

Lehigh Valley

PERCENT DEVELOPED

Lehigh County 44.7%	Lehigh Valley 44.2%	Northampton County 43.8%
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TOTAL POPULATION

Lehigh Valley = 654,883		
Lehigh County = 355,092	Northampton County = 299,791	

NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS

Lehigh Valley = 247,548		
Lehigh County = 133,983	Northampton County = 113,565	

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Lehigh County = \$54,923		
Northampton County = \$60,097		

PERSONS BELOW POVERTY LEVEL

Lehigh County 13.7%	Lehigh Valley 11.9%	Northampton County 9.7%
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EMPLOYMENT

Lehigh Valley = 348,118		
Lehigh Co. = 218,507	Northampton Co. = 129,611	

Land Use 2012 (in acres)

Residential	127,262.1	(27.4%)
Commercial	10,323.7	(2.2%)
Industrial	14,368.0	(3.1%)
Wholesale & Warehousing	2,648.6	(0.6%)
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	38,347.1	(8.3%)
Public & Quasi-Public	12,447.4	(2.7%)
Parks & Recreation	41,191.2	(8.9%)
Agriculture & Undeveloped	217,823.2	(46.9%)
Total Acres	464,411.3	(100.0%)

Area: 725.64 sq. mi.

Population Density 2010: 892 persons/sq. mi.

Assessed Value of Taxable Real Estate 2014:

Lehigh County	\$28,497,691,600
Northampton County	\$ 8,118,471,700

Population

1960 census	428,948
1970 census	469,849
1980 census	497,767
1990 census	538,235
2000 census	579,156
2010 census	647,232
2013 estimate	654,883
2020 forecast	715,226
2030 forecast	792,928
2040 forecast	873,954

Housing Characteristics 2010

Total households	247,548
Persons per household	2.54
Total housing units	262,976
Occupied housing units	247,548
Owner occupied	173,565
Renter occupied	73,983
Vacant housing units	15,428

New Housing Unit Permits Issued

2006 - 2,978	2010 - 1,027
2007 - 2,060	2011 - 805
2008 - 1,304	2012 - 731
2009 - 966	2013 - 948

Gender Data 2010

Male	314,698
Female	332,534

Age Data 2010

Under 18 years	147,857
65 years and over	98,210

Selected Race & Hispanic Origin Characteristics 2010

White	533,181	(82.4%)
Black or African American	36,426	(5.6%)
American Indian, Alaska Native	1,888	(0.3%)
Asian	17,450	(2.7%)
All Others	58,287	(9.0%)

Hispanic or Latino (origin any race) 96,794 (15.0%)

Income & Poverty Status 2009-2013

Per capita income	\$28,539
Persons below poverty level	74,892 (11.9%)

Educational Attainment 2009-2013 (persons 25 years & over)

No high school degree	54,752	(12.4%)
High school graduate only	152,349	(34.4%)
Some college/associate degree	114,511	(25.8%)
Bachelor's or graduate degree	121,502	(27.4%)
High school degree or higher	87.6%	

Place of Work 2009-2013 (workers 16 years & over)

Worked in county of residence	185,976	(62.3%)
Worked outside county	112,507	(37.7%)

Occupation 2009-2013 (employed persons 16 years & over)

Management, business, science, arts	107,131	(35.1%)
Service occupations	50,966	(16.7%)
Sales & office	77,735	(25.5%)
Natural resources, construction, maintenance	23,672	(7.8%)
Production, transportation, material moving	45,746	(15.0%)
Total employed	305,250	(100.0%)