**Greater Richmond, Virginia Labor Shed**

Businesses in the Richmond, Virginia metro area draw labor from 45 counties in central Virginia – an area with nearly 2.5 million population and a workforce of over 1.2 million.

The primary labor shed is the 17 counties in the Richmond MSA, which has 1.3 million population and a workforce of 695,000. The secondary labor shed, where at least 500 residents per county work in the Richmond MSA. includes 28 counties with a population of nearly 1.2 million and a workforce of 513,000. The region’s population has increased by 9 percent since 2010, adding 19,900 additional residents annually.

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| **Area** | **Population 2020** | **Civilian Labor Force 2022 Q2** |
| Primary Labor Shed (17 counties) | 1,282,067  | 694,963 |
| Secondary Labor Shed (28 counties) | 1,175,076 | 512,672 |
| **Total Labor Shed (45 counties)** | **2,457,143** | **1,207,635** |



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