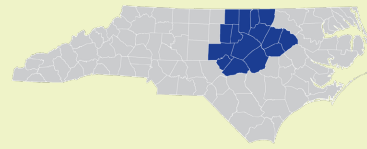


North Central

Prosperity Zone

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

2030 Proposed North Central Attainment Goal: 565,898

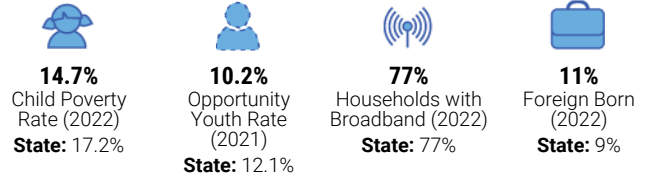


North Central PZ Served By:
Kerr-Tar, Mid-Carolina, Central Pines, and Coastal Plain Councils of Governments and
Capital Area, Durham, Kerr-Tar, Mid-Carolina, and Turning Point Workforce Development Boards

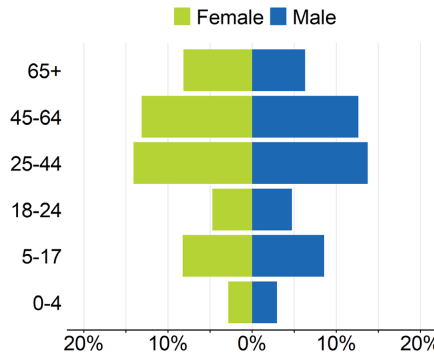
Population Spotlight

Growth Rate Prosperity Zone: 3.6% vs. **State: 2.5%**

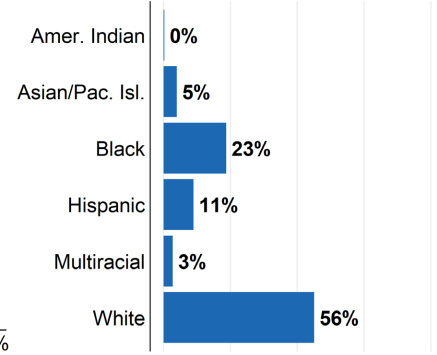
County	2020	2022	Change
North Carolina	10,439,414	10,698,973	259,559
Chatham County	76,270	79,864	3,594
Durham County	324,849	332,680	7,831
Edgecombe County	48,897	48,301	-596
Franklin County	68,578	74,539	5,961
Granville County	61,001	61,903	902
Harnett County	133,554	138,832	5,278
Johnston County	215,991	234,778	18,787
Lee County	63,281	65,476	2,195
Nash County	94,967	95,789	822
Orange County	148,707	150,477	1,770
Person County	39,093	39,386	293
Vance County	42,570	42,138	-432
Wake County	1,129,393	1,175,021	45,628
Warren County	18,642	18,713	71
Wilson County	78,786	78,449	-337



Age Structure, 2022



Race/Ethnicity, 2022



Educational Attainment

North Central residents ages 25-44, 2022



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

LABOR MARKET ALIGNMENT

In North Central Prosperity Zone:

77.3%

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
Information Technology bachelor's

5,644 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

20,276 graduates in 2020

66% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021

\$49,287 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

60% of adults (ages 25-44) in North Central earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

Top Industries in North Central PZ

Industry Name	Average Employment	Average Weekly Wages
Health Care and Social Assistance	169,341	\$1,251
Professional Scientific and Technical Services	124,095	\$2,078
Retail Trade	119,369	\$732
Accommodation and Food Services	105,030	\$482
Manufacturing	96,255	\$1,766

Top Job Sectors in North Central PZ

Job Sector	Average Employment	Average Weekly Wages
Private	1,041,302	\$1,339
Local Government	89,632	\$1,027
State Government	85,514	\$1,345
Federal Government	15,220	\$1,842

Success of North Central High School Graduates

- **86%** of students who enroll **persist to their second year** versus **83%** for the state. 2022
- **64%** of students who enroll **earn a degree or certificate** within 6 years versus **59%** for the state. 2022

Top destinations of all college-goers, Fall 2023

- **30,207** of all college-goers attended **Wake TCC**
- **8,365** of all college-goers attended **Durham TCC**
- **7,797** of all college-goers attended **Central Carolina CC**

Adult Learners


North Central resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

- 3,569** Basic Skills
- 34,443** Continuing Education
- 10,914** Curriculum

- **64%** of seniors **completed the FAFSA** in 2023, compared to **62%** statewide; 3,950 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of **80%**. 2023
- **86%** of graduates reported **intentions to enroll** in a postsecondary institution versus **74%** in the state. 2022
- **62%** of graduates **enrolled in a postsecondary institution** within 12 months versus **58%** in the state. 2022

How students in North Central traditional schools are currently doing:

To meet state goals, each year North Central needs:

- **44%** of eligible 4-year-olds **enrolled in NC Pre-K program**, compared to **53%** statewide; 3,306 more needed to meet state goal of **75%**. 2023
 - **34%** of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **reading**, compared to **30%** statewide; 58,906 more needed to meet state goal of **73%**. 2023
 - **38%** of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in **math**, compared to **35%** statewide; 73,535 more needed to meet state goal of **86%**. 2023
 - **88%** of 9th graders **graduate within four years**, compared to **87%** statewide; 2,003 more needed to meet state goal of **95%**. 2023
 - **29%** of students are **chronically absent from school**, compared to **32%** statewide; 64,416 less needed to meet state goal of **11%**. 2022
-  **2%** of students **drop out of high school** (2,412 total students), compared to **2%** statewide. 2022

Degree Credentials Awarded, 2022

6,035 certificate | **6,452** associate | **16,833** bachelor's

Postsecondary assets in North Central Prosperity Zone

Public, 4-year or above

North Carolina Central University, North Carolina State University at Raleigh, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Public, 2-year

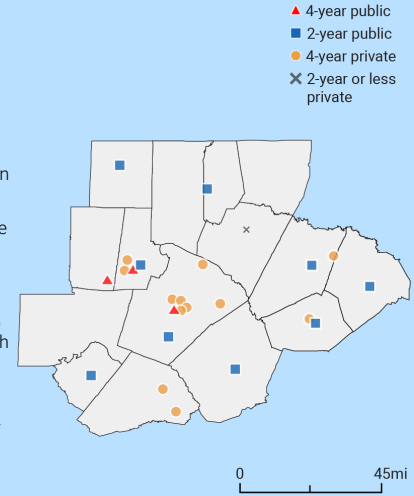
Central Carolina Community College, Durham Technical Community College, Edgecombe Community College, Johnston Community College, Nash Community College, Piedmont Community College, Vance-Granville Community College, Wake Technical Community College, Wilson Community College

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

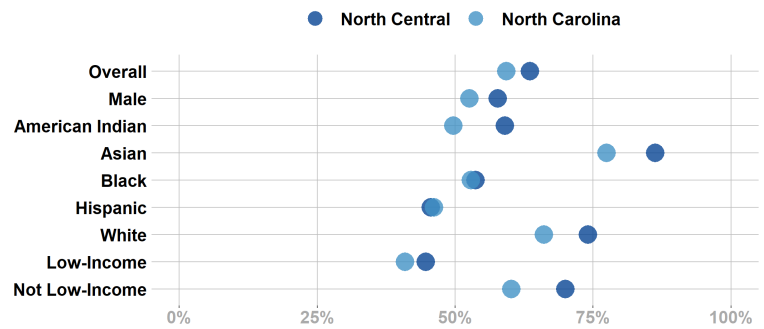
Barton College, Campbell University, Duke University, Heritage Bible College, Meredith College, North Carolina Wesleyan University, Saint Augustine's University, Shaw University, Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Southeastern Free Will Baptist Bible College, Watts School of Nursing, William Peace University

Private not-for-profit, 2-year

Louisburg College



Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in North Central, 2022

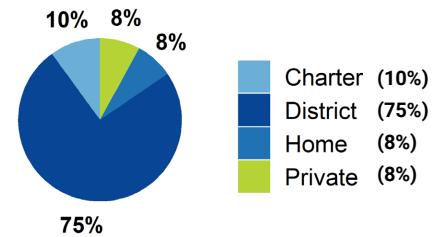


Note: Outcomes for groups with less than 10 students, <5% or >95% are not displayed.

School Choice

450,352 total students were enrolled in K-12 in North Central in the 2022-23 school year.

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



Access to Postsecondary Credits

Students in North Central completed **44,058 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024)** and **13,463 concentrations** in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Human Services; Agricultural, Food, & Natural Resources; and Health Science.



22,401 high school students took at least one **AP course (21%)** versus **15%** in the state (2022).



6,827 high school students participated in **Career & College Promise programs (14%)** versus **23%** in the state (2022).

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

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