



Taylor County Profile

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GEOGRAPHY

Primary Economic Development Contact

Nearest MSA:	Tallahassee
Time Zone:	Eastern
Local Area Code(s):	850
Largest Cities:	1 Perry
Miles* To:	
Tallahassee	..... 51
Orlando	..... 176
Tampa	..... 166
Jacksonville	..... 119
Miami	..... 368
Atlanta	..... 257
Chicago	..... 841
Dallas	..... 800
New York	..... 912

*Miles are calculated from county seat.



POPULATION

	Taylor	Florida
1980:	16,532	9,746,961
1990:	17,111	12,938,071
2010:	22,570	18,801,310
2020(p):	23,800	21,326,800
2040(p):	25,900	26,081,800

(p) Denotes Projected Population

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

	Taylor	Florida
2007	\$25,300	\$39,449
2008	\$25,863	\$40,133
2009	\$25,898	\$38,965

CLIMATE

Average Temperature	High	Low
January:	65	39
July:	93	71
Florida Mean Annual Precipitation	.....	53
Average Annual Rain Days	.....	115

MIGRATION

(2009)	
In-Migration	709
Out-Migration	764
Net-Migration	-55

*Estimates based on IRS Statistics of Income data

LABOR FORCE

(2010)

EXISTING EMPLOYMENT

Major Private Sector Employers

Labor Force	9,194
Labor Force % of County Population	40.7
Number in County Unemployed	1,056
Unemployment Rate	11.5%

Monthly labor force data are available from the [Florida Agency for Workforce Innovation](#).

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY

<i>N/D = No Data</i> (2009)	Taylor	Florida
Average Annual Employment	6,751	7,182,815
Natural Resources & Mining	4.4%	1.3%
Construction	6.2%	5.5%
Manufacturing	22.9%	4.5%
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	16.6%	21.2%
Information	0.7%	2.0%
Financial Activities	2.3%	6.7%
Professional & Business Services	1.8%	14.6%
Education & Health Services	N/D	
Leisure & Hospitality	6.8%	12.9%
Other Services	1.7%	3.2%
Public administration	15.6%	6.5%
Unclassified	N/D	

Average Annual Wage

(2009)	
All Industries	\$33,708
Construction	\$41,998
Education & Health Services	N/D
Financial Activities	\$30,867
Information	\$34,788
Leisure & Hospitality	\$12,833
Manufacturing	\$47,013
Natural Resources & Mining	\$43,923
Other Services	\$21,542
Professional & Business Services	\$40,048
Public administration	\$33,965
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	\$22,398
Unclassified	N/D

Buckeye Technologies, Inc.
Business Line: Pulp Mill
Number of Employees..... 643

Doctors Memorial Hospital
Business Line: Healthcare
Number of Employees..... 250

Martin Electronics, Inc.
Business Line: Pyrotechnics
Number of Employees..... 243

United Welding Services, Inc.
Business Line: Aluminum Truck Accessories
Number of Employees..... 140

Gilman Building Products
Business Line: Wood Products
Number of Employees..... 127

Lance Manufacturing
Business Line: Snack Foods
Number of Employees..... 115

RDS Manufacturing, Inc.
Business Line: Aluminum Fuel Tanks
Number of Employees..... 100

American Aluminum Accessories, Inc.
Business Line: Aluminum Specialty Items
Number of Employees..... 50

Big Top Manufacturing
Business Line: Industrial Shelters
Number of Employees..... 40

Nature Coast Surgery/Medical Center
Business Line: Healthcare
Number of Employees..... 34

TRANSPORTATION

Federal Interstates		Nearest Airport with Scheduled Commerical Airline Service:	Tallahassee Regional Airport
Federal Highways	US-19, US-221	# Runways	2
State Highways	SR-27, US-98	Longest Paved Runway(ft.)	8000
Railroads	Florida-Georgia Railnet	General Aviation Airports	Perry-Foley Airport
		Local Deep Water Port	Port of Port of St. Joe/St. Marks
		Miles to Closest Port	106

STATE AND LOCAL TAXATION

COUNTY	STATE
Countywide Ad Valorem Millage Rates:	
Government 7.0113	Corporate Income Tax 5.5%

Schools	7.6640
Special	0.4399
Total	15.1152

Personal Income Tax	0.0%
Retail Sales Tax	6.0%

Ad Valorem Tax Exemption:	Yes
Retail Sales Tax (Local Option)	1.00
Federal Enterprise Zone	No
State Enterprise Zone	EZ-6201

COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

Electric Companies:

- Tri-County Electrical Cooperative
- Progress Energy

Natural Gas Companies:

- City of Perry

Telephone Companies:

- FairPoint Communications

Water & Sewer Companies:

- City of Perry
- Taylor Coastal Utilities

Existing Industrial Zoned Land	Yes
Number of Acres	20
Largest Available Contiguous Parcel	20
Industrial Parks	Yes
Number of Acres	27
Largest Available Contiguous Parcel	27
Foreign Trade Zones	No
Zone Number(s)	

MEDIA

Local Radio Stations:

- WFNK FM 92.1
- WPRY AM 1400

Local Television Stations:

- TV-69

Locally Printed Newspapers:

- Perry Newspapers, Inc.

EDUCATION

	Public Schools	Teachers	Enrollments
Totals:	9	230	3,153

Private Schools Available: Yes

POST SECONDARY EDUCATION SERVING THE COUNTY:

Colleges/Universities:

- Florida State University
- University of Florida
- Florida A&M University
- Valdosta State University (GA)

Junior/Community Colleges:

- Tallahassee Community College
- North Florida Community College

Technical Schools:

- Lively Technical Center
- Suwannee-Hamilton Vo-Tech
- Taylor Technical Institute

Other Schools:

- none

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Number of Banks:	3
Number of Savings and Loans:	3
Number of Credit Unions:	2

QUALITY OF LIFE

Cost of Living	
Price Level Index, (2007)	
Florida State Average = 100	
	Sample
Total	84.92
Food	104.34
Housing	67.64
Medical Care	98.39
Personal Goods and Services	91.56
Transportation	99.30

Medical Services:

- Doctors Memorial Hospital
- Nature Coast Family Health Care
- Shands Hospital
- Tallahassee Community Hospital
- Tallahassee Memorial Regional Hospital

Recreational Opportunities:

- Canoeing, Birdwatching
- Salt & Freshwater Fishing
- Scalloping
- Taylor County Horse Arena
- Western Portion, Great Florida Birding Trail
- Wildlife Management Areas

Historical Points Of Interest:

- Cracker Homestead
- Forest Capital Museum
- Hampton Springs Spa Site
- Steinhatchee Area
- Steinhatchee Falls

Cultural Events/Festivals:

- Fiesta in the Park - Steinhatchee
- Florida Forest Festival
- Florida State Blue Grass Festival
- Optimist Club Fishing Tournament
- Steinhatchee July 4th Celebration

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