

WHY CHOOSE TO INVEST IN PASCO COUNTY, FLORIDA



PASCO COUNTY QUICK STATS





Population 636,578 Labor Force 267,043



6 major road arteries & 30-minute average travel time to work

PASCO COUNTY is a business-friendly community with strong, proactive governmental support close to large, growing Florida markets. Lower tax rates benefit both Pasco corporations and residents.

- 0% state personal income tax
- Florida's corporate income taxes are 5.5%, less a \$50,000 exemption, and S-corporations are exempt from corporate income tax
- Retail sales tax is 7% with no sales or use tax on the labor component of qualified research and development
- Florida has no inventory tax on raw materials, work in progress or finished goods in inventory
- Total ad valorem millage rate in Pasco County is 16.9431 with no state level ad valorem tax on buildings or land
- Florida is the 3rd most populous state in the U.S. and has the 4th best tax climate
- Pasco County is the 3rd fastest growing county in the **United States**





- Zeppelin Systems USA

- CareerFoundry







45-minute average drive to Tampa International Airport (TPA), Port Tampa Bay, and St.Pete/Clearwater International Airport

Access to 33 million consumers in an 8-hour drive



TPA is the best airport for exporting to Latin America



TOP FOREIGN-OWNED COMPANIES

MEXICO

- Cemex



- Greco Aluminum Railings
- Monster Transmissions

GERMANY



JAPAN

- **Bauer Foundation** Corporation

- Seitenbacher America
- Clark Dietrich Building Systems (MISA)
- Daikin









- Xipre

IRELAND



FRANCE

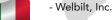


- Jean Niel, Inc.
- Reinforced Earth

SWITZERLAND



- METTLER TOLEDO
- Swisscosment Corporation





- Fusion 5



- Das Infomedia







Non-stop air service to over

 80 domestic and international locations. Direct flights to Zurich, Frankfurt, Amsterdam, Mexico City, and London.



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Closest deep-water port to the Panama Canal and post-Panamax ready



Extensive and flexible Foreign
Trade Zone network



Easy access to Latin America



 New and competitively priced real estate (industrial and office)



Over 2,000 miles of CSX Rail line in Florida



PASCO COUNTY

- Property Tax Rebate
- Expedited Permitting
- Workforce Training Grants
- No Transportation Mobility (Impact) Fee for Eligible New Construction
- Utility Incentives
- Job Creation Incentive

FLORIDA

- Capital Investment Tax Credit
- Tax Exemption for R&D Equipment
- Quick Response Training
- Veterans Florida Business Training Grant



SMARTLANDING SERVICES

The Pasco EDC's SMARTLanding Program helps international ventures quickly establish a presence in one of the fastest growing markets in the country by developing the knowledge domains and business relationships within Tampa Bay, Florida.

- Private office and meeting space with flexible short-term leases at SMARTSTART with access to all 3 locations
- Professional assistance:
 - Market intelligence development for Florida and United States
 - Import and export laws
 - Intellectual property protection
 - Government regulations





