

Alachua County

Located in northern Florida; bounded on the north by the Santa Fe River; includes many lakes. Covers a land area of 874.20 square miles, a water area of 94.90 square miles, and is located in the Eastern Time Zone. The county government was organized in 1824. County seat is Gainesville.

Alachua County is part of the Gainesville, FL Metropolitan Statistical Area. The entire metro area includes: Alachua County, FL; Gilchrist County, FL

Weather Station: High Springs												Elevation: 62 feet		
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec		
High	68	72	78	83	89	92	93	92	90	83	77	71		
Low	40	43	49	53	62	69	71	71	68	58	49	43		
Precip	4.4	3.8	4.5	3.4	3.8	6.8	7.3	8.2	4.4	3.1	2.2	2.7		
Snow	tr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0		

High and Low temperatures in degrees Fahrenheit; Precipitation and Snow in inches

Population: 181,596 (1990); 217,955 (2000); 231,663 (2004); 248,973 (2009 projected); Race: 71.5% White, 21.3% Black, 3.5% Asian, 5.6% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 265.0 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.50 (2004); Median age: 30.5 (2004); Male/female ratio: 95.5 (2004).

Religion: Five largest groups: 11.2% Southern Baptist Convention, 7.3% Catholic Church, 5.4% The United Methodist Church, 1.1% Episcopal Church, 1.1% Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) (2000).

Economy: Unemployment rate: 2.5% (2004); Total civilian labor force: 118,613 (2004); Leading industries: 20.8% health care and social assistance; 16.6% retail trade; 11.9% accommodation & food services (2003); Companies that employ 500 or more persons: 8 (2003); Companies that employ 100 to 499 persons: 117 (2003); Companies that employ less than 100 persons: 5,242 (2003); Farms: 1,493 totaling 222,728 acres (2002); Minority business ownership rate: 11.4% (1997); Women business ownership rate: 36.2% (1997); Retail sales per capita: \$9,791 (1997). Single-family building permits issued: 1,328 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 681 (2004).

Income: Per capita income: \$20,878 (2004); Median household income: \$33,852 (2004); Average household income: \$50,640 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 10.9% (2004); Poverty rate: 15.1% (2002); Bankruptcy rate: 2.98% (2004).

Taxes: Total county taxes per capita: \$356 (2002); County property taxes per capita: \$324 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 88.3% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 39.4% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 19.2% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 54.9% (2004); Median home value: \$117,597 (2004); Median rent: \$465 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 20 years (2000).

Health: Birth rate: 114.5 per 10,000 population (2004); Death rate: 72.0 per 10,000 population (2004); Age adjusted cancer mortality rate: 207.5 deaths per 100,000 population (2002); Air Quality Index: 90.4% good, 9.6% moderate, 0.0% unhealthy for sensitive individuals, 0.0% unhealthy (percent of days in 2004); Number of physicians: 76.7 per 10,000 population (2001); Hospital beds: 74.9 per 10,000 population (2002); Hospital admissions: 2,916.6 per 10,000 population (2002).

Elections: 2004 Presidential election results: 42.9% Bush, 56.1% Kerry, 0.5% Nader, 0.3% Badnarik

National and State Parks: Devils Millhopper Geological State Park; Dudley Farm Historic State Park; Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Historic State Park; Paynes Prairie Preserve State Park; San Felasco Hammock Preserve State Park; Sunland Center State Park

Additional Information Contacts

Alachua County Government Offices	(352) 374-5210
Alachua Chamber of Commerce	(386) 462-3333
Fort White Chamber of Commerce	(386) 462-8277
Gainesville Alachua County Association of Realtors	(352) 332-8850
Gainesville Chamber of Commerce	(352) 334-7100
High Springs Chamber of Commerce	(386) 454-3120
Newberry Chamber of Commerce	(352) 472-6611

Alachua County Communities

ALACHUA (city). Covers a land area of 28.897 square miles and a water area of 0.153 square miles. Located at 29.77° N. Lat.; 82.48° W. Long. Elevation is 85 feet.

History: Alachua was founded in 1884 when the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad was built through the area. The town became a shipping point for tobacco, cotton, and winter vegetables, and later for watermelons.

Population: 4,825 (1990); 6,098 (2000); 6,549 (2004); 7,083 (2009 projected); Race: 67.9% White, 28.5% Black, 1.2% Asian, 3.6% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 226.6 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.56 (2004); Median age: 37.5 (2004); Male/female ratio: 88.2 (2004); Marriage status: 25.8% never married, 53.4% now married, 9.8% widowed, 11.1% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 3.3% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 35.0% Other groups, 12.6% Irish, 9.6% German, 8.3% English, 5.9% United States or American (2000).

Economy: Single-family building permits issued: 162 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 18 (2004); Employment by occupation: 10.7% management, 24.7% professional, 18.3% services, 28.0% sales, 1.2% farming, 6.0% construction, 11.1% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$21,055 (2004); Median household income: \$43,165 (2004); Average household income: \$53,691 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 10.8% (2004); Poverty rate: 16.0% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$319 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$180 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 83.0% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 27.1% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 11.0% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)

2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Housing: Homeownership rate: 77.0% (2004); Median home value: \$113,922 (2004); Median rent: \$299 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 17 years (2000).

Safety: Violent crime rate: 96.9 per 10,000 population; Property crime rate: 625.0 per 10,000 population (2003).

Transportation: Commute to work: 92.3% car, 0.0% public transportation, 1.7% walk, 3.9% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 20.1% less than 15 minutes, 39.6% 15 to 30 minutes, 32.2% 30 to 45 minutes, 4.2% 45 to 60 minutes, 3.9% 60 minutes or more (2000)

Additional Information Contacts

Alachua Chamber of Commerce	(386) 462-3333
Fort White Chamber of Commerce	(386) 462-8277
Local Government Offices	(386) 462-1231

ARCHER (city). Covers a land area of 2.375 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 29.53° N. Lat.; 82.52° W. Long. Elevation is 88 feet.

History: First called Deer Hammock, Archer was founded in 1859 and named for Brigadier General James J. Archer, a Confederate leader. Among the early settlers was a group of Quakers from Ohio, attracted by the citrus groves.

Population: 1,456 (1990); 1,289 (2000); 1,211 (2004); 1,192 (2009 projected); Race: 54.2% White, 44.3% Black, 0.1% Asian, 2.2% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 509.8 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.64 (2004); Median age: 33.4 (2004); Male/female ratio: 83.2 (2004); Marriage status: 29.6% never married, 46.5% now married, 10.1% widowed, 13.8% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 2.3% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 39.5% Other groups, 13.3% United States or American, 9.4% Irish, 7.6% English, 7.3% German (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 7.6% management, 13.6% professional, 24.9% services, 29.0% sales, 0.8% farming, 12.6% construction, 11.5% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$14,193 (2004); Median household income: \$30,368 (2004); Average household income: \$37,446 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 5.0% (2004); Poverty rate: 21.6% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 75.1% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 12.1% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 4.4% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)

2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Housing: Homeownership rate: 67.5% (2004); Median home value: \$70,685 (2004); Median rent: \$305 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 24 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 90.8% car, 0.0% public transportation, 2.7% walk, 2.3% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 12.8% less

than 15 minutes, 32.9% 15 to 30 minutes, 41.0% 30 to 45 minutes, 9.8% 45 to 60 minutes, 3.4% 60 minutes or more (2000)

GAINESVILLE (city). Covers a land area of 48.182 square miles and a water area of 0.921 square miles. Located at 29.66° N. Lat.; 82.33° W. Long. Elevation is 183 feet.

History: A settlement called Hog Town grew up around a trading post established here in 1830. The town was named Gainesville in 1853 for General Edmund P. Gaines, a Seminole War leader, and was settled by cotton planters from Georgia, Alabama, and the Carolinas. The University of Florida opened in 1853 in Gainesville, and in 1905 several State-supported schools were consolidated with it.

Population: 90,519 (1990); 95,447 (2000); 96,546 (2004); 98,536 (2009 projected); Race: 65.9% White, 26.0% Black, 4.2% Asian, 6.2% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 2,003.8 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.56 (2004); Median age: 28.1 (2004); Male/female ratio: 96.1 (2004); Marriage status: 49.1% never married, 37.1% now married, 4.7% widowed, 9.1% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 8.7% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 31.1% Other groups, 12.6% German, 10.7% Irish, 9.9% English, 5.6% United States or American (2000).

Economy: Unemployment rate: 3.0% (2004); Total civilian labor force: 53,814 (2004); Single-family building permits issued: 141 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 413 (2004); Employment by occupation: 10.7% management, 35.2% professional, 17.6% services, 26.3% sales, 0.3% farming, 4.4% construction, 5.5% production (2000). **Income:** Per capita income: \$18,469 (2004); Median household income: \$30,227 (2004); Average household income: \$45,621 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 9.1% (2004); Poverty rate: 26.7% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$292 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$131 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 87.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 43.3% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 22.4% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)
2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Four-year College(s)

City College Branch Campus
2003-04 Enrollment: 313 (352) 335-4000
2003-04 Tuition: In-state \$7,440; Out-of-state \$7,440
University of Florida (Public)
2003-04 Enrollment: 47,858 (352) 392-3261
2003-04 Tuition: In-state \$2,780; Out-of-state \$13,808

Two-year College(s)

Santa Fe Community College (Public)
2003-04 Enrollment: 13,865 (352) 395-5000
2003-04 Tuition: In-state \$1,338; Out-of-state \$4,986

Housing: Homeownership rate: 47.6% (2004); Median home value: \$109,793 (2004); Median rent: \$457 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 26 years (2000).

Hospitals: Malcom Randall VA Medical Center (323 beds); North Florida Regional Medical Center (278 beds); Shands at AGH (367 beds); Shands at Gainesville (40 beds); Shands at University of Florida (570 beds); Shands at Vista (81 beds)

Safety: Violent crime rate: 103.6 per 10,000 population; Property crime rate: 521.0 per 10,000 population (2003).

Newspapers: The Gainesville Sun (Circulation 48,467); The Record (General - Circulation 5,000)

Transportation: Commute to work: 82.0% car, 3.2% public transportation, 5.6% walk, 3.1% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 43.2% less than 15 minutes, 43.2% 15 to 30 minutes, 7.7% 30 to 45 minutes, 2.6% 45 to 60 minutes, 3.3% 60 minutes or more (2000); Amtrak: Service available.

Airports: Gainesville Regional (primary service)

Additional Information Contacts

Gainesville Alachua County Association of Realtors (352) 332-8850
Gainesville Chamber of Commerce (352) 334-7100

HAWTHORNE (city). Aka Hawthorn. Covers a land area of 3.203 square miles and a water area of 0.150 square miles. Located at 29.59° N. Lat.; 82.08° W. Long. Elevation is 153 feet.

History: Hawthorne was incorporated in 1890 and named for James M. Hawthorn (no "e"), the owner of the site.

Population: 1,495 (1990); 1,415 (2000); 1,318 (2004); 1,270 (2009 projected); Race: 45.4% White, 53.0% Black, 0.1% Asian, 1.1% Hispanic of

any race (2004); Density: 411.5 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.61 (2004); Median age: 38.1 (2004); Male/female ratio: 87.5 (2004); Marriage status: 25.6% never married, 47.9% now married, 13.5% widowed, 12.9% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 1.2% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 30.5% Other groups, 14.1% United States or American, 8.7% English, 7.9% Irish, 6.4% German (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 8.1% management, 17.7% professional, 24.4% services, 23.4% sales, 0.0% farming, 11.7% construction, 14.6% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$14,300 (2004); Median household income: \$28,250 (2004); Average household income: \$37,322 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 4.8% (2004); Poverty rate: 23.8% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 71.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 10.8% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 5.6% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)
2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Housing: Homeownership rate: 72.1% (2004); Median home value: \$69,885 (2004); Median rent: \$269 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 31 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 91.3% car, 2.0% public transportation, 3.7% walk, 2.4% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 21.8% less than 15 minutes, 19.8% 15 to 30 minutes, 34.0% 30 to 45 minutes, 17.3% 45 to 60 minutes, 7.1% 60 minutes or more (2000)

HIGH SPRINGS (city). Covers a land area of 18.454 square miles and a water area of 0.030 square miles. Located at 29.82° N. Lat.; 82.59° W. Long. Elevation is 69 feet.

History: High Springs began as a trading post in 1885, and was named for a hilltop spring. It grew as a center for an agricultural area where tobacco, corn, and peanuts were raised.

Population: 3,390 (1990); 3,863 (2000); 4,401 (2004); 5,069 (2009 projected); Race: 76.4% White, 21.2% Black, 0.3% Asian, 4.2% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 238.5 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.48 (2004); Median age: 39.9 (2004); Male/female ratio: 86.3 (2004); Marriage status: 20.1% never married, 55.2% now married, 10.6% widowed, 14.1% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 3.5% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 24.5% Other groups, 12.2% German, 11.6% English, 10.4% United States or American, 9.3% Irish (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 9.0% management, 22.4% professional, 16.8% services, 29.1% sales, 0.7% farming, 10.7% construction, 11.4% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,923 (2004); Median household income: \$38,344 (2004); Average household income: \$46,753 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 6.7% (2004); Poverty rate: 12.0% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 82.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 16.0% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 5.4% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)
2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Housing: Homeownership rate: 80.2% (2004); Median home value: \$87,206 (2004); Median rent: \$370 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 21 years (2000).

Safety: Violent crime rate: 42.8 per 10,000 population; Property crime rate: 283.0 per 10,000 population (2003).

Newspapers: The High Springs Herald (General - Circulation 5,000)

Transportation: Commute to work: 94.8% car, 0.4% public transportation, 1.1% walk, 2.0% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 19.7% less than 15 minutes, 32.1% 15 to 30 minutes, 34.1% 30 to 45 minutes, 11.1% 45 to 60 minutes, 3.0% 60 minutes or more (2000)

Additional Information Contacts

High Springs Chamber of Commerce (386) 454-3120

LA CROSSE (town). Covers a land area of 1.338 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 29.84° N. Lat.; 82.40° W. Long. Elevation is 46 feet.

Population: 122 (1990); 143 (2000); 145 (2004); 148 (2009 projected); Race: 80.0% White, 17.9% Black, 0.0% Asian, 8.3% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 108.3 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.30 (2004); Median age: 44.7 (2004); Male/female ratio: 107.1

(2004); Marriage status: 35.1% never married, 49.5% now married, 2.7% widowed, 12.6% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 32.3% Other groups, 16.2% United States or American, 10.8% German, 10.8% Irish, 4.6% French (except Basque) (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 0.0% management, 26.4% professional, 15.1% services, 22.6% sales, 3.8% farming, 11.3% construction, 20.8% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$14,466 (2004); Median household income: \$26,667 (2004); Average household income: \$33,294 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 1.6% (2004); Poverty rate: 28.5% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 67.0% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 13.4% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 5.4% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 87.3% (2004); Median home value: \$70,000 (2004); Median rent: \$n/a per month (2000); Median age of housing: 19 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 88.7% car, 0.0% public transportation, 5.7% walk, 5.7% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 26.0% less than 15 minutes, 28.0% 15 to 30 minutes, 16.0% 30 to 45 minutes, 24.0% 45 to 60 minutes, 6.0% 60 minutes or more (2000)

MICANOPY (town). Covers a land area of 1.034 square miles and a water area of 0.046 square miles. Located at 29.50° N. Lat.; 82.28° W. Long. Elevation is 125 feet.

History: Micanopy was named for the Seminole chief Micanope. Settlement began in 1817 when land was granted to Don Fernando de la Maza Arredondo of Cuba.

Population: 693 (1990); 653 (2000); 624 (2004); 587 (2009 projected); Race: 66.5% White, 30.8% Black, 0.3% Asian, 1.9% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 603.4 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.12 (2004); Median age: 43.8 (2004); Male/female ratio: 95.6 (2004); Marriage status: 24.0% never married, 48.6% now married, 12.6% widowed, 14.7% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 3.5% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 25.8% Other groups, 15.1% United States or American, 10.4% English, 7.9% German, 6.6% Irish (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 9.0% management, 26.5% professional, 18.7% services, 24.0% sales, 0.0% farming, 6.9% construction, 15.0% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$24,018 (2004); Median household income: \$33,056 (2004); Average household income: \$50,805 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 11.2% (2004); Poverty rate: 15.7% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 75.9% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 28.9% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 13.3% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)
2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Housing: Homeownership rate: 68.5% (2004); Median home value: \$84,615 (2004); Median rent: \$359 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 34 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 90.4% car, 0.0% public transportation, 1.6% walk, 4.5% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 13.4% less than 15 minutes, 54.4% 15 to 30 minutes, 26.2% 30 to 45 minutes, 2.3% 45 to 60 minutes, 3.7% 60 minutes or more (2000)

NEWBERRY (city). Covers a land area of 44.916 square miles and a water area of 1.055 square miles. Located at 29.64° N. Lat.; 82.60° W. Long. Elevation is 75 feet.

History: Newberry developed as a shipping center for the watermelons grown on nearby farms.

Population: 2,683 (1990); 3,316 (2000); 3,533 (2004); 3,809 (2009 projected); Race: 81.9% White, 16.1% Black, 0.3% Asian, 2.3% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 78.7 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.62 (2004); Median age: 35.6 (2004); Male/female ratio: 92.1 (2004); Marriage status: 22.3% never married, 56.9% now married, 7.9% widowed, 12.9% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 3.6% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 22.2% Other groups, 13.0% United States or American, 12.7% Irish, 11.9% English, 8.0% German (2000).

Economy: Single-family building permits issued: 101 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 0 (2004); Employment by occupation: 9.1% management, 16.6% professional, 16.0% services, 30.6% sales, 0.6% farming, 15.2% construction, 11.9% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$17,068 (2004); Median household income: \$35,504 (2004); Average household income: \$44,634 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 7.1% (2004); Poverty rate: 12.8% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 79.3% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 13.6% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 4.5% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)
2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Housing: Homeownership rate: 80.7% (2004); Median home value: \$92,254 (2004); Median rent: \$330 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 17 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 94.4% car, 0.8% public transportation, 1.1% walk, 2.1% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 17.0% less than 15 minutes, 26.3% 15 to 30 minutes, 40.9% 30 to 45 minutes, 9.5% 45 to 60 minutes, 6.3% 60 minutes or more (2000)

Additional Information Contacts

Newberry Chamber of Commerce (352) 472-6611

WALDO (city). Covers a land area of 1.719 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 29.79° N. Lat.; 82.17° W. Long. Elevation is 154 feet.

History: Waldo developed as a shipping center, with produce from around Lake Santa Fe brought by steamer on a canal constructed in 1870, and transferred to the Seaboard Air Line Railway at Waldo.

Population: 924 (1990); 821 (2000); 841 (2004); 866 (2009 projected); Race: 77.1% White, 13.9% Black, 0.5% Asian, 2.1% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 489.1 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.32 (2004); Median age: 37.1 (2004); Male/female ratio: 91.1 (2004); Marriage status: 25.9% never married, 49.5% now married, 9.5% widowed, 15.1% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 1.4% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 27.9% United States or American, 26.7% Other groups, 9.1% English, 7.9% German, 5.3% Irish (2000).

Economy: Single-family building permits issued: 1 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 0 (2004); Employment by occupation: 5.8% management, 12.2% professional, 25.1% services, 31.5% sales, 0.6% farming, 16.5% construction, 8.3% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$16,424 (2004); Median household income: \$28,605 (2004); Average household income: \$38,051 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 3.6% (2004); Poverty rate: 16.7% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 72.8% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 9.0% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 3.8% (2004).

School District(s)

Alachua County School District (PK-12)
2002-03 Enrollment: 29,345 (352) 955-7880

Housing: Homeownership rate: 69.4% (2004); Median home value: \$57,377 (2004); Median rent: \$327 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 31 years (2000).

Safety: Violent crime rate: 48.9 per 10,000 population; Property crime rate: 195.6 per 10,000 population (2003).

Transportation: Commute to work: 92.9% car, 0.6% public transportation, 4.0% walk, 1.2% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 11.2% less than 15 minutes, 35.4% 15 to 30 minutes, 34.2% 30 to 45 minutes, 12.7% 45 to 60 minutes, 6.5% 60 minutes or more (2000); Amtrak: Service available.

Baker County

Located in northern Florida; bounded on the north by Georgia; includes part of Okefenokee Swamp and Osceola National Forest. Covers a land area of 585.20 square miles, a water area of 3.70 square miles, and is located in the Eastern Time Zone. The county government was organized in 1861. County seat is Macclenny.

Baker County is part of the Jacksonville, FL Metropolitan Statistical Area. The entire metro area includes: Baker County, FL; Clay County, FL; Duval County, FL; Nassau County, FL; St. Johns County, FL

Population: 18,486 (1990); 22,259 (2000); 23,380 (2004); 24,799 (2009 projected); Race: 85.1% White, 12.9% Black, 0.5% Asian, 2.0% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 40.0 persons per square mile (2004); Average

household size: 3.13 (2004); Median age: 34.5 (2004); Male/female ratio: 108.0 (2004).

Religion: Five largest groups: 14.2% Southern Baptist Convention, 3.6% Assemblies of God, 2.3% The United Methodist Church, 2.3% The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 2.2% Church of God (Cleveland, Tennessee) (2000).

Economy: Unemployment rate: 3.9% (2004); Total civilian labor force: 10,696 (2004); Leading industries: 32.9% health care and social assistance; 13.5% retail trade; 12.6% transportation & warehousing (2003); Companies that employ 500 or more persons: 2 (2003); Companies that employ 100 to 499 persons: 6 (2003); Companies that employ less than 100 persons: 323 (2003); Farms: 204 totaling 18,061 acres (2002); Minority business ownership rate: n/a% (1997); Women business ownership rate: 14.7% (1997); Retail sales per capita: \$4,597 (1997). Single-family building permits issued: 184 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 22 (2004).

Income: Per capita income: \$16,823 (2004); Median household income: \$42,571 (2004); Average household income: \$50,550 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 7.6% (2004); Poverty rate: 13.3% (2002); Bankruptcy rate: 4.48% (2004).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 72.1% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 8.4% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 2.9% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 81.4% (2004); Median home value: \$92,145 (2004); Median rent: \$310 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 19 years (2000).

Health: Birth rate: 158.2 per 10,000 population (2004); Death rate: 71.2 per 10,000 population (2004); Age adjusted cancer mortality rate: 145.3 deaths per 100,000 population (2002); Air Quality Index: 96.8% good, 3.2% moderate, 0.0% unhealthy for sensitive individuals, 0.0% unhealthy (percent of days in 2004); Number of physicians: 7.0 per 10,000 population (2001); Hospital beds: 29.8 per 10,000 population (2002); Hospital admissions: 544.5 per 10,000 population (2002).

Elections: 2004 Presidential election results: 77.7% Bush, 21.9% Kerry, 0.2% Nader, 0.1% Badnarik

National and State Parks: Osceola National Forest

Additional Information Contacts

Baker County Government Offices (904) 259-3613
 Baker County Chamber of Commerce (904) 259-6433

Baker County Communities

GLEN SAINT MARY (town). Covers a land area of 0.420 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 30.27° N. Lat.; 82.16° W. Long. Elevation is 134 feet.

Population: 504 (1990); 473 (2000); 490 (2004); 511 (2009 projected); Race: 97.8% White, 0.6% Black, 1.0% Asian, 2.2% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,167.6 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.57 (2004); Median age: 31.8 (2004); Male/female ratio: 86.3 (2004); Marriage status: 20.2% never married, 57.7% now married, 6.4% widowed, 15.7% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 1.3% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 34.4% United States or American, 11.1% Other groups, 6.0% Irish, 4.2% English, 2.2% Scotch-Irish (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 10.5% management, 11.4% professional, 27.6% services, 25.2% sales, 4.3% farming, 9.0% construction, 11.9% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$14,520 (2004); Median household income: \$31,220 (2004); Average household income: \$37,251 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 4.2% (2004); Poverty rate: 18.2% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 68.6% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 6.6% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 1.0% (2004).

School District(s)

Baker County School District (PK-12)
 2002-03 Enrollment: 4,525 (904) 259-0401

Housing: Homeownership rate: 67.5% (2004); Median home value: \$58,611 (2004); Median rent: \$345 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 22 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 91.8% car, 0.0% public transportation, 2.9% walk, 0.5% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 33.8% less than 15 minutes, 26.6% 15 to 30 minutes, 22.2% 30 to 45 minutes, 4.8% 45 to 60 minutes, 12.6% 60 minutes or more (2000)

MACCLENNY (city). Covers a land area of 3.291 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 30.28° N. Lat.; 82.12° W. Long. Elevation is 131 feet.

History: MacClenny had an early reputation as Florida's "Gretna Green" for its many quick weddings. It was said that when the judge was absent, his wife would perform the ceremony.

Population: 4,070 (1990); 4,459 (2000); 4,575 (2004); 4,732 (2009 projected); Race: 75.5% White, 22.1% Black, 0.9% Asian, 2.8% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 1,390.1 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.85 (2004); Median age: 31.1 (2004); Male/female ratio: 89.8 (2004); Marriage status: 18.1% never married, 58.8% now married, 7.9% widowed, 15.2% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 1.3% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 21.2% Other groups, 15.1% United States or American, 9.3% Irish, 7.1% English, 6.1% German (2000).

Economy: Single-family building permits issued: 46 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 18 (2004); Employment by occupation: 8.5% management, 17.6% professional, 22.8% services, 24.2% sales, 0.5% farming, 13.0% construction, 13.6% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$16,363 (2004); Median household income: \$34,913 (2004); Average household income: \$43,621 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 5.3% (2004); Poverty rate: 20.9% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$398 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$69 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 71.7% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 13.9% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 5.2% (2004).

School District(s)

Baker County School District (PK-12)
 2002-03 Enrollment: 4,525 (904) 259-0401

Housing: Homeownership rate: 67.2% (2004); Median home value: \$91,280 (2004); Median rent: \$348 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 26 years (2000).

Hospitals: Ed Fraser Memorial Hospital (25 beds); Northeast Florida State Hospital (1138 beds)

Newspapers: The Baker County Press (General - Circulation 5,400)

Transportation: Commute to work: 93.4% car, 0.0% public transportation, 0.9% walk, 3.3% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 39.6% less than 15 minutes, 16.3% 15 to 30 minutes, 19.8% 30 to 45 minutes, 17.5% 45 to 60 minutes, 6.7% 60 minutes or more (2000)

Additional Information Contacts

Baker County Chamber of Commerce (904) 259-6433

SANDERSON (unincorporated postal area, zip code 32087). Covers a land area of 110.442 square miles and a water area of 0.756 square miles. Located at 30.39° N. Lat.; 82.26° W. Long. Elevation is 156 feet.

History: Sanderson was named in 1859 for an early settler.

Population: 3,331 (2000); Race: 76.9% White, 21.3% Black, 0.0% Asian, 2.9% Hispanic of any race (2000); Density: 30.2 persons per square mile (2000); Age: 34.7% under 18, 8.6% over 64 (2000); Marriage status: 27.6% never married, 53.8% now married, 6.9% widowed, 11.7% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 0.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 28.7% Other groups, 25.2% United States or American, 9.8% Irish, 3.7% German, 3.4% English (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 5.5% management, 9.5% professional, 23.4% services, 22.9% sales, 2.4% farming, 17.4% construction, 19.0% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$13,887 (2000); Median household income: \$34,432 (2000); Poverty rate: 16.1% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 69.7% (2000); Bachelor's degree or higher: 3.4% (2000).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 79.6% (2000); Median home value: \$70,500 (2000); Median rent: \$280 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 19 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 97.0% car, 0.7% public transportation, 0.0% walk, 1.8% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 8.9% less than 15 minutes, 27.6% 15 to 30 minutes, 21.7% 30 to 45 minutes, 14.2% 45 to 60 minutes, 27.5% 60 minutes or more (2000)

Bay County

Located in northwestern Florida; bounded on the south by the Gulf of Mexico. Covers a land area of 763.70 square miles, a water area of

269.60 square miles, and is located in the Central Time Zone. The county government was organized in 1913. County seat is Panama City.

Bay County is part of the Panama City-Lynn Haven, FL Metropolitan Statistical Area. The entire metro area includes: Bay County, FL

Weather Station: Panama City 5 NE												Elevation: 29 feet	
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
High	63	65	71	77	84	88	90	90	88	80	73	65	
Low	40	42	48	54	62	69	72	71	68	56	48	41	
Precip	6.0	4.9	6.2	3.9	4.0	6.1	8.9	7.5	6.2	3.7	4.6	4.1	
Snow	tr	tr	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	

High and Low temperatures in degrees Fahrenheit; Precipitation and Snow in inches

Population: 126,994 (1990); 148,217 (2000); 155,312 (2004); 164,296 (2009 projected); Race: 84.0% White, 10.9% Black, 1.8% Asian, 1.9% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 203.4 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.47 (2004); Median age: 38.1 (2004); Male/female ratio: 98.4 (2004).

Religion: Five largest groups: 18.8% Southern Baptist Convention, 6.5% The United Methodist Church, 4.7% Catholic Church, 2.6% Assemblies of God, 1.0% Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (2000).

Economy: Unemployment rate: 4.8% (2004); Total civilian labor force: 73,525 (2004); Leading industries: 18.0% retail trade; 15.7% health care and social assistance; 15.4% accommodation & food services (2003); Companies that employ 500 or more persons: 7 (2003); Companies that employ 100 to 499 persons: 76 (2003); Companies that employ less than 100 persons: 4,269 (2003); Farms: 116 totaling 10,863 acres (2002); Minority business ownership rate: 7.8% (1997); Women business ownership rate: 27.5% (1997); Retail sales per capita: \$10,228 (1997). Single-family building permits issued: 1,462 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 2,382 (2004).

Income: Per capita income: \$20,890 (2004); Median household income: \$39,591 (2004); Average household income: \$51,025 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 9.1% (2004); Poverty rate: 12.4% (2002); Bankruptcy rate: 4.21% (2004).

Taxes: Total county taxes per capita: \$385 (2002); County property taxes per capita: \$224 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 81.1% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 17.8% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 6.7% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 69.0% (2004); Median home value: \$115,680 (2004); Median rent: \$442 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 19 years (2000).

Health: Birth rate: 135.9 per 10,000 population (2004); Death rate: 95.7 per 10,000 population (2004); Age adjusted cancer mortality rate: 212.4 deaths per 100,000 population (2002); Air Quality Index: 86.7% good, 12.5% moderate, 0.8% unhealthy for sensitive individuals, 0.0% unhealthy (percent of days in 2004); Number of physicians: 19.6 per 10,000 population (2001); Hospital beds: 36.0 per 10,000 population (2002); Hospital admissions: 1,631.3 per 10,000 population (2002).

Elections: 2004 Presidential election results: 71.2% Bush, 28.1% Kerry, 0.5% Nader, 0.1% Badnarik

National and State Parks: Camp Helen State Park; Pine Log State Forest; Saint Andrews State Park

Additional Information Contacts

Bay County Government Offices (850) 784-4015
 Bay County Association of Realtors. (386) 763-8078
 Panama City Chamber of Commerce (850) 785-5206

Bay County Communities

CALLAWAY (city). Aka Calloway. Covers a land area of 5.685 square miles and a water area of 0.412 square miles. Located at 30.14° N. Lat.; 85.57° W. Long. Elevation is 33 feet.

Population: 13,001 (1990); 14,233 (2000); 14,493 (2004); 14,863 (2009 projected); Race: 73.3% White, 18.4% Black, 3.3% Asian, 2.7% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 2,549.2 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.53 (2004); Median age: 34.5 (2004); Male/female ratio: 99.5 (2004); Marriage status: 23.0% never married, 58.7% now married, 5.1% widowed, 13.2% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 5.9% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 30.2% Other groups, 13.9% United States or American, 10.4% Irish, 10.0% German, 8.4% English (2000).

Economy: Single-family building permits issued: 35 (2004); Multi-family building permits issued: 0 (2004); Employment by occupation: 7.4%

management, 15.9% professional, 21.8% services, 31.9% sales, 0.6% farming, 10.0% construction, 12.4% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$18,302 (2004); Median household income: \$38,804 (2004); Average household income: \$46,372 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 6.1% (2004); Poverty rate: 11.6% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$145 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$0 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 83.3% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 14.1% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 5.6% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 64.7% (2004); Median home value: \$117,560 (2004); Median rent: \$417 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 18 years (2000).

Transportation: Commute to work: 96.0% car, 0.4% public transportation, 0.9% walk, 1.6% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 24.1% less than 15 minutes, 54.2% 15 to 30 minutes, 12.8% 30 to 45 minutes, 2.6% 45 to 60 minutes, 6.3% 60 minutes or more (2000)

Additional Information Contacts

Local Government Offices (850) 871-6000

CEDAR GROVE (town). Covers a land area of 9.375 square miles and a water area of 0 square miles. Located at 30.21° N. Lat.; 85.60° W. Long. Elevation is 30 feet.

Population: 4,329 (1990); 5,367 (2000); 5,674 (2004); 6,057 (2009 projected); Race: 83.9% White, 11.5% Black, 1.9% Asian, 1.7% Hispanic of any race (2004); Density: 605.2 persons per square mile (2004); Average household size: 2.55 (2004); Median age: 34.7 (2004); Male/female ratio: 92.2 (2004); Marriage status: 22.2% never married, 56.2% now married, 5.7% widowed, 15.9% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 3.0% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 21.7% United States or American, 19.1% Other groups, 10.0% Irish, 8.8% German, 6.8% English (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 4.4% management, 10.6% professional, 24.3% services, 29.4% sales, 0.4% farming, 17.9% construction, 13.0% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$15,296 (2004); Median household income: \$30,894 (2004); Average household income: \$38,740 (2004); Percent of households with income of \$100,000 or more: 4.3% (2004); Poverty rate: 19.0% (2000).

Taxes: Total city taxes per capita: \$93 (2002); City property taxes per capita: \$0 (2002).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 72.3% (2004); Bachelor's degree or higher: 8.4% (2004); Master's degree or higher: 3.3% (2004).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 67.3% (2004); Median home value: \$79,050 (2004); Median rent: \$378 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 17 years (2000).

Safety: Violent crime rate: 39.7 per 10,000 population; Property crime rate: 326.8 per 10,000 population (2003).

Transportation: Commute to work: 93.0% car, 0.7% public transportation, 1.1% walk, 2.0% work from home (2000); Travel time to work: 37.0% less than 15 minutes, 41.7% 15 to 30 minutes, 14.6% 30 to 45 minutes, 4.3% 45 to 60 minutes, 2.5% 60 minutes or more (2000)

FOUNTAIN (unincorporated postal area, zip code 32438). Covers a land area of 72.899 square miles and a water area of 0.280 square miles. Located at 30.48° N. Lat.; 85.41° W. Long. Elevation is 184 feet.

Population: 3,365 (2000); Race: 94.6% White, 0.6% Black, 1.9% Asian, 4.1% Hispanic of any race (2000); Density: 46.2 persons per square mile (2000); Age: 27.2% under 18, 9.6% over 64 (2000); Marriage status: 15.8% never married, 65.5% now married, 5.7% widowed, 13.0% divorced (2000); Foreign born: 3.1% (2000); Ancestry (includes multiple ancestries): 25.3% United States or American, 15.2% Other groups, 14.2% German, 12.1% Irish, 6.1% English (2000).

Economy: Employment by occupation: 4.0% management, 5.3% professional, 21.9% services, 27.6% sales, 0.5% farming, 23.8% construction, 16.8% production (2000).

Income: Per capita income: \$12,267 (2000); Median household income: \$25,465 (2000); Poverty rate: 28.9% (2000).

Education: Percent of population age 25 and over with: High school diploma (including GED) or higher: 59.1% (2000); Bachelor's degree or higher: 4.6% (2000).

Housing: Homeownership rate: 90.3% (2000); Median home value: \$42,500 (2000); Median rent: \$278 per month (2000); Median age of housing: 18 years (2000).