



Community Profile County of Warren, Virginia

2019

Location

Warren County is located in the Northern Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. It is bordered by Frederick and Clarke Counties to the north, Fauquier and Rappahannock Counties to the east, Page County to the south, and Shenandoah County to the west. Warren County has a total land area of 217.86 square miles. The rural part of the County contains 207.36 square miles, and the Town of Front Royal covers 10.5 square miles.

Vision

Our community's vision is to maintain and enhance the quality of life for the residents of Warren County. To do so, the quality and character of Warren County's natural resources should be preserved, conserved, and used effectively to ensure that future citizens will enjoy the benefits of these resources:

- An adequate, sustainable, clean, and potable supply of both surface water and ground water;
- Clean air;
- Farming and open spaces;
- The beauty of our rivers, mountains, and scenic views;
- Protection of our rural character;
- Quality educational facilities and system;
- A balanced tax base; and
- Sound fiscal management.

This mandates that we plan for sustainable growth based on these limited resources. This can be translated to say our annual residential growth rate should be maintained at approximately 2% to no more than 3% annually and our industrial/commercial tax should achieve a level of 30% to 35% of the total assessed value. By doing so, we can provide for quality schools, safety on our roads and in our communities, a balanced tax base, equitable paying jobs, reduced out-of-county commuting, quality recreational facilities, and other social amenities associated with our quality of life expectations.

<https://www.warrencountyva.net/>

<https://warrens.org/>

County Government

The current County government consists of a five member Board of Supervisors, representing the Shenandoah, North River, South River, Fork, and Happy Creek districts, a County Administrator, various other County departments, a Sheriff's Office, and the Department of Fire and Rescue Services. The County of Warren has 250 full time employees and 101 part time employees as of January 31, 2019. Warren County offers a variety of jobs in numerous industries including agriculture, manufacturing, government, and transportation. The Economic Development Authority provides technical and financial assistance to existing, expanding, and emerging companies to encourage investment in Warren County. Since 1996, Warren County industrial parks have generated more than \$1.8 million in real estate and property taxes annually, more than \$550 million in investments, and created more than 2,600 new jobs.

Demographics

Population as of July 1, 2018:	39,630
Median Age: (2017)	40.6
Total Households: (2017)	14,190
Persons Per Household (2013-2017)	2.69
Total Housing Units: (2017)	16,358
Median Household Income: (2017)	\$65,353

Local Revenue - FY 2018-2019

Estimated Revenue	
From Local Sources	\$66,153,165
From Non-Revenue/Fund Balance	\$1,994,413
From the Commonwealth	\$6,430,634
From the Federal Government	\$1,673,205
Total Revenue:	\$76,251,417

Approved Tax Rates - FY 2018-2019

Real Estate/Mobile Homes	\$0.66
Tangible Personal Property (TPP)	\$4.00
TPP - Business	\$4.00
TPP - Volunteer Fire & Rescue Squad	\$2.00
TPP - Aircraft	\$0.75
Machinery and Tools/Contract Carrier	\$2.05

In Warren County You Will Find:

- Superior Quality of Life
- Small Town Environment
- Variety of Parks and Recreation Facilities
- New and Planned Trails along the River
- Quality Education
- Spectacular Scenic Views
- Low Cost of Living
- Ideal Location



Employment

Top 10 Employers in Warren County	
Employer	Range of Employment
Warren County School System	791 FT/145 PT Total: 936
Valley Health System (WMH)	Total 470
Family Dollar Services	338 FT/30 PT Total: 368
Warren County Government	239 FT/99 PT Total: 338
Axalta Coating Systems	Total: 318
Interbake Food, LLC	228 FT/75 PT Total: 303
Walmart	178 FT/92 PT Total: 270
Sysco Northeast Regional Dist. Center	259 FT/2 PT Total: 261
Ferguson Enterprises, Inc.	233 FT/19 PT Total: 252
Jackson Furniture Co. of VA.	Total: 190

Samuels Public Library

The Library is located at 330 E. Criser Road, Front Royal and online at www.samuelslibrary.net.

Educational Activities

Warren County holds a strong belief in the value of education and offers enrollment to children from kindergarten through 12th grade. Each facility provides various programs and dedicated teachers to meet the needs of each individual student. All Warren County schools are Professional Learning Communities that maintain individual School Improvement Plans in joint collaboration with the Warren County Strategic Plan and strive to create a shared vision of excellence for students, parents, and all staff. All schools offer networked computer labs with internet access. Warren County schools provide a strong, basic education for those planning to attend college as well as an excellent vocational program. All schools are fully accredited by the Commonwealth of Virginia Board of Education. Their website is www.wcps.k12.va.us.

Sept. 30, 2018 Enrollment in Grades K - 12: 5,171 students

Elementary Schools

- Five Elementary Schools: A.S. Rhodes, Hilda J. Barbour, E. Wilson Morrison, Leslie Fox Keyser, and Ressie Jeffries
- Basic Instructional Program
- Curriculum based on Virginia Standards of Learning
- Average Student/Teacher Ratio of 13.44 : 1

Middle Schools

- Skyline and Warren County Middle Schools
- Grades 6 - 8
- Team Organization where core subjects are taught by 3 - 5 teachers
- Average Student/Teacher Ratio of 13.44 : 1

High Schools

- Skyline and Warren County High Schools
- Grades 9 - 12
- 4X4 Semester Block Schedule
- Average Student/Teacher Ratio of 12.44 : 1
- 2017-2018 Total Graduation Rate: 94.5%
- Mountain Vista Governor's School

Private Schools

The following private schools are located in Warren County or within a reasonable distance of County residents:

- Randolph-Macon Academy
- Chelsea Academy
- Divinum Auxilium Academy
- Guardian Angel Academy
- Royal Christian Academy
- Front Royal Christian School
- Wakefield Country Day School
- Mountain Laurel Montessori School
- Seton Home Study School

Colleges

Warren County is the home to Christendom College, located at 134 Christendom Drive, Front Royal, which offers four year and two year degrees (www.christendom.edu). Lord Fairfax Community College and LFCC Workforce Solutions is located 2.3 miles away in Middletown, VA (www.lfcc.edu and www.lfccworkforce.com).

Budgetary Expenditures - FY 2018-2019

Budgetary Expenditures	Budgeted	% of Total
Public Schools	\$59,066,819	52.54%
Capital Outlay	\$16,034,227	14.26%
Public Safety	\$12,099,471	10.76%
Health/Welfare	\$6,618,761	5.89%
Public Works	\$4,896,778	4.36%
Parks, Recreation & Cultural	\$3,531,781	3.14%
General Government Admin.	\$3,217,917	2.86%
Community Development	\$2,572,350	2.29%
Sanitary Districts	\$1,776,694	1.58%
Judicial Administration	\$1,453,444	1.29%
Non-Departmental	\$1,152,473	1.03%

Parks and Recreation

Recreation sites, facilities, and open spaces are important components of Warren County's quality of life. Warren County has an excellent Parks and Recreation system. In 2006, the County adopted a Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Facilities Plan that provides a framework for implementing new programs and facilities. New community parks, playgrounds, and walking and biking trails are being established in the County. A variety of recreation programs are offered for residents, existing parks are being improved, and new parks are planned. To find out more information about our recreation programs, please visit www.warrencountyva.net/parks-and-rec.

To see if any programs are available for online registration, please visit www.parksandrecreation.warrencountyva.net.