

# Greene County

myFutureNC 2025 Attainment Profiles



Greene County  
Goldsboro-Kinston Prosperity Zone Sub-Region  
Peer County Type: Rural - Non-Metro

## Educational Attainment

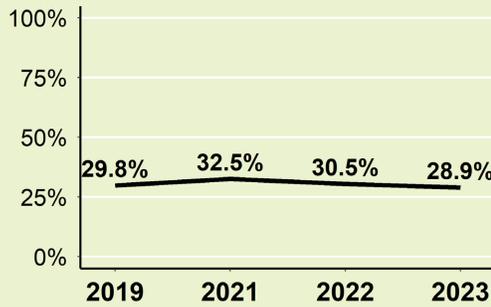
Greene County residents ages 25-44, 2023

**Have Degree or Credential**  
1,676  
28.9%

**No Degree**  
4,114  
71.1%

**Residents Ages 25-44**  
5,790

## Educational Attainment Trend



Note: 2020 data not shown due to inconsistency

## Educational Level Breakdown, 2023



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

2030 Proposed Greene County Attainment Goal: 2,054 (Stretch Goal: 2,112)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

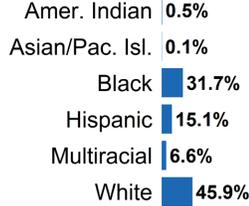
## Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 20,454  
2023 Estimate: 20,530  
Change: 76

## Growth Rate

0.4% County vs. 3.8% State

## Race/Ethnicity



**\$52,145**  
Median Household Income (2023)  
State: \$70,838

**65.3%**  
Home Owners (2023)  
State: 66.3%

**45.5%**  
Households with Broadband (2023)  
State: 77.1%

**40.0%**  
Child Poverty Rate (2023)  
State: 17.6%

**22.8%**  
Single Parent Households (2023)  
State: 17.0%

**6.5%**  
Foreign Born (2023)  
State: 9.2%

## Top Opportunities for Growth



### Labor Force Participation

56% of Greene County adults 25-44 are in the labor force, below the rural - non-metro county average of 78%.

## In Goldsboro-Kinston Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

**70.2%**

of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

## Top Misalignments

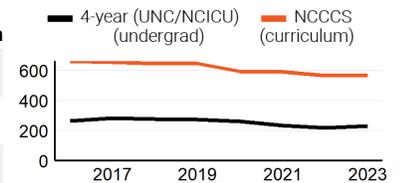
### Job Openings vs. Degrees/Credentials

- **Education & Training** Jobs < Creds
- **Health Science** Jobs > Creds
- **Manufacturing** Jobs < Creds

## Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Goldsboro-Kinston Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

Job Title	Annual Growth
Nurse Practitioners	3.57%
Logisticians	2.70%
Medical and Health Services Managers	2.22%

## Postsecondary Enrollment for Greene County Residents



1 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2023

## UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

**1,646** graduates in 2020  
**75.1%** of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021  
**\$38,627** annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs), 2021

**31.9%** of adults (ages 25-44) in Greene County earned a **family sustaining wage**. Peer: 40.5% | State: 57.6%, 2023

**17.1%** of youth (ages 16-24) in Greene County were **Opportunity Youth**. Peer: 13.8% | State: 10.3%, 2023

**56.3%** of adults (ages 25-44) in Greene County **participated in the labor force**. Peer: 78.3% | State: 84.2%, 2023

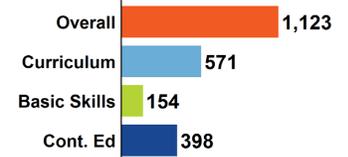
## Top 3 Employers in Greene County

Employer	Employment Range
NC Department of Adult Corrections	500-999
Greene County Public Schools	250-499
County of Greene	250-499

## Top 3 Industries in Greene County

Industry	Jobs   Percent
Public Administration	1,201   26.8%
Health Care and Social Assistance	511   11.4%
Educational Services	499   11.2%

## Greene County residents enrolled in NCCCS, Fall 2023



## Greene County is served by:

- Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Board
- Eastern Carolina Council of Governments

LABOR MARKET ALIGNMENT

POSTSECONDARY COMPLETION

Top Opportunities for Growth



First-Year Persistence

73% of Greene County high school graduates who enroll in postsecondary education persist to their second year, below the rural - non-metro county average of 80%.

Degree Credentials Awarded in PZ Sub-Region, 2023

1,205 certificate | 1,135 associate | 466 bachelor's

Adult Learners

Greene County Residents Aged 25+ enrolled in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2023

117 Basic Skills  
340 Continuing Education  
129 Curriculum

15.8% of residents (aged 25-44) have some college but no degree. Peer: 15.9% | State: 11.7%, 2023



12.6% of Greene County residents have student loan debt, 1.8% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2024

Success of Greene County High School Graduates

73.3% of students who enroll persist to their second year.

Peer: 79.6% | State: 83.8%, 2023

85.3% UNC | 67.8% NCCCS | NA NCICU

50.3% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years. Peer: 55.5% | State: 60.0%, 2023

18.1% UNC | 27.7% NCCCS | <5% NCICU

Top destinations of all college-goers, 2023

- 736 of all college-goers attended Lenoir CC
- 196 of all college-goers attended Pitt CC
- 109 of all college-goers attended East Carolina University

COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS

Top Opportunities for Growth

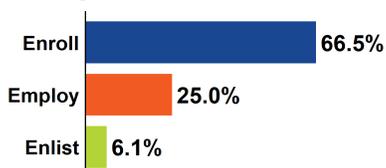


Postsecondary Enrollment

51% of Greene County seniors enroll in postsecondary education within 12 months of graduation, below the rural - non-metro county average of 52%.

52.7% of 2024 high school class completed the FAFSA as of Sept. 27, 2024. 46 more need to complete in 2024 to meet state goal of 80%. Peer: 54.0% | State: 55.0%

Post High School Graduation Intentions

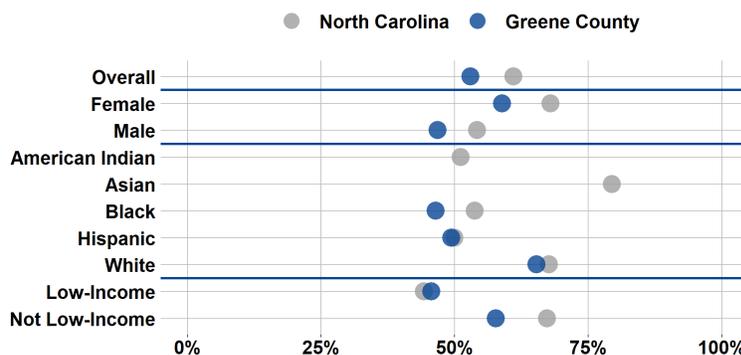


56.6% of students have parents with no college degree (either 2- or 4-year) 2023. Peer: 54.9% | State: 45.1%

86.5% of 9th graders graduated within four years. 21 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. Peer: 85.7% | State: 87.3% 2024

51.2% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months. Peer: 52.6% | State: 59.3% 2023

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Greene County, 2023



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

ACADEMIC READINESS

Top Opportunities for Growth



Math Performance

16% of Greene County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Math, below the rural - non-metro county average of 30%.

60.7% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program in 2024. 25 more needed to meet state goal of 75%. Peer: 71.0% | State: 57.2%

Note: Enrollment numbers only include students served by the NC Pre-K Program and may not represent all Pre-K offerings available.

Greene County Traditional Public Schools students:

13.8% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in reading in 2024. 698 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. Peer: 24.5% | State: 29.8%

15.8% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in math in 2024. 830 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. Peer: 30.3% | State: 36.5%

24.1% of students were chronically absent from school in 2024. 376 fewer needed to meet state goal of 11%. Peer: 27.7% | State: 25.7%



Greene County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 295:1 compared to 332:1 in peer counties. 2024

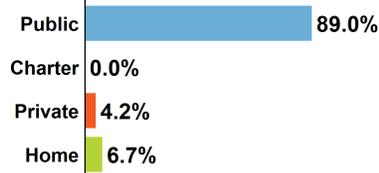


2.0% of students drop out of high school (18 total students), compared to 2.1% statewide. 2023

School & Student Overview (2024 school year)

Traditional Public School District(s): 1  
Traditional Public School(s): 6  
Charter School(s): 0  
Private School(s): 1  
Home School(s): 131

2,995 total K-12 students enrolled in schools.



Pathways to College and Career

Students in traditional public schools completed 1,143 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials and 109 concentrations. 85 (7.4%) of credentials were industry-valued in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations: Health Science; Agricultural, Food, & Natural Resources; and Hospitality & Tourism.



49 (5.6%) high school students took at least one AP, IB, or CIE exam. State: 16.8% (2023).



90 (41.1%) high school graduates participated in Career & College Promise programs. State: 36.0% (2024).

For more information about each indicator, including data sources and methodology, visit:

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