



COMMUNITY PROFILE

Greater Fredericksburg, Virginia

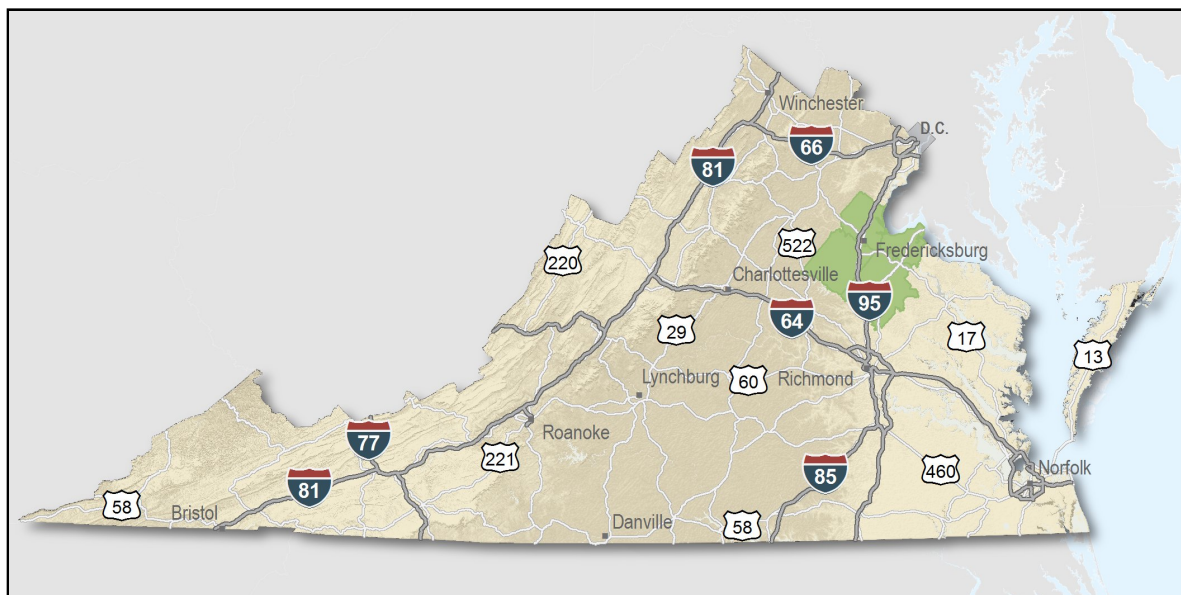


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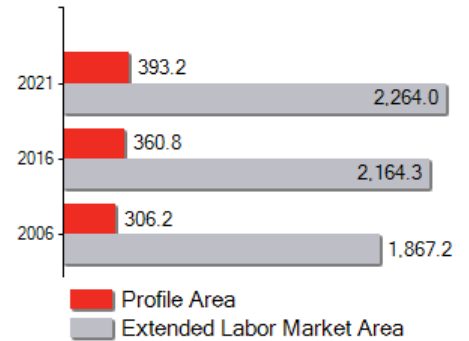
- AAA bond rating- Virginia has maintained a AAA rating since 1938, longer than any other state.
- Right-to-work law allows individuals the right to work regardless of membership in a labor union or organization.
- Corporate income tax rate of 6% has not been increased since 1972.
- Headquarters to 37 Fortune 1000 firms.
- Headquarters to 52 firms each with annual revenue over \$1 billion.
- More than 17,300 high-tech establishments operate in Virginia.
- More than 700 internationally-owned businesses from 45 countries are located in Virginia.
- Ranks third among the 50 states as a recipient of federal R&D funds.
- Streamlined permitting process.
- Recruitment training programs to help new businesses become operational faster.
- Programs at little or no cost to help businesses increase international sales.



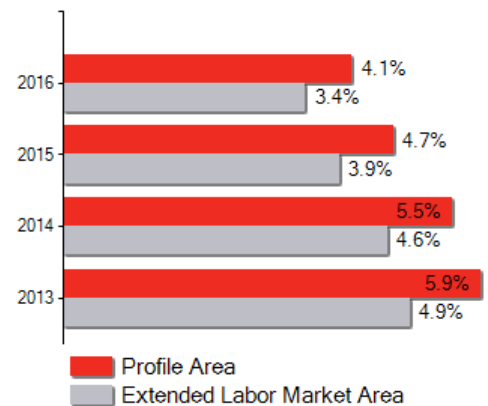
Labor Market

Population		
Gender Distribution (2016)		
	Male	Female
Greater Fredericksburg	49.5%	50.5%
Race/Ethnicity (2016)		
	Profile Area	Extended Labor Area
Classification		
White	266,654	1,441,274
Black	67,786	347,841
Two or More	13,553	77,972
Asian	10,166	278,499
American Indian or Alaska Native	2,147	16,091
Pacific Islander	524	2,583
Hispanic (may be of any race)	35,737	336,120
Median Age (2016)		
Caroline		40 years
Fredericksburg		30 years
King George		38 years
Spotsylvania		38 years
Stafford		36 years

Population in Thousands



Unemployment Rates



Labor Market

Civilian Labor Force (2016)	
Greater Fredericksburg	172,608
Extended Labor Market Area	1,149,284
Total	1,321,892

Labor Force Participation (2012-2016)	
Greater Fredericksburg	65.7%
Extended Labor Market Area	70.1%

Unemployment	
Unemployment Rate (November 2017)	
Greater Fredericksburg	3.7%
Extended Labor Market Area	3.2%
Statewide	3.6%
Unemployed (2016)	
Greater Fredericksburg	7,054
Extended Labor Market Area	39,424
Total	46,478
Underemployed (3rd Quarter 2017)	
Greater Fredericksburg	17,380
Extended Labor Market Area	115,161
Total	132,541

The Free Lance Star is an award winning daily newspaper.

Labor Market

Commute Time (2012-2016)		
Worked from home	8,410	4.9%
Under 15 minutes	28,357	17.3%
15-24 minutes	39,438	24.0%
25-34 minutes	26,530	16.2%
35-44 minutes	12,253	7.5%
45-59 minutes	17,201	10.5%
Over 60 minutes	40,387	24.6%
Mean Travel Time to Work (minutes)		
Caroline		34
Fredericksburg		28
King George		37
Spotsylvania		38
Stafford		41

All employers operating a business in Virginia must establish regular pay periods and rates of pay for all employees except executive personnel.

Additional Labor Resources	
High School Graduates Not Continuing (2015-2016)	538
Two-Year College Graduates (Spring 2016)	9,873
Two-Year College Enrollees (Fall 2016)	122,952
Other College and University Graduates (Spring 2016)	10,242
Total	143,605

Labor Market

Career Readiness Certificate (01/01/2016-08/31/2017)

Virginia's Career Readiness Certificate (CRC) assists employers by certifying that a recipient possesses core skills in applied math, reading for information, and locating information. The CRC certification is based on established Workkeys® assessment tests. Virginia uses a three-tiered approach (bronze, silver, gold) to credentialing certificate holders that is based on the recipient's level of development skills.

Greater Fredericksburg	89
Extended Labor Market Area	591
Total	680

Greater Fredericksburg and its extended labor market area has a civilian labor force of more than 1.2 million.

Educational Attainment

On-Time Graduation Rate (Class of 2017)	91.9%
Percentage of Greater Fredericksburg population age 25+ who are high school graduates (2012-2016)	90.9%
Percentage of Greater Fredericksburg population age 25+ who have earned a Bachelor's Degree or higher (2012-2016)	32.9%

Labor Market

Employment by Sector* (2nd Qtr. 2017)		
Agriculture Forestry Fishing and Hunting	344	0.3%
Mining Quarrying and Oil and Gas Extraction	115	0.1%
Utilities	305	0.3%
Construction	5,891	4.9%
Manufacturing	2,642	2.2%
Wholesale Trade	2,936	2.4%
Retail Trade	16,741	13.8%
Transportation and Warehousing	3,684	3.0%
Information	876	0.7%
Finance and Insurance	6,860	5.7%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,544	1.3%
Professional Scientific and Technical Services	8,216	6.8%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,486	1.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	4,613	3.8%
Educational Services	1,484	1.2%
Health Care and Social Assistance	14,470	11.9%
Arts Entertainment and Recreation	1,711	1.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	13,440	11.1%
Other Services	4,736	3.9%
Total Government	28,740	23.7%
Federal Government	10,222	8.4%
State Government	2,657	2.2%
Local Government	15,861	13.1%
Unclassified	299	0.2%
Total	121,134	100.0%

N.D. - Not Disclosed

*By Business Establishment

Employment by Occupation (2016)		
Construction, Extraction & Maintenance	8,520	7.0%
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	150	0.1%
Managerial, Professional & Related	40,090	32.7%
Production, Transportation & Material Moving	9,670	7.9%
Sales & Office	34,570	28.2%
Service	29,460	24.1%
Total	122,460	100%

The cost of workers' compensation insurance varies by industry, by occupation, and by state.

Labor Market

Major Employers

Manufacturing

<i>Company</i>	<i>Product/Service</i>
BH Media Group - Free Lance Star	Newspaper
Kaeser Compressors, Inc.	Compressors

NonManufacturing

<i>Company</i>	<i>Product/Service</i>
CVS Virginia Distribution Inc.	Drug store distribution center
Germanna Community College	Higher education
Government Employees Insurance, Inc. (GEICO)	Auto insurance
Intuit, Inc.	Software programs
Marine Corps Base Quantico	Marine corps base
Mary Washington Healthcare	Health care
McLane Mid-Atlantic	Retail distribution center
Northrop Grumman	Information tech/logistics
PAE	Anti/counter terrorism training and consulting
University of Mary Washington	Higher education

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Virginia has the lowest percentage of workers covered by unions (2013).

Labor Market

Closings, Reductions, Layoffs (1/2015 to date)

<i>Date</i>	<i>Type</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Product/Service</i>	<i>Employees Affected</i>
10/2/2015	Closing	Printpack, Inc.	Plastic food packaging manufacturing	155
6/8/2017	Reduction	Lockheed Martin	Support personnel for Navy base at Dahlgren	64

Union Activity (10/1/2015 - 10/1/2017)

Petitions filed for decertification	0
Petitions filed for representation	0
Petitions filed for raid	0
Elections won by union	0
Elections won by company	0

Labor Market

Estimated Earnings (May 2016)

<i>Occupation</i>	<i>Median Wage</i>	<i>Mean Wage</i>	<i>Median Salary</i>	<i>Mean Salary</i>
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	\$11.79	\$12.85	\$24,524.75	\$26,711.77
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	\$20.76	\$21.50	\$43,185.75	\$44,727.95
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	\$18.70	\$19.49	\$38,895.83	\$40,532.65
Office Clerks, General	\$15.66	\$16.41	\$32,574.93	\$34,129.04
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	\$19.24	\$19.93	\$40,011.56	\$41,456.41
Receptionists and Information Clerks	\$14.04	\$14.27	\$29,196.13	\$29,693.41
Customer Service Representatives	\$17.61	\$17.99	\$36,632.76	\$37,432.28
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	\$19.26	\$19.04	\$40,049.34	\$39,615.37
First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers	\$27.96	\$28.76	\$58,158.44	\$59,821.80
Electrical and Electronic Engineering Technicians	\$39.87	\$40.49	\$82,914.82	\$84,202.89
Mechanical Engineers	\$51.42	\$51.33	\$106,955.90	\$106,771.60
Electronics Engineers, Except Computer	\$58.32	\$60.50	\$121,310.00	\$125,821.30
Electrical Engineers	\$46.38	\$47.02	\$96,458.85	\$97,803.64
Computer Occupations, All Other	\$53.09	\$52.24	\$110,436.30	\$108,656.10
Software Developers, Systems Software	\$60.04	\$58.23	\$124,873.50	\$121,108.50
Software Developers, Applications	\$45.26	\$45.63	\$94,154.09	\$94,901.42
Computer Systems Analysts	\$36.60	\$37.35	\$76,112.93	\$77,682.52
Computer and Information Research Scientists	\$55.64	\$54.12	\$115,739.50	\$112,566.90
Accountants and Auditors	\$32.42	\$35.39	\$67,428.61	\$73,607.28
Management Analysts	\$47.70	\$48.73	\$99,221.97	\$101,350.60

Per Capita Personal Income (2015)

\$47,424

Education

Public School Enrollment (Fall 2016)		
<i>Level</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Enrollment</i>
Preschool	1	195
Elementary	42	29,293
Middle	18	14,371
High School	13	20,346

The Greater Fredericksburg Region encompasses five public school systems and several institutions of higher education.

Student Teacher Ratio (FY 2016)	
Elementary	15:1
Secondary	13:1

Per Pupil Expenditure (FY 2016)
\$10,340.72

On-Time Graduation Rate (Class of 2017)
91.9%

High School Graduates Continuing Education (2015-2016)
89.1%

Advanced Programs (2016-2017)

Governor's STEM Academies and Health Academies

Blue Ridge Crossroads Governor's Academy for Technical Education (BRCGATE)

Stafford Academy for Technology (STAT)

Governor's School Enrollment	599
Senior International Baccalaureate (IB) Enrollment	44
Seniors Awarded IB Diplomas	44
Students taking 1 or more Advanced Placement (AP) Courses	5,052
Students taking 1 or more AP Exams	2,383
Students taking 1 or more Dual Enrollment Courses	644

Education

Workforce Development Facilities	
<i>Facility</i>	<i>Type</i>
Automotive Technology Center	Career and Technical Center
Eastern Shore Workforce Center	Satellite Center
Fredericksburg Workforce Center	Comprehensive Center
GSC Center for Workforce and Community Education	Career and Technical Center
Job Assistance Center	Satellite Center
RCC King George Site	Career and Technical Center
Spotsylvania Career & Technical Center	Career and Technical Center
Warsaw Workforce Center	Satellite Center

J. Sargeant Reynolds has grown into the third largest college in the Virginia Community College System, enrolling students at three major campuses, at 5 off-campus sites, and "virtually" through distance learning.

Education

Higher Education Facilities — Fall 2016

<i>Facility</i>	<i>Enrollment</i>
George Mason University - Fairfax Campus	35,189 [‡]
George Mason University - Science and Technology Campus	35,189 [‡]
Northern Virginia Community College - Annandale Campus	20,345
Northern Virginia Community College - Woodbridge Campus	9,387
Northern Virginia Community College - Manassas Campus	8,659
J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College - Parham Road Campus	7,680
Germanna Community College - Fredericksburg Campus	5,709
University of Mary Washington - Fredericksburg Campus	4,726 [‡]
University of Mary Washington - Stafford Campus	4,726 [‡]
Lord Fairfax Community College - Fauquier Campus	2,300
Northern Virginia Community College - Medical Education Campus	2,233
Rappahannock Community College - Warsaw Campus	2,066
Germanna Community College - Locust Grove Campus	1,929
Central Texas College - Quantico Campus	†
Germanna Community College - Daniel Technology Center	†§
Germanna Community College - Stafford County Center	†§
Northern Virginia Community College - Quantico Campus	†§
Old Dominion University - Quantico Campus	†§
University of Maryland University College - Fort Belvoir Campus	†
University of Maryland University College - Quantico Campus	†
Averett University - Quantico Center	†§
Florida Institute of Technology - Quantico Campus	†
Park University - Quantico Campus	†

† Enrollment figures are not available.

‡ Enrollment figures are for all campuses.

§ Enrollment counted at a main campus.

◊ Fall 2015 Enrollment

The University of Mary Washington is ranked #4 in its class by U.S. News and World Report and in the top ten nationally in Peace Corps alumni, and has a Pulitzer-prize winning poet on its faculty.

Education

Higher Education Facilities — Fall 2016	
<i>Facility</i>	<i>Enrollment</i>
ECPI University - Emerywood Campus	11,735 [‡]
ECPI University - Innsbrook Campus	11,735 [‡]
ECPI University - Northern Virginia Campus	11,735 [‡]
Strayer University - Fredericksburg Campus	6,473 [‡] [◊]
Strayer University - Henrico Campus	6,473 [‡] [◊]
Strayer University - Manassas Campus	6,473 [‡] [◊]
Strayer University - Woodbridge Campus	6,473 [‡] [◊]
Randolph-Macon College	1,446
South University - Richmond Campus	732 [◊]
Everest College - Woodbridge Campus	342 [◊]
Virginia College	336 [◊]
Columbia College - Centreville Campus	137 [◊]
Central Michigan University - Fort Belvoir Center	†
Stratford University - Richmond Campus	†
Stratford University - Woodbridge Campus	†

† Enrollment figures are not available.

‡ Enrollment figures are for all campuses.

◊ Fall 2015 Enrollment

George Mason University was ranked in the top five “Up-and-Coming Institutions” in an annual survey conducted by U.S. News & World Report.

Transportation

Interstates	
Name	Distance
I-95	0.0 miles (0.0 km.)
I-295	8.7 miles (14.0 km.)
I-64	13.3 miles (21.3 km.)
I-195	13.5 miles (21.8 km.)
I-66	14.5 miles (23.4 km.)
I-495	19.9 miles (32.1 km.)
I-395	20.6 miles (33.2 km.)
I-695	30.4 miles (48.9 km.)
I-270	33.6 miles (54.1 km.)
I-595	37.8 miles (60.8 km.)
I-85	38.4 miles (61.9 km.)

Note: Measured from border of locality/region.

Highways				
Highway 1	Highway 17	Highway 2	Highway 205	Highway 206
Highway 207	Highway 208	Highway 212	Highway 218	Highway 3
Highway 30	Highway 301	Highway 522		

Commercial Air Service		
<i>Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport, Arlington -- 46.0 miles (74.0 km.)</i>		
Air Canada	American Airlines	Delta Air Lines
Frontier Airlines	Southwest Airlines	Sun Country Airlines
United Airlines	Alaska Airlines	JetBlue Airways
Virgin America		

<i>Richmond International Airport, Sandston -- 48.8 miles (78.5 km.)</i>		
American Airlines	Delta Air Lines	Southwest Airlines
United Airlines	JetBlue Airways	Allegiant Air
OneJet		

CSX Transportation is a Class I railroad owned by CSX Corporation. It is one of the three Class I railroads serving most of the East Coast.

Transportation

Commercial Air Service

Washington Dulles International Airport, Dulles -- 52.5 miles (84.4 km.)

Aeroflot Airlines	Air Canada	Air France
All Nippon Airways	American Airlines	Austrian Airlines
British Airways	Delta Air Lines	Ethiopian Airlines
Frontier Airlines	Icelandair	KLM Royal Dutch Airlines
Korean Air Lines	Lufthansa German Airlines	Saudi Arabian Airlines
Southwest Airlines	United Airlines	Virgin Atlantic Airways
Alaska Airlines	JetBlue Airways	South African Airlines
SAS/Scandinavian Airlines	Air Lingus	Copa Airlines
Virgin America	Avianca	Qatar
Porter Airlines	Turkish Airlines	AeroMexico
Brussels Airlines	Emirates	Etihad Airways
Air China	LATAM Airlines	Royal Air Maroc
Southern Airways Express		

Charlottesville-Albemarle Airport, Charlottesville -- 60.4 miles (97.2 km.)

American Airlines	Delta Connection	United Airlines
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Note: Within a 75-mile drive of the center of the closest locality in the region.

Dominion Energy is one of the nation's ten largest investor-owned electric utilities delivering power to more than two million homes and businesses in Virginia and North Carolina.

Transportation

General Aviation Service

<i>Name</i>	<i>Runway Length</i>
Shannon Airport, Fredericksburg	2,999 ft (914 m)
Stafford Regional Airport, Stafford	5,000 ft (1,524 m)

The Greater Fredericksburg Region is served by four commercial airports and two general aviation airports.

Freight Rail Service

CSX Transportation

Seaports

<i>Name</i>	<i>Distance</i>
Port of Virginia (Richmond Marine Terminal)	53.0 miles (85.3 km)
Port of Virginia (Inland Port Front Royal)	71.0 miles (114.3 km)
Port of Virginia	120.0 miles (193.1 km)

Note: Driving distance from the center of the closest locality in the region to the Port of Virginia and any other seaports within 100 miles.

Other Ports of Entry

<i>Name</i>	<i>Distance</i>
Richmond-Petersburg	48.8 miles (78.5 km)
Port of Washington - Dulles	52.5 miles (84.4 km)
Newport News	99.9 miles (160.8 km)

Note: Driving distance from the center of the closest locality in the region to the Port of Washington-Dulles and any other port of entry within 100 miles.

Utilities

Utilities**Utilities****Electric**

Rappahannock Electric Cooperative	Dominion Energy
Northern Neck Electric Cooperative	Northern Virginia Electric Cooperative

Natural Gas

Columbia Gas of Virginia	Washington Gas Company
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Telecommunications

Verizon South	Verizon-Virginia
Comcast Business Communications	Cox Communications
Level 3 Communications	Allied Telecom Group
Zayo	

Water

City of Fredericksburg	Spotsylvania County
Stafford County Utilities	Caroline County
King George County	Milford Sanitary District

Waste Water Treatment

City of Fredericksburg	Spotsylvania County
Stafford County Utilities	Caroline County
King George County	

Solid Waste Disposal

Caroline County Landfill	King George County Sanitary Landfill
Rappahannock Regional Landfill	Spotsylvania County

Financial Institutions

Financial Institutions — 4th Qtr 2016 Assets	
<i>Bank</i>	<i>Assets (millions)</i>
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.	\$1,727,235.0
Bank of America, N.A.	\$1,677,490.0
PNC Bank, N.A.	\$355,999.7
Capital One, N.A.	\$268,080.3
Branch Banking and Trust Company	\$214,433.0
SunTrust Bank	\$200,557.6
Manufacturers and Traders Trust Co.	\$122,631.7
First-Citizens Bank & Trust Co.	\$32,814.8
United Bank	\$9,017.2
Union Bank & Trust Co.	\$8,402.5
WoodForest National Bank	\$4,854.5
Carter Bank & Trust	\$4,505.5
Cardinal Bank	\$4,169.5
Community Bank of The Chesapeake	\$1,331.9
Virginia Partners Bank	\$372.4
Virginia Community Bank	\$240.0
Peoples Community Bank	\$171.3

Bank of America is one of the world's largest financial institutions, serving individual consumers, small and middle market businesses and large corporations with a full range of banking, investing, asset management and other financial and risk-management.

Government and Taxes

Government

Greater Fredericksburg includes Caroline, King George, Spotsylvania and Stafford counties and the city of Fredericksburg.

Each county has a board of supervisors and a county administrator. The city of Fredericksburg has a city council and city manager.

Each locality has a comprehensive plan, a zoning ordinance and a subdivision ordinance.

There are two incorporated towns in the Greater Fredericksburg.

Taxes

Localities in Virginia collect a 1% sales tax. They do not tax other items taxed at the State level.

Counties and cities in Virginia are separate taxing entities. Therefore, a company pays taxes to either 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.

Mary Washington Hospital, in nearby Fredericksburg, provides excellent care for Caroline County residents. Additional medical facilities, including medical emergency facilities, are located in Richmond City.

Community Facilities

Mary Washington Healthcare is a modern, full-service regional facility featuring a 24-hour Level II Trauma Center, surgical and critical care divisions, and a dialysis unit in the newly designated Medical Center District. The hospital has 440 beds, 12 operating rooms, and space and engineering for advanced services, including cardiac, neuroscience, and OB/Neonatology procedures. The 80,000 square foot Thompkins-Martin medical office building connects on three floors to the hospital. The Cancer Center of Virginia, Pratt Medical Center, MinuteClinic, Patient First, NextCare Urgent Care and several private clinics also offer both specialized care and general medical services for the region. Additional hospital care is available in either the Richmond or Northern Virginia metropolitan areas.

Nine nursing homes provide extended care for the area.

The area is served by more than 270 physicians and over 75 dentists representing more than 20 medical and surgical specialties.

More than 250 places of worship are located in the Greater Fredericksburg Region. Most Protestant denominations are represented along with the Roman Catholic faith. Jewish synagogues are located in Fredericksburg.

The Rappahannock Regional Library System operates branches in Spotsylvania County, Stafford County, and Fredericksburg. The system's collection totals over 690,000 volumes. Caroline and King George each have a local library. Additionally, the University of Mary Washington Library collection of over 300,000 volumes is accessible to the public.

Greater Fredericksburg's location between the Blue Ridge Mountains to the west and the Chesapeake Bay to the east allow residents to choose from an extensive selection of recreational activities.

Community Facilities

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A wide range of shopping choices are available in the region. Spotsylvania Mall houses over 100 stores and is the major regional retail center for the Fredericksburg area. The historic center of Fredericksburg also offers a wide assortment of specialty, craft and antique shops, and entertainment in an attractive, restored, 18th-century setting. There are numerous shopping centers, specialty shops, boutiques and other retail opportunities located throughout the area. Central Park, located at I-95 and Route 3, contains 2 million square feet of retail and office space. Potomac Mills Mall, one of the largest retail outlets in Virginia, is located just north of the region. In addition, residents can take advantage of the many shopping opportunities in the Richmond metropolitan area.

The Virginia Railway Express provides daily commuter service to Metropolitan Washington from two stops in Stafford County and one stop in Fredericksburg.

In Virginia, counties and cities are separate taxing entities. A company pays either county or city tax, depending on its location. However, if it is located within the corporate limits of a town, it is subject to both town and county levies.

Lifestyle

Outstanding cultural and entertainment events are available both within the region and within an hour's drive. The University of Mary Washington, in conjunction with the Fredericksburg Theater Company, presents very popular dramatic performances. The College/Community Orchestra schedule of regular concerts draws rave reviews and large audiences. The close proximity of Greater Fredericksburg to the Washington and Richmond metro areas opens up numerous opportunities including Washington's Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, the Smithsonian Institute, the Virginia Museum of Fine Arts, and professional football and basketball.

Greater Fredericksburg's location between the Blue Ridge Mountains to the west and the Chesapeake Bay to the east allows residents to choose from an extensive selection of recreational activities. Spotsylvania County is home to Lake Anna State Park located on one of Virginia's largest lakes. Lake Anna, consisting of over 13,000 acres, offers outstanding fishing, boating, hiking, and picnicking. Numerous rivers and streams are located throughout the area. The Potomac, Rappahannock, Mattaponi, and North Anna rivers provide the setting for excellent swimming, fishing, and boating. Located on the banks of the Potomac River is the 2,500-acre Caledon Natural Area History. The Lands End wildlife preserve located on the Rappahannock River is a major refuge for Canadian geese. These two rivers offer both fresh and saltwater fishing.

The area is home to numerous historic sites. The National Park Service administers the area's four Civil War battlefields. The Battlefield Museum is located in Fredericksburg. The Spotsylvania County Museum displays artifacts spanning the Colonial, Revolutionary, Civil War, and the modern history of the area. The birthplaces of George Washington and Robert E. Lee are located in the region.

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Lifestyle

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There are ten golf courses located in the area. Two additional courses are currently under construction in Caroline County.

Kings Dominion, a major amusement/theme park, is located just south of Caroline County along Interstate 95 and is the source of entertainment and excitement for all ages.

Temperatures average 35 degrees in January and 76 degrees in July.