

**Williamsport Area
Transportation Study
Metropolitan Planning Organization**

2026 Title VI Program



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Japanese

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1 (570) 412-2130

Hindi

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Italian

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Greek

ΠΡΟΣΟΧΗ: Εάν μιλάτε άλλη γλώσσα διαφορετική από τα αγγλικά, οι υπηρεσίες γλωσσικής βοήθειας μπορούν να σας διατεθούν. Καλέστε 1 (570) 320-2130

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Introduction

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin programs and activities receiving Federal financial assistance. Specifically, Title VI provides that “no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance” ([42 CFR Section 2000d](#)).

The Civil Right Restoration Act of 1987 clarifies the intent of Title VI to include all programs and activities of Federal-aid recipients, sub-recipients, and contractors whether those programs and activities are federally funded or not.

Recipients of public transportation funding from FTA are required to develop policies, programs, and practices that ensure federal transit dollars are used in a manner that is nondiscriminatory as required under Title VI. This document details how Williamsport Area Transportation Study (WATS) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) incorporates nondiscrimination policies and practices in providing services to the public.

WATS MPO Title VI Notice

Below is the WATS MPO Title VI Notice entitled, “Title VI Public Notice to the Public.” This notice is posted on the WATS MPO website, and at the WATS MPO offices located at:

Third Street Plaza Building, 3rd Floor

33 West Third Street

Williamsport, PA 17701

WATS MPO staff is accessible in-person, by telephone, by standard mail, by fax, or by email. Also, the WATS MPO Title VI Notice to the Public, notifying the public of their rights under Title VI is included in the WATS MPO Public Participation Plan accessible at the [WATS MPO Involvement website](#) or printed copies available upon request by contacting the MPO at 570- 320-2100.

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Title VI Public Notice to the Public

The Williamsport Area Transportation Study (WATS) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) fully complies with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related nondiscrimination statutes and regulations in all programs and activities. WATS' website, https://lycomingcountypa.gov/government/departments/planning_community_development/transportation/index.php may be translated into multiple languages. Publications and other public documents can be made available in alternative languages and formats, as requested.

WATS' public meetings are always held in ADA-accessible facilities and in transit-accessible locations when possible. In the event that a WATS MPO meeting is held via a virtual format the dial-in numbers, conference codes, and meeting links will be advertised and posted on the WATS MPO social media sites, and the [WATS MPO Committees website](#). Auxiliary services can be provided to individuals who submit a request at least four (4) business-days prior to a meeting. Requests made within three (3) business-days will be accommodated to the greatest extent possible.

Title VI requires that no person in the United States of America shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which WATS receives federal financial assistance.

Any person who believes they have been aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice by WATS under Title VI has a right to file a formal complaint. Any such complaint may be in writing and filed with the WATS's Title VI Compliance Officer and/or the appropriate state or federal agency within 180 days of the alleged discriminatory occurrence. For more information on WATS's Title VI program, or to obtain copies of WATS' Title VI Policies, Complaint Procedures, or Complaint Form, please call (570) 320-2100, email MHagen@lyco.org, or visit the WATS MPO website at https://lycomingcountypa.gov/government/departments/planning_community_development/transportation/index.php

Documents will be made available in alternative languages or formats if requested. Persons requiring additional accommodations or those with questions should call 570-320-2100.

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Transportation Planner

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WATS MPO Public Involvement

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How Can You Participate?



HOW TO GET INVOLVED IN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

CALL US
570-320-2141 during normal business hours
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

WRITE TO US
Williamsport Area Transportation Study
Metropolitan Planning Organization (WATS MPO)
Lycoming County Planning 48 W. Third Street Williamsport, PA 17701

EMAIL US
General Inquiries/ Title VI Limited English Proficiency: mthagen@lyco.org
Public Involvement/ Media/ Website/ Social Media: eemrochko@lyco.org

VISIT OUR WEBSITE
[https://lycomingcountypa.gov/government/departments/
planning_community_development/transportation/index.php](https://lycomingcountypa.gov/government/departments/planning_community_development/transportation/index.php)

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PARTICIPATE IN PERSON
WATS-MPO Committees meet at the
Third Street Plaza 48 W Third Street, 3rd Floor, Williamsport PA, 17701
Meeting dates can be found on the WATS MPO website

COME TO AN EVENT
WATS-MPO participates in special events
throughout the planning area.
Visit the WATS-MPO Public Involvement
website to view opportunities

WATS MPO Instructions to File a Title VI Discrimination Complaint and Complaint Form

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WILIAMSPORT AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Title VI Discrimination Complaint Procedures

Purpose:

The *Williamsport Area Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization (WATS MPO)* Title VI Complaint Procedures are written to specify the process employed by the *WATS MPO* to investigate complaints, while ensuring due process for Complainants and Respondents. The process does not preclude the *WATS MPO* from attempting to informally resolve complaints.

These procedures apply to all external complaints relating to any program or activity administered by the *WATS MPO* and/or its sub-recipients, consultants and contractors, filed under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 as amended, (including Disadvantage Business Enterprise and Equal Employment Opportunity components), as well as other related laws that prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, disability, age, low income, national origin, religion, or Limited English Proficiency. Additional statutes include, but are not limited to, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

These procedures are part of an administrative process that does not provide for remedies that include punitive damages or compensatory remuneration for the Complainant. Intimidation or retaliation of any kind is prohibited by law.

Process:

An individual, or his or her representative, who believes that he or she has been subject to discrimination or retaliation prohibited by Title VI and other nondiscrimination provisions, has the right to file a complaint. Complaints need to be filed within 180 calendar days of alleged occurrence, when the alleged discrimination became known to the Complainant, or when there has been a continuing course of conduct, the date on which the conduct was discontinued or latest instance of the conduct.

Complaints may be mailed to:

Michael Hagen
Title VI Compliance Officer
Lycoming County
48 West Third Street
Williamsport, PA 17701
Phone: 570 320-2100

Title VI Coordinator
Pennsylvania Dept of Transportation
Bureau of Workforce and Business
Opportunity
PO Box 3251
Harrisburg, PA 17105
Phone: 800 468-4101
Email: penndoteoreports@pa.gov

Equal Opportunity Specialist
U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
Pennsylvania Division Office
228 Walnut Street, Room 508
Harrisburg, PA 17101
Phone: 717 221-3705

Equal Opportunity Specialist
PA Human Relations Commission
Harrisburg Regional Office
333 Market Street, 8th Floor Harrisburg,
PA 17101

U.S. Department of Justice
Office of Justice Programs
Office for Civil Rights
810 7th Street, NW
Washington, DC 20531
Phone: 202 307-0609
Phone (TDD): 202 307-2027

Civil Rights Office
U.S Department of Transportation
17600 Market Street, Suite 500
Philadelphia, PA 19103-4121

Office of Civil Rights
Title VI Coordinator
Federal Transit Administration
800 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20591

U.S. Department of Justice
Civil Rights Division
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W
Office of the Assistant Attorney General,
Main Washington, D.C. 20530

Complaints shall be in writing using the WATS Discrimination Complaint Form and signed by the Complainant(s). If complaints are received by telephone or in person, the Title VI Compliance Officer or other authorized representative shall formally interview the person to provide the basis for the written complaint. If necessary, the authorized person will assist the Complainant in writing the complaint. The written complaint must include the following information:

- Name, address and telephone number of Complainant
- Basis of the complaint (e.g., Race, Color, Sex, Disability, Age, National Origin, Religion, or Retaliation)
- A detailed description of the circumstances of the incident that lead the Complainant to believe discrimination occurred.
- Names address and phones numbers of people who may have knowledge of the alleged incident or are perceived as parties in the complained-of-incident.
- Date or dates on which the alleged discrimination occurred
- Other agencies where the complaint was filed.
- As an investigation moves forward, additional information may be required.

If the **WATS MPO** receives a complaint, the **MPO** will acknowledge receipt of the complaint by notifying the Complainant and immediately transmitting the complaint to the proper state and federal agency (e.g. Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and PennDOT) for investigation and disposition pursuant to that agency's Title VI complaint procedures. This can be done by scanning to email or by regular mail. The Department of Justice has final word on what agency will investigate the claim.

The **WATS MPO** Title VI Compliance Officer will maintain a log of all complaints received by the Williamsport Area Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization.

These procedures were adopted by the Williamsport Area Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization at a publicly advertised meeting held on December 8, 2026.

Eric High, Chairperson

Williamsport Area Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization



DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT FORM

Name	Phone	Name of Person(s) That Discriminated Against You
Address (Street No., P.O. Box, Etc.)		Location and Position of Person (If Known)
City, State, Zip		City, State, Zip
Discrimination Because of: ☐ Race/Color* ☐ Sex ☐ Disability** ☐ Age ☐ National Origin* ☐ Retaliation ☐ Religion		Date of Alleged Incident
Explain as briefly and clearly as possible what happened and how you were discriminated against. Indicate who was involved. Be sure to include how other persons were treated differently than you. Also, attach any written material pertaining to your case.		
Signature		Date

Please submit this form to one of the following agencies or visit the [WATS MPO website](#) for additional options:

Pennsylvania Department of Transportation Bureau of Workforce and Business Opportunity P.O. Box 3251 Harrisburg, PA 17105-3251 Phone: (717) 787-5891 Email: penndotreports@pa.gov	Federal Highway Administration U.S. Department of Transportation Equal Opportunity Specialist Pennsylvania Division Office 30 North Third Street, Suite 700 Harrisburg, PA 17101-1720 Phone: (717) 221-3461	Federal Highway Administration Office of Civil Rights 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE Washington, DC 20590 Phone: (202)-366-4000	U.S. Department of Transportation Departmental Office of Civil Rights 1200 New Jersey Ave., SE Washington DC 20590 Phone: (855)-368-4200	U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Transit Administration Civil Rights Officer 17600 Market St, Suite 500 Philadelphia, PA 19103 Phone: (215) 656-7100 Email: FTAcivilrightscommunications@dot.gov	PA Human Relations Commission Equal Opportunity Specialist Harrisburg Regional Office 333 Market Street, 8th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17101 Phone: (717) 787-9780	U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division 950 Pennsylvania Ave, NW Washington, DC 20530-0001 Phone: (202) 514-3847 Phone (Toll Free): 1 (855)856-1247 Phone (TDD): (202) 514-0716
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* indicates is specific to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

**indicates is specific to Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

Williamsport Area Transportation Study

A Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is a planning body composed of elected and appointed officials representing local, state and federal governments or other agencies having an interest or responsibility in the local transportation system. The MPO is responsible for creating a Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), and a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). An MPO can be a regional, multicounty organization or a single county. The Williamsport Area Transportation Study (WATS) is the single county MPO covering Lycoming County. The role of the WATS MPO is to develop transportation policies, programs and projects, which move people and goods in a safe, efficient manner, promote economic development, protect the environment, and preserve Lycoming County's outstanding quality of life amenities.

WATS Administrative Duties

Administrative duties of the WATS MPO are conducted by the Lycoming County Planning and Community Development Department. The primary staff contact for the Department on WATS MPO administrative matters shall be the Lycoming County Transportation Planner who will act as WATS Secretary. The Lycoming County Planning and Community Development Department shall be responsible for the following primary WATS MPO administrative duties:

- Develop and conduct all transportation planning work tasks contained in the WATS MPO approved Unified Planning Work Program contract that is executed between the County of Lycoming and PennDOT. The County of Lycoming may subcontract with the River Valley Transit Authority (RVTA) to perform the Federal Transit Administration funded UPWP transit planning work tasks undertaken by River Valley Transit Authority.
- Schedule, publicly advertise, and convene all WATS MPO public meetings as needed, in accordance with the PA Open Records Law and WATS MPO approved Public Participation Plan. All official business of the WATS MPO will take place at publicly advertised meetings to ensure opportunity for public comment. Prepare and distribute meeting agendas and related materials for review by WATS MPO members no later than 5 calendar days prior to the public meeting. Prepare meeting minutes for distribution to WATS MPO members for review no later than 15 calendar days following the public meeting. WATS MPO will generally convene public meetings on a quarterly basis (once every three months) at the Lyco Conference Room, Lycoming County Third Street Plaza, 33 West Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701. Exceptions as to meeting dates, times and locations may be considered in order to provide timely response to actions related to WATS MPO duties and responsibilities.
- Ensure that all WATS MPO adopted plans, programs and policies are implemented.

Lycoming County Department of Planning and Community Development Contacts:

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Telephone: (570) 320-2136

Email: jpicciano@lyco.org

Emily Mrochko, Transportation Planner

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WATS information is accessible on the Lycoming County website:

https://lycomingcountypa.gov/government/departments/planning_community_development/transportation/index.php The mailing address for the Lycoming County Department of Planning & Community Development:

48 W Third Street, Williamsport, PA 17701

WATS MPO List of any Public Transportation Related Investigations, Complaints, or Lawsuits Filed

WATS MPO has no public transportation related Title VI investigations, complaints, or lawsuits filed at the present time.

WATS MPO LEP Plan / Language Assistance Plan

The WATS MPO Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan and Language Assistance Plan is included into the WATS MPO Public Participation Plan and can be found at:

https://lycomingcountypa.gov/government/departments/planning_community_development/transportation/index.php

WATS MPO Committees and Non-Elected Advisory Councils

The PennDOT Engineering District 3-0 Executive shall serve as Chair of the Coordinating Committee. The Coordinating Committee voting members shall be designated by their respective member organizations and shall serve without term limits at the discretion of their member organizations. Each member organization shall so designate the individual(s) serving on the Coordinating Committee as their voting member(s) at the beginning of each calendar year and provide written documentation to the WATS MPO Chairman for WATS MPO files maintained by the Lycoming County Planning and Community Development Department. Member

organizations shall also designate an alternate voting member that may vote on behalf of the designated voting member in the case where the designated voting member is unable to attend a specific meeting.

The WATS Coordinating Committee is the policy-making body of the MPO. The Coordinating Committee consists of eleven (11) voting representatives as follows:

- PennDOT District 3-0 Executive, Chair
- PennDOT Deputy Secretary for Planning
- Lycoming County Commissioner
- Lycoming County Commissioner
- Mayor of Williamsport
- Williamsport City Council Member
- River Valley Transit General Manager
- SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority Executive Director
- Williamsport Regional Airport Executive Director
- Lycoming County Association of Township Officials Representative
- Lycoming County Borough Representative

In addition to the 11 voting members, the Coordinating Committee shall include four (4) non-voting members, as follows:

- Federal Highway Administration
- Federal Transit Administration
- US Department of Housing and Urban Development
- PA Department of Community and Economic Development

The WATS Technical Committee reviews all relevant transportation issues, programs and projects in Lycoming County and formulates recommendations to the Coordinating Committee.

The Technical Committee consists of nine (9) voting members as follows:

- PennDOT Program Center Representative, Chair
- PennDOT Engineering District 3-0 Representative
- Lycoming County Planning and Community Development Director
- Lycoming County Planning Commission Member
- River Valley Transit General Manager
- City of Williamsport Engineer
- City of Williamsport Community Development Director
- Williamsport Regional Airport Director
- SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority Executive Director

The PennDOT Center for Program Development and Management Representative shall serve as Chairman of the Technical Committee. The Technical Committee voting members shall be designated by their respective member organizations and shall serve without term limits at the discretion of their member organizations. Each member organization shall so designate the individual serving on the Technical Committee as their voting member at the beginning of each calendar year and provide written documentation to the WATS MPO Chairman for WATS MPO

files maintained by the Lycoming County Planning and Community Development Department. Member organizations shall also designate an alternate voting member that may vote on behalf of the designated member in the case where the designated voting member is unable to attend a specific meeting.

In addition to the 9 voting members, the Technical Committee shall include four (4) non-voting members, as follows:

- Federal Highway Administration
- Federal Transit Administration
- PA Department of Community and Economic Development
- Fullington Trailways

All WATS MPO meetings are publicly advertised in the Williamsport Sun-Gazette and via the WATS MPO social media pages ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#)). All MPO meetings are open to public for comment at the beginning and end of each meeting during “*public comment*” and “*other business/public comment*.” Public comments and responses made during these meetings are kept on record in the WATS MPO Coordinating and Technical Committee meeting minutes at the WATS MPO offices and available at the [WATS MPO Committees website](#).

Formal public comment and review periods are used to solicit comments on major planning and programming activities, for example, updates or amendments to the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), or Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Comments can be made in-person, by standard mail, by telephone, by fax, by email, or via the MPO social media accounts. WATS MPO makes every effort to respond to any comment(s) received and will forward comments on to other agencies as appropriate. Received public comments and the responses regarding MPO products/reports are included in an appendix entitled “*Summary of Public Comments*.”

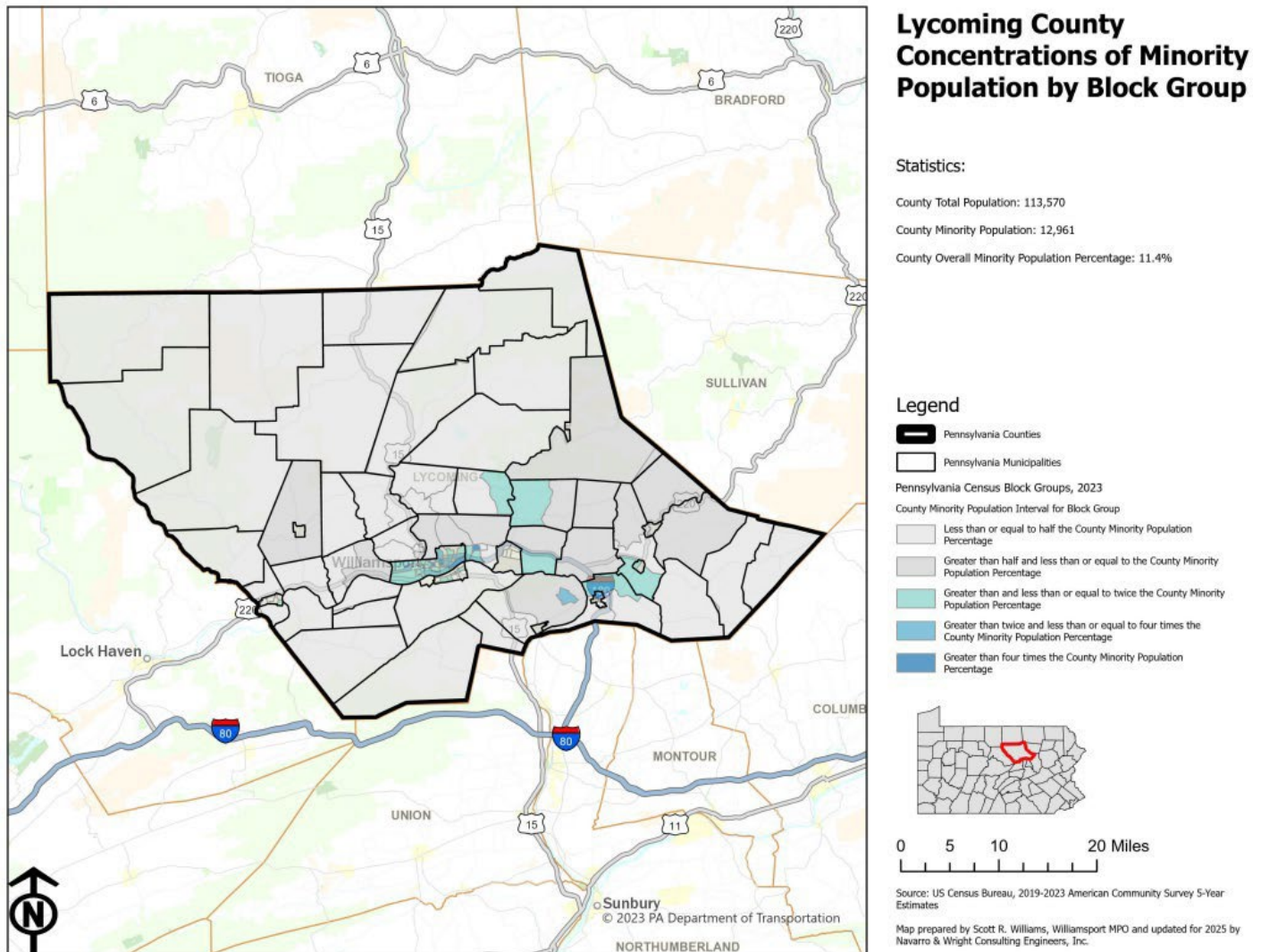
WATS MPO Sub-recipient Title VI Monitoring

As the primary recipient of FHWA and FTA funding, WATS MPO will monitor the River Valley Transit (RVT) Title VI Program for compliance on an annual basis. At the beginning of the calendar year RVT (as the sub-recipient of FTA funding) will submit to WATS MPO a copy of the most recent RVT Title VI Program. In the event that an RVT Title VI Program update occurs prior to the first of the calendar year, RVT will submit the updated RVT Title VI Program to WATS MPO as soon as the update is completed and approved. WATS MPO will forward the RVT Title VI Program documentation and any updates to PennDOT, FHWA, and FTA for review.

WATS MPO, at the request of FTA, in response to a complaint of discrimination, or as otherwise deemed necessary, shall request that the RVT (the sub-recipient) that provides transportation services verify that their level and quality of service is provided on an equitable basis.

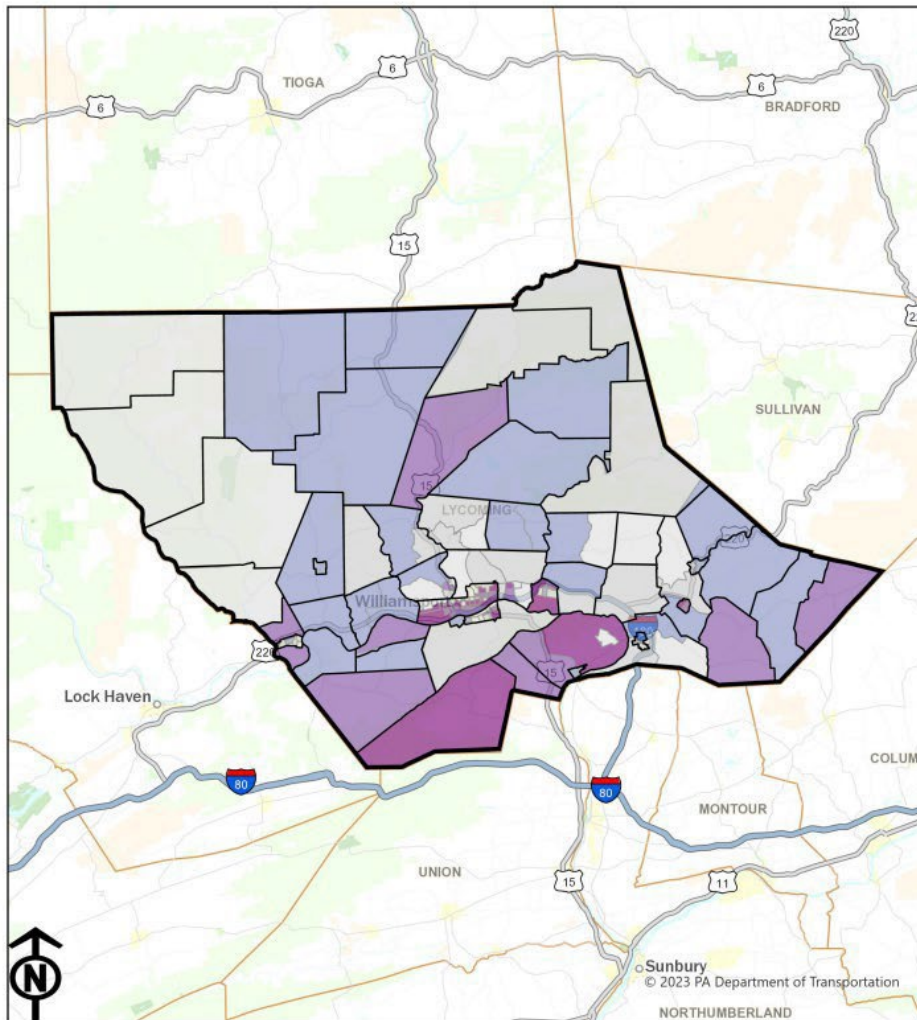
WATS MPO Community Demographics Analysis:

Minority Population of Lycoming County



It is noteworthy that minority populations in Lycoming County are not distributed evenly. Since the concentrations of minority population in census block groups in the county are not a simple function of total population density, it is possible to use regression analysis to investigate disparity of system conditions across block groups.

Low Income Population of Lycoming County



Lycoming County Below Poverty Level Population Count by Block Group

Statistics:

County Total Population: 113,570

County Below Poverty Level Population: 13,456

County Overall Below Poverty Level Population Percentage: 12.5%

Legend

Pennsylvania Counties

Pennsylvania Municipalities

Pennsylvania Census Block Groups, 2023

Below Poverty Level Population (for the BG)

0 - 27

28 - 69

70 - 124

125 - 225

226 - 2016

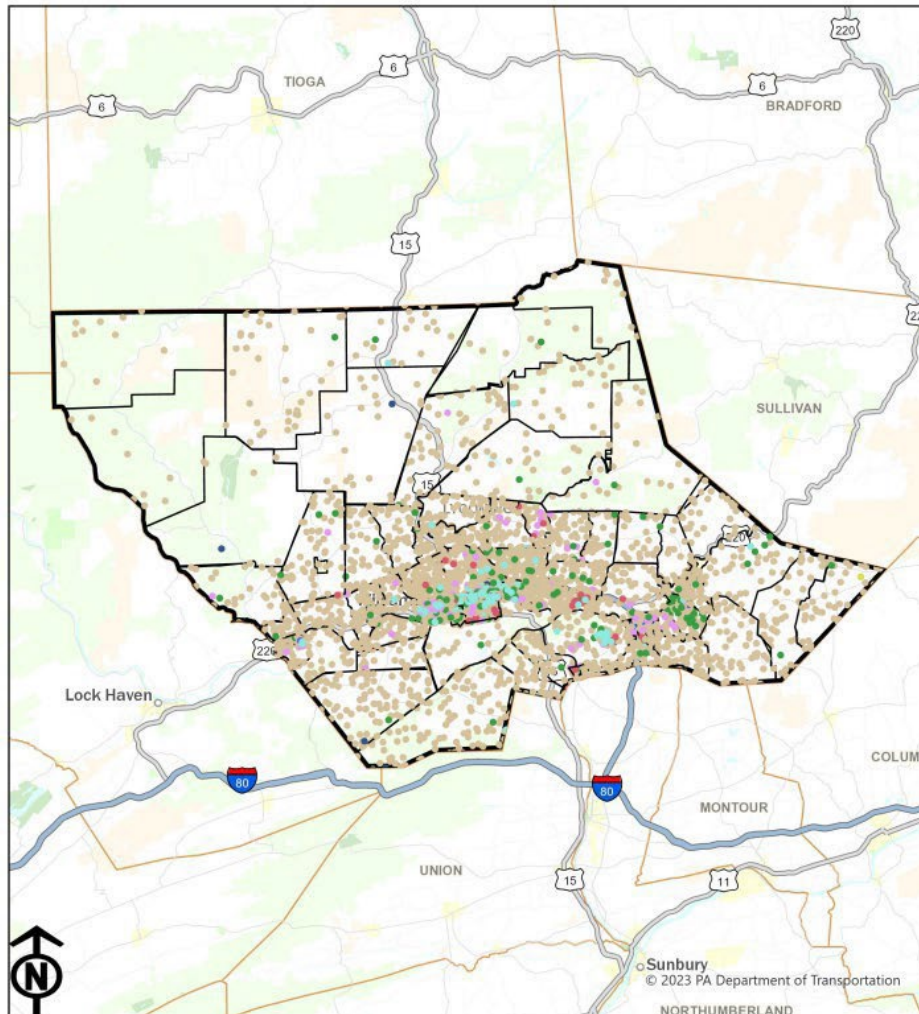


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Source: US Census Bureau, 2019-2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Map prepared by Scott R. Williams, Williamsport MPO and updated for 2025 by Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Race and Origin of Population of Lycoming County



Lycoming County Race and Origin of Population by Block Group

Statistics:

County Total Population: 113,570
 County Minority Population: 12,961
 County Overall Minority Population Percentage: 11.4%
 County White Alone (Non-Hispanic/Latino) Population: 100,609
 County Overall White Alone (Non-Hispanic/Latino) Population Percentage: 88.6%

Legend

- Pennsylvania Counties
- Pennsylvania Municipalities
- Pennsylvania Census Block Groups, 2023
- 1 Dot = 20 People
- Black or African-American, Not Hispanic or Latino
- American Indian or Alaskan Native, Not Hispanic or Latino
- Asian, Not Hispanic or Latino
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, Not Hispanic or Latino
- Other Race, Not Hispanic or Latino
- Two or more Races, Not Hispanic or Latino
- Hispanic or Latino
- White Alone, Not Hispanic or Latino



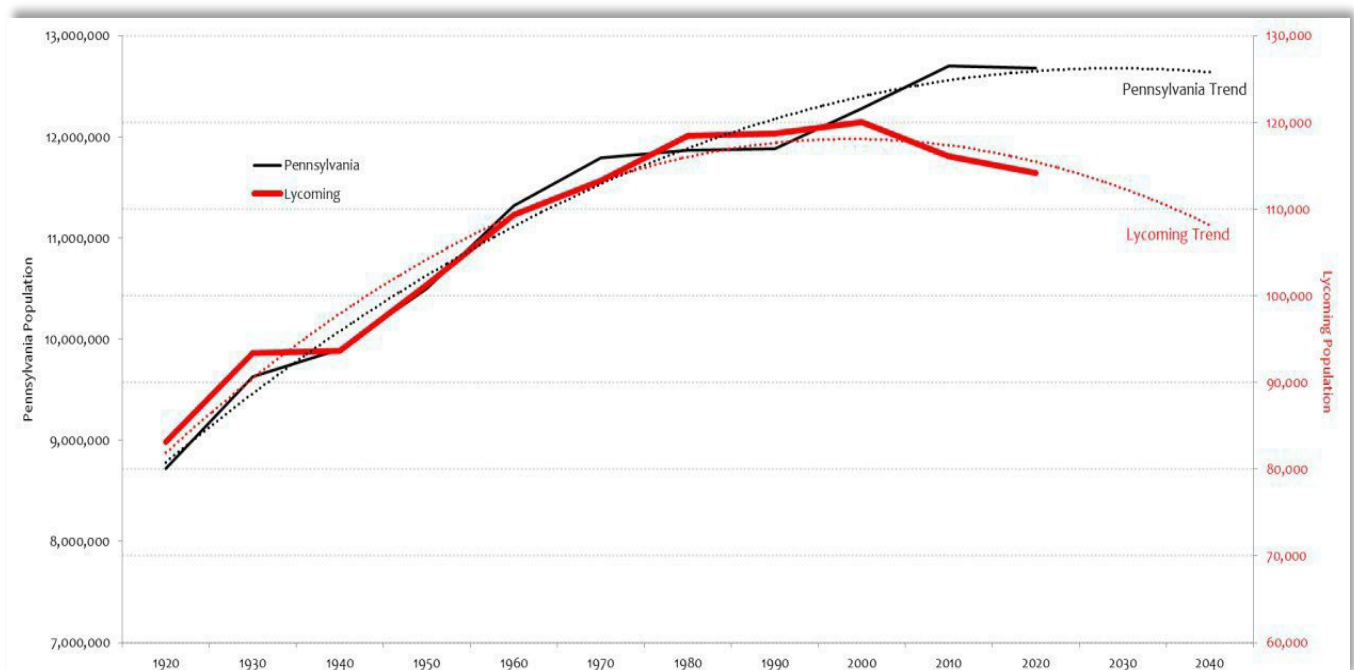
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Source: US Census Bureau, 2019-2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Map prepared by Scott R. Williams, Williamsport MPO and updated for 2025 by Navarro & Wright Consulting Engineers, Inc.

WATS MPO Population and Demographic Information

According to the U.S. Bureau of Census 2024 American Community Survey Population Estimate figures, there is an estimate of 113,570 persons residing in Lycoming County. Up to and including the 2020 Census, the population of Lycoming County was steadily growing. From 1970 to 2000, Lycoming County's population grew by 6,748 persons (a 6% overall gain) which was higher than Pennsylvania's overall population growth at 4.1%. However, based on the 2024 Census American Community Survey count of population and annual American Community Survey (ACS) estimates for the county's population, the population of Lycoming County peaked sometime in the late 1990s and has begun to decline. Projecting the 100-year population trend forward for Lycoming County suggests that within the 20-year planning horizon of this long-range plan the population of Lycoming County will be at a similar level to what it was in the late 1960s.



Population Trends for Lycoming County

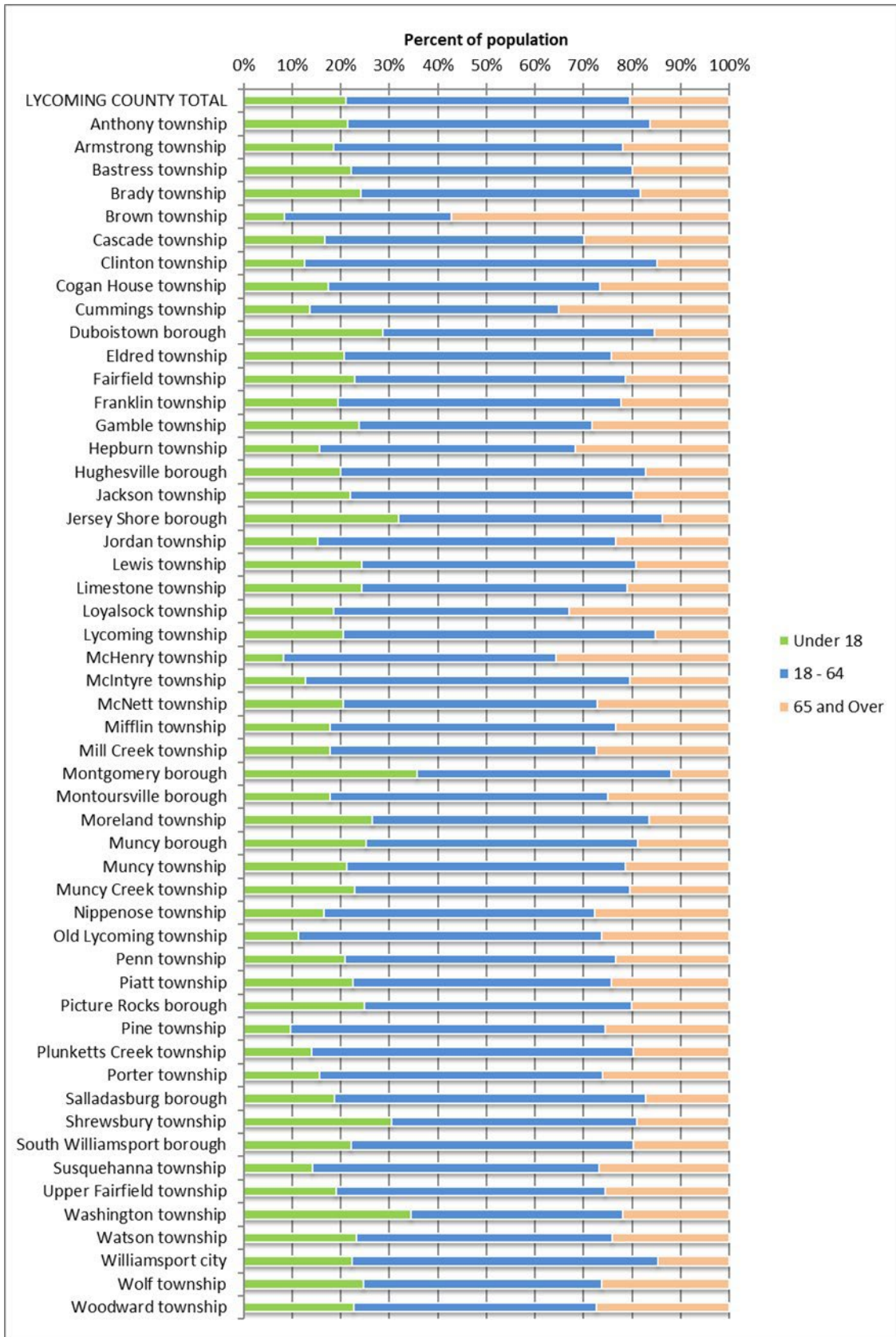
Similar to statewide trends, Lycoming County population has been shifting outward from the City and Boroughs (incorporated municipalities) into the suburban and rural Townships. Municipalities that have seen population growth are mostly rural Townships located generally along the I-180 corridor between Williamsport and the Borough of Muncy.

Population by Municipality

The population of Lycoming County is also becoming older on average. However, the largest driver of this trend is not an increase of people over the age of 65 but instead a diminishing proportion of the population under the age of 18. The youth population of the county has seen a steady linear decrease over the 50-year period from 1970-2020.

Looking at the breakdown of the population in 2020 based on age reveals another trend greatly influencing the current population composition and future demographics of Lycoming County. Currently, the largest age cohort in Lycoming County is individuals aged 50-54.

In terms of a future countywide total population forecast, the Lycoming County Comprehensive Plan Update anticipates total population to decrease to 112,000 persons by 2020 with a further decrease to 106,000 persons by 2030, which is the new County Comprehensive Plan Update horizon year. A hypothesized reason for this decrease is attributed to “brain drain” trends where younger people going to colleges and universities elsewhere do not return to Lycoming County for employment once students graduate. This trend is supported by the 2024 ACS 5-year estimates showing Lycoming County’s population to have dropped to 113,299.

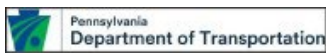


Source: [US Census American Community Survey 2024 5-Year Estimates](#)

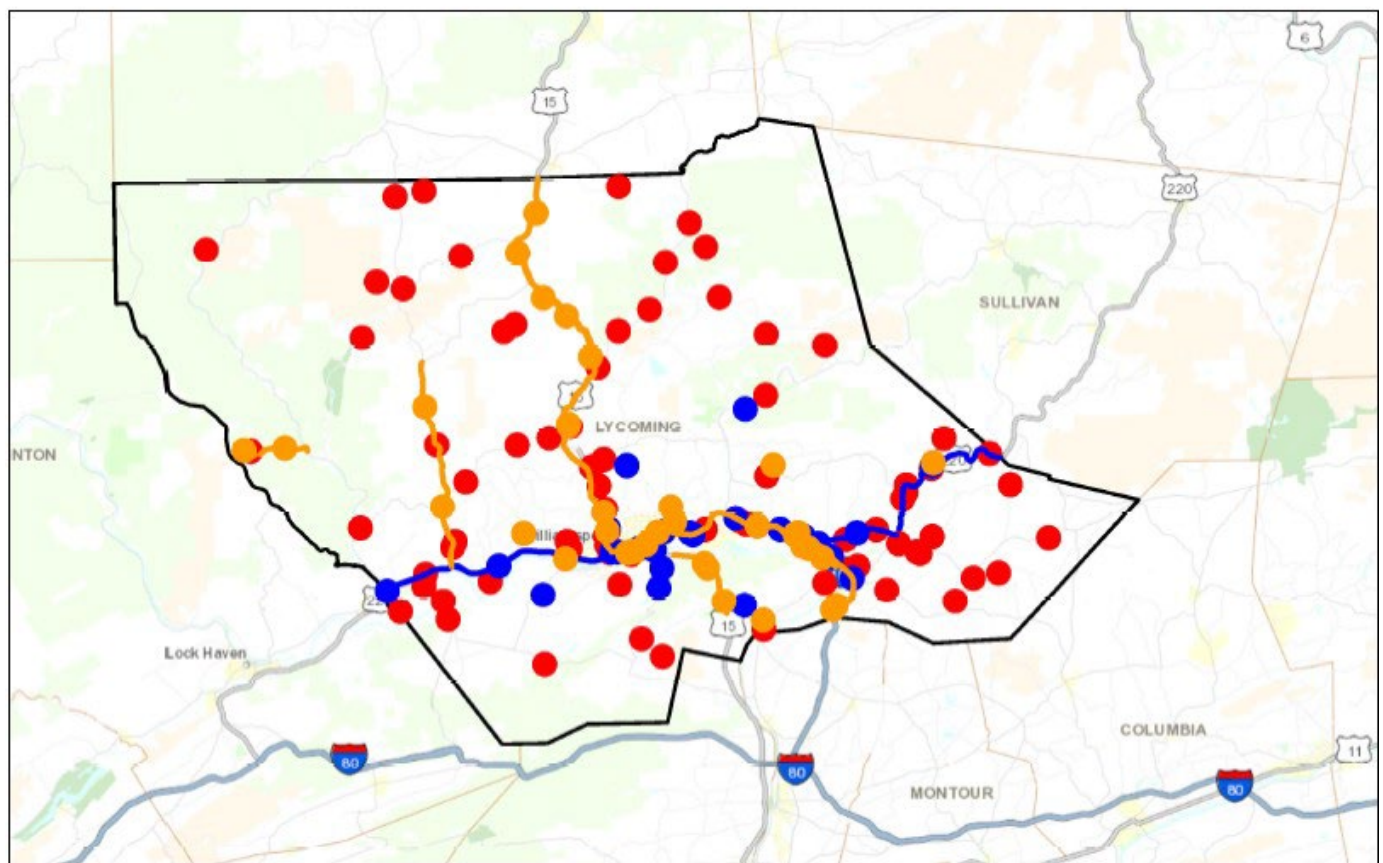
2027-2030 TIP Project Map

As shown by the above analysis, the WATS 2027-2030 TIP projects are well distributed throughout the County. Since PennDOT District 3 and the WATS MPO prioritize asset management and safety improvements there are very little occurrences of right-of-way acquisition and practically no capacity expansion projects programmed. The projects that are located in areas with greatest minority population concentration, which may contribute to some short-term impacts during construction, will generally benefit those residents by improving traveling conditions and safety for all users. Highway reconstruction projects impacting these areas that were delayed have been supplemented with interim resurfacing projects to preserve pavements.

Based on the distribution of current TIP funding and the above analysis of prior investment based on asset conditions, there do not appear to be any disparities in investment linked to concentrations of minority or low-income populations in Lycoming County. Any information to the contrary should be brought to the attention of WATS using the contact information provided above.



2027-2030 WATS TIP Project Locations



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● Highway
 ● Safety
 ● WATS Draft TIP Bridge Projects
 Planning Partner: Williamsport

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