

BROWARD COUNTY OVERVIEW

The following statistics compare various Broward County demographics and performance with the State of Florida and with Miami-Dade County and Palm Beach County, our neighbors to the south and north. The comparisons are presented in the categories of demographics, economic indicators, and other variables.

Demographics						
POPULATION	2005 Estimate	Percent of State	2006 Estimate	Percent of State	2007 Estimate	Percent of State
Florida	17,382,511	100.0%	18,089,889	100.0%	18,251,243	100.0%
Broward	1,757,590	10.1%	1,787,636	9.9%	1,759,591	9.6%
Miami-Dade	2,329,187	13.4%	2,402,208	13.3%	2,387,170	13.1%
Palm Beach	1,247,908	7.2%	1,274,013	7.0%	1,266,451	6.9%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey.
<http://factfinder.census.gov>

ETHNIC DIVERSITY¹	White		Black		Other		Hispanic Origin	
	2006 Estimate	2007 Estimate	2006 Estimate	2007 Estimate	2006 Estimate	2007 Estimate	2006 Estimate	2007 Estimate
Florida	76.1%	77.6%	15.4%	15.6%	6.9%	6.6%	20.1%	20.6%
Broward	65.2%	66.6%	24.7%	24.9%	7.5%	8.2%	22.8%	23.4%
Miami-Dade	71.4%	74.0%	19.6%	20.0%	7.3%	5.9%	61.3%	62.0%
Palm Beach	73.5%	73.1%	15.8%	16.1%	9.4%	10.7%	16.7%	17.3%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey. <http://factfinder.census.gov>

¹Totals do not add up to 100% due to the inclusion of Whites and Blacks in the Hispanic origin category as Hispanic origin refers to ethnicity not race. Other includes American Indian, Alaskan Native, Asian, Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander.

AGE DISTRIBUTION

(% Estimate)	0-14		15-24		25-44		45-64		65-84		85+	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
Florida	18.2	18.2	12.9	12.8	26.8	26.3	25.3	25.7	14.5	14.6	2.3	2.4
Broward	19.7	19.4	12.1	12.1	28.1	27.2	26.0	26.9	11.5	11.9	2.5	2.4
Miami-Dade	19.7	18.6	14.1	14.1	27.7	27.5	24.3	25.0	12.3	12.7	1.9	2.1
Palm Beach	17.5	17.4	11.4	11.2	25.0	24.4	24.8	25.3	17.9	17.9	3.5	3.8

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey.
<http://factfinder.census.gov>

REFUGEE ENTRANT ARRIVALS ²	2005	2006	2007	% Change 2006-2007
Florida	459	14,290	12,950	(9.3)%
Broward	9,054	367	491	33.7%
Miami-Dade	406	10,960	9,561	(12.8)%
Palm Beach	12,428	474	485	2.3%

"Florida's Refugee and Entrant Arrivals Statistical Report October 1, 2006-September 30, 2007" Florida Department of Children & Families Refugee Service: <http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/refugee/publications/pdf/arrivalsq42007.pdf>

² A refugee is anyone who seeks political asylum in the United States for fear of returning to his or her country because of the threat of persecution; an entrant is a Cuban or Haitian person who falls into one of a series of "entrant" categories as defined by the INS.

Economic Indicators

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES	2005		2006		2007	
	Persons	Rate	Persons	Rate	Persons	Rate
United States	10,117,603	6.9%	9,702,558	6.4%	9,623,185	4.1%
Florida	529,475	6.3%	481,222	5.5%	552,443	3.8%
Broward	58,580	6.4%	48,586	5.2%	56,916	4.1%
Miami-Dade	89,380	7.9%	67,936	5.8%	61,034	3.2%
Palm Beach	39,416	6.7%	34,853	5.7%	36,376	3.5%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey.
<http://factfinder.census.gov>

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME	2005	2006	2007	% Change 2006-2007
Florida	\$42,433	\$45,495	47,804	5.1%
Broward	\$46,673	\$50,499	52,670	4.3%
Miami-Dade	\$37,148	\$41,237	43,650	5.9%
Palm Beach	\$48,099	\$51,677	53,453	3.4%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey.
<http://factfinder.census.gov>

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (AFDC) FY 2006-07	# of Families (Monthly Average)	# of Children (Monthly Average)	Average Monthly Amount of Assistance per Family
Florida	48,730	67,144	\$234
Broward	3,774	5,296	\$235
Miami-Dade	7,187	10,427	\$233
Palm Beach	2,057	2,936	\$234

Source: Florida Statistical Abstract 2007, pp. 301- 304.

BUILDING PERMITS	Total Value of Building Permits & New Housing Starts (Thousands)		Permits: Single Family Units		Permits: Multi-Family Units	
	2006	2007	2006	2007	2006	2007
Florida	\$35,716,293	\$17,998,784	146,236	70,030	57,002	33,977
Broward	\$988,266	\$617,307	3,550	1,754	3,166	2,197
Miami-Dade	\$3,323,113	\$1,210,618	6,548	3,246	13,469	4,836
Palm Beach	\$2,017,000	\$881,829	4,652	2,101	3,725	1,029

Source: US Census Bureau Statistics www.census.gov/const/www/permitsindex.html

TOURISTS	Estimated Visitors 2006	Estimated Visitors 2007	% Change
Florida	83.9 million	84.5 million	0.7%
Broward	10.4 million	10.6 million	1.9%
Miami-Dade	11.6 million	12.0 million	3.4%
Palm Beach	4.5 million	4.7 million	4.4%

Source: Visit Florida and Convention and Visitor Bureaus for Broward County, Miami-Dade County and Palm Beach County.

BROWARD COUNTY INCOME

Year	Average Annual Wages	Per Capita Personal Income (PCI)	Annual Change in Wages	Annual Change in PCI
2004	\$37,905	\$34,008	5.55%	5.35%
2005	\$39,378	\$36,595	3.89%	7.61%
2006	\$41,276	\$39,743	3.88%	8.60%
2007	\$42,087	(1)	1.97%	(1)

Source: Broward County Planning Services Division.

(1) Data for FY2007 not available at time of publication.

NUMBER OF HOUSING UNITS

	2005	2006	2007	% Change 2006-2007
Florida	8,256,847	8,531,860	8,716,601	2.2%
Broward	790,308	796,535	803,097	0.8%
Miami-Dade	928,715	953,031	971,608	1.9%
Palm Beach	619,427	631,146	638,609	1.2%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey. <http://factfinder.census.gov>

OWNER OCCUPIED HOME MEDIAN VALUE

	2005	2006	2007	% Change 2006-2007
United States	\$167,500	\$185,200	194,300	4.9%
Florida	\$189,500	\$230,600	230,400	(0.1)%
Broward	\$245,200	\$302,900	302,500	(0.1)%
Miami-Dade	\$246,500	\$308,500	318,100	3.1%
Palm Beach	\$269,800	\$328,500	308,900	(6.0)%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey. <http://factfinder.census.gov>

RENTER OCCUPIED UNITS MEDIAN RENT

	2005	2006	2007	% Change 2006-2007
United States	\$728	\$763	\$789	3.4%
Florida	\$809	\$872	\$925	6.1%
Broward	\$951	\$1,032	\$1,097	6.3%
Miami-Dade	\$816	\$891	\$967	8.5%
Palm Beach	\$936	\$1,074	\$1,106	3.0%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey. <http://factfinder.census.gov>

RENT AS PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME, BROWARD 2007

	Number of units	Percent of Total
Less than 15.0 percent	11,679	6.3%
15.0 to 19.9 percent	15,876	8.6%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	23,104	12.5%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	19,374	10.5%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	15,707	8.5%
35.0 percent or more	87,525	47.3%
Not computed	11,603	6.2%
Total	184,868	100%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey. <http://factfinder.census.gov>

PERCENT OF FAMILIES BELOW POVERTY LEVEL

	2005	2006	2007
US	10.2	9.8	9.5
Florida	9.0	9.0	8.6
Broward	8.5	8.1	8.5
Miami-Dade	15.0	12.8	11.8
Palm Beach	8.3	7.1	6.7

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey. <http://factfinder.census.gov>

Other Variables

CRIMINAL OFFENSES	2007	Violent ⁴	Nonviolent ⁵	Per 100,000 Population	Change in total 2006 to 2007
	Total ³				
Florida	876,981	129,508	731,981	4,695	1.4%
Broward	79,832	10,814	68,442	4,521	5.2%
Miami-Dade	155,050	23,493	129,960	6,297	5.6%
Palm Beach	65,180	9,299	55,526	5,033	1.6%

Source: Florida Department of Law Enforcement 2007 Crime in Florida Found at:
http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/FSAC/Crime_Trends/Map/index.htm

Social Characteristics	High School Graduate	Bachelor's Degree	Speak a language other than English at Home
Florida	84.9%	25.8%	26.1%
Broward	86.3%	29.6%	36.4%
Miami-Dade	76.9%	26.1%	70.7%
Palm Beach	86.6%	31.2%	26.3%

Source: US Census Bureau 2007 American Community Survey.
<http://factfinder.census.gov>

³ Actual offenses known to law enforcement officers.

⁴ Includes murder, sexual offenses, robbery, and aggravated assault.

⁵ Includes breaking and entering (burglary), larceny, and auto theft.

Voter Registration	Total Number	Percent of Population
Florida	10,251,312	56.2%
Broward	947,128	53.8%
Miami-Dade	1,052,601	44.1%
Palm Beach	779,588	61.5%

Source: Florida Statistical Abstract 2007, pp. 715 – 716.