







First Coast Expressway Connecting I-10 to I-95



2 CSX Rail-lines



Clay County Port St. Johns River Frontage



2 Airports in Clay 12 Regional

1.2K

regional IT graduates annually.

12K

University of Florida IT graduates annually.

9

IT certifications available in high schools.

40

Countries connected via Jacksonville Network Access

OUR POINTS OF PRIDE:



A-Rated School District

JH & HS Career and Technical Education program offers 35 specialties with students earning approx. 2,000 nationally recognized industry certifications each year.



Highest population growth projections

in the region over next 15 years. Population growth projections are 4x that of



Labor costs are 15 to 30% lower

in Clay County vs. Jacksonville MSA



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Immediately south of Jacksonville along the western banks of the St. Johns River, Clay County has all the amenities of a major metro area. Clay is home to a variety of industries, technical businesses, and numerous business parks. North Florida's newest interstate, the First Coast Expressway (FCX), is currently under construction and will connect I-10 in Duval to I-95 in St. Johns. New business development is already under construction along the path of the FCX.



Why Clay County?

Information Technology (IT) is not just simply another industry sector; it is a critical part of every industry from manufacturing to healthcare. Clay County businesses employ thousands of these IT workers each and every day. Pragmatic Works is one of the leading companies in Clay County's ever-growing IT sector. The company is growing so rapidly that it has both internal and external training programs to enhance its talent pipeline.

The Clay County School District's Career and Technical Education Academies are preparing many students for the strong IT industry sector in Clay County with the knowledge necessary to move directly into the Clay County workforce after graduation. St. Johns River State College offers industry certifications and full degree programs. More than 1,200 students graduate from regional college and university IT programs each year. Nearby University of Florida graduates 12,000 IT students annually.

TOP 10 PRIVATE EMPLOYERS

Company	Employees
Parallon Business Solutions	1,700
Orange Park Medical Center	1,500
St. Vincent's Clay	1,200
WalMart	1,014
bestbet Orange Park	600
VyStar Credit Union	365
Vac-Con, Inc.	300
Life Care Center of OP	273
Kindred Hospitals, N. FL	245
Vallencourt Construction Co.	250

COUNTY

Economic Development (Tax Increment Grant)

Targets commercial projects that add to the tax base, project new employment in excess of 10 direct, full-time equivalent employees and makes at least a \$1M capital investment.

Manufacturing Equipment Capital Investment Grant

An incentive designed for relocating companies that invest at least \$1M in manufacturing equipment at the Clay County business location.

Regulatory Relief

The Clay County government focuses on remaining very pro-business and supportive through fast-track permitting and approvals for job creating economic development projects.

Large Employer Retention Grant

An incentive designed to retain large employers (over 100 employees) in Clay County.

Industrial Development Revenue Bonds

Tax exempt bonds to finance the expansion or relocation of industrial development.

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