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A message from Governor  
Scott on the future of  
Florida's Freight and Trade

# GADSDEN COUNTY FREIGHT & LOGISTICS OVERVIEW

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### FDOT MISSION:

THE DEPARTMENT WILL PROVIDE A SAFE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THAT ENSURES THE MOBILITY OF PEOPLE AND GOODS, ENHANCES ECONOMIC PROSPERITY AND PRESERVES THE QUALITY OF OUR ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITIES.



In recognition of the significant role that freight mobility plays as an economic driver for the state, an Office of Freight, Logistics and Passenger Operations has been created at FDOT. This office has been tasked with meeting the requirements of legislation in Florida House Bill 599, as well as meeting national freight guidance offered in H.R. 4348, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21).

HB599 requires FDOT to lead the development of a plan to "enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system across and between transportation modes throughout the state." For this reason, Florida is already on schedule to meet MAP-21 guidelines and has become a leader in freight issues through its ongoing work in developing a Freight Mobility and Trade Plan. For more information, please see [www.freightmovesflorida.com](http://www.freightmovesflorida.com).



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COUNTY SEAT	LARGEST CITY	AREA	POPULATION	POPULATION GROWTH RATE
Quincy, FL	Quincy, FL	529 square miles	46,389	2.9% (2000-2010)

Primary Economic Development Contact: <http://www.gadsdenfla.com/>

- Gadsden County has over 30 civic organizations and 100 plus houses of worship.
- Approximately twenty square miles of the county are contained in State Enterprise Zone. These geographical areas offer benefits for businesses within its boundaries.
- Major businesses have found Gadsden County to be an ideal location for their industry. It is centrally located for the tri-state market, of Florida, Georgia, and Alabama. Interstate 10, U.S. 90 and U.S. 27 bisect the county with connections to three major deep-water ports of Jacksonville, Pensacola, and Panama City.



### Top 5 Growing Industries

INDUSTRY	NET JOB CREATION
1. Educational Services	1,111
2. Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	134
3. Retail Trade	117
4. Administrative, Support, Waste Management, and Remediation Services	107
5. Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	104

Source: Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Labor Market Statistics Center, LEHD State of Florida County Reports-Quarterly Workforce Indicators 2010-2011.



### Largest Industry Sectors by Employment

INDUSTRY SECTORS	% OF WORKFORCE
1. Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	14.4%
2. Natural Resources and Mining	10.5%
3. Manufacturing	8.5%

Source: Enterprise Florida



### Major Private Sector Employers

EMPLOYER	BUSINESS LINE	NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES
1. Coastal Plywood Company	Lumber/ Plywood	325
2. Talquin Electric Cooperative	Utilities	175
3. T Formation	Screen-printing	137
4. TeligentEMS	Electronics Manufacturing	130
5. Super-Valu	Wholesale Food Distributor	130

Source: Enterprise Florida

Florida infrastructure moves 762 million tons of freight traffic annually.

The state highway system sees 195,755 million annual vehicle miles of travel.

Truck travel accounted for approximately 11% of vehicle miles traveled on the SIS in 2010.

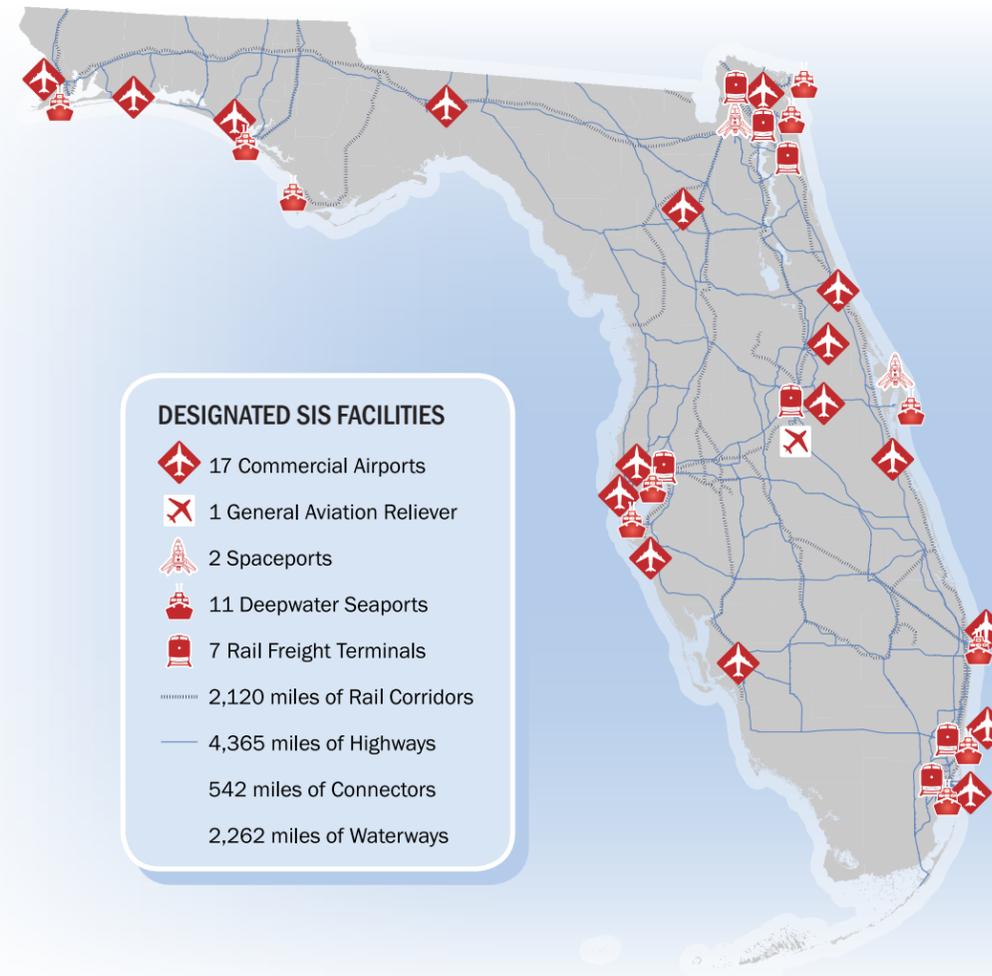
Florida has over 2,700 miles of rail lines, which move over 98 million tons of freight annually.

### Florida's Strategic Intermodal System (SIS)

- Strategic** – Consists of statewide and regionally significant facilities and services
- Intermodal** – Contains all forms of transportation for moving both people and goods, including linkages for smooth and efficient transfers between modes and major facilities
- System** – Integrates individual facilities, services, forms of transportation (modes) and linkages into a single, integrated transportation network

The SIS was established to:

- Efficiently serve the mobility needs of Florida's citizens, businesses and visitors
- Help Florida become a worldwide economic leader, enhance economic prosperity and competitiveness, enrich quality of life and reflect responsible environmental stewardship



#### DESIGNATED SIS FACILITIES

- 17 Commercial Airports
- 1 General Aviation Reliever
- 2 Spaceports
- 11 Deepwater Seaports
- 7 Rail Freight Terminals
- 2,120 miles of Rail Corridors
- 4,365 miles of Highways
- 542 miles of Connectors
- 2,262 miles of Waterways

Florida has 784 aviation facilities, 129 public use, and 19 have commercial service.

The state boasts 2 spaceports and 5 active launch facilities.

Florida's 15 deepwater seaports moved 106.4 million tons of cargo and handled 2.8 million TEU's (20 foot equivalent container unit) in 2010.

Seven of the 15 seaports in Florida carried 12.7 million passengers, 12.1 million of which sailed on multi-day cruises in 2010.

100% of SIS waterborne freight in Florida is on a coastal or international shipping route.

16 Fortune 500 companies have their headquarters in Florida.

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POPULATION	POPULATION RANK	AREA	AREA RANK	POPULATION GROWTH RATE
18.8 million	4th	53,625 sq. mi.	22nd	17.6% (2000-2010)

Chamber of Commerce website: <http://www.flchamber.org>

### Top Employment Sectors

(Nonagricultural Business Groups by Industry)

1. Trade, Transportation, and Utilities
2. Education and Health Services
3. Government Services
4. Professional and Business Services
5. Healthcare and Social Assistance
6. Leisure and Hospitality

Source: Department of Economic Opportunity-Current Employment Statistics (2012)

### Top Business Sector Initiatives for Retention and Promotion

1. Clean Energy
2. Information Technology
3. Life Sciences
4. Aviation/ Aerospace
5. Homeland Security/ Defense
6. Financial/ Professional Services

Source: Florida Chamber of Commerce

### Top International Trade Partners

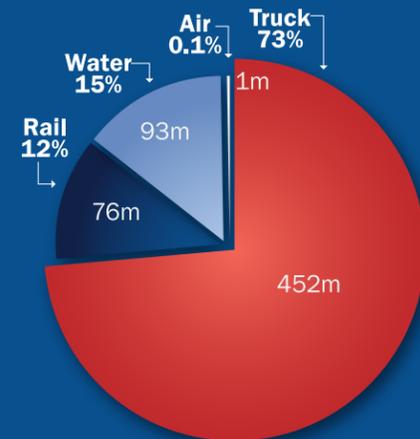
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Florida is a major international hub accounting for approximately \$149 billion in international trade activity in 2011.

EXPORTS		IMPORTS	
1. Switzerland		1. China	
2. Brazil		2. Mexico	
3. Venezuela		3. Japan	
4. Canada		4. Canada	
5. Colombia		5. Colombia	

Source: Trade & Logistics Study, Florida Chamber 2009

### DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL MODAL MIX (millions of tons)



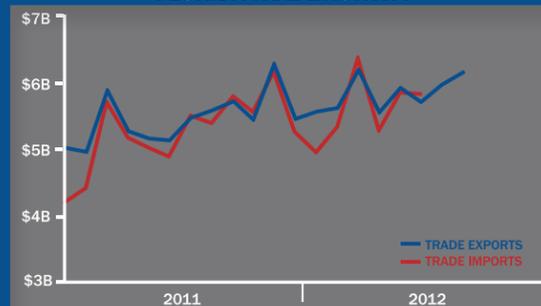
Source: Trade & Logistics Study, Florida Chamber 2009

### TOTAL FREIGHT FLOWS



Source: Trade & Logistics Study, Florida Chamber 2009

### FLORIDA TRADE ACTIVITY



### Key Transportation and Freight Facilities

STRATEGIC INTERMODAL SYSTEM (SIS) HIGHWAYS		I-10
SIS RAILROADS		CSX, Apalachicola Northern
SIS AIRPORTS		Tallahassee Regional Airport
SEAPORTS		Port of Panama City
NON SIS STATE HIGHWAYS		US 90, US 27, SR 12, SR 65, SR 267
GENERAL AVIATION AIRPORTS		Quincy Municipal Airport



### Top Imports

INBOUND FREIGHT	TRUCK TONNAGE
1. Lumber or Wood Products	121,189
2. Bulk Movement in Boxcars	112,327
3. Food or Kindred Products	65,381
4. Clay, Concrete, Glass or Stone	59,089
5. Farm Products	41,077

Source: IHS Global Inc.'s Transearch, 2011

### Top Exports

OUTBOUND FREIGHT	TRUCK TONNAGE
1. Nonmetallic Minerals	293,395
2. Clay, Concrete, Glass or Stone	200,785
3. Lumber or Wood Products	97,846
4. Farm Products	16,863
5. Waste or Scrap Materials	8,760

Source: IHS Global Inc.'s Transearch, 2011



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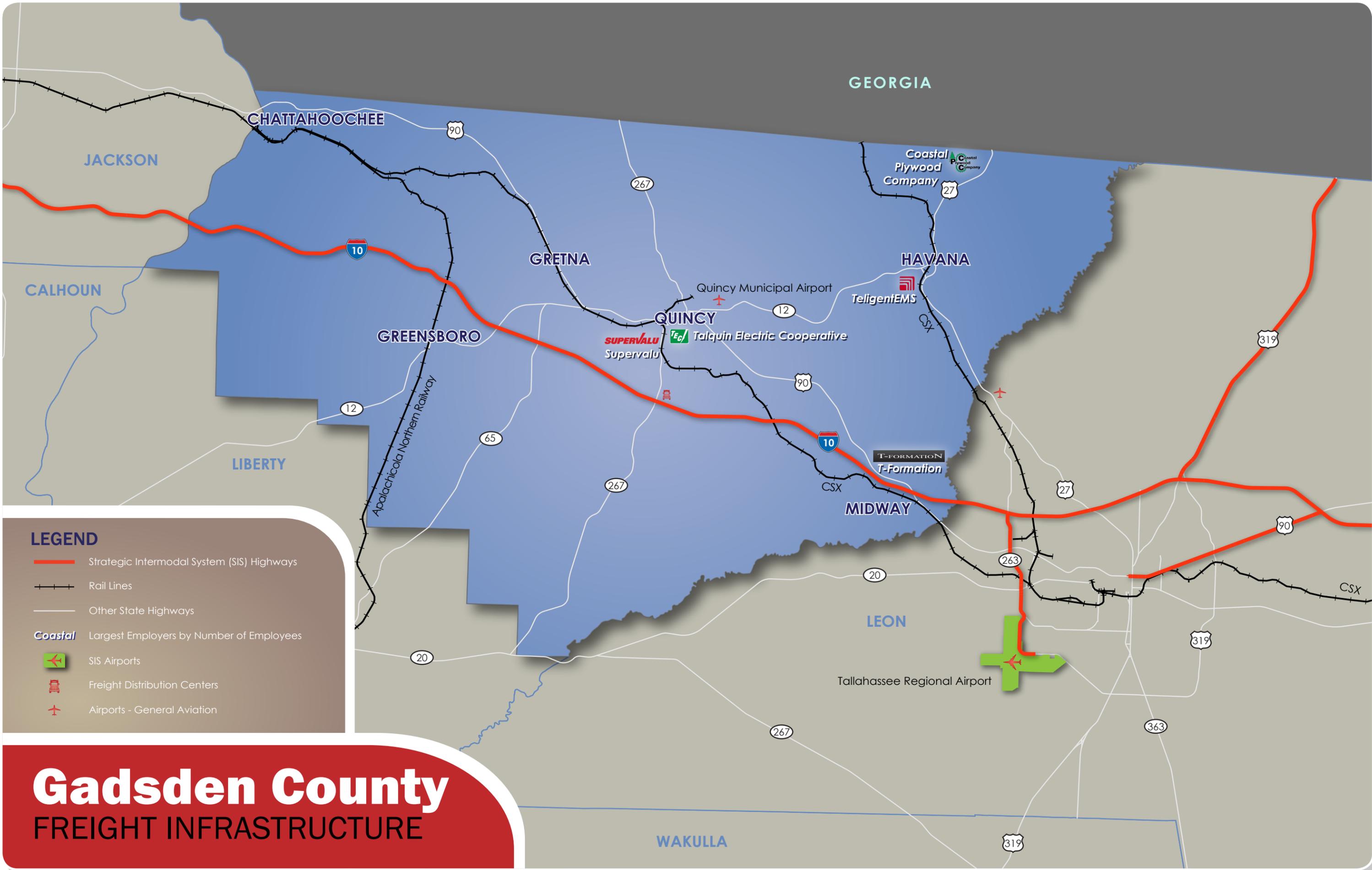
IMPORTS	TRUCK TONNAGE
Miami-Dade County, FL	38,081
Bay County, FL	28,184
Decatur County, GA	22,018
Gulf County, FL	21,794
Duval County, FL	20,278

Source: IHS Global Inc.'s Transearch, 2011

### Top Trading Partners

EXPORTS	TRUCK TONNAGE
Bay County, FL	109,993
Mobile County, AL	56,544
Okaloosa County, FL	38,268
Duval County, FL	37,737
Leon County, FL	26,240

Source: IHS Global Inc.'s Transearch, 2011



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## FREIGHT INFRASTRUCTURE