Northeast Prosperity Zone

myFutureNC 2024 Attainment Profiles

2030 Proposed Northeast Attainment Goal: 77,882

Population Spotlight

Growth Rate

Prosperity Zone: 1.0% vs. State: 2.5%

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<tr>
<th>County</th>
<th>2020</th>
<th>2022</th>
<th>Change</th>
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<td>North Carolina</td>
<td>10,439,414</td>
<td>10,698,973</td>
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<td>Dare County</td>
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<td>Northampton County</td>
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<td>Pasquotank County</td>
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<td>Perquimans County</td>
<td>13,006</td>
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<td>Pitt County</td>
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<td>Tyrrell County</td>
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<td>Washington County</td>
<td>11,001</td>
<td>10,828</td>
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Age Structure, 2022

- 65+:
  - Female: 9%
  - Male: 12%
- 5-17:
  - Female: 26%
  - Male: 23%
- 25-44:
  - Female: 27%
  - Male: 24%

Race/Ethnicity, 2022

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<td>Amer. Indian</td>
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<td>Asian/Pac. Isl.</td>
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<td>Black</td>
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<td>Hispanic</td>
<td>6%</td>
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<td>Multiracial</td>
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<td>White</td>
<td>56%</td>
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Educational Attainment

Northeast residents ages 25-44, 2022

- No Degree: 62,960 (51.8%)
- Have Degree or Credential: 58,549 (48.2%)

In Northeast Prosperity Zone:

85.0% of postsecondary degrees and credentials conferred by regional institutions are aligned with labor market needs.

Top areas of misalignment:

- Health Science below bachelor’s degree
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics below bachelor’s degree
- Business Management & Administration below bachelor’s degree

415 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

- 8,006 graduates in 2020
- 70% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
- $45,164 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

45% of adults (ages 25-44) in Northeast earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

In Northeast Prosperity Zone:

23.3% Child Poverty Rate (2022)
- State: 17.2%

11.8% Opportunity Youth Rate (2021)
- State: 12.1%

63% Households with Broadband (2022)
- State: 77%

4% Foreign Born (2022)
- State: 9%

Top Industries in Northeast PZ

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<th>Industry Name</th>
<th>Average Employment</th>
<th>Average Weekly Wages</th>
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<td>Health Care and Social Assistance</td>
<td>33,329</td>
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<td>Retail Trade</td>
<td>27,295</td>
<td>$661</td>
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<td>Accommodation and Food Services</td>
<td>23,746</td>
<td>$428</td>
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<td>Public Administration</td>
<td>14,384</td>
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<td>Wholesale Trade</td>
<td>5,959</td>
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Top Job Sectors in Northeast PZ

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<td>Private</td>
<td>147,613</td>
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<td>Local Government</td>
<td>34,041</td>
<td>$1,083</td>
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<td>State Government</td>
<td>12,494</td>
<td>$1,267</td>
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<td>Federal Government</td>
<td>2,435</td>
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**Success of Northeast High School Graduates**

- 78% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 83% for the state. 2022
- 54% 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**

- 7,065 of all college-goers attended Pitt CC
- 4,159 of all college-goers attended College of The Albemarle
- 3,461 of all college-goers attended Beaufort County CC

**Adult Learners**

Northeast resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

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<td>Basic Skills</td>
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<td>Continuing Ed</td>
<td>9,059</td>
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<td>Curriculum</td>
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**Degree Credentials Awarded, 2022**

- 1,783 certificate
- 2,154 associate
- 5,198 bachelor’s

**Postsecondary assets in Northeast Prosperity Zone**

- Public, 4-year or above
  - East Carolina University, Elizabeth City
  - State University
- Public, 2-year
  - Beaufort County Community College, College of the Albemarle, Halifax Community College, Martin Community College, Pitt Community College, Roanoke-Chowan Community College
- Private not-for-profit, 4-year or above
  - Chowan University, Mid-Atlantic Christian University
- Private not-for-profit, 2-year

**Adult Learners**

Northeast resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

- 65% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 657 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023
- 77% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution versus 74% in the state. 2022
- 54% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months versus 58% in the state. 2022

**How students in Northeast traditional schools are currently doing:**

To meet state goals, each year Northeast needs:

- 69% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program, compared to 53% statewide; 173 more needed to meet state goal of 75%. 2023
- 25% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 14,060 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
- 30% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 16,495 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
- 84% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 622 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 31% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 32% statewide; 13,989 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022

3% of students drop out of high school (546 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2022

**School Choice**

81,681 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Northeast in the 2022-23 school year.

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

**Access to Postsecondary Credits**

Students in Northeast completed 15,264 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials (industry-valued credential data available in Spring 2024) and 3,085 concentrations in 2022. The top three CTE concentrations completed include Health Science; Human Services; and Agricultural, Food, & Natural Resources.

1,516 high school students took at least one AP course (8%) versus 15% in the state (2022).

3,224 high school students participated in Career & College Promise programs (36%) versus 23% in the state (2022).

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

dashboard.myfuturenc.org/county-data-and-resources/