

# Carroll County Profile

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## Overview

The 2015 report contained herein has been prepared for the Board of Carroll County Commissioners, the Carroll County Planning and Zoning Commission, and the general public to present a profile of the population, housing, and economic characteristics of Carroll County.

Since 1989, the Carroll County Department of Planning had produced an annual Demographic and Development Data Manual. Beginning in 2005, the Carroll County Profile replaced the old manual, offering a more detailed look at the demographics of Carroll County. The development data that was included in the now discontinued Demographic and Development Data Manual is located in the Concurrency Management Report, which is produced annually by the Carroll County Bureau of Development Review.

The statistics and demographics that are provided in this report are intended to give an overview of the County with respect to recent trends in population growth, housing construction, and economic growth. It includes social, economic, and educational indicators from various sources and provides the most recent data available. It is intended that this report be made available annually to all individuals and organizations that have an interest in, and a use for, its contents. Further copies are available at the following address:

Carroll County Department of Planning, 225 North Center Street, Westminster, MD 21157, or on our website:

<http://ccgovernment.carr.org/ccg/compplan/demographics>

## Introduction to Carroll County

As of December 2015, there were an estimated 172,240 people and 62,240 households in Carroll County. The County covers an area of 456 square miles and has an average population density of 378 persons per square mile.

The County is a part of the Baltimore Metropolitan Region which includes Baltimore City and the following counties: Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard. Both Carroll County's 2000 and 2010 population made up 6 percent of the total population for the Baltimore Metropolitan Region. By 2015, the County still maintained the same percentage.

There are eight (8) incorporated municipalities located within Carroll County. They are Hampstead, Manchester, Mount Airy, New Windsor, Sykesville, Taneytown, Union Bridge, and Westminster. These municipalities generally have primary responsibility within their jurisdictions for such services as public safety, water and sewer, planning and zoning, road maintenance, and code enforcement. The unincorporated area, which contains an estimated 70 percent of the County's population, comes under the direct jurisdiction of County government.

# Population

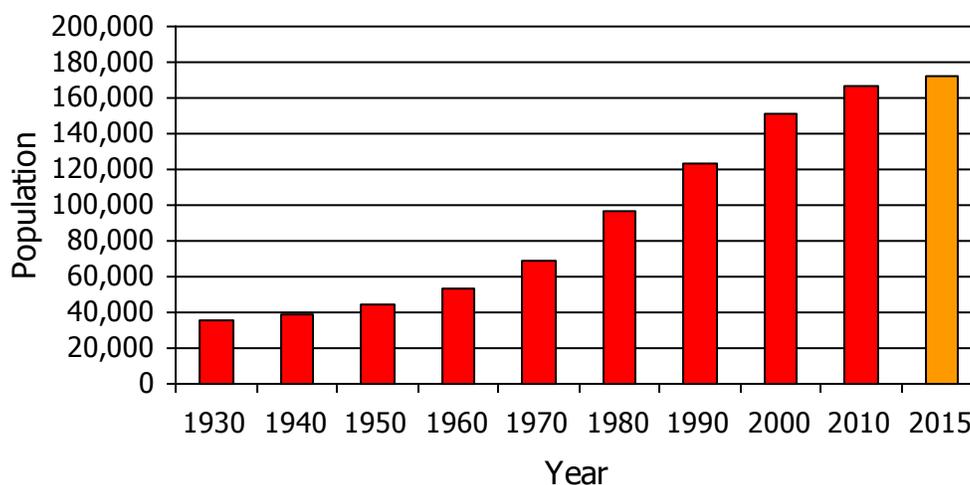
## Population by Decade – Carroll County, MD

According to the 2010 Census, Carroll County’s population was 167,134. This represents an increase of 16,237 people between the 2000 and 2010 decennial censuses. The County’s 10.8 percent growth during the last decade is an indication that growth has slowed when compared to the rapid population growth that began in the 1960’s. Although this rate has slowed, Carroll County still maintained a slightly higher growth rate than the state as a whole (9%). The loss of overall population toward the later part of the last decade was the result of the economic downturn and the resulting foreclosures. Since 2010, the County has grown by an estimated 2.8 percent.

Population by Decade - Carroll County and State of Maryland

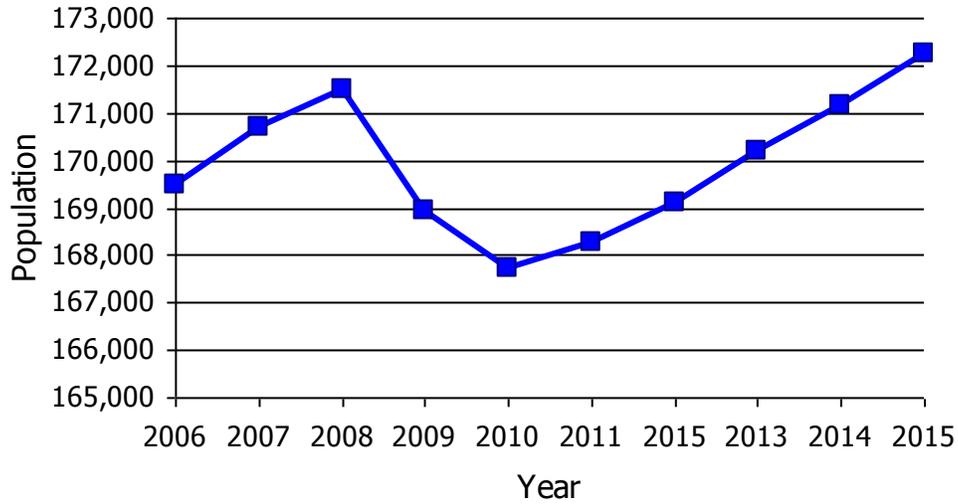
Year	Carroll County	Percent Growth	Maryland	Percent Growth
1930	35,978	-	1,631,526	-
1940	39,054	8.5%	1,821,244	11.6%
1950	44,907	15.0%	2,343,001	28.6%
1960	52,785	17.5%	3,100,689	32.3%
1970	69,006	30.7%	3,922,399	26.5%
1980	96,356	39.6%	4,216,975	7.5%
1990	123,372	28.0%	4,780,753	13.4%
2000	150,897	22.3%	5,296,486	10.8%
2010	167,134	10.8%	5,773,552	9.0%

**Carroll County Population by Decade  
1930 - 2015**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning

**Carroll County Population Over the Last Decade  
2006 - 2015**



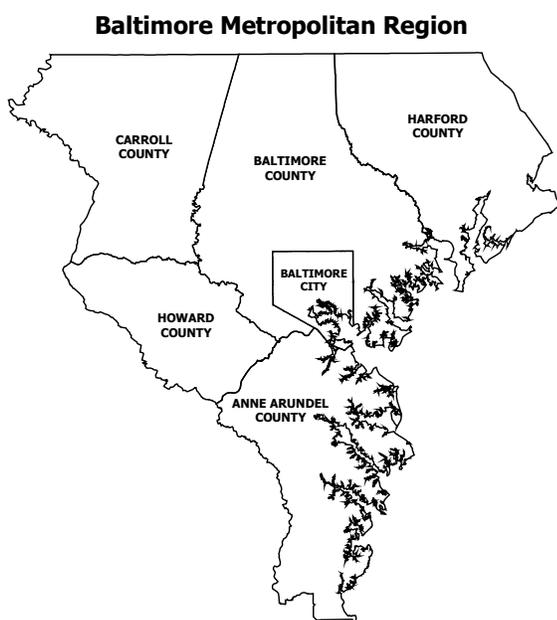
**Population Since 2010 - Carroll County**

Year	Carroll County	Percent Growth
2010	167,728	
2011	168,258	0.3%
2012	169,085	0.5%
2013	170,199	0.7%
2014	171,176	0.6%
2015	172,240	0.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning

## Population – Baltimore Metropolitan Region

According to the 2010 Census, the population of the Baltimore region was 2,662,691. This is a 6.0 percent increase since the 2000 Census population of 2,512,431. However, over the last decade, the Baltimore Region grew at a slower rate than any other region in the state. The highest rate of growth took place in the Southern Maryland region (Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary’s), which grew 21 percent, far outpacing the rest of the state. Howard (15.8%) and Harford (12%) were the only counties in the Baltimore region that grew at a faster rate than Carroll County (10.8%) between 2000 and 2010. Of Maryland’s 24 major jurisdictions, Baltimore City was the only jurisdiction to lose population (-30,193 persons since 2000). Since 2010, the total population for the Baltimore Region has increased by 3.4 percent. Howard County has been the fastest growing jurisdiction by far during that timeframe, with an estimated population increase of 26.5 percent.



Population	
Jurisdiction	Jul 2015
Anne Arundel County	564,195
Baltimore County	831,128
Baltimore City	621,849
<b>Carroll County</b>	<b>171,769</b>
Harford County	250,290
Howard County	313,414
Baltimore Region	2,752,645

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning  
 \* **Estimates for the region are available by Fiscal Year, not Calendar Year**

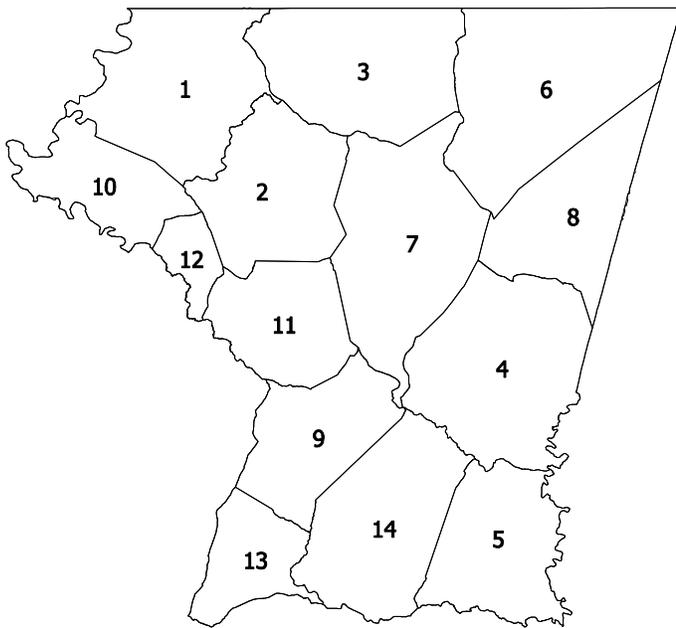
Population Change 2000-2010, Baltimore Region			
Jurisdiction	2000 Population	2010 Population	Percent Growth
Anne Arundel County	489,656	537,656	9.8%
Baltimore County	754,292	805,029	6.7%
Baltimore City	651,154	620,961	-4.6%
<b>Carroll County</b>	<b>150,897</b>	<b>167,134</b>	<b>10.8%</b>
Harford County	218,590	244,826	12.0%
Howard County	247,842	287,085	15.8%
Baltimore Region	2,512,431	2,662,691	6.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## Population – Election Districts

As of December 2015, the Westminster (37,638), Freedom (30,266), and Woolerys (17,951) Election Districts remain the County’s three most populated election districts; they contain roughly half of the total population (49.8%). Since the 2010 Census, the populations of the Mount Airy (5.8%), Freedom (5.4%), and Manchester (4.7%) Election Districts have seen the greatest percentage of growth.

### Carroll County Election Districts



Population	
Election District	Dec 2015
01 - Taneytown	9,714
02 - Uniontown	4,194
03 - Myers	5,569
04 - Woolerys	17,951
05 - Freedom	30,266
06 - Manchester	14,654
07 - Westminster	37,638
08 - Hampstead	14,924
09 - Franklin	7,478
10 - Middleburg	1,442
11 - New Windsor	3,727
12 - Union Bridge	1,572
13 - Mount Airy*	10,561
14 - Berrett	12,550
<b>Total</b>	<b>172,240</b>

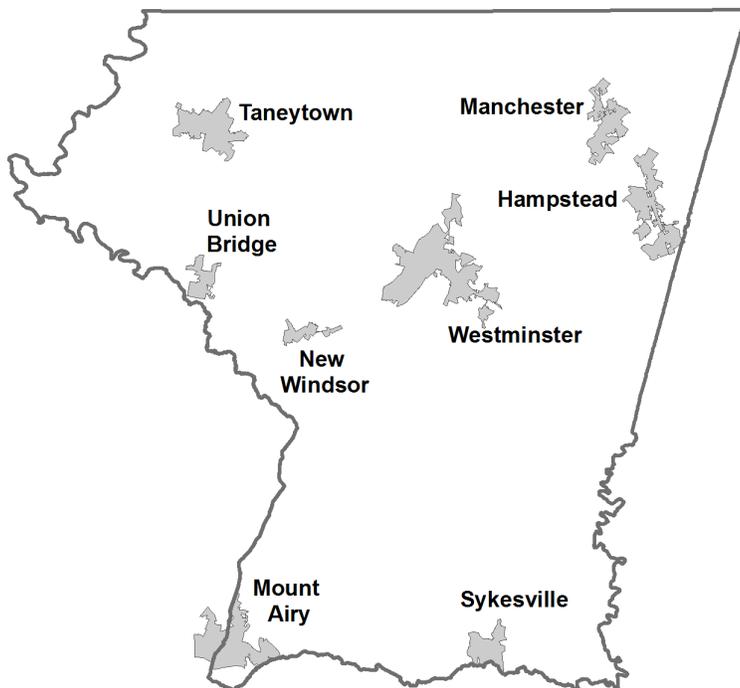
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning

## Population – Municipalities

It was estimated that the population of all of Carroll County’s incorporated municipalities was 50,803 in December 2015. This means that 29.5 percent of the County’s population was located within an incorporated entity. The City of Westminster was the largest municipality with an estimated population of 18,953, while Union Bridge remained the smallest with an estimated population of 977 persons. The estimated populations of Union Bridge (0.2%), Hampstead (0.5%), New Windsor (0.9%), have grown less than 2 percent since the 2010 Census. While Westminster (2.0%), Taneytown (3.8%), Sykesville (8.1%), the Carroll portion of Mount Airy (8.9%), and Manchester (11.0%) have experienced the highest growth rates among the municipalities since the 2010 Census.

**Carroll County Incorporated Jurisdictions**



Population	
Municipality	Dec 2015
Hampstead	6,354
Manchester	5,335
Mount Airy*	5,995
New Windsor	1,409
Sykesville	4,795
Taneytown	6,985
Union Bridge	977
Westminster	18,953
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,803</b>

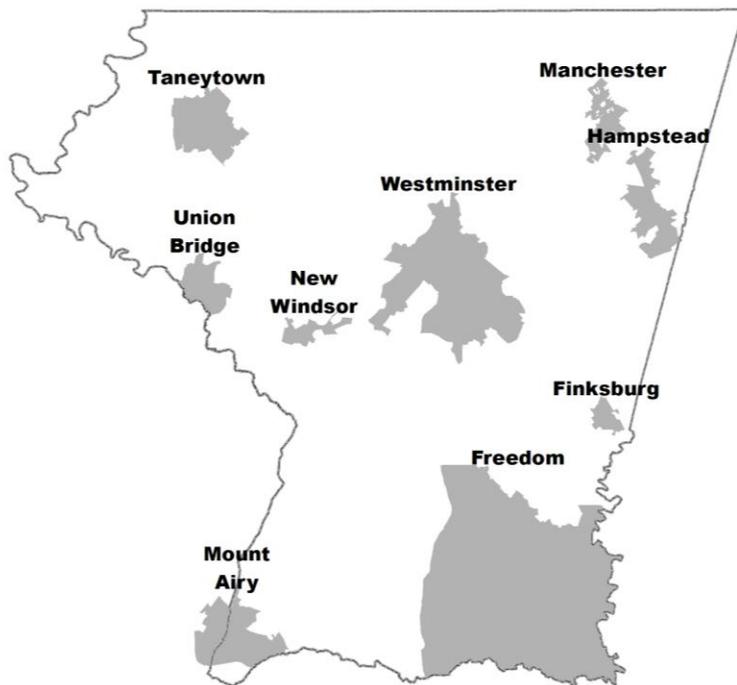
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning

## Population – Municipal Growth Area / Designated Growth Areas

As of December 2015, the population of all of the Growth Areas was estimated to be 98,645. This means that roughly 57.3 percent of the County’s population was located within a Growth Area. The two largest Growth Areas were Freedom (35,716) and Westminster (31,251). In 2015, seventy-four percent of new residential growth in the County occurred within a Growth Area. With the adoption of the 2013 Finksburg Corridor Plan, the Finksburg Growth Area was significantly reduced in geographic size and population. A Growth Area can be defined as an area for which a more detailed comprehensive plan has been developed, (shown in gray on the map below), where the majority of residential, commercial, and industrial activity is intended and where public facilities are concentrated.

**Carroll County Growth Areas**



**Current Population**

Growth Area	Dec 2015
Freedom DGA	35,716
Finksburg DGA	375
Hampstead MGA	8,823
Manchester MGA	6,084
Mount Airy MGA*	6,336
New Windsor MGA	1,544
Taneytown MGA	7,407
Union Bridge MGA	1,109
Westminster MGA	31,251
<b>Total</b>	<b>98,645</b>

\* Carroll portion only

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning

## Population Projections

The Round 8A projection prepared by Carroll County for the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) predicts the population of Carroll County will be 189,574 people in 2040. This projection is based on assumptions that the average household size will continue to get smaller and that the amount of buildable land will shrink as development occurs. The assumption that the average household size will continue to shrink is based on the aging of the population and the increase in the number of single-person households. The assumption that the amount of buildable land will limit new development is based on current County zoning and the *2000 County Master Plan*. Once the new zoning categories contained in the *2014 Carroll County Master Plan* are implemented, the projections may be adjusted accordingly.

Population & Household Projections for Carroll County 2010 - 2040

	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
<b>Total Population *</b>	<b>167,134</b>	<b>170,551</b>	<b>175,900</b>	<b>179,445</b>	<b>183,255</b>	<b>186,183</b>	<b>189,574</b>
Household Population	163,833	167,182	172,426	175,901	179,636	182,505	185,830
Total Households	62,406	64,142	66,216	68,021	69,692	71,302	72,854
Avg. Household Size	2.81	2.74	2.74	2.72	2.71	2.69	2.68

Round 8A figures adopted by the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, June 2014

\*includes group quarters population

Source: US Census Bureau, Baltimore Metropolitan Council, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning

Round 8A Population Projections for Carroll County by Election Districts 2010 - 2040

Election District	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030	2035	2040
01 - Taneytown	9,449	9,728	10,460	11,042	11,087	11,405	11,789
02 - Uniontown	4,148	4,082	4,144	4,150	4,224	4,258	4,326
03 - Myers	5,505	5,528	5,615	5,664	5,742	5,794	5,864
04 - Woolerys	17,487	18,168	18,297	18,567	18,933	19,227	19,553
05 - Freedom	28,717	28,816	29,774	30,172	30,858	31,214	31,785
06 - Manchester	14,003	14,448	14,908	15,277	15,729	16,102	16,508
07 - Westminster	36,700	37,050	38,146	38,940	39,887	40,810	41,656
08 - Hampstead	14,848	15,457	15,732	15,907	16,121	16,307	16,493
09 - Franklin	7,378	7,562	7,705	7,800	7,941	8,042	8,167
10 - Middleburg	1,422	1,516	1,534	1,541	1,551	1,559	1,567
11 - New Windsor	3,671	3,954	4,192	4,211	4,246	4,266	4,296
12 - Union Bridge	1,551	1,555	2,012	2,240	2,289	2,309	2,330
13 - Mount Airy	9,978	10,166	10,635	11,037	11,531	11,616	11,766
14 - Berrett	12,277	12,520	12,747	12,897	13,116	13,275	13,474
<b>Total</b>	<b>167,134</b>	<b>170,551</b>	<b>175,900</b>	<b>179,445</b>	<b>183,255</b>	<b>186,183</b>	<b>189,574</b>

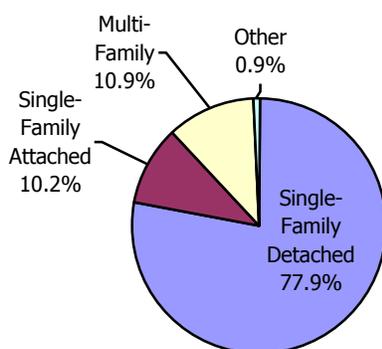
Sources: US Census Bureau, Carroll County Bureau of Comprehensive Planning

# Housing

## Housing Stock

According to the American Community Survey (ACS) 5-Year Estimates (2010-2014) conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau, 77.9 percent of the housing units located within Carroll County were single-family detached houses. Single-family attached units, which consist of townhouses and duplexes, made up 10.2 percent of the housing stock. Multi-family units, condos or apartments, made up 10.9 percent with the remaining 1.0 percent of the housing stock being made up of mobile homes, boats, RVs, vans, and any other housing type which did not fit into a specified category. These percentages have remained relatively steady over the last decade. Compared to other counties located within the region, Carroll County had the highest percentage of single-family detached housing and the lowest percentages of both single-family attached and multi-family housing.

2010-2014 Housing Stock  
Percentage by Housing Type



Housing Units by Type for Regional Jurisdictions  
American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates 2010-2014

Jurisdiction	Single-Family Detached	Percent	Single-Family Attached	Percent	Multi-Family / Other	Percent	Total*
Anne Arundel	133,648	61.9%	40,625	18.8%	41,624	19.3%	215,897
Baltimore City	42,681	14.4%	155,951	52.6%	97,999	33.0%	296,631
Baltimore County	158,074	47.0%	82,016	24.4%	96,191	28.6%	336,281
<b>Carroll County</b>	<b>48,869</b>	<b>77.9%</b>	<b>6,419</b>	<b>10.2%</b>	<b>7,429</b>	<b>11.8%</b>	<b>62,717</b>
Harford County	58,606	60.5%	20,070	20.7%	18,256	18.8%	96,932
Howard County	59,180	52.8%	23,729	21.2%	29,131	26.0%	112,040

\* Total includes mobile homes, boats, RVs, etc.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS)

## Use and Occupancy Permits Issued

The number of new residential use and occupancy permits issued in 2014 was greater than 300 for the third consecutive year. Total Residential U&Os were less than 300 from 2008-2012. Over the last 5 years, the average number of U&O's issued was 323 units, lower than the previous 5 year period average of 414 (2006-2010), but indicative of a slight recovery in the County's new housing market as it relates to the number of units being constructed. Multi-family units continue to be a relatively small percentage of overall housing constructed in Carroll County, usually averaging around 12-13 percent of all units constructed, but in 2015 1 out of every 4 units constructed in the County was multi-family. The Designated Growth Areas continue to handle a substantial share of the overall housing construction countywide, absorbing an average of 77.2 percent of the total growth over the last 5 years.

### Use & Occupancy Permits Issued, 2011 - 2015

Year	Single-Family Units		Multi-Family Units		Total
2011	174	88%	24	12%	198
2012	256	88%	35	12%	291
2013	339	87%	51	13%	390
2014	307	87%	46	13%	353
2015	287	75%	95	25%	382

### Use & Occupancy Permits by Municipal Growth Area / Designated Growth Area 2011 – 2015

DGA	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Freedom DGA	65	98	95	126	165
Finksburg DGA	7	6	1	4	1
Hampstead MGA	2	2	2	5	8
Manchester MGA	17	41	67	21	9
Mount Airy MGA*	14	53	40	29	8
New Windsor MGA	0	0	0	0	1
Taneytown MGA	2	3	24	21	36
Union Bridge MGA	0	0	1	2	1
Westminster MGA	51	25	75	58	53
<b>DGA Total</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>228</b>	<b>305</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>282</b>
<b>County Total</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>291</b>	<b>390</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>382</b>
<b>% in DGA</b>	<b>80.3</b>	<b>78.4</b>	<b>78.2</b>	<b>75.4</b>	<b>73.8</b>

Source: Carroll County Bureau of Permits and Inspections

\*includes Carroll portion only

## Value of Housing

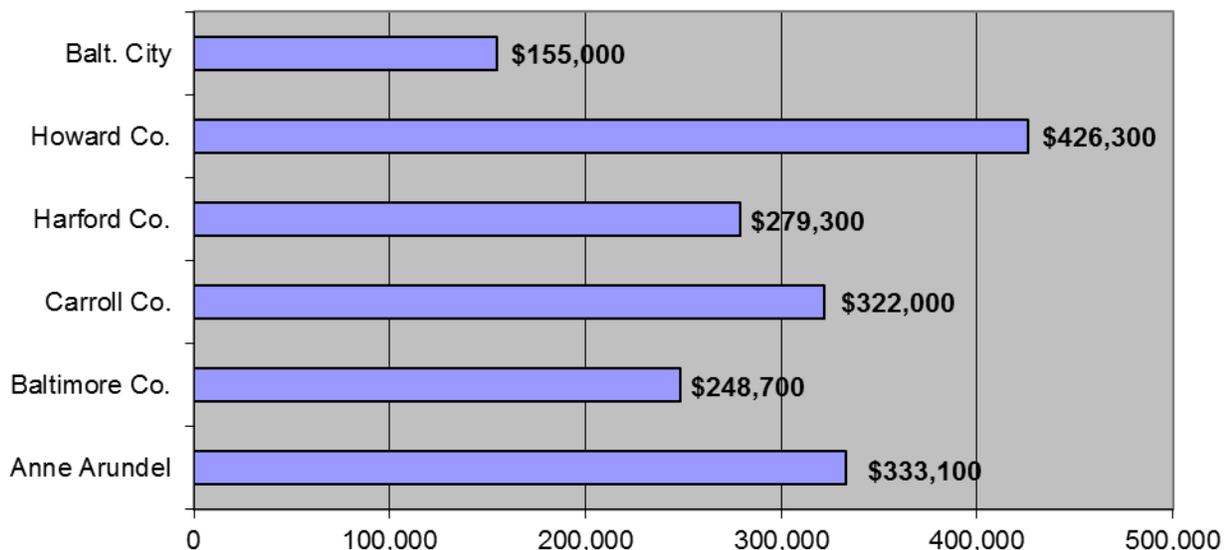
Carroll County historically has had one of the highest median values for owner-occupied housing in the region, averaging third (\$322,000) among all counties in the Baltimore Region according to the latest ACS 5-Year Estimates (2010-2014). Only Howard (\$426,300) and Anne Arundel (\$333,100) had higher median values. Roughly 73 percent of all owner occupied houses in Carroll County are valued between \$200,000 and \$499,999. The overall value of housing is down slightly in every jurisdiction in the Baltimore region when compared to values in the 2009-2014 American Community Survey, a trend that has continued over the last several years.

Value of Owner Occupied Housing in  
Carroll County  
American Community Survey 5 Year  
Estimates 2010-2014

Value	# of Units	Percent
<b>Owner Occupied Units</b>	<b>49,398</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Less than \$50,000	1,153	2.3%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	234	0.5%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,312	2.7%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3,768	7.6%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	15,181	30.7%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	20,912	42.3%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	6,340	12.8%
\$1,000,000 or more	498	1.1%
<b>Median (dollars)</b>	<b>\$322,000</b>	

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS)

Value of Housing (ACS 5 Year Estimates 2010-2014)



According to Metropolitan Regional Information Systems data, the average sold price of homes in Carroll County continues to rebound in a positive direction from the downturn in the housing market in the later part of the last decade. Over the last 3 years, houses have generally stayed on the market less time, averaging 89.3 days, compared to 136 days on the market between 2008 and 2012. While average sold price as a percentage of the list price has also recovered since 2011, averaging 94.3 percent over the last 3 years, up from an average of 90.9 percent between 2008 and 2012. These statistics are indications of a recent strengthening in the local housing market along with a steadying of the average sold price and an increase in total units sold.

### Real Estate Trend Indicators 2010 – 2014

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
Total Sold Dollar Value	\$375,196,700	\$437,924,951	\$519,051,962	\$548,005,646	\$671,236,681
Average Sold Price	\$279,998	\$284,922	\$301,774	\$298,478	\$299,793
Median Sold Price	\$250,000	\$263,920	\$280,000	\$283,000	\$280,000
Total Units Sold	1,340	1,537	1,720	1,836	2,239
Average Days on Market	149	125	91	84	93
Average List Price	\$291,970	\$294,684	\$307,950	\$304,409	\$306,110
Average Sales Price as a % of Avg. List Price	89.8%	92.3%	94.7%	94.4%	93.9%

Source: Metropolitan Regional Information Systems

## Rental Units

Carroll County has a relatively low percentage of available rental housing units, which make up only 15.5 percent of all occupied units. Except for Baltimore City (\$944), the cost of rent on average in Carroll County is the lowest in the Baltimore Region, while Howard County has the highest average cost of rent (\$1,548).

### Gross Rent in Carroll County American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates 2010-2014

Occupied Units Rental Amount	# of Units	Percent
	<b>9,735</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Less than \$200	212	2.2%
\$200 to \$299	268	2.8%
\$300 to \$499	317	3.3%
\$500 to \$749	1,245	12.8%
\$750 to \$999	2,337	24.0%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	3,552	36.5%
\$1,500 or more	1,804	18.5%
<i>No Rent Paid</i>	<i>774</i>	<i>--</i>
Median (dollars)	\$1,060	

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS)

# Employment

## Employment Distribution by Industry

According to the 2013 Employment and Payrolls report from the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulations (MDLLR), **2014 being the most recent complete year of data**, private sector jobs in the County accounted for 85.4 percent of the total employment for Carroll County, while government sector jobs made up the remaining 14.6 percent. These numbers do not include self-proprietor jobs. Service Providing jobs made up the largest percentage of total employment for both Carroll County (68.1%) and the Baltimore Region (72.5%). Goods-Producing jobs in Carroll County made up 17.2 percent of the total employment, compared to the Baltimore Region's 9.9 percent. The ratio of private vs. public sector employment in the County has essentially maintained an 85/15 split for the last decade.

### Employment Distribution by Industry Group 2014 Annual Average

Industry Group	Carroll County	Percent of Total Employment	Baltimore Metropolitan Area	Percent of Total Employment
<i>Goods-Producing</i>	<i>9,748</i>	<i>17.2%</i>	<i>126,196</i>	<i>9.9%</i>
Natural Resources and Mining	398	0.7%	1,938	0.2%
Construction	5,383	9.5%	69,970	5.5%
Manufacturing	3,967	7.0%	54,288	4.3%
<i>Service Providing</i>	<i>38,530</i>	<i>68.1%</i>	<i>921,944</i>	<i>72.5%</i>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	11,325	20.0%	226,068	17.8%
Information	379	0.7%	15,466	1.2%
Financial Activities	1,487	2.6%	70,369	5.5%
Professional and Business Services	6,587	11.7%	202,910	16.0%
Education and Health Services	9,655	17.1%	236,353	18.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	6,809	12.0%	129,233	10.2%
Other Services	2,288	4.0%	41,545	3.3%
<b>Private Sector Total - All Industries</b>	<b>48,278</b>	<b>85.4%</b>	<b>1,048,140</b>	<b>82.5%</b>
<i>Federal Government</i>	<i>277</i>	<i>0.5%</i>	<i>51,765</i>	<i>4.1%</i>
<i>State Government</i>	<i>1,308</i>	<i>2.3%</i>	<i>63,261</i>	<i>5.0%</i>
<i>Local Government</i>	<i>6,676</i>	<i>11.8%</i>	<i>107,830</i>	<i>8.5%</i>
<b>Government Sector - Total</b>	<b>8,261</b>	<b>14.6%</b>	<b>222,856</b>	<b>17.5%</b>
<b>Total Employment</b>	<b>56,539</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>1,270,996</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Note: The data includes all wage and salary workers covered by unemployment insurance. Not included are self-employed, agricultural, railroad, military, and some religious organization employees. These figures pertain to people who work in the jurisdiction rather than those who live in the jurisdiction.

Source: Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulations

## Wage and Salary Income by Industry

A comparison between this chart and the Employment Distribution by Industry Group chart on the previous page demonstrates the contrast between employment and income caused by wage levels. The Goods-Producing industry group provided 17.2 percent of the jobs in Carroll County, but generated 22.5 percent of the wages in 2014 (**2014 being the most recent complete year of data**). The County lagged behind the region in service producing jobs and wages as an overall percentage, but far exceeded the region in goods producing jobs as a percentage of overall jobs and wages. In a regional jobs market heavily influenced by Maryland's proximity to Washington, DC, federal, state, and local government jobs made up 17.5 percent of the region's overall jobs and 19.6 percent of the region's overall wages, while in Carroll, public sector jobs (11.8%) and wages (12.7%) were far more concentrated at the local level.

Wage and Salary Income by Industry 2014 Average

Industry Group	Carroll County	Percent of Total Wages	Baltimore Metropolitan Area	Percent of Total Wages
<i>Goods-Producing</i>	<i>\$506,087,253</i>	<i>22.5%</i>	<i>\$8,010,844,794</i>	<i>11.6%</i>
Natural Resources and Mining	\$14,056,663	0.6%	\$74,674,910	0.1%
Construction	\$263,732,436	11.7%	\$4,077,351,764	5.9%
Manufacturing	\$228,298,154	10.2%	\$3,858,818,120	5.6%
<i>Service Providing</i>	<i>\$1,373,593,512</i>	<i>61.2%</i>	<i>\$47,666,899,247</i>	<i>68.9%</i>
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$362,824,182	16.2%	\$9,840,394,907	14.2%
Information	\$16,472,151	0.7%	\$1,164,703,788	1.7%
Financial Activities	\$87,609,335	3.9%	\$6,117,669,265	8.8%
Professional and Business Services	\$349,053,519	15.5%	\$14,063,711,911	20.3%
Education and Health Services	\$388,275,157	17.3%	\$12,150,590,662	17.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$97,728,395	4.4%	\$2,829,818,629	4.1%
Other Services	\$71,630,773	3.2%	\$1,500,010,085	2.2%
<b>Private Sector Total - All Industries</b>	<b>\$1,879,680,765</b>	<b>83.7%</b>	<b>\$55,677,744,041</b>	<b>80.4%</b>
<i>Federal Government</i>	<i>\$15,457,942</i>	<i>0.7%</i>	<i>\$4,439,953,421</i>	<i>6.4%</i>
<i>State Government</i>	<i>\$64,271,960</i>	<i>2.9%</i>	<i>\$3,634,220,807</i>	<i>5.3%</i>
<i>Local Government</i>	<i>\$285,323,520</i>	<i>12.7%</i>	<i>\$5,461,436,516</i>	<i>7.9%</i>
<b>Government Sector - Total</b>	<b>\$365,053,422</b>	<b>16.3%</b>	<b>\$13,535,610,744</b>	<b>19.6%</b>
<b>Total Employment</b>	<b>\$2,244,734,187</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$69,213,354,785</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

Note: The data includes all wage and salary workers covered by unemployment insurance. Not included are self-employed, agricultural, railroad, military, and some religious organization employees. These figures pertain to people who work in the jurisdiction rather than those who live in the jurisdiction.

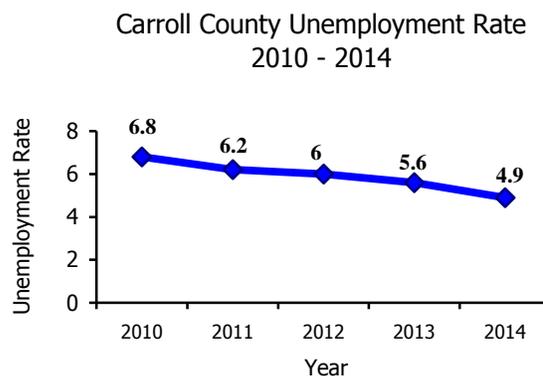
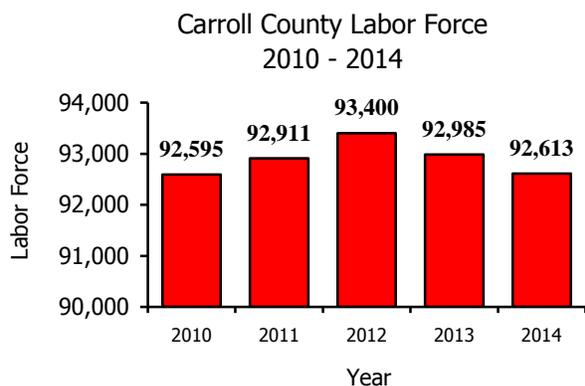
Source: Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulations

## Labor Force

According to the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulations (MDLLR) and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), Carroll County’s 2014 average annual labor force of 92,613 made up approximately 6.5 percent of the Baltimore Region’s total labor force (1,429,205). In 2014, Carroll County had the smallest labor force of all jurisdictions located in the Baltimore region and the second lowest unemployment rate (4.9 percent). Unemployment rates for the County increased significantly as a result of the economic downturn in 2008. However, over the last 3 years, the average rate continues to decline from its peak of 6.8 percent in 2010. With the exception of Baltimore City (8.7%) and Baltimore County (6.2%), all of the area’s jurisdictions were below the national average annual unemployment rate of 6.2 percent in 2014.

Civilian Labor Force 2014 (Annual Average)

Jurisdiction	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
Anne Arundel County	295,723	280,492	15,231	5.2
Baltimore County	440,393	413,083	27,310	6.2
Baltimore City	294,340	268,824	25,516	8.7
<b>Carroll County</b>	<b>92,613</b>	<b>88,090</b>	<b>4,523</b>	<b>4.9</b>
Harford County	135,057	127,256	7,801	5.8
Howard County	171,079	163,556	7,523	4.4



Source: Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing, & Regulations, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

# Major Employers

## Major Employers in Carroll County 2014

Company	Product/Service Rendered	Employment
Carroll County Public Schools	Education (K-12)	3,630
Carroll Hospital Center	Healthcare	1,997
Springfield Hospital Center	Mental health services	833
Joseph A. Bank Clothiers	Tailored clothing headquarters/distribution	778
Penguin / Random House	Book warehousing and distribution	753
Fairhaven (Episcopal Ministries)	Retirement / Assisted living	700
McDaniel College	Higher education	621
Carroll County Commissioners *	Local government	592
Carroll Community College	Higher education	509
EVAPCO	Cooling equipment manufacturer	440
Carroll Lutheran Village	Retirement village	425
English American Tailoring	Clothing manufacturer	410
Northrop Grumman	Electronic testing	400
C.J. Miller, Inc.	Asphalt excavation & paving contractor	334
Arc of Carroll County	Non-Profit / Healthcare	325
Flowserve Corporation	Industrial pumping equipment	263
Knorr Brake	Railroad brake manufacturer	260
S. H. Tevis / Modern Comfort	Petroleum distribution	259
PFG (Carroll County Foods)	Wholesale foods/distribution	211
BB&T	Banking services	174
Long View Nursing Home	Nursing / Assisted living	166
Lehigh Portland Cement	Cement manufacturer	165
Lorien (Mount Airy)	Nursing / Assisted living	161
Dart Containers / Solo Cup Corporation	Warehouse & distribution center	150
Black & Decker, Inc.	Warehouse & distribution center	130
GSE Systems, Inc.	Technology Engineering	109
Finch Services, Inc.	Agricultural Equipment	105
General Dynamics Robotic Systems, Inc.	Technology manufacturing	105
Taney Corporation	Wood products manufacturer	100

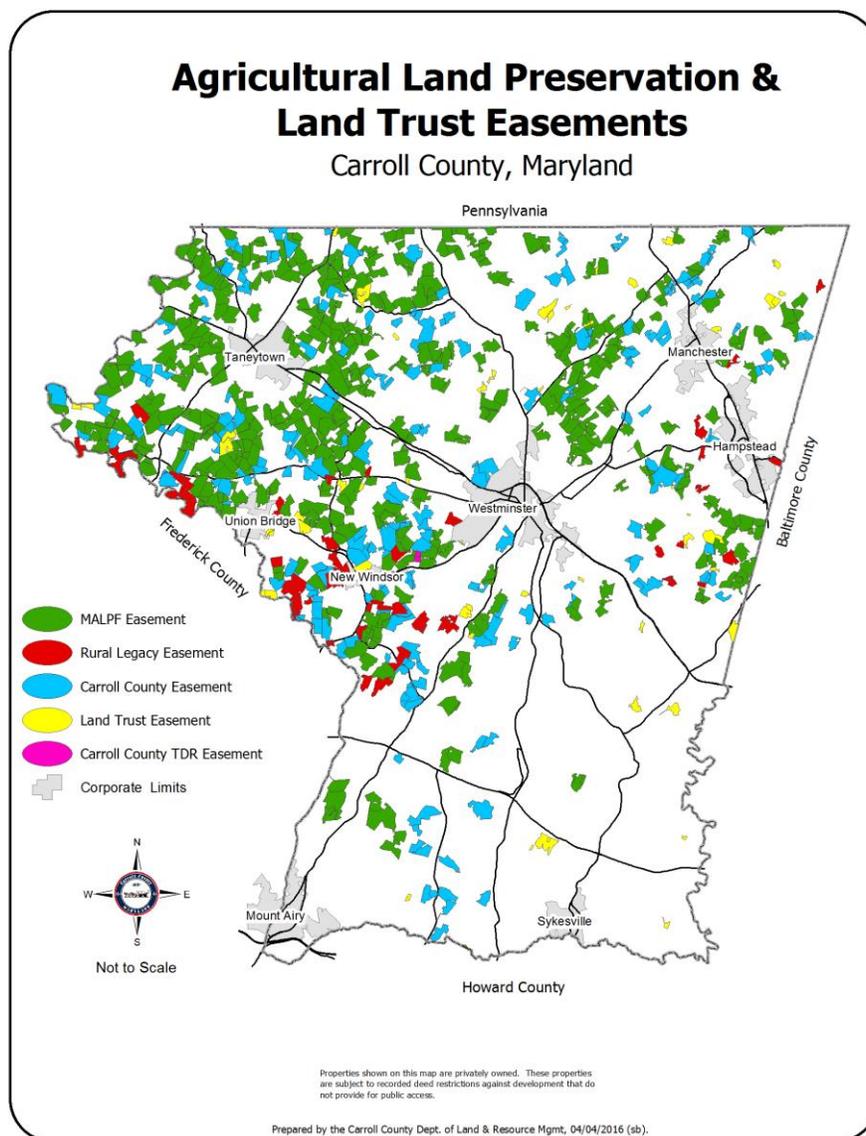
Source: Carroll County Department of Economic Development, July 2014

\* Central Office only, excludes Sheriff's Department, Courts, etc.

# Preservation & Public Facilities

## Agricultural Land Preservation

According to the 2012 USDA Census of Agriculture, approximately 132,630 acres, or 45.8 percent of the land in Carroll County, is being used for agriculture. Carroll County has been actively working to preserve agricultural land since the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation (MALPF) program first began purchasing easements in 1979. As of December 2015, a total of 68,031 acres were permanently preserved in Carroll County by a recorded deed of easement. According to the Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation, Carroll County ranks first in the state in total percentage of land preserved through conservation easement. While the vast majority of easement acreage in the County is through MALPF (43,260 acres), other state and County land preservation programs have contributed to protecting Carroll County’s agricultural landscape; a County easement program, the state’s Rural Legacy Program, Maryland Environmental Trust (MET) and Carroll County Land Trust (CCLT) are actively involved in preserving additional farmland. Whereas the County Program and the Rural Legacy Program both acquire easements through purchase, MET and CCLT accept donated easements that in turn may provide potential property and income tax credits and/or deductions for the donors.



## Public Schools Enrollment

There are 42 public schools in Carroll County with an estimated enrollment of 25,706 students. The school enrollment numbers in the table below are full-time equivalent numbers from December 2014. The location of these schools is illustrated by the map on the following page. The number to the left of each school below corresponds to the location of the school on the map. Actual enrollment has continued to decline over the last decade from its peak of 28,914 students during the 2005-2006 school year. According to the Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) Enrollment Projections 2015-16 to 2024-25, overall school enrollment is not expected to increase in the next decade. In 2015, the Carroll County Board of Education voted to close 3 facilities (Charles Carroll Elementary, New Windsor Middle, North Carroll High) effective for the 2016-2017 school year. If current trends continue, other facility closures could be considered in the future.

### Carroll County Public Schools Enrollment

No.	Elementary School	Students *	Capacity**	No.	Middle School	Students *	Capacity**
1	Carrolltowne	520	598	24	East Middle	730	848
2	Charles Carroll	271	320	25	Mount Airy	607	870
3	Cranberry	478	570	26	New Windsor	396	540
4	Ebb Valley	470	591	27	North Carroll	583	870
5	Eldersburg	467	570	28	Northwest	484	870
6	Elmer Wolfe	379	548	29	Oklahoma	779	891
7	Freedom	488	525	30	Shiloh	642	891
8	Friendship Valley	489	527	31	Sykesville	815	828
9	Hampstead	339	576	32	West Middle	986	1,146
10	Linton Springs	590	731				
11	Manchester	593	727	No.	High School	Students *	Capacity**
12	Mechanicsville	527	616	33	Century	1,124	1,297
13	Mount Airy	510	598	34	Francis Scott Key	958	1,254
14	Parr's Ridge	434	610	35	Liberty	1,077	1,138
15	Piney Ridge	598	571	36	North Carroll	720	1,159
16	Robert Moton	401	608	37	South Carroll	1,071	1,339
17	Runnymede	529	654	38	Westminster	1,547	1,838
18	Sandymount	450	527	39	Winters Mill	1,092	1,297
19	Spring Garden	551	593	40	Manchester Valley	791	1,297
20	Taneytown	415	570		Career & Tech***	739	n/a
21	Westminster	472	593	No.	Special School	Students *	Capacity**
22	William Winchester	629	591	41	Gateway	62	n/a
23	Winfield	519	722	42	Carroll Springs	50	n/a

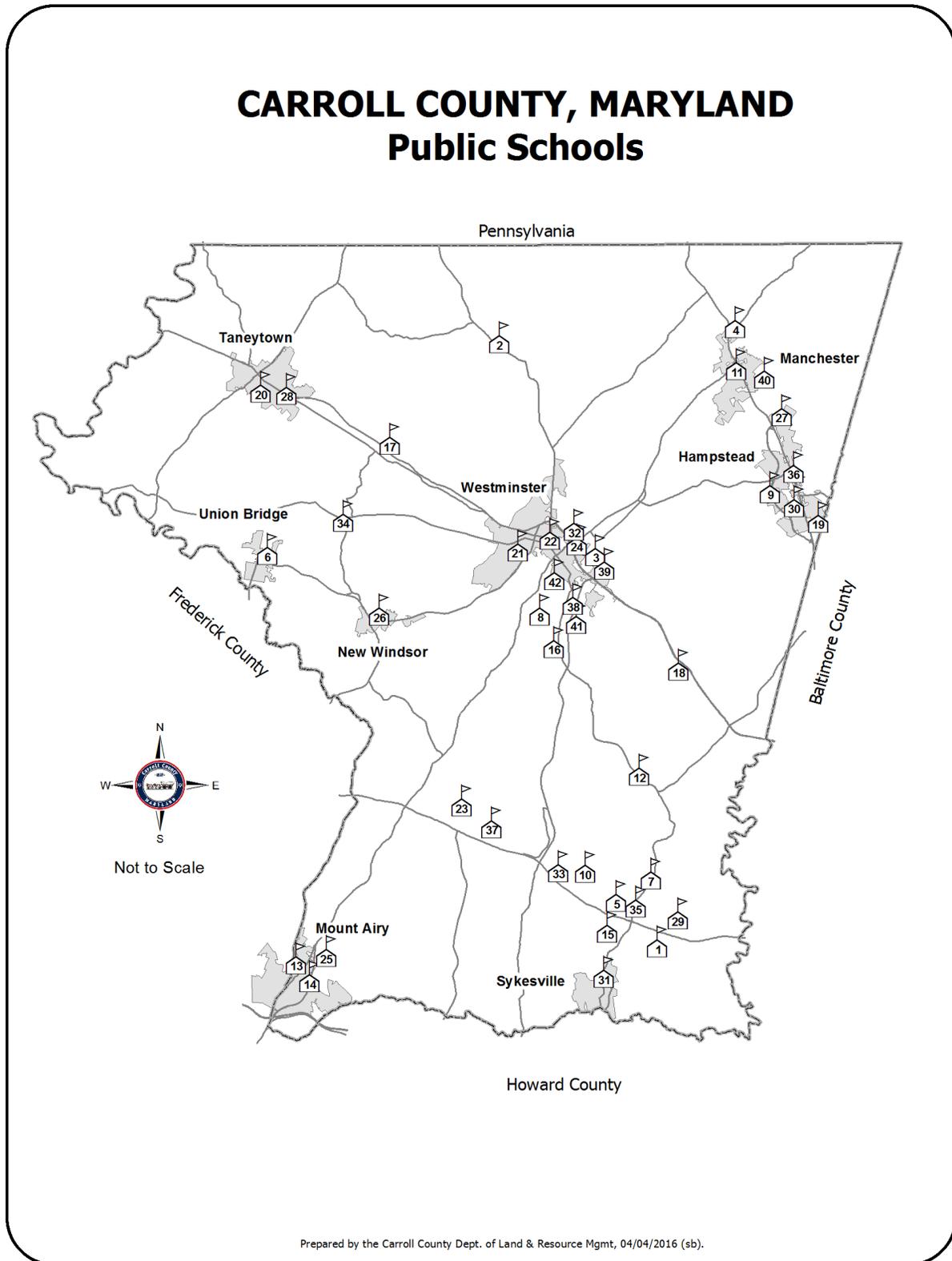
\* Numbers are Full Time Equivalent figures and are rounded to nearest whole number

\*\* Based on State Rated Capacity

\*\*\* Students are counted with home high school

Source: Carroll County Public Schools

# Public Schools Map



## Parks and Recreation Areas

There are primarily 31 County, 55 municipal, and 2 state publicly owned and operated parks located in Carroll County. The location of these parks is illustrated by the map on the following page. Additionally, there are a number of private recreational facilities, community open spaces, and community recreation centers located throughout the County.

No.	County Parks	No.	County Parks
1	Aeromodeler's Park	17	Krimgold Park
2	Bark Hill Park	18	Landon C. Burns Park
3	Bear Branch Nature Center	19	Leister Park
4	Bennett Cerf Park	20	Mayeski Park
5	Cape Horn Park	21	North Carroll Community Pond
6	Carroll County Equestrian Center	22	Obrecht Road Park
7	Cherrytown Road Ball Field	23	Old Liberty Road Park
8	Deer Park	24	Piney Run Park
9	Detour Park (Double Pipe Creek)	25	Salt Box Park
10	Farm Museum	26	Sandymount Park
11	Freedom Park	27	Carroll County Sports Complex
12	Gillis Falls Reservoir Site	28	Union Mills Reservoir
13	Hap Baker Firearms Facility	29	Westminster Community Pond
14	Hashawha Environmental Center	30	Westminster Veterans Memorial Park
15	Hodges Park	31	Winfield Park
16	Kate Wagner Road		
No.	Town Parks	No.	Town Parks
32	Chief Sites Memorial Park	60	Millard Cooper Park
33	Lions Club Park	61	Old Main Line Park
34	Main Street Memorial Park	62	Sykesville Linear Park Trail
35	Melvin Miller Memorial Park	63	Bollinger Property
36	Hampstead Municipal Park	64	Flickinger Park
37	Oden Kemp Park	65	Roberts Mill Park
38	Sugar Maple Park	66	Roth Avenue Park
39	Charlotte's Quest	67	Taneytown High School Park and Skate Park
40	Christmas Tree Park	68	Taneytown Memorial Park
41	Manchester Carnival Grounds	69	Little Pipe Creek Park
42	Lions Club Pool	70	Union Bridge Community Center Park
43	Pine Valley Park	71	Union Bridge Train Station
44	Skateboard Park	72	Belle Grove Square Park
45	Westside Memorial Park	73	Bishop's Garth Park
46	Mt. Airy Rails to Trails Trail	74	Dutterer Family Park
47	Summit Ridge Park	75	Jaycee Park
48	Vest Pocket Park	76	King Park
49	Watkins Park	77	Lime Kiln Interpretive Park
50	Wildwood Park	78	Locust Lane Park
51	New Windsor Fire Company Grounds	79	Longwell Municipal Center
52	New Windsor Town Park	80	Uniontown Road Athletic Field Park
53	Siebel's Field Ball Park	81	Wakefield Valley Community Trail
54	Sulphur Springs Park	82	Wakefield Valley Park
55	Bloomfield Park	83	Westminster City Playground
56	Harold Burkett Park	84	Westminster Municipal Park
57	Jones Park	85	Westminster Skate Park
58	Lexington Run Park	86	Whispering Meadows Community Park
59	Little Sykes Railway Park		
No.	State Parks	No.	State Parks
87	Morgan Run Environmental Area	88	Patapsco Valley State Park

Source: Carroll County Department of Recreation and Parks

# Parks and Recreation Areas Map

