

Anson County

myFutureNC 2025 Attainment Profiles



Charlotte
Prosperity Zone Sub-Region
Peer County Type: Rural - Metro

Educational Attainment

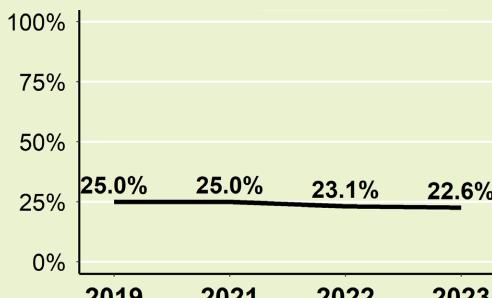
Anson County residents ages 25-44, 2023

Have Degree or Credential
1,254
22.6%

No Degree
4,295
77.4%

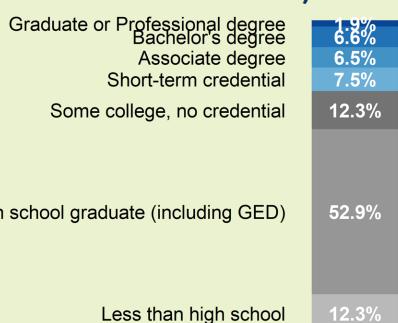
Residents Ages 25-44
5,549

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 Anson County Attainment Goal: 3,185 (Stretch Goal: 3,250)

2030 State Attainment Goal: 2 million

Population Spotlight

2020 Census: 22,054
2023 Estimate: 21,897
Change: -157

Growth Rate

-0.7% vs. **3.8%**
County State

Race/Ethnicity

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| Amer. Indian | 0.2% |
| Asian/Pac. Isl. | 1.6% |
| Black | 46.7% |
| Hispanic | 3.6% |
| Multiracial | 3.3% |
| White | 44.4% |

\$50,503
Median Household Income (2023)
State: \$70,838

65.6%
Home Owners (2023)
State: 66.3%

67.2%
Households with Broadband (2023)
State: 77.1%

35.5%
Child Poverty Rate (2023)
State: 17.6%

10.1%
Single Parent Households (2023)
State: 7.1%

3.1%
Foreign Born (2023)
State: 9.2%

Top Opportunities for Growth



Labor Force Participation

67% of Anson County adults 25-44 are in the labor force, below the rural - metro county average of 81%.

In Charlotte Prosperity Zone Sub-Region:

79.7%

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

Top Misalignments

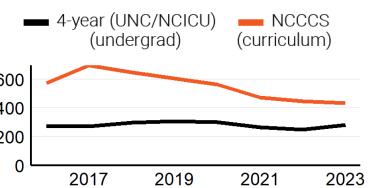
Job Openings vs. Degrees/Credentials

- **Education & Training** Jobs < Creds
- **Business Management & Administration** Jobs > Creds
- **Health Science** Jobs > Creds

Top 3 Five-Star Jobs in Charlotte Prosperity Zone Sub-Region

| Job Title | Annual Growth |
|---------------------|---------------|
| Nurse Practitioners | 4.48% |
| Data Scientists | 3.83% |
| Logisticians | 3.62% |

Postsecondary Enrollment for Anson County Residents



58 Individuals served in an ApprenticeshipNC program in 2023

UNC and NC Community College Outcomes:

12,495 graduates in 2020

74.0% of 2016 graduates were employed in NC in 2021

\$45,387 annual average earnings of graduates employed in NC (includes both part-time and full-time jobs), 2021



36.2% of adults (ages 25-44) in Anson County earned a family sustaining wage. Peer: 46.7% | State: 57.6%, 2023



10.3% of youth (ages 16-24) in Anson County were Opportunity Youth. Peer: 14.6% | State: 10.9%, 2022



66.7% of adults (ages 25-44) in Anson County participated in the labor force. Peer: 80.7% | State: 84.2%, 2023

Top 3 Employers in Anson County

| Employer | Employment Range |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Anson County Board of Education | 250-499 |
| NC Department of Adult Corrections | 250-499 |
| County of Anson | 250-499 |

Top 3 Industries in Anson County

| | Jobs Percent |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Manufacturing | 1,312 19.8% |
| Public Administration | 969 14.6% |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 692 10.4% |

Anson County is served by:

- Centralina Workforce Development Board
- Centralina Regional Council

Top Opportunities for Growth



First-Year Persistence

78% of Anson County high school graduates who enroll in postsecondary education persist to their second year, below the rural - metro county average of 80%.

Degree Credentials Awarded in PZ Sub-Region, 2023

4,911 certificate | 5,727 associate | 8,744 bachelor's

Adult Learners

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

62 Basic Skills
443 Continuing Education
115 Curriculum

12.3% of residents (aged 25-44) have some college but no degree. Peer: 16.0% | State: 11.7%, 2023

12.5% of Anson County residents have student loan debt; 1.2% of debt holders had student loans in default. 2024

Success of Anson County High School Graduates

77.9% of students who enroll persist to their second year.
Peer: 80.1% | State: 83.8%, 2023

95.0% UNC | 63.6% NCCCS | 76.5% NCICU

59.8% of students who enroll earn a degree or certificate within 6 years. Peer: 57.5% | State: 60.0%, 2023

35.5% UNC | 13.1% NCCCS | 8.4% NCICU

Top destinations of all college-goers, 2023

- 743 of all college-goers attended **South Piedmont CC**
- 114 of all college-goers attended **Richmond CC**
- 46 of all college-goers attended **Stanly CC**

Top Opportunities for Growth

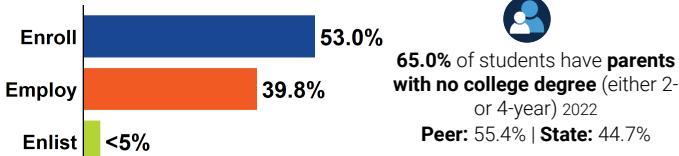


FAFSA Completion

42% of Anson County high school seniors complete the FAFSA, below the rural - metro county average of 52%.

42.2% of 2024 high school class completed the FAFSA as of Sept. 27, 2024. 65 more need to complete in 2024 to meet state goal of 80%. Peer: 52.0% | State: 55.0%

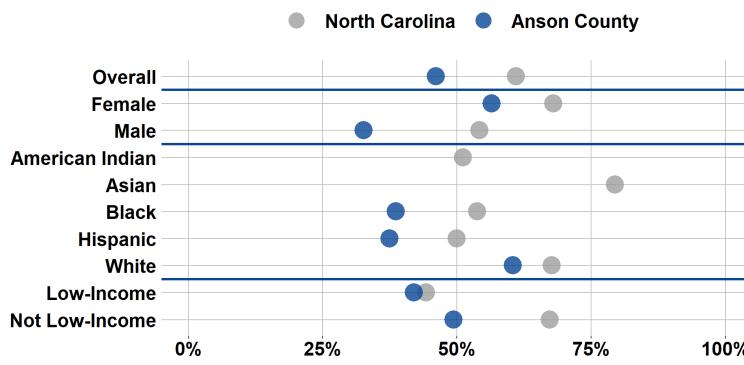
Post High School Graduation Intentions



82.9% of 9th graders graduated within four years. 28 more needed to meet state goal of 95%. Peer: 85.7% | State: 87.3% 2024

44.4% of graduates enrolled in a postsecondary institution within 12 months. Peer: 52.0% | State: 59.3% 2023

Postsecondary Enrollment Rates for Select Groups in Anson County, 2023



Top Opportunities for Growth



Chronic Absenteeism

48% of Anson County students are chronically absent from school, above the rural - metro county average of 29%.

74.5% of eligible 4-year-olds enrolled in NC Pre-K program in 2024. 1 more needed to meet state goal of 75%. Peer: 61.7% | 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.

Anson County Traditional Public Schools students:

15.8% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in reading in 2024. 747 more needed to meet state goal of 73%.
Peer: 25.3% | State: 29.8%

20.4% of 3-8 graders earned college-and-career-ready scores in math in 2024. 855 more needed to meet state goal of 86%.
Peer: 32.3% | State: 36.5%

47.9% of students were chronically absent from school in 2023. 1,140 fewer needed to meet state goal of 11%. Peer: 28.9% | State: 27.5%

Anson County has a student-to-school counselor ratio of 361:1 compared to 358:1 in peer counties. 2024

3.6% of students drop out of high school (33 total students), compared to 2.1% statewide. 2023

School & Student Overview (2024 school year)

Traditional Public School District(s): 1

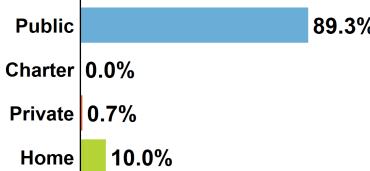
Traditional Public School(s): 9

Charter School(s): 0

Private School(s): 3

Home School(s): 190

3,226 total K-12 students enrolled in schools.



Pathways to College and Career

Students in traditional public schools completed 1,059 Career & Technical Education (CTE) credentials and 151 concentrations. 85 (8.0%) of credentials were industry-valued in 2023. The top three CTE concentrations: Transportation, Distribution, & Logistics; Health Science; and Agricultural, Food, & Natural Resources.

42 (5%) high school students took at least one AP, IB, or CIE exam. State: 16.8% (2023).

80 (44.2%) high school graduates participated in Career & College Promise programs. State: 35.5% (2023).

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