BRUNSWICK COMMUNITY PROFILE

BRUNSWICK COUNTY

is located in the south-central Piedmont Region of Virginia, traditionally known for its tobacco-based agricultural and forest products economy. Three incorporated towns are all situated on either interstate or four-lane primary highways. The North Carolina state line forms the southern boundary of the county.

Government

Brunswick County has a five-member Board of Supervisors managed by a County Administrator; Lawrenceville is the county seat . The county has a comprehensive plan and a subdivision ordinance. Each of the three incorporated towns –Lawrenceville, Alberta, and Brodnax– has a town council government headed by a mayor.

Taxes

Localities in Virginia collect a 1% sales tax and do not tax other items taxed at the State level. Counties and cities in Virginia are separate taxing entities.

Therefore, a company pays taxes either to a county or to a city. If a company is located in a town, it pays town and county taxes except for utility taxes which are paid only to the town and the license tax which is paid only to the town unless town law permits the additional collection of a county tax.

Manufacturers pay real estate, machinery and tools, truck and automobile utility, and sales taxes. Nonmanufacturers pay real estate, tangible personal property, truck and automobile, utility, and sales taxes. They also may pay either a merchants' capital or a license tax.

\$27,208 \$43,769 per capita median family

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Redland Brick, Inc. (Bricks)
Hyponex Corporation (Fertilizer)
Virginia Carolina Forest, Inc. (Lumber)
Vulcan Materials (Crushed stone)
Southside Virginia Community College (Higher Education)

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES

INCOME

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Farmville Workforce Center
Lake County Advanced Knowledge Center
Reemploy Virginia
in Farmville

South Hill Workforce Center
Virginia Workforce Centers

in Victoria, Charlotte Courthouse, Farmville, and South Boston

Workforce Information Centers in Alberta and Crewe

Workforce Information Sites in Alberta and Cumberland



HIGHER EDUCATION

Southside Virginia Community College (Christanna Campus)

Southside Virginia Community College (Southside Virginia Education Center Campus)

UNEMPLOYMENT

697 unemployed Brunswick County
12,379 including Extended Labor Market

4.6% Brunswick County

10 % Extended Labor Market

2.9 % Statewide

LABOR MARKET



 $6,605 \ \, \text{Civilian Labor Market} \\ + \ \, \text{Extended Labor Market Area} \, \, 115,513$



Community Facilities

Hospitals in South Hill and Emporia provide medical service to residents and the Brunswick County Health Department offers a number of services.

Four major medical centers, including the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center in Richmond and Duke Medical Center in Durham, are within 90 miles. Emergency air transport is available. Two medical clinics are located in the county; four physicians and four dentists practice in the community. Long-term nursing care is also available.

Over 100 Protestant churches and one Catholic Church are located in Brunswick County. A Jewish synagogue is located about 20 miles south of the county line. The Meherrin Regional Library operates two branches that serve the County.

In addition to Lawrenceville's downtown shopping district and centers on Route 58, larger shopping areas in South Hill, Emporia, Colonial Heights, and Roanoke Rapids are easily accessible.

Lifestyle

Community centers in Alberta and Lawrenceville offer facilities for dances, exhibits, and meetings. Local cultural activities often center on regular events and programs at Southside Virginia Community College. Metropolitan areas in South Hampton Roads, Richmond, and North Carolina are easily accessible for a wide range of entertainment and cultural offerings. Organized athletics include Little League baseball, football, and soccer; adult softball leagues; and fishing competitions. A public golf course is available, and the Brunswick Country Club offers golf, swimming, and other amenities for members. Several private clubs and associations in the county have swimming and

CATION

Brunswick County is **64** miles southwest of **Richmond, the state capital**; about **75** miles northeast of **Raleigh, NC**; and **Norfolk** is **90** miles to the east. It is also located within **100** miles of **Virginia Ports.**

TRANSPORTATION

Interstates & Highways I-85, I-95, I-295, I-195, I-64 Highways 1, 136, 137, 46, 58

Freight Rail Services
CSX Transportation Norfolk
Southern Railway Company

Airports

Lawrenceville-Brunswick County Airport, Lawrenceville Richmond International Raleigh-Durham International

Seaports
Port of Richmond

Port of Virginia (Multiple Terminals) Port of Wilmington, NC

Other Ports Richmond-Petersburg, Port of Washington -Dulles

tennis facilities.

20,300-acre Lake Gaston forms most of the county's southern boundary and provides water-related recreation opportunities like boating, swimming, and top caliber bass fishing. Great Creek Watershed Lake, a 212-acre reservoir located just outside of Lawrenceville, offers fishing and boating. The Nottoway River and 150-acre Brunswick County Lake provide additional settings for water activities. Lake Gaston Resort offers lodging, camping, and a full service marina. Tennis, pool, basketball, horseshoes and special events throughout the year are also available.

Hunting enthusiasts will find deer, turkey, rabbit, quail, and dove in abundant quantities and a vast amount of privately held timberland open to public hunting by permit.

Virginia Beach and Nags Head, NC, and the mountains to the west, are only a short drive from Brunswick County for vacations.

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