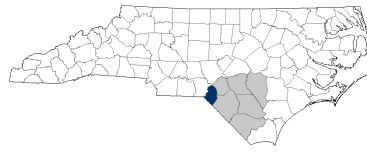


# Scotland County

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles



Fayetteville-Lumberton  
Prosperity Zone Sub-Region  
**Peer County Type:** Rural - Non-Metro  
**Local Education Agencies:** 1 (2023)  
**Charter Schools:** 0 (2023)

2030 Proposed Scotland County Attainment Goal: 3,632 (Stretch Goal: 3,722)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

## Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 34,180  
2022 Estimate: 34,162  
Change: -18

## Growth Rate

**-0.1%** County vs. **2.5%** State



**\$45,996**  
Median Household Income (2022)  
State: \$67,516



**60%**  
Home Owners (2022)  
State: 67%



**40.8%**  
Child Poverty Rate (2022)  
State: 17.2%



**16.2%**  
Opportunity Youth Rate (2022)  
State: 10.9%



**59%**  
Households with Broadband (2022)  
State: 77%



**6.4%**  
Unemployment Rate (2022)  
State: 3.7%

## Educational Attainment

Scotland County residents ages 25-44, 2022

Less than high school High school graduate (including GED) Some college, no credential Short-term credential Associate degree Bachelor's degree Graduate or professional degree

**No Degree**  
**5,816**  
68.5%

**Have Degree or Credential**  
**2,675**  
31.5%



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

## Top Opportunities for Growth

These three areas represent the biggest opportunities for Scotland County to improve future attainment outcomes.



### Math Performance

15% of Scotland County 3-8 graders earn college-and-career-ready scores in Math, below the rural - non-metro county average of 29%.



### School Counselors

Scotland County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 533:1, above the rural - non-metro county average of 325:1.



### Reading Performance

16% of Scotland 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 Scotland County has been meeting local needs:

[https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt\\_search=Scotland](https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/promising-attainment-practices/?wdt_search=Scotland)

## LABOR MARKET ALIGNMENT

### In Fayetteville-Lumberton Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

**80.5%**

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

#### Top areas of misalignment:

**Business Management & Administration** bachelor's  
**Health Science** below bachelor's  
**Transportation, Distribution & Logistics** below bachelor's



**1,855** Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

### UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

**5,664** graduates in 2020

**56%** of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021

**\$38,415** annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)



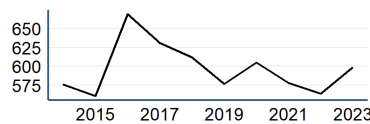
**35%** of adults (ages 25-44) in Scotland County earned a **family sustaining wage**, 2022

### Scotland County is served by:

Lumber River Workforce Development Board  
Lumber River Council of Governments

### UNC System College Enrollment

#### Curriculum



### Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Fayetteville-Lumberton Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

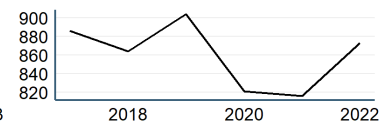
Job Title	Annual Growth
Nurse Practitioners	4%
Data Scientists	3%
Medical and Health Services Managers	2%

### Top 3 Employers in Scotland County

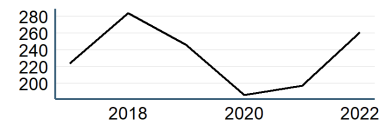
Employer	Employment Range
Scotland Memorial Hospital (A Corp)	1000+
Scotland County Schools	500-999
Dept Of Public Safety	250-499

### NC Community College Enrollment

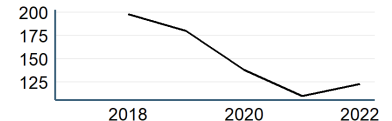
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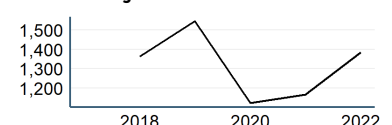
#### First-time Curriculum Enrollments



#### Basic Skills



#### Continuing Education



## Adult Learners

### Scotland County resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

123 Basic Skills  
1,384 Continuing Education  
873 Curriculum



14% of Scotland County residents have **student loan debt**; 14% of debt holders had **student loans in default**. 2022

### Success of Scotland County High School Graduates

- 74% of students who enroll **persist to their second year** versus 78% in peer counties. 2022
- 53% 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

- 1,319 of all college-goers attended **Richmond CC**
- 106 of all college-goers attended **Sandhills CC**
- 76 of all college-goers attended **Robeson CC**

• 65% of seniors **completed the FAFSA** in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 46 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023

• 52% of graduates reported **intentions to enroll** in a postsecondary institution versus 68% in peer counties. 2022

• 47% of graduates **enrolled in a postsecondary institution** within 12 months versus 52% in peer counties. 2022



57% of Scotland County students have **parents with no college degree** (either 2- or 4-year) versus 55% in peer counties.

### How students in Scotland County traditional schools are doing:

• Scotland County has met the goal for **Pre-K enrollment**. (Goal: 75%). 2023

• 16% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **reading**, compared to 30% statewide; 1,710 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023

• 15% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **math**, compared to 35% statewide; 1,733 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023

• 87% of 9th graders **graduate within four years**, compared to 87% statewide; 31 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023

• 34% of students are **chronically absent from school**, compared to 27% statewide; 1,339 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2023



Scotland County has a **student-to-school counselor ratio** of 533:1 versus 325:1 in peer counties. 2023



0% of students **drop out of high school** (0 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2023

### Degree Credentials Awarded, 2022

2,986 certificate | 2,774 associate | 2,891 bachelor's

### Postsecondary assets in Fayetteville-Lumberton Prosperity Zone sub-region

#### Public, 4-year or above

Fayetteville State University, University of North Carolina at Pembroke

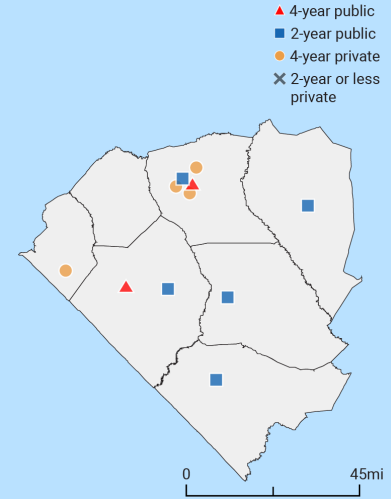
#### Public, 2-year

Bladen Community College, Fayetteville Technical Community College, Robeson Community College, Sampson Community College, Southeastern Community College

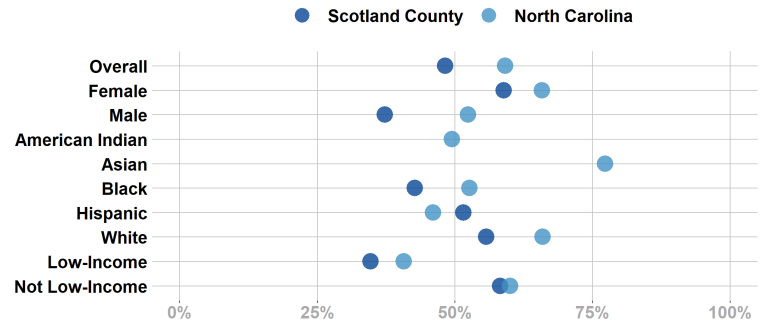
#### Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above

Carolina College of Biblical Studies, Manna University, Methodist University, St. Andrews University

#### Private not-for-profit, 2-year



### Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Scotland County, 2022

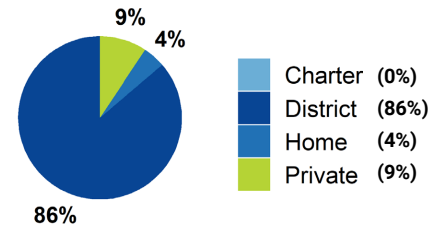


Note: Outcomes for groups with less than 10 students, <5% or >95% are not displayed.

### School Choice

6,224 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Scotland County in the 2022-23 school year.

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



### Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in Scotland County completed 3,013 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (205 (7%) were industry-valued credentials) and 255 concentrations in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Health Science; Law, Public Safety, Corrections, & Security; and Agricultural, Food, & Natural Resources.



74 high school students took at least one **AP test** (<5%) versus 8% in peer counties (2023).



175 high school students participated in **Career & College Promise programs** (54%) 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/](https://dashboard.myfuturenc.org/county-data-and-resources/)