Pamlico County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

2030 Proposed Pamlico County Attainment Goal: 1,377 (Stretch Goal: 1,408) 2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

Population Spotlight
2020 Census: 12,274
2022 Estimate: 12,381
Change: 107

Growth Rate
0.9% County vs. 2.5% State

82% Home Owners (2022) State: 67%
21.3% Child Poverty Rate (2022) State: 17.2%
18.5% Opportunity Youth Rate (2022) State: 10%
68% Households with Broadband (2022) State: 77%
3.6% Unemployment Rate (2022) State: 3.7%

Pamlico County residents ages 25-44, 2022

No Degree 1,629 68.2%
Have Degree or Credential 759 31.8%

Less than high school 7%
High school graduate (including GED) 36%
Some college, no credential 25%
Short-term credential 8%
Associate degree 10%
Bachelor’s degree 6%
Graduate or professional degree 9%

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

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

Adult Learners
25% of Pamlico County adults 25-44 have some college, no degree, above the rural - metro county average of 17%.

Chronic Absenteeism
33% of Pamlico County students are chronically absent from school, above the rural - metro county average of 29%.

FAFSA Completion
55% of Pamlico County high school seniors complete the FAFSA, below the rural - metro county average of 58%.

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 Pamlico County has been meeting local needs:
https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Pamlico

In Jacksonville-New Bern Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:
54.5% of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

Top areas of misalignment:
Health Science below bachelor’s and bachelor’s
Business Management & Administration bachelor’s
Education & Training bachelor’s

201 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:
1,967 graduates in 2020
56% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
$36,955 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

42% of adults (ages 25-44) in Pamlico County earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

Pamlico County is served by:
Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Board
Eastern Carolina Council of Governments

UNC System College Enrollment Curriculum
Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Jacksonville-New Bern Prosperity Zone Sub-Region
Job Title Annual Growth
Information Security Analysts 4%
Nurse Practitioners 4%
Web and Digital Interface Designers 3%

Top 3 Employers in Pamlico County
Employer Employment Range
The Capital Area Young Mens 250-499
Christi Pamlico County Schools 100-249
County Of Pamlico 100-249

First-time Curriculum Enrollments
Basic Skills
Continuing Education
8% of Pamlico County residents have student loan debt; 0% of debt holders had student loans in default.

Success of Pamlico County High School Graduates

• 81% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 79% in peer counties. 2022
• 54% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years versus 56% in peer counties. 2022

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

• 550 of all college-goers attended Pamlico CC
• 141 of all college-goers attended Craven CC
• 15 of all college-goers attended Pitt CC

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Pamlico County, 2022

How students in Pamlico County traditional schools are doing:

• Pamlico County has met the goal for Pre-K enrollment. (Goal: 75%). 2023
• 28% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 290 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
• 34% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 257 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
• 92% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 3 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
• 33% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 27% statewide; 277 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2023

Pamlico County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 291:1 versus 362:1 in peer counties. 2023

1% of students drop out of high school (6 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2023

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