



FORT WAYNE

Indiana

Fort Wayne, Indiana Statistics

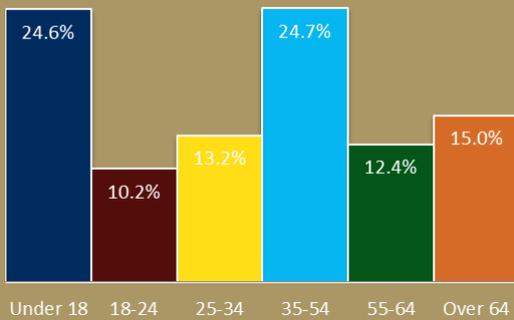
2018 - 2019 Estimates, census.gov/MissionInsite.com

By the Numbers

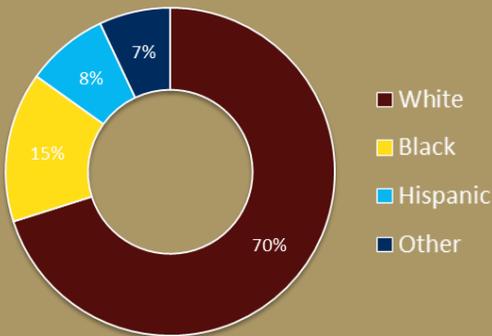
Population:	264,301
Median family income:	\$58,011
Median home value:	\$110,600
Median Rent:	\$735
Poverty Rate:	13.3%
Crime Index:	268.5
US Average is 274 (2018, city-data.com)	

Age Demographics

Median age: 36



Racial Demographics



Marital Status

Married	45%
Not Married	55%

Households with Children

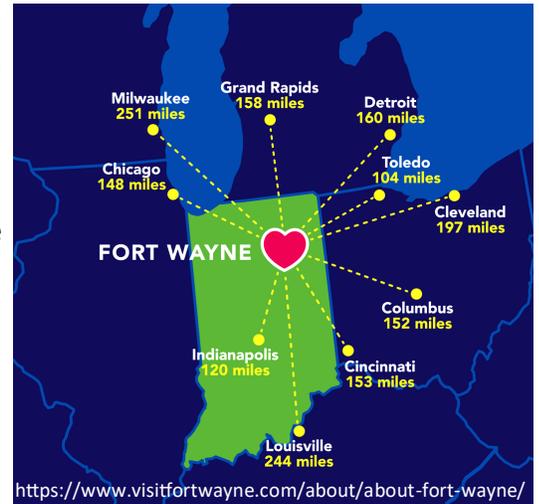
Married Couple	58%
Single Parent	42%

US News reports that “as a midsize metropolitan area in the heart of the Midwest, residents in Fort Wayne have access to the amenities one would expect to find in a large metropolis, like excellent entertainment options and a thriving arts scene.”

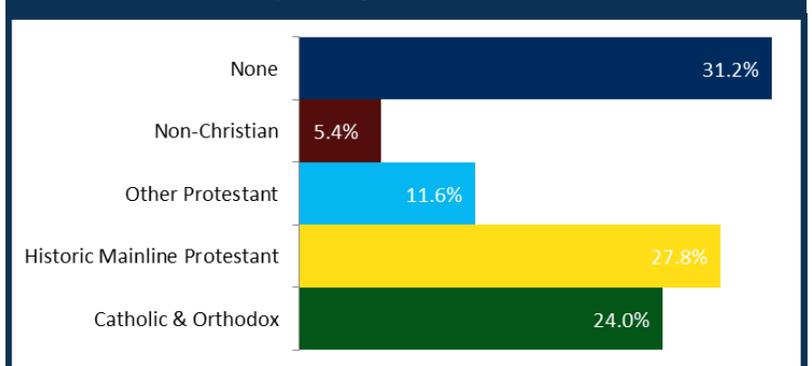
Fort Wayne has more than 360 churches, with farmland northeast of the city housing Amish communities and a concentration of people identifying as Roman Catholic.

Given those statistics, the Central Indiana Presbytery is partnering with the Midwest Alliance to plant a winsomely reformed PCA church.

The mission of the Midwest Alliance is to see PCA churches and presbyteries in the Midwest working together to plant and grow healthy and reproducing churches while the 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 kingdom advancement through a church plant in Fort Wayne.



Fort Wayne Religious Preferences (2017)





Fort Wayne Children's Zoo



Fort Wayne



Science Central

Fort Wayne Highlights

- White collar workers make up 66.5% of the population
- Fort Wayne Community Schools received a "C" grade for 2017 - 2018
- Home to hundreds of neighborhoods, each with a distinctive character and variety of amenities
- Promenade Park, a \$20 million mixed-use development, embraces the St. Mary's River and two other waterways, the Maumee River and St. Joseph River
- Fort Wayne's Allen County Public Library has carved out a reputation as one of the top genealogy centers in the world
- Downtown Fort Wayne has many vivid murals, clean streets, and a fort — The Old Fort, a replica of a garrison dating to 1815

Education

- (population over age 25)
- 88.3% High School Grad or higher
- 17.5% Bachelor's Degree
- 9.1% Graduate or Professional

Top 10 Private Employers

(Company & # of Full Time Employees)

- Parkview Health Systems - 7,858
- Lutheran Health Network - 4,824
- General Motors - 3,900
- Lincoln Financial Group - 1,954
- BFGoodrich - 1,640
- Frontier Communications - 1,355
- Sweetwater Sound - 1,300
- Fort Wayne Metals Research Products Corp - 1,053
- Steel Dynamics Inc. - 871
- Dana Corp - 837
- BAE Systems - 833

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

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