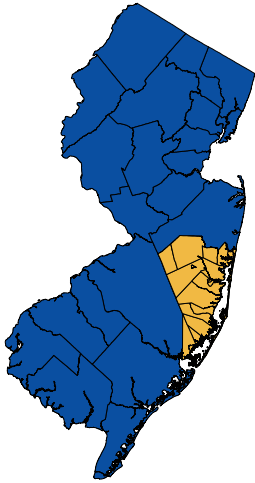


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Employment and Wages¹

Total Private Sector Employment (2020 Average Annual): 132,985

Percent of N.J. Total: 4.1%

2015-2020 Employment Change: -576 or +0.4%

Largest Industry (2020 Average Annual): Health Care and Social Assistance

Employment (2020 Average Annual): 33,814

Percent of Total County Employment: 25.4%

Private Sector Wage (2020 Average Annual): County: \$46,821 NJ: \$74,085

Rank Among NJ Counties: 20

2015-2020 Change: +\$7,923 or +20.4%

Demographics²

Population (April 1, 2020 Census): 637,229

Percent of N.J. Total: 6.9%

Persons Per Square Mile: 1,014.2

Most Populous Municipality (2020 Census): Lakewood Population: 135,158

Total Households: 226,160

Average Household Size: County: 2.61 persons NJ: 2.69 persons

Population Characteristics³

Veterans: 35,973

High School Graduate or Higher, 25 Years and Over (%): County: 92.0% NJ: 89.8%

Bachelor's Degree or Higher, 25 Years and Over (%): County: 30.0% NJ: 39.7%

Persons Below Poverty Level, Under 18 Years (%): County: 16.2% NJ: 14.0%

Median Age: County: 42.7 Years NJ: 39.9 Years

Economic Characteristics⁴

Per Capita Personal Income (2019): County: \$53,139 NJ: \$70,471

Rank Among NJ Counties: 17

Unemployment Rate: (2020 Annual Average): County: 9.5% NJ: 9.8%

Total Residential Building Permits (2020): 3,625

Single-Family Residential Building Permits (2020): 3,108

Average Travel Time to Work: County: 31.2 Minutes NJ: 32.2 Minutes

Percent of Households with an Internet Subscription Service: County: 82.2% NJ: 86.1%

Percent of Residents with Health Insurance Coverage: 94.4%

Percent with Private Health Insurance: 70.5%

Percent with Public Health Insurance: 41.9%



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Sources:

¹New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development, *Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages*

Note: Rankings based on data for industries that is published in accordance with guidelines issued by the Bureau of Labor Statistics

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⁴U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, *New Jersey Department of Labor and Workforce Development Division of Economic and Demographic Research, U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey 2019 5-Year Estimates, and U.S. Census Bureau Manufacturing and Construction Division*

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