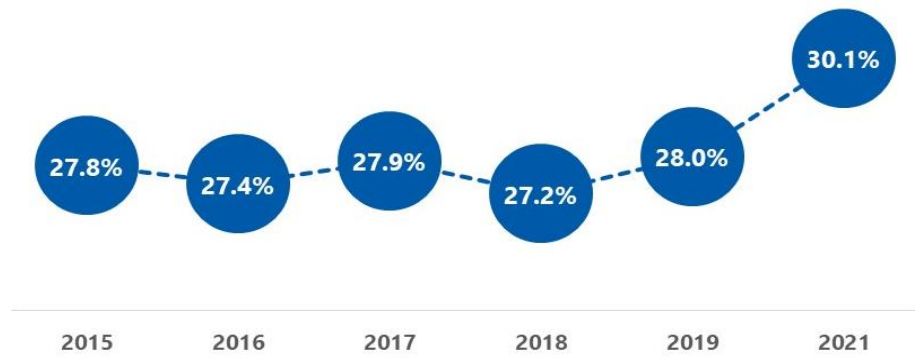
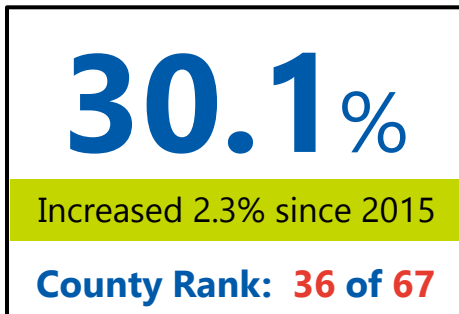


DEGREE ATTAINMENT PROFILE

Marion County



Residents aged 25-64 with a high-quality degree^{1,3}



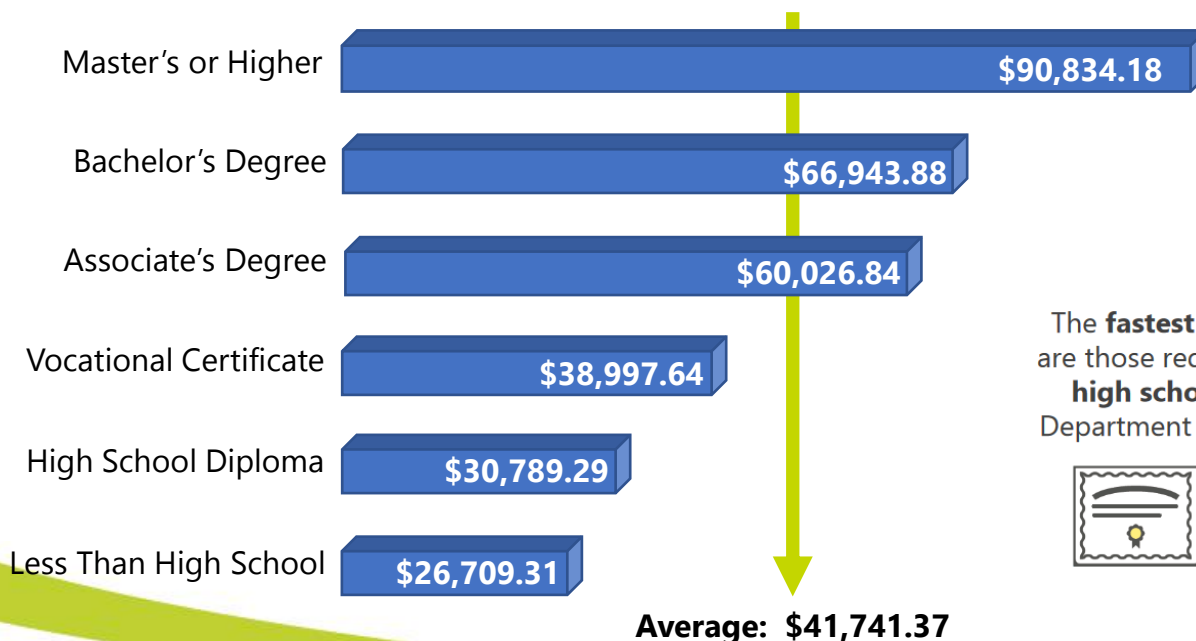
County-by-county comparisons based on selected criteria¹

Attainment Rate		
Rank	County	Rate
34	Polk	31.3%
35	Hernando	30.7%
36	Marion	30.1%
37	Gulf	29.5%
38	Sumter	29.2%

Attainment Rate by Population			
Rank	County	Total Pop.	Rate
17	Lake	375,059	38.3%
18	Collier	372,797	42.3%
19	Marion	370,372	30.1%
20	St. Lucie	324,599	35.3%
21	Escambia	318,828	40.0%

Percent Living Below Poverty Level			
Rank	County	% Below	Rate
37	Escambia	14.5%	40.0%
38	Polk	14.6%	31.3%
39	Marion	14.6%	30.1%
40	Citrus	14.9%	28.3%
41	Lafayette	15.0%	10.2%

Average Wages by Education/Training Level²



The **fastest growing jobs in Florida** are those requiring **education beyond high school**, according to Florida Department of Economic Opportunity.

