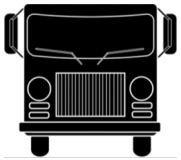


# FAST FACTS: LACKAWANNA COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA



## Business Opportunities

- Located in the heart of Northeastern Pennsylvania along I-81
- Within the center of Boston-Washington metropolitan corridor
- Major manufacturing, distribution and back-office location
- Inventory of tax-free real estate that can accommodate more than 1 Million square feet
- Variety of tax abatement, tax credit, grant, and low-interest loan programs



## Workforce & Education

- Nationally recognized workforce that is readily-available, productive and cost-competitive
- Customized workforce training
- 16 Post secondary education institutions
- High school graduation rates average 91% compared to state average of 86.4%



## Infrastructure

- 5 Major Interstates converge in Northeastern Pennsylvania ( I-80, 81, 84, 380, 476)
- Two-hour drive to major metropolitan markets of New York City and Philadelphia
- Within 600 miles of 50% of the nation's population
- Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport (AVP) offer daily service to seven major hubs with one-stop services to 450 destination worldwide
- Easy access to East Coast seaports
- Strong rail freight system transporting goods interstate quickly and affordably



## Quality of Life

- Ranked among 100 Best Places to Live by US News & World Report
- 20 Minute average work commute
- Housing prices 30-50% less than many East Coast Metro markets
- Year-round cultural and outdoor activities