

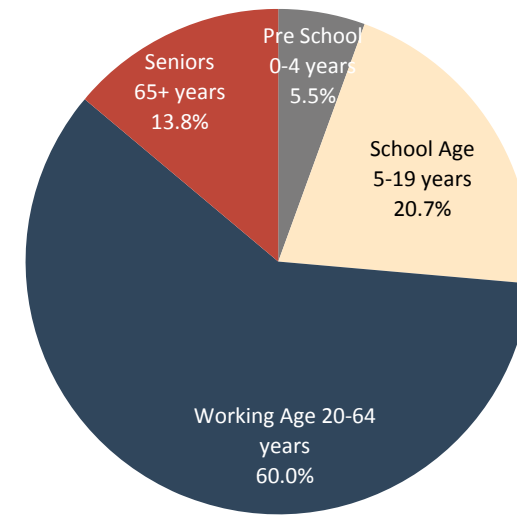
Monmouth County

Median Age (2010): 41.3

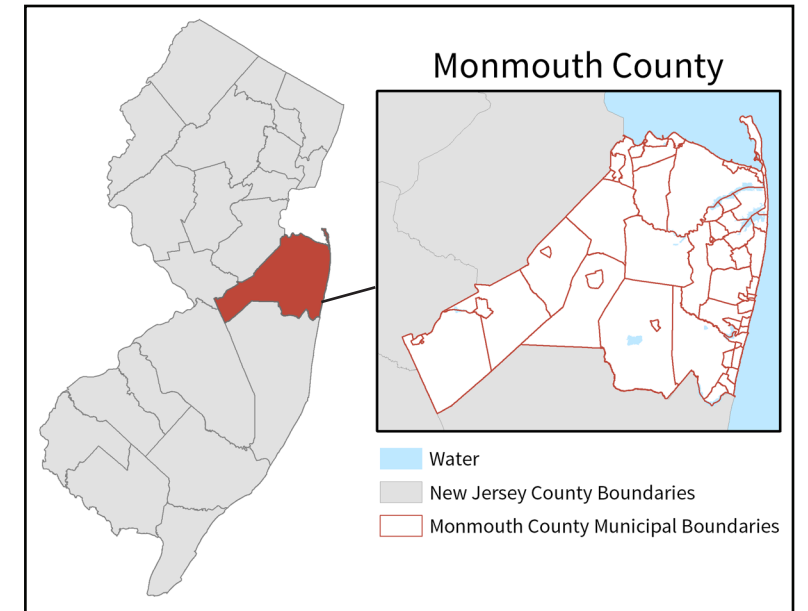
Monmouth County is the most northern county along the Jersey Shore and is part of the New York Metropolitan region. With a population of 630,380 (2010), it's the fifth most populous county in the State of New Jersey and is ranked 38th among highest-income counties in the United States. Monmouth County's 472 square miles of land is home to 53 municipalities, ranging in size from 0.1 square miles to 62.1 square miles, with populations ranging from 380 to 68,000 individuals, the majority of whom live within 5 miles of the 27-mile coastline. The County Seat is Freehold Borough, located in central Monmouth County near State Routes 9 and 33. Monmouth County is accessible by rail, through the North Jersey Coast Line, and bus routes within the County and to New York City.



Hall of Records in Freehold Borough



Age Composition 2010



Topical Planning Issues

Monmouth County Division of Planning is in the process of updating its first comprehensive master plan in over 30 years. Expected to be adopted in 2016, the Monmouth County Master Plan has twelve elements, which can be viewed by clicking the link below. Each chapter describes existing conditions within the County specific to that element, emerging issues and long range challenges, best management practices, stakeholder actions, and resources and funding opportunities. For additional information on the County Master Plan, visit: <https://co.monmouth.nj.us/page.aspx?ID=4197>.

In 2015, the Division of Planning initiated an annual insight report series beginning with "Measuring Monmouth County's Creative Economy," a white paper examining the economic contributions and employee size of both for profit and nonprofit creative and cultural industries. The Division of Planning continues to work alongside County OEM to provide assistance to municipalities interested in joining or improving their classification within the Community Rating System (CRS) program. Other current planning projects include assisting Brookdale Community College with enrollment data and analysis, partnering with the Division of Economic Development with their Grown in Monmouth initiative, and providing various County departments and municipalities with Geographic Information System (GIS) mapping and spatial analysis. Additionally, through the diligent efforts of the Monmouth County Board of Chosen Freeholder's leadership and the local legislative delegation, the critical dredging of the Shark River Channel is advancing. The substantial project includes dredging approximately 102,000 cubic yards of sediment out of the state channel to allow safe passage. A kickoff ceremony launching the project was held in October 2015.

Median Household Income: \$85,605
Median Housing Value: \$386,900
Median Rent: \$1,115/month

Source: 2010-2014 ACS

Land Use

	Assessed Acreage	Percent
Residential	96,057.4	34.6%
Apartment	1,762.0	0.6%
Commercial	17,067.4	6.1%
Industrial	2,957.5	1.1%
Farmland	51,950.1	18.7%
Vacant	20,019.7	7.2%
Public	57,916.9	20.9%
Public School	4,130.8	1.5%
Other School	683.7	0.2%
Church	1,797.4	0.6%
Cemetery	1,177.1	0.4%
Rail	302.3	0.1%
Other Exempt	9,624.2	3.5%
Unknown	12,319.2	4.4%

Source: Monmouth County Board of Taxation (2015)

Demographics

Total Population	
Year	Number
1980	503,173
1990	553,124
2000	615,301
2010	630,380

2010 Race and Ethnicity		
	Number	Percent
White	520,716	82.6%
Black	46,443	7.4%
Asian	31,258	5.0%
Other	31,963	5.1%
Hispanic Origin	60,939	9.7%

Educational Attainment

25 Years and Older (2010-2014)		
	Number	Percent
No high school degree	32,302	7.4%
High school graduate only	111,761	25.8%
Some college or associate's	107,458	24.8%
Bachelor's or grad. degree	182,249	42.0%

Housing

Housing Characteristics (2010-2014)		
	Number	Percent
Total	259,572	100.0%
Owner-Occupied	174,727	67.3%
Renter-Occupied	59,003	22.7%
Vacant	25,842	10.0%
Seasonal	10,960	

Avg. Household Size 2.66

Housing Units (2010-2014)		
	Number	Percent
Single Detached	172,370	66.4%
Single Attached	19,783	7.6%
2-4 Units	17,764	6.8%
5-9 Units	10,669	4.1%
10+ Units	36,091	13.9%
Mobile Homes & Other	2,895	

Taxes

Average Residential Property Tax (2014)	\$8,337
Net Valuation (2015)	107.16 billion

Employment

Place of Employment (2010-2014)		
	Number	Percent
Employed in Monmouth Co.	183,223	61.1%
Employed outside Monmouth Co.	116,596	38.9%

Type of Employment (2010-2014)

	Number	Percent
Mgmt, business, science, arts	132,889	43.4%
Service	47,780	16%
Sales, office	78,721	25.7%
Natural resources, construction, maintenance	23,337	7.6%
Production, transportation, materials, moving	23,185	7.6%

2014 Resident Unemployment

Number	19,569
Percent	6.0%