# **SUBMISSION FORM**

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#### **Prince William County Demographics Hub**

The Prince William County Demographics Hub Site demonstrates excellence and innovation by leveraging technology to improve data accessibility and promote data-driven decision-making. It fosters transparency, engagement, and informed policy planning within the county government and the community at large. With its unparalleled user experience and commitment to innovation, the project is a worthy contender for the Virginia Association of Counties Achievement Awards.

This project represents a groundbreaking approach to county demographics by showcasing innovation, accessibility, and interactive engagement. The site is based on ESRI's ArcGIS Hub framework and its content and applications and have revolutionized the way demographic information is accessed, understood, and interacted with by residents, stakeholders, and policymakers.

What sets the Prince William County Demographics Hub Site apart from traditional county demographics websites is its unwavering focus on providing an easy, exciting, and innovative user experience. The previous Drupal webpages, consisting of static tables and manual update processes, were replaced with a dynamic and interactive hub site that has become an ESRI benchmark for excellence for similar project.

Launched in the Spring of 2023, the Prince William County Demographics Hub Site comprises the following webpages:

- Homepage: <a href="https://demographics-pwcgov.hub.arcgis.com/">https://demographics-pwcgov.hub.arcgis.com/</a>
  This central webpage serves as the gateway to the Prince William County Demographics Hub Site.
  With an intuitive design and seamless navigation, users can effortlessly locate and explore the wealth of demographic and population data available. The user-friendly interface ensures that accessing information is a frictionless experience, appealing to individuals of varying technical backgrounds.
- Population Estimates: https://demographics-pwcgov.hub.arcgis.com/pages/population-estimates

The Population Estimates webpage provides visitors with up-to-date and comprehensive information regarding the population trends in Prince William County. Through interactive visualizations, users can delve into the most current population and housing estimates at many different geographic levels. Population projection data is also included on the page in the form of an ArcGIS Dashboards graph. The timely updates guarantee that decision-makers have access to the most reliable and current data for informed policy planning.

- Demographic Change and Geographic Comparisons: <a href="https://demographics-pwcgov.hub.arcgis.com/pages/demographic-change-and-geographic-comparisons">https://demographics-pwcgov.hub.arcgis.com/pages/demographic-change-and-geographic-comparisons</a>
  - A standout feature of the Prince William County Demographics Hub Site is its ability to provide a holistic view of demographic changes by utilizing the Census American Community Survey data. This application harnesses the Census Bureau' API framework to call demographic data from the web, process the data, and update the online application nearly effortlessly. The charts and graphs facilitate easy comparisons of the county's demographics with the encompassing metropolitan area, state, and nation. Through interactive data visualizations, users gain a deeper understanding of The County's demographics have evolved over time, making it an invaluable resource for county agencies, policymakers, and community leaders.
- Interactive Demographic Maps:

https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/9d12950d7a1449e8880ed042defdf9

Emphasizing the site's commitment to innovation, the hub offers interactive demographic maps at the census tract level, sourced from the ArcGIS Online Living Atlas. These maps are automatically updated annually, ensuring the data is always reliable and current. By enabling users to explore demographic characteristics specific to different geographic areas, the site encourages a deeper understanding of the county's diverse communities and their evolving needs.

#### Interactive Economic Maps:

https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/8b1087860a93403dbd067633947eebe6/

The Prince William County Demographics Hub Site goes beyond demographic data and incorporates interactive maps that communicate economic variables. By integrating economic and demographic data, the site provides a holistic view of the county, fostering better-informed decision-making and attracting potential investors. The interactive nature of these maps enhances engagement and empowers users to explore and analyze economic indicators crucial for use by The County's Finance and Budget offices.

The Prince William County Demographics Hub Site represents a paradigm shift in the presentation and accessibility of demographic data. It sets itself apart by providing an unrivaled user experience, combining innovative technology, intuitive design, and interactive data visualizations. This comprehensive and dynamic platform ensures that residents, county staff, businesses, policymakers, and researchers can easily locate, understand, and engage with demographic and population data. Moreover, the Prince William County Demographics Hub Site promotes transparency, data-driven decision-making, and meaningful civic engagement. The pioneering approach employed in the development of this site aligns perfectly with the criteria for the Virginia Association of Counties Achievement Awards, exemplifying excellence, innovation, and effective use of technology.

In conclusion, the Prince William County Demographics Hub Site is a trailblazing project that has set new standards for county demographics websites. Its innovative features, interactive interface, and commitment to accessibility make it a worthy recipient of the Virginia Association of Counties Achievement Award. We firmly believe that the Prince William County Demographics Hub Site is a testament to the county's dedication to embracing technology to empower its residents and bring data-driven decision-making to life.

#### **Executive Summary:**

The Prince William County Demographics Hub Site is a groundbreaking project that redefines the way demographic data is accessed and utilized. Created from scratch alongside its ArcGIS Online applications, this innovative ESRI ArcGIS Hub site replaces static tables and manual update processes with an interactive and visually engaging platform. The site provides an easy, exciting, and user-friendly experience for residents, stakeholders, and policymakers seeking accurate and up-to-date demographic information.

With its intuitive design and seamless navigation, the hub site enables users to effortlessly explore an array of demographic data. The Population Estimates webpage offers comprehensive breakdowns of current population and housing estimates and projections while the Comparative Demographic Stats page allows users to compare statistics such as age, gender, ethnicity, and socioeconomic status with those of the surrounding metropolitan area, state, and nation. Additionally, interactive demographic and economic maps provide valuable insights into the county's diverse communities as well as economic indicators for the Budget and Finance Offices.

#### Homepage



#### New Features





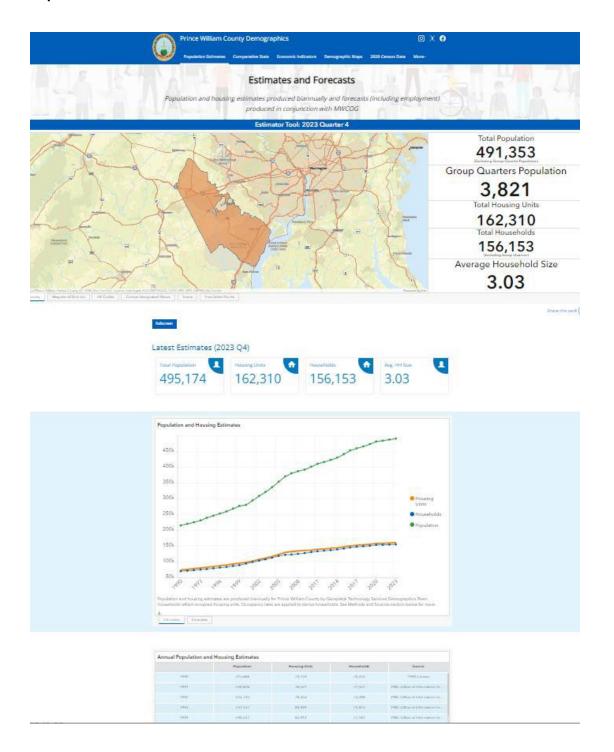




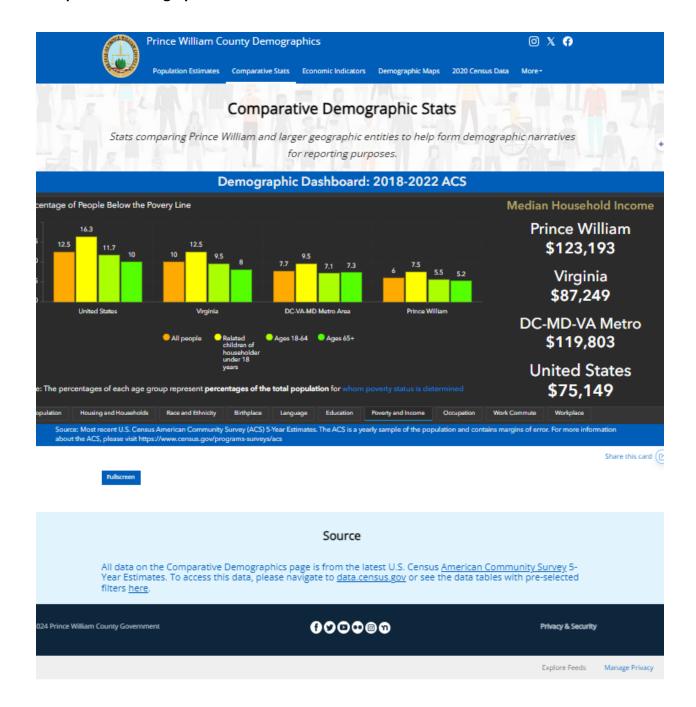




# **Population Estimates**



## **Comparative Demographics**



## **Economic Indicators**



## **Demographic Maps**

