The Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro Metropolitan Statistical Area, home to over 122,000 people, is located in the heart of the Shenandoah Valley. Staunton and Waynesboro are independent cities within Augusta County. Staunton, founded in 1747, is the County seat. Waynesboro, established in 1801, is an important industrial center. Augusta County is Virginia’s second largest agricultural producing county and has one incorporated town, Craigsville. The area is recognized for its arts and cultural offerings, historic downtowns, farm-to-table dining, outdoor recreation, and the scenic Blue Ridge Parkway and Skyline Drive.

Recreation:

Attractions:
Frontier Culture Museum of Virginia, Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library and Museum, American Shakespeare Center, Heifetz Music Institute, Shenandoah Valley Art Center, R.R. Smith Center for History and Art, Beverley Street Studio School, ShenanArts, Waynesboro Players, Oak Grove Theater, Wayne Theatre, and the Stonewall Brigade Band.

Staunton - Augusta County - Waynesboro
### Jobs

#### Median Household Income, 2017
- Staunton: $46,435
- Augusta County: $59,544
- Waynesboro: $42,112

#### Top 3 Employment Sectors
- Health Care/Social Assistance
- Manufacturing
- Retail Trade

#### Number of Business Establishments: All Industries, 2017
- Staunton: 746
- Augusta County: 876
- Waynesboro: 1,820

#### Higher Education
- Mary Baldwin University, including Murphy Deming College of Health Sciences
- Blue Ridge Community College

#### Labor Force, 2017
- Number Employed: 58,973
- Civilian Labor Force: 56,886

#### Unemployment Rate, 2017
- 3.5%

### People

#### Age of Population, 2017
- 0-19: 25,438 (21%)
- 20-39: 34,101 (28%)
- 40-59: 27,062 (23%)
- 60-79: 28,060 (23%)
- 80+: 5,622 (5%)

#### Population Growth, 2008-2018
- Staunton: +25,438 (23%)
- Augusta County: +28,060 (23%)
- Waynesboro: +32,729 (28%)

#### Highest Level Education Attainment, 2017

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### Region

#### Median Home Value, 2017
- Staunton: $162,500
- Augusta County: $206,300
- Waynesboro: $161,600

#### Total Housing Units, 2017
- 53,891

#### Number of Households, 2017
- 48,395

#### Transportation
- Road: Interstates 81 and 64
- Rail: CSX, Norfolk Southern, Shenandoah Valley Railroad, and Amtrak
- Air: Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport and Eagle's Nest Airport
- Port: Virginia Inland Port (85 miles north)

#### Augusta Health
provides healthcare services

- 800 miles of River
- 45 miles of Interstate
- 1,665 Farms

#### Local Government
- www.ci.staunton.va.us
- www.co.augusta.va.us
- www.waynesboro.va.us

### Public Schools, 2017-2018
- K-12 Student Enrollment: 15,890
- Total Graduates & Completers: 1,144
- Percent Continuing Education: 74.3%

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