jackson	46,755	5,380	13.0%	10,449	36,306
Jefferson	12,902	1,606	14.2%	2,930	9,972

Lafayette	7,022	1,444	25.9%	1,523	5,499
Lake	210,528	58,424	38.4%	42,719	167,809
Lee	440,888	105,775	31.6%	86,388	354,500
Leon	239,452	46,959	24.4%	51,007	188,445
Levy	34,450	8,538	32.9%	8,131	26,319
Liberty	7,021	1,452	26.1%	1,531	5,490
Madison	18,733	2,164	13.1%	4,736	13,997
Manatee	264,002	52,295	24.7%	54,647	209,355
Marion	258,916	64,081	32.9%	55,425	203,491
Martin	126,731	25,831	25.6%	23,623	103,108
Miami-Dade	2,253,362	316,168	16.3%	559,213	1,694,149
Monroe	79,589	1,565	2.0%	13,605	65,984
Nassau	57,663	13,722	31.2%	14,439	43,224
Okaloosa	170,498	26,721	18.6%	42,133	128,365
Okeechobee	35,910	6,283	21.2%	9,051	26,859
Orange	896,344	218,853	32.3%	226,340	670,004
Osceola	172,493	64,765	60.1%	46,214	126,279
Palm Beach	1,131,184	267,681	31.0%	240,458	890,726
Pasco	344,765	63,634	22.6%	69,514	275,251
Pinellas	921,482	69,823	8.2%	177,533	743,949
Polk	483,924	78,542	19.4%	118,205	365,719
Putnam	70,423	5,353	8.2%	17,304	53,119
St. Johns	123,135	39,306	46.9%	28,399	94,736
St. Lucie	192,695	42,524	28.3%	43,583	149,112
Santa Rosa	117,743	36,135	44.3%	31,269	86,474
Sarasota	325,957	48,181	17.3%	52,827	273,130
Seminole	365,196	77,675	27.0%	92,606	272,590
Sumter	53,445	21,768	68.9%	8,570	44,775
Sumwannee	34,844	8,064	30.1%	8,369	26,475
Taylor	19,256	2,145	12.5%	4,731	14,525
Union	13,442	3,109	31.1%	2,937	10,505
Volusia	443,343	72,606	19.6%	89,862	353,481
Wakulla	22,863	8,661	61.0%	5,864	16,999
Walton	40,601	12,842	46.3%	8,795	31,086
Washington	20,973	4,054	24.0%	4,905	16,068

**SOURCE:** U.S. Census 2000.

County	Total Population	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
<b>Florida</b>	<b>15982378</b>	<b>12465029</b>	<b>2335505</b>	<b>53541</b>	<b>266256</b>	<b>8625</b>	<b>2682715</b>
Alachua	217955	160128	42062	538	7709	64	12493
Baker	22259	18707	3098	85	89	7	419
Bay	148217	124761	15772	1159	2561	115	3591
Bradford	26088	19900	5423	88	158	25	622
Brevard	476230	413411	40000	1765	7152	305	21970
Broward	1623018	1145287	333304	3867	36581	916	271652
Calhoun	13017	10397	2056	164	69	7	492
Charlotte	141627	131125	6219	312	1207	40	4667
Citrus	118085	112236	2791	423	901	33	3141
Clay	140814	123128	9439	658	2797	118	6059
Collier	251377	216345	11419	733	1569	153	49296
Columbia	56513	45053	9623	302	378	20	1546
DeSoto	32209	23619	4098	511	131	13	8019
Dixie	13827	12279	1241	64	34	4	249
Duval	778879	512469	216780	2598	21137	466	31946
Escambia	294410	213008	63010	2660	6519	339	7935
Flagler	49832	43490	4401	133	583	12	2537
Franklin	11057	8983	1804	50	22	2	268
Gadsden	45087	17448	25763	105	117	9	2782
Gilchrist	14437	13068	1010	53	24	1	404
Glades	10576	8142	1114	521	35	2	1594
Gulf	13332	10651	2259	86	53	6	270
Hamilton	13327	7835	5027	56	26	2	847
Hardee	26938	19035	2244	184	81	15	9611
Hendry	36210	23926	5340	291	162	12	14336
Hernando	130802	121453	5330	391	840	29	6587
Highlands	87366	72926	8155	387	917	29	10542
Hillsborough	998948	750903	149423	3879	21947	727	179692
Holmes	18564	16669	1208	188	72	6	358
Indian River	112947	98754	9253	277	838	30	7381
Jackson	46755	32811	12418	311	168	13	1361
Jefferson	12902	7647	4947	50	39	5	290
Lafayette	7022	5566	1009	50	9	1	642
Lake	210528	184138	17503	701	1667	76	11808
Lee	440888	386598	29035	1248	3400	209	42042
Leon	239452	158893	69704	689	4562	106	8407
Levy	34450	29586	3778	161	129	10	1339
Liberty	7021	5365	1294	127	10	0	316
Madison	18733	10769	7549	60	60	4	600
Manatee	264002	227981	21611	728	2365	134	24540
Marion	258916	217909	29900	1158	1806	57	15616

Martin	126731	113912	6673	382	756	121	9506
Miami-Dade	2253362	1570558	457214	4365	31753	799	1291737
Monroe	79589	72151	3795	301	657	35	12553
Nassau	57663	51909	4465	246	263	18	873
Okaloosa	170498	142218	15508	1030	4205	232	7302
Okeechobee	35910	28468	2844	193	240	16	6684
Orange	896344	614830	162899	3079	30033	843	168361
Osceola	172493	133169	12702	790	3802	142	50727
Palm Beach	1131184	894207	156055	2466	17127	692	140675
Pasco	344765	323036	7148	1209	3251	111	19603
Pinellas	921482	791111	82556	2719	18984	484	42760
Polk	483924	385099	65545	1839	4515	207	45933
Putnam	70423	54868	12003	297	311	29	4168
St. Johns	123135	111955	7744	326	1172	67	3244
St. Lucie	192695	152504	29714	464	1829	103	15733
Santa Rosa	117743	106822	5000	1185	1525	100	2968
Sarasota	325957	301985	13621	717	2522	92	14142
Seminole	365196	300948	34764	1087	9115	163	40731
Sumter	53345	44061	7351	270	220	28	3356
Suwannee	34844	29455	4221	137	179	13	1703
Taylor	19256	14988	3666	188	85	3	295
Union	13442	9896	3070	89	42	3	477
Volusia	443343	381760	41198	1373	4430	164	29111
Wakulla	22863	19684	2631	136	57	7	443
Walton	40601	35896	2832	520	183	18	880
Washington	20973	17140	2872	322	76	13	483

**SOURCE:** U.S. Census 2000.