Peer County Type: Suburban

Educational Attainment

Pitt County residents ages 25-44, 2023



Have Degree or Credential 26.373 60.3%

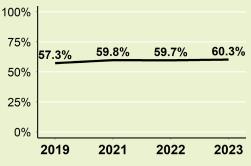


No Degree 17.375 39.7%



Residents Ages 25-44 43.748

Educational Attainment Trend



Note: 2020 data not shown due to inconsistency

Educational Level Breakdown, 2023



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

2030 Proposed Pitt County Attainment Goal: 31,722 (Stretch Goal: 31,986)

Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 170,242 2023 Estimate: 175,119 Change: 4,877

Growth Rate

2.9% County

vs. 3.8% **State**

Race/Ethnicity

Amer. Indian 0.1% Asian/Pac. Isl. 1.8%

Black 34.9%

Hispanic 7.7% Multiracial 3.2%

> White 51.9%



\$60.268 Median Household

Income (2023) State: \$70.838



50.9% Home Owners

(2023)State: 66.3%



66.2% Households with

Broadband (2023) **State:** 77.1%



22.1% Child Poverty

Rate (2023) **State:** 17.6%

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

9.2% Single Parent Households (2023)**State:** 7.1%

5.6% Foreign Born

(2023)State: 9.2%

Top Opportunities for Growth



Family Sustaining Wage

49% of Pitt County adults 25-44 earn a family sustaining wage, below the suburban county average of 52%.

In Greenville Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

84.8%

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

Top Misalignments

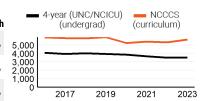
- Health Science Jobs > Creds **Transportation, Distribution & Logistics**
- Jobs > Creds Education & Training Jobs < Creds

Job Openings vs. Degrees/Credentials

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

Job Title	Annual Growth
Nurse Practitioners	3.78%
Data Scientists	3.24%
Logisticians	2.81%

Postsecondary Enrollment for Pitt County Residents





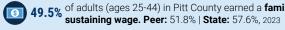
213 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2023

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

7.374 graduates in 2020

71.1% 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), 2021





85.6% of adults (ages 25-44) in Pitt County participated in the labor force. Peer: 83.4% | State: 84.2%, 2023

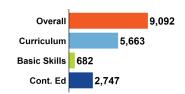
Top 3 Employers in Pitt County

Employer E	Employment Range
Pitt County Memorial Ho	spital 1000+
East Carolina University	1000+
Pitt County Board of Edu	cation 1000+

Top 3 industries in **Pitt County**

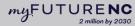
	Jobs Percent
Health Care and Social Assistance	19,802 24.3%
Educational Services	10,638 13.0%
Retail Trade	9,235 11.3%

Pitt County residents enrolled in NCCCS, Fall 2023



Pitt County is served by:

- **Rivers East Workforce Development Board**
- **Mid-East Commission**





of youth (ages 16-24) in Pitt County were Opportunity Youth.

Top Opportunities for Growth



Postsecondary Completion

56% of Pitt County high school graduates who enroll in postsecondary education earn a degree or credential within 6 years, below the suburban county average of 61%.

Degree Credentials Awarded in PZ Sub-Region, 2023

1,684 certificate 1,857 associate 5,000 bachelor's

Adult Learners

Pitt County Residents Aged 25+ enrolled in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2023

377 Basic Skills

2.463 Continuing Education

1,731 Curriculum

12.5% of residents (aged 25-44) have some college but no

degree. Peer: 15.1% | State: 11.7%, 2023



21.4% of Pitt County residents have **student loan debt**; **1.5%** of debt holders had **student loans in default**. 2024

Success of Pitt County High School Graduates

79.6% of students who enroll persist to their second year.

Peer: 83.9% | State: 83.8%, 2023

91.4% UNC 67.5% NCCCS 78.7% NCICU

55.8% of students who enroll **earn a degree or certificate** within 6

years. **Peer:** 61.5% | **State:** 60.0%, 2023

Top destinations of all college-goers, 2023

- 6,645 of all college-goers attended Pitt CC
- 1,880 of all college-goers attended East Carolina University
- 640 of all college-goers attended Lenoir CC

Top Opportunities for Growth

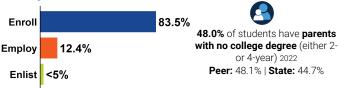


High School Graduation

84% of Pitt County 9th graders complete high school in 4 years or less, below the suburban county average of 88%.

63.9% of 2024 high school class **completed the FAFSA** as of Sept. 27, 2024. 251 more need to complete in 2024 to meet state goal of **80%. Peer:** 55.0% | **State:** 55.0%

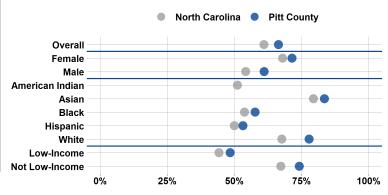
Post High School Graduation Intentions



83.9% of 9th graders **graduated within four years.** 217 more needed to meet state goal of **95%**. **Peer:** 88.5% | **State:** 87.3% 2024

64.7% of graduates **enrolled in a postsecondary institution** within 12 months. **Peer:** 58.8% | **State:** 59.3% 2023

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Pitt County, 2023



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

Top Opportunities for Growth



Reading Performance

27% of Pitt County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Reading, below the suburban county average of 31%.

56.8% of eligible 4-year-olds **enrolled in NC Pre-K program** in 2024. 174 more needed to meet state goal of **75%**. **Peer:** 46.5% | **State:** 57.2%

Note: Enrollment numbers only include students served by the NC Pre-K Program and may not represent all Pre-K offerings available.

Pitt County Traditional Public Schools students:

27.1% of 3-8 graders **earned college-and-career-ready scores in reading** in 2024. 4,892 more needed to meet state goal of **73%**.

Peer: 30.8% | **State:** 29.8%

38.2% of 3-8 graders **earned college-and-career-ready scores in math** in 2024. 5.095 more needed to meet state goal of **86%**.

Peer: 37.8% | **State:** 36.5%

24.7% of students were **chronically absent from school** in 2023. 3,380 fewer needed to meet state goal of **11%**. **Peer:** 25.3% | **State:** 27.5%

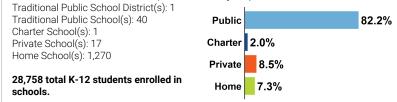


Pitt County has a **student-to-school counselor ratio** of **315:1** compared to **328:1** in peer counties. 2024



2.8% of students **drop out of high school** (226 total students), compared to **2.1%** statewide. 2023

School & Student Overview (2024 school year)



Pathways to College and Career

Students in traditional public schools completed **6,020 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials and 1,358 concentrations. 1,197 (19.9%) of credentials were industry-valued** in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations: Health Science; Human Services; and Architecture and Construction.



817 (11.1%) high school students took at least one **AP, IB, or CIE exam. State:** 16.8% (2023).



895 (55.6%) high school graduates participated in **Career & College Promise programs. State:** 35.5% (2023).

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

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