



Monroe County may be known for its luxurious resorts and family-oriented attractions, but it's an equally impressive home to businesses ranging from sophisticated software companies and traditional manufacturers, to one of the nation's largest continuously-operated vaccine and pharmaceutical operations. When you locate your business in Monroe County, you'll have an ideal group of world-class industries as corporate neighbors. One reason so many companies grow – and stay – here is our region's unparalleled quality of life.

The balance between our county's economy and environment is guided by the Monroe 2020 plan, which balances the need for jobs and economic development, improved local infrastructure, top-notch educational opportunities, and preservation of our natural environment.

HEALTH CARE

The sole provider of hospital care in the greater Pocono region is Pocono Medical Center in East Stroudsburg, a part of the Pocono Health System. The facility offers comprehensive inpatient and outpatient services. Supplemental services are available at the Mountain Healthcare Center in Tobyhanna and the Stroud Building in Stroudsburg. PMC employs more than 1,100 and currently has 215 physicians on staff covering more than 30 specialties. Visit www.pmchealthsystem.org to learn more.

Geisinger Medical Group (www.Geisinger.org) in Mt. Pocono offers convenient weekend and evening hours for urgent care, along with primary care practices in family medicine, internal (adult) medicine and pediatrics, as well as specialty practices such as OB/GYN, cardiology, otolaryngology (ear, nose & throat), neurology, rheumatology, endocrinology and general surgery. The facility is located behind Wal-Mart off Rt. 940 on Commerce Court, within the Pocono Mountains Corporate Center South.

RECREATION

Monroe County has a wide variety of year-round activities to choose from:

- The Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, straddling the Delaware River offers unmatched hiking, cross-country skiing and equestrian trails, fishing, and interpretive programs. Twenty-five miles of the legendary Appalachian Trail are found in or around the recreation area
- Pocono Raceway hosts two NASCAR Nextel Cup Series races each summer, while the Stockcar Racing Experience gives visitors the chance to take on the famous 2 1/2 mile track.
- Ski areas include Camelback, Shawnee, Big Boulder, and Jack Frost Mountain
- Bushkill Falls, the Niagara of Pennsylvania
- More than a dozen golf courses
- Water Parks, both indoor at Great Wolf Lodge and outdoor at Camelbeach

For more information on tourism and recreational activities visit www.800poconos.org

THE ARTS AND HISTORY

Art, music, and cultural programs are strong threads running through the fabric of our community. The Pocono Arts Council (www.PoconoArts.org) is an excellent touchstone for those interested in exploring our rich cultural offerings. The area's vibrant history is also documented and displayed at three research and museum facilities managed by the Monroe County Historical Association.

Visit their website at mcha.stroudsburg.com

SCHOOLS

Students from all school districts also receive training at the Monroe Career and Technical Institute, www.mcvts.org

SCHOOL	POPULATION 2007-2008	WEBSITE
East Stroudsburg Area School District	8,246	www.cavalier.net
Pleasant Valley School District	6,768	www.pvbears.org
Pocono Mountain School District	11,500	www.pmsd.org
Stroudsburg Area School District	6,000	www.stroudsburg.k12.pa.us