

Vance County

myFutureNC 2025 Attainment Profiles



Raleigh-Durham
Prosperity Zone Sub-Region
Peer County Type: Rural - Non-Metro

Educational Attainment

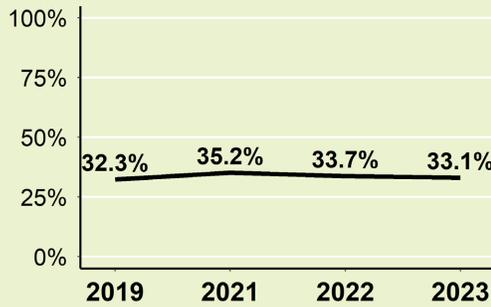
Vance County residents ages 25-44, 2023

Have Degree or Credential
3,252
33.1%

No Degree
6,579
66.9%

Residents Ages 25-44
9,831

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 Vance County Attainment Goal: 6,312 (Stretch Goal: 6,419)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

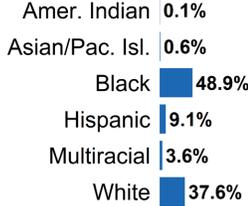
Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 42,569
2023 Estimate: 42,301
Change: -268

Growth Rate

-0.6% vs. **3.8%**
County State

Race/Ethnicity



\$45,408
Median Household Income (2023)
State: \$70,838

57.4%
Home Owners (2023)
State: 66.3%

63.9%
Households with Broadband (2023)
State: 77.1%

29.0%
Child Poverty Rate (2023)
State: 17.6%

27.6%
Single Parent Households (2023)
State: 17.0%

4.9%
Foreign Born (2023)
State: 9.2%

Top Opportunities for Growth



Family Sustaining Wage

32% of Vance County adults 25-44 earn a family sustaining wage, below the rural - non-metro county average of 40%.

In Raleigh-Durham Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

75.8%

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

Top Misalignments

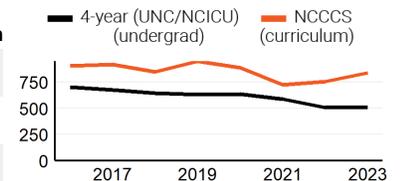
Job Openings vs. Degrees/Credentials

- **Health Science** Jobs > Creds
- **Business Management & Administration** Jobs > Creds
- **Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics** Jobs < Creds

Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Raleigh-Durham Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

Job Title	Annual Growth
Nurse Practitioners	4.09%
Data Scientists	3.79%
Statisticians	3.71%

Postsecondary Enrollment for Vance County Residents



32 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2023

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

19,047 graduates in 2020
64.9% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
\$50,028 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 Vance County earned a **family sustaining wage**. Peer: 40.5% | State: 57.6%, 2023

12.8% of youth (ages 16-24) in Vance County were **Opportunity Youth**. Peer: 13.8% | State: 10.3%, 2023

80.1% of adults (ages 25-44) in Vance County **participated in the labor force**. Peer: 78.3% | State: 84.2%, 2023

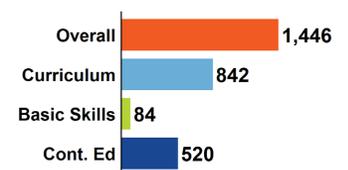
Top 3 Employers in Vance County

Employer	Employment Range
Wal-Mart Associates Inc	500-999
Variety Wholesalers Inc	500-999
Vance County Schools	500-999

Top 3 industries in Vance County

Industry	Jobs Percent
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,182 15.4%
Retail Trade	2,050 14.4%
Transportation and Warehousing	1,642 11.6%

Vance County residents enrolled in NCCCS, Fall 2023



Vance County is served by:

- Kerr-Tar Workforce Development Board
- Kerr-Tar Council of Governments

LABOR MARKET ALIGNMENT

POSTSECONDARY COMPLETION

Top Opportunities for Growth



Postsecondary Completion

41% of Vance County high school graduates who enroll in postsecondary education earn a degree or credential within 6 years, below the rural - non-metro county average of 55%.

Degree Credentials Awarded in PZ Sub-Region, 2023

4,998 certificate | 5,648 associate | 16,524 bachelor's

Adult Learners

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

- 50 Basic Skills
- 445 Continuing Education
- 264 Curriculum

15.1% of residents (aged 25-44) have some college but no degree. Peer: 15.9% | State: 11.7%, 2023



13.3% of Vance County residents have student loan debt, 2.3% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2024

Success of Vance County High School Graduates

73.5% of students who enroll persist to their second year.

Peer: 79.6% | State: 83.8%, 2023

86.7% UNC | 56.1% NCCCS | NA NCICU

41.5% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years. Peer: 55.5% | State: 60.0%, 2023

26.2% UNC | 10.9% NCCCS | <5% NCICU

Top destinations of all college-goers, 2023

- 1,174 of all college-goers attended Vance-Granville CC
- 122 of all college-goers attended Wake TCC
- 74 of all college-goers attended East Carolina University

COLLEGE & CAREER ACCESS

Top Opportunities for Growth

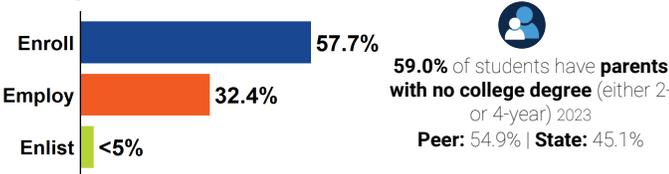


Postsecondary Enrollment

34% of Vance County seniors enroll in postsecondary education within 12 months of graduation, below the rural - non-metro county average of 52%.

42.2% of 2024 high school class completed the FAFSA as of Sept. 27, 2024. 112 more need to complete in 2024 to meet state goal of 80%. Peer: 54.0% | State: 55.0%

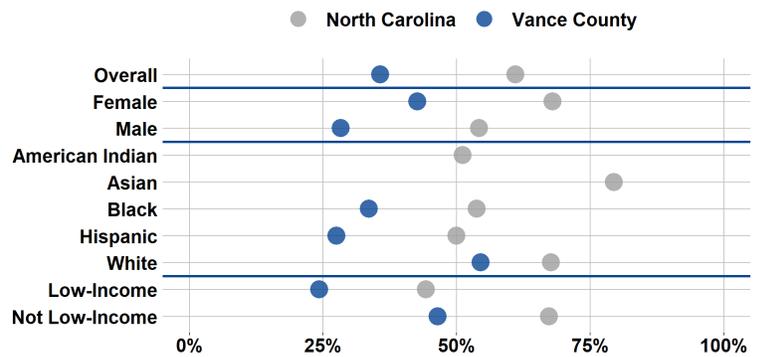
Post High School Graduation Intentions



77.1% of 9th graders graduated within four years. 72 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. Peer: 85.7% | State: 87.3% 2024

34.0% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months. Peer: 52.6% | State: 59.3% 2023

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Vance 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

13% of Vance County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Math, below the rural - non-metro county average of 30%.

65.2% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program in 2024. 36 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.

Vance County Traditional Public Schools students:

14.4% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in reading in 2024. 1,353 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. Peer: 24.5% | State: 29.8%

13.5% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in math in 2024. 1,673 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. Peer: 30.3% | State: 36.5%

43.9% of students were chronically absent from school in 2024. 1,804 fewer needed to meet state goal of 11%. Peer: 27.7% | State: 25.7%

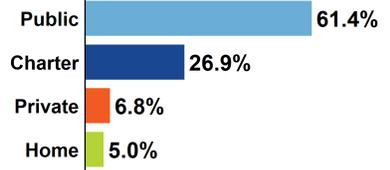
Vance County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 463:1 compared to 332:1 in peer counties. 2024

7.6% of students drop out of high school (113 total students), compared to 2.1% statewide. 2023

School & Student Overview (2024 school year)

Traditional Public School District(s): 1
 Traditional Public School(s): 16
 Charter School(s): 2
 Private School(s): 4
 Home School(s): 255

8,265 total K-12 students enrolled in schools.



Pathways to College and Career

Students in traditional public schools completed 678 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials and 134 concentrations. 27 (<5%) of credentials were industry-valued in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations: Human Services; Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security; and Agricultural, Food, & Natural Resources.

Less than 10 (<5%) high school students took at least one AP, IB, or CIE exam. State: 16.8% (2023).

83 (23.8%) 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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