Perquimans County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

2030 Proposed Perquimans County Attainment Goal: 2,147 (Stretch Goal: 2,167)

Population Spotlight
2020 Census: 13,006
2022 Estimate: 13,210
Change: 204

Growth Rate
1.6% County vs. 2.5% State

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

77% Home Owners (2022) State: 67%

16.4% Child Poverty Rate (2022) State: 17.2%

10.7% Opportunity Youth Rate (2021) State: 12.1%

54% Households with Broadband (2022) State: 77%

4.5% Unemployment Rate (2022) State: 3.7%

Educational Attainment
Perquimans County residents ages 25-44, 2022

No Degree 1,528 61.9%
Have Degree or Credential 942 38.1%

Less than high school 9%
High school graduate (including GED) 32%
Some college, no credential 21%
Short-term credential 8%
Associate degree 11%
Bachelor’s degree 11%
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Note: Numbers may not add up to 100% due to rounding

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

Earning College Credit in High School
29% of Perquimans County graduates participated in Career & College Promise programs, below the rural - non-metro county average of 39%. Also, <5% of high school students took at least one AP exam, below the peer county average of 7%.

School Counselors
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Adult Learners
21% of Perquimans County adults 25-44 have some college, no degree, above the rural - non-metro county average of 16%.

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

In Elizabeth City Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:
72.2% of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

13 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:
632 graduates in 2020
62% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
$33,554 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

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

Perquimans County is served by:
Northeastern Workforce Development Board
Albemarle Commission

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

Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Elizabeth City Prosperity Zone Sub-Region
Job Title Annual Growth
Nurse Practitioners 4%
Medical and Health Services Managers 3%
Logisticians 2%

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Perquimans County Schools 250-499
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**Adult Learners**

Perquimans County resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

- 12 Basic Skills
- 416 Continuing Education
- 162 Curriculum

9% of Perquimans County residents have student loan debt. 0% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2022

**Success of Perquimans County High School Graduates**

- 77% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 78% in peer counties. 2022
- 48% 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**

- 311 of all college-goers attended College of The Albemarle
- 10 of all college-goers attended Pitt CC
- 7 of all college-goers attended Roanoke-Chowan CC

**How students in Perquimans County traditional schools are doing:**

- Perquimans County has met the goal for Pre-K enrollment. (Goal: 75%). 2023
- 31% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 421 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2022
- 38% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 364 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
- 89% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 7 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2022
- 30% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 32% statewide; 326 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022

Perquimans County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 406:1 versus 325:1 in peer counties. 2022

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

**Degree Credentials Awarded, 2022**

- 274 certificate
- 349 associate
- 331 bachelor's

**Postsecondary assets in Elizabeth City Prosperity Zone sub-region**

- Public, 4-year or above
  - Elizabeth City State University
- Public, 2-year
  - College of the Albemarle
- Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above
  - Mid-Atlantic Christian University
- Private not-for-profit, 2-year

**Access to Postsecondary Credits**

Students in Perquimans County completed 550 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024) and 90 concentrations in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Agricultural, Food, & Natural Resources; Architecture and Construction; and Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics.

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

64 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (29%) versus 39% in peer counties (2022).

**Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Perquimans County, 2022**

- Overall
- Female
- Male
- American Indian
- Asian
- Black
- Hispanic
- White
- Low-Income
- Not Low-Income

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

**School Choice**

1,877 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Perquimans County in the 2022-23 school year.

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

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