



A New Vision for Mid-Hudson's Economy

Regional Economic Development Councils

Putting New York Back to Work



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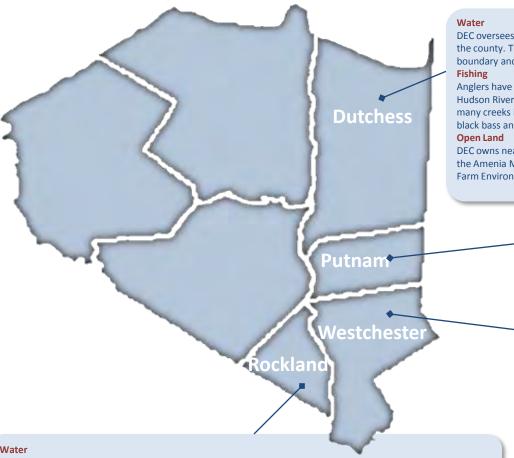
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Environmental Overview



DEC oversees one of three public boat launches in the county. The Hudson River forms the western boundary and offers much recreational access.

Anglers have access to a variety of species in the Hudson River and on local lakes. DEC stocks trout in many creeks in the county. Other species include black bass and pickerel.

DEC owns nearly 6,400 acres in the county, including the Amenia Multiple Use Area and the Stony Kill Farm Environmental Education Center.

Water

County has 10 water bodies that are part of the NYC reservoir system. DEC owns one of three public boat launch sites. The short western boundary lies along the Hudson River.

Fishing

Anglers have access to the reservoir system, as well as lakes and ponds and several major rivers and streams. Species include trout, salmon, walleye and bass.

Open Land

DEC oversees more than 3.600 acres of open land including the 1,023 acres of Nimham Mountain State Forest, Big Buck Mountain State Forest and the Bog Brook Unique Area.

Water

There are four public boat launch sites in the county; one is part of Parks and Recreation -- the rest belong to municipalities. The county has five bodies of water that are part of the NYC reservoir system. The Hudson River forms its western boundary.

Fishing

DEC stocks trout in many rivers and streams here. Anglers also have access to the lakes that are part of the NYC watershed. Other species include pickerel, panfish and bass.

Open Land

DEC has about 72 acres of land in the county. The agency has oversight over thousands of acres of wetland that border the New York City Watershed. It cooperates with the county government to manage Montrose Point State Forest.

Water

The county has seven public boat launch sites. The eastern boundary is the Hudson River.

Anglers have access to the Hudson, Delaware and Ramapo Rivers. The county also has 38 lakes and ponds and countless smaller streams. DEC stocks trout in many of these waters.

There are large tidal wetland areas along the Hudson in this county. DEC has less than 100 acres, but there are many State Parks and open lands along the Palisades Interstate Parkway.



Environmental Overview

Water

The county has 14 public boat launch sites, seven of which are owned by DEC. The Ashokan Reservoir is part of the NYC water supply system. The Hudson River forms the eastern boundary.

Fishing

Anglers have access to good fishing on the Hudson River and Esopus Creek, along with many lakes, ponds and reservoirs. Species include trout, walleye and black bass.

Open Land

DEC oversees nearly 160,000 acres of land here. It includes Balsam Lake Mountain Wild Forest (13,500 acres), Belleayre Mountain Ski Area, Big Indian Wilderness (33,500 acres) and many other lands in the Catskill Forest Preserve.

Water

Neversink and Rondout Reservoirs, here, are part of the NYC water supply system. DEC owns 13 public boat launch sites in the county. The Delaware River forms the western boundary.

Fishing

DEC has a fish hatchery in Catskill.

Open Land

DEC oversees over 18,000 acres and properties that include the Mongaup Valley Wildlife Management Area (11,855 acres), the Bashakill Wildlife Management Area (2,213 acres) and the Neversink Unique Area.

Water

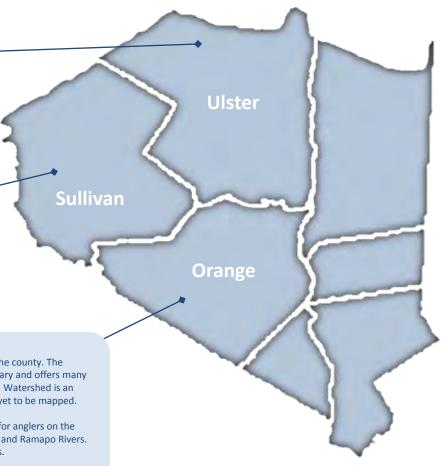
DEC owns 2 of 11 boat launch sites in the county. The Hudson River forms the eastern boundary and offers many recreational opportunities. The Wallkill Watershed is an important wetland area, there, that is yet to be mapped.

Fishing

The county offers many opportunities for anglers on the lakes, as well as the Hudson, Delaware and Ramapo Rivers. Species include trout, pickerel and bass.

Open Land

DEC has nearly 10,000 acres of land in the county. Its holdings include Pochuck State Forest (some 500 acres) and Stewart State Forest, which has 6,700 acres.

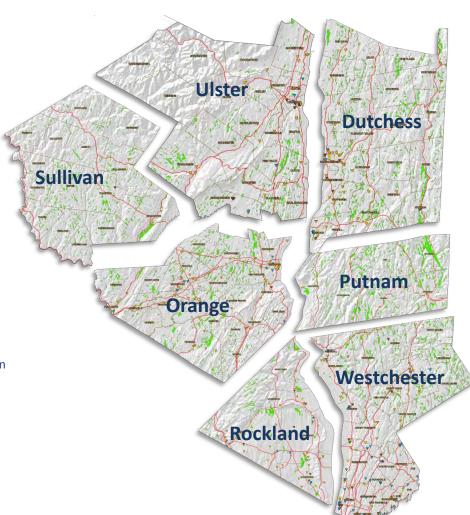




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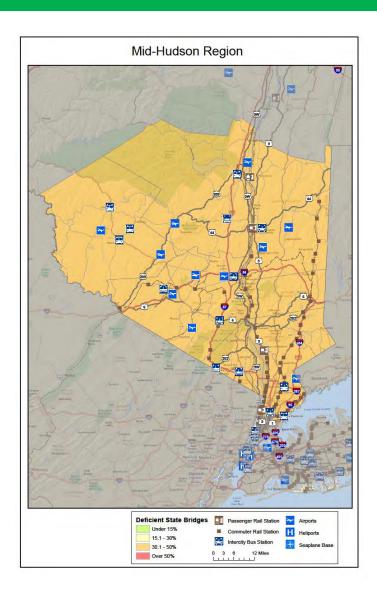
Environmental Map





Source: NYS Department of Environmental Conservation

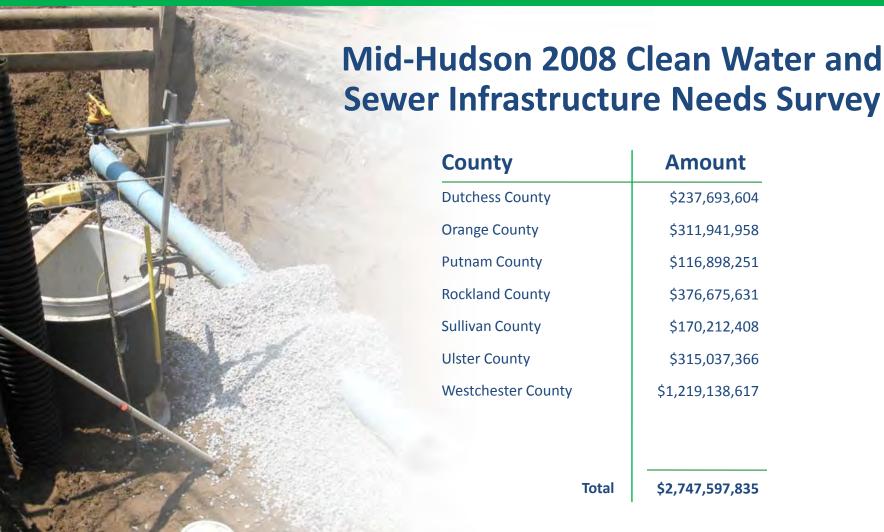




Transportation Indicators

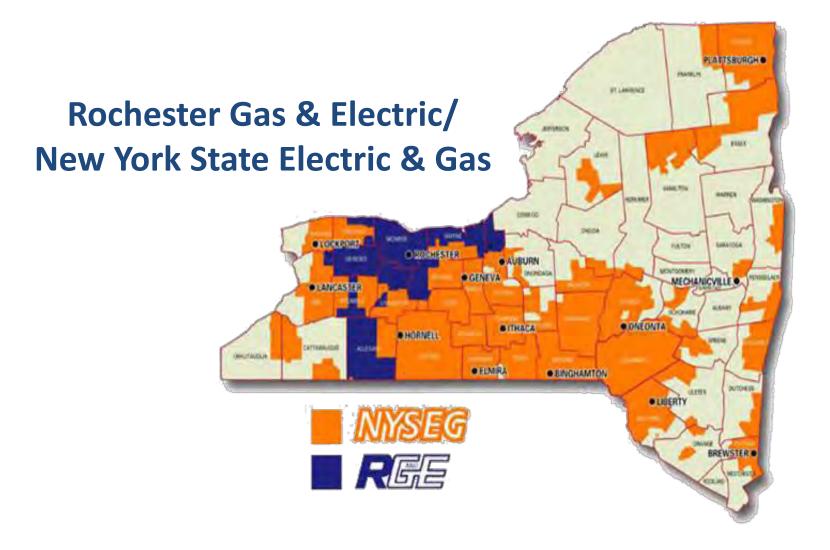
Source: NYS Department of Transportation





Source: NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation; Community-reported data.





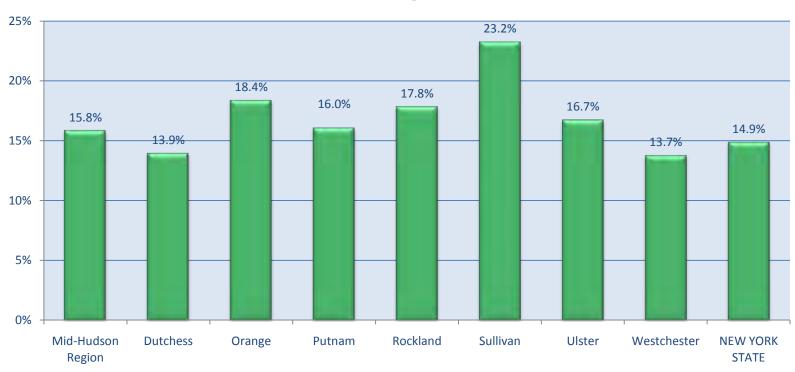


Orange and Rockland Utilities





Pre-foreclosure Filings in 2010 as Percent of Loans Originated 2004-2009



Source: NYS Homes & Community Renewal



Median Sales Price of Existing Single-Family Homes

Fourth Quarter 2010 compared to Fourth Quarter 2008

County	4th Quarter 2010p	Percent Change 4Q 2008 to 4Q 2010
Dutchess	\$277,500	-2.6%
Orange	\$ 252,700	-6.4%
Putnam	\$311,500	-11.0%
Rockland	\$ 404,250	-6.5%
Sullivan	\$ 120,000	-17.8%
Ulster	\$ 212,875	-2.4%
Westchester	\$ 577,750	1.5%

Source: NYS Homes & Community Renewal, NYS Association of Realtors



Housing Report Card (2006 – 2010)

	Rental Preservation Units	New Construction of Rental Units	Homeowner Improvement Units	Homebuyer Assistance Units
Dutchess	820	407	1,143	383
Orange	695	861	1,491	497
Putnam	50	163	144	30
Rockland	459	353	284	274
Sullivan	339	226	435	38
Ulster	337	480	1,108	367
Westchester	3,699	1,479	615	624
Total	5,295	3,968	3,303	2,211

Note: NYS Homes and Community Renewal records the affordable housing units assisted by programs administered by HCR, the New York State Office of Temporary Disability Assistance and the New York State Office of Mental Health.

Rental Preservation Units – HCR-supported units that have either had their affordability period extended for existing and future tenants or assistance for moderate to gut rehabilitation of existing, aging affordable housing which also extends the affordability period.

Source: NYS Homes & Community Renewal.



Affordable Housing Coverage Rate

	Number of Renters at or Below 50% of AMI	Renter Coverage Rate	Number of Owners at or Below 50% of AMI	Homeowner Coverage Rate
Dutchess	11,730	10.5%	9,930	15.4%
Orange	16,760	9.3%	11,480	17.3%
Putnam	1,560	13.7%	2,090	8.3%
Rockland	13,220	6.1%	10,570	5.3%
Sullivan	4,175	13.5%	2,990	15.8%
Ulster	9,070	9.0%	7,000	21.1%
Westchester	57,655	9.0%	31,435	3.9%
Total	114,170	9.3%	75,495	9.3%

Notes: The HCR Affordable Housing Renter and Homeowner Coverage Rate is a way of measuring the proportion of low-income residents in a county impacted by HCR programs funded 2006-2010.

AMI – Area Median Income is the midpoint family income for a metropolitan area or a non-metropolitan county calculated each year by the US Department of Housing and Urban Development for use in determining eligibility for housing programs.

Source: NYS Homes & Community Renewal, 2009 HUD Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) Data Book.



Housing and Affordability Indicators

County	Percent of Units that are Renter Occupied	Percent of Housing Units Built Before 1940	Percent of Renters with 'Severe Cost Burden'	Percent of Owners with 'Severe Cost Burden'	Percent of Residential Addresses that are Vacant
Dutchess	28.4%	21.5%	23.3%	11.6%	2.5%
Orange	28.8%	24.7%	27.7%	13.3%	2.6%
Putnam	15.2%	15.8%	25.7%	14.6%	0.6%
Rockland	27.2%	12.5%	30.9%	16.5%	1.7%
Sullivan	31.0%	22.0%	23.7%	13.9%	2.6%
Ulster	31.0%	30.4%	26.9%	13.3%	1.7%
Westchester	36.9%	31.7%	22.9%	16.2%	2.4%

^{&#}x27;Severe cost burden' is spending more than 50% of their gross income on housing costs.

Source: NYS Homes & Community Renewal, Quarter 3 2010 HUD Aggregated United States Postal Service Data, 2009 HUD CHAS Data Book.



Economic Impact of Visitor Spending

County	Amount
Dutchess	\$438.4 million
Orange	\$374.2 million
Putnam	\$54.3 million
Rockland	\$319.2 million
Sullivan	\$311.7 million
Ulster	\$420.2 million
Westchester	\$1,400.0 million

Source: Tourism Economics, 2009





Mid-Hudson State Parks and Historic Sites

Annual Attendance

Bear Mountain	1,829,429
Rockland Lake	529,415
Lake Welch	398,659
Minnewaska	216,905
Harriman	284,474
Franklin Delano Roosevelt	434,981
Walkway over the Hudson	750,000
Rockefeller Preserve	282,958
Clarence Fahnestock	234,116
Hudson Highlands	172,572

The Mid-Hudson Region includes 44 state parks and historic sites with a combined annual attendance of over 7 million.

Source: NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation



Mid-Hudson State Parks and Historic Sites

Economic Impact

An economic impact study estimates that in 2008-09, over 2000 jobs were created and nearly \$200 million in local economic activity was generated by State Parks in the area.

Quality of Life

The recreational and natural resources created by the area's parks and historic sites benefit this region by:

- Maintaining the state's ecosystem and biodiversity
- Providing opportunities for recreation
- Reducing the negative effects from pollution
- Improving health outcomes
- Preserving areas of historic importance
- Influencing business location decisions by making the community a better place to live





Mid-Hudson State Parks and Historic Sites

Highlights

Walkway Over the Hudson

This is the world's longest elevated pedestrian bridge.

Bear Mountain

Two million people visit annually.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Enormous Pool

It can accommodate over 2000 swimmers.

Breakneck Ridge Trail

Hudson Highland's 5.5 mile Breakneck Ridge trail was rated by Newsweek as one of the top 10 day hikes in America.

Eight Historic Sites

Region-wide, historic sites make early American history come alive for thousands of visitors.





Mid-Hudson State Parks and Historic Sites

Regional Capital Needs

The backlog of capital projects in the Mid-Hudson area is estimated to exceed \$187 million.

High Impact Projects:

•	Bear Mountain	
	Replace drinking water distribution	
	system	\$4,450,000

Harriman	
Rehabilitation of group camps	\$4,000,000

•	Minnewaska		
	Carriage road improvement	\$1,500,000	

•	Franklin Delano Roosevelt	
	Rehabilitate and bring to code three	
	heavily used comfort stations	\$1,800,000

•	Walkway over the Hudson	
	Park development	\$2,000,000

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Globalization

Changing Demographics

Workforce and Education

Industry Structure and Concentration





Key Regional Assets

The Mid-Hudson region borders Connecticut, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey. It boasts six interstate highways, easy access to six international airports, and includes the USA's busiest rail corridor. Home to a well educated workforce, the region's seven counties include a mix of urban areas, waterfront cities, rural villages, farmlands, and forests. The region offers major historical, cultural and recreational tourism destinations.

- Proximity to major markets and metropolitan centers
- Excellent public/private colleges
- Top tourism destinations West Point,
 Woodbury Commons Premium Outlets,
 Storm King Art Center
- Established biotechnology/pharmaceutical cluster





Major Economic Development Projects

- Bio/high-tech cluster
- Emerging renewable energy cluster
- Hudson Valley Research Park: home to semiconductor fabrication facilities
- Distribution cluster

- Hot spot for data recovery and back-up
- TechCity
- Stewart Airport





Regional Issues/Challenges

- MTA payroll tax
- Long-term population loss; aging population

- Aging infrastructure
- Distressed communities
- Rising costs of housing



Globalization

Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown MSA at a Glance

\$2.6 billion
(Rank 80)





Notes: Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown MSA is Dutchess and Orange Counties.

The rankings are out of the top 100 exporting MSAs in the U.S.

GMP = Gross Metropolitan Product Source: Brookings Institution



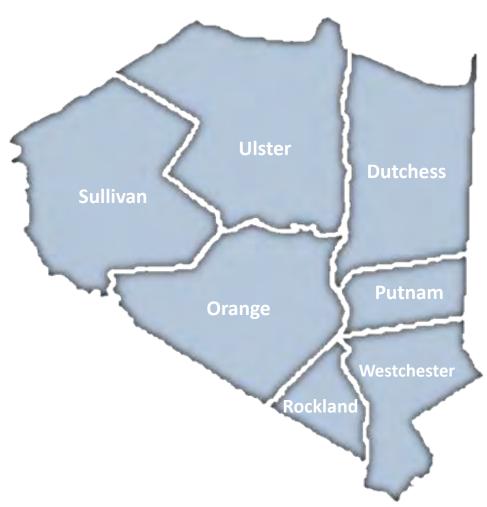
Globalization

Poughkeepsie-Newburgh-Middletown MSA Key Export Indicators for 2008

	Metro	Metro Rank	100 Largest Metro Areas	United States
Exports (\$ billions)	\$2.6	80	\$1,037	\$1,609
Exports as a share of GMP	10.1%	55	10.3%	11.4%
Number of export-related jobs	22,437	82	7,688,744	11,854,390
Real annual growth rate of exports, 2003-2008	6.1%	75	8.7%	9.2%
Average wages in leading export industry	\$37,740	93	\$66.449	\$45,563
Number of export clusters	3	91	6.7	N/A
Percentage of exports sold to Brazil, India and China	9.5%	12	8.6%	8.8%

Source: Brookings Institution

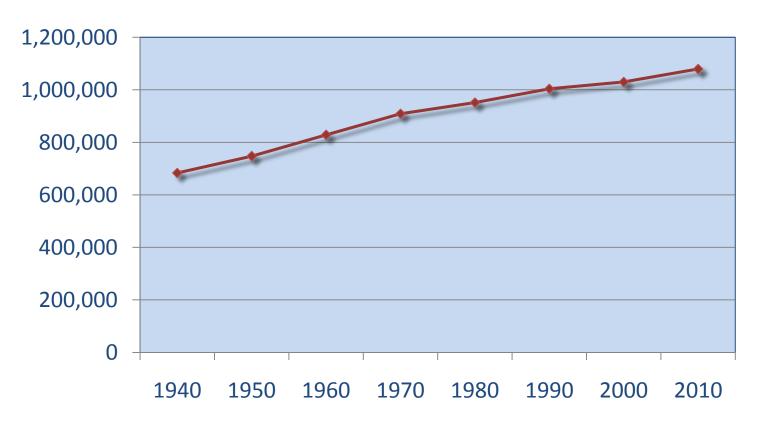




- The seven-county Mid-Hudson Region had the fastest growth of all 10 regions: 5.1% from 2000 to 2010.
- Every county in the region grew faster than the State average of 2.1% and the Mid-Hudson region has three of the top five fastest growing counties Orange, Rockland, and Dutchess).
- Mid-Hudson has 12 cities, two of which lost population: Mount Vernon (-1.6%) and Port Jervis (-0.4%). Seven of the fastest growing cities in the state are in this region: Middletown (10.9%), Poughkeepsie (8.6%), White Plains (7.1%), New Rochelle (6.8%), Rye (5.1%), and Peekskill (5.1%) and Beacon (5.0%). The other two cities are Kingston (1.8%) and Newburgh (2.1%). Yonkers remained flat (0.0%).
- The Mid-Hudson regional ethnic composition is 66.1% white, 17.1% Hispanic, 10.5% black, and 4.2% Asian.



Population of the Mid-Hudson Region, 1940-2010



Source: Empire State Development, State Data Center.



Mid-Hudson Socioeconomic Profile

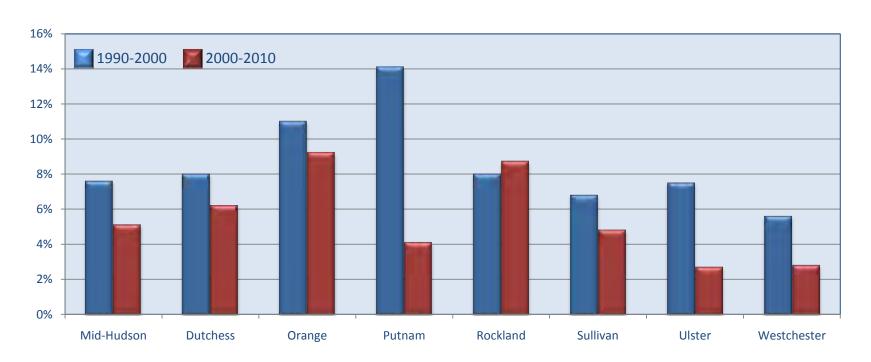
	Percent of Population Above 61 Years Old	Poverty Rate	Median Household Income
United States	16.2%	13.5%	\$51,425
New York State	16.7%	13.8%	\$55,233
Mid-Hudson Region	16.9%	9.4%	\$73,141
Dutchess County	16.9%	8.0%	\$68,472
Orange County	13.9%	11.7%	\$69,255
Putnam County	16.0%	6.6%	\$88,036
Rockland County	16.7%	11.1%	\$82,368
Sullivan County	18.7%	14.7%	\$48,586
Ulster County	18.6%	11.6%	\$57,485
Westchester County	17.9%	7.9%	\$79,585

Source: Empire State Development, State Data Center. Age data is from 2010; poverty and income are from 2009.



Population Change 1990-2000 compared to 2000-2010

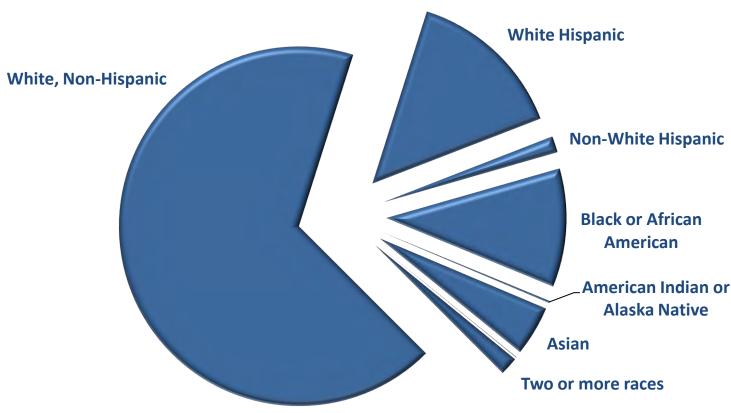
Mid-Hudson, by County



Source: Empire State Development, State Data Center.



Mid-Hudson Race/Ethnicity Demographics



Source: Empire State Development, State Data Center.



Mid-Hudson Hispanic/Latino Population

County	2000	2010	% Change
Dutchess County			
Hispanic/Latino	18,060	31,267	73.1%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	262,090	266,221	1.6%
Orange County			
Hispanic/Latino	39,738	67,185	69.1%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	301,629	305,628	1.3%
Putnam County			
Hispanic/Latino	5,976	11,661	95.1%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	89,769	88,049	-1.9%
Rockland County			
Hispanic/Latino	29,182	48,783	67.2%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	257,571	262,904	2.1%

County	2000	2010	% Change
Sullivan County			
Hispanic/Latino	6,839	10,554	54.3%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	67,127	66,993	-0.2%
Ulster County			
Hispanic/Latino	10,941	15,909	45.4%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	166,808	166,584	-0.1%
Westchester County			
Hispanic/Latino	144,124	207,032	43.6%
Non-Hispanic/Non-Latino	779,335	742,081	-4.8%

Source: Empire State Development, State Data Center



In-Migration

(to Mid-Hudson)

Out-Migration

(from Mid-Hudson)

Year	In-Migration	Percent of Population
2008	57,102	2.5%

Top Migratory Regions	In-Migrants
Bronx County	10,976
New York County	6,309
Queens County	3,570
Kings County	3,332
Fairfield County, CT	2,033

Year	Out-Migration	Percent of Population
2008	63.470	2.8%

Top Migratory Regions	Out-Migrants
Bronx County	5,454
New York County	4,135
Fairfield County, CT	3,684
Kings County	2,215
Queens County	2,204

Source: EMSI Strategic Advantage Model.



Educational Attainment in the Mid-Hudson Region

	Percent of Adults with At Least a	Percent of Adults with a Graduate
Area	Bachelor's Degree	Degree
Mid-Hudson Region	37.0%	17.3%
State	31.8%	13.6%
Nation	27.5%	10.1%

Source: Empire State Development, State Data Center; American Community Survey 2005-2009. Note: 'Adults' are at least 25 years old.

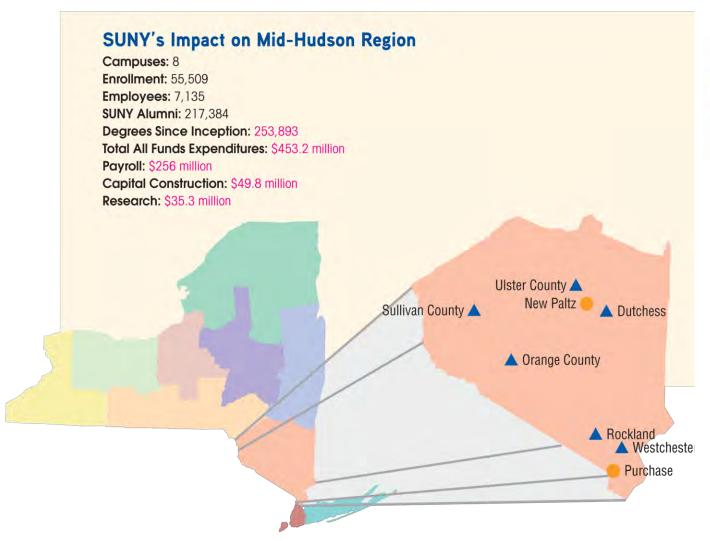


Workforce & Education



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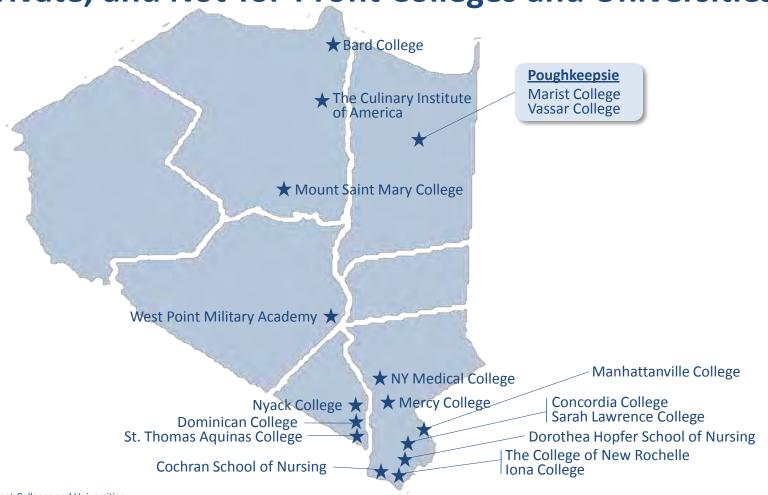








Mid-Hudson Federal, Private, and Not-for-Profit Colleges and Universities





Mid-Hudson Labor Market

Local Area Unemployment Statistics

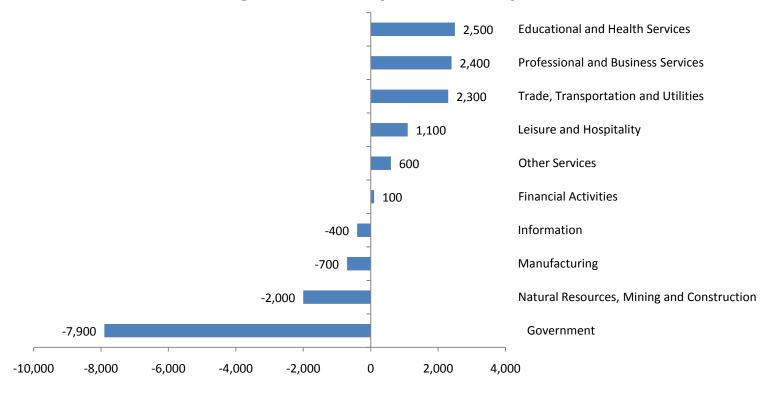
Mid-Hudson	May 2011	April 2011	May 2010
Labor Force	1,118,800	1,107,100	1,131,200
Unemployment	76,700	74,900	83,000
Local Unemployment Rate	6.9%	6.8%	7.3%
NY State Unemployment Rate	7.8%	7.6%	8.3%
U.S. Unemployment Rate	8.7%	8.7%	9.3%

Note: All data not seasonally adjusted. *Source:* NYS Department of Labor.



Mid-Hudson Labor Market

Change in Jobs, May 2010 to May 2011

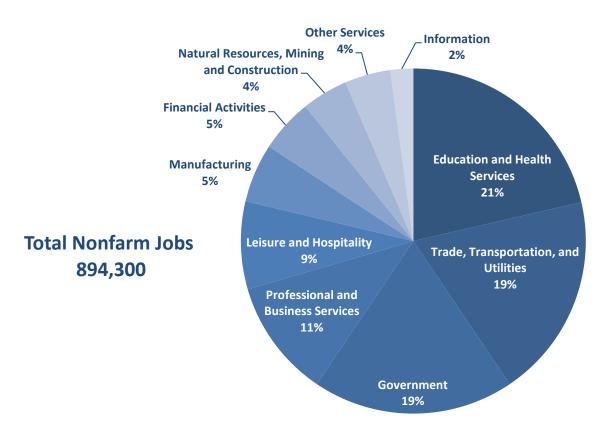


Source: NYS Department of Labor.



Mid-Hudson Labor Market

Distribution of Nonfarm Jobs, May 2011



Source: NYS Department of Labor.





Unionization Rate

City	Share of employed workers
Poughkeepsie-Newburgh- Middletown MSA	26.6%
New York State	24.2%
United States	11.9%

Source: Current Population Survey, calculations by unionstats.com, 2010.



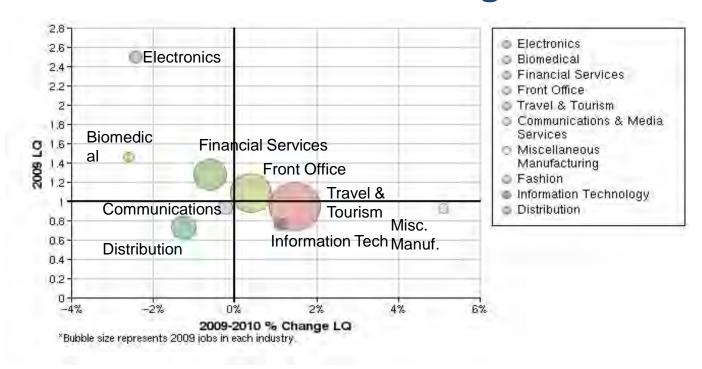
Growth in Mid-Hudson Industry Sectors

	Jobs in 2010	Growth since 2006	Average weekly wage 2010	Projected growth, 2008 to 2018
Construction of Buildings	8,816	-25.0%	\$1,054	-6.7%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	4,008	5.4%	\$1,550	-5.3%
Specialty Trade Contractors	26,386	-21.9%	\$1,073	-4.9%
Chemical Manufacturing	7,172	-19.2%	\$1,695	-14.9%
Computer and Electronic Product Mfg	13,123	-30.7%	\$2,725	-18.6%
Credit Intermediation & Related Activity	11,711	-20.0%	\$1,661	-15.0%
Insurance Carriers & Related Activities	11,767	-13.2%	\$1,721	-15.7%
Professional and Technical Services	41,031	-2.2%	\$1,566	11.2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	12,496	-2.1%	\$3,416	3.5%
Administrative and Support Services	36,178	-5.3%	\$709	0.9%
Educational Services	102,293	2.8%	\$1,111	7.4%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	50,169	13.7%	\$1,116	26.3%
Hospitals	39,765	1.0%	\$1,131	3.1%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	41,185	4.8%	\$702	24.5%

Source: NYS Department of Labor



Location Quotient of Industry Clusters in the Mid-Hudson Region



Location quotient (LQ) is a way of quantifying how concentrated a particular industry, cluster, occupation, or demographic group is in a region as compared to the nation. It can reveal what makes a particular region unique in comparison to the national average.. Source: EMSI Strategic Advantage model.



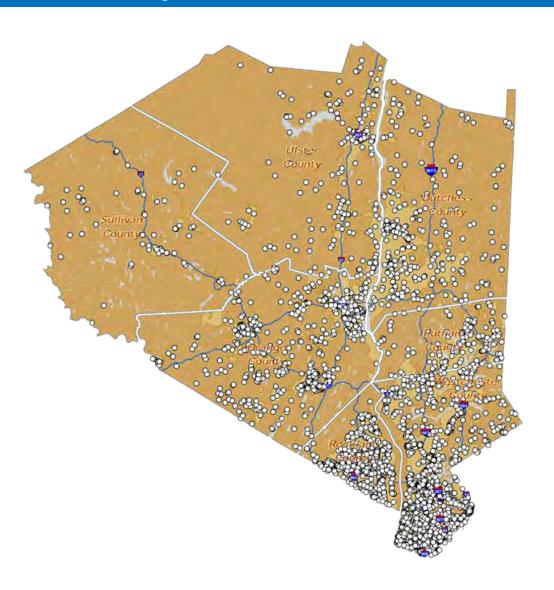


New Manufacturing Activity in the Mid-Hudson Region January 2010 to April 2011

Number of New Manufacturers: **297** (12.6% of state total) Number of New Manufacturing Jobs: **680** (7.1% of state total)

Source: D&B Market Insight

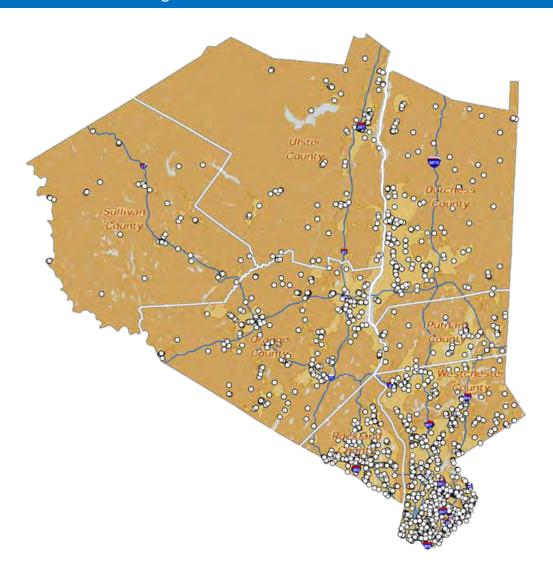




Distribution Cluster:

3,710 companies 21,300 employees

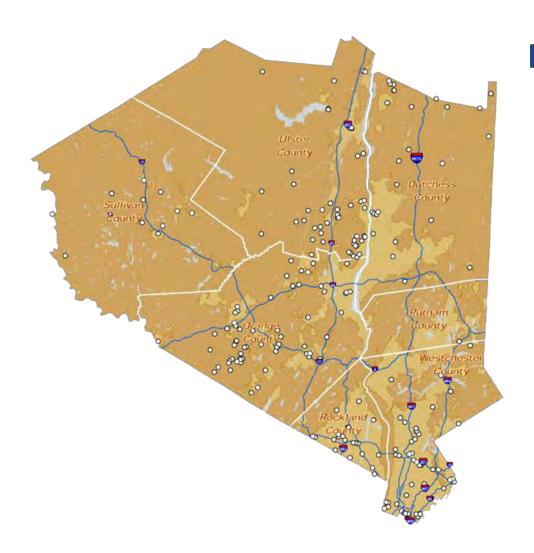




Financial Services Cluster:

2,500 companies 23,000 employees

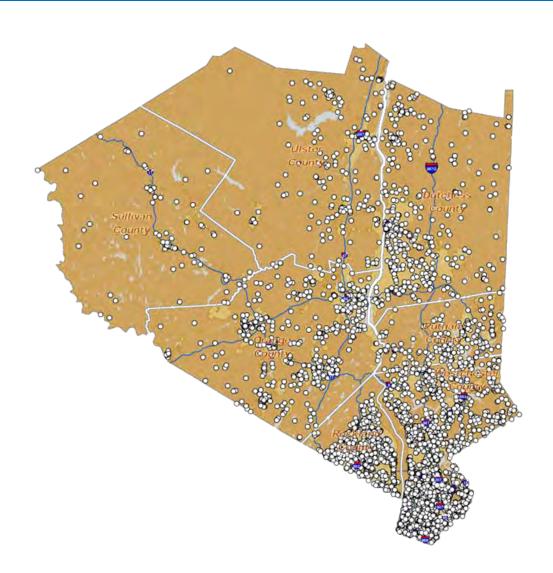




Food Processing Cluster:

230 companies 5,440 employees



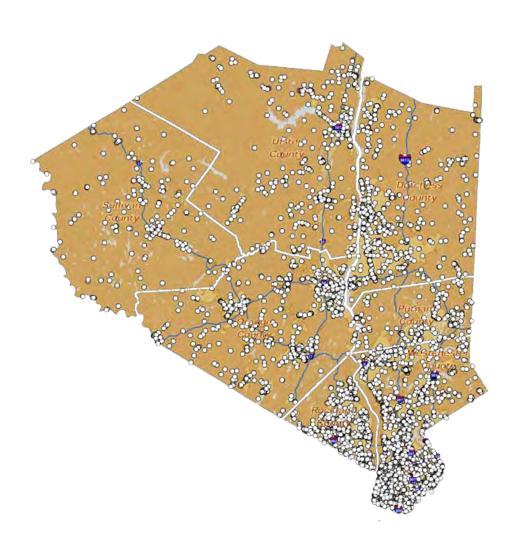


Front Office Cluster

Headquarters and Related Business Services:

6,270 companies 38,500 employees



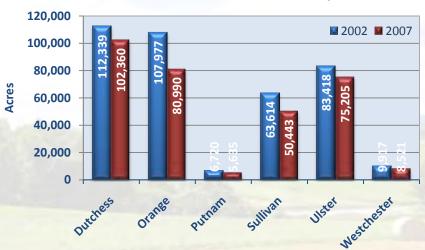


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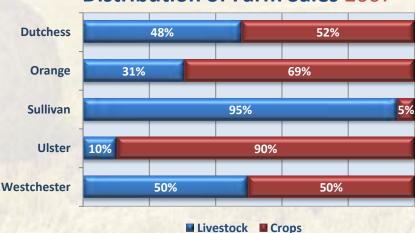
7,190 companies 26,420 employees



Acres of Farmland 2002/2007

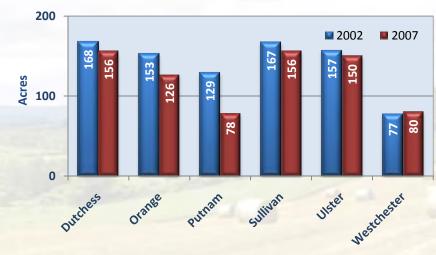


Distribution of Farm Sales 2007



Note: Limited data available for Putnam and Rockland Counties

Average Farm Size 2002/2007



Average Farm Sales 2002/2007



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Policy Environment



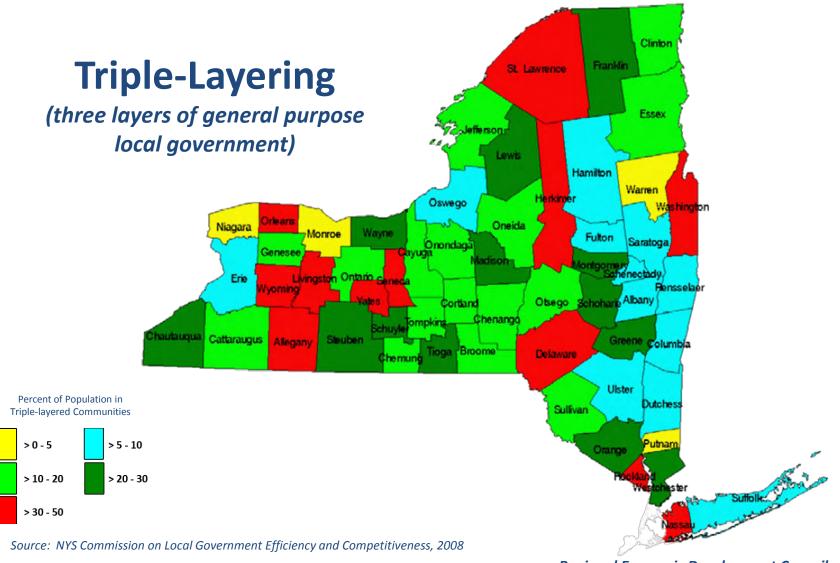


State and Local Government Expenditures Per Capita

Category	Ranking (1 = Highest Spending, 50 = Lowest Spending)
State Corrections	17
State Social Insurance Administration	10
State Health Administration	35
State Hospitals	8
State Public Welfare Administration	45
Local Corrections	1
Local Health Administration	11
Local Hospitals	11
Local Public Welfare	1
Local Police Protection	1
Local Housing and Community Development	1
Local Fire Protection	10
Local Police Protection	1
K-12 Instructional Employees	13
K-12 Non-Instructional Employees	21

Source: U.S. Census Bureau "Census of Governments 2007."









Villages in the Mid-Hudson Region with a Population Below 500

Grand View-on-Hudson (Rockland)	285
Bloomingburg (Sullivan)	420
Jeffersonville (Sullivan)	359

Source: Empire State Development, State Data Center



Local Fiscal Capacity: Municipalities with Financial Stress

	Municipalities with Unreserved Fund Balances Less Than 1.5 % of Gross Expenditures	Total Debt as a	Municipalities with Total Debt Per Capita in Top 10% of State	Municipalities with Operating Deficits as a Percent of Gross Expenditures in the Top 10% of State
Mid-Hudson	9.8%	3.4%	11.2%	9.8%
NY State	5.7%	10.0%	10.0%	10.0%

Source: NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation.



Statewide Business Costs and Tax Structure





Entrepreneurialism, Innovation and Risk-taking

	New York's Ranking
Indicator	(1 = Best, 50 = Worst)
High-Wage Traded Services	3
E-Government E-Government	4
Managerial, Professional, Technical Jobs	6
Broadband Telecommunications	6
Overall	10
Foreign Direct Investment	10
IPOs	10
Entrepreneurial Activity	10
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