

Resources Around the Chesapeake Bay Today

While the Chesapeake Bay area has gone through many changes over the hundreds of years since Captain John Smith's voyage, it still attracts people for a variety of reasons.

Your commercial needs to include some of the items listed below as a way to advertise the Chesapeake Bay today. This is not a complete list of everything in the region. For a more convincing commercial research some additional resources.

- Fish and Shellfish – while the amount of fish and shellfish has greatly declined, and the types of fish in the rivers have changed since Smith's time, the Bay and its rivers are still tremendous resources for the commercial and recreational fishing industries.
- Forests – a large amount of the original forests are now gone. However, national, state, and local parks offer people recreational opportunities (including Prince William Forest Park, Calvert Cliffs State Park, Pocomoke River State Forest, Great Falls Park, and Battle Creek Cypress Swamp)
- Land Animals and Birds – Wild, native animals are far less abundant today than in the 17th century. While we no longer depend on wild land animals and birds as a major food source, in what ways are they still a resource for the area?
- Rivers and the Bay – The region's rivers still play a role in the transportation of goods and people, but now highways are the main arteries for travel. In addition, the Bay and its many rivers provide unique recreation opportunities, increased property values, and tourism possibilities.
- Cultural Attractions/Entertainment –cultural activities and entertainments abound in the region. Museums, historic sites, sporting events, and concerts are just a few of the many entertaining activities the Chesapeake Bay area has to offer.