



## The Florida House of Representatives

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### **House and Senate Redistricting Chairs Announce Census Details for Florida**

**Tallahassee, Fla.** – Representative Will Weatherford (R-Wesley Chapel), Chair of the House Redistricting Committee, and Senator Don Gaetz (R-Niceville), Chair of the Senate Committee on Reapportionment, today announced receipt of detailed 2010 Census population counts for Florida. The tables attached to this release show 2010 population and deviation figures for each senatorial, state representative, and congressional district in the state. The attached maps show where overpopulated and underpopulated districts lie in relation to one another.

The detailed 2010 population counts for Florida are also accessible using the U.S. Census Bureau's American FactFinder web application (see, <http://factfinder2.census.gov/main.html>). The complete data set delivered to the Florida Legislature will be available online at [http://www2.census.gov/census\\_2010/01-Redistricting\\_File--PL\\_94-171/Florida/](http://www2.census.gov/census_2010/01-Redistricting_File--PL_94-171/Florida/).

By early summer, the Senate and House both will have web-based district building applications, with 2010 Census data, for Floridians and their legislators to participate in and follow the redistricting process.

“In Florida, citizens will get full and easy access to the same programs, data, and plans that legislators and professional staff themselves will use,” said Senator Gaetz. “My direction from President Mike Haridopolos is to engage in the most transparent, open, and interactive redistricting process in America.”

“Our goal in redistricting is to let the public start the conversation,” said Representative Weatherford “Paramount to achieving that goal is always sharing information like the 2010 Census results with the public, so that Floridians can benefit from the same tools and information available to the legislature.”

The Florida Legislature convenes January 10, 2012 to enact new senatorial, state representative, and congressional districts based on the 2010 Census. Throughout the process, there will be many opportunities for citizen participation.

More information about preparations for redistricting is available on the House and Senate websites:

- Senate: <http://www.flsenate.gov/Committees/RE/>
- House: <http://www.floridaredistricting.org/>

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