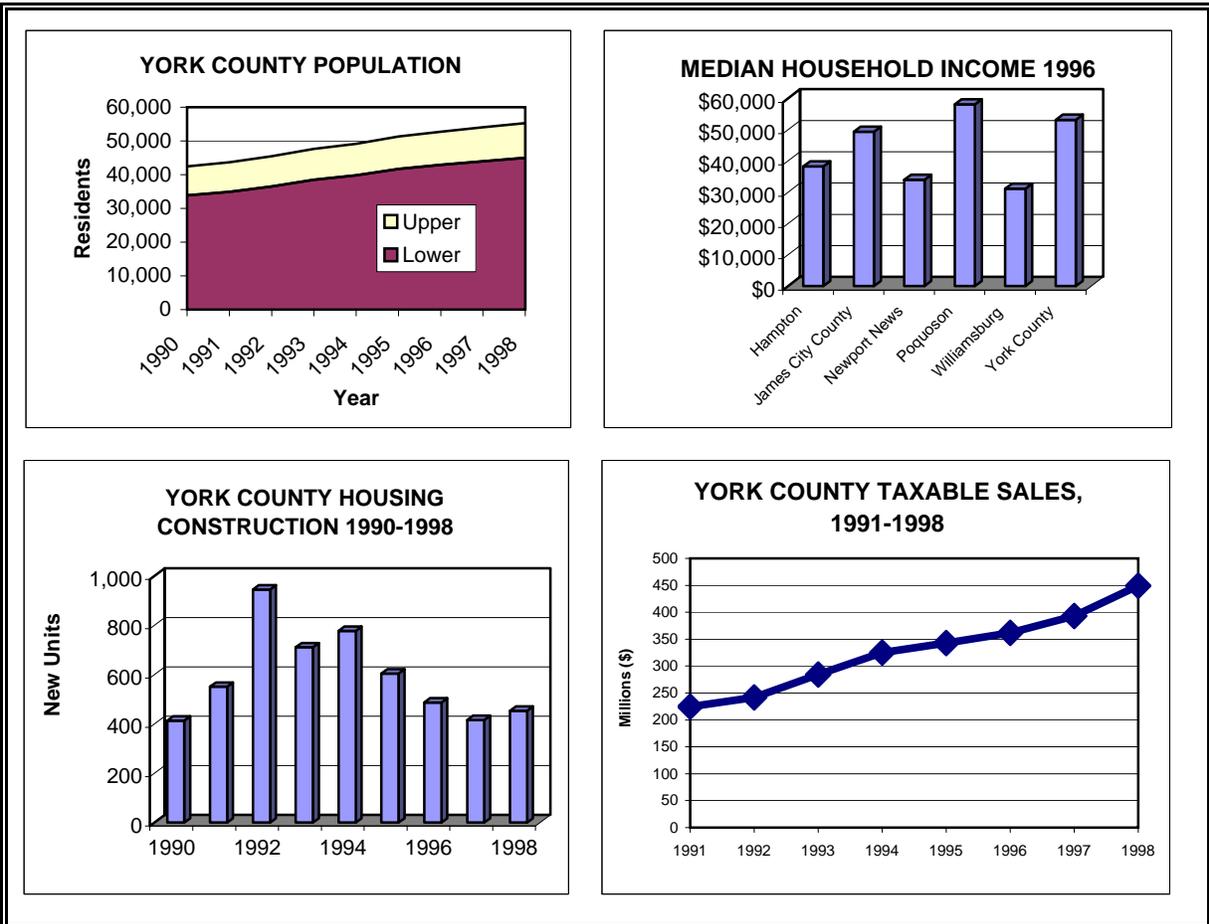


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# YORK COUNTY AT A GLANCE

Population, 1999 (estimated)	56,650
Population by Race and Sex, 1990 census	42,434
White	81.3%
Black	15.6%
Asian	2.2%
Amer. Indian	0.3%
Other	0.6%
Male	49.4%
Female	50.6%
Median Age, 1990 (years)	32.8
Land Area (square miles)	105.5
Population Density (persons per square mile)	537
Households, 1999 (estimated)	19,850
Average Household Size, 1998 (persons per household, estimated)	2.83
Housing Units, 1998	20,419
Single-Family Detached	14,313
Single-Family Attached	2,978
Multi-Family	2,514
Mobile Homes	502
Other	112
At-Place Employment	14,909
School Enrollment	11,642
Elementary	5,136
Middle	2,872
High	3,591
York River Regional	43
Median Household Income, 1996	\$53,146
Per Capita Income, 1996 (includes City of Poquoson)	\$24,048
Civilian Labor Force, 1998	27,698
Employed Residents	27,091
Average Unemployment Rate	2.2%
Educational Attainment, 1990 (among persons age 25 or older)	100.0%
Graduate or Professional Degree	12.2%
Bachelor's Degree	16.7%
Associate Degree/Some College	31.3%
High School Diploma	28.1%
Less than Grade 12	11.7%
Military Personnel, 1990	2,797
Annual Taxable Sales, 1998	\$448,900,000

# INTRODUCTION

Covering approximately 106 square miles (67,520 acres), York County is located in the Virginia Coastal Plain on the peninsula formed by the James and York Rivers and the Chesapeake Bay. The County is surrounded by James City County, the Cities of Williamsburg, Newport News, Hampton, and Poquoson, and the York River. This area is known as the peninsula and is part of the Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News Metropolitan Statistical Area (Norfolk MSA).

Federal landholdings constitute a large proportion (approximately 36%) of the land in the County. These include the Colonial National Historical Park (the Yorktown Battlefield and the Colonial Parkway), the Yorktown Naval Weapons Station, Cheatham Annex, Camp Peary, the U.S. Coast Guard Reserve Training Center, Langley Air Force Base's Bethel Manor housing complex, and the Big Bethel Reservoir, which is also partly in the City of Hampton.

The Census Bureau divides York County into ten Census Tracts for the purposes of data collection and reporting. A map showing the census tract boundaries appears in the centerfold of this booklet. That part of the County lying north of Old Williamsburg Road (Route 238) includes the three northernmost tracts (506, 507, and 508) and is generally referred to as the upper County. The upper County, exclusive of the Naval Weapons Station, also is often referred to as the "Bruton District" or Bruton. This area contains much of the County's rural character, military presence, and tourist-oriented development. Census Tract 508 is largely comprised of the sparsely developed Skimino, Lightfoot, and Waller Mill areas, while Tract 507, where public utilities are more widely available, includes more densely developed neighborhoods. Census Tract 506 consists almost entirely of Federal property, including Camp Peary, Cheatham Annex, and the Yorktown Naval Weapons Station. In terms of employment, shopping, and certain public services, the upper County tends to be more closely associated with the Williamsburg area than with the rest of York County, from which it is separated by the vast expanse of Federal property.

The lower County contains several areas and communities that have no defined legal boundaries but whose general location is commonly known to the citizens. The best known of these is historic Yorktown, which is the County seat and is located in Census Tract 505, as is the Lackey community, located along Old Williamsburg Road across from the Naval Weapons Station. Grafton, which is generally bounded by Goodwin Neck Road, Chisman Creek, Oriana Road, and the Poquoson River, includes Census Tract 503.02 and a portion of Tract 503.01. That portion of the County located south of the Poquoson River and Harwoods Mill Reservoir is considered Tabb, which includes Tracts 502.01, 502.02, and the portion of Tract 503.01 south of Oriana Road. This area contains Langley Air Force Base's 1300-unit Bethel Manor housing complex (in Census Tract 502.01) which houses over 5,000 residents. Other communities in the lower County include Seaford (Tract 504.02), Dandy (in Tract 504.01), and Dare (in Tract 503.02).

# POPULATION

York County is home to approximately 57,000 people and ranks 17th in population among Virginia's 95 counties. In land area, however, York is the third smallest county in the state, making it the sixth most densely populated county. With a 34% increase in population since 1990, York County is the fastest-growing locality in the Norfolk-Virginia Beach-Newport News MSA and one of the fastest-growing in Virginia.

Although resident births in York County were on the rise almost continually throughout the 1980s and '90s, the vast majority of the County's population growth - approximately 90% - is due to net migration, which is the difference between the number of people moving *into* a community and the number moving *out*.

York County's population is heavily concentrated in the lower County, where the population increased by over one-third between 1990 and 1999. Almost 90% of the County's growth during the 1990s has been in the lower County.

**Table 1: York County Population, 1900-1990**

Year	Residents
1900	7,482
1910	7,757
1920	8,046
1930	7,615
1940	8,857
1950	11,750
1960	17,305
1970	27,762
1980	35,463
1990	42,434

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 2: York County Population by Census Tract, 1990-1999**

Census Tract	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	Change, 1990-1999	
											Number	Percent
502.01	7,949	8,220	8,930	9,660	10,010	10,360	10,560	10,680	11,050	11,440	3,491	43.9%
502.02	5,781	6,230	6,480	6,710	7,020	7,570	7,810	8,090	8,350	8,630	2,849	49.3%
503.01	3,296	3,290	3,770	4,590	5,080	5,700	6,330	6,770	6,880	6,980	3,684	111.8%
503.02	8,708	8,890	9,070	9,200	9,260	9,490	9,570	9,720	9,830	10,040	1,332	15.3%
504.01	2,989	3,080	3,100	3,160	3,210	3,230	3,260	3,290	3,340	3,370	381	12.7%
504.02	2,976	2,970	2,960	2,960	3,050	3,110	3,170	3,200	3,270	3,370	394	13.2%
505	2,130	2,230	2,200	2,200	2,190	2,210	2,220	2,230	2,240	2,260	130	6.1%
Lower	33,829	34,910	36,510	38,480	39,820	41,670	42,920	43,980	44,960	46,090	12,261	36.2%
506	1,234	1,230	1,230	1,230	1,230	1,230	1,230	1,230	1,230	1,230	-4	-0.3%
507	4,711	4,760	4,850	5,010	5,170	5,430	5,610	5,800	5,920	6,090	1,379	29.3%
508	2,648	2,810	2,880	2,890	2,930	3,000	3,020	3,050	3,140	3,240	592	22.4%
Upper	8,593	8,800	8,960	9,130	9,330	9,660	9,860	10,080	10,290	10,560	1,967	22.9%
Total	42,422	43,710	45,470	47,610	49,150	51,330	52,780	54,060	55,250	56,650	14,228	33.5%

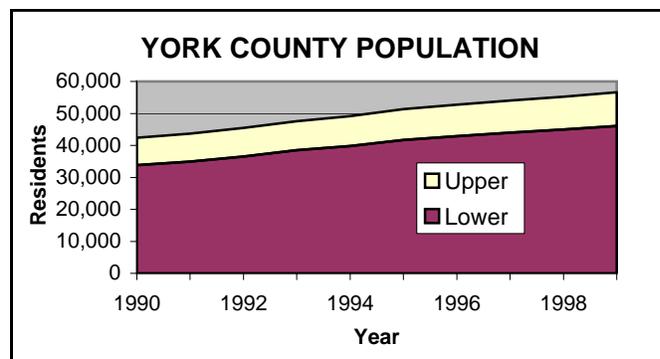
Sources:

United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census (1980 data); York County Planning Division (1991-1999 estimates)

**Table 3: Projected York County Population, 2000-2015**

	2000	2005	2010	2015
Upper County	10,800	12,200	13,800	15,700
Lower County	47,600	55,400	60,700	61,800
Total County	58,400	67,600	74,500	77,500

Source: Forecast 2015, adopted by the York County Board of Supervisors January 16, 1996



# POPULATION (continued)

**Table 4: Population, 1980-98, Selected Jurisdictions**

Jurisdiction	1980	1990	1998	Change, 1980-1998	
				Number	Percent
Hampton	122,617	133,811	136,500	13,883	11.3%
James City County	22,339	34,970	44,600	22,261	99.7%
Newport News	144,903	171,439	177,700	32,797	22.6%
Poquoson	8,726	11,005	11,200	2,474	28.4%
Williamsburg	10,294	11,409	11,800	1,506	14.6%
<b>York County</b>	<b>35,463</b>	<b>42,434</b>	<b>55,300</b>	<b>19,837</b>	<b>55.9%</b>
Peninsula Total	344,342	405,068	437,100	92,758	26.9%
Norfolk MSA	1,160,311	1,430,974	1,509,000	348,689	30.1%
State of Virginia	5,346,812	6,189,197	6,791,300	1,444,488	27.0%

Sources:

U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census (1980 and 1990 data); (University of Virginia, Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service (1998 data for all localities except York); York County Planning Division (1998 data for York County)

**Table 5: Components of York County Population Growth, 1990-1997**

Year	Population	Births	Deaths	Net Natural Increase		Net Migration	
				Number	Percent	Number	Percent
1990	42,434	439	235	NA	NA	NA	NA
1991	43,710	431	235	196	15.4%	1,080	84.6%
1992	45,470	514	237	277	15.7%	1,483	84.3%
1993	47,610	579	240	339	15.8%	1,801	84.2%
1994	49,150	571	271	300	19.5%	1,240	80.5%
1995	51,330	549	241	308	14.1%	1,872	85.9%
1996	52,780	529	254	275	19.0%	1,175	81.0%
1997	54,060	487	288	199	15.5%	1,081	84.5%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>4,099</b>	<b>2,001</b>	<b>2,098</b>	<b>18.0%</b>	<b>9,528</b>	<b>82.0%</b>

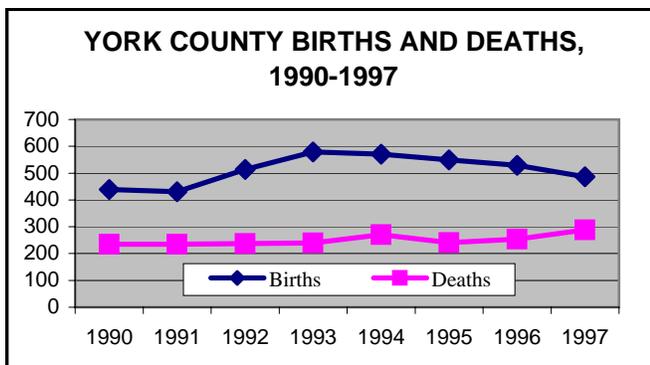
Sources:

United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census; York County Planning Division; Virginia Department of Vital Records

**Table 6: York County Population Density by Census Tract, 1999**

Census Tract	Land Area (Sq. Miles)	Persons per Square Mile
502.01	2.7	4,237
502.02	6.4	1,348
503.01	12.0	582
503.02	7.3	1,375
504.01	6.6	511
504.02	5.5	613
505	10.5	215
Lower County	51.0	904
506	32.3	38
507	7.9	771
508	14.3	227
Upper County	54.5	194
<b>Total County</b>	<b>105.5</b>	<b>537</b>

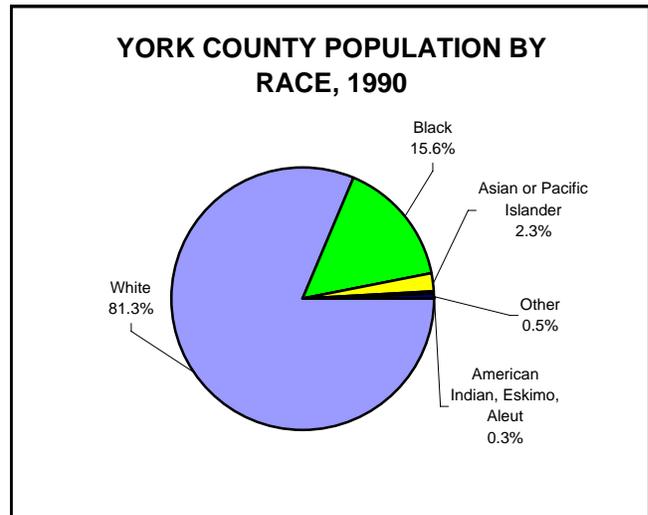
Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census



# AGE, SEX, and RACE

The 1990 median age in York County was 32.8 years, 4 years older than it was in 1980 and 9 years older than in 1970. The population is getting older, on average, as it is all over the country, because of the aging of the post-war baby boom generation - the mass of Americans born between 1946 and 1964.

The racial composition of the County's population has been fairly stable, with whites representing 81% of the population in both 1980 and 1990. Although the number of black residents increased between 1980 and 1990, the black proportion of the non-white population fell from 90% to 83% while the Asian population more than tripled, climbing from 4% to 12% of the minority population.



**Table 7: Population by Race, 1990, Selected Jurisdictions**

Jurisdiction	White		Black		Asian or Pacific Islander		American Indian, Eskimo, Aleut		Other	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Hampton	78,149	58.8%	51,981	39.1%	2,339	1.8%	392	0.3%	932	0.7%
James City County	27,804	79.9%	6,460	18.6%	452	1.3%	69	0.2%	74	0.2%
Newport News	106,418	63.3%	57,077	34.0%	3,969	2.4%	579	0.3%	2,002	1.2%
Poquoson	10,728	97.6%	84	0.8%	161	1.5%	24	0.2%	8	0.1%
Williamsburg	9,368	81.6%	1,754	15.3%	335	2.9%	25	0.2%	48	0.4%
<b>York County</b>	<b>34,487</b>	<b>81.7%</b>	<b>6,613</b>	<b>15.7%</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>2.3%</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>0.5%</b>
Peninsula Total	266,954	66.7%	123,969	31.0%	8,244	2.1%	1,201	0.3%	3,286	0.8%

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 8: York County Population by Age and Sex, 1990**

Age Group	Males	Females	Total	Percent
Less than 5	1,449	1,496	2,945	6.9%
5 to 9	1,781	1,835	3,616	8.5%
10 to 14	1,878	1,864	3,742	8.8%
15 to 19	1,694	1,564	3,258	7.7%
20 to 24	1,227	1,166	2,393	5.6%
25 to 34	3,353	3,427	6,780	16.0%
35 to 44	3,749	4,006	7,755	18.3%
45 to 54	2,837	2,665	5,502	13.0%
55 to 59	843	878	1,721	4.1%
60 to 64	807	776	1,583	3.7%
65 to 69	672	681	1,353	3.2%
70 to 74	303	464	767	1.8%
75 to 79	229	306	535	1.3%
80 and over	123	349	472	1.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>20,945</b>	<b>21,477</b>	<b>42,422</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 9: York County Population by Race, 1980-1990**

Race	Population		Change	
	1980	1990	Number	Percent
White	28,636	34,487	5,851	20.4%
Black	6,118	6,613	495	8.1%
Asian	290	954	664	229.0%
Amer. Indian	48	107	59	122.9%
Other	371	261	-110	-29.6%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35,463</b>	<b>42,422</b>	<b>6,959</b>	<b>19.6%</b>

Source: United State Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

# AGE, SEX, and RACE (continued)

**Table 10: York County Race and Median Age by Census Tract, 1990**

Census Tract	White	Black	Other	Median Age
502.01	5,807	1,628	514	24.9
502.02	4,876	668	237	34.2
503.01	2,916	310	70	36.4
503.02	8,185	330	193	37.1
504.01	2,695	224	70	39.8
504.02	2,878	81	17	40.5
505	716	1,397	17	29.5
Lower County	28,073	4,638	1,118	NA
506	965	205	64	21.9
507	3,239	1,388	84	39.5
508	2,210	382	56	34.9
Upper County	6,414	1,975	204	NA
<b>Total County</b>	<b>34,487</b>	<b>6,613</b>	<b>1,322</b>	<b>NA</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 12: York County Median Age, 1970-1990**

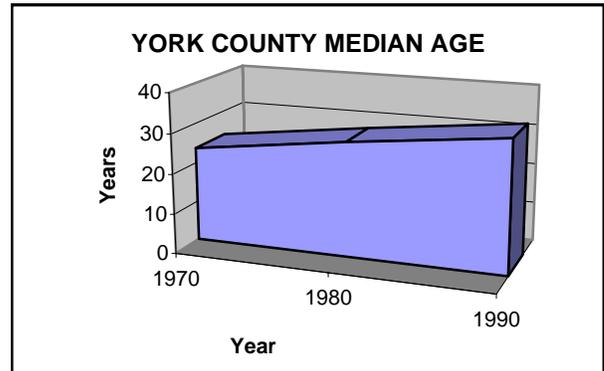
Year	Median Age
1970	23.8
1980	28.6
1990	32.8

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 11: 1990 Median Age, Selected Jurisdictions**

Jurisdiction	Median Age
Hampton	30.8
James City County	34.3
Newport News	29.5
Poquoson	35.2
Williamsburg	22.9
<b>York County</b>	<b>32.8</b>
Norfolk MSA	28.4
Virginia	32.6

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census



# HOUSEHOLDS AND FAMILIES

The number of households (i.e., occupied housing units) rose by approximately 33% between 1990 and 1998. The vast majority of the County's estimated 20,000 households are married-couple families, despite an increase in other types of living arrangements such as single-parent families, unrelated people living together, and people living alone. Families as a percentage of all households fell from 85% in 1980 to 82% in 1990, and married-couple families fell from 75% to 70% of all households.

This prevalence of married-couple families in York County is reflected in its relatively large average household size, which, at 2.90 persons per household, was the highest in the Norfolk MSA in 1990. This is partly attributable to the County's large proportion of on-base military households living in housing, particularly in Bethel Manor, built for military personnel with large families. The average household living on a military base in the County has 4.14 persons; for off-base households, the average size is 2.76, which is still well above the statewide and MSA averages of 2.61 and 2.69 persons per household respectively. Since 1990, the average household size is estimated to have fallen to 2.83 persons per household as the proportion of off-base households has grown.

**Table 15: York County Households by Type, 1990**

Household Type	Number	Percent
<b>Families</b>		
Married Couple	10,185	70.4%
With Children	5,567	38.5%
Without Children	4,618	31.9%
Single-Parent	1,070	7.4%
Male-headed	217	1.5%
Female-headed	853	5.9%
Other Family	596	4.1%
Male-headed	173	1.2%
Female-headed	423	2.9%
Subtotal	11,851	81.9%
<b>Non-Family Households</b>		
Living Alone	2,182	15.1%
Male	1,053	7.3%
Female	1,129	7.8%
Other Non-Family	441	3.0%
Male	289	2.0%
Female	152	1.1%
Subtotal	2,623	18.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14,474</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 13: Average Household and Family Size, 1990, Selected Jurisdictions**

Jurisdiction	Households	Families
Hampton	2.58	3.07
James City County	2.60	3.18
Newport News	2.59	3.08
Poquoson	2.90	3.18
Williamsburg	2.11	2.70
<b>York County</b>	<b>2.90</b>	<b>3.24</b>
Norfolk MSA	2.69	3.15
Virginia	2.61	3.09

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 14: York County Households: Number and Average Size, 1970-1999**

Year	Households	Average Size
1970	7,287	3.58
1980	10,895	3.15
1990	14,449	2.90
1999	19,850	2.83

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, and York County Planning Division (1998 estimates)

**Table 16: York County Average Household Size by Census Tract, 1980-90**

Census Tract	1980	1990	Change	
			Number	Percent
502.01	3.45	3.48	0.03	0.9%
502.02	3.24	2.93	-0.31	-9.6%
503.01	2.97	2.62	-0.35	-11.8%
503.02	3.12	2.82	-0.30	-9.6%
504.01	2.94	2.79	-0.15	-5.1%
504.02	3.02	2.63	-0.39	-12.9%
505	2.83	2.54	-0.29	-10.2%
506	3.92	3.85	-0.07	-1.8%
507	3.09	2.74	-0.35	-11.3%
508	3.08	2.79	-0.29	-9.4%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3.15</b>	<b>2.90</b>	<b>-0.25</b>	<b>-7.9%</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

# LABOR FORCE AND UNEMPLOYMENT

York County's labor force grew by about 88% between 1980 and 1998, mostly as a result of continued population growth but also partly because of the increasing role of women in the work force. The labor force participation rate for women increased from 56% in 1980 to 62% in 1990. At the same time, the male labor force participation rate fell from 84% to 82%. As a result, women increased their share of the labor force from 38% in 1980 to 44% in 1990.

In general, York County's labor force is well-educated. York leads the Peninsula with 88% of its adult population holding *at least* a high school diploma. The high levels of education among County residents are reflected in the types of jobs they hold. Over a third of the County's employed residents in 1990 held professional, executive, administrative, or managerial occupations.

York County's unemployment rate has fallen almost every year since the 1991-92 recession. The County's rate consistently trails the MSA, statewide, and national rates of unemployment.

**Table 17: York County Civilian Labor Force and Employment, 1987-1998**

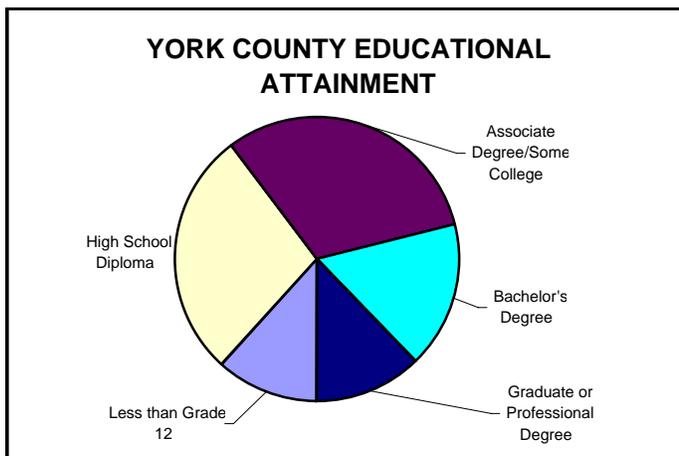
Year	Labor Force	Employment	Unemp. Rate
1987	18,360	17,812	3.0%
1988	18,642	18,108	2.9%
1989	19,353	18,785	2.9%
1990	19,663	19,023	3.3%
1991	20,318	19,441	4.3%
1992	21,325	20,295	4.8%
1993	22,405	21,553	3.8%
1994	23,084	22,160	4.0%
1995	25,430	24,664	3.0%
1996	25,963	25,156	3.1%
1997	26,582	25,829	2.8%
1998	27,698	27,091	2.2%

Source: Virginia Employment Commission

**Table 18: 1990 Educational Attainment, Peninsula Jurisdictions (Highest level achieved)**

Jurisdiction	Less than Grade 12		High School Diploma		Associate Degree/Some College		Bachelor's Degree		Graduate or Professional Degree	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Hampton	16,793	20.3%	24,166	29.2%	25,946	31.4%	10,538	12.7%	5,227	6.3%
James City County	4,069	17.5%	5,568	24.0%	5,954	25.6%	4,401	19.0%	3,231	13.9%
Newport News	21,244	20.7%	31,598	30.7%	31,037	30.2%	13,029	12.7%	5,940	5.8%
Poquoson	1,103	19.7%	1,824	32.5%	605	10.8%	1,286	22.9%	789	14.1%
Williamsburg	814	16.3%	872	17.4%	1,172	23.4%	1,136	22.7%	1,011	20.2%
<b>York County</b>	<b>3,109</b>	<b>11.7%</b>	<b>7,429</b>	<b>28.1%</b>	<b>8,286</b>	<b>31.3%</b>	<b>4,415</b>	<b>16.7%</b>	<b>3,229</b>	<b>12.2%</b>
Peninsula Total	47,132	19.2%	71,457	29.1%	73,000	29.7%	34,805	14.2%	19,427	7.9%

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census



**Table 19: Comparative Unemployment Rates**

Year	York County	Norfolk MSA	VA	USA
1987	3.0%	4.8%	4.2%	6.2%
1988	2.9%	4.6%	3.9%	5.5%
1989	2.9%	4.7%	3.9%	5.3%
1990	3.3%	4.8%	4.3%	5.5%
1991	4.3%	6.0%	5.8%	6.7%
1992	4.8%	6.9%	6.3%	7.4%
1993	3.8%	5.4%	5.0%	6.8%
1994	4.0%	5.6%	4.9%	6.1%
1995	3.0%	4.9%	4.5%	5.6%
1996	3.1%	4.8%	4.4%	5.6%
1997	2.8%	4.8%	4.0%	4.9%
1998	2.2%	3.7%	3.1%	4.6%

Source: Virginia Employment Commission

# LABOR FORCE AND UNEMPLOYMENT (cont.)

**Table 21: York County Employed Residents by Occupation, 1990**

Occupation	Employed Residents	
	Number	Percent
Professional Specialty	3,895	
Executive, Administrative, and Managerial	2,874	
Administrative Support, including Clerical	2,710	
Precision production, craft, and repair	2,266	
Services, except protective and household	2,119	
Sales	2,075	
Technicians and related support occupations	937	
Machine operators, assemblers, and inspectors	582	
Handlers, equipment cleaners, helpers, & laborers	470	
Transportation and material moving occupations	469	
Protective services	292	
Farming, forestry, and fishing	231	
Private household occupations	29	

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 23: York County Employed Residents by Industry, 1990**

Occupation	Employed Residents	
	Number	Percent
Retail trade	2,995	15.8%
Manufacturing	2,902	15.3%
Public Administration	2,374	12.5%
Educational services	1,840	9.7%
Other professional and related services	1,623	8.6%
Health services	1,593	8.4%
Construction	1,202	6.3%
Finance, insurance, and real estate	910	4.8%
Personal services	811	4.3%
Business and repair services	683	3.6%
Transportation	528	2.8%
Entertainment and recreation services	472	2.5%
Wholesale trade	407	2.1%
Communications and other public utilities	360	1.9%
Agriculture, forestry, and fisheries	235	1.2%
Mining	14	0.1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,949</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 22: York County Place of Work, 1990**

Jurisdiction	Number	Percent
Hampton	5,472	25.5%
James City County	263	1.2%
Newport News	5,429	25.3%
Poquoson	168	0.8%
Williamsburg	2,079	9.7%
<b>York County</b>	<b>6,460</b>	<b>30.2%</b>
<b>Peninsula Total</b>	<b>19,871</b>	<b>92.8%</b>
Chesapeake	39	0.2%
Gloucester County	196	0.9%
Norfolk	394	1.8%
Portsmouth	85	0.4%
Suffolk	0	0.0%
Virginia Beach	170	0.8%
<b>Norfolk MSA</b>	<b>20,755</b>	<b>96.9%</b>
Town of Smithfield	22	0.1%
Surry County	43	0.2%
Richmond	106	0.5%
Other Richmond MSA	41	0.2%
Elsewhere	453	2.1%
<b>Outside MSA</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>3.1%</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>21,420</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 24: York County Military and Civilian Labor Force, 1970-1990**

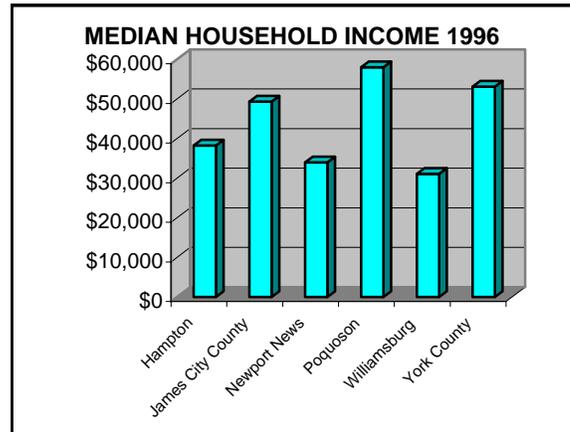
Year	Military		Civilian	
	Num	Pct	Num	Pct
1970	4,992	36.8%	8,589	63.2%
1980	2,500	14.4%	14,822	85.6%
1990	2,797	12.4%	19,816	87.6%

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

# INCOME

York County is one of the most affluent localities in Hampton Roads, with a 1996 median household income of \$53,146. On average, incomes in the County have increased by almost a third since 1989. When adjusted for inflation, this translates into a *real* increase of 4.1%, which may seem insignificant but actually compares favorably with neighboring localities, most of which experienced real *declines* in median household income between 1989 and 1996.

York County's relative affluence is reflected in the Census Bureau's poverty statistics, which show the County as having the second-lowest rate of poverty in the Norfolk MSA.



**Table 25: Median Household Income, Selected Jurisdictions, 1989-1996 (Dollars)**

Jurisdiction	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Change, 1989-96	
									Dollars	Percent
Hampton	30,144	30,665	31,971	33,312	34,670	36,180	37,205	38,263	8,119	26.9%
James City County	39,785	39,729	42,030	44,424	46,875	46,496	47,896	49,338	9,553	24.0%
Newport News	27,469	28,160	29,023	29,854	30,652	32,429	33,207	33,985	6,516	23.7%
Poquoson	43,236	47,373	49,146	50,847	52,477	53,998	56,009	58,068	14,832	34.3%
Williamsburg	25,393	28,776	29,871	30,891	31,851	29,320	30,203	31,113	5,720	22.5%
<b>York County</b>	<b>40,363</b>	<b>42,018</b>	<b>44,528</b>	<b>47,163</b>	<b>49,924</b>	<b>49,422</b>	<b>51,262</b>	<b>53,146</b>	<b>12,783</b>	<b>31.7%</b>
Virginia	33,328	33,061	34,459	35,839	37,202	38,936	40,203	41,470	8,142	24.4%

Sources:

1989: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

1990-96: University of Virginia, Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, 1994-1996 Income Projections, Families & Households, Virginia Localities and Revised Income Projections, Families and Households, Virginia Localities: 1990 to 1993.

**Table 26: Median Household Income, Adjusted for Inflation, Selected Jurisdictions, 1989-1996 (1982-84 Dollars)**

Jurisdiction	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	Change, 1989-96	
									\$	Pct
Hampton	24,310	23,462	23,474	23,743	23,993	24,413	24,413	24,387	77	0.3%
James City County	32,085	30,397	30,859	31,664	32,439	31,374	31,428	31,446	-639	-2.0%
Newport News	22,152	21,546	21,309	21,279	21,212	21,882	21,789	21,660	-492	-2.2%
Poquoson	34,868	36,246	36,084	36,242	36,316	36,436	36,751	37,010	2,142	6.1%
Williamsburg	20,478	22,017	21,932	22,018	22,042	19,784	19,818	19,830	-648	-3.2%
<b>York County</b>	<b>32,551</b>	<b>32,148</b>	<b>32,693</b>	<b>33,616</b>	<b>34,549</b>	<b>33,348</b>	<b>33,636</b>	<b>33,873</b>	<b>1,322</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
Virginia	26,877	25,295	25,300	25,545	25,745	26,273	26,380	26,431	-447	-1.7%

Note:

Calculation of real income is based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Sources:

1989: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

1990-96: University of Virginia, Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service, 1994-1996 Income Projections, Families & Households, Virginia Localities and Revised Income Projections, Families and Households, Virginia Localities: 1990 to 1993.

# INCOME (continued)

**Table 27: York County Median Household Income by Census Tract, 1989**

Census Tract	Median Household Income	Percent of County Median
502.01	\$30,485	75.5%
502.02	\$46,139	114.3%
503.01	\$41,310	102.3%
503.02	\$47,086	116.7%
504.01	\$45,764	113.4%
504.02	\$42,778	106.0%
505	\$17,589	43.6%
506	\$38,359	95.0%
507	\$42,303	104.8%
508	\$39,386	97.6%
<b>Total County</b>	<b>\$40,363</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 28: Poverty Rates, Selected Jurisdictions, 1989**

Jurisdiction	Below Poverty Level	
	Persons	Families
Hampton	8.8%	10.8%
James City County	6.7%	4.2%
Newport News	14.0%	12.2%
Poquoson	2.8%	2.3%
Williamsburg	19.4%	5.9%
<b>York County</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
Norfolk MSA	11.5%	9.0%
Virginia	10.2%	7.7%

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 29: Per Capita Income, Selected Jurisdictions, 1989-1996**

Jurisdiction	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Hampton	15,151	15,681	16,322	16,931	17,261	17,695	18,503	19,016
James City County and Williamsburg	19,183	20,452	21,217	22,311	23,420	24,228	25,755	26,818
Newport News	15,491	15,845	16,401	17,113	17,651	17,905	18,712	19,394
York County and Poquoson	19,296	20,229	20,649	21,349	21,764	22,286	23,150	24,048
Norfolk MSA	16,479	17,206	17,759	18,340	19,017	19,616	20,507	21,311

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis

**Table 30: Per Capita Income, Adjusted for Inflation, Selected Jurisdictions, 1989-1996 (1982-84 dollars)**

Jurisdiction	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996
Hampton	12,219	11,998	11,984	12,068	11,945	11,940	12,141	12,120
James City County and Williamsburg	15,470	15,648	15,578	15,902	16,208	16,348	16,900	17,092
Newport News	12,493	12,123	12,042	12,197	12,215	12,082	12,278	12,361
York County and Poquoson	15,561	15,477	15,161	15,217	15,062	15,038	15,190	15,327
Norfolk MSA	13,290	13,164	13,039	13,072	13,161	13,236	13,456	13,583

Note:

Calculation of real income is based on the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) as published by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis

# HOUSING

The rapid pace of housing construction in York County began in the mid-1980s and has continued through the '90s. Since 1990, the housing stock has increased by over a third, adding almost 5,400 units and growing, on average, by 3.3% per year. As a result, the County's housing stock is relatively young and of good quality. This is reflected in the relatively high residential property values. In 1990, York County led all counties and cities in the Norfolk MSA with a median house value of \$121,600.

As the housing stock has grown it has also grown more diverse. Although single-family detached homes continue to dominate the landscape, over one-third of the housing units built since 1990 have been townhouses, duplexes, condominiums, and rental apartments.

**Table 31: York County Housing by Type, 1999**

Housing Type	Off-Base Units	On-Base Units	Total Units
Single-Family Detached	14,128	185	14,313
Single-Family Attached	2,158	820	2,978
Multi-Family	2,038	476	2,514
Mobile Homes	484	18	502
Other	104	8	112
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18,912</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>20,419</b>

Sources:

United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census (on-base units) and York County Planning Division (off-base units)

**Table 32: York County Housing, 1990-1999**

	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Housing Units (1)	15,284	15,685	16,221	17,155	17,841	18,607	19,188	19,660	19,996	20,419
New Housing Units:										
SF Detached	286	391	623	464	454	369	328	297	290	NA
SF Attached (2)	60	104	232	209	237	196	148	119	163	NA
Multi-Family (3)	68	56	90	38	87	40	11	0	0	NA
Total	414	551	945	711	778	605	487	416	453	NA
Demolitions	13	15	11	25	12	24	15	34	30	NA

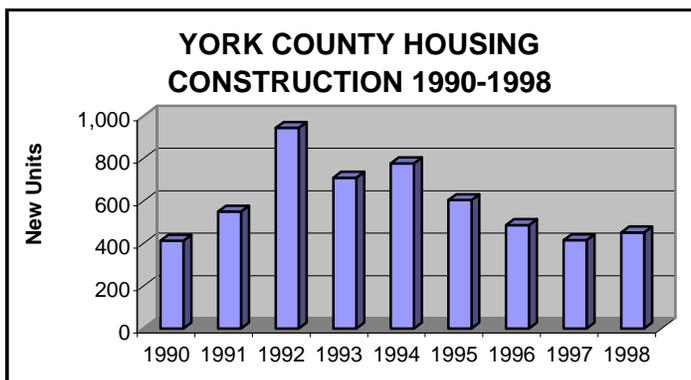
(1) As of January 1; 1990 figure as of April 1

(2) Includes townhouses and duplexes

(3) Includes rental and condominium apartments

SF = Single-Family

Sources: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census; York County Division of Building Regulation



**Table 33: York County Residential Building Permits, 1989-1998**

Year	Residential Permits Issued	
	Number	Value
1985	723	\$34,502,488
1986	976	\$50,219,012
1987	635	\$47,527,085
1988	696	\$43,786,551
1989	551	\$38,436,632
1990	443	\$33,944,621
1991	770	\$50,350,685
1992	958	\$54,683,634
1993	774	\$57,319,510
1994	741	\$49,223,747
1995	555	\$46,694,778
1996	453	\$40,555,330
1997	452	\$48,283,645
1998	543	\$51,807,677

Source: York County Division of Building Regulation

# HOUSING (continued)

**Table 34: York County Housing Construction by Census Tract, 1990-1999**

Housing Units	502.01	502.02	503.01	503.02	504.01	504.02	505	506	507	508	Total
<b>As of 4/1/1990</b>	2,359	2,138	1,341	3,200	1,094	1,166	867	262	1,805	1,052	15,284
<b>New Construction</b>											
1990	56	136	20	65	25	3	37	0	22	50	414
1991	171	109	65	99	23	5	4	0	46	29	551
1992	336	95	299	98	24	4	1	0	52	36	945
1993	163	124	253	28	25	25	6	0	80	7	711
1994	145	176	239	86	16	33	5	0	70	8	778
1995	83	136	221	51	10	20	3	0	70	11	605
1996	40	94	203	37	13	15	4	0	72	9	487
1997	92	94	74	46	12	17	1	0	55	25	416
1998	142	92	33	51	13	32	6	0	46	38	453
<b>As of 1/1/1999</b>	<b>3,587</b>	<b>3,194</b>	<b>2,748</b>	<b>3,761</b>	<b>1,255</b>	<b>1,320</b>	<b>934</b>	<b>262</b>	<b>2,318</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>20,644</b>

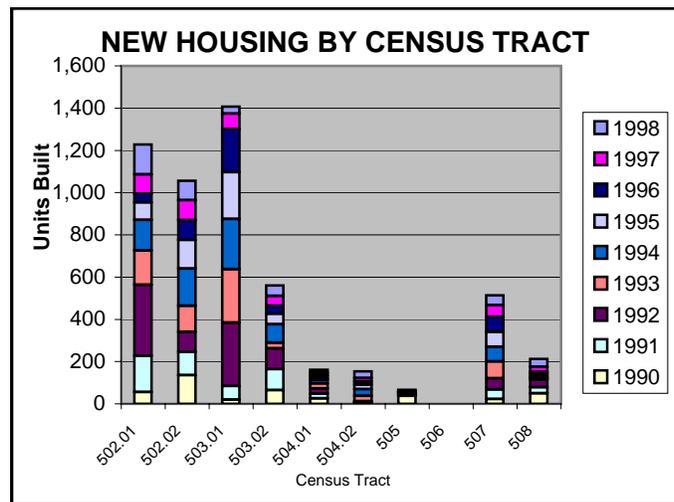
Sources:

United States Department of Commerce (1990 housing unit data); York County Planning Division (1990-98 construction data)

**Table 35: York County Median House Value by Census Tract, 1990**

Census Tract	Median House Value	Percent of County Median
502.01	\$132,700	109.1%
502.02	\$129,400	106.4%
503.01	\$108,000	88.8%
503.02	\$133,400	109.7%
504.01	\$142,900	117.5%
504.02	\$119,200	98.0%
505	\$67,300	55.3%
507	\$95,300	78.4%
508	\$101,800	83.7%
<b>Total County</b>	<b>\$121,600</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census



**Table 36: Average House Value, Selected Jurisdictions, 1990**

Jurisdiction	Median	Mean
Hampton	\$77,600	\$86,000
James City County	\$119,500	\$145,500
Newport News	\$84,400	\$93,500
Poquoson	\$113,700	\$125,700
Williamsburg	\$121,000	\$155,100
<b>York County</b>	<b>\$121,600</b>	<b>\$134,700</b>
Norfolk MSA	\$85,700	\$103,000
Virginia	\$91,000	

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

**Table 37: Peninsula Home Ownership Rates, 1990**

Jurisdiction	Occupied Housing Units		
	Owner	Renter	Total
Hampton	29,396	19,246	48,642
James City County	9,507	3,461	12,968
Newport News	31,904	29,876	61,780
Poquoson	3,117	652	3,769
Williamsburg	1,262	2,206	3,468
<b>York County</b>	<b>10,338</b>	<b>2,669</b>	<b>13,007</b>

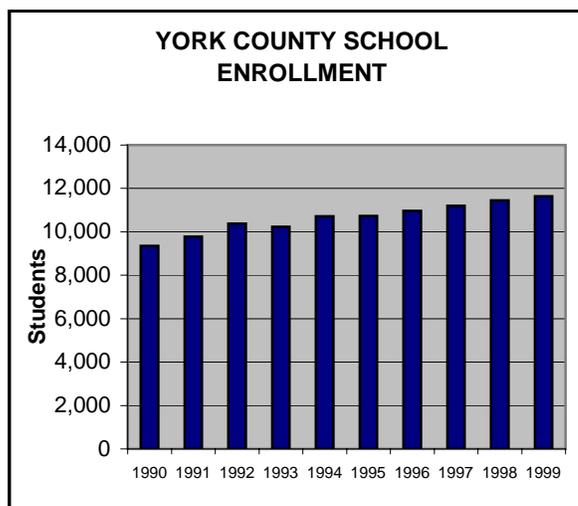
Note: Does not include military base housing.

Source: United States Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census

# SCHOOLS

The York County school system consists of ten elementary schools, four middle schools, and four high schools. Enrollment has increased steadily throughout the 1990s, growing by almost a quarter between the 1990-91 and 1999-00 school years. The lower County, where most of the new housing construction and net migration have been, is responsible for 96% of the net increase in students; upper County enrollment, in contrast, has been relatively flat. On the Peninsula, only the Williamsburg-James City County school system experienced a larger percentage increase in enrollment, although the net increase in students was smaller.

By almost every measure of academic achievement - such as promotion rates, graduation rates, and standardized test scores - York County's school students rank among the best in the region. As a result, York County leads all Peninsula localities in the percentage of high school graduates planning to continue their education in either a two- or four-year college.



**Table 38: York County Fall School Enrollment by School (September), 1990-1999**

School	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
<b>LOWER COUNTY</b>										
Bethel Manor Elem.	481	453	619	505	505	508	488	566	593	614
Coventry Elementary	554	579	749	700	602	600	569	663	671	698
Dare Elementary	555	585	482	406	441	495	513	397	411	398
Grafton-Bethel ES	378	548	449	48	530	515	545	666	669	670
Mount Vernon ES	534	537	617	470	586	511	534	519	555	544
Seaford Elementary	498	468	524	465	416	405	410	438	454	457
Tabb Elementary	609	642	641	680	601	680	695	647	623	614
Yorktown Elementary	567	612	583	460	466	447	439	402	413	383
Grafton Middle							991	998	1,004	1,000
Tabb Middle	739	719	734	1,129	1,141	1,187	761	797	772	822
Yorktown Middle	548	515	605	983	940	984	561	557	582	593
Grafton High							838	1,125	1,190	1,218
Tabb High	1,301	1,401	1,536	1,506	1,514	1,421	984	872	958	1,028
York High	885	935	1,065	1,104	1,167	1,157	798	724	729	797
Lower County Total	7,649	7,994	8,604	8,456	8,909	8,910	9,126	9,371	9,624	9,836
<b>UPPER COUNTY</b>										
Magruder ES	564	606	535	547	541	548	537	561	583	547
Waller Mill ES	349	370	283	274	266	271	259	220	213	211
Queens Lake MS	293	281	424	416	426	441	441	473	447	457
Bruton HS	505	531	530	546	575	559	568	546	548	548
Upper County Total	1,711	1,788	1,772	1,783	1,808	1,819	1,805	1,800	1,791	1,763
York River Regional (1)							40	34	39	43
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>9,360</b>	<b>9,782</b>	<b>10,376</b>	<b>10,239</b>	<b>10,717</b>	<b>10,729</b>	<b>10,971</b>	<b>11,205</b>	<b>11,454</b>	<b>11,642</b>

Note: Grafton High and Middle Schools opened in September 1996

(1) Alternative school founded in 1996 to provide an alternative to long-term suspension of students.

Source: York County School Division

# SCHOOLS (continued)

**Table 39: York County Fall School Enrollment Totals**

	1990	1999	Change, 1990-99	
			Number	Percent
<b>LOWER COUNTY</b>				
Elementary (Grades K-5)	3,646	4,378	732	20.1%
Middle (Grades 6-8)	1,817	2,415	598	32.9%
High (Grades 9-12)	2,186	3,043	857	39.2%
Total	7,649	9,836	2,187	28.6%
<b>UPPER COUNTY</b>				
Elementary (Grades K-5)	781	758	-23	-2.9%
Middle (Grades 6-8)	425	457	32	7.5%
High (Grades 9-12)	505	548	43	8.5%
Total	1,711	1,763	52	3.0%
<b>TOTAL COUNTY</b>				
Elementary	4,427	5,136	709	16.0%
Middle	2,242	2,872	630	28.1%
High	2,691	3,591	900	33.4%
York River Regional	NA	43	NA	NA
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>9,360</b>	<b>11,642</b>	<b>2,282</b>	<b>24.4%</b>

Note: September figures

Source: York County School Division

**Table 41: Fall School Membership, Peninsula Localities, 1989-1998**

Jurisdiction	1989-1990	1998-1999	Change, 1989-1998	
			Number	Percent
Hampton	20,732	23,541	2,809	13.5%
Newport News	27,670	33,335	5,665	20.5%
Poquoson	2,390	2,436	46	1.9%
Williamsburg-JCC	5,797	8,025	2,228	38.4%
<b>York County</b>	<b>9,183</b>	<b>11,454</b>	<b>2,271</b>	<b>24.7%</b>

Note: Williamsburg and James City County have a combined school system.

Source: Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Education

**Table 42: Continuing Education Plans of High School Seniors, Selected Jurisdictions, 1997-98**

	College		Other Plans	No Plans	Total
	2-Year	4-Year			
Hampton	19.7%	52.9%	10.1%	17.3%	100%
Newport News	13.1%	60.9%	3.7%	22.2%	100%
Poquoson	17.4%	60.2%	3.0%	19.4%	100%
Williamsburg-JCC	23.6%	53.3%	10.2%	12.9%	100%
<b>York County</b>	<b>19.7%</b>	<b>62.4%</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>12.2%</b>	<b>100%</b>
Virginia	24.3%	47.6%	8.3%	19.8%	100%

Note: Williamsburg and James City County have a combined school system.

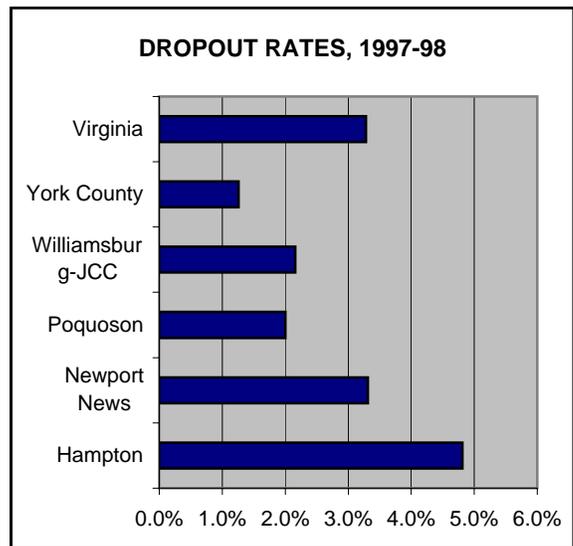
Source: Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Education

**Table 40: Promotion and Dropout Rates, Selected Jurisdictions, 1997-98**

Jurisdiction	% Promoted	% Drop-outs
Hampton	93.1%	4.8%
Newport News	94.4%	3.3%
Poquoson	97.6%	2.0%
Williamsburg-JCC	91.6%	2.2%
<b>York County</b>	<b>95.0%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>
Virginia	94.0%	3.3%

Note: Williamsburg and James City County have a combined school system.

Source: Commonwealth of Virginia, Department of Education



# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

York County has attracted approximately \$140 million worth of non-residential development between 1990 and 1998. Although this includes certain public and semi-public facilities, such as the York-Poquoson Courthouse and the Grafton High/Middle School complex, most of this construction has been commercial and industrial. Almost 2.5 million square feet of commercial and industrial space have been approved in the County during the 1990s, 81% of it commercial and 19% of it industrial. This economic development, aided by a strong national economy in the latter half of the decade, has helped to increase the County's commercial tax revenues during the 1990s by 160%, from \$10.4 million in 1990 to \$27.1 million in 1998.

**Table 43: York County Commercial Building Permits Issued**

Year	Commercial/Industrial New Construction		Commercial/Industrial Additions/Alterations	
	Number	Value	Number	Value
1990	30	\$4,528,686	79	\$2,591,924
1991	18	\$5,590,749	58	\$2,517,241
1992	9	\$756,895	63	\$1,251,045
1993	17	\$5,737,566	59	\$2,185,059
1994	17	\$38,020,912	76	\$4,891,239
1995	13	Included with Additions/Alter.	73	\$8,770,270
1996	26		60	\$19,922,654
1997	27	\$16,740,283	106	\$15,436,006
1998	48	\$8,292,100	102	\$2,310,674
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>\$79,667,191</b>	<b>676</b>	<b>\$59,876,112</b>

Note: Pre-1995 data includes public and semi-public development. Building permit value for new construction and additions/alterations in 1995 and 1996 is not available.

Source: York County Division of Building Regulation

**Table 44: York County Commercial and Industrial Site Plans Submitted and Approved, 1989 to 1998**

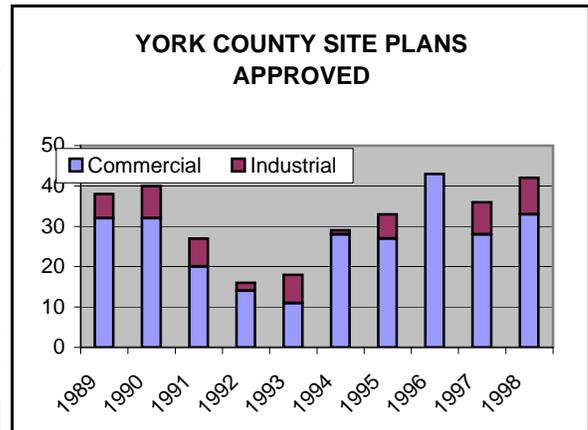
	1989	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Total
<b>Commercial</b>											
Submitted	48	33	22	20	12	37	29	50	43	48	342
Approved	32	32	20	14	11	28	27	43	28	33	268
<b>Industrial</b>											
Submitted	9	8	8	2	6	1	6	0	13	9	62
Approved	6	8	7	2	7	1	6	0	8	9	54
<b>Total Commercial/Industrial</b>											
Submitted	57	41	30	22	18	38	35	50	56	57	404
Approved	38	40	27	16	18	29	33	43	36	42	322

Source: York County Division of Development and Compliance

**Table 45: Square Feet of Commercial and Industrial Development Approved in York County**

Year	Commercial	Industrial	Total
1990	133,351	20,400	153,751
1991	49,362	169,185	218,547
1992	76,755	2,720	79,475
1993	301,511	16,150	317,661
1994	210,950	23,616	234,566
1995	171,456	36,868	208,324
1996	692,809	0	692,809
1997	218,655	89,077	307,732
1998	132,903	94,660	227,563
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,987,752</b>	<b>452,676</b>	<b>2,440,428</b>

Source: York County Division of Development and Compliance



# EMPLOYMENT and WAGES

For decades York County's employment base has been dominated by the Federal government, primarily the Naval Weapons Station in Yorktown. Although government still dominates the jobs base, the County is shifting from a public sector-based economy to one that is increasingly reliant on the private sector. Government jobs have declined by 9% since 1991 while employment increased by 23%. Most of the jobs created during the 1990s have been in the relatively low-paying retail trade and services sectors. This is reflected in the fact that York has lagged behind neighboring jurisdictions in wage growth between 1991 and 1998.

**Table: 46 Average At-Place Employment , Selected Jurisdictions, 1991-1998 (2nd Quarter Statistics)**

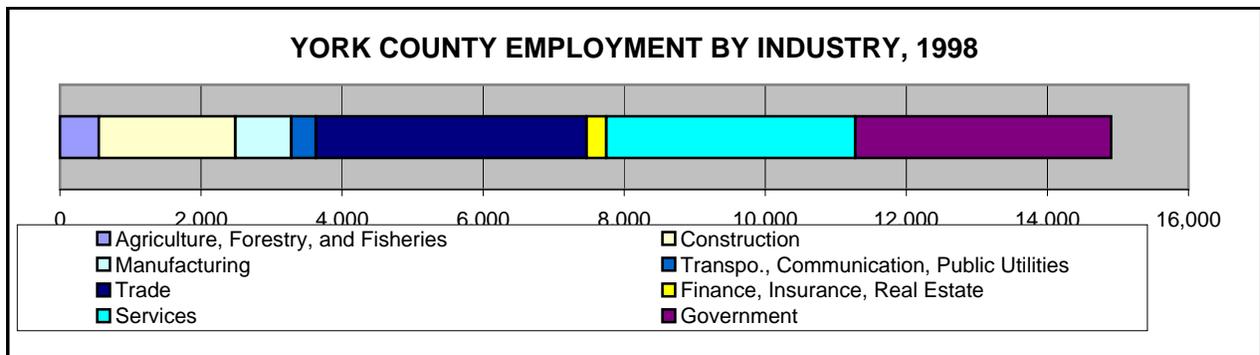
Jurisdiction	1991	1998	Change, 1991-98	
			Number	Percent
Hampton	58,309	61,578	3,269	5.6%
James City County	15,922	21,065	5,143	32.3%
Newport News	84,750	94,278	9,528	11.2%
Poquoson	1,220	1,480	260	21.3%
Williamsburg	15,197	17,788	2,591	17.0%
<b>York County</b>	<b>12,090</b>	<b>14,909</b>	<b>2,819</b>	<b>23.3%</b>
Norfolk MSA (1,000s)	571	667	96	16.9%
Virginia (1,000s)	2,776	3,224	448	16.1%

Source: Virginia Employment Commission

**Table 47: York County Average At-Place Employment by Industry, 1990-1998 (2nd Quarter Statistics)**

Industry	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>250</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>472</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>550</b>
<b>Mining</b>	<b>0</b>							
<b>Construction</b>	<b>1,364</b>	<b>1,399</b>	<b>1,441</b>	<b>1,428</b>	<b>1,508</b>	<b>1,604</b>	<b>1,653</b>	<b>1,939</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>641</b>	<b>665</b>	<b>729</b>	<b>682</b>	<b>698</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>689</b>	<b>791</b>
Durable Goods	141	145	173	153	196	199	312	402
Non-Durable Goods	500	520	556	529	502	384	377	389
<b>Transpo., Communication, Public Utilities</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>432</b>	<b>438</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>352</b>
<b>Trade</b>	<b>2,848</b>	<b>2,805</b>	<b>2,678</b>	<b>3,383</b>	<b>3,627</b>	<b>3,696</b>	<b>3,801</b>	<b>3,834</b>
Wholesale	363	336	290	295	321	360	361	360
Retail	2,485	2,469	2,388	3,088	3,306	3,336	3,440	3,474
<b>Finance, Insurance, Real Estate</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>241</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>282</b>
<b>Services</b>	<b>2,272</b>	<b>2,522</b>	<b>2,852</b>	<b>2,855</b>	<b>3,121</b>	<b>3,428</b>	<b>3,550</b>	<b>3,528</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>3,980</b>	<b>4,100</b>	<b>4,082</b>	<b>3,723</b>	<b>3,491</b>	<b>3,445</b>	<b>3,780</b>	<b>3,633</b>
State	75	183	204	230	224	201	301	310
Local	1,813	1,859	1,955	2,011	2,054	2,080	2,233	2,256
Federal	2,092	2,058	1,923	1,482	1,213	1,164	1,246	1,067
<b>Non-Agricultural</b>	<b>11,845</b>	<b>12,164</b>	<b>12,496</b>	<b>12,800</b>	<b>13,112</b>	<b>13,364</b>	<b>14,094</b>	<b>14,359</b>
<b>Total All Industries</b>	<b>12,090</b>	<b>12,414</b>	<b>12,775</b>	<b>13,151</b>	<b>13,543</b>	<b>13,836</b>	<b>14,556</b>	<b>14,909</b>

Source: Virginia Employment Commission



# EMPLOYMENT and WAGES (continued)

Table 48: York County Average Weekly Wage by Industry, 1990-1998 (2nd Quarter Statistics)

Industry	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>Agriculture, Forestry, and Fisheries</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>279</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>276</b>
<b>Mining</b>	NA							
<b>Construction</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>447</b>	<b>477</b>	<b>545</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>523</b>
<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>693</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>674</b>	<b>788</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>703</b>
Durable Goods	359	461	418	479	431	481	397	446
Non-Durable Goods	786	797	754	877	1,035	941	993	970
<b>Transpo., Communication, Public Utilities</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>624</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>611</b>	<b>612</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>678</b>
<b>Trade</b>	<b>214</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>223</b>	<b>229</b>	<b>238</b>	<b>258</b>
Wholesale	393	415	450	442	442	434	490	496
Retail	188	194	203	201	201	207	212	233
<b>Finance, Insurance, Real Estate</b>	<b>313</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>334</b>	<b>356</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>405</b>	<b>427</b>	<b>478</b>
<b>Services</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>312</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>297</b>	<b>320</b>
<b>Government</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>531</b>	<b>575</b>	<b>595</b>	<b>640</b>	<b>624</b>
State	387	350	363	371	414	417	477	465
Local	448	450	468	490	497	513	523	540
Federal	525	558	516	610	736	773	890	849
<b>Non-Agricultural</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>401</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>434</b>	<b>441</b>
<b>Total All Industries</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>399</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>395</b>	<b>407</b>	<b>410</b>	<b>430</b>	<b>435</b>

Source: Virginia Employment Commission

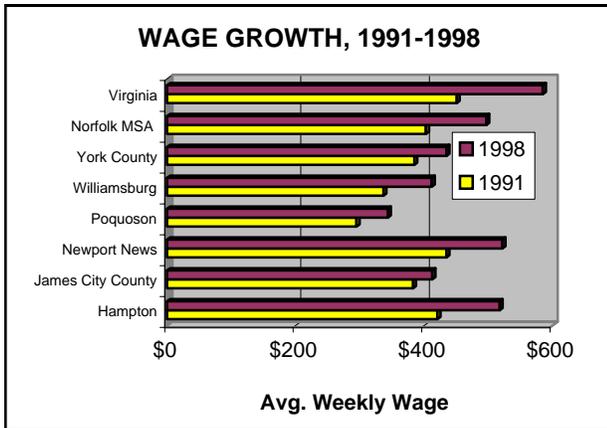


Table 49: Average Weekly Wage, Selected Jurisdictions, 1990-1998 (2nd Quarter Statistics)

Jurisdiction	1991	1998	Change	
			Number	Percent
Hampton	\$421	\$518	\$97	23.0%
James City County	\$383	\$413	\$30	7.8%
Newport News	\$435	\$522	\$87	20.0%
Poquoson	\$295	\$344	\$49	16.6%
Williamsburg	\$337	\$412	\$75	22.3%
<b>York County</b>	<b>\$385</b>	<b>\$435</b>	<b>\$50</b>	<b>13.0%</b>
Norfolk MSA	\$403	\$497	\$94	23.3%
Virginia	\$451	\$585	\$134	29.7%

Source: Virginia Employment Commission

# TAXABLE SALES

Taxable retail sales in York County have skyrocketed during the 1990s, nearly doubling from \$225 million in 1991 to \$449 million in 1998. This 99.9% increase was the largest percentage increase on the Peninsula during this period. This prolonged surge in sales has enabled the County to surpass Newport News in taxable sales per capita

Retail sectors that have experienced significant growth in sales in the County include the General Merchandise Group (particularly department and discount stores) and the Food Group. The Automotive Group, especially service stations, garages, and auto repair shops, also experienced a large percentage increase in sales, more than doubling between 1991 and 1998. The construction and tourism industries also have performed well, with large sales increases in the Lumber, Building Materials, and Supply Group and in Hotels, Motels, and Tourist Camps.

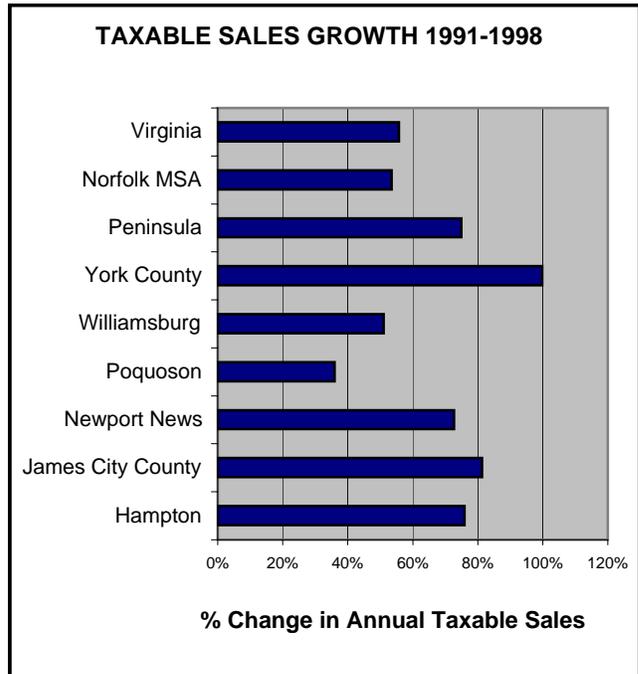


Table 50: Taxable Sales, Selected Jurisdictions, 1989-1996 (Millions of Dollars)

Jurisdiction	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	Change	
									Millions	Percent
Hampton	926	1,000	977	1,010	998	1,008	1,095	1,629	703	75.9%
James City County	385	368	382	407	450	502	534	698	313	81.3%
Newport News	862	977	1,042	1,047	1,134	1,170	1,245	1,488	626	72.6%
Poquoson	25	25	26	25	26	28	28	33	9	35.9%
Williamsburg	253	263	305	325	331	294	318	383	129	51.1%
<b>York County</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>325</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>362</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>99.9%</b>
Peninsula	2,675	2,873	3,015	3,138	3,282	3,363	3,614	4,680	2,005	74.9%
Norfolk MSA	8,619	9,019	9,688	10,192	10,713	10,997	11,663	13,232	4,613	53.5%
Virginia	41,214	42,905	46,706	49,728	52,087	53,923	57,048	64,185	22,971	55.7%

Source: Virginia Department of Taxation

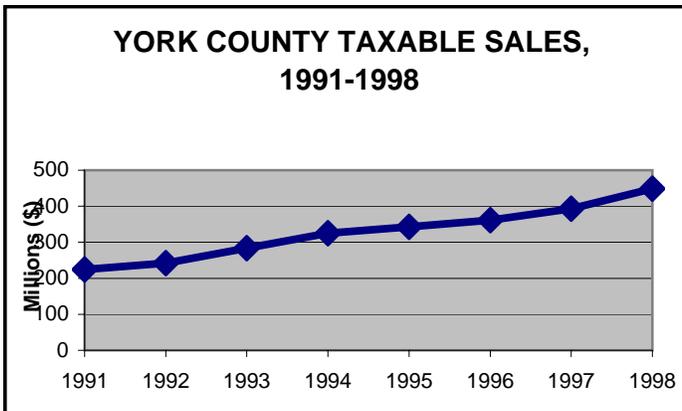


Table 51: Taxable Sales Per Capita, Selected Jurisdictions, 1998 (Millions)

Jurisdiction	Sales per Capita
Hampton	11,936
James City County	15,659
Newport News	8,371
Poquoson	2,973
Williamsburg	32,432
<b>York County</b>	<b>8,118</b>
Peninsula	10,707
Norfolk MSA	8,769
Virginia	9,451

Source: Previous tables

# TAXABLE SALES (continued)

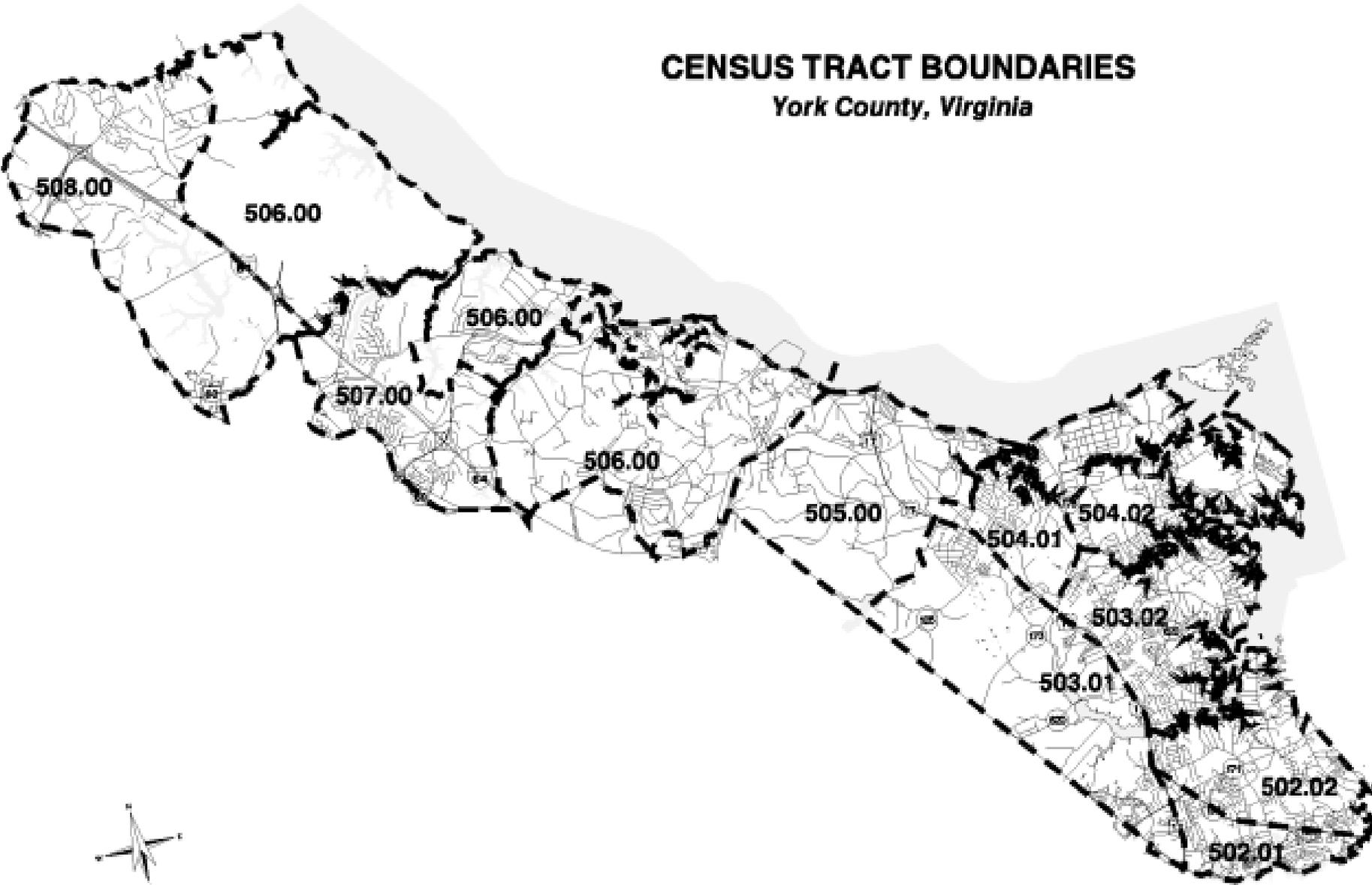
Table 52: York County Taxable Sales by Selected Business Classifications, 1991-1998 (Millions of Dollars)

Business Classification	1991	1998	Change, 1991-98	
			Amt	Pct
<b>Automotive Group</b>	11.0	22.5	11.5	104.5%
Accessories, batteries, repair parts, tires, etc.	4.8	8.4	3.6	75.0%
Boats, boat motors, and boating accessories	0.3	0.2	-0.1	-33.3%
Service stations, garages, auto repair shops, truck stops	5.9	12.3	6.4	108.5%
Motor vehicle dealers, motorcycle dealers	NA	1.6	NA	NA
Other	1.2	0.8	-0.4	-33.3%
<b>Food Group</b>	101.5	136.1	34.6	34.1%
Bakery products	0.9	0.7	-0.2	-22.2%
Fruit and vegetable stands, roadside markets, etc.	0.9	1.4	0.5	55.6%
Groceries, meats, seafood-chain	52.3	65.6	13.3	25.4%
Groceries, meats, seafood-nonchain	4.1	5.2	1.1	26.8%
Restaurants, cafeterias, catering, etc.	42.2	60.4	18.2	43.1%
Other food	1.1	2.8	1.7	154.5%
<b>Furniture, Home Furnishings, and Equipment Group</b>	7.6	9.2	1.6	21.1%
Furniture, interior decorators, re-upholstering dealers, etc.	3.7	2.1	-1.6	-43.2%
Household appliances, appliance repairs	0.7	0.6	-0.1	-14.3%
Office furniture, business machines, and equipment	0.2	0.9	0.7	350.0%
Radios, television sets, musical instruments, etc.	0.4	1.0	0.6	150.0%
Other furniture and household equipment	2.6	4.4	1.8	69.2%
<b>General Merchandise Group</b>	33.3	68.9	35.6	106.9%
Department stores, discount stores, variety stores	22.1	57.2	35.1	158.8%
Drug stores	3.3	2.4	-0.9	-27.3%
Other general merchandise	7.9	9.3	1.4	17.7%
<b>Lumber, Building Materials, and Supply Group</b>	11.8	21.4	9.6	81.4%
<b>Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies</b>	7.8	8.1	0.3	3.8%
<b>Hotels, Motels, Tourist Camps, etc.</b>	21.7	35.6	13.9	64.1%

Source: Virginia Department of Taxation

# CENSUS TRACT BOUNDARIES

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