

City of Troy

Did you know...

Troy was organized as a township in 1827, and sections of the township incorporated much later into the cities of Birmingham, Clawson, and Royal Oak. In 1955, Troy was officially incorporated, primarily as a strategy for preventing border cities from taking more land.

It was named after Troy, New York and the ancient city of Troy, as many of the early settlers, as in much of Michigan, originated from New York.

There are 7 different school districts serving the city of Troy; however, Troy School District serves the majority of the limits. The other districts are: Avondale School District, Birmingham School District, Bloomfield Hills School District, Lamphere Public Schools, Royal Oak School District, and Warren Consolidated Schools.

In 2003, Troy was named Michigan's Sportstown by *Sports Illustrated* magazine for having the top community sports programs in the state.

In the summer of 2005, to commemorate the city's 50th anniversary, ceramic beaver statues, each standing four feet high, were displayed at various locations in the city. The beaver is the symbol of Troy, and the city's main commercial thoroughfare (Big Beaver Road) is named after it.

Troy was also home to the Big Beaver Airport, which was located at the corners of Big Beaver Road and John R Road. It opened in 1946 and closed in 1995 due to declining use and pressure to sell the land for commercial development. Oakland-Troy Airport is a small suburban general aviation airport operated by Oakland County.

Troy's population was 84,035 at the 2022 census, making Troy the most populous city in the county, and the 13th most-populous municipality in the state.

