



# CUMBERLAND COMMUNITY PROFILE

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# CUMBERLAND COUNTY

is located in the Central Piedmont area of Virginia, near the geographic center of the state.

The county's location makes it easily accessible to the state metropolitan areas of the east and west and the interstate systems that connect these areas to the markets throughout the East Coast and Midwest.

## Government

Cumberland County has a County Administrator and a five-member Board of Supervisors. The county has a comprehensive plan, and zoning and subdivision ordinances.

Cumberland is the county seat.

## 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.



## LOCATION

Cumberland County is located 48 miles west of Richmond, the state capital. Roanoke is 103 miles west; and Washington, D.C. is 145 miles northeast. It is also located within 100 miles of Virginia Ports.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Interstates & Highways

I-85, I-81, I-95  
Highways 15, 360, 40, 47, 59, 92

### Freight Rail Services

Norfolk Southern Railway

### Airports

Farmville Regional  
Lynchburg Regional  
Richmond International  
Charlottesville-Albemarle Airport

### Seaports

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

### Other Ports

Richmond-Petersburg,  
Port of Washington -  
Dulles

## Community Facilities

Cumberland County residents utilize the Southside Community Hospital in nearby Farmville as well as medical facilities in Lynchburg, Charlottesville, and Richmond. Both the University of Virginia Medical Center in Charlottesville and the Virginia Commonwealth University Medical Center in Richmond are world-renown state teaching and research hospitals that offer the latest in technology, services, and facilities. Many other hospitals offering quality medical care are located in these metropolitan areas.

The county operates a public health center at Cumberland Court House and there are also two medical centers in the county. The Cumberland County Public Library is located at Cumberland Court House, and the libraries at Longwood University, Hampden-Sydney College, and Southside Virginia Community College are open to the public. More than 30 churches offer religious services in the county.

An assortment of retail services is available throughout the county, and Farmville also offers a variety of retail and service-oriented businesses. Additional shopping malls and centers are clustered in the nearby Charlottesville, Lynchburg, and Richmond metropolitan areas.

## Lifestyle

A variety of recreational and cultural activities is available to Cumberland County residents and to over 80,000 visitors annually. Throughout the area there are numerous opportunities for hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking, hunting, fishing, and swimming. During the hunting season, deer, turkey, and other small game are plentiful in the 16,000-acre

Cumberland State Forest and elsewhere in the county. The State Forest also offers a sporting clay range, four stocked lakes, and a 14-mile hiking trail that winds along the scenic Willis River. Bear Creek Lake State Park has a 55-acre lake stocked with largemouth bass and bream and has facilities for swimming and boating. This recreational facility also has nature trails, campsites, a bathhouse, picnic facilities, and 13 cabins. Fish are also plentiful in the 10-acre Winston Lake and the James, Appomattox and Willis Rivers.

Recreational opportunities are also available in Farmville and Prince Edward County. These opportunities include lectures, sports, and cultural events at Longwood and Hampden-Sydney Colleges.

A 9-hole golf course and swimming facilities are available at the Farmville Municipal Golf Course, which is located in Cumberland County. The county's close proximity to Charlottesville, Lynchburg, and Richmond also enables residents to enjoy the numerous cultural, educational, and entertainment activities that can be found in these metropolitan areas.

## MAJOR EMPLOYERS

- Asal Lumber Company  
*(Lumber)*
- Gemini, Inc.  
*(Sign Manufacturing)*
- CF Marion Trucking, Inc.  
*(Trucking)*
- Covance Research Products  
*( Animal research)*

## HIGHER EDUCATION

- Longwood University
- Hampden-Sydney College
- Southside Virginia Community College

## UNEMPLOYMENT

- 263 unemployed Cumberland County
- 7,063 including Extended Labor Market
- 5.7% Cumberland County
- 5.2% Extended Labor Market
- 5.0% Statewide

## INCOME

**\$30,459** per capita  
**\$53,326** median family

## WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT FACILITIES

- 3 VEC Workforce Centers  
*in Farmville, South Boston and South Hill*
- 1 Reemployment Center  
*in Farmville*
- 5 Informational Centers  
*in Victoria, Alberta, Crewe, Amelia and Cumberland*
- 1 Comprehensive Center  
*in Charlotte Courthouse*
- 2 Satellite Centers  
*in Farmville and South Boston*

## LABOR MARKET

4,738 Civilian Labor Market  
+ Extended Labor Market Area **109,092**