





In December 2017, the U.S. Census Bureau released its 2012-2016 5-year estimates of the American Community Survey (ACS). These estimates compile surveys of residents in a geographic area over a period of five years. The ACS program first released 5-year estimates in 2010 for the period of 2005-2009.



How has Sarasota County changed since the first 5-year estimates from the ACS were released?

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2005-2009	ACS 5-year estimates	2012-2016
		
367,446	Population <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	398,011
50.7	Median Age <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	54.5
29.6%	% of Population Over 65 <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	34.0%
		
218,144	Total Housing Units <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	231,587
22.6%	% of Households that are Renter-Occupied <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	26.8%
2.19	Average Number of Persons per Household <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	2.23
		
\$49,013	Median Household Income <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	\$53,849
6.2%	% of Families Below Poverty Level <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	6.9%
11.9%	% of Children Living in Households Receiving Public Assistance* <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	24.7%
		
52.7%	% of Population (16+) in the Labor Force <span style="float: right;">↓</span>	48.9%
19.4%	% of Workers with a Service Occupation <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	22.0%
6.0%	% of Workers in the Manufacturing Industry <span style="float: right;">↓</span>	5.6%
21.6	Average Commute Time (minutes) <span style="float: right;">↑</span>	23.2
1.2%	% of Workers who Bike to Work <span style="float: right;">↓</span>	1.1%

\* Public Assistance includes Supplemental Security Income (SSI), cash public assistance income or Food Stamp/SNAP benefits.

