

1.3 Age and Gender

Leon County has the second highest percentage of population between the ages of 18 and 34 in the state at 37.2% (behind Alachua County) and the second smallest percentage aged 65 and older at 8.4% (behind Union County). The 55-64 age group has increased by more than three times the average annual percentage growth rate of 2.2% between 2000 and 2007 while the 80+ age group has increased at a rate nearly twice the County average.

Figure 1-4
Leon County Population by Age and Gender (2007 Estimate)

Age Group	Total Population	Percent of Population	Female	Percent of Population	Male	Percent of Population
0 to 4	15,432	5.7%	7,584	2.8%	7,848	2.9%
5 to 17	39,584	14.5%	19,333	7.1%	20,251	7.4%
18 to 34	101,558	37.2%	53,218	19.5%	48,340	17.7%
35 to 54	68,083	24.9%	35,851	13.1%	32,232	11.8%
55 to 64	25,072	9.2%	13,120	4.8%	11,952	4.4%
65 to 79	16,423	6.0%	9,024	3.3%	7,399	2.7%
80+	6,744	2.5%	4,392	1.6%	2,352	0.9%
Total	272,896		142,522	52.2%	130,374	47.8%

Source: University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, "Florida Population Studies, Bulletin 151", July 2008

Figure 1-5
Leon County Population Growth by Age Group (2000-2007)

Age Group	2000 Population	2007 Population	Growth in Population 2000-2007	Percent Growth 2000-2007	Avg. Ann. Growth 2000-2007
0 to 4	13,727	15,432	1,705	11.7%	2.0%
5 to 17	37,280	39,584	2,304	6.0%	1.0%
18 to 34	86,609	101,558	14,949	15.9%	2.7%
35 to 54	65,284	68,083	2,799	4.2%	0.7%
55 to 64	16,661	25,072	8,411	40.9%	6.8%
65 to 79	14,600	16,423	1,823	11.8%	2.0%
80+	5,291	6,744	1,453	24.3%	4.0%
Total	239,452	272,896	33,444	13.1%	2.2%

Source: University of Florida, Bureau of Economic and Business Research, "Florida Population Studies, Bulletin 151", July 2008