

Mid-East Commission

Council of Governments (COG)

myFutureNC 2025 Attainment Profiles



Counties in Council of Governments:
Beaufort, Bertie, Hertford, Martin, and Pitt Counties

Educational Attainment

Mid-East Commission COG residents ages 25-44, 2023

Have Degree or Credential
35,134
52.7%

No Degree
31,595
47.3%

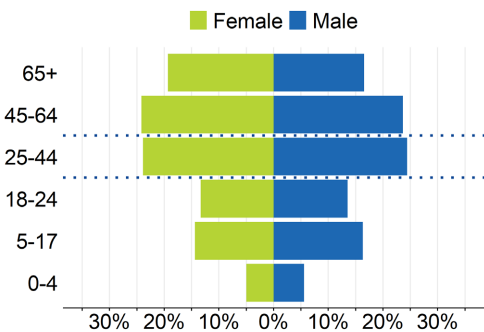
Residents Ages 25-44
66,729

Educational Level Breakdown, 2023

Graduate or Professional degree	12.4%
Bachelor's degree	18.8%
Associate degree	14.0%
Short-term credential	7.5%
Some college, no credential	14.6%
High school graduate (including GED)	23.8%
Less than high school	9.0%

Note: Numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding

Age Structure, 2023



2030 Proposed Mid-East Commission Attainment Goal: 45,623

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 276,420
2023 Estimate: 277,422
Change: 1,002

Growth Rate
0.4% vs. **3.8%**
County vs. **State**

Race/Ethnicity, 2023

Amer. Indian	0.2%
Asian/Pac. Isl.	1.4%
Black	36.6%
Hispanic	7%
Multiracial	3%
White	51.6%



\$56,859
Median Household Income (2023)
State: \$70,838



58.0%
Home Owners (2023)
State: 66.3%



64.6%
Households with Broadband (2023)
State: 77.1%



25.3%
Child Poverty Rate (2023)
State: 17.6%



20.6%
Single Parent Households (2023)
State: 17.0%



4.6%
Foreign Born (2023)
State: 9.2%

In Mid-East Commission:



618 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2023

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

7,117 graduates in 2020
71.7% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
\$46,954 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs), 2021



46.5% of adults (ages 25-44) in Mid-East Commission earned a **family sustaining wage**. State: 57.6%, 2023



11.2% of youth (ages 16-24) in Mid-East Commission were **Opportunity Youth**. State: 10.3%, 2023



82.6% of adults (ages 25-44) in Mid-East Commission **participated in the labor force**. State: 84.2%, 2023

Mid-East Commission Labor Force Snapshot, 2024 Q2

Total Jobs	117,356	Business Establishments	7,232
Employed	127,682	Unemployed	6,362
Avg. Weekly Wage	\$1,060		

Top Industries in Mid-East Commission, 2024 Q2

Industry Name	Average Employment	Average Weekly Wages
Health Care and Social Assistance	25,088	\$1,211
Retail Trade	14,249	\$659
Educational Services	12,901	\$1,247
Accommodation and Food Services	11,731	\$372
Manufacturing	10,763	\$1,422

Top Job Sectors in Mid-East Commission, 2024 Q2

Job Sector	Average Employment	Average Weekly Wages
Private	85,132	\$964
Local Government	21,887	\$1,247
State Government	9,266	\$1,454
Federal Government	1,070	\$1,471

Degree Credentials Awarded in Mid-East Commission, 2023

1,526 certificate | 1,666 associate | 4,999 bachelor's

Adult Learners

Mid-East Commission Residents Aged 25+ enrolled in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2023

594 Basic Skills

4,619 Continuing Education

2,468 Curriculum

14.6% of residents (aged 25-44) have some college but no degree. State: 11.7%, 2023

Success of Mid-East Commission High School Graduates

79.0% of students who enroll persist to their second year.

State: 83.8%, 2023

91.8% UNC

67.1% NCCCS

72.1% NCICU

53.0% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years. State: 60.0%, 2023

30.9% UNC

15.6% NCCCS

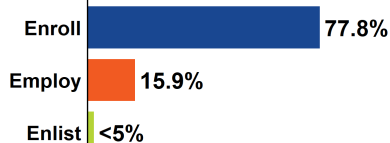
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Top destinations of all college-goers, 2024

- 7,391 of all college-goers attended Pitt CC
- 2,885 of all college-goers attended Beaufort County CC
- 2,471 of all college-goers attended East Carolina University

62.7% of 2024 high school class completed the FAFSA as of Sept. 27, 2024. 417 more need to complete in 2024 to meet state goal of 80%. State: 55.0%

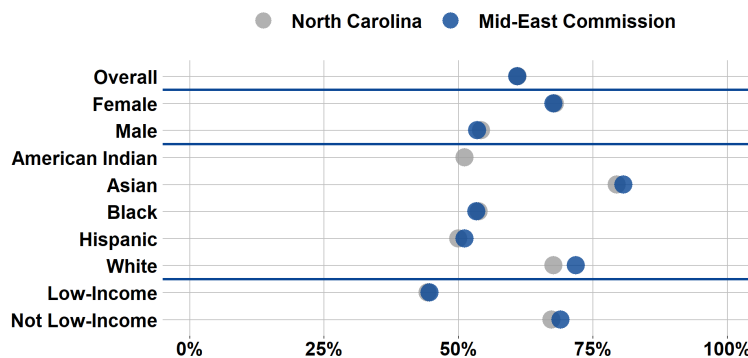
Post High School Graduation Intentions, 2023



83.3% of 9th graders graduated within four years. 358 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. State: 87.3% 2024

59.2% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months. State: 59.3% 2023

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in COG, 2023



Note: Outcomes for groups with less than 10 students, <5% or >95% are not displayed.

63.5% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program in 2024. 175 more needed to meet state goal of 75%. State: 57.2%

Mid-East Commission Traditional Public Schools students:

25.5% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in reading in 2024. 9,652 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. State: 29.8%

34.1% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in math in 2024. 6,206 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. State: 36.5%

26.2% of students were chronically absent from school in 2024. 5,728 fewer needed to meet state goal of 11%. State: 25.7%

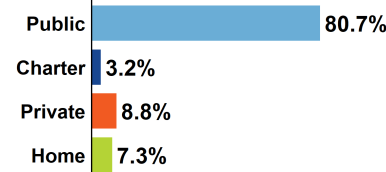


2.8% of students drop out of high school (319 total students), compared to 2.1% statewide. 2023

School & Student Overview (2024 school year)

Traditional Public School District(s): 5
 Traditional Public School(s): 76
 Charter School(s): 3
 Private School(s): 27
 Home School(s): 1,943

44,145 total K-12 students enrolled in schools.



Pathways to College and Career

Students in traditional public schools completed 10,507 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials and 1,903 concentrations. 1,883 (17.9%) of credentials were industry-valued in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations: Health Science; Human Services; and Manufacturing.



962 (8.6%) high school students took at least one AP, IB, or CIE exam. State: 16.8% (2023).



1,369 (51.7%) high school graduates participated in Career & College Promise programs. State: 36.0% (2024).

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