Montgomery County
myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

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% vs. 2.5%
County 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%

11.8% Opportunity Youth Rate (2022)
State: 10.9%

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

3.7% Unemployment Rate (2022)
State: 3.7%

Educational Attainment
Montgomery County residents ages 25-44, 2022

No Degree
3,582 62.3%

Have Degree or Credential
2,165 37.7%

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%.

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 bachelor's
Business Management & Administration bachelor's
Education & Training bachelor's

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

Montgomery County is served by:
Mid-Carolina Workforce Development Board
Piedmont Triad Regional Council

Montgomery County Bd Employment Range
Education 500-999

Nipcam Services Of North Carolina Employment Range
250-499

Jordan Lumber & Supply Inc Employment Range
250-499

Top 3 Employers in Montgomery County

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%

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First-time Curriculum Enrollments

Basic Skills

Continuing Education

Montgomery County
2 million by 2030

John M Bell Endowment

Carolina Demography
Basic Skills
6,486
Continuing Education
1,338
Curriculum
8,486

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

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

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 80%. 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
• 28% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 27% statewide; 604 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2023

Montgomery County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 348:1 versus 325:1 in peer counties. 2023
0% of students drop out of high school (6 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2023

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

Access to Postsecondary Credits
Students in Montgomery County completed 1,163 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (69% were industry-valued credentials) and 190 concentrations in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Manufacturing; Health Science; and Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics.

Less than 10 high school students took at least one AP test (NA) versus 8% in peer counties (2023).
201 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (74%) versus 51% in peer counties (2023).

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