

# Marion County

Estimated 2007 County Population:  
**325,023**

## Solid Waste Department

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- Total 2007 MSW Managed by Marion County: **242,939 tons**
  - % of Total County Waste Generated\*: **70%**
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- 2007 Department Budget: **\$ 23,824,266**
- Residential Solid Waste Assessment Fee: **yes**



\* This percentage is based upon the 2006 total waste reported to DEP for the entire county compared to the amount of waste reported by Marion County for 2007. The DEP 2007 total waste numbers were not yet available at the time of this report.

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### Webpage:

[http://www.marioncountyfl.org/SolidWaste/SolidWaste\\_default.aspx](http://www.marioncountyfl.org/SolidWaste/SolidWaste_default.aspx)

### Principle method of waste collection:

Self-haul to collection centers

### Facilities operated:

Class I Landfill  
Class III Landfill  
Waste Tire Collection  
Yard Waste Processing  
Residential Waste Collection Centers (18)

### Future Facilities:

Transfer Station (available, but not in use)

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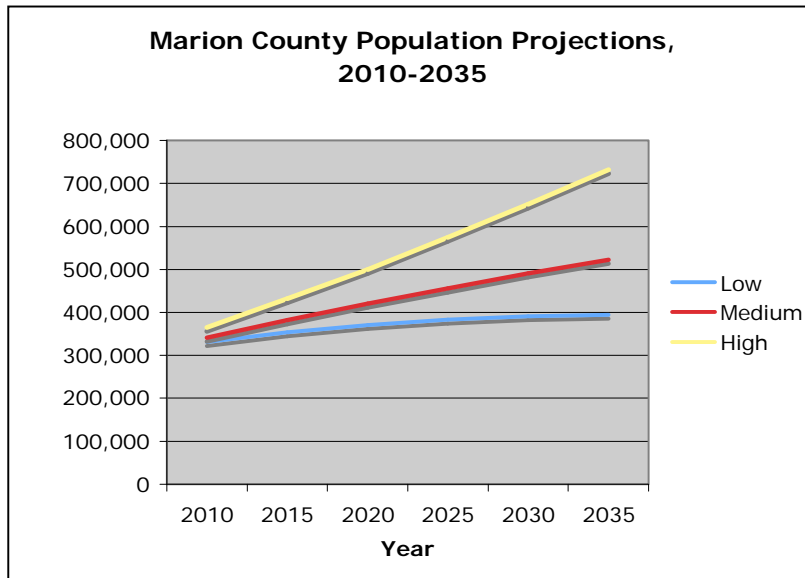
**Summary of County Waste Services (2007):**

Management of:	Tons managed in 2007	Type of management activities performed onsite**	Where does waste go after collection or processing?			
			Stays Onsite	Offsite: In county	Offsite: Out of county (w/in H of F area)	Offsite: Out of H of F area
Household MSW	201,691	Receive, landfill	x			
Recyclables*	2755	Receive, sort		x		
C&D	Insignificant					
Yard Waste	32,446	Receive, mulch	x			
Tires	908	Receive				x
Household Hazardous Waste	N/A	Receive, sort				x
E-Waste	17	Receive				x
Other	5122					
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>242,939</b>					

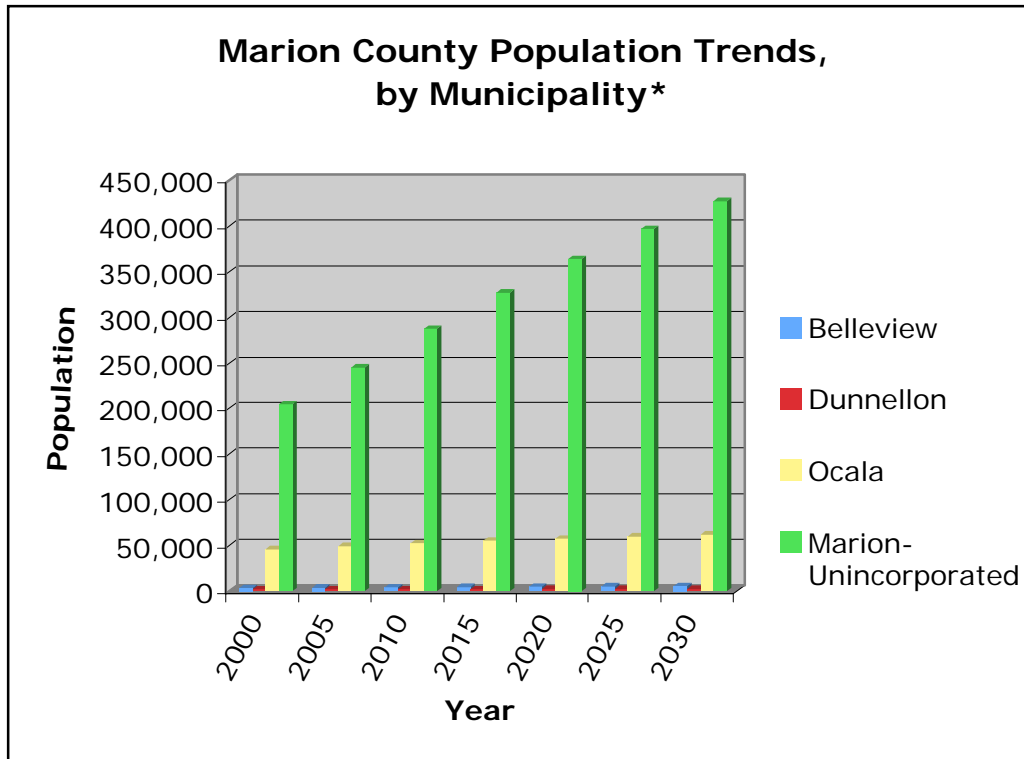
\*Newspaper, office paper, cardboard, cans, aluminum, plastics & glass

\*\*Onsite means management activities that are done on county property, either by the County, or by a company contracted with the County.

**Population Trends and Projections:**



**Source:** Based on *Projections of Florida Population by County, 2007-2035, Volume 41, Bulletin 150*, Bureau of Economic and Business Research. March 2008.



\*Includes municipalities over 1000 people

**Source:** Based on projections made by the University of Florida Shimberg Center for Affordable Housing using BEBR 2005 population estimates. Data are available at: [www.flhousingdata.himber.ufl.edu](http://www.flhousingdata.himber.ufl.edu).

#### **Uniquely Theirs:**

Despite being one of the more populous counties in the Heart of Florida area, only about 44% of Marion County's service area has curbside pickup via private hauler subscriptions. The remainder of the County's residents self-haul to one of 18 residential waste collection centers, or Recycling Centers, as the County calls them. These Recycling Centers are staffed five days a week, ten hours a day, and accept garbage, recyclables, yard waste, used motor oil, white goods, and sharps in approved containers. Only the baseline landfill accepts tires, however. Another interesting aspect about Marion County is the available but unused Transfer Station. Marion County closed its Class I landfill for a while and exported nearly 75% waste out of county, only to reopen its landfill in July 2008. The County anticipates reopening its Transfer Station in the future, as the landfill is expected to close within seven years.