

Bedford Area Statistics

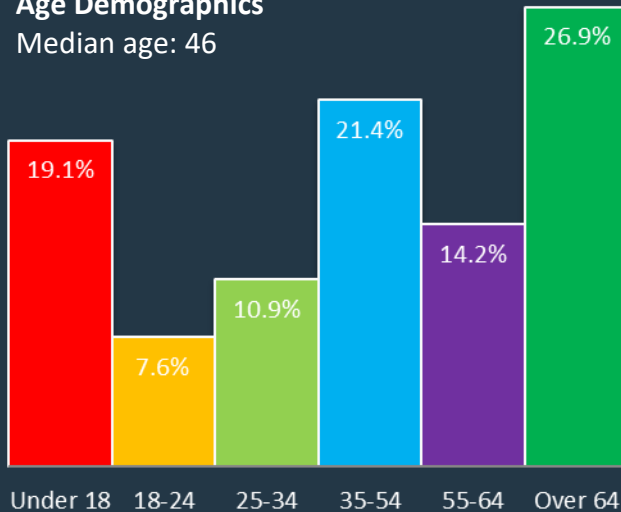
Statistics for a 5-mile radius
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By the Numbers

Population:	13,656
2034 Projected Population	14,595
Average household income:	\$74,700
White Collar Workers	66%
Families Below Poverty Line	13.17%

Age Demographics

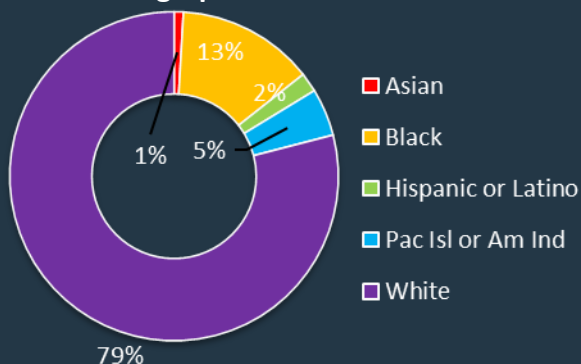
Median age: 46



Marital Status

Never Married	30%
Married	50%
Divorced	9%
Separated	2%
Widowed	8%

Racial Demographics

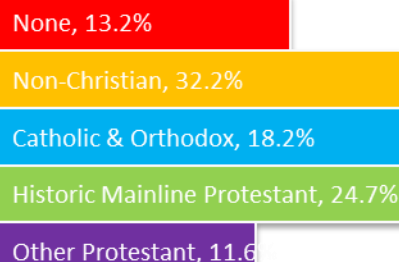


Bedford, Virginia, is a small town known for its charming atmosphere and rich history, serving as the county seat of Bedford County. Nestled in the Blue Ridge Mountains, it offers outdoor adventures, historical sites like the National D-Day Memorial, and a close-knit community vibe.

Sadly, the town's fastest growing segment when indicating religious preference is non-Christian. Thankfully, the Blue Ridge Presbytery is committed to planting a church in Bedford that is soaked with Gospel life so that it embodies God's grace in worship, community and mission. This will be the first PCA church in Bedford and the hope is for it to be part of an expanding network of PCA church plants in the region.



Religious Preference





Bedford Highlights

Situated about midway between Lynchburg and Roanoke where the Piedmont Plateau meets the Blue Ridge Mountains .

Home of the National D-Day Memorial as Bedford suffered the highest per capita D-Day losses in the United States.

Blue Ridge Outdoors Magazine readers gave it the honor of Top Adventure Town in 2023 for small towns.

Major employers in Bedford County:

Bedford County Schools
Bedford Weaving Mills
Centra Bedford Memorial Hospital
Cintas
Generation Solutions
Georgia-Pacific
Innovairre
L3Harris Corporation
RST Marketing Associates
Sam Moore Furniture
Sentry Equipment Erectors
Smyth Companies

Family Structure of Households

Married Couple 57.9%
Single Parent 42.1%

Education

(population over age 25)
88.5% High School Grad or higher
17.3% Bachelor's Degree
7.52% Graduate or Professional Degree

Candidate Strengths

- A Gospel-centered leader who embodies a culture of grace, willing to plant a church soaked with Gospel life.
- A missional posture toward the surrounding community; faithfully, graciously, and courageously exemplifying Christ's presence to the neighborhood.

Support

- Presbytery mobilized for church planting.
- Opportunities for mentoring, internships, and cohort participation for those preparing for church planting.
- A small core group eager for a PCA church in the area.

Imagine

- The manifestation of the Kingdom of God and the broader renewal of the entire region.
- To see a gospel-centered church, seeking Christ in Bedford.

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Most Common Occupations

