

Shrewsbury Borough



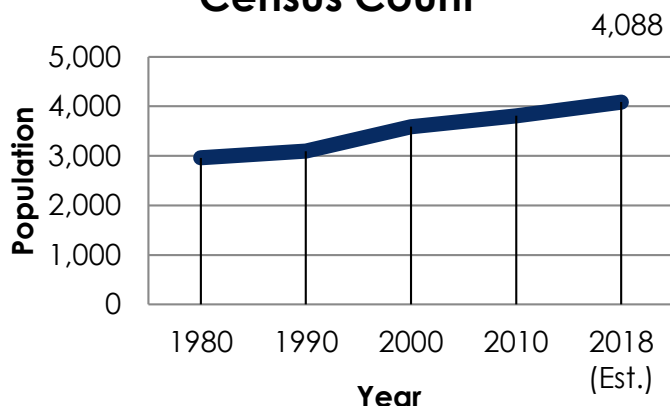
Shrewsbury Borough (as it exists today) was formed in 1926, encompassing 2.3 square miles. Shrewsbury is one of the earliest settlements in Monmouth County. Historically an old crossroads village, Shrewsbury has a National Historic District at the intersection of Sycamore Avenue and Broad Street, known as "Historic Four Corners." Shrewsbury is home to several late 18th to early 20th century homes and churches, including the Christ Church and the Allen House, which were both listed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1978. Commercial development in the borough is located along Route 35, and 1950's suburban development lies in the northern and eastern sections of the Borough.

Sources: Shrewsbury Master Plan (2014), www.livingplaces.com

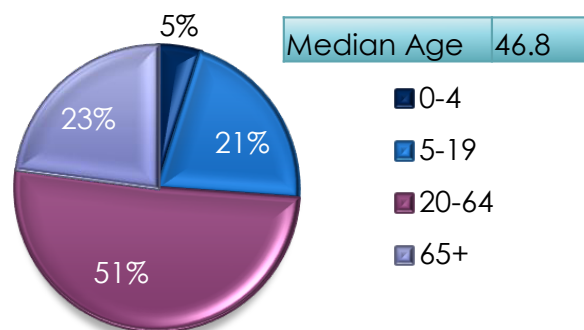


Christ Church

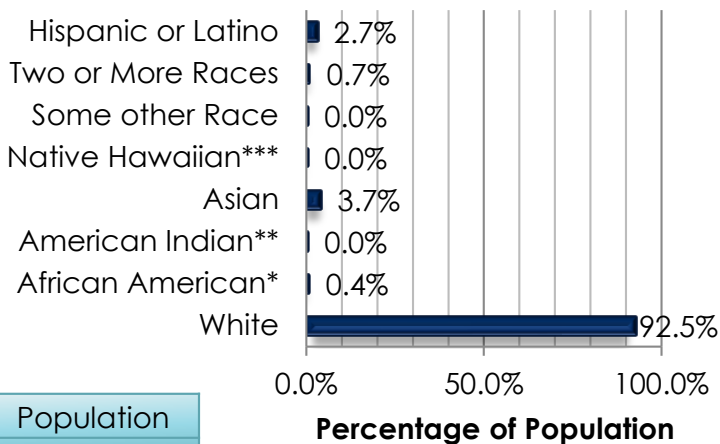
Census Count



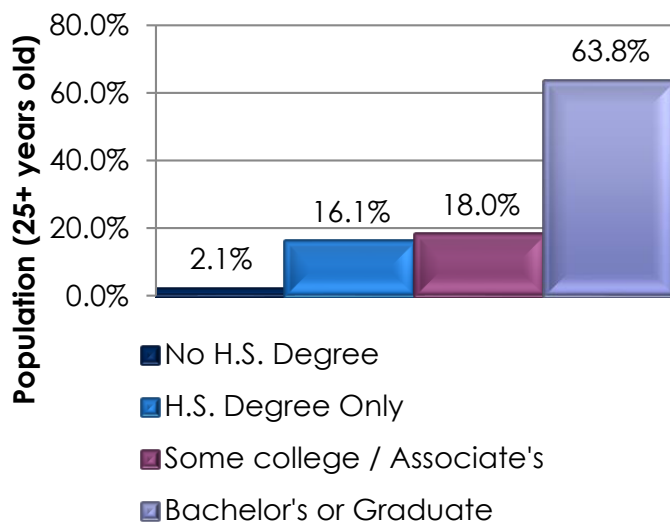
Age Composition



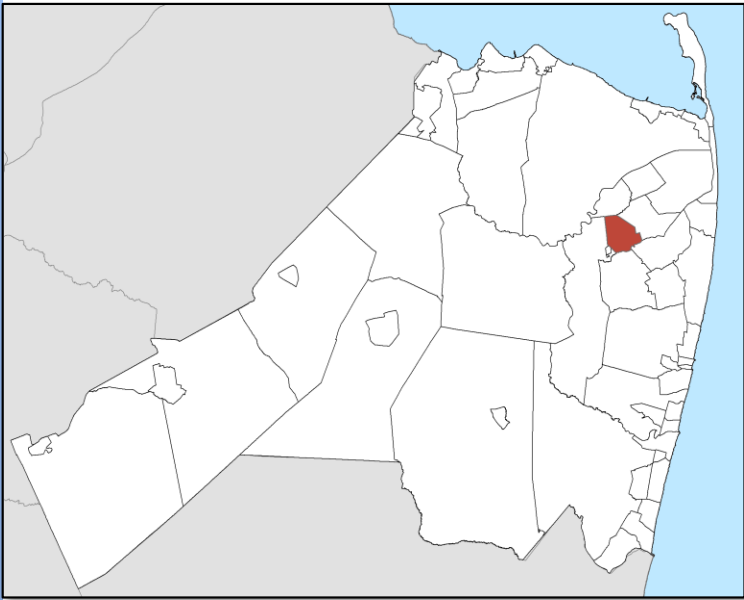
Race & Ethnicity



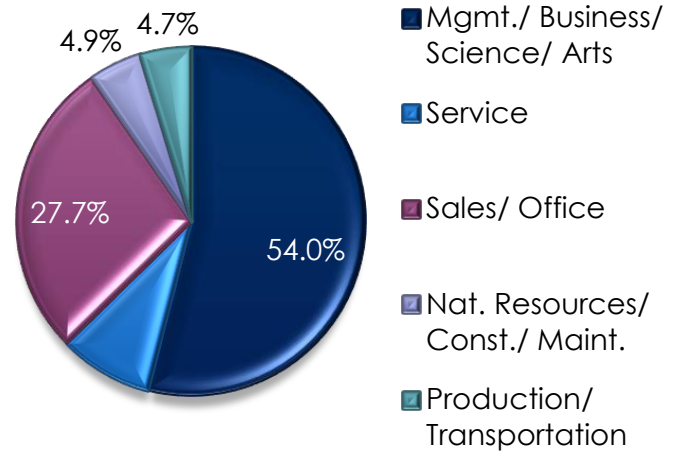
Educational Attainment



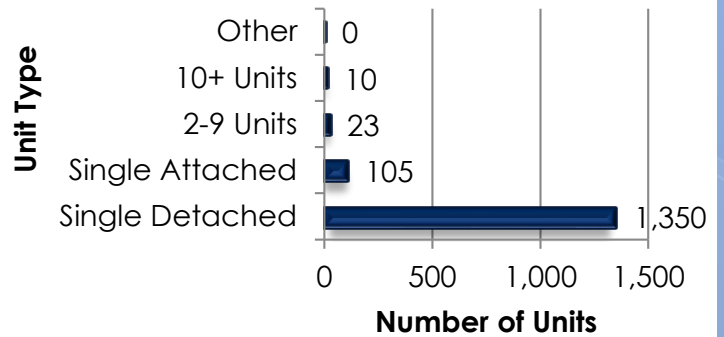
Median Household Income	\$122,321	Taxes	
Per Capita Income	\$55,346	Avg. Res Property Tax	\$11,885
Poverty Rate	1.1%	Net Valuation (2018)	\$1,169,547,013



Type of Employment



Housing Units



Land Usage	Acreage	Percent
Residential	649.6	53.2%
Apartment	0.0	0.0%
Commercial	291.2	23.8%
Industrial	0.0	0.0%
Farmland	14.5	1.2%
Vacant	106.3	8.7%
Public	108.2	8.9%
Public School	10.1	0.8%
Other School	1.3	0.1%
Church	13.3	1.1%
Cemetery	0.0	0.0%
Rail	0.0	0.0%
Other Exempt	5.6	0.5%
Unknown	22.0	1.8%

Housing	Number	Percent
Total Housing	1,488	0.6%
Owner-Occupied	1,338	89.9%
Renter-Occupied	116	7.8%
Median Housing Value	\$552,544	
Median Rent	\$2,365	

Topical Planning Issues:

In 2006, the Borough adopted its Municipal Stormwater Management Plan which outlines the strategy for the Borough to address stormwater-related impacts, such as groundwater recharge, stormwater quantity, and stormwater quality impacts by incorporating stormwater design and performance standards for new major development. In 2007, the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Shrewsbury endorsed and supported the Historic Preservation Revitalization Act, creating a 25 percent investment tax credit for owners of historic residential and commercial properties who substantially rehabilitate their properties. This Act aligns with the Borough's vision to protect the historic small town character of Shrewsbury (Coastal Monmouth Plan, 2010). The Monmouth County Cultural and Heritage Virtual Tours program (2018) reinforces this small community's historic significance by showcasing a number of buildings in and around the Historic Four Corners district along two tour routes. In 2012, Shrewsbury became Sustainable Jersey certified, saving the Borough money by implementing practices that lead to lower energy bills, while giving the Borough access to training and tools for developing a comprehensive sustainable community program. In 2013, Shrewsbury created a Sustainability Element to its Master Plan, which established a framework to guide the transformation of the Borough. The sustainable focus enacted governmental policies to ensure the preservation of a healthy, natural environment and a prosperous local economy. Like many other communities in the state, Shrewsbury Borough has been working diligently on plans to accommodate its affordable housing obligation.