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Cumberland County Continues to Rank as Fastest Growing

Carlisle, Pa. – Cumberland County once again leads the Commonwealth as the fastest growing county in the state. According to a report recently published by the [Pennsylvania State Data Center](#), Cumberland has grown by 6.2% from 2010 – 2017. This has increased the County’s population by more than 14,000 people in just seven years. Cumberland County’s population is currently estimated at just over 250,000 people, according to the latest census data.

“Cumberland County continues to be one of the best counties to work and live in,” said the Cumberland County Board of Commissioners in a joint statement. “We have strong economic growth; a great balance between this growth and the preservation of prime farmland and other natural resources; excellent housing options for all income levels; great schools and healthcare; several excellent institutions of higher education; and exceptional recreation and entertainment opportunities.”

Cumberland County has many features making it a hub for growth, including:

- A 3.5% unemployment rate;
- The lowest county taxes of any county in the south central region;
- The seventh highest median household income in the State;
- Financial stability of County government, which retains a AAA bond rating, the best possible;
- The seventh highest college graduation rate in the State;
- Partnerships with County school districts, healthcare facilities and manufacturing industries to coordinate workforce development programs through the Cumberland Area Economic Development Corporation;
- Partnerships with the local military installations to expand impacts;
- Over 200 miles of trails, including the Appalachian Trail and Cumberland Valley Rail Trail;
- Around 55,000 acres of parks and natural areas (federal, state, county and local); and
- More than 19,000 acres of preserved farmland.

To learn more about living and working in Cumberland County, and the work of County Government, visit our website at www.ccpa.net.

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Cumberland County is the fastest growing county in the Commonwealth and offers the perfect mix of small town, suburban and rural living. Established in 1750, Cumberland County consistently maintains one of the lowest tax and unemployment rates in the State, while providing exceptional services for its nearly 250,000 residents. More information on Cumberland County can be found at www.ccpa.net.