Revised Estimates of Households and Average Household Size for Florida and Its Counties, 2010–2020

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The Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) at the University of Florida produces population estimates for Florida and each of its cities and counties using the housing unit method. In this method, changes in population are based on changes in occupied housing units (or households), average household size, and the group quarters population. This is the most commonly used method for making local population estimates in the United States because it can utilize a wide variety of data sources, can be applied at any level of geography, and can produce estimates that are at least as accurate as those produced by any other method.

The two primary components of the housing unit method are the number of households and average household size (also called persons per households or PPH). BEBR has published estimates of the number of households and average household size annually since the late 1970s for Florida and its counties. These annual releases are postcensal estimates, i.e., they are based on results from the previous census that are updated using symptomatic indicators of changes in households and average household size available at the time. To correct for errors in the data used to construct the postcensal estimates, to draw on data that were not available when these estimates were produced, and to incorporate the results of the 2020 census, we have developed a revised series of state and county estimates for the number of households and average household size for 2011–2019. This new series follows an earlier set of revised estimates of households and average household size for Florida and its counties that covered the period 2001–2009 (BEBR, FPS Bulletin 179, December 2017).

This report includes the revised estimates of households and average household size for Florida and its counties from 2010–2020 and describes the methodology used to produce them. All estimates are as of April 1st of each year. We note that since these estimates have been created using a different methodology than in previous years, trends in the number of households and/or average household size may be different than those published previously.

Census definitions require persons to be counted as inhabitants of their usual place of residence, which is generally construed to mean the place where they live and sleep most of the time. A household is the person or group of people occupying a housing unit; by definition, the number of occupied housing units is the same as the number of households. Households refer solely to permanent residents, and a housing unit is still classified as vacant if all the occupants are temporary residents staying only for a few days, weeks, or months – even when it is continuously occupied. Because we follow these guidelines, temporary residents, such as tourists and snowbirds, are not included in the estimates shown here.

Data

Decennial census counts for 2010 and 2020 and the 2011–2019 BEBR intercensal population estimates (BEBR Special Population Report #11) formed the basis for developing these revised estimates of the number of households and average household size. They were produced as follows: first, we estimated the average household size for each county; then, we divided the population in households by the average household size. The population in households

equals the total population minus the population in group quarters. According to decennial census data, in 2010, there were 423,224 persons in group quarters in Florida, representing 2.25% of total population. In 2020, the group quarters population increased to 464,583, but its share of total population declined to 2.16%. There are many different types of group quarters, which can be institutional or non-institutional. In this analysis, we differentiate between inmates in federal and state correctional facilities and persons in all other types of group quarters. Counts for the former can change substantially from year-to-year, such as when facilities expand or contract, are closed, or new ones are built. We have a complete series of inmate counts in federal and state correctional facilities available for April 1 of all years from the Federal Bureau of Prisons and the Florida Department of Corrections. These were used to calculate the proportion of federal and state inmates out of the total population for each year between 2010 and 2020. For persons in other types of group quarters, we interpolated their proportions of total population between 2010 and 2020. Adding the proportions of federal and state inmates to the proportions of persons in all other types of group quarters gives us the overall proportion of the group quarters population out of total population for each year. Subtracting that proportion from total population provides estimates of the population in households.

To calculate average household size for 2011–2019, we used data from two main sources: the American Community Survey (ACS) and Internal Revenue Service (IRS). The ACS includes both 1-year and 5-year data. The 1-year data are timelier than the 5-year data, but they are only available for larger counties and can fluctuate substantially from year-to-year. Because of these limitations, we focused on the 5-year ACS data, which are collected over a 5-year period. We used the middle year of each 5-year period as a stand-in for the estimate year (e.g., 2009–2013 for 2011). While the 5-year ACS data provide PPH estimates that are more stable than those from the 1-year ACS, they still include a fair amount of noise, especially for smaller counties. In counties where the ACS data looked less reliable, we made certain adjustments, which are described in the Methodology section below.

To supplement the ACS data, we also used county income tax statistics from the IRS. Through tax year 2017, the IRS data included the number of exemptions per tax return, which can be used as a proxy indicator to calculate average household size. Starting in tax year 2018, IRS Form 1040 underwent a major redesign, and personal exemption deductions were suspended. However, since the filing status

and dependent filer information are still available, one can calculate PPH using the number of individuals per return, which is included in the more recent IRS data.

We note that while the ACS includes direct estimates of average household size, because of different residence rules and reference periods, the PPH values in the ACS do not always correspond closely to those in the decennial census. Therefore, similar to the IRS data, the ACS data are best used as a proxy for changes in average household size over periods of time. For that purpose, we scaled the PPH values provided by the ACS and IRS for 2010 and 2020 to the respective 2010 and 2020 census counts; PPH values for the intermediate years were scaled accordingly. The 2020 census only includes average household size at the national and state level; consequently, we had to derive PPH for counties by dividing the population not in group quarters by the number of occupied housing units.

Methodology

We created four data series, each controlled to the 2010 and 2020 census PPH values for their respective counties. The first series provided trends in PPH based on the 5-year ACS data (Model 1); the second series provided trends in PPH based on the IRS data (Model 2); and the third series was a linear interpolation between then 2010 and 2020 census PPH values (Model 3). The fourth series (Model 4) provided us with our final PPH estimates; it was a custom average of Models 1–3, with weights for each of the three series that varied by county.

For Model 4, we measured the fluctuation of the PPH estimates in the ACS and IRS data from year-to-year. Counties that showed greater fluctuations – as a proportion of the PPH change from the previous year – received lower weights for that respective series. That is, the data that appeared to be more reliable in a county were emphasized over the weaker data. Model 3, the data series based on an interpolation of the 2010 and 2020 census values, was weighted as a residual of the ACS and IRS weights. Therefore, in counties where the trend in PPH based on the ACS and/or IRS data appeared to be reliable, the interpolation weight was lower on average. Conversely, in counties where the trend in PPH based on the ACS and/or IRS data appeared less reliable, the interpolation weight was comparatively higher.

Overall, the IRS data exhibited less fluctuation and noise than the ACS data. Accordingly, we initially set slightly lower county target weights for the ACS data (10% to 35%)

compared to the IRS data (15% to 40%); the residual weights for the linear interpolation varied between 25% and 75%. In the following counties, where the ACS and/or IRS data appeared too noisy, we increased the interpolation weight above 75 percent: Lafeyette (95%), Calhoun (89%), Dixie (88%), Baker (85%), Liberty (85%), DeSoto (84%), Gulf (80%), Franklin (79%), and Columbia (76%). We also made minor adjustments to the weights in Bradford, Gilchrist, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Miami-Dade, Sumter, and Washington counties. For the remaining 48 counties, we went with the weights produced by our custom method in Model 4.

After creating the PPH estimates for each county, we estimated the number of households by dividing the population in households by average household size. Estimates of the number of households for counties were added up to yield estimates of the number of households for the state. From these, we calculated average household size for Florida by dividing the population in households by the number of households.

Households

There were 8,529,067 households in Florida on April 1, 2020, an increase of 1,108,255 (14.9%) since April 1, 2010. At mid-decade, on April 1, 2015, we estimate that there were 7,752,507 households in Florida, an increase of 331,695 since April 1, 2010. The second half of the decade showed stronger growth, with an estimated increase of 776,560 households between April 1, 2015 and April 1, 2020. The growth patterns for households largely mirror those of Florida's total population, which also experienced stronger growth in the second half of the 2010s (BEBR Special Population Report #11).

The number of households was largest in Miami-Dade County each year between 2010–2020, followed by Broward, Palm Beach, Hillsborough, Orange, Pinellas, and Duval counties. Conversely, the following six counties had fewer than 5,000 households each year: Liberty, Lafayette, Union, Franklin, Glades, and Hamilton. In percentage terms, the largest increases between 2010–2020 occurred in Sumter (52.1%), Osceola (44.1%), St. Johns (38.9%), Walton (34.4%), Lake (29.4%), Nassau (24.7%), and Manatee (24.1%) counties. Glades (-6.2%), Calhoun (-5.5%), Hardee (-2.3%), Jackson (-1.9%), Madison (-1.5%), Liberty (-1.3%), Dixie (-1.1%), Holmes (-1.0%), Gadsden (-0.9%), and Bradford (-0.2%) counties all experienced a decline in households from 2010 to 2020.

Average Household Size

Florida's average household size declined substantially between 1950 and 1990, falling from 3.22 to 2.46. This decline was caused by falling birth rates, increasing divorce rates, a rising age at first marriage, and a substantial increase in Florida's older population. It remained constant between 1990 and 2000 before rising slightly to 2.48 in 2010 and declining again to 2.47 in 2020. This turnaround was caused by a leveling off of birth and divorce rates, and by shifts in Florida's demographic composition. Slightly more than half of Florida counties (39 out of 67) experienced a decrease in average household size between 2010–2020. These declines are associated with the aging of the population and are expected to continue for some time. Statewide, average household size increased modestly in the first half of the decade, peaking at 2.51 persons per household in 2015–2017, which was driven by increases in the largest counties; it declined after 2017 to reach 2.47 persons per household in 2020.

Average household size varies considerably among counties in Florida. In 2020, it was largest in Hendry (2.95), Osceola (2.95), Hardee (2.91), Baker (2.77), and Miami-Dade (2.75) counties, and smallest in Sumter (1.93), Pinellas (2.12), Charlotte (2.13), Sarasota (2.13), and Citrus (2.17) counties. While Sumter County's average household size of 1.93 in 2020 was the smallest in the decade, average household size peaked in 2011 and 2012 in Hardee County at 3.13 persons per household.

In general, average household size tends to be higher for Black than White households, for Hispanic than non-Hispanic households, and for households headed by young or middle-aged persons than for households headed by older persons. Although there is not a perfect correlation, the counties in Florida with the largest average household sizes tend to have low proportions of older residents and high proportions of Black or Hispanic residents, whereas counties with the smallest average household sizes tend to have high proportions of older residents and low proportions of Black and Hispanic residents.

Acknowledgement

Table 1. Number of Households in Florida and Its Counties, 2010–2015

State and County	Households Census 2010	Estimate 2011	Estimate 2012	Estimate 2013	Estimate 2014	Estimate 2015
FLORIDA *	7,420,812	7,446,879	7,494,802	7,555,419	7,644,858	7,752,507
Alachua	100,516	100,562	100,708	101,258	102,238	103,709
Baker	8,772	8,736	8,754	8,715	8,748	8,734
Bay	68,438	68,022	67,783	67,798	67,864	68,489
Bradford	9,479	9,415	9,389	9,335	9,357	9,377
Brevard	229,692	230,668	231,617	232,329	234,161	237,597
Broward	686,047	685,549	688,912	690,801	696,509	702,232
Calhoun	5,061	5,024	4,987	4,957	4,909	4,894
Charlotte	73,370	73,645	74,480	74,787	75,457	76,734
Citrus	63,304	63,638	63,903	64,147	64,539	65,040
Clay	68,792	68,986	69,338	69,751	71,181	72,386
Collier	133,179	133,731	135,445	136,883	138,496	141,177
Columbia	24,941	24,939	24,949	24,896	25,005	25,166
DeSoto	11,445	11,401	11,291	11,255	11,262	11,340
Dixie	6,316	6,317	6,282	6,258	6,272	6,236
Duval	342,450	343,410	345,982	349,140	353,922	360,027
Escambia	116,238	116,311	116,379	117,121	118,232	119,770
Flagler	39,186	39,410	39,758	40,315	41,061	42,146
Franklin	4,254	4,274	4,294	4,355	4,402	4,477
Gadsden	16,952	16,993	16,926	16,917	16,947	16,993
Gilchrist	6,121	6,156	6,147	6,127	6,115	6,152
Glades	4,533	4,450	4,343	4,276	4,262	4,249
Gulf	5,335	5,320	5,293	5,319	5,396	5,395
Hamilton	4,617	4,657	4,666	4,663	4,657	4,655
Hardee	8,245	8,149	8,083	8,039	7,985	7,946
Hendry	12,025	11,964	11,879	11,881	11,912	11,919
Hernando	71,745	71,955	72,098	72,423	72,958	73,793
Highlands	42,604	42,461	42,340	42,322	42,388	42,539
Hillsborough	474,030	475,334	478,999	486,048	495,203	503,451
Holmes	7,354	7,335	7,306	7,292	7,288	7,269
Indian River	60,176	60,665	61,030	61,538	62,180	63,094
Jackson	17,417	17,432	17,173	17,317	17,362	17,397
Jefferson	5,646	5,639	5,649	5,666	5,700	5,709
Lafayette	2,580	2,591	2,606	2,608	2,620	2,629
Lake	121,289	122,811	124,279	126,352	129,620	133,409

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State and County	Households					
	Census 2010	Estimate 2011	Estimate 2012	Estimate 2013	Estimate 2014	Estimate 2015
Lee	259,818	261,411	265,747	268,831	273,153	278,623
Leon	110,945	111,044	111,258	111,130	111,852	113,095
Levy	16,404	16,396	16,428	16,430	16,491	16,618
Liberty	2,525	2,526	2,508	2,491	2,487	2,497
Madison	6,985	6,923	6,850	6,874	6,852	6,844
Manatee	135,729	137,082	139,063	140,859	143,250	147,013
Marion	137,726	137,761	137,941	138,249	139,610	141,503
Martin	63,899	63,954	64,220	64,372	64,665	65,098
Miami-Dade *	867,362	868,409	871,353	875,672	882,612	892,301
Monroe	32,629	32,711	32,961	33,404	33,752	34,128
Nassau	28,794	29,177	29,364	29,787	30,273	31,026
Okaloosa	72,379	73,176	74,804	75,585	76,633	77,468
Okeechobee	14,013	13,897	13,895	13,791	13,746	13,827
Orange	421,847	425,986	432,614	442,415	452,466	460,775
Osceola	90,603	92,433	94,811	97,510	100,151	104,262
Palm Beach	544,227	545,976	548,979	552,417	556,764	561,793
Pasco	189,612	190,632	192,237	194,353	196,868	200,796
Pinellas	415,876	415,179	414,268	414,761	417,643	420,484
Polk	227,485	228,028	229,034	231,321	234,440	238,312
Putnam	29,409	29,082	28,763	28,592	28,497	28,618
St. Johns	75,338	77,061	78,986	81,236	83,702	86,246
St. Lucie	108,523	109,940	110,939	111,463	112,331	114,139
Santa Rosa	56,910	57,769	58,180	59,098	60,014	61,124
Sarasota	175,746	176,662	177,826	178,817	179,421	181,125
Seminole	164,706	164,365	164,769	165,988	168,045	170,096
Sumter	41,361	43,007	44,561	46,694	49,315	51,396
Suwannee	15,953	15,878	15,826	15,774	15,704	15,723
Taylor	7,920	7,907	7,884	7,914	7,971	7,957
Union	4,048	4,056	4,079	4,096	4,136	4,202
Volusia	208,236	208,621	209,163	209,796	212,071	214,775
Wakulla	10,490	10,536	10,662	10,592	10,698	10,851
Walton	22,301	22,477	22,949	23,440	24,249	24,850
Washington	8,864	8,867	8,812	8,778	8,788	8,812

* Includes Census corrections as of February 11, 2014

Table 2. Number of Households in Florida and Its Counties, 2015–2020

State and County	Households					
	Estimate 2015	Estimate 2016	Estimate 2017	Estimate 2018	Estimate 2019	Census 2020
FLORIDA	7,752,507	7,878,015	7,999,853	8,152,962	8,344,584	8,529,067
Alachua	103,709	104,613	105,881	108,176	110,419	112,723
Baker	8,734	8,687	8,721	8,807	8,973	9,087
Bay	68,489	69,211	70,220	71,335	68,423	70,134
Bradford	9,377	9,409	9,434	9,405	9,455	9,462
Brevard	237,597	239,916	242,861	246,122	251,887	257,026
Broward	702,232	711,882	720,367	733,333	747,184	756,657
Calhoun	4,894	4,885	4,933	4,937	4,738	4,784
Charlotte	76,734	78,132	79,289	81,287	83,448	85,846
Citrus	65,040	65,878	66,424	67,289	68,231	69,438
Clay	72,386	73,759	74,972	76,199	77,339	78,939
Collier	141,177	143,725	146,408	149,555	153,492	157,921
Columbia	25,166	25,344	25,475	25,703	26,085	26,424
DeSoto	11,340	11,422	11,502	11,573	11,678	11,941
Dixie	6,236	6,263	6,256	6,188	6,226	6,248
Duval	360,027	367,777	373,080	381,321	390,999	399,759
Escambia	119,770	120,874	122,187	123,896	125,952	128,160
Flagler	42,146	43,112	44,148	45,318	46,901	48,450
Franklin	4,477	4,561	4,718	4,801	4,852	4,947
Gadsden	16,993	16,976	16,919	17,005	16,718	16,806
Gilchrist	6,152	6,217	6,237	6,307	6,401	6,551
Glades	4,249	4,245	4,206	4,170	4,172	4,250
Gulf	5,395	5,469	5,496	5,593	5,436	5,571
Hamilton	4,655	4,646	4,636	4,645	4,626	4,690
Hardee	7,946	7,898	7,893	7,876	7,986	8,059
Hendry	11,919	11,965	12,098	12,198	12,407	12,644
Hernando	73,793	74,833	75,883	77,114	78,410	79,773
Highlands	42,539	42,857	43,085	43,321	43,764	44,376
Hillsborough	503,451	513,292	521,471	532,468	547,827	559,949
Holmes	7,269	7,300	7,327	7,312	7,302	7,282
Indian River	63,094	64,294	65,464	67,142	69,114	71,177
Jackson	17,397	17,441	17,470	17,510	17,086	17,083
Jefferson	5,709	5,739	5,748	5,781	5,804	5,816
Lafayette	2,629	2,632	2,663	2,675	2,725	2,727
Lake	133,409	137,342	140,940	145,598	152,498	156,923

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and County	Estimate 2015	Estimate 2016	Estimate 2017	Estimate 2018	Estimate 2019	Census 2020
Lee	278,623	285,066	291,157	299,037	309,043	318,303
Leon	113,095	113,856	114,340	116,185	118,464	121,085
Levy	16,618	16,772	17,019	17,219	17,415	17,756
Liberty	2,497	2,521	2,524	2,537	2,513	2,491
Madison	6,844	6,845	6,863	6,897	6,927	6,877
Manatee	147,013	150,697	154,786	159,005	163,569	168,437
Marion	141,503	143,793	145,845	149,414	152,784	156,906
Martin	65,098	65,237	65,775	66,372	67,834	68,750
Miami-Dade	892,301	906,598	921,458	935,230	953,705	967,414
Monroe	34,128	34,988	35,461	34,859	35,633	36,436
Nassau	31,026	31,641	32,652	33,628	34,464	35,919
Okaloosa	77,468	78,130	79,074	80,332	82,548	83,957
Okeechobee	13,827	13,961	14,000	14,058	14,363	14,433
Orange	460,775	470,541	479,510	491,839	504,294	519,437
Osceola	104,262	108,731	113,562	118,935	124,760	130,574
Palm Beach	561,793	568,411	577,188	584,867	597,780	607,880
Pasco	200,796	204,705	208,354	212,374	218,934	225,214
Pinellas	420,484	423,554	425,664	430,736	437,746	442,789
Polk	238,312	243,248	248,344	254,828	262,818	272,418
Putnam	28,618	28,734	28,947	29,064	29,147	29,569
St. Johns	86,246	88,908	91,977	95,188	100,616	104,640
St. Lucie	114,139	116,492	118,267	120,784	124,558	128,997
Santa Rosa	61,124	62,345	64,059	65,619	67,316	69,454
Sarasota	181,125	183,670	186,010	190,550	195,203	200,211
Seminole	170,096	172,557	174,727	177,621	180,669	182,420
Sumter	51,396	53,032	54,228	56,002	58,078	62,907
Suwannee	15,723	15,709	15,739	16,002	16,246	16,385
Taylor	7,957	7,934	8,000	8,055	8,118	8,138
Union	4,202	4,197	4,185	4,216	4,226	4,271
Volusia	214,775	217,123	219,164	221,838	227,188	232,301
Wakulla	10,851	10,990	11,180	11,359	11,524	11,970
Walton	24,850	25,604	26,495	27,412	28,557	29,981
Washington	8,812	8,829	8,887	8,940	8,986	9,124

Table 3. Average Household Size in Florida and Its Counties, 2010–2015

State	Average Household Size					
	Census	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
and County	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
FLORIDA	2.48	2.49	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.51
Alachua	2.32	2.33	2.34	2.35	2.35	2.36
Baker	2.82	2.82	2.81	2.81	2.81	2.81
Bay	2.41	2.43	2.45	2.46	2.47	2.48
Bradford	2.53	2.54	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.54
Brevard	2.33	2.33	2.34	2.35	2.35	2.35
Broward	2.52	2.54	2.56	2.57	2.58	2.59
Calhoun	2.52	2.52	2.51	2.51	2.51	2.51
Charlotte	2.14	2.14	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.15
Citrus	2.20	2.19	2.18	2.18	2.18	2.18
Clay	2.76	2.76	2.77	2.77	2.76	2.76
Collier	2.38	2.39	2.39	2.39	2.38	2.38
Columbia	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.53	2.53	2.52
DeSoto	2.71	2.70	2.69	2.68	2.67	2.66
Dixie	2.37	2.37	2.37	2.37	2.37	2.37
Duval	2.47	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.49	2.49
Escambia	2.41	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.42	2.41
Flagler	2.42	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.43	2.42
Franklin	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.28	2.28	2.28
Gadsden	2.61	2.60	2.59	2.58	2.56	2.55
Gilchrist	2.58	2.57	2.57	2.58	2.59	2.59
Glades	2.52	2.51	2.51	2.51	2.50	2.48
Gulf	2.33	2.33	2.34	2.34	2.34	2.35
Hamilton	2.54	2.52	2.51	2.50	2.50	2.50
Hardee	3.12	3.13	3.13	3.11	3.10	3.09
Hendry	3.09	3.09	3.10	3.08	3.06	3.06
Hernando	2.38	2.39	2.39	2.40	2.40	2.40
Highlands	2.28	2.28	2.29	2.29	2.29	2.29
Hillsborough	2.55	2.57	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.58
Holmes	2.47	2.47	2.47	2.46	2.46	2.45
Indian River	2.26	2.26	2.27	2.27	2.27	2.28
Jackson	2.40	2.40	2.41	2.41	2.40	2.40
Jefferson	2.38	2.37	2.36	2.35	2.33	2.32
Lafayette	2.63	2.61	2.59	2.58	2.57	2.55
Lake	2.42	2.42	2.43	2.44	2.44	2.44

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State	Average Household Size					
and County	Census 2010	Estimate 2011	Estimate 2012	Estimate 2013	Estimate 2014	Estimate 2015
Lee	2.35	2.37	2.37	2.38	2.38	2.39
Leon	2.35	2.35	2.36	2.37	2.37	2.36
Levy	2.45	2.45	2.45	2.46	2.46	2.45
Liberty	2.57	2.56	2.55	2.54	2.54	2.53
Madison	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.47	2.45	2.43
Manatee	2.34	2.35	2.35	2.36	2.36	2.36
Marion	2.35	2.36	2.37	2.38	2.38	2.38
Martin	2.23	2.23	2.23	2.24	2.24	2.24
Miami-Dade	2.83	2.84	2.86	2.86	2.86	2.86
Monroe	2.18	2.19	2.20	2.21	2.22	2.22
Nassau	2.53	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.50
Okaloosa	2.43	2.43	2.44	2.45	2.46	2.46
Okeechobee	2.68	2.68	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.65
Orange	2.64	2.65	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.68
Osceola	2.93	2.95	2.96	2.97	2.98	2.99
Palm Beach	2.39	2.40	2.41	2.42	2.43	2.44
Pasco	2.42	2.43	2.44	2.45	2.46	2.46
Pinellas	2.16	2.16	2.17	2.17	2.17	2.17
Polk	2.59	2.61	2.63	2.64	2.64	2.65
Putnam	2.48	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50
St. Johns	2.49	2.50	2.50	2.52	2.53	2.54
St. Lucie	2.53	2.53	2.53	2.54	2.55	2.55
Santa Rosa	2.59	2.59	2.60	2.60	2.61	2.61
Sarasota	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.13	2.14
Seminole	2.55	2.56	2.58	2.58	2.57	2.57
Sumter	2.04	2.03	2.02	2.01	2.00	1.99
Suwannee	2.52	2.53	2.54	2.54	2.55	2.55
Taylor	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.43	2.42	2.42
Union	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66	2.66
Volusia	2.31	2.32	2.32	2.33	2.33	2.33
Wakulla	2.61	2.61	2.59	2.59	2.59	2.58
Walton	2.38	2.39	2.41	2.41	2.41	2.41
Washington	2.50	2.51	2.51	2.52	2.52	2.52

Table 4. Average Household Size in Florida and Its Counties, 2015–2020

State	Average Household Size					
and County	Estimate 2015	Estimate 2016	Estimate 2017	Estimate 2018	Estimate 2019	Census 2020
FLORIDA	2.51	2.51	2.51	2.50	2.48	2.47
Alachua	2.36	2.36	2.36	2.34	2.33	2.31
Baker	2.81	2.80	2.80	2.79	2.78	2.77
Bay	2.48	2.48	2.48	2.47	2.46	2.45
Bradford	2.54	2.53	2.53	2.53	2.53	2.53
Brevard	2.35	2.35	2.35	2.35	2.34	2.33
Broward	2.59	2.59	2.59	2.58	2.56	2.55
Calhoun	2.51	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.49	2.48
Charlotte	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.14	2.13
Citrus	2.18	2.18	2.18	2.18	2.18	2.17
Clay	2.76	2.75	2.75	2.75	2.74	2.73
Collier	2.38	2.38	2.38	2.38	2.36	2.35
Columbia	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.51	2.50
DeSoto	2.66	2.65	2.64	2.62	2.60	2.58
Dixie	2.37	2.38	2.38	2.38	2.38	2.38
Duval	2.49	2.48	2.48	2.47	2.45	2.43
Escambia	2.41	2.41	2.41	2.40	2.39	2.37
Flagler	2.42	2.41	2.40	2.39	2.37	2.36
Franklin	2.28	2.27	2.26	2.25	2.24	2.22
Gadsden	2.55	2.55	2.54	2.52	2.51	2.48
Gilchrist	2.59	2.59	2.60	2.59	2.59	2.57
Glades	2.48	2.47	2.46	2.44	2.42	2.40
Gulf	2.35	2.35	2.34	2.33	2.33	2.33
Hamilton	2.50	2.50	2.49	2.48	2.48	2.47
Hardee	3.09	3.08	3.06	3.03	2.97	2.91
Hendry	3.06	3.05	3.04	3.02	2.99	2.95
Hernando	2.40	2.41	2.41	2.41	2.41	2.41
Highlands	2.29	2.28	2.28	2.27	2.26	2.25
Hillsborough	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.56	2.55
Holmes	2.45	2.45	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.44
Indian River	2.28	2.28	2.28	2.26	2.24	2.22
Jackson	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.39	2.39	2.39
Jefferson	2.32	2.32	2.32	2.32	2.32	2.32
Lafayette	2.55	2.53	2.51	2.49	2.47	2.45
Lake	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.42	2.42

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| | Average Household Size | | | | | |
State and County	Estimate 2015	Estimate 2016	Estimate 2017	Estimate 2018	Estimate 2019	Census 2020
Lee	2.39	2.39	2.39	2.38	2.37	2.35
Leon	2.36	2.36	2.36	2.34	2.32	2.29
Levy	2.45	2.44	2.44	2.42	2.42	2.40
Liberty	2.53	2.51	2.51	2.49	2.48	2.45
Madison	2.43	2.43	2.41	2.39	2.38	2.36
Manatee	2.36	2.36	2.36	2.35	2.34	2.34
Marion	2.38	2.38	2.38	2.36	2.35	2.33
Martin	2.24	2.25	2.26	2.26	2.24	2.24
Miami-Dade	2.86	2.85	2.83	2.81	2.78	2.75
Monroe	2.22	2.22	2.23	2.24	2.25	2.25
Nassau	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.49
Okaloosa	2.46	2.47	2.49	2.49	2.47	2.47
Okeechobee	2.65	2.64	2.63	2.61	2.58	2.56
Orange	2.68	2.68	2.70	2.70	2.70	2.68
Osceola	2.99	2.99	2.99	2.98	2.97	2.95
Palm Beach	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.44	2.42	2.41
Pasco	2.46	2.46	2.47	2.48	2.46	2.46
Pinellas	2.17	2.17	2.17	2.16	2.14	2.12
Polk	2.65	2.65	2.65	2.64	2.62	2.60
Putnam	2.50	2.49	2.48	2.46	2.46	2.44
St. Johns	2.54	2.56	2.58	2.59	2.59	2.58
St. Lucie	2.55	2.55	2.56	2.56	2.54	2.53
Santa Rosa	2.61	2.63	2.63	2.63	2.63	2.62
Sarasota	2.14	2.15	2.15	2.15	2.13	2.13
Seminole	2.57	2.57	2.56	2.56	2.55	2.55
Sumter	1.99	1.98	1.98	1.96	1.94	1.93
Suwannee	2.55	2.55	2.55	2.53	2.51	2.49
Taylor	2.42	2.41	2.40	2.39	2.38	2.37
Union	2.66	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.66
Volusia	2.33	2.33	2.34	2.34	2.32	2.31
Wakulla	2.58	2.58	2.58	2.57	2.56	2.54
Walton	2.41	2.43	2.44	2.44	2.43	2.43
Washington	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.52	2.51

Table 5. Change in Households and Average Household Size (PPH) in Florida and Its Counties, 2010–2020

| State | Numerical Change | | | | Percentage Change | | | |
| | Households | | PPH | | Households | | PPH | |
and County	2010–15	2015–20	2010–15	2015–20	2010–15	2015–20	2010–15	2015–20
FLORIDA *	331,695	776,560	0.03	-0.04	4.5	10.0	1.2	-1.6
Alachua	3,193	9,014	0.04	-0.05	3.2	8.7	1.7	-2.1
Baker	-38	353	-0.01	-0.04	-0.4	4.0	-0.4	-1.4
Bay	51	1,645	0.07	-0.03	0.1	2.4	2.9	-1.2
Bradford	-102	85	0.01	-0.01	-1.1	0.9	0.4	-0.4
Brevard	7,905	19,429	0.02	-0.02	3.4	8.2	0.9	-0.9
Broward	16,185	54,425	0.07	-0.04	2.4	7.8	2.8	-1.5
Calhoun	-167	-110	-0.01	-0.03	-3.3	-2.2	-0.4	-1.2
Charlotte	3,364	9,112	0.01	-0.02	4.6	11.9	0.5	-0.9
Citrus	1,736	4,398	-0.02	-0.01	2.7	6.8	-0.9	-0.5
Clay	3,594	6,553	0.00	-0.03	5.2	9.1	0.0	-1.1
Collier	7,998	16,744	0.00	-0.03	6.0	11.9	0.0	-1.3
Columbia	225	1,258	0.00	-0.02	0.9	5.0	0.0	-0.8
DeSoto	-105	601	-0.05	-0.08	-0.9	5.3	-1.8	-3.0
Dixie	-80	12	0.00	0.01	-1.3	0.2	0.0	0.4
Duval	17,577	39,732	0.02	-0.06	5.1	11.0	0.8	-2.4
Escambia	3,532	8,390	0.00	-0.04	3.0	7.0	0.0	-1.7
Flagler	2,960	6,304	0.00	-0.06	7.6	15.0	0.0	-2.5
Franklin	223	470	-0.01	-0.06	5.2	10.5	-0.4	-2.6
Gadsden	41	-187	-0.06	-0.07	0.2	-1.1	-2.3	-2.7
Gilchrist	31	399	0.01	-0.02	0.5	6.5	0.4	-0.8
Glades	-284	1	-0.04	-0.08	-6.3	0.0	-1.6	-3.2
Gulf	60	176	0.02	-0.02	1.1	3.3	0.9	-0.9
Hamilton	38	35	-0.04	-0.03	0.8	0.8	-1.6	-1.2
Hardee	-299	113	-0.03	-0.18	-3.6	1.4	-1.0	-5.8
Hendry	-106	725	-0.03	-0.11	-0.9	6.1	-1.0	-3.6
Hernando	2,048	5,980	0.02	0.01	2.9	8.1	0.8	0.4
Highlands	-65	1,837	0.01	-0.04	-0.2	4.3	0.4	-1.7
Hillsborough	29,421	56,498	0.03	-0.03	6.2	11.2	1.2	-1.2
Holmes	-85	13	-0.02	-0.01	-1.2	0.2	-0.8	-0.4
Indian River	2,918	8,083	0.02	-0.06	4.8	12.8	0.9	-2.6
Jackson	-20	-314	0.00	-0.01	-0.1	-1.8	0.0	-0.4
Jefferson	63	107	-0.06	0.00	1.1	1.9	-2.5	0.0
Lafayette	49	98	-0.08	-0.10	1.9	3.7	-3.0	-3.9
Lake	12,120	23,514	0.02	-0.02	10.0	17.6	0.8	-0.8

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State and County	Numerical Change				Percentage Change			
	Households		PPH		Households		PPH	
	2010–15	2015–20	2010–15	2015–20	2010–15	2015–20	2010–15	2015–20
Lee	18,805	39,680	0.04	-0.04	7.2	14.2	1.7	-1.7
Leon	2,150	7,990	0.01	-0.07	1.9	7.1	0.4	-3.0
Levy	214	1,138	0.00	-0.05	1.3	6.8	0.0	-2.0
Liberty	-28	-6	-0.04	-0.08	-1.1	-0.2	-1.6	-3.2
Madison	-141	33	-0.05	-0.07	-2.0	0.5	-2.0	-2.9
Manatee	11,284	21,424	0.02	-0.02	8.3	14.6	0.9	-0.8
Marion	3,777	15,403	0.03	-0.05	2.7	10.9	1.3	-2.1
Martin	1,199	3,652	0.01	0.00	1.9	5.6	0.4	0.0
Miami-Dade *	24,939	75,113	0.03	-0.11	2.9	8.4	1.1	-3.8
Monroe	1,499	2,308	0.04	0.03	4.6	6.8	1.8	1.4
Nassau	2,232	4,893	-0.03	-0.01	7.8	15.8	-1.2	-0.4
Okaloosa	5,089	6,489	0.03	0.01	7.0	8.4	1.2	0.4
Okeechobee	-186	606	-0.03	-0.09	-1.3	4.4	-1.1	-3.4
Orange	38,928	58,662	0.04	0.00	9.2	12.7	1.5	0.0
Osceola	13,659	26,312	0.06	-0.04	15.1	25.2	2.0	-1.3
Palm Beach	17,566	46,087	0.05	-0.03	3.2	8.2	2.1	-1.2
Pasco	11,184	24,418	0.04	0.00	5.9	12.2	1.7	0.0
Pinellas	4,608	22,305	0.01	-0.05	1.1	5.3	0.5	-2.3
Polk	10,827	34,106	0.06	-0.05	4.8	14.3	2.3	-1.9
Putnam	-791	951	0.02	-0.06	-2.7	3.3	0.8	-2.4
St. Johns	10,908	18,394	0.05	0.04	14.5	21.3	2.0	1.6
St. Lucie	5,616	14,858	0.02	-0.02	5.2	13.0	0.8	-0.8
Santa Rosa	4,214	8,330	0.02	0.01	7.4	13.6	0.8	0.4
Sarasota	5,379	19,086	0.01	-0.01	3.1	10.5	0.5	-0.5
Seminole	5,390	12,324	0.02	-0.02	3.3	7.2	0.8	-0.8
Sumter	10,035	11,511	-0.05	-0.06	24.3	22.4	-2.5	-3.0
Suwannee	-230	662	0.03	-0.06	-1.4	4.2	1.2	-2.4
Taylor	37	181	-0.02	-0.05	0.5	2.3	-0.8	-2.1
Union	154	69	0.00	0.00	3.8	1.6	0.0	0.0
Volusia	6,539	17,526	0.02	-0.02	3.1	8.2	0.9	-0.9
Wakulla	361	1,119	-0.03	-0.04	3.4	10.3	-1.1	-1.6
Walton	2,549	5,131	0.03	0.02	11.4	20.6	1.3	0.8
Washington	-52	312	0.02	-0.01	-0.6	3.5	0.8	-0.4

* Includes Census corrections as of February 11, 2014