



JAXUSA Partnership's regional focus includes the seven counties of Northeast Florida. With 1.9 million residents, the region offers endless opportunities and a superior quality of life. The Jacksonville area continues to experience positive growth as more people discover its perfect balance between business opportunities and lifestyle.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS

AREAS OF EXCELLENCE

- ▶ GROWING E-COMMERCE AND INTERMODAL
- ▶ STRONG TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE
- ▶ SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT/IT
- ▶ LNG PRODUCTION & BUNKERING CAPABILITIES

AMERICA'S LOGISTICS CENTER

With an excellent logistics and transportation infrastructure including **rail, air, maritime** and **highway**, products can easily be shipped anywhere in the world from Northeast Florida.

The Jacksonville Region's Foreign Trade Zone No.64 is the **largest FTZ by area in the state**, covering 10 counties

TOP EMPLOYERS



POSITIVE TAX ADVANTAGES



NO CORPORATE FRANCHISE TAX
STATE PERSONAL INCOME TAX
TAXES ON INVENTORIES

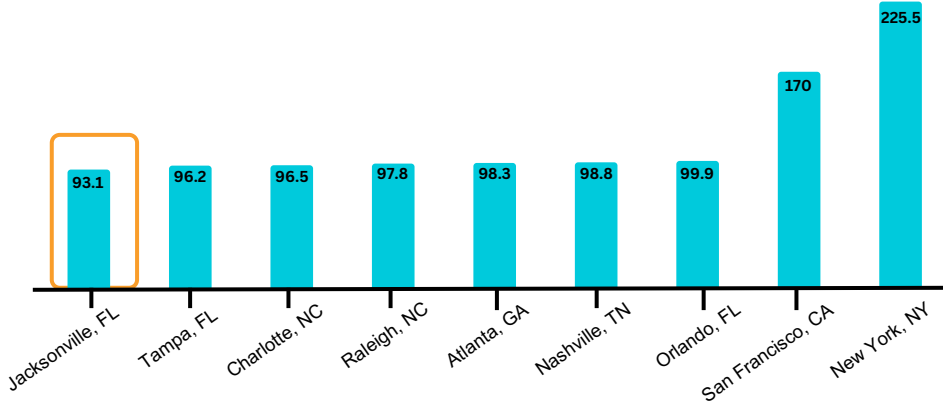
3 FORTUNE 500 COMPANIES

150+ NATIONAL, REGIONAL OR DIVISIONAL HQs

"Jacksonville holds a special place in Suddath's history, but it's also an important part of Suddath's future. The region continues to grow and that provides us opportunities locally and globally. Northeast Florida's business and talent communities have been instrumental in helping us grow and succeed. We are proud to be part of Jacksonville's success because they have been part of ours since 1919."

Mike Brannigan, President and Chief Executive Officer, The Suddath Companies

FAVORABLE COST OF LIVING



Source: C2ER, Cost of Living Study, 2023 Annual

The Cost of Living Index measures relative price levels for consumer goods and services in participating areas. The national average equals 100 and each participant's index is read as a percentage of the average for all places.

TRANSPORTATION & LOGISTICS MEDIAN SALARIES IN JACKSONVILLE

OCCUPATIONS	SALARY
Aircraft Mechanics and Service Technicians	\$69,000
Crane and Tower Operators	\$68,400
First-Line Supervisors of Transportation and Material Moving Workers, Except Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors	\$64,500
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$55,900
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	\$45,600
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	\$39,000
Light Truck Drivers	\$48,100
Logisticians	\$76,200
Machine Feeders and Offbearers	\$43,500
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	\$46,200
Occupational Health and Safety Specialists	\$78,900
Shipping, Receiving, and Inventory Clerks	\$42,300
Software Developers	\$118,800
Stockers and Order Fillers	\$36,800
Tank Car, Truck, and Ship Loaders	\$67,100
Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers	\$116,500

Source: JobsEQ, 2023

AFFORDABLE CONSTRUCTION & REAL ESTATE

Annual real estate lease rates

are below most
major metro
areas, averaging:



14% < U.S. AVG

Cost of Constructing
New Facilities

\$10.35 WAREHOUSE/
DISTRIBUTION
ASKING RATE
PER SQ. FT

3.4% VACANCY
RATE
LOGISTICS

Source: CoStar 2023 Annual

JAXPORT



- Florida's **largest** container port by volume
- **10** million tons of cargo
- **13-mile** deepening project to **47 ft.** completed in May 2022 through Blount Island Marine Terminal

Source: JAXPORT FY 2022



JACKSONVILLE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (JAX)

90+
NONSTOP
DAILY FLIGHTS

40+
DIRECT U.S.
AIRPORTS

\$18 MILLION ANNUAL
INFRASTRUCTURE
IMPROVEMENTS

Source: Jacksonville Aviation Administration

THE JACKSONVILLE REGION IS A TALENT MAGNET



DYNAMIC WORKFORCE

- Total workforce is 885,000+
- Median age is 39
- #2 Best Job Market (The Wall Street Journal)



STEADY STREAM OF SKILLED WORKERS

- Professionals employed in transportation and logistics is 86,336+
- 7 regional colleges have degree or certificate programs with logistics concentrations
- 8 CTE academies focused on transportation & logistics



YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

- Top Five City Where Millennials are Moving (Smart Asset)
- Top 25 Best Places for Young Professionals to Live (Forbes)
- #1 City in Florida for College Graduates (Zumper)



VETERANS

- Four major military installations
- Higher concentration of veterans in the labor force than the state
- #3 Best City for Retired Veterans (Navy Federal)

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau 2024, JobsEQ 2023

OUTSTANDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

HOME TO TOP SCHOOL DISTRICTS

The region has three of the top 15 Florida school districts.

COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	RANK
St. Johns	2
Nassau	4
Clay	11

Out of 67 school districts in Florida

ONE OF THE BEST PLACES TO ATTEND COLLEGE

- Thirteen colleges, universities and state colleges
- Total enrollment of more than 53,150
- University of North Florida, Jacksonville University and Flagler College consistently ranked on U.S. News & World Report's "Best Regional Colleges and Universities"
- #1 ranked public university, the University of Florida, adding graduate campus in 2024

MAJOR COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES IN OR NEAR JACKSONVILLE

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY	ENROLLMENT
University of North Florida (UNF)	16,590
Jacksonville University (JU)	4,000
Florida State College at Jacksonville (FSCJ)	20,720
Flagler College	2,650
St. Johns River State College	6,320
University of Florida (UF)	55,780
University of Central Florida	70,310
Florida State University (FSU)	45,130
Florida A&M University (FAMU)	9,000
Edward Waters University	2,870

A QUALITY OF LIFE WORTH CELEBRATING

TOP CITY FOR RELOCATING

Jacksonville is the fourth fastest growing city in the United States. With an average commute time of 26 minutes giving way to a high quality of life in our urban, suburban and rural neighborhoods, there is something for everyone in the Jacksonville region. Expect a lower cost of living than the U.S. average and 2nd best U.S. job market. (The Wall Street Journal)

SPORTING EVENTS FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Sports enthusiasts can cheer for the **NFL Jacksonville Jaguars**, the **Jacksonville Jumbo Shrimp Triple-A baseball team**, **The Icemen Hockey Team** and the **Armada FC soccer team**. The region also features more than 85 elite golf courses, including famed **THE PLAYERS Stadium Course at TPC Sawgrass**.

WORLD-CLASS HEALTH CARE

Our region offers access to premier hospitals and health care facilities, **home to one of only three Mayo Clinic campuses and one of seven MD Anderson Cancer Center partnerships in the country** and several other distinguished area hospitals and medical research facilities.

TOP ARTS & CULTURE DESTINATION

Jacksonville is consistently ranked a top city for arts and culture. Art lovers will appreciate the **Museum of Contemporary Art, Cummer Museum of Art & Gardens**, and more. The area is also home to several performing arts venues and the world-renowned **Jacksonville Symphony Orchestra**.

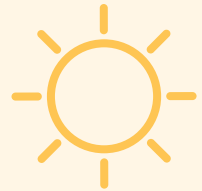
HEALTH & WELLNESS

Home to the largest urban park system in the country and extensive bodies of water, Jacksonville offers plentiful outdoor lifestyle activities whether surfing, hiking or biking. Couple that with farm-to-table restaurants sourcing local, family-run farms, luxurious spas and more than a dozen world-class running events, including the **Gate River Run** and **26.2 with DONNA Marathon**, the region is a haven for health and wellness.

THE JACKSONVILLE
AREA AVERAGES

**220 DAYS
OF SUNSHINE**

A YEAR



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ON THE REGION'S
QUALITY OF LIFE, VISIT
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JAXUSA Partnership is Jacksonville's regional economic development initiative supporting **Baker, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam** and **St. Johns** Counties. Let us know how we can help grow your company in Northeast Florida by contacting:

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