

## HAMPTON ROADS COMPARED TO OTHER REGIONS

South Hampton Roads constitutes two thirds of the whole Hampton Roads region. The federal government calls this region the Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News Virginia-North Carolina Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA). In addition to the six South Hampton Roads jurisdictions of Chesapeake, Isle of Wight County, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk and Virginia Beach, the MSA contains the Peninsula jurisdictions of Gloucester County, James City County, Mathews County, Surry County, York County, Hampton, Newport News, Poquoson, Williamsburg (all in Virginia), and Currituck County, North Carolina. The federal government publishes many statistics for MSAs. This larger geography for Hampton Roads is used here to show how this region compares to other regions in the United States.

Indicators <sup>1</sup> (2006)	Virginia Beach Norfolk Newport News VA-NC MSA <sup>2</sup>	Richmond VA MSA	Washington Arlington Alexandria DC-VA-MD-WV MSA	Raleigh-Cary NC MSA	Jacksonville FL MSA
<b>1</b> Per capita income	\$34,858	\$38,233	<b>\$51,868</b>	\$37,221	\$37,519
<b>2</b> Percent of persons below poverty	9.7%	9.6%	<b>7.0%</b>	10.2%	11.8%
<b>3</b> Annual delay per peak-hour traveler (in hours)	30	<b>20</b>	60	35	41
<b>4</b> Percent of persons 25 and older without a diploma	12.4%	15.5%	<b>10.4%</b>	12.6%	11.8%
<b>5</b> Rate of violent crime offenses (per 100,000 population)	462.3	378.1	537.7	<b>359.8</b>	n/a
<b>6</b> Percent of seniors with self-care disabilities	<b>8.9%</b>	10.0%	9.3%	11.4%	9.5%
<b>Population</b>	<b>1,643,759</b>	<b>1,155,202</b>	<b>5,155,998</b>	<b>918,860</b>	<b>1,223,579</b>

<sup>1</sup> Bolded numbers represent the best in each indicator.

<sup>2</sup> Metropolitan Statistical Area

### Population Growth in South Hampton Roads

	1997	2007
Chesapeake	190,400	216,568
Isle of Wight	28,600	33,612
Norfolk	236,500	235,987
Portsmouth	101,400	98,543
Suffolk	59,800	81,209
Virginia Beach Region	418,900	433,033
	1,035,600	1,098,951
Virginia	6,732,878	7,712,091

Source: Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service at the University of Virginia

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#### Report Card Data Sources

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## Regional Report Card

South Hampton Roads, Virginia

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# SOUTH HAMPTON ROADS, VIRGINIA

## REGIONAL PROFILE OF HUMAN SERVICE INDICATORS

This Report Card is a companion piece to the **2006 Investment in Priorities** report which has detailed information and ten year trends for over 60 indicators. The **Investment in Priorities** process has established five categories of social indicators for South Hampton Roads: jobs, education, neighborhoods, wellness and inclusion. A total of 27 indicators in this Report Card measure how well the region is doing in those five areas. The regional trend shows that over the past few years, the region is doing better or the same for 16 indicators, and worse for eleven indicators. This Report Card also compares South Hampton Roads to the state for 20 indicators. The region is equal to or better than the state for five indicators and worse off compared to the state for 15 indicators. The region has 14.2% of the state's population. Comparable state data were not available for seven of the indicators.

Better	●
Worse	●
Same	●

				Better or Worse?			
		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	Regional Trend	Compared to State		
1	<b>jobs</b>	(years in parentheses)					
		1 Per capita income (05/06)	REGION	\$33,859	\$35,552	●	●
			as a % of STATE	89.2%	89.9%		
		2 Net job growth (06/07)	REGION	5,592	7,384	●	●
			as a % of STATE	7.3%	13.0%		
		3 Unemployment rate-annual average (06/07)	REGION	3.4%	3.2%	●	●
	STATE	3.0%	3.0%				
4 Percent of public school students eligible for lunch program (06/07)	REGION	37.2%	36.0%	●	●		
	STATE	33.5%	33.2%				
5 Percent of persons below poverty <sup>1</sup> (05/06)	REGION	10.3%	9.6%	●	●		
	STATE	10.0%	9.6%		●		
6 Annual average traffic delay in hours <sup>2</sup> (04/05)	REGION	30	30	●			

				Better or Worse?			
		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	Regional Trend	Compared to State		
2	<b>education</b>	(years in parentheses)					
		7 Percent of public school kindergartners retained (06/07)	REGION	6.0%	5.3%	●	●
			STATE	3.8%	4.1%		
		8 Percent of public school students passing 3rd grade English SOL test (06/07)	REGION	83.7%	82.1%	●	●
			STATE	83.6%	80.4%		
		9 Percent of public school dropouts (06/07)	REGION	2.0%	2.3%	●	●
			STATE	1.9%	1.9%		
10 Average public school SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test) scores <sup>1</sup> (06/07)	REGION	1446	1436	●	●		
	STATE	1525	1520				
11 Percent of public school students graduating high school (06/07)	REGION	62.9%	62.5%	●	●		
	STATE	73.2%	73.6%				
12 Number of higher education degrees conferred (06/07)	REGION	8,253	8,702	●			
13 Percent of persons age 25 and older without a high school diploma <sup>1</sup> (05/06)	REGION	11.9%	12.6%	●	●		
	STATE	14.6%	14.6%				

				Better or Worse?			
		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	Regional Trend	Compared to State		
3	<b>neighborhoods</b>	(years in parentheses)					
		14 Rate of violent crime offenses (per 100,000 population) (06/07)	REGION	555.6	570.6	●	●
			STATE	331.9	318.9		
15 Number of homeless <sup>3</sup> (07/08)	REGION	1,392	1,380	●			
16 Number of families (< \$10,000 income) paying => 35% of income for housing (90/00)	REGION	20,443	15,087	●	●		
	as a % of STATE	21.0%	19.2%				

				Better or Worse?			
		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	Regional Trend	Compared to State		
4	<b>wellness</b>	(years in parentheses)					
		17 Percent of total births with first trimester care (05/06)	REGION	86.9%	86.2%	●	●
			STATE	84.6%	83.5%		
		18 Low weight births as percent of all births (05/06)	REGION	9.1%	9.5%	●	●
			STATE	8.2%	8.3%		
		19 Founded cases of child abuse (06/07)	REGION	1,142	872	●	●
			as a % of STATE	24.1%	20.6%		
20 Number of teen pregnancies (05/06)	REGION	2,771	2,650	●	●		
	as a % of STATE	20.7%	19.3%				
21 Estimate of medically uninsured persons <sup>4</sup> (03/04)	REGION	139,074	156,341	●			
22 Number of public school children with serious emotional disturbance (05/06)	REGION	2,033	1,788	●	●		
	as a % of STATE	16.4%	15.4%				
23 Percent of seniors with self-care disabilities <sup>1</sup> (05/06)	REGION	9.5%	9.1%	●	●		
	STATE	9.8%	9.9%				

				Better or Worse?		
		YEAR 1	YEAR 2	Regional Trend	Compared to State	
5	<b>inclusion</b>	(years in parentheses)				
		24 Percent of non-whites on city councils and major boards compared to (06/08)	REGION	34%	33%	●
	Percent of region's non-whites in total population (00)	REGION		38%		
25 College degrees granted to non-whites as a percent of all degrees (06/07)	REGION	37.6%	37.2%	●		
26 Voter turnout for Presidential elections (00/04)	REGION	48%	53%	●	●	
	STATE	52%	57%			
27 United Way annual average gift (06/07)	REGION	\$191.84	\$223.93	●		

<sup>1</sup> Isle of Wight data are not available for these years.

<sup>2</sup> Includes South Hampton Roads and the Peninsula.

<sup>3</sup> Includes City of Franklin and Southampton County.

<sup>4</sup> There are no local data regarding the number of uninsured persons. The state percentage, as estimated by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, was applied to the local population to determine the estimated number of uninsured persons.