

# SECRETARY WARNER REPORTS 854 NEW BUSINESSES IN WEST VIRGINIA FOR MARCH 2018

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CHARLESTON, WV (WOAY) - New business registrations in West Virginia continued their growth at a steady 1.95 percent in March according to the West Virginia Secretary of State's Office. The Secretary of State's Business & Licensing Division reported that the top three counties for business growth in March were Clay County and Barbour County, which both saw 1.95 percent growth. They were followed by Boone County with 1.84 percent growth. Once again, all 55 counties reported business registration growth in March ([attachment](#)).



County	Businesses as of 03/01/18	New Businesses	Businesses as of 04/01/18	Percent of Growth
CLAY	202	4	205	1.95%
BARBOUR	507	10	514	1.95%
BOONE	483	9	489	1.84%
CALHOUN	175	3	173	1.73%
RANDOLPH	1275	22	1294	1.70%
BERKELEY	4634	79	4693	1.68%
PENDLETON	429	7	434	1.61%
MERCER	2003	32	2028	1.58%
MARION	2351	37	2383	1.55%
LEWIS	705	11	714	1.54%
GILMER	266	4	269	1.49%
WEBSTER	279	4	280	1.43%
MARSHALL	886	12	895	1.34%
JACKSON	1041	14	1049	1.33%
NICHOLAS	1192	16	1207	1.33%
MASON	679	9	685	1.31%
HAMPSHIRE	982	13	991	1.31%
RALEIGH	3221	42	3249	1.29%
MORGAN	728	9	732	1.23%
JEFFERSON	2797	34	2814	1.21%
WAYNE	846	10	856	1.17%
HARRISON	3555	41	3587	1.14%
GREENBRIER	2029	23	2043	1.13%
CABELL	4330	49	4368	1.12%
SUMMERS	383	4	384	1.04%
MINGO	793	8	799	1.00%
ROANE	498	5	500	1.00%
GRANT	511	5	516	0.97%
KANAWHA	10509	102	10569	0.97%
FAYETTE	1530	14	1533	0.91%
PUTNAM	2848	26	2868	0.91%
MONONGALIA	6674	60	6717	0.89%
PRESTON	1564	14	1571	0.89%
WOOD	3573	31	3594	0.86%
OHIO	2545	22	2562	0.86%
RITCHIE	487	4	489	0.82%
UPSHUR	1119	9	1121	0.80%
DODDRIDGE	252	2	254	0.79%
TYLER	258	2	259	0.77%
MONROE	525	4	524	0.76%
HARDY	680	5	683	0.73%
WIRT	138	1	138	0.72%
WYOMING	549	4	553	0.72%
BROOKE	715	5	720	0.69%
HANCOCK	1004	7	1009	0.69%
POCAHONTAS	618	4	619	0.65%
WETZEL	479	3	480	0.63%
LINCOLN	347	2	347	0.58%
MINERAL	891	5	894	0.56%
LOGAN	934	5	938	0.53%
BRAXTON	425	2	425	0.47%
PLEASANTS	216	1	213	0.47%
MCDOWELL	473	2	475	0.42%
TUCKER	439	1	438	0.23%
TAYLOR	468	1	468	0.21%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78040</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>78612</b>	<b>1.09%</b>



The number of business entities grew in Clay County from 202 to 205, business entities in Barbour County increased from 507 to 514, and the number of entities licensed to do business in Boone County increased in number from 483 to 489. According to the WVSOS Business Statistics Database (BSD), 854 new businesses were incorporated or started in the state during the month of March 2018. West Virginia saw 10.75 percent growth in business registrations in a 12-month period, led once again by Jackson and Lincoln counties, followed by Braxton County. Over the last 12 months, Jackson County saw 13.63 percent business growth, Lincoln County saw 13.54 percent growth, and Braxton County saw 13.18 percent growth ([attachment](#)).

To discover more information regarding business statistics in every county throughout West Virginia, go to <https://apps.sos.wv.gov/business/BSD>.

Attachment: [March 2018 Business Numbers](#)

Attachment: [March 2017-March 2018 Business Numbers](#)

Link: [Business Statistics Database](#)