

St. Lucie

County, Florida. LocalFlare, Data for Economic Development. Last updated 2026-10-04.

Population

Population	Change since the prior year	Change since 2020
394,074 2025	+2.2% 2024 to 2025	+19.7% 2020 to 2025
Census 2020	Basis of the latest figure	
329,226 2020	estimate 2025	

Population, April 1: 394,074



Source: University of Florida Bureau of Economic and Business Research, Florida Estimates of Population, retrieved 2026-10-01

Labor force

Labor force	Employment	Unemployed
170,878 Aug 2026	161,795 Aug 2026	9,083 Aug 2026
Unemployment rate	Rate a year earlier	Labor force, change on a year earlier
5.3% Aug 2026	5.0% Aug 2025	-0.1% Aug 2026

Latest month is preliminary
yes Aug 2026

Unemployment rate, not seasonally adjusted: 5.3%



Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics, retrieved 2026-10-01

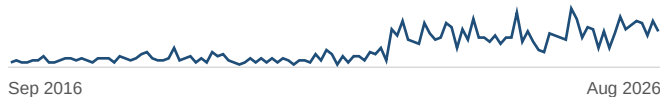
Sales and visitor spending: not shown. the BusinessFlare® estimate is by place; the county's sales are on its Sales and visitor spending page

Tourist tax: not shown. the county publishes no tourist tax series the site tracks

Business base

Licensed food service, lodging and alcohol businesses	Food service licenses	Lodging licenses
2,057 Aug 2026	910 Aug 2026	488 Aug 2026
Alcoholic beverage licenses	New licenses, last 12 months	New business filings, last 12 months
659 Aug 2026	198 Aug 2026	9,261 Sep 2026
Change on the 12 months before	New filings, latest month	Establishments
+9.3% Sep 2026	547 Sep 2026	7,292 2023
Employees, mid March	Annual payroll	Establishments, change on the year before
74,865 2023	\$3.45B 2023	+2.4% 2023

New licenses by month: 16



Source: Florida DBPR active licensure base files: public food service, public lodging and retail alcoholic beverage licenses, retrieved 2026-10-01
Source: Florida Division of Corporations (Sunbiz) bulk corporate data files, new entity filings by month, retrieved 2026-10-01
Source: County Business Patterns and ZIP Code Business Patterns, complete data files, retrieved 2026-10-01

Building permits

Housing units permitted, last 12 months
3,316 Aug 2026

Units, latest month
309 Aug 2026

Units, latest annual table
4,008 2025

Change on the 12 months before
-27.4% Aug 2026

Single family units, last 12 months
3,210 Aug 2026

Permit valuation, last 12 months
\$1.22B Aug 2026

Units in buildings of 5 or more, last 12 months
24 Aug 2026

Housing units permitted by month: 309



Sep 2016

Aug 2026

Source: US Census Bureau, Building Permits Survey, place and county residential permits, retrieved 2026-10-01

Property roll

Total just value
\$68.9B 2026 final

Just value, change on the prior roll
+3.5% 2025 final roll to 2026 final

New construction value
\$1.51B 2026 final

Qualified sales, last 12 months
9,217 2025-06 to 2026-05

Just value, commercial
\$4.35B 2026 final

Just value, vacant
\$2.81B 2026 final

Just value, other
\$616M 2026 final

Total taxable value (non school)
\$42B 2026 final

Taxable value (non school), change on the prior roll
+7.4% 2025 final roll to 2026 final

Parcels
192,432 2026 final

Median qualified sale price
\$400K 2025-06 to 2026-05

Just value, industrial
\$2.38B 2026 final

Just value, institutional
\$1.08B 2026 final

Total taxable value (school)
\$47.6B 2026 final

Total just value, prior roll
\$66.6B 2025 final roll

Median single family just value
\$324K 2026 final

Just value, residential
\$52.6B 2026 final

Just value, agricultural
\$2.51B 2026 final

Just value, government
\$2.48B 2026 final

Just value by use group

Use group	Parcels	Just value	Taxable (non school)	New construction	Residential units	Just value change
Residential	155,107	\$52.6B	\$33.3B	\$1.27B	160,063	+1.6%
Commercial	2,658	\$4.35B	\$3.64B	\$98.2M	n/a	+7.1%
Industrial	1,326	\$2.38B	\$1.98B	\$60.7M	n/a	+14.1%
Agricultural	2,584	\$2.51B	\$227M	\$5.97M	n/a	+5.4%
Vacant	22,228	\$2.81B	\$1.85B	\$158K	n/a	+2.9%
Institutional	481	\$1.08B	\$512M	\$41.1M	n/a	+10.1%
Government	3,982	\$2.48B	\$2.55M	\$37.8M	n/a	+30.1%
Other	4,066	\$616M	\$454M	\$0	n/a	+3.8%

Department of Revenue land use codes grouped: residential 001 to 009, commercial 011 to 039, industrial 041 to 049, agricultural 050 to 069, vacant 000, 010, 040 and 070, institutional 071 to 079, government 080 to 089, other 090 to 099. Taxable is the non school taxable value. Just value change compares with the 2025 final roll, summed the same way.

Parcels are placed by Census block group through the Census Bureau's block assignment file; a parcel in a block group that straddles the limits is apportioned. Census 2020 block groups; 84% of the county's just value lies in a place. Medians are over the parcels whose block group lies mostly in the place. Qualified sales: the roll's own sale fields, qualification codes 01 and 02, improved, single parcel.

Source: Florida Department of Revenue, NAL tax roll (name, address, legal), 2026 preliminary and final as posted, retrieved 2026-10-03

Housing

Housing units

171,742 2020 to 2024 ACS

Owner occupied households

119,235 2024 1-Year

Cost burdened households, all tenures (over 30% of income)

32.6% 2025

Assisted housing developments

23 Assisted Housing Inventory

Median single family sale price

\$420K 2024

Homeownership rate: 79.0%



Source: Shimberg Center for Housing Studies, Florida Housing Data Clearinghouse, retrieved 2026-10-01

Occupied units

150,845 2020 to 2024 ACS

Renter occupied households

31,610 2024 1-Year

Cost burdened renter households

53.6% 2025

Assisted units

3,494 Assisted Housing Inventory

Vacant units

20,897 2020 to 2024 ACS

Homeownership rate

79.0% 2020 to 2024 ACS

Severely cost burdened renters (over 50%)

28.0% 2025

Median gross rent

\$1.73K 2020 to 2024 ACS

Fiscal

Half-cent sales tax, latest month

\$1.14M Sep 2026

Half-cent sales tax, change on the 12 months before

-6.8% Sep 2026

State revenue sharing, last 12 months

\$8M Sep 2026

Revenues, change on the year before

+22.1% FY2025

Revenues per resident

\$5.53K FY2025

Half-cent sales tax, fiscal year to date

\$13.9M FY2026 to 2026-09

State revenue sharing, latest month

\$673K Sep 2026

State revenue sharing, change on the 12 months before

+5.6% Sep 2026

Total expenditures

\$1.95B FY2025

Long-term debt outstanding

Long-term debt is not shown: no LOGERx Annual Financial Report filing matched this government

Half-cent sales tax, last 12 months

\$13.9M Sep 2026

State revenue sharing, fiscal year to date

\$8M FY2026 to 2026-09

Total revenues

\$2.18B FY2025

Expenditures, change on the year before

+14.1% FY2025

Half-cent sales tax distributions by month: \$1.14M



Source: Florida Department of Revenue, Revenue Confirmation Online, distributions to local governments, retrieved 2026-10-01

Source: Florida Office of Economic and Demographic Research, Expenditures and Revenues Reported by Florida's County and Municipal Governments, retrieved 2026-10-01

Bank deposits

Deposits

\$6.15B June 30, 2026

Branches

42 June 30, 2026

Branches closed since the survey a year earlier

1 June 30, 2026

Deposits, June 30 each year: \$6.15B



Source: FDIC Summary of Deposits, Florida offices, every June 30 since 1994, retrieved 2026-10-01

Change on a year earlier

+1.6% June 30, 2026

Institutions

11 June 30, 2026

Change, real

-1.5% June 30, 2026

Branches opened since the survey a year earlier

0 June 30, 2026

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