



Columbus Indiana

Columbus, Indiana Statistics

2018 - 2019 Estimates, census.gov/MissionInsite.com

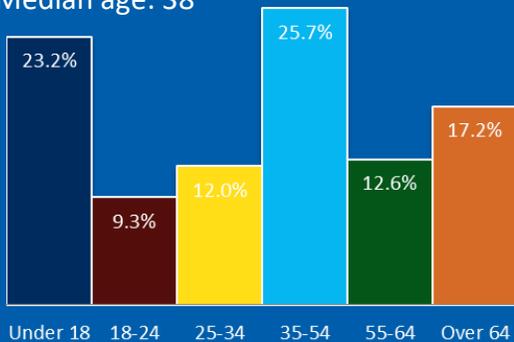
By the Numbers

Population:	49,176
Median family income:	\$70,355
Median home value:	\$156,400
Median Rent:	\$913
Poverty Rate:	9.0%
Crime Index:	259.8

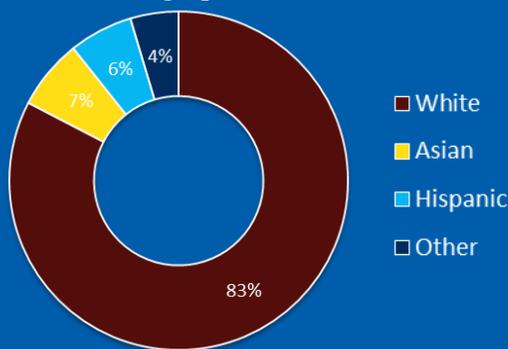
US Average is 274 (2018, city-data.com)

Age Demographics

Median age: 38



Racial Demographics



Marital Status

Married	50%
Not Married	50%

Households with Children

Married Couple	64%
Single Parent	36%

Located in Batholomew County, Indiana, the tagline for **Columbus** is "Unexpected, Unforgettable." Although Columbus is a relatively homogenous community with a dense, suburban feel, names like I.M. Pei and Eero Saarinen left their mark here. Columbus has earned recognition from the American Institute of Architects as America's sixth-best city for architectural innovation.

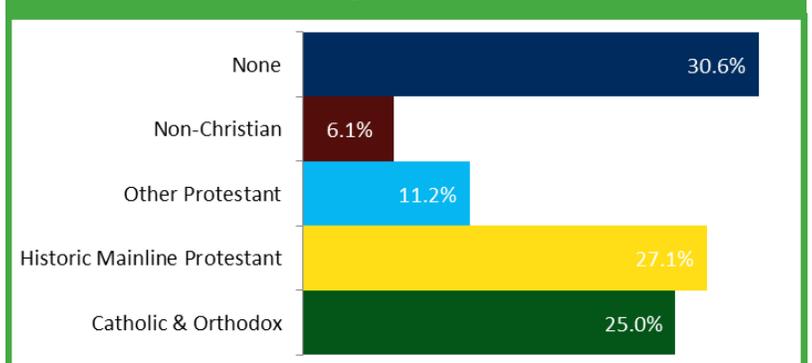
Unfortunately, even with such inspiring architecture, over one-third of the residents identify as having no religious preference or as non-Christian and there is little reformed church presence.



The Central Indiana Presbytery is praying that those statistics will be changed by the work of God through their commitment to planting a PCA church in the area with the support of the Midwest Alliance whose mission is to see PCA churches and presbyteries in the Midwest working together to plant and grow healthy and reproducing churches.

Central Indiana Presbytery exists as a regional church to extend God's kingdom by strengthening existing churches, planting new churches, developing leaders, and caring for pastors. With God's help, the hope is to see that mission advanced through a church plant in Columbus.

Columbus Religious Preferences (2017)





Miller House & Garden



The Commons Indoor Playground



Mill Race Park

Columbus Highlights

Located 40 miles south of Indianapolis.

White collar workers make up 66.5% of the population.

Bartholomew Consolidated School Corp received a “B” rating for 2017-2018 and has over 11,000 students.

Birthplace of Mike Pence.

The Driftwood and Flatrock Rivers converge at Columbus to form the East Fork of the White River.

Over 700 acres of parks and green space and over 20 miles of People Trails.

Secondary education includes Indiana University – Purdue University Columbus (IUPUC), an Ivy Tech campus, Purdue Polytechnic and an Indiana Wesleyan University education center.

Education

(population over age 25)

90.8% High School Grad or higher

21.5% Bachelor’s Degree

16.0% Graduate or Professional

Top 10 Private Employers

- Fuel Systems Cummins
- Faurecia Gladstone
- Columbus Regional Hospital
- Ntn Driveshaft Inc
- Cummins Inc
- Cosco Home & Office Products
- Enkei America Inc
- Toyota Industrial Eqpt Mfg Inc
- Emcon Technologies LLC
- Walmart Supercenter

Candidate Strengths

- Loves and trusts God far more than he loves or trusts anyone or anything else
- Intentional in evangelism and connects with unbelievers
- Desire to put down roots and equip people for ministry
- A strong preacher - effective communicator - able to preach Christ crucified

Support

- Mentoring available from experienced church planters
- The commitment of the Central Indiana Presbytery to church planting

Imagine

A welcoming church plant reaching the “nones” in Columbus

A gospel saturated, missional church plant in Columbus that becomes a hub to plant additional churches in the surrounding communities

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