Population Spotlight

Growth Rate: WDB: 4.4% vs. State: 2.5%

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<th>County</th>
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<td>North Carolina</td>
<td>10,439,414</td>
<td>10,698,973</td>
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<td>Chatham County</td>
<td>76,270</td>
<td>79,864</td>
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<td>Johnston County</td>
<td>215,991</td>
<td>234,778</td>
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<td>Lee County</td>
<td>63,281</td>
<td>65,476</td>
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<td>Orange County</td>
<td>148,707</td>
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<td>Wake County</td>
<td>1,129,393</td>
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Age Structure, 2022

- 65+         - Female: 0% Male: 0%
- 45-64       - Female: 10% Male: 10%
- 25-44       - Female: 20% Male: 20%
- 18-24       - Female: 20% Male: 20%
- 5-17        - Female: 15% Male: 15%
- 0-4         - Female: 25% Male: 25%

Race/Ethnicity, 2022

- Amer. Indian: 0%
- Asian/Pac. Isl.: 6%
- Black: 18%
- Hispanic: 11%
- Multiracial: 3%
- White: 61%

Educational Attainment

- No Degree: 133,774 (29.2%)
- Have Degree or Credential: 325,115 (70.8%)

In Capital Area WDB:

- 5,095 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2020

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

- 16,560 graduates in 2020
- 63% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021
- $52,022 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs)

65% of adults (ages 25-44) in Capital Area earned a family sustaining wage, 2022

Labor Force Snapshot - 2023 Q2

- Total Jobs: 818,961
- Business Establishments: 64,011
- Employed: 856,860
- Unemployed: 27,622
- Avg. Weekly Wage: $1,315
- Median Household Income: $90,358

Top Industries in Capital Area WDB:

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<td>103,581</td>
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<td>Professional Scientific and Technical Services</td>
<td>84,976</td>
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<td>Retail Trade</td>
<td>82,603</td>
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<td>Educational Services</td>
<td>80,625</td>
<td>$1,202</td>
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<td>Accommodation and Food Services</td>
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Top Job Sectors in Capital Area WDB:

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<td>State Government</td>
<td>72,986</td>
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<td>55,087</td>
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Success of Capital Area High School Graduates

- 88% of students who enroll persist to their second year versus 83% for the state. 2022
- 68% 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

- 26,888 of all college-goers attended Wake TCC
- 5,948 of all college-goers attended Johnston CC
- 5,098 of all college-goers attended Central Carolina CC

Adult Learners
Capital Area resident enrollments in NC Community Colleges, Fall 2022

- 2,446 Basic Skills
- 21,562 Continuing Education
- 6,822 Curriculum

- 65% of seniors completed the FAFSA in 2023, compared to 62% statewide; 2,573 more need to complete in 2023 to meet state goal of 80%. 2023
- 90% of graduates reported intentions to enroll in a postsecondary institution versus 74% in the state. 2022
- 67% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months versus 58% in the state. 2022

How students in Capital Area traditional schools are currently doing:

To meet state goals, each year Capital Area needs:

- 44% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program, compared to 53% statewide; 1,627 more needed to meet state goal of 75%. 2023
- 39% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in reading, compared to 30% statewide; 35,142 more needed to meet state goal of 73%. 2023
- 44% of 3-8 graders are earning college-and-career-ready scores (level 4 or 5) in math, compared to 35% statewide; 44,268 more needed to meet state goal of 86%. 2023
- 90% of 9th graders graduate within four years, compared to 87% statewide; 947 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. 2023
- 24% of students are chronically absent from school, compared to 32% statewide; 31,528 less needed to meet state goal of 11%. 2022
- 2% of students drop out of high school (1,193 total students), compared to 2% statewide. 2022

School Choice

300,175 total students were enrolled in K-12 in Capital Area in the 2022-23 school year.

- 77% of students are enrolled in district schools
- 9% are enrolled in charter schools
- 7% are enrolled in home schools
- 7% are enrolled in private schools

For more information about each indicator, including data sources and methodology, visit: dashboard.myfuturenc.org/county-data-and-resources/