Bertie County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

2030 Proposed Bertie County Attainment Goal: 2,372 (Stretch Goal: 2,418)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

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2022 Estimate: 17,240
Change: -694

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vs. 2.5% State

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State: $67,516
75% Home Owners (2022)
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Educational Attainment
Bertie County residents ages 25-44, 2022

- No Degree: 2,726 (63.2%)
- Have Degree or Credential: 1,589 (36.8%)

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

Top Opportunities for Growth
These three areas represent the biggest opportunities for Bertie County to improve future attainment outcomes.

- Math Performance: 16% of Bertie County 3-8 graders earn college- and career-ready scores in Math, below the rural - non-metro county average of 29%.
- School Counselors: Bertie County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 434:1, above the rural - non-metro county average of 325:1.
- Reading Performance: 18% of Bertie County 3-8 graders earn college- and career-ready scores in Reading, below the rural - non-metro county average of 25%.

Promising Attainment Practices
The new Promising Attainment Practices Database is a curated, searchable, and filterable collection of about 250 county, region, and state-level initiatives and programs that directly address various components of the state’s attainment challenge. The Database allows local and regional initiative leaders and other stakeholders to identify groups across the state who are developing or operating initiatives designed to boost attainment.

Follow link to discover how Bertie County has been meeting local needs:
https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Bertie

In Greenville Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:
85.4% of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

402 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:
7,374 graduates in 2020
71% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
$46,194 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

48% of adults (ages 25-44) in Bertie County earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

Bertie County is served by:
- Rivers East Workforce Development Board
- Mid-East Commission

Top Areas of Misalignment:
- Health Science below bachelor’s
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics below bachelor’s
- Business Management & Administration below bachelor’s

Top Five-Star Jobs in Greenville Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:
- Nurse Practitioners: 4%
- Data Scientists: 3%
- Logisticians: 3%

Top Employers in Bertie County:
- Perdue Farms Incorporated: 1000+
- Bertie County Board Of Education: 250-499
- Dept Of Public Safety: 100-249

First-time Curriculum Enrollments

Basic Skills

Continuing Education

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250-499
Dept Of Public Safety
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Rivers East Workforce Development Board
Mid-East Commission
14% of Bertie County residents have student loan debt. 18% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2022

73% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 78% in peer counties. 2022

60% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years versus 55% in peer counties. 2022

59% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 25 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80% in 2023.

52% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution versus 68% in peer counties. 2022

29% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months versus 52% in peer counties. 2022

46% of Bertie County students have parents with no college degree (either 2- or 4-year) versus 55% in peer counties.

• 59% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years versus 55% in peer counties. 2022

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

• 509 of all college-goers attended Martin CC
• 238 of all college-goers attended Roanoke-Chowan CC
• 97 of all college-goers attended Pitt CC

How students in Bertie County traditional schools are doing:

• Bertie County has met the goal for Pre-K enrollment. (Goal: 75%). 2023

• 18% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 539 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023

• 16% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 550 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023

• 89% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 469 less needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023

• 36% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 27% statewide; 696 less needed to meet state goal of (11%). 2023

Bertie County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 434:1 versus 325:1 in peer counties. 2022

2% of students drop out of high school (14 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2023

87 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (67%) versus 51% in peer counties (2023).

Less than 10 high school students took at least one AP test (NA) versus 8% in peer counties (2023).

For more information about each indicator, including data sources and methodology, visit: dashboard.myfuturenc.org/county-data-and-resources/