

Trend: Business Formation Statistics is an experimental data product of the Census Bureau, with details on new business applications and formations based on wage-paying Employer Identification Number (EIN) applications. Industry details are unavailable at the county level. Leon County typically accounts for around 80% of business formation in the Tallahassee metro area. During 2005 to 2015, business formations in the Tallahassee metro area averaged 3,900 per year. Since 2015, the average has been around 6,000 per year. In 2021, business applications in the Tallahassee metro area totaled 9,054, up 28% from 7,046 in 2020, and more than double the 4,201 applications five years earlier in 2016.

Year	Business Formations	Change from Prior Year	Percent Change from Prior Year
2005	3,969		
2006	4,142	173	4.4%
2007	3,873	-269	-6.5%
2008	3,765	-108	-2.8%
2009	3,541	-224	-5.9%
2010	3,672	131	3.7%
2011	3,966	294	8.0%
2012	4,020	54	1.4%
2013	4,106	86	2.1%
2014	3,822	-284	-6.9%
2015	3,863	41	1.1%
2016	4,201	338	8.7%
2017	5,076	875	20.8%
2018	6,000	924	18.2%
2019	5,376	-624	-10.4%
2020	7,046	1,670	31.1%
2021	9,054	2,008	28.5%

Source: Census Bureau, Business Formation Statistics

