## **Population Characteristics**



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Personal income at both the state and the national level is one of the most significant of all factors watched to measure economic growth. In Virginia, the 1967 personal income of 12.8 billion dollars represented an increase of 74% since 1960. Per capita state income which is the total personal income received divided by total persons increased from \$1,856 per person in 1960 to \$2777 in 1967. While the state is still below the national per capita of \$3,137, over the 1960-1967 period, the national gain was only 42% compared to the state gain of 49%.

Table I shows the per capita income in Virginia counties and cities over the 1960-1965 and 1967 years. The per capita relatives given in the table refers to what percent or what index the county is in relationship to the state. Taking the 1967 state per capita of \$2,777 as 1.00 or 100, the relative of Accomac County for example would be .56 per cent of the state or 56. Albemarle County on the other hand had a greater per capita than recorded for the state. It is 1.24 per cent of the state or on an index 24 points better than the state.

A closer analysis of Table I indicates that the highest level of per capita incomes are generally found in areas of high population concentration. The 12 counties and 19 cities in which the per capita was greater than the state average accounted for 51% of the state's population. Among the 23 regions of the state as shown Table II the five which had above state averages; 1.A, 1.B, 1.C, 1.D and 4.3 accounted for 56 per cent of the population.

Size of population does not always mean a high per capita income, as witnessed by other counties with relatively high concentrations of people. However, where urbanization has occurred the chances are favorable that the per capita income will be about equal to or above the state average. All five of the state regions which had above average per capita income were situated in or were a part of some metropolitan region.

By localities, Arlington County had the highest per capita income \$4,478, and Lee County the Lowest \$1,100. Falls Church city was high among the 35 cities with \$4,262, and Norton the lowest, \$1,951. To point out major area and regional differences as illustrated by the map on page 8, the incomes were broken down by counties and cities with per capitas below \$2,000; per capitas between \$2,000 and \$3,000, and those above \$3,000. As indicated, lower per capita counties were those located in the southwest, southern and mid Piedmont, and the northern neck. High per capita counties and cities were situated largely near the big metropolitan complexes.

The data in this publication were taken from a summary report of Personal Income Estimates for Virginia counties and cities, 1960, 1965, and 1967 prepared by David C. Hodge, Bureau of Population and Economic Research, University of Virginia.

## Table I

	Year			Per Capita Relatives		
	1960	1965	1967	1960	1967	
CTATE	¢1 054	¢2 (10	¢0 777	1 00	1 00	
STATE	\$1,856	\$2,419	\$2,777	1.00	1.00	
Accomack	1,046	1,740	2,053	.56	. 74	
Albemarle	2,304	2,375	2,661	1.24	.96	
Alleghany	1,668	1,814	2,064	.90	.74	
Amelia	1,438	1,933	2,180	.77	.79	
Amherst	1,282	1,767	1,969	.69	.71	
Appomattox	1,478	1,873	2,056	.80	.74	
Arlington	2,939	3,748	4,478	1.58	1.61	
Augusta	1,449	1,943	2,236	.78	.81	
Bath	1,509	1,957	2,321	.81	.84	
Bedford	1,351	2,081	2,299	.73	.83	
Bland	858	1,316	1,444	.46	.52	
Botetourt	1,560	2,123	2,555	.84	.92	
Bolelourt	1,500	2,125	2,000	. 04	. 92	
Brunswick	1,001	1,407	1,774	.54	. 64	
Buchanan	907	1,223	1,521	.49	.55	
Buckingham	897	1,383	1,715	.48	.62	
Campbell	1,527	2,064	2,316	.82	.83	
Caroline	1,207	1,655	1,921	.65	.69	
Carroll	1,037	1,381	1,614	.56	.58	
Charles City	1,328	1,876	2,062	.72	.74	
Charlotte	1,011	1,358	1,576	.54	.57	
Chesterfield	2,165	2,833	3,193	1.17	1.15	
Clarke	1,817	2,571	2,683	.98	.97	
Craig	1,421	2,006	2,517	.77	.91	
Culpeper	2,058	2,724	3,229	1.11	1.16	
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Cumberland	1,024	1,332	1,621	.55	.58	
Dickenson	825	1,063	1,314	.44	.47	
Dinwiddie	1,251	1,911	2,171	.67	.78	
Essex	1,335	1,724	2,046	.72	.74	
Fairfax	2,367	2,981	3,392	1.28	1.22	
Fauquier	2,779	4,077	3,969	1.50	1.43	
Floyd	1,315	1,944	2,456	.71	.88	
Fluvanna	1,044	1,383	1,559	.56	.56	
Franklin	1,240	1,643	1,825	. 67	.66	
Frederick	1,491	1,943	2,157	.80	.78	
Giles	1,264	1,766	2,116	.68	.76	
Gloucester	1,745	2,350	2,636	. 94	.95	
Goochland	1,538	2,240	2,434	.83	.88	
Grayson	1,045	1,403	1,560	.56	.56	
Greene	1,237	1,762	1,950	.67	.70	
Greensville	1,450	1,968	2,109	.78	.76	
Halifax	1,026	1,270	1,454	.55	.52	
Hanover	1,943	2,549	2,790	1.05	1.00	
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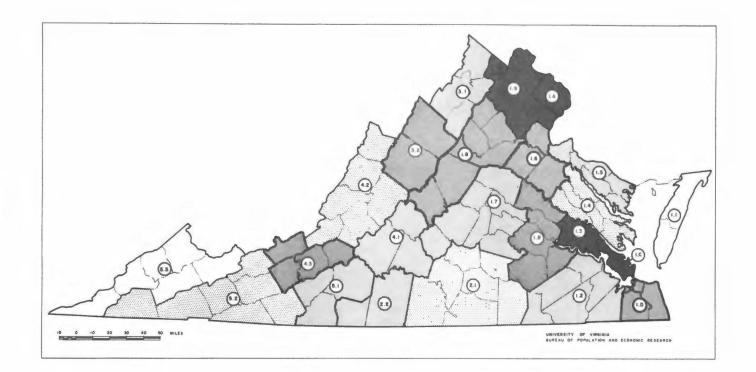
## Per Capita Income in Virginia Counties and Cities 1960, 1965, 1967 and Per Capita Relatives 1960, 1967

		Year		Per Capita Relatives	
	1960	1965	1967	1960	1967
Henrico	2,250	3,124	3,535	1.21	1.27
Henry	1,467	2,234	2,081	.79	.75
Highland	1,245	1,504	1,801	.67	.65
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Isle of Wight	1,543	2,291	2,462	.83	.89
James City	1,666	1,987	2,391	.90	.86
King & Queen	1,560	2,357	2,754	. 84	.99
King George	1,405	1,960	2,265	.76	.82
King William	1,784	2,486	2,786	.96	1.00
Lancaster	1,378	1,910	2,270	.74	.82
Lee	760	928	1,100	.41	.40
Loudoun	2,045	2,737	2,851	1.10	1.03
Louisa	1,259	1,663	1,970	.68	.71
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Lunenburg	1,036	1,336	1,615	.56	.58
Madison	1,292	1,765	1,946	.70	.70
Mathews	1,697	2,278	2,748	.91	.99
Mecklenburg	1,023	1,349	1,548	.55	.56
Middlesex	1,121	1,484	1,812	.60	.65
Montgomery	1,444	2,064	2,484	.78	.89
Nansemond	1,503	2,207	2,476	.81	.89
Nelson	1,134	1,554	1,810	.61	.65
New Kent	1,711	2,377	2,660	.92	.96
Northampton	-				
Northumberland	1,285	1,818	1,877	.69	.68
Nottoway	1,237 1,172	1,642 1,665	1,929 2,036	.67 .63	.69 .73
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Orange	1,848	2,057	2,967	1.00	1.07
Page	1,416	1,798	2,127	.76	.77
Patrick	1,254	1,828	2,092	.68	.75
Pittsylvania	1,073	1,430	1,658	.58	.60
Powhatan	1,591	2,216	2,434	.86	.88
Prince Edward	1,172	1,732	2,046	.63	.74
Prince George	1,851	2,456	3,063	1.00	1.10
Prince William	•				
	1,848	1,981	2,097	1.00	.76
Pulaski	1,271	1,821	2,233	.68	.80
Rappahannock	1,152	1,622	1,782	.62	.64
Richmond	1,225	1,781	1,985	.66	.71
Roanoke	1,738	2,480	2,833	. 94	1.02
Rockbridge	1,559	1,957	2,300	.84	.83
Rockingham	1,711	2,115	2,381	.92	.86
Russell	887	1,133	1,389	.48	.50
Scott	952	1,175	1,516	.51	.55
Shenandoah	1,483	2,195	2,453	.80	.88
Smyth	1,264	1,531	1,815	.68	.65
Southampton	1 5 2 7	2 220	2 1.66	0.2	0.0
Southampton	1,537	2,239	2,466	.83	.89
Spotsylvania Stafford	1,273	1,711	1,846	.69	.66
Stafford	1,492	1,827	2,303	.80	.83
Surry	1,308	1,916	2,214	.70	.80
Sussex	1,367 1,118	1,878	2,125 1,778	.74	.77
Tazewell		1,484		.60	.64

	Year			Per Capita	oita Relatives	
	1960	1965	1967	1960	1967	
Warren	1,726	2,120	2,269	.93	.82	
Washington	1,156	1,462	1,785	.62	. 64	
Westmoreland	1,225	1,755	1,997	.66	.72	
Wise	988	1,225	1,504	.53	.54	
Wythe	1,106	1,545	1,908	.60	.69	
York	1,792	2,179	2,464	.97	.89	
TOTAL COUNTIES	1,661	2,247	2,589	.89	.93	
Alexandria	2,718	3,475	3,959	1.46	1.43	
			2,210	.91	.80	
Bristol	1,682	1,920			.90	
Buena Vista	1,628	2,191	2,507	.88 1.07	1.15	
Charlottesville	1,986	2,888	3,185			
Chesapeake	2,239	2,024	1,961	1.20	.71	
Clifton Forge	1,817	2,128	2,391	.98	.86	
Colonial Heights	2,307	2,814	3,022	1.24	1.09	
Covington	2,017	3,057	4,043	1.09	1.46	
Danville	1,852	2,412	2,632	1.00	.95	
Fairfax	2,089	2,822	2,858	1.13	1.03	
Falls Church	2,839	3,892	4,262	1.53	1.53	
Franklin	1,607	2,837	3,208	.87	1.16	
Fredericksburg	1,920	2,496	2,689	1.03	.97	
Galax	1,374	1,585	2,263	.74	.81	
Hampton	1,825	2,295	2,619	.98	. 94	
Harrisonburg	1,766	2,382	2,687	.95	.97	
Hopewell	1,908	2,726	2,906	1.03	1.05	
Lexington	1,037	1,811	2,204	.56	.79	
Lynchburg	2,064	2,649	2,992	1.11	1.08	
Martinsville	1,980	2,518	2,667	1.07	.96	
Normort North	1,987	2,648	3,179	1.07	1.14	
Newport News Norfolk	2,099	2,746	3,355	1.13	1.21	
Norton	1,437	1,667	1,951	.77	.70	
		2,755	3,139	1.16	1.13	
Petersburg Portsmouth	2,157 1,947	2,491	2,983	1.05	1.07	
	1 960	2,368	2 6 9 1	1.00	.97	
Radford	1,860		2,681 3,756	1.47	1.35	
Richmond	2,730	3,362	3,177	1.17	1.14	
Roanoke	2,169	2,702		.85	.85	
South Boston	1,577	2,137	2,358			
Staunton	1,921	2,332	2,576	1.04	.93	
Suffolk	2,398	3,003	3,416	1.29	1.23	
Virginia Beach	1,693	2,001	2,307	.91	.83	
Waynesboro	1,953	2,574	2,783	1.05	1.00	
Williamsburg	1,708	2,454	2,793	.92	1.01	
Winchester	2,199	2,685	2,923	1.18	1.05	
TOTAL CITIES	2,138	2,677	3,066	1.15	1.10	

Regional Per Capita Income and Per Capita Relatives by Regions, 1960, 1967

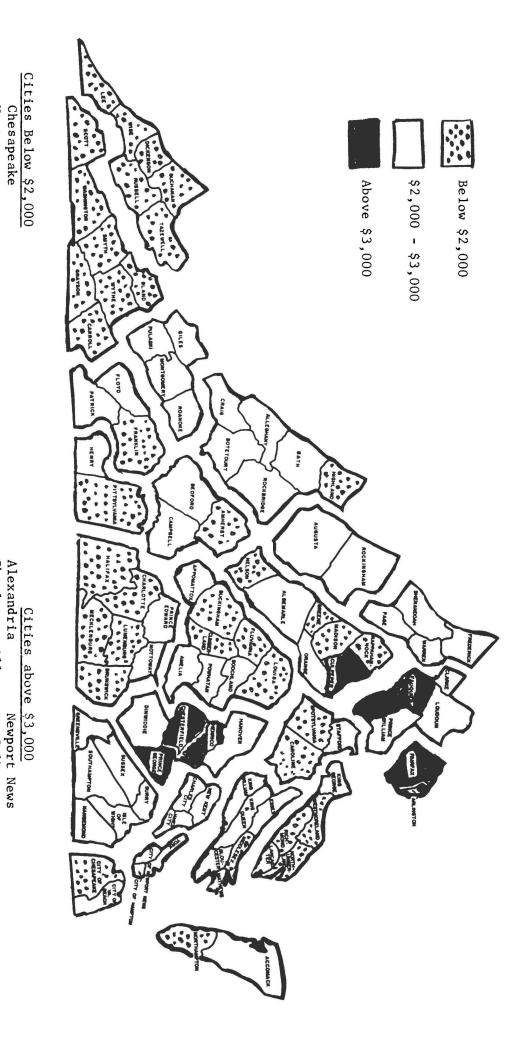
Regions	Per Capi	Per Capita Income		Per Capita Relatives		
	1960	1967	1960	<u>1</u> 967		
STATE	\$1,856	\$2,777	1.00	1.00		
1.A	2,607	3,756	1.40	1.35		
1.B	2,346	3,382	1.26	1.22		
1.C	1,904	2,868	1.03	1.03		
1.D	2,027	2,866	1.09	1.03		
1.1	1,131	1,988	.61	.72		
1.2	1,581	2,511	.85	.90		
1.3	1,621	2,488	.87	.90		
1.4	1,573	2,487	.85	.90		
1.5	1,289	2,083	.69	.75		
1.6	1,478	2,198	.80	.79		
1.7	1,276	2,007	.69	.72		
1.8	1,845	2,718	.99	.98		
1.9	2,101	2,598	1.13	. 94		
2.1	1,077	1,696	.58	.61		
2.2	1,495	2,150	.81	.77		
3.1	1,635	2,360	.88	.85		
3.2	1,706	2,450	.92	.88		
4.1	1,656	2,498	.89	.90		
4.2	1,589	2,515	.86	.91		
4.3	1,788	2,792	.96	1.01		
5.1	1,259	2,021	.68	.73		
5.2	1,162	1,771	.63	.64		
5.3	955	1,496	.51	.54		



## REGIONS OF VIRGINIA

- 1.A Alexandria-Arlington-Fairfax (Arlington and Fairfax counties; and Alexandria, Fairfax, and Falls Church cities)
- B Richmond-Petersburg-Hopewell (Chesterfield, Dinwiddie, Hanover, Henrico and Prince George counties; and Colonial Heights, Hopewell, Petersburg, and Richmond cities)
- 1.C Northside Hampton Roads (Hampton and Newport News cities; and York county)
- 1.D Southside Hampton Roads (Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth, and Virginia Beach cities)
- 1.1 Eastern Shore (Accomack and Northampton counties)
- 1.2 Southern Tidewater (Greensville, Isle of Wight, Nansemond, Southampton, Surry and Sussex counties; Emporia, Franklin, and Suffolk cities)
- 1.3 York Peninsula (Charles City, James City, and New Kent counties; and Williamsburg city)
- 1.4 Middle Peninsula (Essex, Gloucester, King and Queen, King William, Mathews, and Middlesex counties)
- 1.5 Northern Neck (King George, Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond, and Westmoreland counties)
- 1.6 Fall Line Area (Caroline, Spotsylvania, and Stafford counties; and Fredericksburg city)
- 1.7 Central Piedmont (Amelia, Appomattox, Buckingham, Cumberland, Fluvanna, Goochland, Louisa, and Powhatan counties)
- 1.8 Northwest Piedmont (Albemarle, Culpeper, Greene, Madison, Nelson, Orange, and Rappahannock counties; and Charlottesville city)

- 1.9 Northern Piedmont (Clarke, Fauquier, Loudoun, and Prince William counties)
- 2.1 Central Southside (Brunswick, Charlotte, Halifax, Lunenburg, Mecklenburg, Nottoway, and Prince Edward counties; and South Boston city)
- 2.2 Western Southside (Henry and Pittsylvania counties; and Danville and Martinsville cities)
- 3.1 Lower Shenandoah (Frederick, Page, Shenandoah, and Warren counties; and Winchester city)
- 3.2 Upper Shenandoah (Augusta and Rockingham counties; and Harrisonburg, Staunton, and Waynesboro cities)
- 4.1 Midwest Piedmont (Amherst, Bedford, and Campbell counties; and Lynchburg city)
- 4.2 James-New River Highlands (Alleghany, Bath, Botetourt, Craig, Highland, and Rockbridge counties; and Buena Vista, Clifton Forge, Covington, and Lexington cities)
- 4.3 Roanoke-Radford Area (Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, and Roanoke counties; and Radford, Roanoke, and Salem cities)
- 5.1 Blue Ridge-Piedmont (Floyd, Franklin and Patrick counties)
- 5.2 Central Southwest (Bland, Carroll, Grayson, Scott, Smyth, Washington, and Wythe counties; and Bristol and Galax cities)
- 5.3 Cumberland Area (Buchanan, Dickenson, Lee, Russell, Taxewell, and Wise counties; and Norton city)



Cities and Counties by Area by Per Capita Income, 1967

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Norton Chesapeake

Falls Church Franklin

Roanoke Suffolk

Richmond Petersburg

Covington

Colonial Heights Charlottesville

Newport News Norfolk