

# **Island of Chincoteague Accomack County, Virginia Statistics**

<b>Population:</b>	<b>2,941 (2010 Census)</b>
<b>Government:</b>	<b>Mayor, Six Town Council Members, Town Manager</b>
<b>Mayor:</b>	<b>John H. Tarr</b>
<b>Town incorporated:</b>	<b>1908</b>
<b>Entire island annexed:</b>	<b>1989</b>
<b>First inhabitants:</b>	<b>Algonquin Indians Gingo-Teague Tribe (island namesake)</b>
<b>British settled island:</b>	<b>1671 Col. Daniel Jenifer was granted 1,500 acres. He established a primitive settlement with 30 colonists, post-dating Captain John Smith's visit in 1608</b>
<b>Key Industries:</b>	<b>Tourism, Seafood, Aerospace</b>
<b>Bridge to Assateague:</b>	<b>Completed in 1962, bridge opened Chincoteague to tourism, now the island's primary industry</b>

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