

“Economically Distressed” Counties^{2,3} in Florida
as Referenced in The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

**Excerpt from
The American Recovery
and Reinvestment Act
of 2009¹:**

Provided further, That in selecting projects to be carried out with funds apportioned under this heading, priority shall be given to projects that are projected for completion within a 3-year time frame, and are located in economically distressed areas as defined by section 301 of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. 3161).

¹ Public Law 111-5, February 17, 2009

Economically Distressed Areas (counties) as Defined by Sec. 301 of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. 3161)		
FDOT District	County	
1 (8 counties)	Charlotte DeSoto Glades Hardee	Hendry Highlands Lee Okeechobee
2 (13 counties)	Baker Bradford Columbia Dixie Gilchrist Hamilton Lafayette	Levy Madison Putnam Suwannee Taylor Union
3 (11 counties)	Calhoun Franklin Gadsden Gulf Holmes Jackson	Jefferson Liberty Wakulla Walton Washington
4 (2 counties)	Indian River St. Lucie	
5 (4 counties)	Flagler Marion	Osceola Sumter
7 (3 counties)	Citrus Hernando	Pasco

² Eligibility is based on either (1) County Per Capita Income per the U. S. Department of Commerce or (2) County unemployment rate average for 24 months per the U. S. Department of Labor.

This is not associated with any State of Florida Designations.

³ Based on information “to assist the States in determining where their ARRA projects are relative to economically distressed areas” obtained on March 18, 2009 from the Federal Highway Administration website for Implementing Guidance for the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.