

# Florida

## Census

### *Schedules of the Florida State Census of 1885.*

Microfilm	13 rolls	NARA M845	Census	Florida
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The printed index is William T. Martin's *1885 Florida State Census Index*, R929.3759/M383E/1991. There are 312,551 entries.

This census includes the schedules of population, mortality, agriculture, and industry. Missing are the returns for Alachua, Clay, Columbia, and Nassau Counties.

### *Florida 1935 State Census.*

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The records are by county and have been filmed alphabetically by name of county. Entries give name, address, age, sex, race, relation to family, place of birth [state or country], degree of education, own or rent home, and occupation.

Each county was enumerated by precinct. The following precincts are missing: Alachua 4, 5, 18, 21; Baker: 6; Bradford 1; Citrus 13, DeSoto 6 & 7; Duval 14A & 36; Flagler 2 & 6; Lee 20; Levy 12; Liberty 5; Martin 7; Nassau 4; Orange 1–10; Palm Beach 9; Polk 19, 23 & 24; St. Johns 19; and Sarasota 5. There are no returns for Walton County.

### *Florida 1945 State Census.*

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The records are arranged alphabetically by county and thereunder by election precinct. They give name, address, age, sex, place of birth [state or country], degree of education, and occupation.

The following precincts are missing: Alachua 18; Bay 8, 9, 12; Citrus 13; DeSoto 6 & 7; Gadsden 2; Highlands 8; Liberty 3; Orange 1–11; Palm Beach 27, 29 & 34; Polk 34; Seminole 15; Volusia 14; and Washington 18.

### *Spanish Censuses of Florida: 1783, 1786, 1793, & 1814.*

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These are typed transcripts of the original manuscripts.

Donna Rachel Mills' *Florida's First Families: Translated Abstracts of Pre-1821 Spanish Censuses*, R929.3759/M657F/1992 treats the same records.

### *Florida 1867 Census.*

Microfilm	1 roll		Census	Florida
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This roll contains the enumerations of Hernando, Madison, Orange, Santa Rosa, and Franklin [partial] Counties as well as miscellaneous fragments and statewide tabulations. An entry gives the name of the head of household, males over 21, males under 21, females over 18, females under 18, total in the household, and the number of males between 18 and 45. Entries are segregated by race on alternating pages.

## Immigration

*Passenger Lists of Vessels and Airplanes Arriving at Port Everglades, Florida, February 1932–May 1951.*

Microfilm	4 rolls	NARA A3394	Immigration	Florida
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*Passenger Lists of Citizens (June 1924–Aug. 1948) and Aliens (March 1946–Nov. 1948) Arriving at Pensacola, Florida, and Passenger Lists of Vessels Departing from Pensacola, Florida (Aug. 1926–March 1948).*

Microfilm		NARA M202	Immigration	Florida
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*Index to Passengers Arriving at Gulfport, Fla., August 27, 1904–August 28, 1954; and at Pascagoula, Fla., July 15, 1903–May 21, 1935.*

Microfilm	1 roll	NARA T523	Immigration	Florida
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*Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at St. Petersburg, Florida, December 1926–March 1941.*

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*Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Georgetown, South Carolina 1923–1939 and at Apalachicola, Boynton, Boca Grande, Carrabelle, Ferandina, Fort Pierce, Hobe Sound, Lake Worth, Mayport, Millville, Port Inglis, Post St. Joe, St. Andrews, and Stuart, Florida, 1904–1942.*

Microfilm	1 roll	NARA M1842	Immigration	Florida
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*Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Tampa, Florida November 2, 1898–December 31, 1945.*

Microfilm	65 rolls	NARA M1844	Immigration	Florida
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The passengers lists, arranged in chronological order, are wanting for the years 21 December 1902–2 September 1904 and 1 May 1915–30 November 1915. The lists provide the full name of the passengers along with their age, sex, marital status, occupation, last residence, and final destination in the United States.

The partial index to this micropublication is T517, *Index to Passenger Lists of Vessels Arriving at Ports in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, and South Carolina, 1890–1926*. There is no index for the years 1927–1945.

## Land

*Spanish Land Grants in Florida: Brief Translations from the Archives of the Boards of Commissioners for Ascertaining Claims and Titles to Land in the Territory of Florida.*

Microfiche	31 fiche		Microfiche	Florida
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The original published set consisted of five volumes, each of which had its own index. The library's copy in book form may be found under the call number of R929.3759/H673S. The library lacks volume IV in hard copy.

Pages 64–78 contain the list of claimants only. Pages 79–132 contain the names of all claimants as well as all other personal names. The unconfirmed claims appear in the first volume; volumes II–V are the confirmed claims and are arranged alphabetically by name of claimant. Pages 135–156 contain the place-name index.

## Military—Indian Wars (1815–1858)

### *Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Florida During the Florida Indian Wars, 1835–1858.*

Microfilm	63 rolls	NARA M1086	Locality	Florida
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The Florida Indian Wars were the Creek War (1839), the Second Seminole War (1835–1842), and the Third Seminole War (1855–1858). These wars resulted from the attempts to relocate the Indian nations from the Old Southwest to the lands beyond the Mississippi River. While the Creek War involved only 32 men from Florida, the Second Seminole War was the longest and most costly in the state. The estimated number of men who served in this war was approximately 42,000. About 700 Florida men served in the Third Seminole War. The counties of Hernando, Hillsborough, and Manatee furnished the majority of soldiers. A typical record contains the name of the soldier, his unit, term of service, time and place of enlistment, and promotions and demotions. If he served in a mounted organization, the value of his mount and equipment are also shown.

The records are arranged chronologically by war, thereunder by unit, and thereunder by name of veteran. Access to these records is available from *Index to Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served during Indian Wars and Disturbances, 1815–1858*, M629.

## Military—Mexican War (1846–1848)

### *Florida Mexican War Muster Rolls, 1846–1848.*

Microfilm	1 roll		Locality	Florida
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The records are arranged by unit and give the name of the captain, the name of the soldier, rank, age, when, where, and by whom enrolled, when, where, and by whom mustered into service, the time of last pay; the number of miles traveled to place of rendezvous, and the number of miles traveled from place of discharge. The remarks column contains such comments as promotions.

## Military—Civil War (1861–1865) Union

### *Index to Compiled Military Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Florida.*

Microfilm	1 roll	NARA M264	Locality	Florida
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The index is alphabetical by name of veteran and includes his rank and unit. The records themselves will be found in item “c” *supra*.

### *Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Union Soldiers Who Served in Organizations from the State of Florida.*

Microfilm	11 rolls	NARA M400	Locality	Florida
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The records are arranged by unit and thereunder alphabetically by the name of the veteran. Rolls 1–6 contain the records of the 1st Florida Cavalry followed by the 1st East Florida Cavalry. Rolls 7–11 contain the records of the 2nd Cavalry followed by unassigned volunteers, miscellaneous card abstracts, and personal papers. The records are indexed by M264 that follows.

## Military—Civil War (1861–1865) Confederate

### *Computer Based Register and Index to the Florida State Board of Pensions Confederate Service Pension Applications, 1885–1954.*

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This register of veterans contains the application number, veteran's name, state and unit of service, widow's name, county of residence after the Civil War, number of pages in the file and year of the application. There are also indexes by fighting unit, by Florida unit numbers and by service in other states, by county of residence, and by name of widow.

There were 12,775 approved pension applications in Florida.

An application number beginning with the letter "A" was approved. One with the letter "D" was denied.

Virgil White's *Register of Florida CSA Pension Applications*, R929.3759/ W588R/1989 contains much of the same data.

### **Florida. State Board of Pensions. Confederate Pension Files.**

Microfilm	107 rolls		Locality	Florida
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Florida provided for Confederate pensions by the act of 16 February 1885. This series contains the approved and denied files between 1885 and 1954. Most of the files contain the original applications giving the proof of service and residency, and supplemental applications, and any correspondence between the applicant and the pension board. A veteran's application generally contains the name, date and place of nativity, unit dates and places of enlistment and discharge, a brief description of service, sworn statements on proof of service from comrades, War Department service extracts, and place and length of residency in Florida. A widow's application, in addition to the above, generally contains her full name, date and place of marriage to the veteran, and date and place of death of the veteran. A widow's application is filed under the name of her husband.

The series is divided in two sections, approved claims and denied claims, each of which is arranged numerically.

Access to the series is available through item "f" *supra* and Virgil D. White's *Register of Florida CSA Pension Applications*, R929.3759/W588R/1989.

### **Florida Confederate Muster Rolls, 1861–1865.**

Microfilm	8 rolls		Locality	Florida
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The records are arranged in numerical order by military unit giving The name of the veteran, rank, articles lost, and remarks are usually the data reported.

## Military—Spanish American War & Philippine Insurrection

### *Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served in the Florida Infantry during the War with Spain.*

Microfilm		NARA M1087	Locality	Florida
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These records are arranged alphabetically by name of soldier. His file consists of card abstracts taken from the original muster rolls and regimental returns as well as medical and assignment records; in addition, enlistment and discharge papers, requests for leaves of absence and furloughs, accounts of payment and clothing issued, and court-martial orders relating solely to the soldier may also be included.

A soldier's file will show his rank, unit, when, where, and how long he served. His age, physical description, date and place of birth, residence, occupation, marital status, and name of next of kin may also be included.

Preceding the records of individual soldiers is the record of events.

Florida's three regiments were stationed at Tampa and Fernandina, Florida, and Huntsville, Alabama. They saw no action and the conditions in the camps were disappointing. They petitioned en masse for separation when the armistice was signed. They were mustered out in October and December 1898 and January 1899.

Access to these records is via *General Index to Compiled Service Records of Volunteer Soldiers Who Served during the War with Spain*, M871.

#### ***Florida Spanish-American War Muster Rolls.***

Microfilm	3 rolls		Locality	Florida
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The muster-in rolls contain the names of those who entered the service from Florida. The state was to provide one infantry regiment of twelve Companies. There were twenty companies of Florida State Troops who Entered. They were sent to a staging area near Tampa where twelve companies were chosen and eight were sent home. In July 1898 the soldiers went to Fernandina. They were transferred to Huntsville, Alabama in August 1898 where eight of the companies were discharged and sent home. In January 1898 the remaining four companies were discharged. The Florida troops saw no action in the war. Twenty-eight men died of disease or illness.

For officers the muster-in roll gives the name, rank, age, date of commission, by whom commissioned, residence, value of horse and equipment, marital status, name and address of wife or parent or nearest relative, and remarks.

En enlisted man's entry gives his name, rank, age, height, eye and hair Color, place of birth, occupation, and name and address of next of kin [wife or parent], and remarks.

### **Military—World War I**

#### ***Florida World War I Army Card Roster.***

Microfilm	11 rolls		Locality	Florida
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The records are arranged alphabetically. Each card may give the place The soldier's serial number, place and date of enlistment, town and state Of birth, age or date of birth, unit of service and dates of assignment or Transfer, grades with appointments, wound or injuries received, period of Service overseas, date of honorable discharge, and percentage of disability.

#### ***Florida World War I Marine Card Roster [and] Coast Guard Card Roster.***

Microfilm	1 roll		Locality	Florida
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The cards are arranged in alphabetical order within each of the two branches of service by the name of the veteran. The index card may give the place of enlistment, age at entrance, rate, home address, date and rank of service, remarks [e.g., "killed"], date and place of discharge, inactive duty, and rating at time of discharge.

### **Military—Miscellaneous**

#### ***Florida Record of Commissions and Oaths of the State Militia Officers, 1846–1920.***

Microfilm	2 rolls		Locality	Florida
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The records are arranged chronologically and thereunder alphabetically by county. They give the name, rank, date, and unit.

***Florida State Militia, Florida State Troops, and Florida National Guard Muster Rolls and Supporting Documents, 1870–1918.***

Microfilm	6 rolls		Locality	Florida
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There is a finding aid on the first roll for those units that could be identified with specific counties. A typical entry gives the name, age, Height, place of birth, occupation, and remarks.

***Florida Veterans Grave Registration Cards.***

Microfilm	9 rolls		Locality	Florida
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The records are arranged alphabetically by name of veteran many of whom saw service from states other than Florida. The index card gives the veteran's name and some or all of the following: serial number, last residence, next of kin and relationship, last address, date and place of birth, date and place of death, date and place of burial, plat, city, and county of burial, and grave number, block, and section. The military service includes the branch of service with rank, date of enlistment and organization, date of discharge and organization, type of headstone [government, veteran, or private marker], decorations, nationality, religion, foreign service with dates of service, and remarks. The last roll contains entries for unknown veterans.

**Miscellaneous**

***Roster of State and County Officers Commissioned by the Governor of Florida, 1845–1868.***

Microfiche	7 fiche		Microfiche	Florida
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This roster covers the first twenty-three years of statehood and includes the names and terms of all civil and military officers commissioned under the constitutions of 1838, 1861, and 1885. There are a few who were appointed after the adoption of the constitution of 1868.

***Archives of the Spanish Government of West Florida, 1789–1816.***

Microfilm	7 rolls	NARA T1116	Locality	Florida
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**Naturalization**

***Naturalization Records of U.S. District Courts in the Southeast, 1790–1958: Florida.***

Microfilm	25 rolls	NARA	Locality	US
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This set pertains to Alabama (#1–17), Florida (#17–42), Georgia (#43–61, 100–102, 104–105), Kentucky (#62–75), Mississippi (#75–79, 103), North Carolina (#79–82), South Carolina (#83–92, 106), and Tennessee (#93–100).

**Taxation**

***Internal Revenue Assessment Lists for Florida 1865–1866.***

Microfilm	1 roll	NARA M761	Locality	Florida
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**Vital Records—Divorces**

***Dissolution of Marriage.***

Microfiche	288 fiche		Microfiche	Florida
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The records are subdivided chronologically. The first covers June 1927 to 1969. The second covers 1970 to 1994.

An entry consists of the surname, husband's first name, husband's middle name, wife's first name, certificate number, county, month, day, and year.

## Vital Records—Deaths

### *Florida Deaths.*

Microfiche	549 fiche		Microfiche	Florida
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The records are subdivided chronologically. The first covers 1877 to 1916, 1917–1922, and annual indexes from 1923 to 1994.

The county of death is coded by the following numbers:

Alachua = 11  
Baker = 12  
Bay = 13  
Bradford = 14  
Brevard = 15  
Broward = 16  
Calhoun = 17  
Charlotte = 18  
Citrus = 19  
Clay = 20  
Collier = 21  
Columbia = 22  
Dade = 23  
Desoto = 24  
Dixie = 25  
Duval = 26  
Escambia = 27  
Flagler = 28  
Franklin = 29  
Gadsen = 30  
Gilchrist = 31  
Glades = 32  
Gulf = 33  
Hamilton = 34  
Hardee = 35  
Hendry = 36  
Hernando = 37  
Highlands = 38  
Hillsborough = 39  
Holmes = 40  
Indian River = 41  
Jackson = 42  
Jefferson = 43  
Lafayette = 44  
Lake = 45  
Lee = 46  
Leon = 47  
Levy = 48  
Liberty = 49  
Madison = 50  
Manatee = 51

Marion = 52  
Martin = 53  
Monroe = 54  
Nassau = 55  
Okeechobes = 57  
Okaloosa = 56  
Orange = 58  
Osceola = 59  
Palm Beach = 60  
Pasco = 61  
Pinellas = 62  
Polk = 63  
Putnam = 64  
Santa Rosa = 67  
Sarasota = 68  
Seminole = 69  
St. Johns = 65  
St. Lucie = 66  
Sumter = 70  
Suwannee = 71  
Taylor = 72  
Union = 73  
Volusia = 74  
Wakulla = 75  
Walton = 76  
Washington = 77

The race and sex codes used on the index prior to 1970 are:

white male = 1  
white female = 2  
black male = 3  
black female = 4  
Indian male = 5  
Indian female = 6  
Oriental male = 7  
Oriental female = 8.

Since 1970 some of the indexes may have a column headed Race/Sex, but it applies to sex only.

The following codes are used from January 1970:

white = 1  
black = 2  
Indian = 3  
Chinese = 4  
Japanese = 5  
Hawaiian = 6  
others = 7  
Filipino = 8  
not reported = 9  
other Asian/Pacific islander 10.

There is a page missing from the death index for the year 1952 for the entries from Sechler, Belle Josephine to Sellers, George Washington.

An entry consists of the surname, first name, middle name, certificate number, county, race, month, day, and year of death. The birth month, day, and year appear in the years 19



## Vital Records—Marriages

### *Florida Marriages, 1927–1994.*

Microfiche	1,023 fiche		Microfiche	Florida
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The records are subdivided chronologically. The first covers June 1927 to 1969; the second covers 1970 to 1994.

The same county and racial codes apply as indicated in the deaths *supra*.

There is a page missing from the marriages for the year 1942 for the entries Carpenter, Hazel Emma to Carr, Emily.

An entry consists of the following columns: surname, first name, middle name, maiden name, volume, number, county, sex, month, day, and year.