Northampton County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

2030 Proposed Northampton County Attainment Goal: 2,944 (Stretch Goal: 2,984)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

Population Spotlight
2020 Census: 17,474
2022 Estimate: 16,779
Change: -695

Growth Rate
-4.0% vs. 2.5%
County State

$51,550
Median Household Income (2022)
State: $67,516

72%
Home Owners (2022)
State: 67%

29.1%
Child Poverty Rate (2022)
State: 17.2%

25.0%
Opportunity Youth Rate (2022)
State: 10.0%

43%
Households with Broadband (2022)
State: 77%

4.9%
Unemployment Rate (2022)
State: 3.7%

Educational Attainment
Northampton County residents ages 25-44, 2022

- No Degree
  - 2,043
  - 60.5%
- Have Degree or Credential
  - 1,334
  - 39.5%

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

Chronic Absenteeism
52% of Northampton County students are chronically absent from school, above the rural - non-metro county average of 29%.

Math Performance
13% of Northampton County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Math, below the rural - non-metro county average of 29%.

Reading Performance
12% of Northampton 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 Northampton County has been meeting local needs:
https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Northampton

85.4%
of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

Top areas of misalignment:
Health Science below bachelor’s
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics below bachelor’s
Business Management & Administration bachelor’s

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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)

39% of adults (ages 25-44) in Northampton County earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

Northampton County is served by:
Turning Point Workforce Development Board
Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments

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

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UNC System College Enrollment Curriculum

NC Community College Enrollment Curriculum

Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Greenville Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

Job Title Annual Growth
Nurse Practitioners 4%
Data Scientists 3%
Logisticians 3%

Top 3 Employers in Northampton County

Employer Employment Range
Lowes Home Centers Inc 500-999
Meherrin Agricultural & Chem Co Inc 500-999
Northampton County 250-499
Success of Northampton County High School Graduates

- 67% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 78% in peer counties. 2022
- 45% 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

- 322 of all college-goers attended Halifax CC
- 136 of all college-goers attended Roanoke-Chowan CC
- 30 of all college-goers attended Nash CC

How students in Northampton County traditional schools are doing:

- Northampton County has met the goal for Pre-K enrollment. (Goal: 75%)
- 12% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 397 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
- 13% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 385 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
- 80% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 16 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 52% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 27% statewide; 558 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2023
- Northampton County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 177:1 versus 325:1 in peer counties. 2023
- 5% of students drop out of high school (23 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2023

Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Northampton County completed 460 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (0% were industry-valued credentials) and 106 concentrations in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Business Management & Administration; Arts, Audio/Video Technology, & Communications; and Human Services.

School Choice

2,751 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Northampton County in the 2022-23 school year.

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

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Northampton County, 2022

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