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# About the Southwest Florida Economic Almanac Series

In Fall 2015, representatives from the Regional Economic Research Institute (RERI) engaged in discussions with business and community leaders in Southwest Florida about the pressing need for accessible socioeconomic and demographic data for the region. Although RERI had developed extensive databases containing this information, it had yet to present it to the public in a format as clear and practical as its widely-read monthly publication, *Regional Economic Indicators*.

These conversations ultimately led to the creation of the Southwest Florida Economic Almanac Series. This series encompasses a broad range of topics, including demographics, health, real estate, and transportation, consolidating regional data into a single resource. It serves as a valuable tool for business owners, local leaders, and other stakeholders, enabling them to make informed, data-driven decisions in their daily operations.

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# About the Regional Economic Research Institute

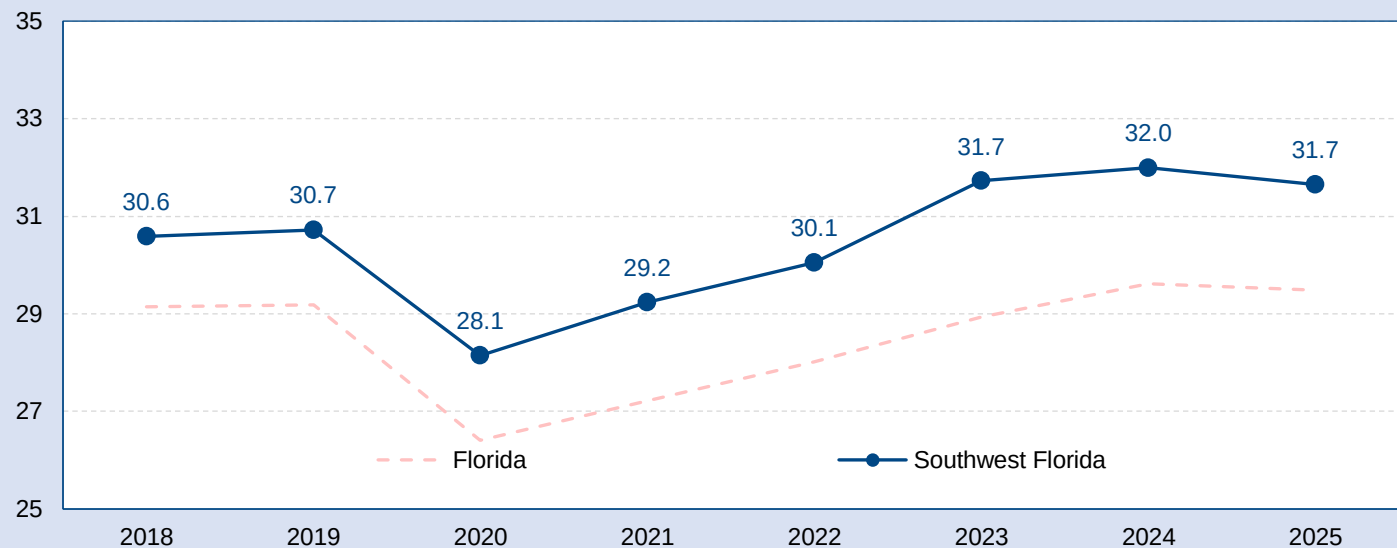
The Regional Economic Research Institute (RERI) studies, analyzes and reports on Southwest Florida's socioeconomic and demographic environment. Established in 2005, the RERI is the only economic and business research center in Southwest Florida. Its experts continuously monitor the ever-changing conditions in the region, providing timely and pertinent data and information so local businesses and decision-makers can stay current and respond appropriately.

Resources provided by the RERI include the Regional Economic Indicators (Dashboard), the Industry Diversification Report, the Real Estate Quarterly Report, and the comprehensive Southwest Florida Economic Almanac. The RERI partners with local economic development organizations and chambers of commerce in our region to produce other resources such as county Business Climate Surveys and different Issue Briefs. The RERI works closely with the Lucas Institute for Real Estate Development and Finance, the Small Business Development Center, and the Southwest Florida Leadership Institute, all of which are housed in the Lutgert College of Business. The institute also partners with other centers and colleges across the University, including the Water School and the Institute for Entrepreneurship.

The RERI is proud to have many student researchers working with the RERI team to compile all these reports. In the process, our students learn valuable research skills, improve communication and computer skills, and develop leadership and critical-thinking skills. The RERI finances its day-to-day operations, including paying its students, through contracting for research projects and studies, and sponsorship for its reports.

## Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled

Daily vehicle miles traveled per capita



Source: Florida Department of Transportation, Transportation Data and Analytics Office, Public Road Mileage and Travel (DMVT) Report

Prepared by the Regional Economic Research Institute

## Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled

The Florida Department of Transportation collects data on public road daily vehicle miles traveled (DVMT) for each of the five counties. Information regarding public road daily vehicle miles traveled for each county can be found below.

Every county in Southwest Florida had a higher number of daily vehicle miles traveled per capita than the state of Florida, measured at 29.5 miles per person in 2025. Glades County had 63.7 miles per person traveled in 2025, 10th highest in the state. Charlotte County ranked 30th, with 36.9 daily miles traveled per capita. Hendry County measured at 35.9 daily vehicle miles traveled per capita, good for 32nd in the state. Collier County ranked 51st at 30.1 daily vehicle miles traveled per capita. Finally, Lee County had 30.3 daily vehicle miles traveled per person, 50th highest in the state.

### DVMT Per Capita

| County         | DVMT Per Capita | State Ranking |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Charlotte      | 36.9            | 30            |
| Collier        | 30.1            | 51            |
| Glades         | 63.7            | 10            |
| Hendry         | 35.9            | 32            |
| Lee            | 30.3            | 50            |
| <b>Florida</b> | <b>29.5</b>     | <b>--</b>     |

### Southwest Florida

Southwest Florida commuters drove 48.6 million public road daily vehicle miles in 2025. The number of daily vehicle miles traveled in the five-county region has increased each year from 2018 to 2025, except for a dip in 2020 and a slight decrease in 2024, for an overall increase of 21.0 percent over the eight-year period. Most of the daily vehicle miles traveled in Southwest Florida occurred on other principal arterials (13.4 million miles traveled each day, 27.6 percent of total miles traveled), followed by local roads (11.9 million miles, 24.5 percent of total miles), and minor arterials (8.0 million miles, 16.5 percent of total miles).

# Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled

Southwest Florida

| Road Type                 | 2018            | 2019            | 2020            | 2021            | 2022            | 2023            | 2024            | 2025            |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Inter-state               |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| DVMT                      | 6,479,183       | 6,707,981       | 6,104,820       | 6,790,777       | 7,377,547       | 7,583,596       | 7,663,199       | 7,656,756       |
| Percent of total          | 16.1%           | 16.2%           | 15.8%           | 16.5%           | 17.0%           | 16.4%           | 15.9%           | 15.7%           |
| Turnpike and Freeways     |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| DVMT                      | 310,692         | 301,446         | 293,770         | 294,893         | 297,139         | 328,579         | 327,079         | 329,544         |
| Percent of total          | 0.8%            | 0.7%            | 0.8%            | 0.7%            | 0.7%            | 0.7%            | 0.7%            | 0.7%            |
| Other Principal Arterials |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| DVMT                      | 8,613,626       | 9,009,236       | 8,303,280       | 9,131,091       | 9,777,430       | 10,417,473      | 13,297,034      | 13,437,083      |
| Percent of total          | 21.4%           | 21.8%           | 21.5%           | 22.2%           | 22.6%           | 22.5%           | 27.6%           | 27.6%           |
| Minor Arterials           |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| DVMT                      | 8,365,014       | 8,663,570       | 8,372,943       | 8,762,846       | 9,059,650       | 9,782,536       | 7,995,879       | 8,002,431       |
| Percent of total          | 20.8%           | 21.0%           | 21.6%           | 21.3%           | 20.9%           | 21.1%           | 16.6%           | 16.5%           |
| Major Collectors          |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| DVMT                      | 5,386,107       | 5,519,839       | 5,377,234       | 5,502,442       | 5,674,561       | 6,293,005       | 6,434,937       | 6,513,267       |
| Percent of total          | 13.4%           | 13.4%           | 13.9%           | 13.4%           | 13.1%           | 13.6%           | 13.4%           | 13.4%           |
| Minor Collectors          |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| DVMT                      | 601,249         | 655,928         | 636,894         | 656,278         | 667,501         | 796,384         | 729,613         | 761,476         |
| Percent of total          | 1.5%            | 1.6%            | 1.6%            | 1.6%            | 1.5%            | 1.7%            | 1.5%            | 1.6%            |
| Locals                    |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| DVMT                      | 10,442,001      | 10,441,942      | 9,614,043       | 10,033,943      | 10,504,625      | 11,053,485      | 11,684,087      | 11,924,413      |
| Percent of total          | 26.0%           | 25.3%           | 24.8%           | 24.4%           | 24.2%           | 23.9%           | 24.3%           | 24.5%           |
| <b>Total DVMT (000's)</b> | <b>40,197.9</b> | <b>41,299.9</b> | <b>38,703.0</b> | <b>41,172.3</b> | <b>43,358.5</b> | <b>46,255.1</b> | <b>48,131.8</b> | <b>48,625.0</b> |
| <b>DVMT per capita</b>    | <b>30.6</b>     | <b>30.7</b>     | <b>28.1</b>     | <b>29.2</b>     | <b>30.1</b>     | <b>31.7</b>     | <b>32.0</b>     | <b>31.7</b>     |

Source: Florida Department of Transportation, Transportation Data and Analytics Office, Public Road Mileage and Travel (DMVT) Report

## Charlotte County

Commuters in Charlotte County drove 8.2 million miles on public roads each day in 2025. The number of daily miles traveled in the county increased gradually from 2018 to 2025, except for dips in 2020 and 2024, rising 23.1 percent over the eight-year period. Most of the daily miles traveled in Charlotte County occurred on local roads (2.7 million miles traveled each day, 33.1 percent of total miles traveled), followed by other principal arterials (2.1 million miles, 25.0 percent of total miles), and interstate (1.6 million miles, 19.2 percent of total miles).

| Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Charlotte County                         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Road Type                                | 2018             | 2019             | 2020             | 2021             | 2022             | 2023             | 2024             | 2025             |
| Inter-state                              |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 1,176,318        | 1,222,537        | 1,203,678        | 1,266,029        | 1,389,534        | 1,520,096        | 1,552,333        | 1,586,232        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 17.6%            | 17.9%            | 18.5%            | 18.7%            | 19.3%            | 19.6%            | 18.9%            | 19.2%            |
| Turnpike and Freeways                    |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             |
| Other Principal Arterials                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 968,267          | 982,100          | 918,473          | 992,381          | 1,066,610        | 1,153,177        | 2,051,195        | 2,063,379        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 14.5%            | 14.4%            | 14.1%            | 14.6%            | 14.8%            | 14.9%            | 24.9%            | 25.0%            |
| Minor Arterials                          |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 1,364,063        | 1,407,230        | 1,401,980        | 1,456,576        | 1,549,152        | 1,679,442        | 1,036,338        | 1,047,698        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 20.4%            | 20.7%            | 21.6%            | 21.5%            | 21.5%            | 21.7%            | 12.6%            | 12.7%            |
| Major Collectors                         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 867,880          | 876,580          | 842,270          | 883,365          | 916,953          | 997,596          | 877,651          | 811,467          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 13.0%            | 12.9%            | 13.0%            | 13.0%            | 12.7%            | 12.9%            | 10.7%            | 9.8%             |
| Minor Collectors                         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 7,896            | 8,242            | 8,242            | 8,630            | 8,823            | 9,500            | 9,887            | 10,274           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 0.1%             | 0.1%             | 0.1%             | 0.1%             | 0.1%             | 0.1%             | 0.1%             | 0.1%             |
| Locals                                   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 2,314,077        | 2,315,780        | 2,117,585        | 2,178,167        | 2,279,378        | 2,382,001        | 2,703,159        | 2,729,653        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 34.5%            | 34.0%            | 32.6%            | 32.1%            | 31.6%            | 30.8%            | 32.8%            | 33.1%            |
| <b>Total DVMT</b>                        | <b>6,698,501</b> | <b>6,812,469</b> | <b>6,492,228</b> | <b>6,785,148</b> | <b>7,210,450</b> | <b>7,741,812</b> | <b>8,230,563</b> | <b>8,248,702</b> |
| <b>DVMT per capita</b>                   | <b>37.6</b>      | <b>37.5</b>      | <b>34.7</b>      | <b>35.6</b>      | <b>36.6</b>      | <b>37.9</b>      | <b>39.1</b>      | <b>36.9</b>      |

Source: Florida Department of Transportation, Transportation Data and Analytics Office, Public Road Mileage and Travel (DMVT) Report

## Collier County

Commuters in Collier County drove 12.4 million miles on public roads each day in 2025. The number of daily vehicle miles traveled in the county has increased from 2018, rising 21.6 percent over the eight-year period. Most of the daily vehicle miles traveled in Collier County occurred on other principal arterials (3.5 million miles traveled each day, 27.9 percent of total miles traveled), followed by interstate (2.6 million miles, 20.5 percent of total miles), and minor arterials (2.5 million miles, 20.1 percent of total miles).

| Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Collier County                           |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Road Type                                | 2018              | 2019              | 2020             | 2021              | 2022              | 2023              | 2024              | 2025              |
| Inter-state                              |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVTM                                     | 2,196,594         | 2,293,228         | 1,994,057        | 2,325,743         | 2,507,378         | 2,502,348         | 2,512,877         | 2,555,851         |
| Percent of total                         | 21.5%             | 21.6%             | 20.5%            | 21.8%             | 22.5%             | 20.7%             | 20.5%             | 20.5%             |
| Turnpike and Freeways                    |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVTM                                     | 0                 | 0                 | 0                | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 | 0                 |
| Percent of total                         | 0.0%              | 0.0%              | 0.0%             | 0.0%              | 0.0%              | 0.0%              | 0.0%              | 0.0%              |
| Other Principal Arterials                |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVTM                                     | 1,593,035         | 1,704,245         | 1,528,788        | 1,754,754         | 1,889,052         | 2,030,905         | 3,453,778         | 3,475,898         |
| Percent of total                         | 15.6%             | 16.0%             | 15.7%            | 16.5%             | 16.9%             | 16.8%             | 28.2%             | 27.9%             |
| Minor Arterials                          |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVTM                                     | 2,922,831         | 3,086,270         | 2,895,825        | 3,100,775         | 3,198,834         | 3,514,813         | 2,497,444         | 2,495,087         |
| Percent of total                         | 28.6%             | 29.1%             | 29.7%            | 29.1%             | 28.6%             | 29.1%             | 20.4%             | 20.1%             |
| Major Collectors                         |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVTM                                     | 1,481,792         | 1,464,216         | 1,376,901        | 1,436,997         | 1,460,302         | 1,728,890         | 1,722,867         | 1,713,166         |
| Percent of total                         | 14.5%             | 13.8%             | 14.1%            | 13.5%             | 13.1%             | 14.3%             | 14.1%             | 13.8%             |
| Minor Collectors                         |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVTM                                     | 237,520           | 277,487           | 264,111          | 273,534           | 268,970           | 353,172           | 320,100           | 329,425           |
| Percent of total                         | 2.3%              | 2.6%              | 2.7%             | 2.6%              | 2.4%              | 2.9%              | 2.6%              | 2.6%              |
| Locals                                   |                   |                   |                  |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVTM                                     | 1,794,372         | 1,793,262         | 1,683,401        | 1,757,957         | 1,843,369         | 1,934,706         | 1,736,857         | 1,868,149         |
| Percent of total                         | 17.5%             | 16.9%             | 17.3%            | 16.5%             | 16.5%             | 16.0%             | 14.2%             | 15.0%             |
| <b>Total DVTM</b>                        | <b>10,226,144</b> | <b>10,618,708</b> | <b>9,743,083</b> | <b>10,649,760</b> | <b>11,167,905</b> | <b>12,064,834</b> | <b>12,243,923</b> | <b>12,437,576</b> |
| <b>DVTM per capita</b>                   | <b>28.4</b>       | <b>28.9</b>       | <b>25.9</b>      | <b>27.8</b>       | <b>28.6</b>       | <b>30.2</b>       | <b>30.0</b>       | <b>30.1</b>       |

Source: Florida Department of Transportation, Transportation Data and Analytics Office, Public Road Mileage and Travel (DVTM) Report

## Glades County

Commuters in Glades County drove 831.9 thousand miles on public roads each day in 2025. The number of daily vehicle miles traveled in the county increased from 2018, rising 33.3 percent over the eight-year period. Most of the daily vehicle miles traveled in Glades County occurred on other principal arterials (358.9 thousand miles traveled each day, 43.1 percent of total miles traveled), followed by minor arterials (232.0 thousand miles, 27.9 percent of total miles), and local roads (133.4 thousand miles, 16.0 percent of total miles).

| Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Glades County                            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Road Type                                | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           | 2025           |
| Inter-state                              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           |
| Turnpike and Freeways                    |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              | 0              |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           | 0.0%           |
| Other Principal Arterials                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 273,710        | 281,453        | 276,878        | 302,430        | 318,382        | 345,116        | 361,240        | 358,939        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 43.9%          | 44.2%          | 44.7%          | 45.4%          | 45.3%          | 44.9%          | 44.4%          | 43.1%          |
| Minor Arterials                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 155,121        | 157,929        | 157,599        | 174,792        | 194,350        | 218,868        | 231,578        | 231,969        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 24.9%          | 24.8%          | 25.4%          | 26.2%          | 27.6%          | 28.5%          | 28.4%          | 27.9%          |
| Major Collectors                         |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 72,084         | 73,841         | 71,371         | 71,371         | 68,440         | 76,846         | 86,631         | 105,233        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 11.6%          | 11.6%          | 11.5%          | 10.7%          | 9.7%           | 10.0%          | 10.6%          | 12.6%          |
| Minor Collectors                         |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 2,436          | 2,329          | 2,329          | 2,329          | 2,329          | 2,215          | 2,215          | 2,410          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 0.4%           | 0.4%           | 0.4%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           |
| Locals                                   |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>DVMT</i>                              | 120,566        | 120,581        | 111,769        | 115,405        | 119,862        | 124,903        | 132,347        | 133,384        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                  | 19.3%          | 19.0%          | 18.0%          | 17.3%          | 17.0%          | 16.3%          | 16.3%          | 16.0%          |
| <b>Total DVMT</b>                        | <b>623,917</b> | <b>636,133</b> | <b>619,946</b> | <b>666,328</b> | <b>703,363</b> | <b>767,948</b> | <b>814,011</b> | <b>831,934</b> |
| <b>DVMT per capita</b>                   | <b>52.0</b>    | <b>53.2</b>    | <b>51.1</b>    | <b>54.9</b>    | <b>57.3</b>    | <b>61.0</b>    | <b>63.5</b>    | <b>63.7</b>    |

Source: Florida Department of Transportation, Transportation Data and Analytics Office, Public Road Mileage and Travel (DMVT) Report

## Hendry County

Commuters in Hendry County drove 1.7 million miles on public roads each day in 2025. The number of daily vehicle miles traveled in the county increased gradually from 2018, rising 38.4 percent over the eight-year period. Most of the daily vehicle miles traveled in Hendry County occurred on other principal arterials (1.1 million miles traveled each day, 65.4 percent of total miles traveled), followed by local roads (280.5 thousand miles, 16.6 percent of total miles), and major collectors (192.8 thousand miles, 11.4 percent of total miles).

| Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Hendry County                            |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Road Type                                | 2018             | 2019             | 2020             | 2021             | 2022             | 2023             | 2024             | 2025             |
| Inter-state                              |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| DVTM                                     | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| Percent of total                         | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             |
| Turnpike and Freeways                    |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| DVTM                                     | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                | 0                |
| Percent of total                         | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             | 0.0%             |
| Other Principal Arterials                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| DVTM                                     | 752,935          | 813,683          | 744,894          | 864,565          | 923,100          | 1,011,744        | 1,064,299        | 1,104,767        |
| Percent of total                         | 61.7%            | 63.6%            | 62.4%            | 65.1%            | 65.3%            | 65.9%            | 65.3%            | 65.4%            |
| Minor Arterials                          |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| DVTM                                     | 55,972           | 51,519           | 51,519           | 53,859           | 54,753           | 58,562           | 62,146           | 64,581           |
| Percent of total                         | 4.6%             | 4.0%             | 4.3%             | 4.1%             | 3.9%             | 3.8%             | 3.8%             | 3.8%             |
| Major Collectors                         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| DVTM                                     | 144,547          | 145,660          | 146,131          | 147,457          | 153,513          | 167,775          | 186,552          | 192,769          |
| Percent of total                         | 11.8%            | 11.4%            | 12.2%            | 11.1%            | 10.9%            | 10.9%            | 11.5%            | 11.4%            |
| Minor Collectors                         |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| DVTM                                     | 28,232           | 28,619           | 29,065           | 30,123           | 31,635           | 35,518           | 38,154           | 46,587           |
| Percent of total                         | 2.3%             | 2.2%             | 2.4%             | 2.3%             | 2.2%             | 2.3%             | 2.3%             | 2.8%             |
| Locals                                   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| DVTM                                     | 239,143          | 239,143          | 222,630          | 231,632          | 250,701          | 262,079          | 277,637          | 280,474          |
| Percent of total                         | 19.6%            | 18.7%            | 18.6%            | 17.4%            | 17.7%            | 17.1%            | 17.0%            | 16.6%            |
| <b>Total DVTM</b>                        | <b>1,220,829</b> | <b>1,278,624</b> | <b>1,194,239</b> | <b>1,327,637</b> | <b>1,413,702</b> | <b>1,535,678</b> | <b>1,628,788</b> | <b>1,689,178</b> |
| <b>DVTM per capita</b>                   | <b>31.5</b>      | <b>32.7</b>      | <b>30.1</b>      | <b>32.7</b>      | <b>34.8</b>      | <b>37.6</b>      | <b>35.9</b>      | <b>35.9</b>      |

Source: Florida Department of Transportation, Transportation Data and Analytics Office, Public Road Mileage and Travel (DMVT) Report

## Lee County

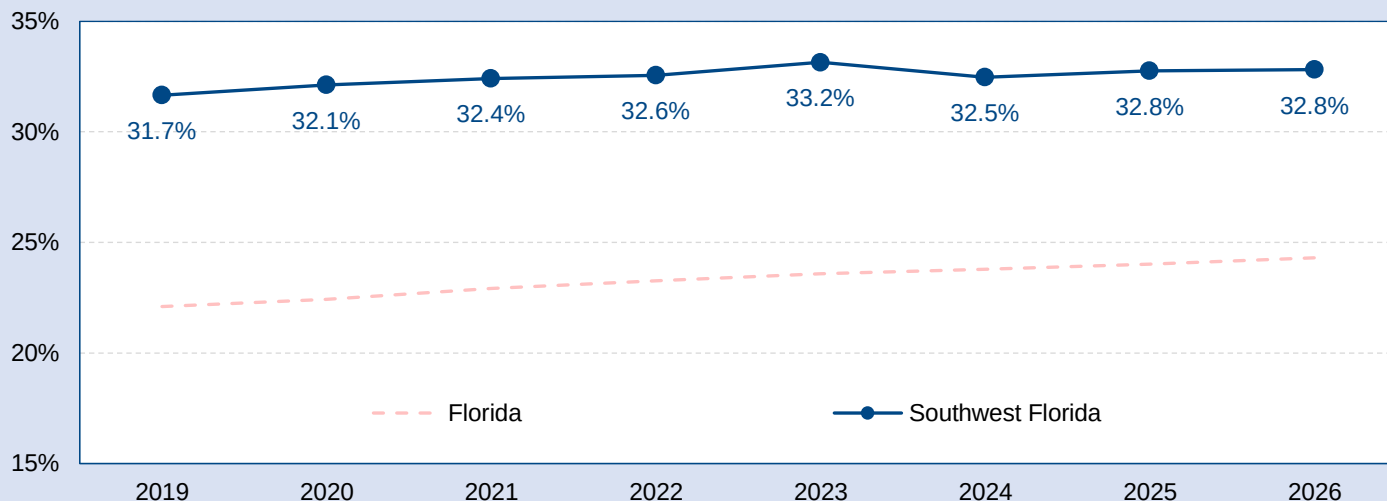
Commuters in Lee County drove 25.4 million miles on public roads each day in 2025. The number of daily vehicle miles traveled in the county increased gradually from 2018, except for a dip in 2020, rising 18.6 percent over the eight-year period. Most of the daily vehicle miles traveled in Lee County occurred on local roads (6.9 million miles traveled each day, 27.2 percent of total miles traveled), followed by other principal arterials (6.4 million miles, 25.3 percent of total miles), and minor arterials (4.2 million miles, 16.4 percent of total miles).

| Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Lee County                               |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| Road Type                                | 2018              | 2019              | 2020              | 2021              | 2022              | 2023              | 2024              | 2025              |
| Inter-state                              |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVMT                                     | 3,106,271         | 3,192,216         | 2,907,085         | 3,199,005         | 3,480,635         | 3,561,152         | 3,597,989         | 3,514,673         |
| Percent of total                         | 14.5%             | 14.5%             | 14.1%             | 14.7%             | 15.2%             | 14.7%             | 14.3%             | 13.8%             |
| Turnpike and Freeways                    |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVMT                                     | 310,692           | 301,446           | 293,770           | 294,893           | 297,139           | 328,579           | 327,079           | 329,544           |
| Percent of total                         | 1.4%              | 1.4%              | 1.4%              | 1.4%              | 1.3%              | 1.4%              | 1.3%              | 1.3%              |
| Other Principal Arterials                |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVMT                                     | 5,025,679         | 5,227,755         | 4,834,247         | 5,216,960         | 5,580,286         | 5,876,531         | 6,366,522         | 6,434,099         |
| Percent of total                         | 23.5%             | 23.8%             | 23.4%             | 24.0%             | 24.4%             | 24.3%             | 25.2%             | 25.3%             |
| Minor Arterials                          |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVMT                                     | 3,867,027         | 3,960,622         | 3,866,020         | 3,976,843         | 4,062,561         | 4,310,851         | 4,168,373         | 4,163,098         |
| Percent of total                         | 18.0%             | 18.0%             | 18.7%             | 18.3%             | 17.8%             | 17.9%             | 16.5%             | 16.4%             |
| Major Collectors                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVMT                                     | 2,819,804         | 2,959,542         | 2,940,561         | 2,963,253         | 3,075,353         | 3,321,898         | 3,561,236         | 3,690,633         |
| Percent of total                         | 13.2%             | 13.5%             | 14.2%             | 13.6%             | 13.5%             | 13.8%             | 14.1%             | 14.5%             |
| Minor Collectors                         |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVMT                                     | 325,165           | 339,251           | 333,147           | 341,662           | 355,744           | 395,979           | 359,257           | 372,780           |
| Percent of total                         | 1.5%              | 1.5%              | 1.6%              | 1.6%              | 1.6%              | 1.6%              | 1.4%              | 1.5%              |
| Locals                                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |                   |
| DVMT                                     | 5,973,843         | 5,973,176         | 5,478,658         | 5,750,781         | 6,011,315         | 6,349,796         | 6,834,087         | 6,912,752         |
| Percent of total                         | 27.9%             | 27.2%             | 26.5%             | 26.4%             | 26.3%             | 26.3%             | 27.1%             | 27.2%             |
| <b>Total DVMT</b>                        | <b>21,428,481</b> | <b>21,954,008</b> | <b>20,653,488</b> | <b>21,743,397</b> | <b>22,863,033</b> | <b>24,144,786</b> | <b>25,214,543</b> | <b>25,417,579</b> |
| <b>DVMT per capita</b>                   | <b>29.6</b>       | <b>29.5</b>       | <b>27.1</b>       | <b>27.8</b>       | <b>28.5</b>       | <b>30.1</b>       | <b>30.5</b>       | <b>30.3</b>       |

Source: Florida Department of Transportation, Transportation Data and Analytics Office, Public Road Mileage and Travel (DVMT) Report

## Licensed Drivers by Age

Percent of total licensed drivers at least 65 years old



Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Drive and Vehicle Reports & Statistics, Licensed Drivers by Age, Sex and County

Note: Number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of reported year

Prepared by the Regional Economic Research Institute

## Licensed Drivers by Age

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles provides data on the number of licensed drivers (broken down by age) in each of the five counties. All data represents the number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of the reported year. Information regarding the number of licensed drivers by age in each county can be found below.

### Southwest Florida

Southwest Florida had 1,294,798 licensed drivers in 2026. The number of licensed drivers in the region increased each year from 2019 to 2026. The annual increases resulted in a 21.3 percent increase in the number of licensed drivers over the eight-year period. The largest group of licensed drivers were age 65 and over (32.8 percent). This was followed by the next largest group of licensed drivers that were between the ages of 50 to 59 (14.4 percent). The greatest increase between 2019 and 2026 occurred among the 30 to 39 age group, which increased 29.9 percent over the eight-year period.

## Licensed Drivers by Age

Southwest Florida

| Age                           | 2019             | 2020             | 2021             | 2022             | 2023             | 2024             | 2025             | 2026             |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| 15 to 19 years                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Licensed drivers              | 50,195           | 51,311           | 51,473           | 53,086           | 55,802           | 57,874           | 58,561           | 60,248           |
| Percent of total              | 4.7%             | 4.7%             | 4.6%             | 4.6%             | 4.6%             | 4.7%             | 4.6%             | 4.7%             |
| 20 to 29 years                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Licensed drivers              | 139,356          | 140,326          | 141,520          | 145,386          | 153,013          | 157,456          | 163,851          | 167,896          |
| Percent of total              | 13.1%            | 12.9%            | 12.7%            | 12.6%            | 12.5%            | 12.8%            | 12.9%            | 13.0%            |
| 30 to 39 years                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Licensed drivers              | 134,093          | 136,915          | 140,915          | 146,655          | 155,540          | 161,848          | 170,994          | 174,196          |
| Percent of total              | 12.6%            | 12.6%            | 12.7%            | 12.7%            | 12.7%            | 13.1%            | 13.4%            | 13.5%            |
| 40 to 49 years                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Licensed drivers              | 136,327          | 136,276          | 136,579          | 140,149          | 147,235          | 152,399          | 159,754          | 165,256          |
| Percent of total              | 12.8%            | 12.5%            | 12.3%            | 12.2%            | 12.0%            | 12.4%            | 12.5%            | 12.8%            |
| 50 to 59 years                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Licensed drivers              | 174,004          | 175,224          | 178,266          | 183,974          | 190,045          | 187,783          | 186,644          | 185,944          |
| Percent of total              | 16.3%            | 16.1%            | 16.0%            | 16.0%            | 15.6%            | 15.2%            | 14.7%            | 14.4%            |
| 60 to 64 years                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Licensed drivers              | 95,664           | 99,085           | 102,905          | 108,386          | 115,210          | 115,830          | 116,603          | 116,402          |
| Percent of total              | 9.0%             | 9.1%             | 9.3%             | 9.4%             | 9.4%             | 9.4%             | 9.2%             | 9.0%             |
| 65 years and older            |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Licensed drivers              | 338,017          | 349,746          | 360,605          | 375,321          | 405,123          | 400,598          | 417,204          | 424,856          |
| Percent of total              | 31.7%            | 32.1%            | 32.4%            | 32.6%            | 33.2%            | 32.5%            | 32.8%            | 32.8%            |
| <b>Total licensed drivers</b> | <b>1,067,656</b> | <b>1,088,883</b> | <b>1,112,263</b> | <b>1,152,957</b> | <b>1,221,968</b> | <b>1,233,788</b> | <b>1,273,611</b> | <b>1,294,798</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Drive and Vehicle Reports & Statistics, Licensed Drivers by Age, Sex and County

Note: Number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of reported year

## Charlotte County

Charlotte County had 187,619 licensed drivers in 2026. The number of licensed drivers in the region increased each year from 2019 to 2023, decreased in 2024, and increased in 2025 and 2026. This overall increase resulted in a 21.5 percent increase in the number of licensed drivers over the eight-year period. The largest group of licensed drivers were age 65 and over (41.1 percent). This was followed by the group of licensed drivers that were between the ages of 50 to 59 (14.3 percent) and those aged 30 to 39 (10.6 percent). The remaining 34.1 percent of licensed drivers fell in the age range of 15 to 29 and 40 to 64. The greatest increase between 2019 and 2026 occurred among those drivers age 30 to 39 (39.6 percent) and those age 65 and over (25.9 percent) in the eight-year period.

| Licensed Drivers by Age       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Charlotte County              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Age                           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           | 2025           | 2026           |
| 15 to 19 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 5,498          | 5,494          | 5,487          | 5,718          | 6,037          | 6,280          | 6,439          | 6,658          |
| Percent of total              | 3.6%           | 3.5%           | 3.4%           | 3.4%           | 3.4%           | 3.7%           | 3.5%           | 3.5%           |
| 20 to 29 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 15,612         | 15,586         | 15,641         | 15,898         | 16,766         | 16,791         | 17,310         | 18,091         |
| Percent of total              | 10.1%          | 9.9%           | 9.7%           | 9.5%           | 9.4%           | 9.9%           | 9.5%           | 9.6%           |
| 30 to 39 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 14,296         | 14,703         | 15,487         | 16,167         | 17,514         | 17,792         | 18,954         | 19,952         |
| Percent of total              | 9.3%           | 9.4%           | 9.6%           | 9.7%           | 9.8%           | 10.5%          | 10.4%          | 10.6%          |
| 40 to 49 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 15,764         | 15,592         | 15,513         | 15,990         | 17,155         | 17,495         | 18,425         | 19,507         |
| Percent of total              | 10.2%          | 9.9%           | 9.6%           | 9.6%           | 9.6%           | 10.3%          | 10.1%          | 10.4%          |
| 50 to 59 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 25,403         | 25,483         | 25,865         | 26,623         | 27,447         | 26,724         | 26,559         | 26,739         |
| Percent of total              | 16.4%          | 16.2%          | 16.0%          | 15.9%          | 15.4%          | 15.7%          | 14.5%          | 14.3%          |
| 60 to 64 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 16,613         | 17,133         | 17,844         | 18,718         | 19,874         | 19,846         | 19,715         | 19,565         |
| Percent of total              | 10.8%          | 10.9%          | 11.1%          | 11.2%          | 11.2%          | 11.7%          | 10.8%          | 10.4%          |
| 65 years and older            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 61,248         | 63,168         | 65,416         | 67,900         | 73,442         | 65,079         | 75,564         | 77,107         |
| Percent of total              | 39.7%          | 40.2%          | 40.6%          | 40.7%          | 41.2%          | 38.3%          | 41.3%          | 41.1%          |
| <b>Total licensed drivers</b> | <b>154,434</b> | <b>157,159</b> | <b>161,253</b> | <b>167,014</b> | <b>178,235</b> | <b>170,007</b> | <b>182,966</b> | <b>187,619</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Drive and Vehicle Reports & Statistics, Licensed Drivers by Age, Sex and County

Note: Number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of reported year

## Collier County

Collier County had 365,913 licensed drivers in 2026. The number of licensed drivers in the region increased each year from 2019 to 2026, resulting in a 21.4 percent increase over the eight-year period. The largest group of licensed drivers were age 65 and over (34.6 percent). This was followed by the next two largest groups of licensed drivers that were between the ages of 50 to 59 (14.0 percent) and 20 to 29 (12.6 percent). The greatest increase for licensed drivers during the 2019 and 2026 period was for drivers ages 65 and older (28.5 percent increase), followed closely by drivers ages 60 to 64 (27.3 percent increase). In addition, the county experienced a 24.4 percent increase in licensed drivers ages 30 to 39.

| Licensed Drivers by Age       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Collier County                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Age                           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           | 2025           | 2026           |
| 15 to 19 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 15,353         | 15,705         | 15,875         | 16,371         | 17,082         | 17,802         | 18,011         | 18,026         |
| Percent of total              | 5.1%           | 5.1%           | 5.0%           | 5.0%           | 4.9%           | 5.0%           | 4.9%           | 4.9%           |
| 20 to 29 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 37,966         | 38,160         | 38,568         | 39,399         | 42,078         | 44,026         | 45,797         | 46,047         |
| Percent of total              | 12.6%          | 12.4%          | 12.3%          | 12.1%          | 12.1%          | 12.4%          | 12.6%          | 12.6%          |
| 30 to 39 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 36,542         | 37,084         | 37,992         | 39,227         | 41,839         | 43,924         | 46,039         | 45,447         |
| Percent of total              | 12.1%          | 12.1%          | 12.1%          | 12.0%          | 12.0%          | 12.3%          | 12.6%          | 12.4%          |
| 40 to 49 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 38,263         | 38,311         | 38,333         | 39,245         | 41,310         | 43,067         | 44,861         | 45,354         |
| Percent of total              | 12.7%          | 12.5%          | 12.2%          | 12.0%          | 11.9%          | 12.1%          | 12.3%          | 12.4%          |
| 50 to 59 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 48,743         | 49,052         | 50,090         | 51,926         | 53,570         | 52,890         | 52,187         | 51,287         |
| Percent of total              | 16.2%          | 16.0%          | 15.9%          | 15.9%          | 15.4%          | 14.9%          | 14.3%          | 14.0%          |
| 60 to 64 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 25,923         | 26,957         | 28,232         | 30,067         | 32,326         | 32,948         | 33,236         | 32,990         |
| Percent of total              | 8.6%           | 8.8%           | 9.0%           | 9.2%           | 9.3%           | 9.3%           | 9.1%           | 9.0%           |
| 65 years and older            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 98,651         | 102,257        | 105,408        | 109,784        | 119,106        | 121,168        | 124,146        | 126,762        |
| Percent of total              | 32.7%          | 33.3%          | 33.5%          | 33.7%          | 34.3%          | 34.1%          | 34.1%          | 34.6%          |
| <b>Total licensed drivers</b> | <b>301,441</b> | <b>307,526</b> | <b>314,498</b> | <b>326,019</b> | <b>347,311</b> | <b>355,825</b> | <b>364,277</b> | <b>365,913</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Drive and Vehicle Reports & Statistics, Licensed Drivers by Age, Sex and County

Note: Number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of reported year

## Glades County

Glades County had 7,629 licensed drivers in 2026. Similar to the regional trend, the number of licensed drivers in the county increased each year from 2019 to 2026. The annual increases resulted in a 13.0 percent increase in the number of licensed drivers over the eight-year period. The largest group of licensed drivers were age 65 and over (33.8 percent), which increased by 19.4 percent since 2019. This was followed by the next two largest groups of licensed drivers that were between the ages of 50 to 59 (15.2 percent) and 30 to 39 (12.6 percent). Increasing the most over the eight-year period from 2019 to 2026 was licensed drivers ages 15 to 19, which showed an increase of 21.6 percent.

| Licensed Drivers by Age       |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Glades County                 |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Age                           | 2019         | 2020         | 2021         | 2022         | 2023         | 2024         | 2025         | 2026         |
| 15 to 19 years                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Licensed drivers              | 319          | 358          | 332          | 327          | 354          | 349          | 361          | 388          |
| Percent of total              | 4.7%         | 5.2%         | 4.8%         | 4.7%         | 4.9%         | 4.7%         | 4.8%         | 5.1%         |
| 20 to 29 years                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Licensed drivers              | 886          | 842          | 810          | 817          | 838          | 881          | 913          | 924          |
| Percent of total              | 13.1%        | 12.3%        | 11.7%        | 11.8%        | 11.6%        | 11.8%        | 12.1%        | 12.1%        |
| 30 to 39 years                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Licensed drivers              | 852          | 895          | 916          | 933          | 913          | 950          | 940          | 958          |
| Percent of total              | 12.6%        | 13.1%        | 13.3%        | 13.5%        | 12.6%        | 12.7%        | 12.4%        | 12.6%        |
| 40 to 49 years                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Licensed drivers              | 827          | 802          | 819          | 812          | 834          | 868          | 871          | 904          |
| Percent of total              | 12.2%        | 11.7%        | 11.9%        | 11.7%        | 11.5%        | 11.6%        | 11.5%        | 11.8%        |
| 50 to 59 years                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Licensed drivers              | 1,070        | 1,105        | 1,105        | 1,101        | 1,169        | 1,175        | 1,190        | 1,159        |
| Percent of total              | 15.8%        | 16.1%        | 16.0%        | 15.9%        | 16.1%        | 15.7%        | 15.8%        | 15.2%        |
| 60 to 64 years                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Licensed drivers              | 637          | 622          | 646          | 646          | 695          | 772          | 749          | 714          |
| Percent of total              | 9.4%         | 9.1%         | 9.4%         | 9.3%         | 9.6%         | 10.3%        | 9.9%         | 9.4%         |
| 65 years and older            |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Licensed drivers              | 2,163        | 2,232        | 2,273        | 2,288        | 2,443        | 2,485        | 2,530        | 2,582        |
| Percent of total              | 32.0%        | 32.6%        | 32.9%        | 33.0%        | 33.7%        | 33.2%        | 33.5%        | 33.8%        |
| <b>Total licensed drivers</b> | <b>6,754</b> | <b>6,856</b> | <b>6,901</b> | <b>6,924</b> | <b>7,246</b> | <b>7,480</b> | <b>7,554</b> | <b>7,629</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Drive and Vehicle Reports & Statistics, Licensed Drivers by Age, Sex and County

Note: Number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of reported year

## Hendry County

Hendry County had 34,852 licensed drivers in 2026. The number of licensed drivers in the region has steadily trended upward from 2019 to 2026. The annual increases resulted in a 31.5 percent increase in the number of licensed drivers over the eight-year period. The largest group of licensed drivers were age 20 to 29 (18.2 percent). This was followed by the 30 to 39 age group (17.8 percent), the 65 and over age group (17.1 percent), and the 50 to 59 age group (15.8 percent). The greatest increase between 2019 and 2026 occurred for licensed drivers between the ages of 30 and 39, which increased 42.7 percent over the eight-year period. Also showing a notable increase was the group of licensed drivers that were ages 60 to 64, which increased 42.3 percent over the same time span.

| Licensed Drivers by Age       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Hendry County                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Age                           | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          | 2025          | 2026          |
| 15 to 19 years                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Licensed drivers              | 1,880         | 1,980         | 2,006         | 2,105         | 2,290         | 2,421         | 2,525         | 2,587         |
| Percent of total              | 7.1%          | 7.3%          | 7.3%          | 7.3%          | 7.6%          | 7.6%          | 7.5%          | 7.4%          |
| 20 to 29 years                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Licensed drivers              | 5,116         | 5,141         | 5,245         | 5,406         | 5,628         | 5,829         | 6,156         | 6,334         |
| Percent of total              | 19.3%         | 19.0%         | 19.0%         | 18.9%         | 18.6%         | 18.4%         | 18.3%         | 18.2%         |
| 30 to 39 years                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Licensed drivers              | 4,354         | 4,503         | 4,590         | 4,833         | 5,168         | 5,528         | 6,071         | 6,215         |
| Percent of total              | 16.4%         | 16.7%         | 16.6%         | 16.9%         | 17.1%         | 17.4%         | 18.0%         | 17.8%         |
| 40 to 49 years                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Licensed drivers              | 4,157         | 4,182         | 4,222         | 4,307         | 4,546         | 4,850         | 5,225         | 5,528         |
| Percent of total              | 15.7%         | 15.5%         | 15.3%         | 15.0%         | 15.1%         | 15.3%         | 15.5%         | 15.9%         |
| 50 to 59 years                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Licensed drivers              | 4,575         | 4,545         | 4,657         | 4,836         | 5,060         | 5,212         | 5,382         | 5,491         |
| Percent of total              | 17.3%         | 16.8%         | 16.9%         | 16.9%         | 16.8%         | 16.4%         | 16.0%         | 15.8%         |
| 60 to 64 years                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Licensed drivers              | 1,927         | 1,991         | 2,013         | 2,132         | 2,278         | 2,436         | 2,569         | 2,742         |
| Percent of total              | 7.3%          | 7.4%          | 7.3%          | 7.4%          | 7.5%          | 7.7%          | 7.6%          | 7.9%          |
| 65 years and older            |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Licensed drivers              | 4,490         | 4,665         | 4,864         | 5,046         | 5,218         | 5,481         | 5,778         | 5,955         |
| Percent of total              | 16.9%         | 17.3%         | 17.6%         | 17.6%         | 17.3%         | 17.3%         | 17.1%         | 17.1%         |
| <b>Total licensed drivers</b> | <b>26,499</b> | <b>27,007</b> | <b>27,597</b> | <b>28,665</b> | <b>30,188</b> | <b>31,757</b> | <b>33,706</b> | <b>34,852</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Drive and Vehicle Reports & Statistics, Licensed Drivers by Age, Sex and County

Note: Number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of reported year

## Lee County

Lee County had 698,785 licensed drivers in 2026. The number of licensed drivers in the region increased each year from 2019 to 2026. The annual increases resulted in a 20.8 percent increase in the number of licensed drivers over the eight-year period. The largest group of licensed drivers were age 65 and over (30.4 percent). This was followed by the next two largest groups of licensed drivers that were between the ages of 30 to 39 (14.5 percent) and 50 to 59 (14.5 percent). The smallest group was licensed drivers between the ages of 15 and 19, which accounted for 4.7 percent. The greatest increase for licensed drivers during the 2019 to 2026 period was for drivers between the age of 30 and 39, which rose 30.2 percent. This was followed by drivers 65 years and older, which showed a gain of 23.9 percent over the same eight-year time span.

| Licensed Drivers by Age       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Lee County                    |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Age                           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           | 2025           | 2026           |
| 15 to 19 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 27,145         | 27,774         | 27,773         | 28,565         | 30,039         | 31,022         | 31,225         | 32,589         |
| Percent of total              | 4.7%           | 4.7%           | 4.6%           | 4.6%           | 4.6%           | 4.6%           | 4.6%           | 4.7%           |
| 20 to 29 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 79,776         | 80,597         | 81,256         | 83,866         | 87,703         | 89,929         | 93,675         | 96,500         |
| Percent of total              | 13.8%          | 13.7%          | 13.5%          | 13.4%          | 13.3%          | 13.4%          | 13.7%          | 13.8%          |
| 30 to 39 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 78,049         | 79,730         | 81,930         | 85,495         | 90,106         | 93,654         | 98,990         | 101,624        |
| Percent of total              | 13.5%          | 13.5%          | 13.6%          | 13.7%          | 13.7%          | 14.0%          | 14.4%          | 14.5%          |
| 40 to 49 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 77,316         | 77,389         | 77,692         | 79,795         | 83,390         | 86,119         | 90,372         | 93,963         |
| Percent of total              | 13.4%          | 13.1%          | 12.9%          | 12.8%          | 12.7%          | 12.9%          | 13.2%          | 13.4%          |
| 50 to 59 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 94,213         | 95,039         | 96,549         | 99,488         | 102,799        | 101,782        | 101,326        | 101,268        |
| Percent of total              | 16.3%          | 16.1%          | 16.0%          | 15.9%          | 15.6%          | 15.2%          | 14.8%          | 14.5%          |
| 60 to 64 years                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 50,564         | 52,382         | 54,170         | 56,823         | 60,037         | 59,828         | 60,334         | 60,391         |
| Percent of total              | 8.7%           | 8.9%           | 9.0%           | 9.1%           | 9.1%           | 8.9%           | 8.8%           | 8.6%           |
| 65 years and older            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Licensed drivers              | 171,465        | 177,424        | 182,644        | 190,303        | 204,914        | 206,385        | 209,186        | 212,450        |
| Percent of total              | 29.6%          | 30.1%          | 30.3%          | 30.5%          | 31.1%          | 30.9%          | 30.5%          | 30.4%          |
| <b>Total licensed drivers</b> | <b>578,528</b> | <b>590,335</b> | <b>602,014</b> | <b>624,335</b> | <b>658,988</b> | <b>668,719</b> | <b>685,108</b> | <b>698,785</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Drive and Vehicle Reports & Statistics, Licensed Drivers by Age, Sex and County

Note: Number of licensed drivers as of January 1st of reported year

# Vehicles Registered

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles collects data on the number of vehicles registered in each of the five counties. All data represents the number of vehicles registered as of January 1st of the reported year. Information regarding the number of vehicles registered in each county can be found below.

## Southwest Florida

Southwest Florida had 1,637,472 vehicles registered in 2026. The number of registered vehicles in the region increased each year from 2019 to 2025, before decreasing in 2026. As a result, the region had a 13.1 percent increase in the number of registered vehicles over the eight-year period. Amongst all the registered vehicles, the largest proportion of vehicle types was automobiles and pickups (70.2 percent), which increased 13.7 percent since 2019. The next largest group of registered vehicles was vehicle trailers (158,275 in 2026), showing a 24.7 percent increase from 2019. Heavy trucks and vessels were the next two highest in number, growing 25.6 percent and 10.4 percent respectively, since 2019. Mobile homes declined 16.7 percent from 2019 (63,715 in 2026).

| Vehicles Registered              |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Southwest Florida                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Vehicle Type                     | 2019             | 2020             | 2021             | 2022             | 2023             | 2024             | 2025             | 2026             |
| Autos and pickups                |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 1,010,688        | 1,038,269        | 1,066,229        | 1,107,623        | 1,116,679        | 1,150,592        | 1,170,806        | 1,148,736        |
| Percent of total                 | 69.8%            | 69.9%            | 69.5%            | 69.2%            | 69.1%            | 69.0%            | 68.8%            | 70.2%            |
| Heavy trucks                     |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 88,595           | 92,743           | 103,063          | 115,463          | 118,320          | 129,339          | 137,473          | 111,274          |
| Percent of total                 | 6.1%             | 6.2%             | 6.7%             | 7.2%             | 7.3%             | 7.8%             | 8.1%             | 6.8%             |
| Motorcycles                      |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 44,252           | 44,703           | 45,277           | 46,217           | 45,748           | 45,951           | 45,376           | 42,837           |
| Percent of total                 | 3.1%             | 3.0%             | 3.0%             | 2.9%             | 2.8%             | 2.8%             | 2.7%             | 2.6%             |
| Buses and tools                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 3,985            | 3,963            | 3,932            | 4,277            | 4,225            | 4,220            | 4,204            | 3,987            |
| Percent of total                 | 0.3%             | 0.3%             | 0.3%             | 0.3%             | 0.3%             | 0.3%             | 0.2%             | 0.2%             |
| Vessels                          |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 84,158           | 85,468           | 88,281           | 91,649           | 92,880           | 93,756           | 95,305           | 92,925           |
| Percent of total                 | 5.8%             | 5.8%             | 5.8%             | 5.7%             | 5.8%             | 5.6%             | 5.6%             | 5.7%             |
| Vehicle trailers                 |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 126,936          | 131,106          | 137,899          | 144,756          | 149,631          | 156,395          | 160,209          | 158,275          |
| Percent of total                 | 8.8%             | 8.8%             | 9.0%             | 9.0%             | 9.3%             | 9.4%             | 9.4%             | 9.7%             |
| Travel trailers                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 12,214           | 12,743           | 13,633           | 14,702           | 15,625           | 16,368           | 16,535           | 15,723           |
| Percent of total                 | 0.8%             | 0.9%             | 0.9%             | 0.9%             | 1.0%             | 1.0%             | 1.0%             | 1.0%             |
| Mobile homes                     |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |                  |
| Count                            | 76,514           | 76,897           | 76,266           | 76,325           | 71,928           | 72,096           | 72,872           | 63,715           |
| Percent of total                 | 5.3%             | 5.2%             | 5.0%             | 4.8%             | 4.5%             | 4.3%             | 4.3%             | 3.9%             |
| <b>Total registered vehicles</b> | <b>1,447,342</b> | <b>1,485,892</b> | <b>1,534,580</b> | <b>1,601,012</b> | <b>1,615,036</b> | <b>1,668,717</b> | <b>1,702,780</b> | <b>1,637,472</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Vehicle and Vessel Reports and Statistics, Count of Vehicles Registered

Note: Number of vehicles registered as of January 1st of reported year

## Charlotte County

Charlotte County had 253,470 vehicles registered in 2026. The number of registered vehicles in the region steadily increased from 2019 to 2025, before decreasing in 2026, resulting in a 12.4 percent increase over the eight-year period. Amongst all the registered vehicles, the largest proportion of vehicle types was automobiles and pickups (63.2 percent), which increased 12.3 percent since 2019. The next largest group of registered vehicles was vehicle trailers (29,366 in 2026), showing a 21.1 percent increase from 2019. Vessels were the next highest in number, growing 7.8 percent since 2019 to 19,746 units in 2026. Heavy trucks were the next highest group (17,165 in 2026), growing 37.9 percent from 2019. Mobile homes decreased 11.3 percent over the eight-year period, amounting to 14,290 units in 2026.

| Vehicles Registered              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Charlotte County                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Vehicle Type                     | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           | 2025           | 2026           |
| Autos and pickups                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 142,651        | 146,269        | 150,613        | 156,636        | 158,517        | 160,790        | 162,226        | 160,258        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 63.3%          | 63.3%          | 62.9%          | 62.5%          | 62.5%          | 62.3%          | 62.1%          | 63.2%          |
| Heavy trucks                     |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 12,450         | 13,282         | 14,957         | 17,029         | 17,624         | 18,685         | 19,934         | 17,165         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 5.5%           | 5.7%           | 6.3%           | 6.8%           | 6.9%           | 7.2%           | 7.6%           | 6.8%           |
| Motorcycles                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 8,744          | 9,018          | 9,242          | 9,548          | 9,509          | 9,533          | 9,470          | 9,035          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 3.9%           | 3.9%           | 3.9%           | 3.8%           | 3.7%           | 3.7%           | 3.6%           | 3.6%           |
| Buses and tools                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 389            | 397            | 409            | 386            | 377            | 352            | 347            | 334            |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 0.2%           | 0.2%           | 0.2%           | 0.2%           | 0.1%           | 0.1%           | 0.1%           | 0.1%           |
| Vessels                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 18,323         | 18,435         | 19,150         | 20,161         | 20,297         | 20,499         | 20,517         | 19,746         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 8.1%           | 8.0%           | 8.0%           | 8.0%           | 8.0%           | 7.9%           | 7.9%           | 7.8%           |
| Vehicle trailers                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 24,258         | 25,084         | 26,223         | 27,866         | 28,689         | 29,368         | 29,895         | 29,366         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 10.8%          | 10.8%          | 11.0%          | 11.1%          | 11.3%          | 11.4%          | 11.4%          | 11.6%          |
| Travel trailers                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 2,560          | 2,712          | 2,894          | 3,204          | 3,266          | 3,426          | 3,509          | 3,276          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 1.1%           | 1.2%           | 1.2%           | 1.3%           | 1.3%           | 1.3%           | 1.3%           | 1.3%           |
| Mobile homes                     |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 16,110         | 16,047         | 15,824         | 15,883         | 15,504         | 15,310         | 15,380         | 14,290         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 7.1%           | 6.9%           | 6.6%           | 6.3%           | 6.1%           | 5.9%           | 5.9%           | 5.6%           |
| <b>Total registered vehicles</b> | <b>225,485</b> | <b>231,244</b> | <b>239,312</b> | <b>250,713</b> | <b>253,783</b> | <b>257,963</b> | <b>261,278</b> | <b>253,470</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Vehicle and Vessel Reports and Statistics, Count of Vehicles Registered

Note: Number of vehicles registered as of January 1st of reported year

## Collier County

Collier County had 457,874 vehicles registered in 2026. The number of registered vehicles in the region trended upward from 2019 to 2025, before decreasing in 2026, resulting in a 16.5 percent increase over the eight-year period. Amongst all the registered vehicles, the largest proportion of vehicle types was automobiles and pickups (75.7 percent), which increased 16.5 percent since 2019. The next largest group of registered vehicles was vehicle trailers (37,238 in 2026, 26.5 percent growth from 2019). Heavy trucks (26,581 in 2026) increased 17.4 percent since 2019, behind travel trailers (3,280 in 2026), which increased 43.9 percent over the eight-year period. Busses and tools decreased 27.4 percent from 2019.

| Vehicles Registered              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Collier County                   |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Vehicle Type                     | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           | 2025           | 2026           |
| Autos and pickups                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 297,708        | 306,404        | 316,565        | 330,659        | 334,763        | 346,880        | 354,759        | 346,780        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 75.7%          | 75.6%          | 75.0%          | 74.6%          | 74.6%          | 74.6%          | 74.4%          | 75.7%          |
| Heavy trucks                     |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 22,649         | 23,649         | 26,729         | 29,821         | 29,737         | 31,680         | 34,038         | 26,581         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 5.8%           | 5.8%           | 6.3%           | 6.7%           | 6.6%           | 6.8%           | 7.1%           | 5.8%           |
| Motorcycles                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 10,367         | 10,454         | 10,671         | 11,004         | 10,972         | 11,080         | 10,935         | 10,248         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 2.6%           | 2.6%           | 2.5%           | 2.5%           | 2.4%           | 2.4%           | 2.3%           | 2.2%           |
| Buses and tools                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 1,407          | 1,387          | 1,357          | 1,309          | 1,205          | 1,126          | 1,130          | 1,021          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 0.4%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.2%           | 0.2%           | 0.2%           |
| Vessels                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 19,169         | 19,790         | 20,950         | 22,211         | 22,548         | 23,324         | 23,730         | 22,979         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 4.9%           | 4.9%           | 5.0%           | 5.0%           | 5.0%           | 5.0%           | 5.0%           | 5.0%           |
| Vehicle trailers                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 29,436         | 30,592         | 32,609         | 34,588         | 35,486         | 36,978         | 38,028         | 37,238         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 7.5%           | 7.6%           | 7.7%           | 7.8%           | 7.9%           | 7.9%           | 8.0%           | 8.1%           |
| Travel trailers                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 2,280          | 2,382          | 2,636          | 2,918          | 3,115          | 3,360          | 3,430          | 3,280          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 0.6%           | 0.6%           | 0.6%           | 0.7%           | 0.7%           | 0.7%           | 0.7%           | 0.7%           |
| Mobile homes                     |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 10,035         | 10,465         | 10,678         | 10,766         | 10,618         | 10,869         | 10,885         | 9,747          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 2.6%           | 2.6%           | 2.5%           | 2.4%           | 2.4%           | 2.3%           | 2.3%           | 2.1%           |
| <b>Total registered vehicles</b> | <b>393,051</b> | <b>405,123</b> | <b>422,195</b> | <b>443,276</b> | <b>448,444</b> | <b>465,297</b> | <b>476,935</b> | <b>457,874</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Vehicle and Vessel Reports and Statistics, Count of Vehicles Registered

Note: Number of vehicles registered as of January 1st of reported year

## Glades County

Glades County had 15,448 vehicles registered in 2026. The number of registered vehicles in the county overall increased from 2019 to 2026, resulting in a 5.6 percent increase in the number of registered vehicles over the eight-year period. Amongst all the registered vehicles, the county had 6,356 automobiles and pickups, a 6.6 percent increase from 2019 and representing 41.1 percent of all registered vehicles. Vehicle trailers were the next largest group (21.3 percent) and increased 12.9 percent from 2019. Mobile homes represented 13.2 percent of the total vehicles registered and decreased 4.4 percent from 2019. Buses and tools saw the largest increase from 2019, gaining 40.0 percent over the period, amounting to 49 units.

| Vehicles Registered              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Glades County                    |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Vehicle Type                     | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          | 2025          | 2026          |
| Autos and pickups                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 5,963         | 6,004         | 6,108         | 6,194         | 6,202         | 6,364         | 6,528         | 6,356         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 40.8%         | 40.7%         | 40.3%         | 40.2%         | 40.3%         | 39.8%         | 40.0%         | 41.1%         |
| Heavy trucks                     |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 1,417         | 1,462         | 1,516         | 1,659         | 1,690         | 1,753         | 1,855         | 1,428         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 9.7%          | 9.9%          | 10.0%         | 10.8%         | 11.0%         | 11.0%         | 11.4%         | 9.2%          |
| Motorcycles                      |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 386           | 398           | 413           | 388           | 394           | 407           | 418           | 390           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 2.6%          | 2.7%          | 2.7%          | 2.5%          | 2.6%          | 2.5%          | 2.6%          | 2.5%          |
| Buses and tools                  |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 35            | 36            | 33            | 38            | 41            | 36            | 49            | 49            |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 0.2%          | 0.2%          | 0.2%          | 0.2%          | 0.3%          | 0.2%          | 0.3%          | 0.3%          |
| Vessels                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 1,312         | 1,275         | 1,339         | 1,347         | 1,333         | 1,427         | 1,446         | 1,372         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 9.0%          | 8.6%          | 8.8%          | 8.7%          | 8.7%          | 8.9%          | 8.9%          | 8.9%          |
| Vehicle trailers                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 2,910         | 2,924         | 3,073         | 3,103         | 3,080         | 3,299         | 3,304         | 3,285         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 19.9%         | 19.8%         | 20.3%         | 20.1%         | 20.0%         | 20.6%         | 20.3%         | 21.3%         |
| Travel trailers                  |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 476           | 495           | 486           | 502           | 514           | 572           | 567           | 532           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 3.3%          | 3.4%          | 3.2%          | 3.3%          | 3.3%          | 3.6%          | 3.5%          | 3.4%          |
| Mobile homes                     |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 2,129         | 2,173         | 2,177         | 2,171         | 2,121         | 2,122         | 2,144         | 2,036         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 14.6%         | 14.7%         | 14.4%         | 14.1%         | 13.8%         | 13.3%         | 13.1%         | 13.2%         |
| <b>Total registered vehicles</b> | <b>14,628</b> | <b>14,767</b> | <b>15,145</b> | <b>15,402</b> | <b>15,375</b> | <b>15,980</b> | <b>16,311</b> | <b>15,448</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Vehicle and Vessel Reports and Statistics, Count of Vehicles Registered

Note: Number of vehicles registered as of January 1st of reported year

## Hendry County

Hendry County had 55,966 vehicles registered in 2026. The number of registered vehicles in the county grew from 2019 to 2025 before decreasing in 2026, resulting in a 20.2 percent increase over the eight-year period. Amongst all the registered vehicles, the county had 29,986 automobiles and pickups (22.7 percent increase from 2019), which accounted for 53.6 percent of all registered vehicles. Vehicle trailers accounted for the next largest group (17.5 percent) and showed a 30.5 percent increase since 2019. Mobile homes have fluctuated over the past eight years, for a 0.1 percent decrease since 2019. Heavy trucks rose 16.0 percent from 2019 to 5,454 in 2026, accounting for 9.7 percent of all registered vehicles in the county.

| Vehicles Registered              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Hendry County                    |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Vehicle Type                     | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          | 2025          | 2026          |
| Autos and pickups                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 24,443        | 25,131        | 25,946        | 27,160        | 28,049        | 29,537        | 30,783        | 29,986        |
| Percent of total                 | 52.5%         | 52.7%         | 52.1%         | 51.8%         | 52.3%         | 52.3%         | 52.4%         | 53.6%         |
| Heavy trucks                     |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 4,702         | 4,674         | 5,316         | 6,023         | 5,949         | 6,634         | 7,179         | 5,454         |
| Percent of total                 | 10.1%         | 9.8%          | 10.7%         | 11.5%         | 11.1%         | 11.7%         | 12.2%         | 9.7%          |
| Motorcycles                      |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 877           | 907           | 910           | 950           | 937           | 975           | 1,047         | 1,000         |
| Percent of total                 | 1.9%          | 1.9%          | 1.8%          | 1.8%          | 1.7%          | 1.7%          | 1.8%          | 1.8%          |
| Buses and tools                  |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 154           | 168           | 173           | 215           | 238           | 258           | 240           | 235           |
| Percent of total                 | 0.3%          | 0.4%          | 0.3%          | 0.4%          | 0.4%          | 0.5%          | 0.4%          | 0.4%          |
| Vessels                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 1,665         | 1,727         | 1,835         | 1,887         | 1,981         | 2,097         | 2,192         | 2,084         |
| Percent of total                 | 3.6%          | 3.6%          | 3.7%          | 3.6%          | 3.7%          | 3.7%          | 3.7%          | 3.7%          |
| Vehicle trailers                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 7,515         | 7,800         | 8,335         | 8,794         | 9,041         | 9,400         | 9,766         | 9,806         |
| Percent of total                 | 16.1%         | 16.4%         | 16.7%         | 16.8%         | 16.9%         | 16.6%         | 16.6%         | 17.5%         |
| Travel trailers                  |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 616           | 647           | 664           | 726           | 741           | 793           | 853           | 830           |
| Percent of total                 | 1.3%          | 1.4%          | 1.3%          | 1.4%          | 1.4%          | 1.4%          | 1.5%          | 1.5%          |
| Mobile homes                     |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                            | 6,576         | 6,596         | 6,599         | 6,652         | 6,657         | 6,796         | 6,718         | 6,571         |
| Percent of total                 | 14.1%         | 13.8%         | 13.3%         | 12.7%         | 12.4%         | 12.0%         | 11.4%         | 11.7%         |
| <b>Total registered vehicles</b> | <b>46,548</b> | <b>47,650</b> | <b>49,778</b> | <b>52,407</b> | <b>53,593</b> | <b>56,490</b> | <b>58,778</b> | <b>55,966</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Vehicle and Vessel Reports and Statistics, Count of Vehicles Registered

Note: Number of vehicles registered as of January 1st of reported year

## Lee County

Lee County had 854,714 vehicles registered in 2026. The number of registered vehicles in the county increased each year from 2019 to 2025, before decreasing in 2026. Overall, the county had an 11.3 percent increase in the number of registered vehicles over the eight-year period. Amongst all the registered vehicles, the county had 605,356 automobiles and pickups, accounting for 70.8 percent of all registered vehicles and growing 12.1 percent since 2019. The next largest group of vehicles by type were vehicle trailers (78,580 units, increasing 25.1 percent since 2019). Heavy trucks amounted to 60,646 units and showed the largest gain by type of vehicle of 28.0 percent since 2019. Mobile homes fell by 25.4 percent since 2019 with 31,071 units as of 2026.

| Vehicles Registered              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Lee County                       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Vehicle Type                     | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           | 2025           | 2026           |
| Autos and pickups                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 539,923        | 554,461        | 566,997        | 586,974        | 589,148        | 607,021        | 616,510        | 605,356        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 70.3%          | 70.4%          | 70.1%          | 69.9%          | 69.8%          | 69.5%          | 69.3%          | 70.8%          |
| Heavy trucks                     |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 47,377         | 49,676         | 54,545         | 60,931         | 63,320         | 70,587         | 74,467         | 60,646         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 6.2%           | 6.3%           | 6.7%           | 7.3%           | 7.5%           | 8.1%           | 8.4%           | 7.1%           |
| Motorcycles                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 23,878         | 23,926         | 24,041         | 24,327         | 23,936         | 23,956         | 23,506         | 22,164         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 3.1%           | 3.0%           | 3.0%           | 2.9%           | 2.8%           | 2.7%           | 2.6%           | 2.6%           |
| Buses and tools                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 2,308          | 2,287          | 2,284          | 2,329          | 2,364          | 2,448          | 2,438          | 2,348          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           | 0.3%           |
| Vessels                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 43,689         | 44,241         | 45,007         | 46,043         | 46,721         | 46,409         | 47,420         | 46,744         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 5.7%           | 5.6%           | 5.6%           | 5.5%           | 5.5%           | 5.3%           | 5.3%           | 5.5%           |
| Vehicle trailers                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 62,817         | 64,706         | 67,659         | 70,405         | 73,335         | 77,350         | 79,216         | 78,580         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 8.2%           | 8.2%           | 8.4%           | 8.4%           | 8.7%           | 8.9%           | 8.9%           | 9.2%           |
| Travel trailers                  |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 6,282          | 6,507          | 6,953          | 7,352          | 7,989          | 8,217          | 8,176          | 7,805          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 0.8%           | 0.8%           | 0.9%           | 0.9%           | 0.9%           | 0.9%           | 0.9%           | 0.9%           |
| Mobile homes                     |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                     | 41,664         | 41,616         | 40,988         | 40,853         | 37,028         | 36,999         | 37,745         | 31,071         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>          | 5.4%           | 5.3%           | 5.1%           | 4.9%           | 4.4%           | 4.2%           | 4.2%           | 3.6%           |
| <b>Total registered vehicles</b> | <b>767,938</b> | <b>787,420</b> | <b>808,474</b> | <b>839,214</b> | <b>843,841</b> | <b>872,987</b> | <b>889,478</b> | <b>854,714</b> |

Source: Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, Vehicle and Vessel Reports and Statistics, Count of Vehicles Registered

Note: Number of vehicles registered as of January 1st of reported year

# Means of Transportation to Work

The American Community Survey, conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, collects means of transportation data for each county. Information regarding the means of transportation used by workers age 16 and over in each county can be found below.

## Southwest Florida

Southwest Florida had 428,752 residents who drove alone to work in 2024, representing 70.3 percent of all residents in the region. Residents who drove alone to work increased steadily from 2017 to 2020 and stayed relatively stable since then, resulting in a 9.0 percent increase over the eight-year period. The region also had 61,725 residents that carpooled to work (19.4 percent increase from 2017), 3,102 residents that used public transportation, besides taxis, to get to work (58.0 percent decrease from 2017), and 5,961 residents that walked to work (6.5 percent decrease from 2017). The region also had 15,913 residents that used a taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle or some other means of transportation to get to work (4.8 percent increase from 2017) and 94,082 residents that worked at home (194.8 percent increase from 2017).

| Means of Transportation to Work              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Southwest Florida                            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Means of Transportation                      | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| Car, truck or van - drove alone              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 393,242        | 407,239        | 417,053        | 425,331        | 421,143        | 426,013        | 424,308        | 428,752        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 77.7%          | 77.7%          | 77.4%          | 76.3%          | 75.5%          | 74.4%          | 72.3%          | 70.3%          |
| Car, truck or van - carpooled                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 51,690         | 54,743         | 58,118         | 59,260         | 56,326         | 56,844         | 57,006         | 61,725         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 10.2%          | 10.4%          | 10.8%          | 10.6%          | 10.1%          | 9.9%           | 9.7%           | 10.1%          |
| Public transportation (excluding taxi)       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 7,382          | 6,953          | 5,753          | 4,513          | 3,544          | 3,163          | 3,403          | 3,102          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 1.5%           | 1.3%           | 1.1%           | 0.8%           | 0.6%           | 0.6%           | 0.6%           | 0.5%           |
| Walked                                       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 6,375          | 6,548          | 6,963          | 6,738          | 6,202          | 6,178          | 6,788          | 5,961          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 1.3%           | 1.2%           | 1.3%           | 1.2%           | 1.1%           | 1.1%           | 1.2%           | 1.0%           |
| Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 15,189         | 14,269         | 14,340         | 15,856         | 15,250         | 14,185         | 14,830         | 15,913         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 3.0%           | 2.7%           | 2.7%           | 2.8%           | 2.7%           | 2.5%           | 2.5%           | 2.6%           |
| Worked at home                               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 31,918         | 34,130         | 36,813         | 45,903         | 55,097         | 66,174         | 80,683         | 94,082         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 6.3%           | 6.5%           | 6.8%           | 8.2%           | 9.9%           | 11.6%          | 13.7%          | 15.4%          |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b>       | <b>505,796</b> | <b>523,882</b> | <b>539,040</b> | <b>557,601</b> | <b>557,562</b> | <b>572,557</b> | <b>587,018</b> | <b>609,535</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08101: Means of Transportation to Work by Age

## Charlotte County

Charlotte County had 51,470 residents who drove alone to work in 2024. This group made up 71.7 percent of all residents in the county. Residents who drove alone to work increased 13.6 percent from 2017 to 2024. The county also had 5,611 residents that carpoolled to work (11.2 percent increase from 2017), 101 residents that used public transportation, besides taxis, to get to work (19.8 percent decrease from 2017), 852 residents that walked to work (42.0 percent increase from 2017), and 2,091 residents that used a taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle or some other means of transportation to get to work (13.4 percent increase from 2017). Charlotte County also had 11,645 residents that worked at home, a 164.7 percent increase over the eight-year time span from 2017.

| Means of Transportation to Work              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Charlotte County                             |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Means of Transportation                      | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          |
| Car, truck or van - drove alone              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 45,303        | 46,924        | 48,223        | 49,777        | 49,520        | 49,548        | 49,941        | 51,470        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 79.0%         | 79.1%         | 79.5%         | 78.7%         | 76.4%         | 74.7%         | 73.0%         | 71.7%         |
| Car, truck or van - carpoolled               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 5,044         | 4,734         | 4,857         | 4,638         | 4,749         | 4,849         | 5,257         | 5,611         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 8.8%          | 8.0%          | 8.0%          | 7.3%          | 7.3%          | 7.3%          | 7.7%          | 7.8%          |
| Public transportation (excluding taxi)       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 126           | 147           | 113           | 157           | 173           | 165           | 150           | 101           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 0.2%          | 0.2%          | 0.2%          | 0.2%          | 0.3%          | 0.2%          | 0.2%          | 0.1%          |
| Walked                                       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 600           | 628           | 495           | 518           | 732           | 705           | 708           | 852           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 1.0%          | 1.1%          | 0.8%          | 0.8%          | 1.1%          | 1.1%          | 1.0%          | 1.2%          |
| Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 1,844         | 1,384         | 1,505         | 1,681         | 1,855         | 1,892         | 1,869         | 2,091         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 3.2%          | 2.3%          | 2.5%          | 2.7%          | 2.9%          | 2.9%          | 2.7%          | 2.9%          |
| Worked at home                               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 4,399         | 5,507         | 5,479         | 6,514         | 7,788         | 9,163         | 10,471        | 11,645        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 7.7%          | 9.3%          | 9.0%          | 10.3%         | 12.0%         | 13.8%         | 15.3%         | 16.2%         |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b>       | <b>57,316</b> | <b>59,324</b> | <b>60,672</b> | <b>63,285</b> | <b>64,817</b> | <b>66,322</b> | <b>68,396</b> | <b>71,770</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08101: Means of Transportation to Work by Age

## Collier County

Collier County had 113,751 residents who drove alone to work in 2024. This group made up 69.0 percent of all residents in the county. The number of residents who drove alone to work generally increased from 2017 to 2022, except for a slight decrease in 2020, before declining in 2023 and 2024, resulting in a 4.0 percent increase over the eight-year period. The county also had 17,952 residents that carpooled to work (8.4 percent increase from 2017), 820 residents that used public transportation, besides taxis, to get to work (76.6 percent decrease from 2017), and 1,178 residents that walked to work (46.1 percent decrease from 2017). A total of 4,087 residents used a taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle or some other means of transportation to get to work (2.0 percent decrease from 2017), and 27,096 residents worked at home (151.8 percent increase from 2017).

| Means of Transportation to Work              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Collier County                               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Means of Transportation                      | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| Car, truck or van - drove alone              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 109,375        | 112,045        | 115,828        | 115,335        | 116,411        | 117,423        | 114,692        | 113,751        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 74.6%          | 74.4%          | 75.1%          | 74.0%          | 74.8%          | 74.0%          | 71.6%          | 69.0%          |
| Car, truck or van - carpooled                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 16,558         | 18,278         | 19,054         | 18,742         | 17,494         | 17,207         | 16,192         | 17,952         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 11.3%          | 12.1%          | 12.4%          | 12.0%          | 11.2%          | 10.9%          | 10.1%          | 10.9%          |
| Public transportation (excluding taxi)       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 3,509          | 3,303          | 2,415          | 1,668          | 1,064          | 854            | 968            | 820            |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 2.4%           | 2.2%           | 1.6%           | 1.1%           | 0.7%           | 0.5%           | 0.6%           | 0.5%           |
| Walked                                       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 2,187          | 2,129          | 2,072          | 1,663          | 1,328          | 1,184          | 1,621          | 1,178          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 1.5%           | 1.4%           | 1.3%           | 1.1%           | 0.9%           | 0.7%           | 1.0%           | 0.7%           |
| Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 4,169          | 3,772          | 3,598          | 3,786          | 3,519          | 3,281          | 3,778          | 4,087          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 2.8%           | 2.5%           | 2.3%           | 2.4%           | 2.3%           | 2.1%           | 2.4%           | 2.5%           |
| Worked at home                               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 10,759         | 11,127         | 11,231         | 14,564         | 15,914         | 18,624         | 22,828         | 27,096         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 7.3%           | 7.4%           | 7.3%           | 9.4%           | 10.2%          | 11.7%          | 14.3%          | 16.4%          |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b>       | <b>146,557</b> | <b>150,654</b> | <b>154,198</b> | <b>155,758</b> | <b>155,730</b> | <b>158,573</b> | <b>160,079</b> | <b>164,884</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08101: Means of Transportation to Work by Age

## Glades County

Glades County had 2,882 residents who drove alone to work in 2024. This group made up 74.0 percent of all residents in the county. The number of residents who drove alone to work fluctuated from 2017 to 2024, leading to a 4.7 percent decrease over the eight-year period. The county had 534 residents that carpooled to work (8.8 percent increase from 2017), 77 residents that used public transportation, besides taxis, to get to work (1,183.3 percent increase from 2017), 21 residents that walked to work (87.2 percent decrease from 2017), and 232 residents that used a taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle or some other means of transportation to get to work (146.8 percent increase from 2017). The county also had 148 residents that worked at home, a 29.9 percent decrease from 2017.

| Means of Transportation to Work              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Glades County                                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Means of Transportation                      | 2017         | 2018         | 2019         | 2020         | 2021         | 2022         | 2023         | 2024         |
| Car, truck or van - drove alone              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 3,024        | 2,837        | 2,599        | 2,577        | 2,239        | 2,493        | 2,786        | 2,882        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 75.8%        | 76.1%        | 70.9%        | 72.5%        | 70.6%        | 72.8%        | 72.7%        | 74.0%        |
| Car, truck or van - carpooled                |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 491          | 425          | 544          | 563          | 534          | 475          | 660          | 534          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 12.3%        | 11.4%        | 14.8%        | 15.8%        | 16.8%        | 13.9%        | 17.2%        | 13.7%        |
| Public transportation (excluding taxi)       |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 6            | 64           | 49           | 40           | 59           | 73           | 3            | 77           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 0.2%         | 1.7%         | 1.3%         | 1.1%         | 1.9%         | 2.1%         | 0.1%         | 2.0%         |
| Walked                                       |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 164          | 54           | 137          | 161          | 214          | 125          | 104          | 21           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 4.1%         | 1.4%         | 3.7%         | 4.5%         | 6.7%         | 3.6%         | 2.7%         | 0.5%         |
| Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 94           | 105          | 117          | 125          | 44           | 93           | 124          | 232          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 2.4%         | 2.8%         | 3.2%         | 3.5%         | 1.4%         | 2.7%         | 3.2%         | 6.0%         |
| Worked at home                               |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 211          | 244          | 219          | 89           | 83           | 166          | 156          | 148          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 5.3%         | 6.5%         | 6.0%         | 2.5%         | 2.6%         | 4.8%         | 4.1%         | 3.8%         |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b>       | <b>3,990</b> | <b>3,729</b> | <b>3,665</b> | <b>3,555</b> | <b>3,173</b> | <b>3,425</b> | <b>3,833</b> | <b>3,894</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08101: Means of Transportation to Work by Age

## Hendry County

Hendry County had 12,511 residents who drove alone to work in 2024. This group made up 67.8 percent of all residents in the county. The number of residents who drove alone to work generally grew from 2017 to 2024, except for a slight decrease in 2023, resulting in a 21.7 percent increase. The county also had 3,418 residents that carpooled to get to work (46.1 percent increase from 2017), 392 residents who used public transportation, excluding taxis, to get to work (72.2 percent decrease from 2017), 343 residents that walked to work (30.4 percent decrease from 2017), 523 residents that used a taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle or some other means of transportation to get to work (33.4 percent decrease from 2017), and 1,265 residents that worked at home (90.5 percent increase from 2017).

| Means of Transportation to Work              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Hendry County                                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Means of Transportation                      | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          |
| Car, truck or van - drove alone              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 10,282        | 10,636        | 10,789        | 11,209        | 11,215        | 12,400        | 12,355        | 12,511        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 64.4%         | 64.6%         | 62.6%         | 61.1%         | 65.8%         | 69.1%         | 66.6%         | 67.8%         |
| Car, truck or van - carpooled                |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 2,339         | 2,646         | 2,794         | 4,145         | 2,996         | 2,876         | 3,154         | 3,418         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 14.6%         | 16.1%         | 16.2%         | 22.6%         | 17.6%         | 16.0%         | 17.0%         | 18.5%         |
| Public transportation (excluding taxi)       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 1,412         | 1,256         | 1,146         | 566           | 491           | 436           | 552           | 392           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 8.8%          | 7.6%          | 6.6%          | 3.1%          | 2.9%          | 2.4%          | 3.0%          | 2.1%          |
| Walked                                       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 493           | 681           | 716           | 756           | 726           | 643           | 555           | 343           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 3.1%          | 4.1%          | 4.2%          | 4.1%          | 4.3%          | 3.6%          | 3.0%          | 1.9%          |
| Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 785           | 543           | 1,035         | 699           | 627           | 597           | 939           | 523           |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 4.9%          | 3.3%          | 6.0%          | 3.8%          | 3.7%          | 3.3%          | 5.1%          | 2.8%          |
| Worked at home                               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 664           | 695           | 766           | 969           | 979           | 983           | 1,003         | 1,265         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 4.2%          | 4.2%          | 4.4%          | 5.3%          | 5.7%          | 5.5%          | 5.4%          | 6.9%          |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b>       | <b>15,975</b> | <b>16,457</b> | <b>17,246</b> | <b>18,344</b> | <b>17,034</b> | <b>17,935</b> | <b>18,558</b> | <b>18,452</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08101: Means of Transportation to Work by Age

## Lee County

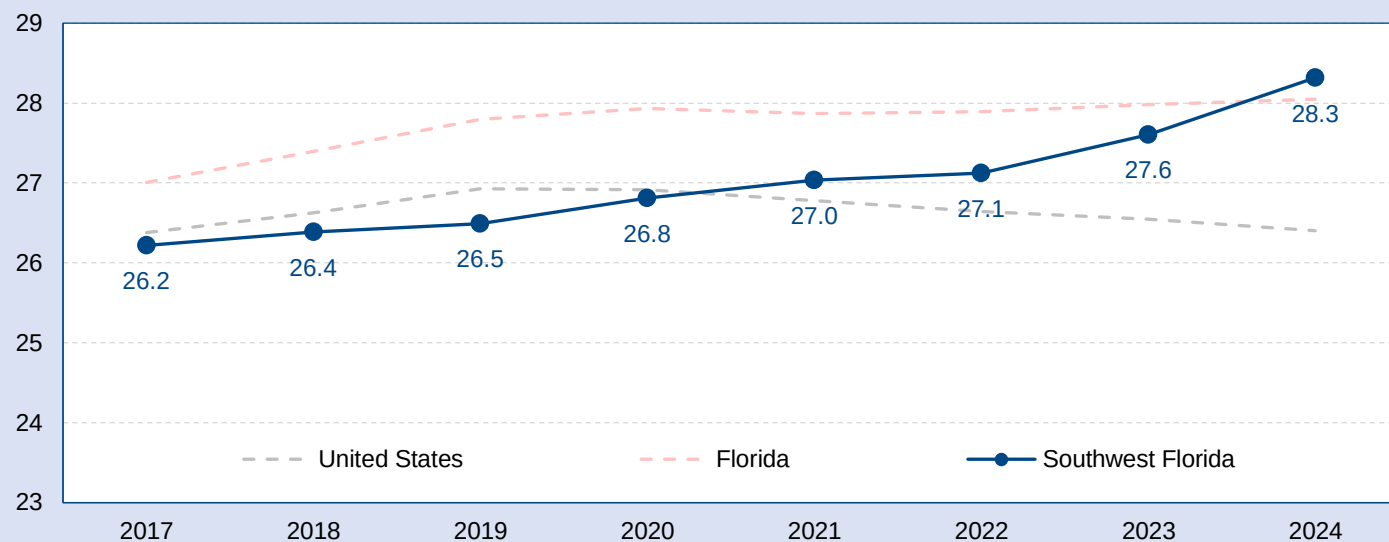
Lee County had 248,138 residents who drove alone to work in 2024. This group made up 70.8 percent of all residents in the county. The number of residents who drove alone to work increased each year from 2017 to 2024, except 2021, resulting in a 10.2 percent increase in residents driving alone to work over the eight-year period. The county also had 34,210 residents that carpooled to work (25.5 percent increase from 2017), 1,712 residents that used public transportation, besides taxis, to get to work (26.5 percent decrease from 2017), and 3,567 residents that walked to work (21.7 percent increase from 2017). The county also had 8,980 residents that used a taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle or some other means of transportation to get to work (8.2 percent increase from 2017), and 53,928 residents that worked at home (239.5 percent increase from 2017).

| Means of Transportation to Work              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Lee County                                   |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Means of Transportation                      | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| Car, truck or van - drove alone              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 225,258        | 234,797        | 239,614        | 246,433        | 241,758        | 244,149        | 244,534        | 248,138        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 79.9%          | 79.9%          | 79.0%          | 77.8%          | 76.3%          | 74.8%          | 72.7%          | 70.8%          |
| Car, truck or van - carpooled                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 27,258         | 28,660         | 30,869         | 31,172         | 30,553         | 31,437         | 31,743         | 34,210         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 9.7%           | 9.8%           | 10.2%          | 9.8%           | 9.6%           | 9.6%           | 9.4%           | 9.8%           |
| Public transportation (excluding taxi)       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 2,329          | 2,183          | 2,030          | 2,082          | 1,757          | 1,635          | 1,730          | 1,712          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 0.8%           | 0.7%           | 0.7%           | 0.7%           | 0.6%           | 0.5%           | 0.5%           | 0.5%           |
| Walked                                       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 2,931          | 3,056          | 3,543          | 3,640          | 3,202          | 3,521          | 3,800          | 3,567          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 1.0%           | 1.0%           | 1.2%           | 1.1%           | 1.0%           | 1.1%           | 1.1%           | 1.0%           |
| Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 8,297          | 8,465          | 8,085          | 9,565          | 9,205          | 8,322          | 8,120          | 8,980          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 2.9%           | 2.9%           | 2.7%           | 3.0%           | 2.9%           | 2.6%           | 2.4%           | 2.6%           |
| Worked at home                               |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                                 | 15,885         | 16,557         | 19,118         | 23,767         | 30,333         | 37,238         | 46,225         | 53,928         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                      | 5.6%           | 5.6%           | 6.3%           | 7.5%           | 9.6%           | 11.4%          | 13.8%          | 15.4%          |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b>       | <b>281,958</b> | <b>293,718</b> | <b>303,259</b> | <b>316,659</b> | <b>316,808</b> | <b>326,302</b> | <b>336,152</b> | <b>350,535</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08101: Means of Transportation to Work by Age

## Travel Time to Work

Average number of minutes



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08303: Travel Time to Work; Table S0801: Commuting Characteristics by Sex  
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## Travel Time to Work

The American Community Survey, conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, collects data on travel time for residents heading to work for each of the five counties. Information regarding the travel times for residents heading to work in each county can be found below.

Three counties had a higher average travel time to work than the state of Florida, which measured at 28.0 minutes in 2024. Glades County ranked eighth in the state, with an average of 32.2 minutes to get to work. Hendry County ranked 11th in the state, with an average of 31.4 minutes. Lee County, where residents required an average of 29.4 minutes to get to work, ranked 29th in the state. Charlotte County had the 44th highest average travel time to work in Florida, at 26.9 minutes. This was followed by Collier County, which ranked 51st in the state with an average of 26.1 minutes to get to work.

### Travel Time to Work

| Area           | Minutes     | State Ranking |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|
| Charlotte      | 26.9        | 44            |
| Collier        | 26.1        | 51            |
| Glades         | 32.2        | 8             |
| Hendry         | 31.4        | 11            |
| Lee            | 29.4        | 29            |
| <b>Florida</b> | <b>28.0</b> | <b>--</b>     |

## Southwest Florida

Southwest Florida had a total of 515,453 residents that had to commute to work in 2024. Of all the residents that had to commute to work, most residents took between 15 and 29 minutes to get to work (187,682 residents, 36.4 percent of total). The number of residents that had a commute time between 15 and 29 minutes increased from 2017 to 2024 by 5.9 percent. The region also had 108,518 residents (21.1 percent of the total) that required less than 15 minutes to get to work (3.3 percent decrease from 2017). Residents that needed 30 to 59 minutes to get to work represented 33.1 percent of the total residents and increased 12.0 percent from 2017. Residents that needed at least 60 minutes to commute to work represented just 9.5 percent of the total but increased 51.2 percent since 2017 to 48,724 residents in 2024.

| Travel Time to Work                                       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Southwest Florida                                         |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Travel Time to Work                                       | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| Less than 15 minutes                                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 112,192        | 113,716        | 116,432        | 117,080        | 112,066        | 111,054        | 109,834        | 108,518        |
| Percent of total                                          | 23.7%          | 23.2%          | 23.2%          | 22.9%          | 22.3%          | 21.9%          | 21.7%          | 21.1%          |
| 15 to 29 minutes                                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 177,218        | 184,214        | 189,125        | 192,222        | 190,769        | 191,824        | 188,998        | 187,682        |
| Percent of total                                          | 37.4%          | 37.6%          | 37.7%          | 37.6%          | 38.0%          | 37.9%          | 37.3%          | 36.4%          |
| 30 to 59 minutes                                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 152,235        | 158,040        | 161,720        | 164,195        | 161,298        | 162,557        | 163,592        | 170,529        |
| Percent of total                                          | 32.1%          | 32.3%          | 32.2%          | 32.1%          | 32.1%          | 32.1%          | 32.3%          | 33.1%          |
| 60 or more minutes                                        |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 32,233         | 33,782         | 34,950         | 38,201         | 38,332         | 40,948         | 43,911         | 48,724         |
| Percent of total                                          | 6.8%           | 6.9%           | 7.0%           | 7.5%           | 7.6%           | 8.1%           | 8.7%           | 9.5%           |
| <b>Total workers 16 and over who did not work at home</b> | <b>473,878</b> | <b>489,752</b> | <b>502,227</b> | <b>511,698</b> | <b>502,465</b> | <b>506,383</b> | <b>506,335</b> | <b>515,453</b> |
| <b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>                 | <b>26.2</b>    | <b>26.4</b>    | <b>26.5</b>    | <b>26.8</b>    | <b>27.0</b>    | <b>27.1</b>    | <b>27.6</b>    | <b>28.3</b>    |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08303: Travel Time to Work; Table S0801: Commuting Characteristics by Sex

## Charlotte County

Charlotte County had 60,125 residents that had to commute to work in 2024, an increase of 13.6 percent since 2017. Of all the residents that had to commute to work, most residents took between 15 and 29 minutes to get to work (22,814 residents, 37.9 percent of total). The number of residents that had a commute time between 15 and 29 minutes increased from 2017 to 2024, by 13.4 percent. The county had 26.0 percent of its residents requiring less than 15 minutes to get to work (1.0 percent increase from 2017). Residents that needed 30 to 59 minutes to get to work represented 26.3 percent of the total residents and increased 15.9 percent from 2017. Residents that needed at least 60 minutes to commute to work represented only 9.8 percent of the total (5,866 residents) but rose nearly 59.6 percent since 2017.

| Travel Time to Work                                       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Charlotte County                                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Travel Time to Work                                       | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          |
| Less than 15 minutes                                      |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 15,465        | 15,431        | 16,420        | 15,915        | 16,003        | 15,299        | 14,780        | 15,618        |
| Percent of total                                          | 29.2%         | 28.7%         | 29.8%         | 28.0%         | 28.1%         | 26.8%         | 25.5%         | 26.0%         |
| 15 to 29 minutes                                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 20,116        | 20,913        | 21,449        | 22,292        | 23,277        | 22,824        | 22,450        | 22,814        |
| Percent of total                                          | 38.0%         | 38.9%         | 38.9%         | 39.3%         | 40.8%         | 39.9%         | 38.8%         | 37.9%         |
| 30 to 59 minutes                                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 13,661        | 13,611        | 13,295        | 13,594        | 12,928        | 14,154        | 14,982        | 15,827        |
| Percent of total                                          | 25.8%         | 25.3%         | 24.1%         | 23.9%         | 22.7%         | 24.8%         | 25.9%         | 26.3%         |
| 60 or more minutes                                        |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 3,675         | 3,862         | 4,029         | 4,970         | 4,821         | 4,882         | 5,713         | 5,866         |
| Percent of total                                          | 6.9%          | 7.2%          | 7.3%          | 8.8%          | 8.5%          | 8.5%          | 9.9%          | 9.8%          |
| <b>Total workers 16 and over who did not work at home</b> | <b>52,917</b> | <b>53,817</b> | <b>55,193</b> | <b>56,771</b> | <b>57,029</b> | <b>57,159</b> | <b>57,925</b> | <b>60,125</b> |
| <b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>                 | <b>24.7</b>   | <b>24.9</b>   | <b>24.8</b>   | <b>25.8</b>   | <b>25.2</b>   | <b>25.7</b>   | <b>27.3</b>   | <b>26.9</b>   |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08303: Travel Time to Work; Table S0801: Commuting Characteristics by Sex

## Collier County

Collier County had 137,788 residents that had to commute to work in 2024, an increase of 1.5 percent since 2017. Of all the residents that had to commute to work, most residents took between 15 and 29 minutes to get to work (41.2 percent). The number of residents that had a commute time between 15 and 29 minutes increased 4.8 percent from 2017 to 56,795 residents in 2024. The county had 21.9 percent of its residents requiring less than 15 minutes to get to work (15.1 percent decrease from 2017). Residents that needed 30 to 59 minutes to get to work represented 29.8 percent of the total residents and increased 6.1 percent from 2017. Residents that needed at least 60 minutes to commute to work represented just 7.1 percent of the total but increased 32.0 percent since 2017 to 9,828 residents in 2024.

| Travel Time to Work                                       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Collier County                                            |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Travel Time to Work                                       | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| Less than 15 minutes                                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 35,473         | 35,002         | 34,528         | 32,311         | 30,190         | 30,107         | 30,329         | 30,124         |
| Percent of total                                          | 26.1%          | 25.1%          | 24.2%          | 22.9%          | 21.6%          | 21.5%          | 22.1%          | 21.9%          |
| 15 to 29 minutes                                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 54,217         | 56,867         | 58,861         | 59,436         | 59,384         | 59,524         | 57,468         | 56,795         |
| Percent of total                                          | 39.9%          | 40.8%          | 41.2%          | 42.1%          | 42.5%          | 42.5%          | 41.9%          | 41.2%          |
| 30 to 59 minutes                                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 38,664         | 40,284         | 42,261         | 41,592         | 42,525         | 41,993         | 41,166         | 41,041         |
| Percent of total                                          | 28.5%          | 28.9%          | 29.6%          | 29.5%          | 30.4%          | 30.0%          | 30.0%          | 29.8%          |
| 60 or more minutes                                        |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 7,444          | 7,374          | 7,317          | 7,855          | 7,717          | 8,325          | 8,288          | 9,828          |
| Percent of total                                          | 5.5%           | 5.3%           | 5.1%           | 5.6%           | 5.5%           | 5.9%           | 6.0%           | 7.1%           |
| <b>Total workers 16 and over who did not work at home</b> | <b>135,798</b> | <b>139,527</b> | <b>142,967</b> | <b>141,194</b> | <b>139,816</b> | <b>139,949</b> | <b>137,251</b> | <b>137,788</b> |
| <b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>                 | <b>24.5</b>    | <b>24.7</b>    | <b>24.7</b>    | <b>25.4</b>    | <b>25.6</b>    | <b>25.5</b>    | <b>25.4</b>    | <b>26.1</b>    |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08303: Travel Time to Work; Table S0801: Commuting Characteristics by Sex

## Glades County

Glades County had 3,746 residents that had to commute to work in 2024, a decrease of 0.9 percent since 2017. Of all the residents that had to commute to work, most residents took less than 15 minutes to get to work (1,229 residents, 32.8 percent of total). The number of residents that had a commute time less than 15 minutes increased from 2017 to 2024, by 21.4 percent. The region had 23.3 percent of its residents requiring 15 to 29 minutes to get to work (48.3 percent decrease from 2017). There were 896 residents (23.9 percent of total) requiring 30 to 59 minutes to get to work, an increase of 34.7 percent from 2017. Residents that needed 60 or more minutes to get to work represented 19.9 percent of the total residents and increased 80.9 percent from 2017.

| Travel Time to Work                                       |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Glades County                                             |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Travel Time to Work                                       | 2017         | 2018         | 2019         | 2020         | 2021         | 2022         | 2023         | 2024         |
| Less than 15 minutes                                      |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Count                                                     | 1,012        | 853          | 897          | 1,086        | 968          | 1,012        | 1,134        | 1,229        |
| Percent of total                                          | 26.8%        | 24.5%        | 26.0%        | 31.3%        | 31.3%        | 31.1%        | 30.8%        | 32.8%        |
| 15 to 29 minutes                                          |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Count                                                     | 1,689        | 1,224        | 1,168        | 936          | 666          | 593          | 766          | 874          |
| Percent of total                                          | 44.7%        | 35.1%        | 33.9%        | 27.0%        | 21.6%        | 18.2%        | 20.8%        | 23.3%        |
| 30 to 59 minutes                                          |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Count                                                     | 665          | 668          | 620          | 791          | 702          | 790          | 921          | 896          |
| Percent of total                                          | 17.6%        | 19.2%        | 18.0%        | 22.8%        | 22.7%        | 24.2%        | 25.0%        | 23.9%        |
| 60 or more minutes                                        |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Count                                                     | 413          | 740          | 761          | 653          | 754          | 864          | 856          | 747          |
| Percent of total                                          | 10.9%        | 21.2%        | 22.1%        | 18.8%        | 24.4%        | 26.5%        | 23.3%        | 19.9%        |
| <b>Total workers 16 and over who did not work at home</b> | <b>3,779</b> | <b>3,485</b> | <b>3,446</b> | <b>3,466</b> | <b>3,090</b> | <b>3,259</b> | <b>3,677</b> | <b>3,746</b> |
| <b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>                 | <b>25.3</b>  | <b>33.7</b>  | <b>33.8</b>  | <b>30.1</b>  | <b>35.9</b>  | <b>37.1</b>  | <b>33.7</b>  | <b>32.2</b>  |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08303: Travel Time to Work; Table S0801: Commuting Characteristics by Sex

## Hendry County

Hendry County had 17,187 residents that had to commute to work in 2024, an increase of 12.3 percent since 2017. The region had 33.2 percent of its residents requiring less than 15 minutes to get to work (5,702 residents, 2.1 percent increase from 2017). Residents that had to commute to work between 15 and 29 minutes represented 22.7 percent of all commuters and rose 24.6 percent from 2017 to 3,904 residents in 2024. Residents that needed 30 to 59 minutes to get to work represented 23.1 percent of the total residents (3,969 residents) and increased 1.4 percent from 2017. Residents that needed at least 60 minutes to commute to work represented 21.0 percent of the total residents and increased 34.9 percent over the eight-year period.

| Travel Time to Work                                       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Hendry County                                             |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Travel Time to Work                                       | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          |
| Less than 15 minutes                                      |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 5,587         | 6,302         | 6,723         | 7,193         | 6,490         | 6,420         | 5,994         | 5,702         |
| Percent of total                                          | 36.5%         | 40.0%         | 40.8%         | 41.4%         | 40.4%         | 37.9%         | 34.1%         | 33.2%         |
| 15 to 29 minutes                                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 3,133         | 3,185         | 3,383         | 3,878         | 3,358         | 3,730         | 3,888         | 3,904         |
| Percent of total                                          | 20.5%         | 20.2%         | 20.5%         | 22.3%         | 20.9%         | 22.0%         | 22.1%         | 22.7%         |
| 30 to 59 minutes                                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 3,914         | 3,860         | 3,876         | 2,976         | 2,731         | 3,293         | 3,888         | 3,969         |
| Percent of total                                          | 25.6%         | 24.5%         | 23.5%         | 17.1%         | 17.0%         | 19.4%         | 22.1%         | 23.1%         |
| 60 or more minutes                                        |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                                     | 2,677         | 2,415         | 2,498         | 3,328         | 3,476         | 3,509         | 3,785         | 3,612         |
| Percent of total                                          | 17.5%         | 15.3%         | 15.2%         | 19.2%         | 21.7%         | 20.7%         | 21.6%         | 21.0%         |
| <b>Total workers 16 and over who did not work at home</b> | <b>15,311</b> | <b>15,762</b> | <b>16,480</b> | <b>17,375</b> | <b>16,055</b> | <b>16,952</b> | <b>17,555</b> | <b>17,187</b> |
| <b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>                 | <b>29.4</b>   | <b>28.1</b>   | <b>28.4</b>   | <b>28.2</b>   | <b>30.4</b>   | <b>30.2</b>   | <b>31.7</b>   | <b>31.4</b>   |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08303: Travel Time to Work; Table S0801: Commuting Characteristics by Sex

## Lee County

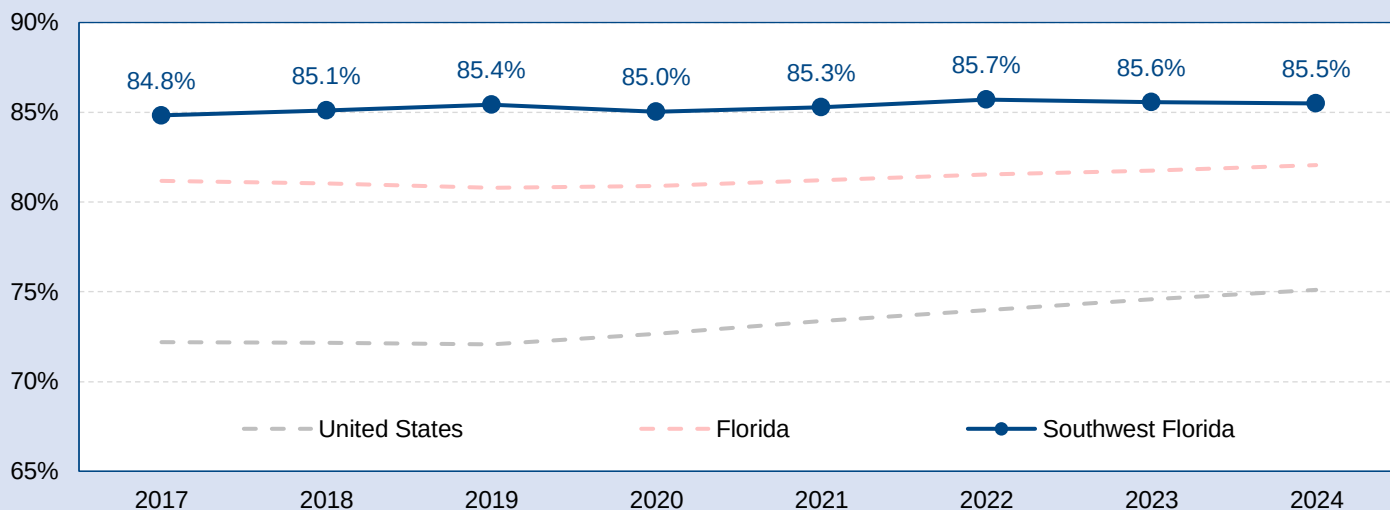
Lee County had 296,607 residents that had to commute to work in 2024, an increase of 11.5 percent since 2017. Of all the residents that had to commute to work, most residents took between 30 and 59 minutes to get to work (108,796 residents, 36.7 percent of total). The number of residents that had a commute time between 15 and 29 minutes increased 5.3 percent from 2017 to 2024. The county had 18.8 percent of its residents requiring less than 15 minutes to get to work, a 2.2 percent increase from 2017. Residents that needed 30 to 59 minutes to get to work represented 36.7 percent of the total residents and increased 14.1 percent from 2017 to 108,796 residents in 2024. Residents that needed at least 60 minutes to commute to work represented 9.7 percent of the total but increased 59.1 percent since 2017.

| Travel Time to Work                                       |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Lee County                                                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Travel Time to Work                                       | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| Less than 15 minutes                                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 54,655         | 56,128         | 57,864         | 60,575         | 58,415         | 58,216         | 57,597         | 55,845         |
| Percent of total                                          | 20.5%          | 20.3%          | 20.4%          | 20.7%          | 20.4%          | 20.1%          | 19.9%          | 18.8%          |
| 15 to 29 minutes                                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 98,063         | 102,025        | 104,264        | 105,680        | 104,084        | 105,153        | 104,426        | 103,295        |
| Percent of total                                          | 36.9%          | 36.8%          | 36.7%          | 36.1%          | 36.3%          | 36.4%          | 36.0%          | 34.8%          |
| 30 to 59 minutes                                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 95,331         | 99,617         | 101,668        | 105,242        | 102,412        | 102,327        | 102,635        | 108,796        |
| Percent of total                                          | 35.8%          | 35.9%          | 35.8%          | 35.9%          | 35.7%          | 35.4%          | 35.4%          | 36.7%          |
| 60 or more minutes                                        |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                                     | 18,024         | 19,391         | 20,345         | 21,395         | 21,564         | 23,368         | 25,269         | 28,671         |
| Percent of total                                          | 6.8%           | 7.0%           | 7.2%           | 7.3%           | 7.5%           | 8.1%           | 8.7%           | 9.7%           |
| <b>Total workers 16 and over who did not work at home</b> | <b>266,073</b> | <b>277,161</b> | <b>284,141</b> | <b>292,892</b> | <b>286,475</b> | <b>289,064</b> | <b>289,927</b> | <b>296,607</b> |
| <b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>                 | <b>27.2</b>    | <b>27.3</b>    | <b>27.5</b>    | <b>27.6</b>    | <b>27.8</b>    | <b>27.9</b>    | <b>28.4</b>    | <b>29.4</b>    |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08303: Travel Time to Work; Table S0801: Commuting Characteristics by Sex

## Place of Work

Percent work in county of residence



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

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## Place of Work

The American Community Survey, conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, collects data on the place of work for each of the five counties. Information regarding the place of work in each county can be found below.

Only two counties had a higher percentage of residents that worked in their county of residence than the state of Florida, measured at 82.1 percent in 2024. Collier County ranked 9th in the state, with 89.1 percent of all residents working in the county. Lee County, where 88.2 percent of all residents worked within the county, ranked 13th in the state. The 29th highest county was Charlotte County, with 71.9 percent of all residents working within the county in 2024. Hendry County had 65.0 percent of all residents working in the county, 41st highest in the state. Finally, Glades County reported 37.1 percent of all residents working in the county, ranking 64th in the state during 2024.

### Worked in County of Residence

| Area           | Percent      | State Ranking |
|----------------|--------------|---------------|
| Charlotte      | 71.9%        | 29            |
| Collier        | 89.1%        | 9             |
| Glades         | 37.1%        | 64            |
| Hendry         | 65.0%        | 41            |
| Lee            | 88.2%        | 13            |
| <b>Florida</b> | <b>82.1%</b> | <b>--</b>     |

## Southwest Florida

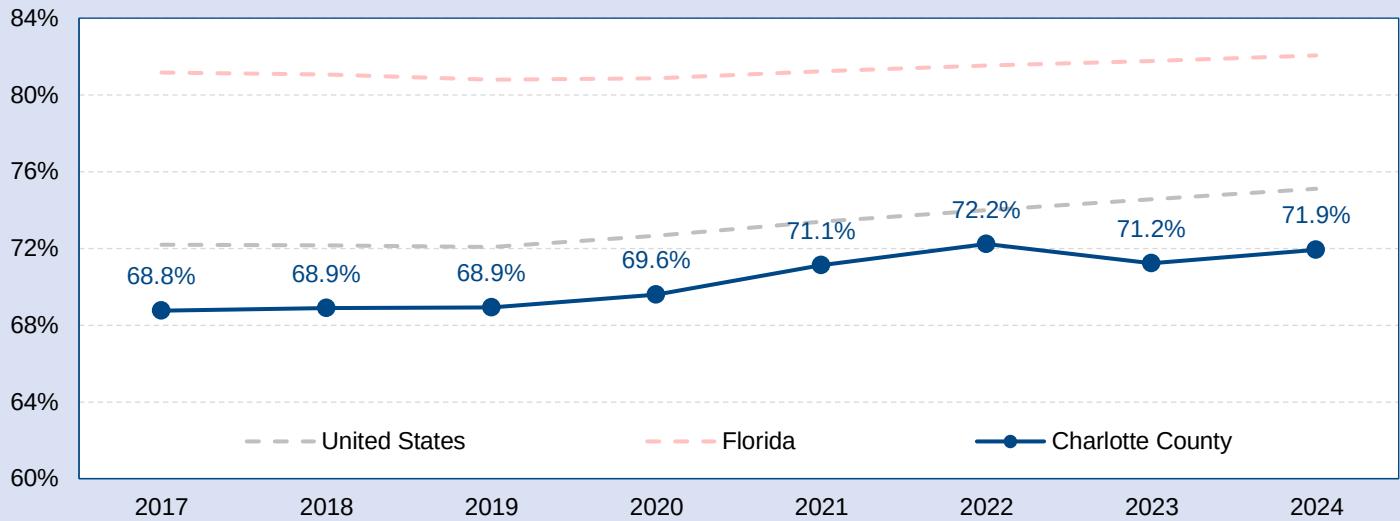
Southwest Florida had 521,141 residents that worked within their county of residence in 2024, representing 85.5 percent of all working residents that year. The number of residents that worked within their county of residence overall increased since 2017, resulting in a 21.5 percent increase over the eight-year period. The region also had 78,472 residents that worked outside their county of residence (12.9 percent of working population), and 9,922 residents that worked outside of Florida (1.6 percent of working population).

| Place of Work                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Southwest Florida                      |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Place of Work                          | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| In county of residence                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                           | 429,062        | 445,913        | 460,517        | 474,150        | 475,465        | 490,712        | 502,331        | 521,141        |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                | 84.8%          | 85.1%          | 85.4%          | 85.0%          | 85.3%          | 85.7%          | 85.6%          | 85.5%          |
| Out of county of residence             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                           | 67,789         | 68,667         | 68,987         | 72,984         | 72,057         | 71,856         | 75,011         | 78,472         |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                | 13.4%          | 13.1%          | 12.8%          | 13.1%          | 12.9%          | 12.6%          | 12.8%          | 12.9%          |
| Out of state of residence              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| <i>Count</i>                           | 8,945          | 9,302          | 9,536          | 10,467         | 10,040         | 9,989          | 9,676          | 9,922          |
| <i>Percent of total</i>                | 1.8%           | 1.8%           | 1.8%           | 1.9%           | 1.8%           | 1.7%           | 1.6%           | 1.6%           |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b> | <b>505,796</b> | <b>523,882</b> | <b>539,040</b> | <b>557,601</b> | <b>557,562</b> | <b>572,557</b> | <b>587,018</b> | <b>609,535</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--  
State and County Level

## Place of Work

Percent work in county of residence



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## Charlotte County

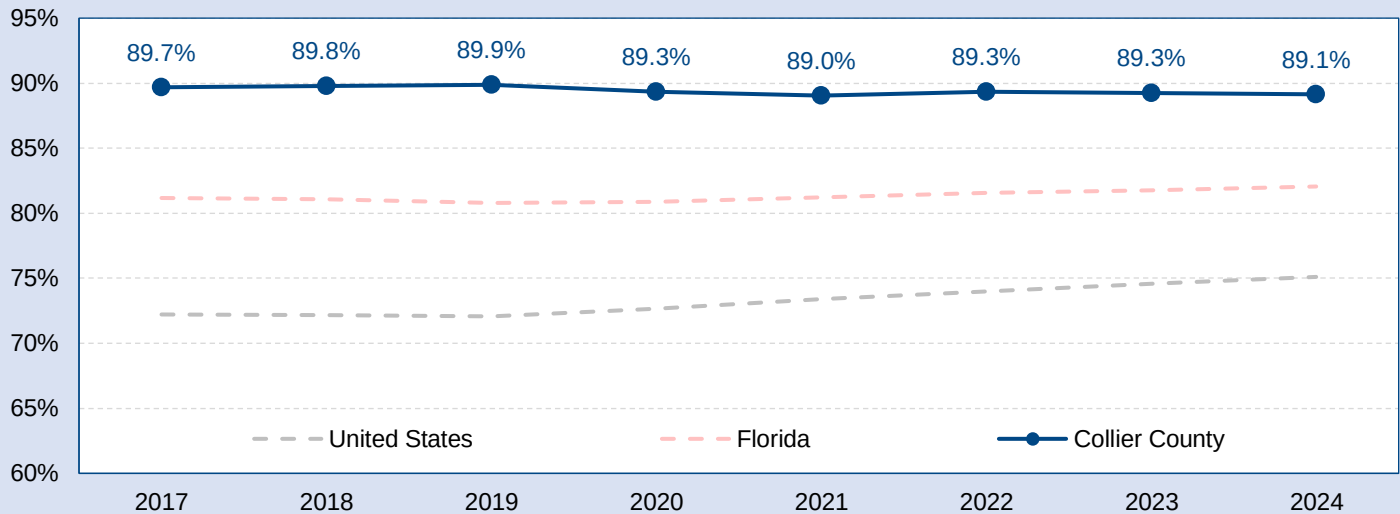
Charlotte County had 51,627 residents that worked within the county during 2024, accounting for 71.9 percent of all working residents that year. Charlotte County residents that worked within the county steadily trended upward from 2017 to 2024, resulting in a 31.0 percent increase over the eight-year period. The county also had 18,860 residents that worked outside the county (26.3 percent of working population), and 1,283 residents that worked outside of Florida (1.8 percent of working population).

| Place of Work                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Charlotte County                       |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Place of Work                          | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          |
| In county of residence                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                  | 39,407        | 40,862        | 41,815        | 44,047        | 46,100        | 47,904        | 48,705        | 51,627        |
| Percent of total                       | 68.8%         | 68.9%         | 68.9%         | 69.6%         | 71.1%         | 72.2%         | 71.2%         | 71.9%         |
| Out of county of residence             |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                  | 16,805        | 17,286        | 17,802        | 17,891        | 17,722        | 17,551        | 18,743        | 18,860        |
| Percent of total                       | 29.3%         | 29.1%         | 29.3%         | 28.3%         | 27.3%         | 26.5%         | 27.4%         | 26.3%         |
| Out of state of residence              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                  | 1,104         | 1,176         | 1,055         | 1,347         | 995           | 867           | 948           | 1,283         |
| Percent of total                       | 1.9%          | 2.0%          | 1.7%          | 2.1%          | 1.5%          | 1.3%          | 1.4%          | 1.8%          |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b> | <b>57,316</b> | <b>59,324</b> | <b>60,672</b> | <b>63,285</b> | <b>64,817</b> | <b>66,322</b> | <b>68,396</b> | <b>71,770</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

## Place of Work

Percent work in county of residence



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## Collier County

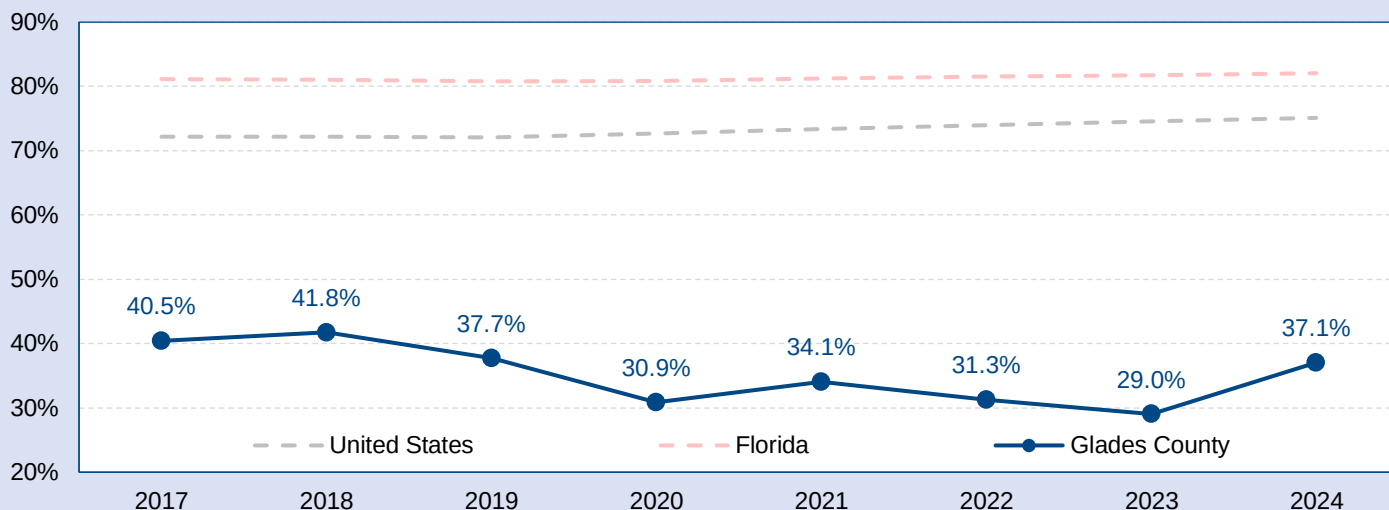
Collier County had 146,945 residents that worked within the county during 2024, representing 89.1 percent of all working residents that year. Collier County residents that worked within the county increased from 2017 to 2024, leading to an 11.8 percent increase. The county also had 14,410 residents that worked outside the county (8.7 percent of working population), and 3,529 residents that worked outside of Florida (2.1 percent of working population).

| Place of Work                          |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Collier County                         |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Place of Work                          | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
| In county of residence                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                  | 131,475        | 135,272        | 138,584        | 139,140        | 138,672        | 141,667        | 142,884        | 146,945        |
| Percent of total                       | 89.7%          | 89.8%          | 89.9%          | 89.3%          | 89.0%          | 89.3%          | 89.3%          | 89.1%          |
| Out of county of residence             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                  | 12,251         | 12,455         | 12,292         | 13,052         | 13,359         | 13,133         | 13,471         | 14,410         |
| Percent of total                       | 8.4%           | 8.3%           | 8.0%           | 8.4%           | 8.6%           | 8.3%           | 8.4%           | 8.7%           |
| Out of state of residence              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                  | 2,831          | 2,927          | 3,322          | 3,566          | 3,699          | 3,773          | 3,724          | 3,529          |
| Percent of total                       | 1.9%           | 1.9%           | 2.2%           | 2.3%           | 2.4%           | 2.4%           | 2.3%           | 2.1%           |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b> | <b>146,557</b> | <b>150,654</b> | <b>154,198</b> | <b>155,758</b> | <b>155,730</b> | <b>158,573</b> | <b>160,079</b> | <b>164,884</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

## Place of Work

Percent work in county of residence



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

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## Glades County

Glades County had 1,443 residents that worked within the county during 2024, making up 37.1 percent of total working residents that year. Of the five-county region, Glades County was the only county to report less than half of total working residents working in the county of residence in 2024. The number of Glades County residents that worked in the county of residence declined each year from 2017 to 2022 before increasing in 2023 and 2024. Overall, this resulted in a 10.6 percent decline in the number of Glades County residents that worked within the county over the eight-year period. Furthermore, the county had 2,418 residents that worked outside the county (62.1 percent of the working population), and 33 residents that worked outside of Florida (0.8 percent of the working population).

## Place of Work

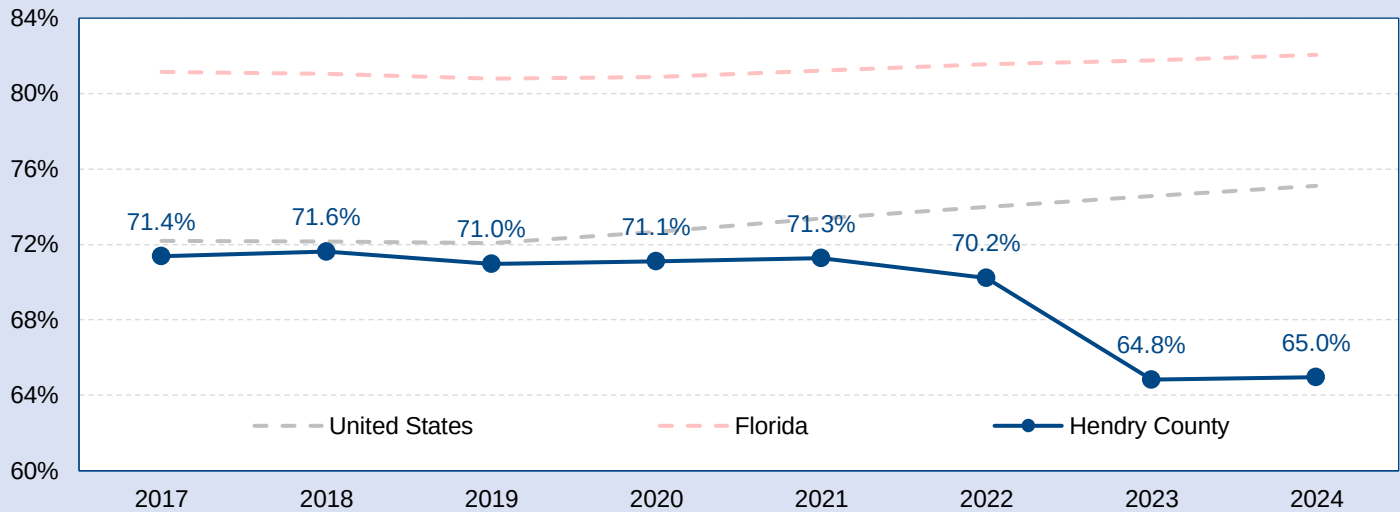
Glades County

| Place of Work                          | 2017         | 2018         | 2019         | 2020         | 2021         | 2022         | 2023         | 2024         |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| In county of residence                 |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Count                                  | 1,614        | 1,557        | 1,382        | 1,097        | 1,082        | 1,071        | 1,113        | 1,443        |
| Percent of total                       | 40.5%        | 41.8%        | 37.7%        | 30.9%        | 34.1%        | 31.3%        | 29.0%        | 37.1%        |
| Out of county of residence             |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Count                                  | 2,295        | 2,101        | 2,179        | 2,403        | 2,069        | 2,326        | 2,675        | 2,418        |
| Percent of total                       | 57.5%        | 56.3%        | 59.5%        | 67.6%        | 65.2%        | 67.9%        | 69.8%        | 62.1%        |
| Out of state of residence              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |              |
| Count                                  | 81           | 71           | 104          | 55           | 22           | 28           | 45           | 33           |
| Percent of total                       | 2.0%         | 1.9%         | 2.8%         | 1.5%         | 0.7%         | 0.8%         | 1.2%         | 0.8%         |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b> | <b>3,990</b> | <b>3,729</b> | <b>3,665</b> | <b>3,555</b> | <b>3,173</b> | <b>3,425</b> | <b>3,833</b> | <b>3,894</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

## Place of Work

Percent work in county of residence



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## Hendry County

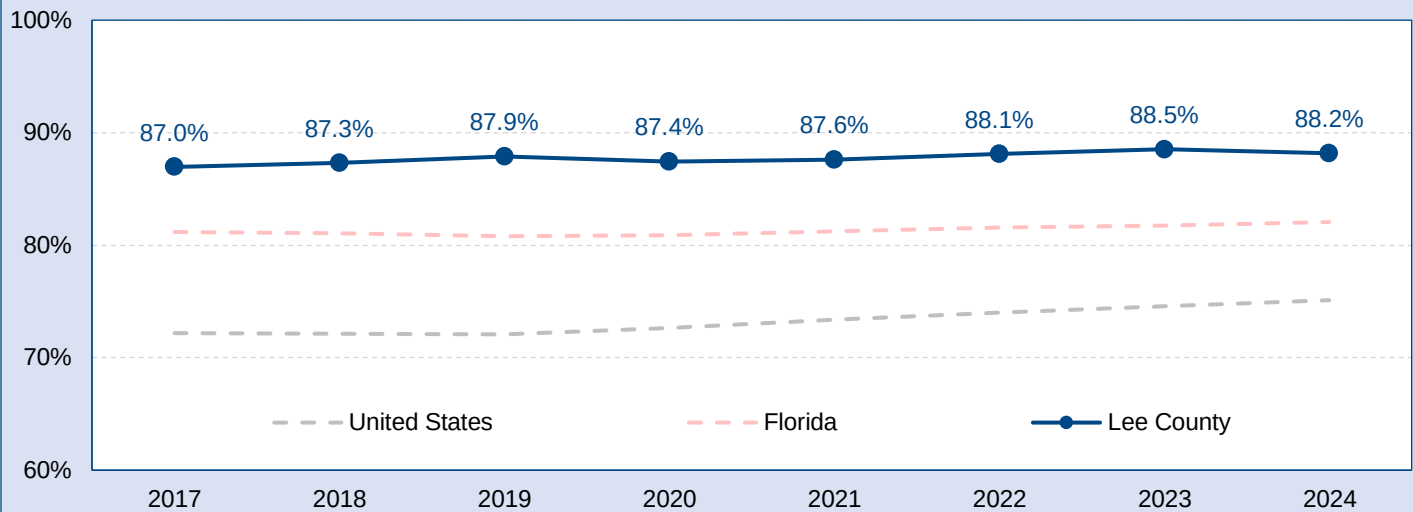
Hendry County had 11,986 residents that worked within the county during 2024, accounting for 65.0 percent of all working residents that year. The number of Hendry County residents that worked within the county increased from 2017 to 2020, decreased in 2021, increased in 2022, and decreased again in 2023 and 2024, resulting in a 5.1 percent increase over the eight-year time span. The county also had 6,306 residents that worked outside the county (34.2 percent of the total working population), and 160 that worked outside Florida (0.9 percent of the working population).

| Place of Work                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
|----------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Hendry County                          |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Place of Work                          | 2017          | 2018          | 2019          | 2020          | 2021          | 2022          | 2023          | 2024          |
| In county of residence                 |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                  | 11,400        | 11,787        | 12,240        | 13,042        | 12,141        | 12,597        | 12,032        | 11,986        |
| Percent of total                       | 71.4%         | 71.6%         | 71.0%         | 71.1%         | 71.3%         | 70.2%         | 64.8%         | 65.0%         |
| Out of county of residence             |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                  | 4,564         | 4,620         | 4,961         | 5,211         | 4,794         | 5,252         | 6,371         | 6,306         |
| Percent of total                       | 28.6%         | 28.1%         | 28.8%         | 28.4%         | 28.1%         | 29.3%         | 34.3%         | 34.2%         |
| Out of state of residence              |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |               |
| Count                                  | 11            | 50            | 45            | 91            | 99            | 86            | 155           | 160           |
| Percent of total                       | 0.1%          | 0.3%          | 0.3%          | 0.5%          | 0.6%          | 0.5%          | 0.8%          | 0.9%          |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b> | <b>15,975</b> | <b>16,457</b> | <b>17,246</b> | <b>18,344</b> | <b>17,034</b> | <b>17,935</b> | <b>18,558</b> | <b>18,452</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

## Place of Work

Percent work in county of residence



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

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## Lee County

Lee County had 309,140 residents that worked within the county during 2024, representing 88.2 percent of all working residents that year. The number of Lee County residents that worked within the county overall increased since 2017, resulting in a 26.1 percent increase over the eight-year period. The county also had 36,478 residents that worked outside the county (10.4 percent of the working population), and 4,917 residents that worked outside of Florida (1.4 percent of the working population).

## Place of Work

Lee County

| Place of Work                          | 2017           | 2018           | 2019           | 2020           | 2021           | 2022           | 2023           | 2024           |
|----------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| In county of residence                 |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                  | 245,166        | 256,435        | 266,496        | 276,824        | 277,470        | 287,473        | 297,597        | 309,140        |
| Percent of total                       | 87.0%          | 87.3%          | 87.9%          | 87.4%          | 87.6%          | 88.1%          | 88.5%          | 88.2%          |
| Out of county of residence             |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                  | 31,874         | 32,205         | 31,753         | 34,427         | 34,113         | 33,594         | 33,751         | 36,478         |
| Percent of total                       | 11.3%          | 11.0%          | 10.5%          | 10.9%          | 10.8%          | 10.3%          | 10.0%          | 10.4%          |
| Out of state of residence              |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |                |
| Count                                  | 4,918          | 5,078          | 5,010          | 5,408          | 5,225          | 5,235          | 4,804          | 4,917          |
| Percent of total                       | 1.7%           | 1.7%           | 1.7%           | 1.7%           | 1.6%           | 1.6%           | 1.4%           | 1.4%           |
| <b>Total workers 16 years and over</b> | <b>281,958</b> | <b>293,718</b> | <b>303,259</b> | <b>316,659</b> | <b>316,808</b> | <b>326,302</b> | <b>336,152</b> | <b>350,535</b> |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates, Table B08007: Sex of Workers by Place of Work--State and County Level

# Appendix A: Data Sources

The *Southwest Florida Economic Almanac* series gathers data from various sources online. A list of the sources for each section can be found below.

| Data Sources                             |                                                                        |                  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Transportation                           |                                                                        |                  |
| Category                                 | Source                                                                 | Latest Data Year |
| Public Road Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled | Transportation Statistics Office, Florida Department of Transportation | 2025             |
| Licensed Drivers by Age                  | Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles                | 2026             |
| Vehicles Registered                      | Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles                | 2025             |
| Means of Transportation to Work          | U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates         | 2024             |
| Travel Time to Work                      | U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates         | 2024             |
| Place of Work                            | U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5-year estimates         | 2024             |



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