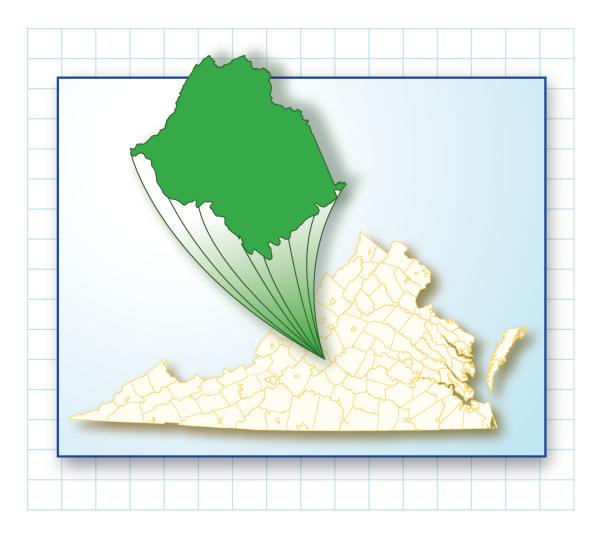


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# I. Introduction

This report provides a community profile of Amherst County. It is intended to complement the information found in our Virginia Workforce Connection application, which can be accessed online at:

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The report is divided into three major sections. The first contains a profile of regional demographic characteristics and trends, the second supplies similar information for the regional economy, and the third provides a profile of regional education characteristics.

# II. Demographic Profile

#### Overview

This Demographic Profile provides an in-depth analysis of the population in Amherst County. Most of the data is produced by the U.S. Census Bureau, and includes demographic characteristics such as age, race/ethnicity, and gender.



#### **Related Terms and Definitions**

#### Ability to speak English

For people who speak a language other than English at home, the response represents the person's own perception of his or her ability to speak English. Because census questionnaires are usually completed by one household member, the responses may represent the perception of another household member.

#### Age

The age classification is based on the age of the person in complete years as of April 1, 2010. The age of the person usually was derived from their date of birth information. Their reported age was used only when date of birth information was unavailable.

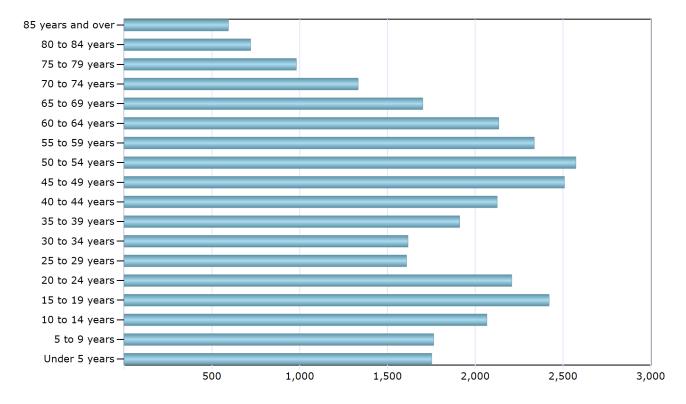
#### Gender

The data on gender were derived from answers to a question that was asked of all people. Individuals were asked to mark either "male" or "female" to indicate their gender. For most cases in which gender was not reported, it was determined by the appropriate entry from the person's given (i.e., first) name and household relationship. Otherwise, gender was imputed according to the relationship to the householder and the age of the person.

#### Race

The concept of race as used by the Census Bureau reflects self-identification by people according to the race or races with which they most closely identify. The categories are sociopolitical constructs and should not be interpreted as being scientific or anthropological in nature. Furthermore, the race categories include both racial and national-origin groups.

**Please note**: In the past, our population by race/ethnicity data has always excluded the Hispanic ethnicity from each race category. Starting in January 2013, each race category now includes all ethnicities.



### Population by Age

	Amherst County	Virginia	United States
Under 5 years	1,752	509,625	20,201,362
5 to 9 years	1,763	511,849	20,348,657
10 to 14 years	2,066	511,246	20,677,194
15 to 19 years	2,421	550,965	22,040,343
20 to 24 years	2,208	572,091	21,585,999
25 to 29 years	1,609	564,342	21,101,849
30 to 34 years	1,617	526,077	19,962,099
35 to 39 years	1,911	540,063	20,179,642
40 to 44 years	2,125	568,865	20,890,964
45 to 49 years	2,508	621,155	22,708,591
50 to 54 years	2,573	592,845	22,298,125
55 to 59 years	2,336	512,595	19,664,805
60 to 64 years	2,134	442,369	16,817,924
65 to 69 years	1,701	320,302	12,435,263
70 to 74 years	1,333	229,502	9,278,166
75 to 79 years	981	173,929	7,317,795
80 to 84 years	721	130,801	5,743,327
85 years and over	594	122,403	5,493,433
	32,353	8,001,024	308,745,538

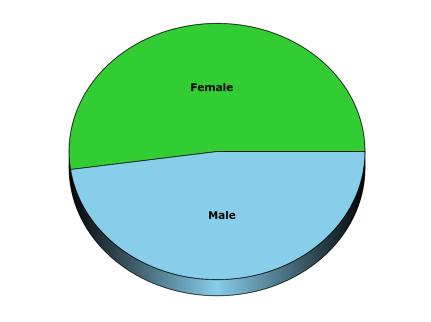
Source: 2010 Census.

### Population by Race/Ethnicity

	Amherst County	Virginia	United States
Fotal			
Total Population	32,353	8,001,024	308,745,538
Race			
White	24,829	5,486,852	223,553,265
Black or African American	6,148	1,551,399	38,929,319
American Indian or Alaska Native	298	29,225	2,932,248
Asian	154	439,890	14,674,252
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	7	5,980	540,013
Other	229	254,278	19,107,368
Multiple Races	688	233,400	9,009,073
Ethnicity			
Not Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	31,728	7,369,199	258,267,944
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	625	631,825	50,477,594

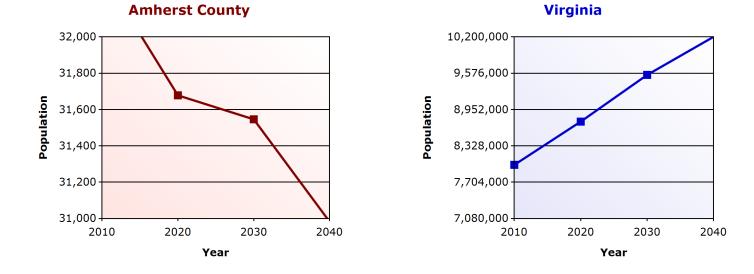
Source: 2010 Census.





	Amherst County	Virginia	United States
Male	15,452	3,925,983	151,781,326
Female	16,901	4,075,041	156,964,212
	32,353	8,001,024	308,745,538

Source: 2010 Census.



### **Population Change**

	Amherst County	Percent change	Number Change	Virginia	Percent change	Number Change
2000	31,894			7,079,030		
2010	32,353	1.44 %	459	8,001,024	13.02 %	921994
2020	31,678	-2.09 %	-675	8,744,273	9.29 %	743249
2030	31,546	-0.42 %	-132	9,546,958	9.18 %	802685
2040	30,982	-1.79 %	-564	10,201,530	6.86 %	654572

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

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United States

	2020		2030		2040	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
Under 5 years	773	813	776	816	757	796
5 to 9 years	765	802	768	804	750	785
10 to 14 years	928	1,049	890	1,006	902	1,019
15 to 19 years	1,080	965	1,017	908	1,030	920
20 to 24 years	1,120	909	1,136	922	1,099	892
25 to 29 years	785	753	702	674	667	641
30 to 34 years	944	888	919	865	940	885
35 to 39 years	876	805	887	815	801	736
40 to 44 years	860	776	1,032	932	1,015	916
45 to 49 years	1,011	918	942	855	963	874
50 to 54 years	1,132	1,078	923	879	1,119	1,065
55 to 59 years	1,265	1,147	1,031	935	969	879
60 to 64 years	1,256	1,226	1,143	1,115	941	918
65 to 69 years	1,145	981	1,185	1,016	979	839
70 to 74 years	919	877	1,077	1,028	986	941
75 to 79 years	721	542	891	670	912	686
80 to 84 years	506	339	670	448	780	521
85 years and over	517	209	618	250	755	305
	16,603	15,077	16,607	14,938	16,365	14,618
	31,680		31,545		30,983	

### Population Projections by Age and Gender

Source: Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

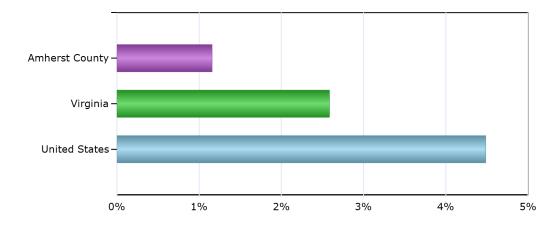
### Population Projections by Race/Ethnicity

2020	2030	2040
31,678	31,546	30,982
23,321	22,193	19,851
5,666	5,122	4,445
244	415	692
1,096	1,113	1,037
1,351	2,703	4,956
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Source: Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

### English Language Skills

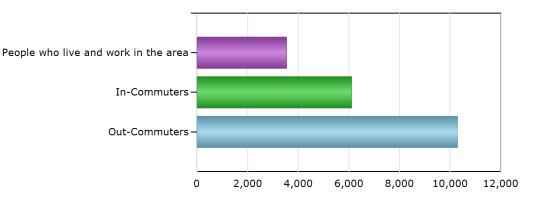
(Age 5 and over that speak English less than well)



	Total	Speak English less than well	Percent
Amherst County	30,317	351	1.16%
Virginia	7,800,044	201,628	2.58%
United States	298,691,202	13,400,003	4.49%

*Source: U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey, 2012-2016.* 

### **Commuting Patterns**



Commuting Patterns	
People who live and work in the area	3,541
In-Commuters	6,110
Out-Commuters	10,296
Net In-Commuters (In-Commuters minus Out-Commuters)	-4,186

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,

OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics, 2014.

### Top 10 Places Residents are Commuting To

Area	Workers
Lynchburg city, VA	4,494
Campbell County, VA	988
Bedford County, VA	678
Roanoke city, VA	363
Nelson County, VA	340
Roanoke County, VA	208
Henrico County, VA	201
Fairfax County, VA	143
Richmond city, VA	124
Chesterfield County, VA	116

#### Top 10 Places Workers are Commuting From

Area	Workers
Lynchburg city, VA	1,507
Campbell County, VA	869
Bedford County, VA	548
Appomattox County, VA	391
Nelson County, VA	279
Augusta County, VA	126
Halifax County, VA	108
Albemarle County, VA	105
Pittsylvania County, VA	94
Frederick County, VA	84

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,

OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics, 2014.

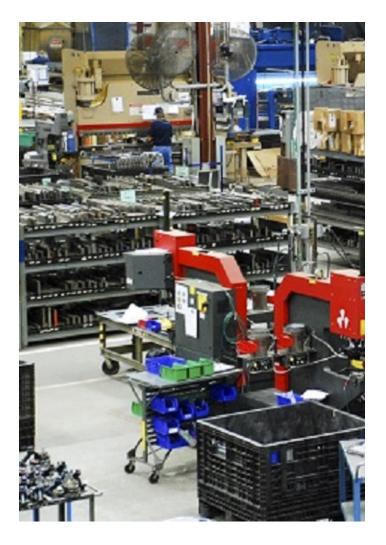
**Please Note:** Commuting patterns data is no longer produced from the Decennial Census. As an alternative, we are providing commuting data from the U.S. Census Bureau's OnTheMap application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics program. Since this data is produced from an entirely different data set, it is not advisable to compare the new data with previously released commuting patterns. For more information about the OnTheMap application or the LEHD program, please visit the following website:

http://lehd.ces.census.gov

## **III.** Economic Profile

#### **Overview**

The Economic Profile of Amherst County consists primarily of data produced by Virginia Works, U.S. Census Bureau, and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.



#### **Related Terms and Definitions**

#### Average Weekly Wage

Computed as average quarterly wages divided by 13.

#### **Consumer Price Index (CPI)**

The Consumer Price Index measures the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a representative market basket of consumer goods and services.

#### Local Employment Dynamics (LED)

The Local Employment Dynamics Program at the Census Bureau, together with its state partners, provides employment information at the county, city, and Workforce Investment Area level. This information tracks workers in different industries by age and gender and provides statistics on job creation, separation, turnover, and wages.

# Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages (QCEW)

À federal/state cooperative program that collects and compiles employment and wage data for workers covered by state unemployment insurance (UI) laws and the federal civilian workers covered by Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE). These data are maintained at the state in micro and macro levels and also sent to BLS quarterly.

#### **Unemployment Insurance (UI)**

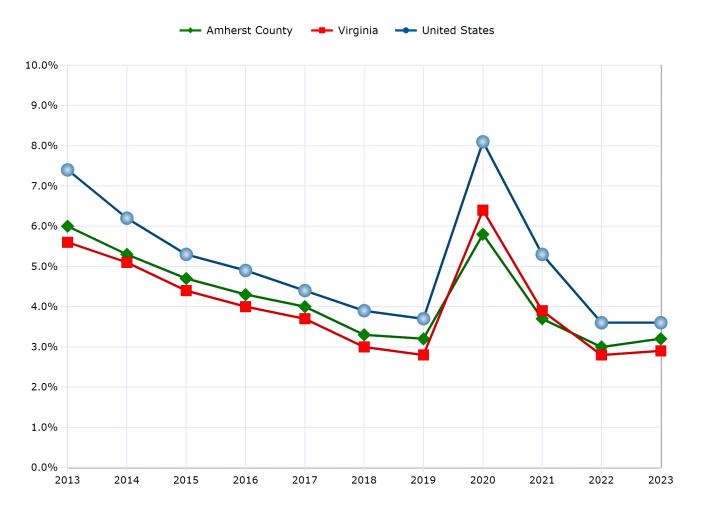
Unemployment insurance is a program for the accumulation of funds paid by employers to be used for the payment of unemployment insurance to workers during periods of unemployment which are beyond the workers' control. Unemployment insurance replaces a part of the worker's wage loss if he becomes eligible for payments.

#### **Unemployment Rate**

The number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labor force.

### **Unemployment Rates**

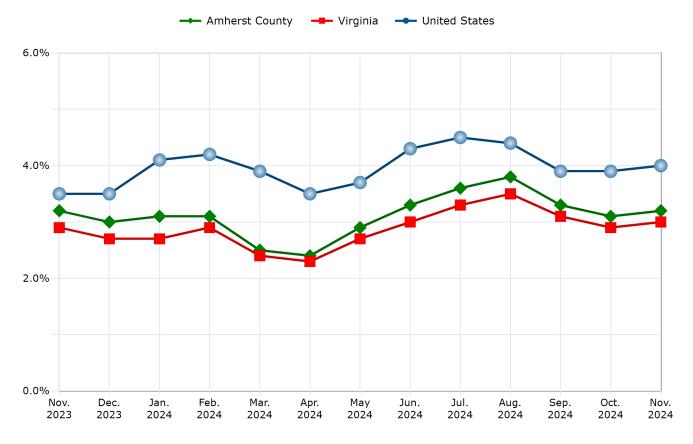
Trends



	Amherst County	Virginia	United States
2013	6.0%	5.6%	7.4%
2014	5.3%	5.1%	6.2%
2015	4.7%	4.4%	5.3%
2016	4.3%	4.0%	4.9%
2017	4.0%	3.7%	4.4%
2018	3.3%	3.0%	3.9%
2019	3.2%	2.8%	3.7%
2020	5.8%	6.4%	8.1%
2021	3.7%	3.9%	5.3%
2022	3.0%	2.8%	3.6%
2023	3.2%	2.9%	3.6%

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

# Unemployment Rates Past 12 Months



	Amherst County	Virginia	United States
Nov. 2023	3.2%	2.9%	3.5%
Dec. 2023	3.0%	2.7%	3.5%
Jan. 2024	3.1%	2.7%	4.1%
Feb. 2024	3.1%	2.9%	4.2%
Mar. 2024	2.5%	2.4%	3.9%
Apr. 2024	2.4%	2.3%	3.5%
May 2024	2.9%	2.7%	3.7%
Jun. 2024	3.3%	3.0%	4.3%
Jul. 2024	3.6%	3.3%	4.5%
Aug. 2024	3.8%	3.5%	4.4%
Sep. 2024	3.3%	3.1%	3.9%
Oct. 2024	3.1%	2.9%	3.9%
Nov. 2024	3.2%	3.0%	4.0%

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

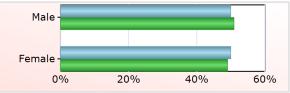
### Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

Total number of claimants: 78

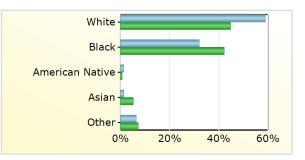
Amherst County - (78 claimants)

Virginia - (22,080 claimants)

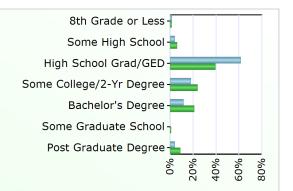
Gender	Amherst County	Virginia
Male	39	11,245
Female	39	10,835
Unspecified		



Race	Amherst County	Virginia
White	46	9,889
Black	25	9,318
American Native	1	136
Asian	1	1,141
Other	5	1,596
Other	5	1,5







Age	Amherst County	Virginia
Under 22 years	3	210
22 to 24 years	2	667
25 to 34 years	20	4,926
35 to 44 years	17	5,696
45 to 54 years	13	4,621
55 to 64 years	18	4,420
65 years and over	5	1,540
Unknown		

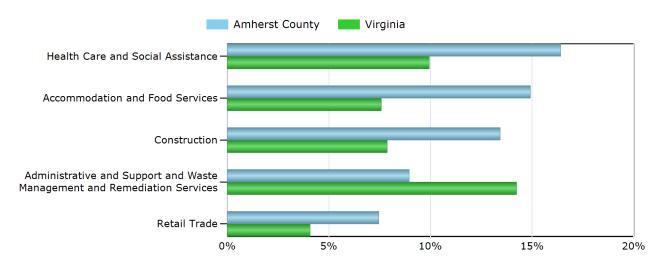
Education	Amherst County	Virginia
8th Grade or Less	1	241
Some High School	3	1,274
High School Grad/GED	48	8,676
Some College/2-Yr Degree	14	5,242
Bachelor's Degree	9	4,596
Some Graduate School		140
Post Graduate Degree	3	1,911
Unknown		

*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, December 2024.* 

### Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

Top 5 Industries With Largest Number of Claimants in Amherst County

(excludes unclassified)

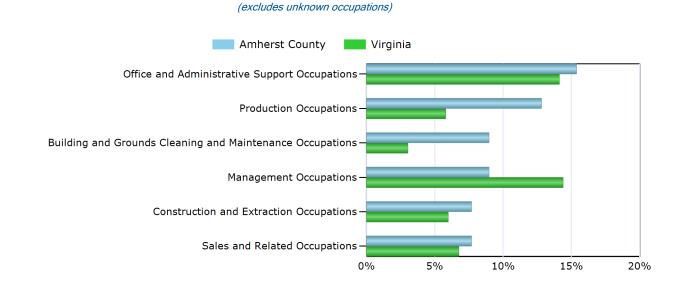


Industry	Amherst County	Virginia
Health Care and Social Assistance	11	1,927
Accommodation and Food Services	10	1,469
Construction	9	1,526
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	6	2,760
Retail Trade	5	790
Unclassified	5	2,017
Wholesale Trade	4	791
Finance and Insurance	4	1,043
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4	3,191
Educational Services	3	436
Manufacturing	2	658
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2	227
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1	425
Other Services (except Public Administration)	1	691
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting		56
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction		47
Utilities		35
Transportation and Warehousing		500
Information		521
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation		269

*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, December 2024.* 

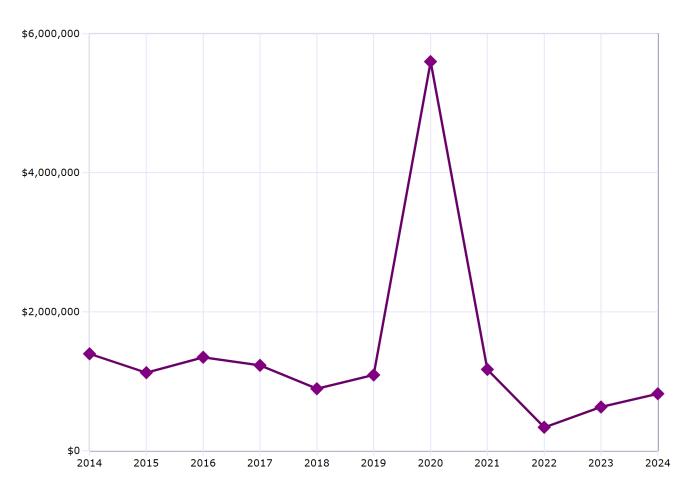
### Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

Top 5 Occupation Groups With Largest Number of Claimants in Amherst County



Occupation	Amherst County	Virginia
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	12	3,120
Production Occupations	10	1,279
Management Occupations	7	3,179
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	7	670
Sales and Related Occupations	6	1,494
Construction and Extraction Occupations	6	1,322
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	5	1,612
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	5	1,197
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	5	1,532
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	4	1,800
Community and Social Service Occupations	2	265
Personal Care and Service Occupations	2	361
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	2	746
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	1	514
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	1	274
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	1	484
Healthcare Support Occupations	1	665
Protective Service Occupations	1	329
Legal Occupations		102
Education, Training, and Library Occupations		325
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations		682
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations		58
Military Specific Occupations		70
Unknown Occupation Code		

*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, December 2024.* 

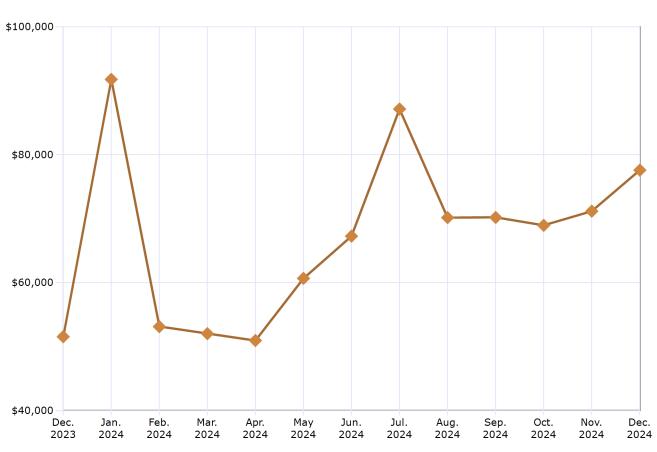


### **Unemployment Insurance Payments**

Trends

	Amherst County		Virgin	ia
	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid
2014	5,580	\$1,395,499	1,684,690	\$490,522,709
2015	4,508	\$1,124,418	1,198,476	\$351,290,100
2016	4,759	\$1,345,875	1,263,292	\$379,622,081
2017	4,372	\$1,229,574	1,114,650	\$336,664,624
2018	3,141	\$892,856	941,154	\$286,468,017
2019	3,631	\$1,090,849	867,371	\$269,014,541
2020	22,603	\$5,598,980	8,600,869	\$2,279,487,650
2021	4,300	\$1,170,860	1,601,885	\$458,078,646
2022	1,048	\$338,543	485,275	\$154,636,752
2023	1,915	\$629,939	685,711	\$232,048,074
2024	2,447	\$821,040	821,464	\$281,948,022

*Source: Virginia Employment Commission, Economic Information & Analytics, Unemployment Insurance Program.* 



### **Unemployment Insurance Payments**

Past 12 Months

	Amherst County		Virginia	a
	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid
Dec. 2023	148	\$51,550	53,438	\$18,388,408
Jan. 2024	285	\$91,774	70,590	\$24,188,826
Feb. 2024	154	\$53,129	62,778	\$21,583,220
Mar. 2024	166	\$52,028	66,855	\$22,896,885
Apr. 2024	160	\$50,956	75,006	\$25,745,119
May 2024	185	\$60,670	66,516	\$22,761,380
Jun. 2024	208	\$67,269	64,890	\$22,080,282
Jul. 2024	254	\$87,143	80,613	\$27,334,000
Aug. 2024	212	\$70,166	63,203	\$21,616,052
Sep. 2024	198	\$70,191	68,088	\$23,491,779
Oct. 2024	197	\$68,958	67,422	\$23,284,282
Nov. 2024	211	\$71,169	61,340	\$21,217,752
Dec. 2024	217	\$77,587	74,163	\$25,748,445

*Source: Virginia Works, Unemployment Insurance Program.* 

	Amherst County	Virginia
0 to 4 employees	535	203,822
5 to 9 employees	111	40,923
10 to 19 employees	58	30,400
20 to 49 employees	48	22,721
50 to 99 employees	8	7,659
100 to 249 employees	10	4,107
250 to 499 employees	6	1,098
500 to 999 employees	1	365
1000 and over employees	0	270
	777	311,365

#### **Employment by Size of Establishment**

	Amherst County	Virginia
0 to 4 employees	776	265,127
5 to 9 employees	729	271,975
10 to 19 employees	776	413,114
20 to 49 employees	1,369	684,395
50 to 99 employees	529	525,857
100 to 249 employees	1,344	607,274
250 to 499 employees	1,780	375,907
500 to 999 employees	751	250,288
1000 and over employees	0	718,538
	8,054	4,112,475

Note: Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate non-disclosable data.

'Zero; no employment' typically represents new startup firms or sole-proprietorships.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,

Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.

### 50 Largest Employers

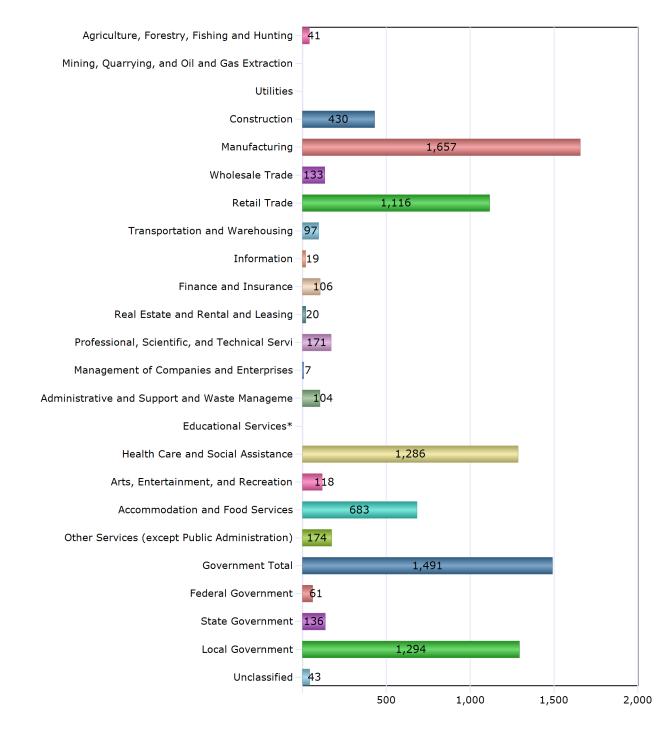
- 1. Amherst County School Board
- 2. Air & Liquid Systems Corp
- 3. County of Amherst
- 4. Glad Manufacturing Company
- 5. Sweet Briar College
- 6. Greif Packaging LLC
- 7. Wal Mart
- 8. Johnson Health Center
- 9. Food Lion
- 10. Caterpillar Clubhouse
- 11. Fairmont Crossing Health & Rehabilitation Center
- 12. Lowes' Home Centers, Inc.
- 13. Residential Care
- 14. Eckerd Connects
- 15. Commercial Steel Erection
- 16. Bedford County Adult Detention
- 17. S & S Machine
- 18. Cooper Steel Of Virginia LLC
- 19. Lasermarx Inc
- 20. The H.T. Hackney Company
- 21. Hoppmann Corporation
- 22. Central Virginia Community Services
- 23. Postal Service
- 24. Cowan Systems LLC
- 25. Green Leaf Golf Club

- 26. Mcdonalds
- 27. Meriwether Godsey
- 28. Quik E Food Stores
- 29. Cascio & Sons Construction, Inc.
- 30. Hermle Black Forest Clocks
- 31. Hardee's
- 32. McDonald's
- 33. VDOT
- 34. Black Box Network Svcs
- 35. Winton
- 36. Centra Health
- 37. Vitos Pizza & Italian Grill
- 38. CVS Pharmacy
- 39. La Carreta
- 40. Taco Bell
- 41. Motor World LLC
- 42. Integrated Technology Group
- 43. Jamison Metals
- 44. Town of Amherst
- 45. Amherst County Service Au
- 46. Dolgencorp LLC
- 47. Heartpine Company LLC
- 48. Higgins Engineering Inc
- 49. Hudson Payne Elec Corp
- 50. Sbi

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.



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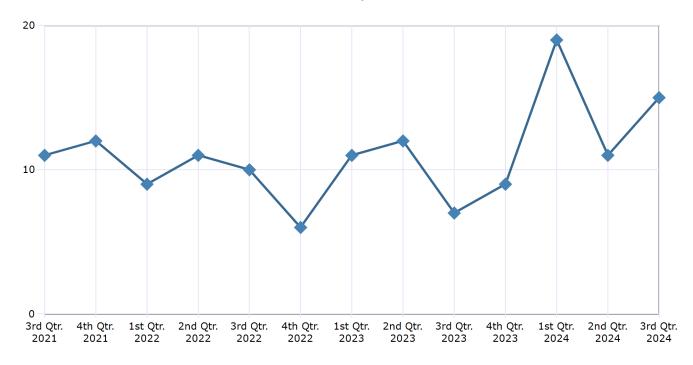


### Employment by Industry

#### Total: 8,056

Note: Asterisk (\*) indicates non-disclosable data.

*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.* 



New	Startup	Firms
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	Amherst County	Virginia
3rd Qtr. 2021	11	4,948
4th Qtr. 2021	12	3,960
1st Qtr. 2022	9	5,291
2nd Qtr. 2022	11	4,993
3rd Qtr. 2022	10	4,839
4th Qtr. 2022	6	4,162
1st Qtr. 2023	11	5,308
2nd Qtr. 2023	12	4,204
3rd Qtr. 2023	7	4,472
4th Qtr. 2023	9	4,454
1st Qtr. 2024	19	5,789
2nd Qtr. 2024	11	4,468
3rd Qtr. 2024	15	3,731

Note: The following criteria was used to define new startup firms:

1.) Setup and liability date both occurred during 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024

2.) Establishment had no predecessor UI Account Number

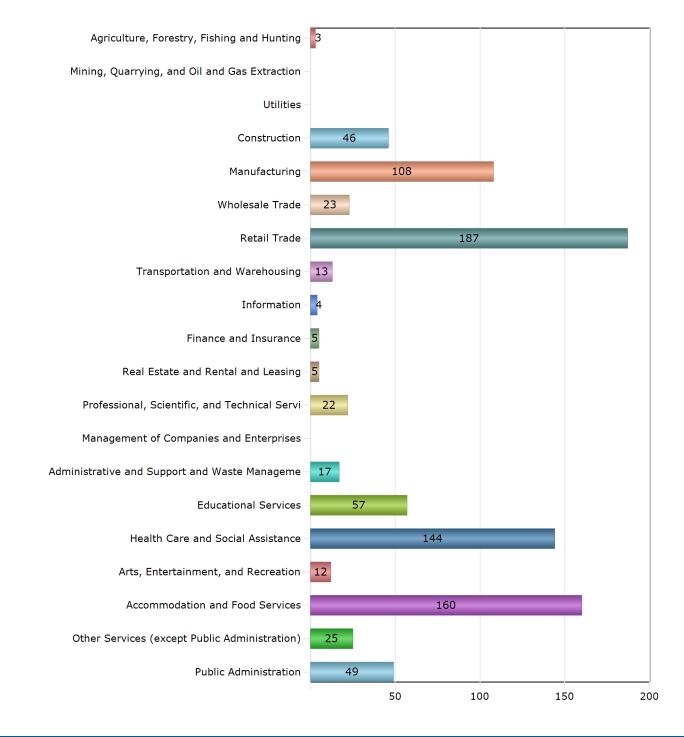
3.) Private Ownership

4.) Average employment is less than 250

5.) For multi-unit establishments, the parent company must also meet the above criteria.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,

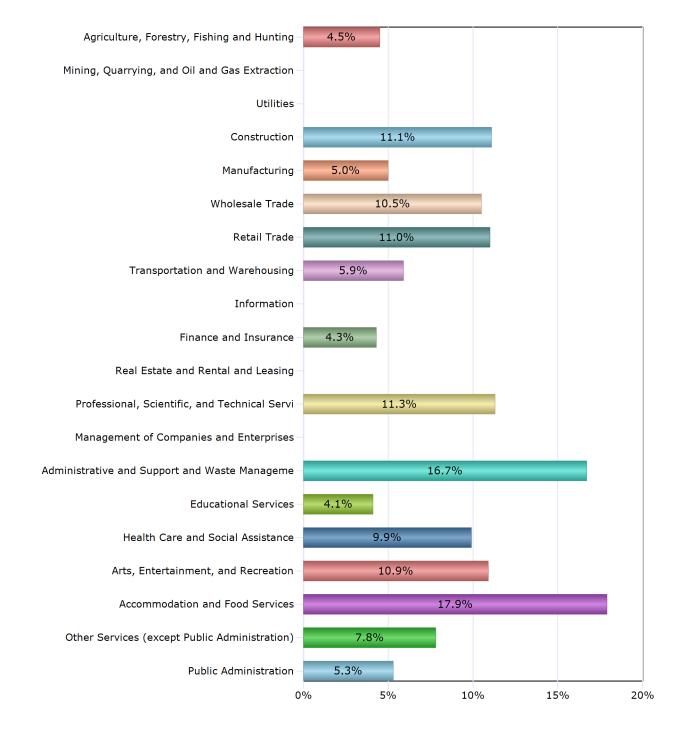
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### New Hires by Industry

#### **Total: 880**

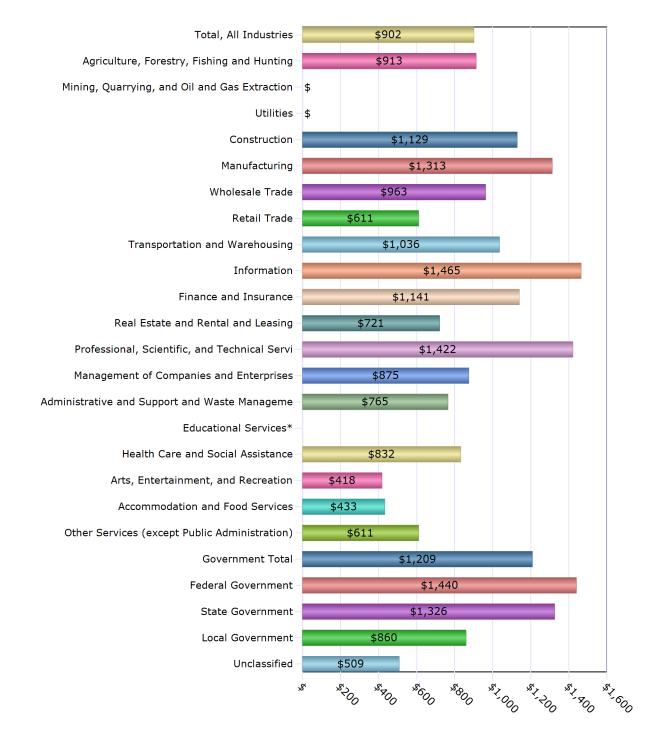
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Program, 1st Quarter (January, February, March) 2024, all ownerships.



### Turnover by Industry

#### Average: 9.1%

*Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Program, 4th Quarter (October, November, December) 2023, all ownerships.* 



### Average Weekly Wage by Industry

Note: Asterisk (\*) indicates non-disclosable data.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.

### Age of Workers by Industry

	14-18	19-21	22-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
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Total, All Industries	309	548	470	1,497	1,525	1,515	1,516	784
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting				6	3	7	10	6
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction								
Utilities								
Construction	11	27	27	119	105	106	81	47
Manufacturing	24	60	52	261	290	350	364	106
Wholesale Trade	4	7	7	41	28	43	34	14
Retail Trade	72	114	96	230	218	190	197	114
Transportation and Warehousing		3		16	17	28	42	23
Information				7	9	13	11	13
Finance and Insurance			4	15	25	24	21	11
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing				3	5	5	5	4
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi	3	6	20	33	42	30	33	20
Management of Companies and Enterprises				6	5	3	4	
Administrative and Support and Waste Manageme	3	4	7	15	18	27	22	9
Educational Services	14	141	83	168	193	234	257	124
Health Care and Social Assistance	50	82	85	303	291	226	214	121
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	12	10	5	6	8	14	17	9
Accommodation and Food Services	102	70	44	121	117	73	70	32
Other Services (except Public Administration)	7	6	10	30	41	34	32	26
Public Administration	4	12	25	111	107	103	94	102

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,

Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Program, 1st Quarter (January, February, March) 2024, all ownerships.

# -What is LED?-

Developed by the U.S. Census Bureau, the Local Employment Dynamics (LED) program merges Virginia's Unemployment Compensation wage and employer records with Census demographic data. Read more about LED on the following website:



http://lehd.did.census.gov/led/

### **Industry Employment and Projections**

		Employment		Percen	t		
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	Change	Total	Annual		
Total, All Industries	99,401	104,970	5,569	5.6%	.55%		
Total Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers	5,544	5,385	-159	-2.87%	29%		
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	863	946	83	9.62%	.92%		
Mining	***	***	***		***		
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	***	***	***		***		
Utilities	***	***	***		***		
Construction	5,358	5,598	240	4.48%	.44%		
Manufacturing	13,728	14,724	996	7.26%	.7%		
Wholesale Trade	3,349	4,040	691	20.63%	1.89%		
Retail Trade	12,466	11,527	-939	-7.53%	78%		
Transportation and Warehousing	***	***	***		***		
Information	639	401	-238	-37.25%	-4.55%		
Finance and Insurance	3,197	3,452	255	7.98%	.77%		
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,145	1,064	-81	-7.07%	73%		
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	5,048	5,902	854	16.92%	1.58%		
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,272	1,395	123	9.67%	.93%		
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	4,456	4,893	437	9.81%	.94%		
Educational Services	7,526	8,482	956	12.7%	1.2%		
Health Care and Social Assistance	16,011	16,258	247	1.54%	.15%		
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1,102	1,517	415	37.66%	3.25%		
Accommodation and Food Services	7,424	8,601	1,177	15.85%	1.48%		
Other Services (except Public Administration)	2,686	2,881	195	7.26%	.7%		
Unclassified	5,141	5,311	170	3.31%	.33%		

Long Term (Period= 30)

*Note: Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate non-disclosable data. Projections data is for Central Region (LWDA VII). No data available for Amherst County.* 

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030.

### **Industry Employment and Projections**

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		Employment		Percen	t
	Estimated 2023	Projected 2025	Change	Total	Annual
Total, All Industries	4,226,956	4,296,812	69,856	1.65%	.82%
Total Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers	239,513	241,252	1,739	.73%	.36%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	***	***	***	***	***
Mining	***	***	***	***	***
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	***	***	***	***	***
Utilities	***	***	***	***	***
Construction	209,584	213,530	3,946	1.88%	.94%
Manufacturing	245,235	247,714	2,479	1.01%	.5%
Wholesale Trade	113,897	116,115	2,218	1.95%	.97%
Retail Trade	392,138	392,340	202	.05%	.03%
Transportation and Warehousing	***	***	***	***	***
Information	70,361	70,652	291	.41%	.21%
Finance and Insurance	146,669	151,031	4,362	2.97%	1.48%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	58,218	58,714	496	.85%	.43%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	466,794	481,278	14,484	3.1%	1.54%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	87,697	89,808	2,111	2.41%	1.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	248,458	255,074	6,616	2.66%	1.32%
Educational Services	371,820	373,352	1,532	.41%	.21%
Health Care and Social Assistance	483,528	506,605	23,077	4.77%	2.36%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	54,620	51,914	-2,706	-4.95%	-2.51%
Accommodation and Food Services	334,821	341,070	6,249	1.87%	.93%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	130,750	132,292	1,542	1.18%	.59%
Unclassified	403,403	407,459	4,056	1.01%	.5%

#### Short Term (Period= 25)

Note: Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate non-disclosable data. Projections data is for Virginia Statewide. No data available for Amherst County.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Short Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2023-2025.

### **Occupation Employment and Projections**

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		Employment			Openings	
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	% Change	Replace -ments	Growth	Total
Total, All Occupations	99,401	104,970	5.6%	112,830	5,569	118,399
Management Occupations	3,983	4,456	11.88%	3,331	473	3,804
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	4,092	4,404	7.62%	3,618	312	3,930
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	2,164	2,616	20.89%	1,653	452	2,105
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	1,849	2,101	13.63%	1,408	252	1,660
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	859	931	8.38%	878	72	950
Community and Social Service Occupations	1,640	1,754	6.95%	1,624	114	1,738
Legal Occupations	400	391	-2.25%	260	-9	251
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	5,131	5,824	13.51%	4,758	693	5,451
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	777	806	3.73%	841	29	870
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	7,332	7,122	-2.86%	3,961	-210	3,751
Healthcare Support Occupations	4,723	5,276	11.71%	6,039	553	6,592
Protective Service Occupations	1,867	2,015	7.93%	2,200	148	2,348
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	7,621	8,677	13.86%	14,932	1,056	15,988
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	3,162	3,292	4.11%	4,130	130	4,260
Personal Care and Service Occupations	2,033	2,377	16.92%	3,092	344	3,436
Sales and Related Occupations	11,715	11,129	-5%	14,926	-586	14,340
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	11,542	11,245	-2.57%	12,515	-297	12,218
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	655	712	8.7%	1,051	57	1,108
Construction and Extraction Occupations	4,979	5,256	5.56%	5,026	277	5,303
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	4,438	4,890	10.18%	4,381	452	4,833
Production Occupations	9,460	10,074	6.49%	10,624	614	11,238
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	8,979	9,622	7.16%	11,582	643	12,225

Long Term (Period= 30)

Note: Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate non-disclosable data.

Projections data is for Central Region (LWDA VII). No data available for Amherst County.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030.

### **Occupation Employment and Projections**

		Employment			Openings	
	Estimated 2023	Projected 2025	% Change	Replace -ments	Growth	Total
Total, All Occupations	4,226,956	4,296,812	1.65%	903,342	69,856	973,198
Management Occupations	271,790	277,047	1.93%	40,622	5,257	45,879
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	396,510	406,369	2.49%	63,465	9,859	73,324
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	253,187	262,168	3.55%	29,623	8,981	38,604
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	72,159	74,140	2.75%	9,599	1,981	11,580
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	44,793	45,957	2.6%	7,291	1,164	8,455
Community and Social Service Occupations	67,587	70,713	4.63%	11,503	3,126	14,629
Legal Occupations	40,254	40,809	1.38%	5,587	555	6,142
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	250,506	252,080	.63%	43,776	1,574	45,350
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	65,102	65,340	.37%	12,538	238	12,776
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	235,513	244,715	3.91%	26,483	9,202	35,685
Healthcare Support Occupations	146,774	156,357	6.53%	43,310	9,583	52,893
Protective Service Occupations	105,590	107,295	1.61%	24,716	1,705	26,421
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	321,247	328,169	2.15%	123,703	6,922	130,625
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	140,331	142,421	1.49%	37,690	2,090	39,780
Personal Care and Service Occupations	104,727	103,787	9%	35,549	-940	34,609
Sales and Related Occupations	384,811	384,834	.01%	99,237	23	99,260
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	461,209	459,848	3%	104,749	-1,361	103,388
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	6,332	6,395	.99%	1,826	63	1,889
Construction and Extraction Occupations	194,320	198,526	2.16%	33,351	4,206	37,557
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	166,854	169,505	1.59%	29,240	2,651	31,891
Production Occupations	173,509	174,336	.48%	37,316	827	38,143
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	323,851	326,001	.66%	82,168	2,150	84,318

Short Term (Period= 25)

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*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Short Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2023-2025.* 

### **Growth Occupations**

		Employment			Openings		
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	% Change	Replace -ments	Growth	Total	Average Annual Salary
Sewers, Hand	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Multiple Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Logisticians	86	134	55.81%	94	48	142	\$74,890
Printing Press Operators	314	464	47.77%	415	150	565	\$40,320
Cooks, Restaurant	379	549	44.85%	670	170	840	\$31,770
Nurse Practitioners	267	384	43.82%	170	117	287	\$113,780
Amusement and Recreation Attendants	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Packers and Packagers, Hand	147	203	38.1%	242	56	298	\$32,890
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Self-Enrichment Education Teachers	101	133	31.68%	133	32	165	\$44,880
Coaches and Scouts	118	151	27.97%	184	33	217	\$49,530
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	572	729	27.45%	551	157	708	\$59,170
Chemical Technicians	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Physical Therapist Assistants	132	167	26.52%	177	35	212	\$65,970
Industrial Production Managers	136	171	25.74%	102	35	137	\$117,660
Logging Equipment Operators	121	152	25.62%	204	31	235	\$47,280
Speech-Language Pathologists	86	107	24.42%	57	21	78	\$82,220
Financial Managers	201	250	24.38%	159	49	208	\$155,120
Lifeguards, Ski Patrol, and Other Recreational Protective Service Workers	170	211	24.12%	473	41	514	\$27,420
Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A

Note: Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate non-disclosable data. Projections and OES wage data are for Central Region (LWDA VII). No data available for Amherst County.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) Survey, 2023.

### **Declining Occupations**

		Employment			Openings	
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	% Change	Replace -ments	Growth	Total
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	***	***	***	***	***	***
Interviewers, Except Eligibility and Loan	188	159	-15.43%	212	-29	183
Surgical Technologists	***	***	***	***	***	***
Cashiers	3,055	2,653	-13.16%	5,160	-402	4,758
Postal Service Mail Carriers	203	177	-12.81%	134	-26	108
Registered Nurses	2,468	2,167	-12.2%	1,201	-301	900
Couriers and Messengers	178	157	-11.8%	160	-21	139
Respiratory Therapists	112	99	-11.61%	50	-13	37
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	1,175	1,047	-10.89%	1,185	-128	1,057
Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	756	681	-9.92%	846	-75	771
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	1,374	1,241	-9.68%	1,368	-133	1,235
Radiologic Technologists	201	184	-8.46%	136	-17	119
Childcare Workers	345	322	-6.67%	457	-23	434
Brickmasons and Blockmasons	129	122	-5.43%	117	-7	110
Retail Salespersons	2,950	2,791	-5.39%	3,976	-159	3,817
Claims Adjusters, Examiners, and Investigators	***	***	***	***	***	***
Real Estate Brokers	***	***	***	***	***	***
Cooks, Fast Food	***	***	***	***	***	***
Textile Knitting and Weaving Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	***	***	***	***	***	***
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	***	***	***	***	***	***

Note: Asterisks (\*\*\*) indicate non-disclosable data. Projections data is for Central Region (LWDA VII). No data available for Amherst County.

*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030.* 

### Consumer Price Index (CPI)

#### All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Ann.	% chg
2014	233.916	234.781	236.293	237.072	237.900	238.343	238.250	237.852	238.031	237.433	236.151	234.812	236.736	1.6
2015	233.707	234.722	236.119	236.599	237.805	238.638	238.654	238.316	237.945	237.838	237.336	236.525	237.017	0.1
2016	236.916	237.111	238.132	239.261	240.229	241.018	240.628	240.849	241.428	241.729	241.353	241.432	240.007	1.3
2017	242.839	243.603	243.801	244.524	244.733	244.955	244.786	245.519	246.819	246.663	246.669	246.524	245.120	2.1
2018	247.867	248.991	249.554	250.546	251.588	251.989	252.006	252.146	252.439	252.885	252.038	251.233	251.107	2.4
2019	251.712	252.776	254.202	255.548	256.092	256.143	256.571	256.558	256.759	257.346	257.208	256.974	255.657	1.8
2020	257.971	258.678	258.115	256.389	256.394	257.797	259.101	259.918	260.280	260.388	260.229	260.474	258.811	1.2
2021	261.582	263.014	264.877	267.054	269.195	271.696	273.003	273.567	274.310	276.589	277.948	278.802	270.970	4.7
2022	281.148	283.716	287.504	289.109	292.296	296.311	296.276	296.171	296.808	298.012	297.711	296.797	292.655	8.0
2023	299.170	300.840	301.836	303.363	304.127	305.109	305.691	307.026	307.789	307.671	307.051	306.746	304.702	4.1
2024	308.417	310.326	312.332	313.548	314.069	314.175	314.540	314.796	315.301	315.664	315.493	315.605	313.689	2.9

#### Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Ann.	% chg
2014	230.040	230.871	232.560	233.443	234.216	234.702	234.525	234.030	234.170	233.229	231.551	229.909	232.771	1.5
2015	228.294	229.421	231.055	231.520	232.908	233.804	233.806	233.366	232.661	232.373	231.721	230.791	231.810	-0.4
2016	231.061	230.972	232.209	233.438	234.436	235.289	234.771	234.904	235.495	235.732	235.215	235.390	234.076	1.0
2017	236.854	237.477	237.656	238.432	238.609	238.813	238.617	239.448	240.939	240.573	240.666	240.526	239.051	2.1
2018	241.919	242.988	243.463	244.607	245.770	246.196	246.155	246.336	246.565	247.038	245.933	244.786	245.146	2.5
2019	245.133	246.218	247.768	249.332	249.871	249.747	250.236	250.112	250.251	250.894	250.644	250.452	249.222	1.7
2020	251.361	251.935	251.375	249.515	249.521	251.054	252.636	253.597	254.004	254.076	253.826	254.081	252.248	1.2
2021	255.296	256.843	258.935	261.237	263.612	266.412	267.789	268.387	269.086	271.552	273.042	273.925	265.510	5.3
2022	276.296	278.943	283.176	284.575	288.022	292.542	292.219	291.629	291.854	293.003	292.495	291.051	287.984	8.5
2023	293.565	295.057	296.021	297.730	298.382	299.394	299.899	301.551	302.257	302.071	301.224	300.728	298.990	3.8
2024	302.201	304.284	306.502	307.811	308.163	308.054	308.501	308.640	309.046	309.358	308.998	309.067	307.552	2.9

Note: CPI data is for the United States only. No data available for Amherst County.

The CPI-U includes expenditures by urban wage earners and clerical workers, professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI-W only includes expenditures by those in hourly wage earning or clerical jobs.

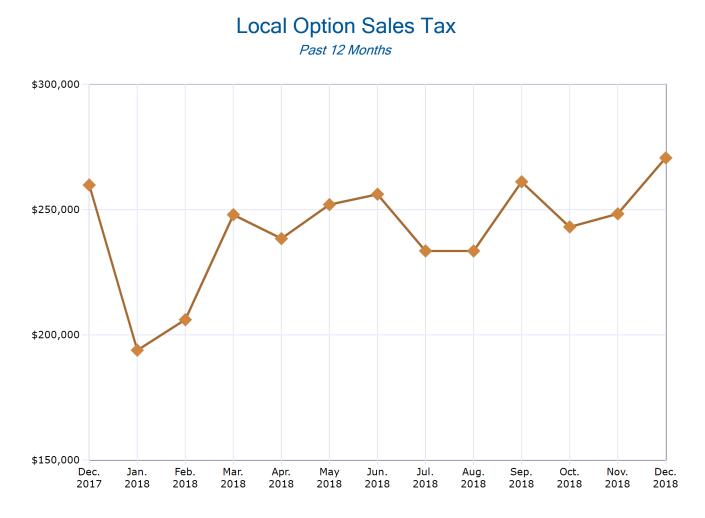
*Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Consumer Price Indexes (CPI) Program.* 



	Amherst County	Virginia
2008	\$2,900,238	\$1,032,815,078
2009	\$2,394,109	\$979,594,664
2010	\$2,430,962	\$992,820,512
2011	\$2,195,080	\$1,035,981,229
2012	\$2,299,695	\$1,080,663,042
2013	\$2,532,018	\$1,093,292,668
2014	\$2,496,574	\$1,131,194,860
2015	\$2,561,959	\$1,179,611,271
2016	\$2,695,756	\$1,202,257,995
2017	\$2,737,132	\$1,232,981,515
2018	\$2,884,820	\$1,282,022,261

Note: This data is based on Virginia sales tax revenues deposited, rather than the actual taxable sales figures as reported on a dealer's return.

*Source: Virginia Department of Taxation, Revenue Forecasting.* 



	Amherst County	Virginia
Dec. 2017	\$259,826	\$123,193,863
Jan. 2018	\$193,914	\$90,794,207
Feb. 2018	\$206,082	\$90,576,093
Mar. 2018	\$247,986	\$107,834,402
Apr. 2018	\$238,434	\$102,372,977
May 2018	\$252,018	\$110,211,496
Jun. 2018	\$256,162	\$112,529,037
Jul. 2018	\$233,527	\$107,211,401
Aug. 2018	\$233,500	\$109,428,585
Sep. 2018	\$261,123	\$105,468,340
Oct. 2018	\$243,108	\$107,742,243
Nov. 2018	\$248,317	\$112,348,128
Dec. 2018	\$270,649	\$125,505,352

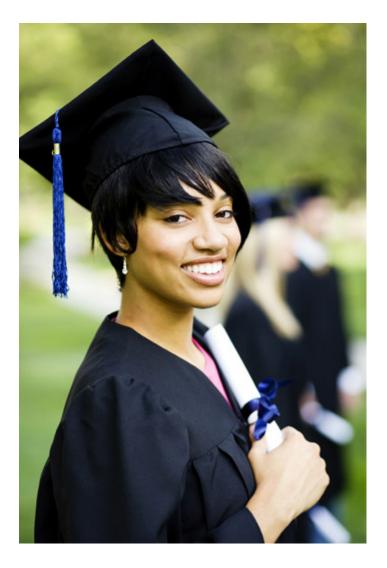
Note: This data is based on Virginia sales tax revenues deposited, rather than the actual taxable sales figures as reported on a dealer's return.

*Source: Virginia Department of Taxation, Revenue Forecasting.* 

# **IV. Education Profile**

#### Overview

The Education Profile for Amherst County provides an assortment of data collected from the United States Census Bureau and the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).



#### **Related Terms and Definitions**

#### Associate's degree

An award that normally requires at least two but less than four years of full-time equivalent college work.

#### Bachelor's degree

An award that normally requires at least four but not more than five years of full-time equivalent college-level work.

#### Post-baccalaureate certificate

An award that requires completion of an organized program of study equivalent to 18 semester credit hours beyond the bachelor's. It is designed for persons who have completed a bachelor's degree, but do not meet the requirements of a master's degree.

#### Master's degree

An award that requires the successful completion of a program of study of at least the full-time equivalent of one but not more than two academic years of work beyond the bachelor's degree.

#### **Post-master's certificate**

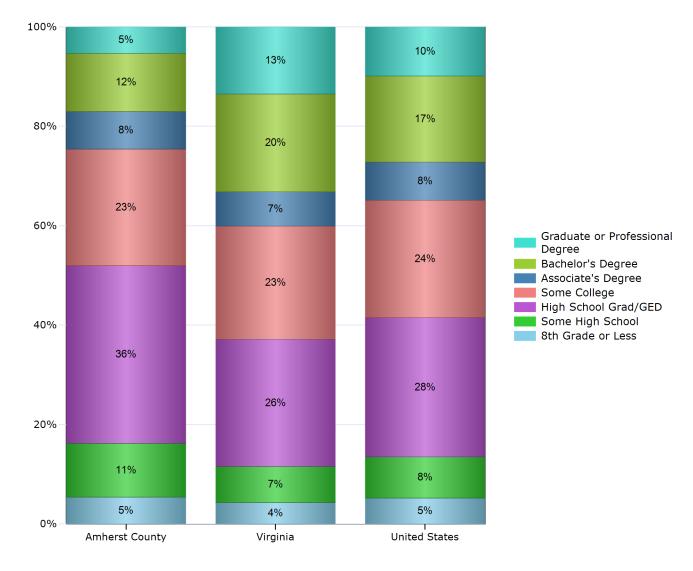
An award that requires completion of an organized program of study equivalent to 24 semester credit hours beyond the master's degree, but does not meet the requirements of academic degrees at the doctor's level.

#### **Doctor's degree**

The highest award a student can earn for graduate study.

#### First-professional degree

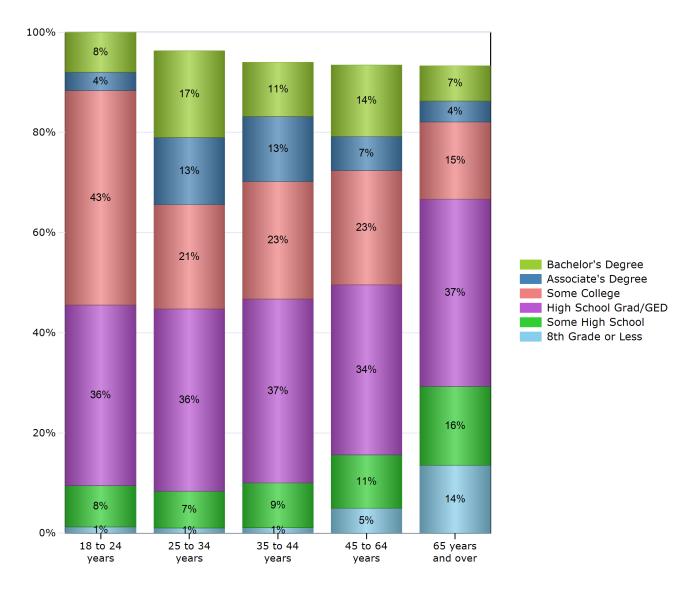
An award that requires completion of a program that meets all of the following criteria: (1) completion of the academic requirements to begin practice in the profession; (2) at least two years of college work prior to entering the program; and (3) a total of at least six academic years of college work to complete the degree program, including prior required college work plus the length of the professional program itself.



#### **Educational Attainment**

(Population 18 years and over)

	Amherst County	Virginia	United States
8th Grade or Less	1,381	275,329	12,639,425
Some High School	2,778	464,075	20,093,117
High School Grad/GED	9,144	1,633,105	68,044,371
Some College	6,003	1,457,887	57,431,237
Associate's Degree	1,935	440,219	18,586,866
Bachelor's Degree	3,000	1,258,661	42,027,629
Graduate or Professional Degree	1,360	862,686	24,008,551
	25,601	6,391,962	242,831,196

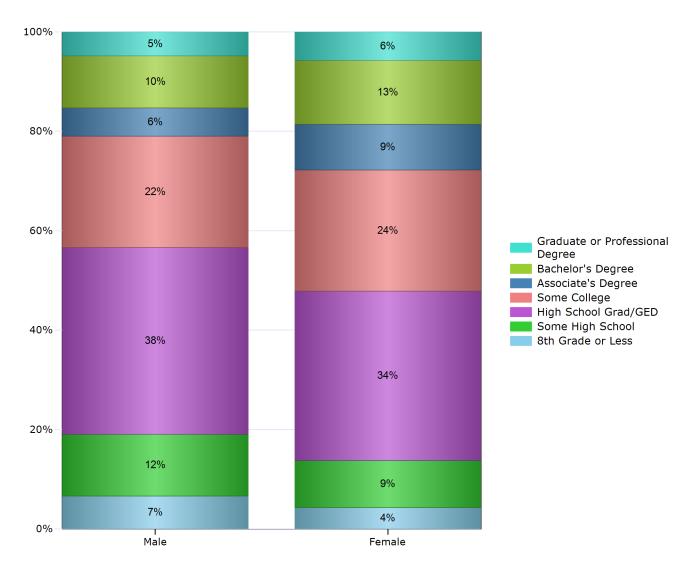


### Educational Attainment by Age

	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 64	65+	Total
8th Grade or Less	39	33	40	476	793	1,381
Some High School	261	237	337	1,020	923	2,778
High School Grad/GED	1,142	1,176	1,384	3,253	2,189	9,144
Some College	1,356	673	884	2,187	903	6,003
Associate's Degree	116	433	490	651	245	1,935
Bachelor's Degree	252	560	408	1,367	413	3,000
Graduate or Professional Degree		119	225	625	391	1,360
	3,166	3,231	3,768	9,579	5,857	25,601

### Educational Attainment by Gender

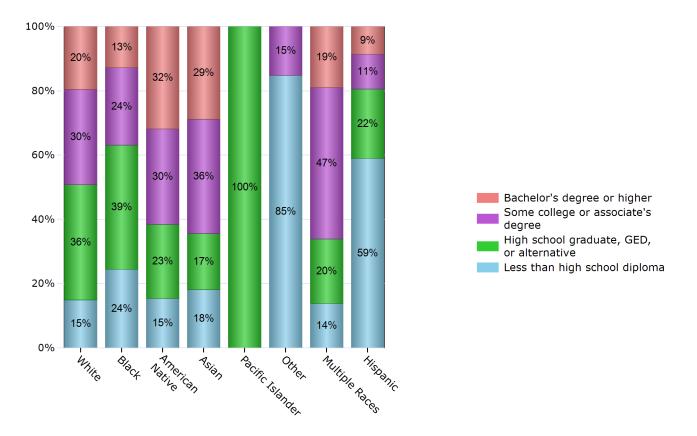
(Population 18 years and over)



	Male	Female	Total
8th Grade or Less	797	584	1,381
Some High School	1,491	1,287	2,778
High School Grad/GED	4,515	4,629	9,144
Some College	2,695	3,308	6,003
Associate's Degree	682	1,253	1,935
Bachelor's Degree	1,257	1,743	3,000
Graduate or Professional Degree	581	779	1,360
	12,018	13,583	25,601



(Population 25 years and over)



	Less than high school diploma	High school grad, GED, or alternative	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree or higher	Tota
ce					
White	2,626	6,324	5,220	3,452	17,622
Black or African American	980	1,551	966	515	4,012
American Indian or Alaska Native	14	21	27	29	91
Asian	27	26	53	43	149
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	7	0	0	7
Other	162	0	29	0	191
Multiple Races	50	73	171	69	363
nicity					
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	218	80	40	32	370
	4,077	8,082	6,506	4,140	22,805

### Graduate Data Trends

#### Amherst County

	Cert. <1 yr.	Cert. 1-2 yrs.	Assoc.	Cert. 2-4 yrs.	ВА	Cert. Post-BA	МА	Cert. Post-MA	Ph.D.	1st Prof.
2006					150		14			
2007					115		6			
2008					126		10			
2009					129		13			
2010					141		6			
2011					141		8			
2012					160		11			
2013					101		9			
2016					106		1			

Note: This table only reflects degrees completed from institutions within Amherst County

#### Virginia Statewide

	Cert. <1 yr.	Cert. 1-2 yrs.	Assoc.	Cert. 2-4 yrs.	ВА	Cert. Post-BA	МА	Cert. Post-MA	Ph.D.	1st Prof.
2006	4,213	4,298	14,431	102	39,247	608	12,429	225	1,440	2,490
2007	4,478	3,686	15,519	116	40,381	650	12,781	252	1,516	2,626
2008	5,197	3,813	16,207	134	39,160	725	13,802	334	1,080	2,168
2009	6,259	4,587	17,179	85	40,233	756	15,445	300	925	2,064
2010	7,648	8,158	21,014	374	45,361	915	18,889	601	2,100	2,598
2011	6,972	12,557	24,306	473	49,109	1,055	20,697	727	2,329	2,658
2012	8,825	12,801	26,199	620	53,051	1,215	21,516	686	2,095	3,298
2013	8,153	12,179	25,854	484	54,778	1,067	22,782	706	2,230	2,963
2016	8,643	11,912	25,125	608	61,852	2,032	24,717	640	2,328	2,931

*Source: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences (IES).* 

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#### **Central Virginia Community College**

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Randolph College 2500 Rivermont Ave Lynchburg, VA 24503 Phone: (434) 947-8000 http://www.randolphcollege.edu Number of 2016 graduates: 163

#### Sweet Briar College

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#### Lynchburg General Hosp. Sch of Nursing 905 Lakeside Dr., Suite A Lynchburg, VA 24501

Phone: (434) 200-3070 http://centracon.edu Number of 2016 graduates: 80

#### Legends Institute

3405 Candlers Mountain Rd. #g360 Lynchburg, VA 24502 Phone: (434) 385-7722 http://smiha.edu Number of 2016 graduates: 43

#### Miller-Motte Technical College

1011 Creekside Lane Lynchburg, VA 24502 Phone: (434) 239-5222

http://www.miller-motte.edu/

Number of 2016 graduates: 154

*Source: U.S. Department of Education, Institute of Education Sciences (IES), 2016.*