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Taylor County

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North Florida & First Coast

COMMUNITIES TO START WITH

Perry, Steinhatchee, Keaton Beach

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Forests, a working inland center and Gulf fishing communities create a rugged Nature Coast lifestyle.

Lifestyle: Fishing · Forestry · Old Florida

Taylor County by the numbers

Population Census estimate	21,503	At the last full count 2020 Census	21,796
Median age	43.9	Aged 65 and over	21.2%
Under 18	20.3%	Median household income	\$49,073
Median home value what owners estimate	\$114,600	Homeownership	76.0%
People per household	2.37	Average commute	21.3 minutes

U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, published January 2026, read September 19, 2026. Survey figures are estimates; median home value is what owners estimate their home is worth, not a sale price.

Communities to compare

Perry

Start with Perry to understand the established center, nearby services and everyday rhythm within Taylor County.

Keaton Beach

Walk or drive through Keaton Beach at different times of day to judge traffic, neighborhood character and access to outdoor space.

Steinhatchee

Use Steinhatchee to compare housing patterns, main-road access and the shopping or medical stops used during a normal week.

Places that reveal the county

Steinhatchee Falls

The widest waterfall in Florida, on the Steinhatchee River about eight miles above its mouth.

Econfina River State Park

3,377 acres at the mouth of the Econfina River, where the pine woods give way to the Gulf.

St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge

One of the oldest refuges in the country, covering more than 86,000 acres across Wakulla, Jefferson and Taylor counties.

Steinhatchee River

A river of 34.5 miles that forms the boundary between Taylor County and Dixie County.

Beaches in Taylor County

Always verify current parking, fees, water quality, lifeguard coverage and posted rules before leaving.

Keaton Beach

Hagen’s Cove Beach

Forest Capital Museum State Park

Thirteen acres a mile south of Perry on US 19 and US 98, telling the story of the timber country around it.

Keaton Beach

A small Gulf community about twenty-two miles south of Perry, and the county's main public beach.

Big Bend Wildlife Management Area

About 90,000 acres of Gulf coast in Taylor and Dixie counties, in five separate units.

Where to check

Florida disaster preparedness maps · Official evacuation-zone, route and storm-surge planning maps.	floridadisaster.org
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Florida school accountability reports · Current state school and district accountability information.	fldoe.org
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Florida community health data · County-level public health indicators and community reports.	flhealthcharts.gov
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Florida housing resources · State resources for homebuyers, renters and local assistance programs.	floridahousing.org
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