

Montgomery County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles



Pinehurst-Rockingham
Prosperity Zone Sub-Region
Peer County Type: Rural - Non-Metro
Local Education Agencies: 1 (2023)
Charter Schools: 1 (2023)

2030 Proposed Montgomery County Attainment Goal: 2,792 (Stretch Goal: 2,865)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 25,752
2022 Estimate: 25,894
Change: 142

Growth Rate

0.6% County vs. **2.5%** State



\$55,313
Median Household Income (2022)
State: \$67,516



72%
Home Owners (2022)
State: 67%



24.4%
Child Poverty Rate (2022)
State: 17.2%



14.3%
Opportunity Youth Rate (2021)
State: 12.1%



51%
Households with Broadband (2022)
State: 77%



3.7%
Unemployment Rate (2022)
State: 3.7%

Educational Attainment

Montgomery County residents ages 25-44, 2022

Less than high school High school graduate (including GED) Some college, no credential Short-term credential Associate degree Bachelor's degree Graduate or professional degree

No Degree
3,582
62.3%

Have Degree or Credential
2,165
37.7%



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

Top Opportunities for Growth

These three areas represent the biggest opportunities for Montgomery County to improve future attainment outcomes.



Math Performance

23% of Montgomery County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Math, below the rural - non-metro county average of 29%.



Reading Performance

19% of Montgomery County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Reading, below the rural - non-metro county average of 25%.



School Counselors

Montgomery County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 348:1, above the rural - non-metro county average of 325:1.

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 Montgomery County has been meeting local needs:

https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Montgomery

LABOR MARKET ALIGNMENT

In Pinehurst-Rockingham Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

52.3%

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

Top areas of misalignment:

Health Science bachelor's and below
Business Management & Administration bachelor's
Education & Training bachelor's



21 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

1,663 graduates in 2020
71% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
\$35,097 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)



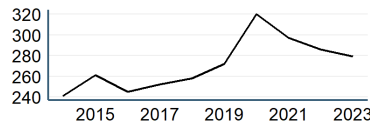
38% of adults (ages 25-44) in Montgomery County earned a **family sustaining wage**, 2022

Montgomery County is served by:

Mid-Carolina Workforce Development Board
Piedmont Triad Regional Council

UNC System College Enrollment

Curriculum



Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Pinehurst-Rockingham Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

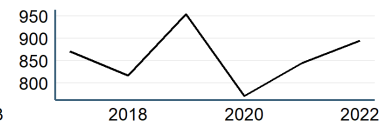
| Job Title | Annual Growth |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|
| Nurse Practitioners | 5% |
| Logisticians | 4% |
| Medical and Health Services Managers | 3% |

Top 3 Employers in Montgomery County

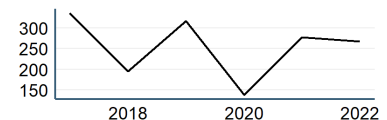
| Employer | Employment Range |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| Montgomery County Bd Education | 500-999 |
| Nipcam Services Of North Carolina | 250-499 |
| Jordan Lumber & Supply Inc | 250-499 |

NC Community College Enrollment

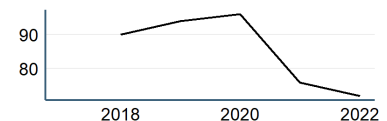
Curriculum



First-time Curriculum Enrollments



Basic Skills



Continuing Education



Adult Learners

Montgomery County resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

72 Basic Skills
1,165 Continuing Education
895 Curriculum



8% of Montgomery County residents have **student loan debt**; 9% of debt holders had **student loans in default**. 2022

Success of Montgomery County High School Graduates

- 68% of students who enroll **persist to their second year** versus 78% in peer counties. 2022
- 54% 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

- 1,098 of all college-goers attended **Montgomery CC**
- 105 of all college-goers attended **Randolph CC**
- 100 of all college-goers attended **Sandhills CC**

• 68% of seniors **completed the FAFSA** in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 30 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023

• 56% of graduates reported **intentions to enroll** in a postsecondary institution versus 68% in peer counties. 2022

• 43% of graduates **enrolled in a postsecondary institution** within 12 months versus 52% in peer counties. 2022



40% of Montgomery County students have **parents with no college degree** (either 2- or 4-year) versus 57% in peer counties.

How students in Montgomery County traditional schools are doing:

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

• 19% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **reading**, compared to 30% statewide; 1,031 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023

• 23% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **math**, compared to 35% statewide; 983 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023

• Montgomery County has met the goal for **high school graduation within four years**. (Goal: 95%). 2023

• 32% of students are **chronically absent from school**, compared to 32% statewide; 767 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022



Montgomery County has a **student-to-school counselor ratio** of 348:1 versus 325:1 in peer counties. 2022



1% of students **drop out of high school** (9 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2022

Degree Credentials Awarded, 2022

739 certificate | 1,189 associate | 19 bachelor's

Postsecondary assets in Pinehurst-Rockingham Prosperity Zone sub-region

Public, 4-year or above

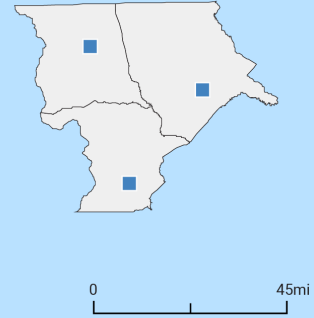
Public, 2-year

Montgomery Community College,
Richmond Community College, Sandhills
Community College

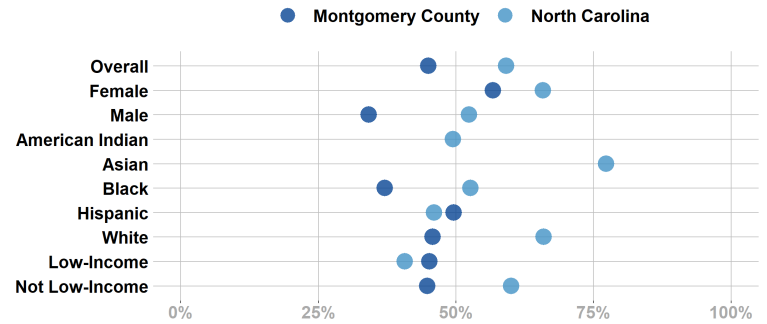
Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above

Private not-for-profit, 2-year

- ▲ 4-year public
- 2-year public
- 4-year private
- ✕ 2-year or less private



Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Montgomery County, 2022

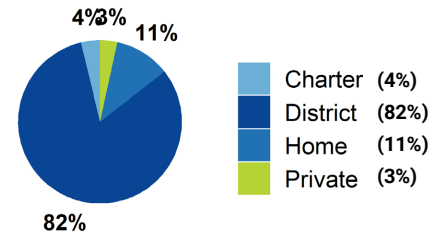


Note: Outcomes for groups with less than 10 students, <5% or >95% are not displayed.

School Choice

4,257 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Montgomery County in the 2022-23 school year.

Note: This profile focuses on outcomes of students enrolled in district schools.



Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Montgomery County completed 241 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024) and 124 concentrations in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Health Science; Manufacturing; and Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security.



Less than 10 high school students took at least one AP course (<5%) versus 7% in peer counties (2022).



268 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (52%) versus 39% in peer counties (2022).

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

dashboard.myfuturenc.org/county-data-and-resources/