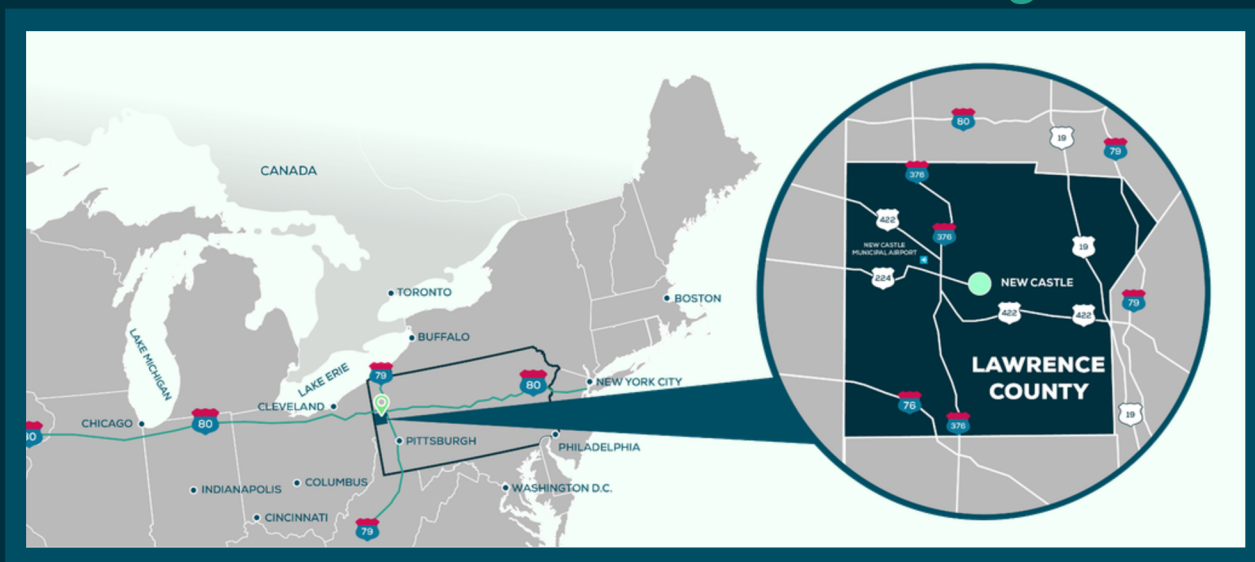




Why

LAWRENCE COUNTY

Pennsylvania



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WHY LAWRENCE COUNTY, PA

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Strategic Location.
Skilled Workforce.
Competitive Costs.

Whether you're a business looking to expand, a site selector looking for pad-ready properties, or a family looking for a high quality of life with small-town charm, Lawrence County delivers.



► Location Advantage

Lawrence County is strategically positioned with direct access to I-376 and U.S. Route 422, minutes from I-80, I-79, and the PA Turnpike.

A one-day drive to over half the U.S. population offers ease of connectivity for logistics, commuting, and commerce across the Midwest and Northeast.

We're home to the New Castle Municipal Airport, with Pittsburgh International Airport less than an hour's drive away and Cleveland Hopkins International Airport less than a two hour drive away.

► Talent and Workforce

Lawrence County, PA draws from a regional labor force of approximately 850,000 workers, offering employers access to a broad and diverse talent pool. The county partners closely with Butler County Community College, New Castle School of Trades, Westminster College, and the Lawrence County Career & Technical Center to provide career-aligned education and training.

With strong roots in manufacturing, health care, and logistics, the local workforce is well-prepared to meet the needs of today's industries.

View the Cost of Living Comparison Calculator provided by West Central Job Partnership
<https://www.wcjp.org/>

Lawrence County, PA is now part of the Pittsburgh Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).

► Business-Friendly Environment

Lawrence County offers a business-friendly environment characterized by affordability and support for economic development. The City of New Castle's cost of living is approximately 30% lower than both the U.S. and Pennsylvania averages, and housing costs are considerably below the national average, making it one of the most affordable markets in the state and country.

Additionally, Lawrence County benefits from various local, regional, and state incentive programs and financing tools, which support business growth and job creation.

The active Economic Development team at Forward Lawrence offers assistance with site selection, permitting, and workforce needs, providing a supportive environment for business attraction, expansion, and retention. In 2025, the team helped attract more than \$44 million in private investment.



► Exceptional Quality of Life

Lawrence County, Pennsylvania, offers an exceptional quality of life marked by affordability, natural beauty, and community charm.

Residents enjoy outdoor recreation at McConnells Mill State Park, encompassing 2,546 acres of scenic trails, waterfalls, and whitewater kayaking opportunities. Another popular outdoor activity includes the premier ATV trails at Mines & Meadows ATV/RV Resort, which feature more than 84 miles of recreational trails across 877 acres of land.

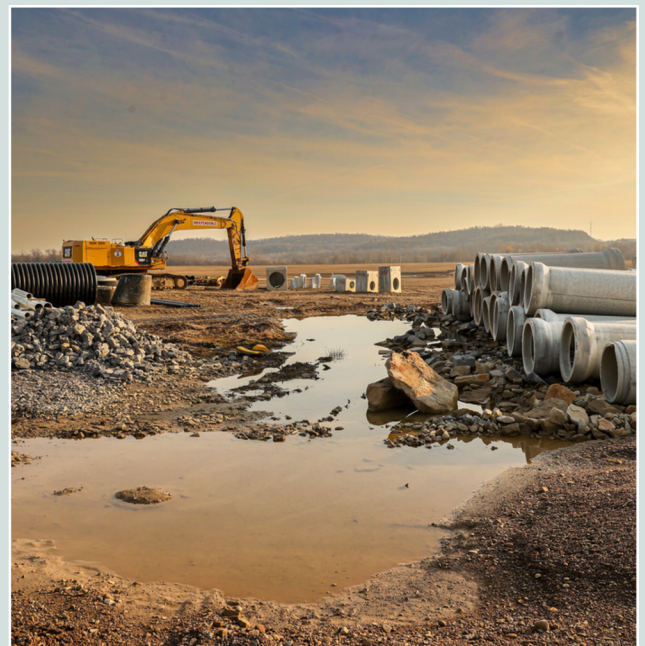
Additionally, the average commute time is shorter than both state and national averages, allowing residents to enjoy a balanced lifestyle.

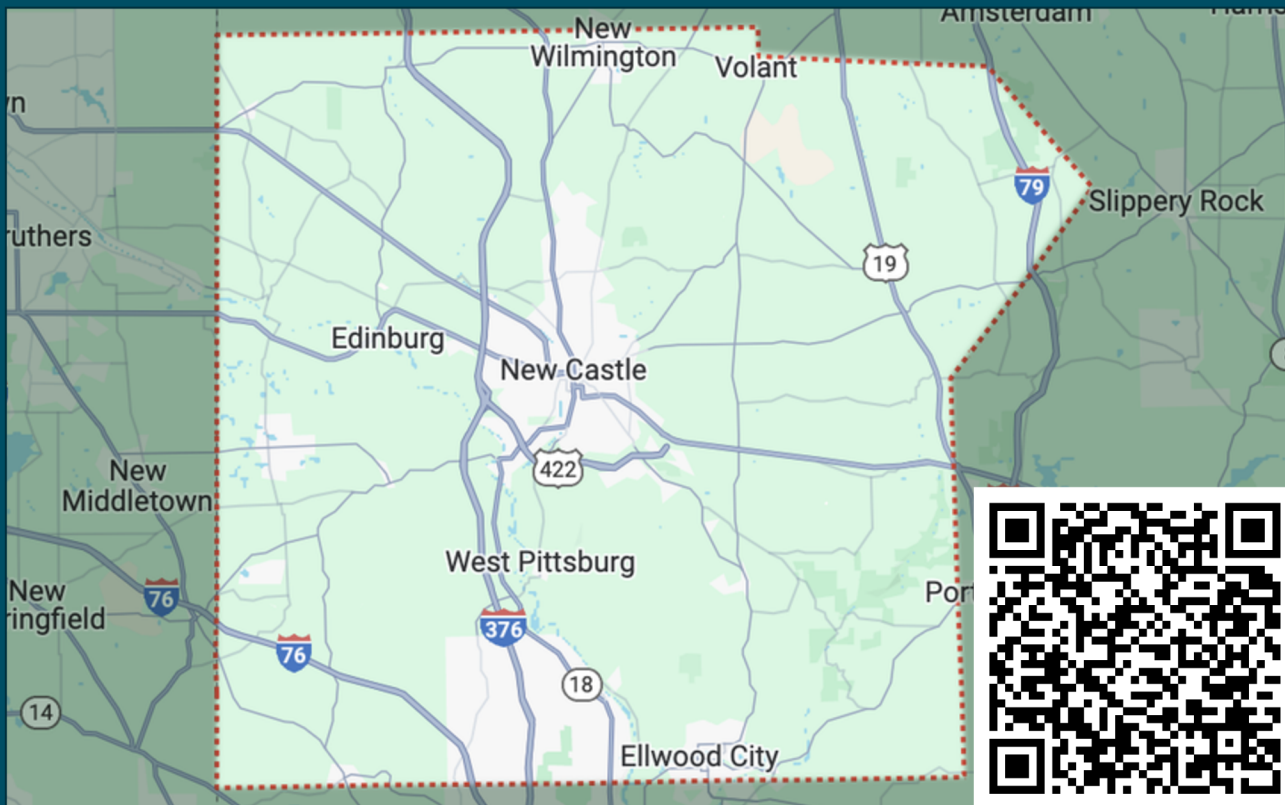
► Ready Sites & Infrastructure

Lawrence County maintains a strong inventory of development-ready sites supported by modern infrastructure. Forward Lawrence utilizes a proprietary online database of available properties throughout the county, organized and ranked by site readiness for added convenience.

Business parks and commercial corridors across the county provide access to utilities, broadband, and transportation networks, including proximity to major highways and rail lines.

The region supports both new construction and redevelopment, with active initiatives to revitalize underutilized properties.





Scan QR code to view our database of available sites with details, maps, and key data



"Expanding our operations in Lawrence County has been a smart move for CSI. The county's excellent access to major markets helps us serve customers quickly and cost-effectively, while the strong support from local leaders has made the transition seamless."

"Here, we have a dedicated, skilled workforce that takes pride in their work and in our products. Lawrence County offers the perfect environment for our continued growth and long-term success."

Brian Richards, Plant Manager
FirmaPak
Shenango Township
Lawrence County, PA

Let's Connect.

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