

County Profile

Avery County (NC)

January 2018

Demographics

Population & Growth

2015 Est Population
2010 Census Total Population
July 2015 Certified Population Estimate (NC only)

Population

17,695
17,797
17,816

% Annual Growth

(0.2%)
0.0%

Urban/Rural Representation

2010 Census Total Population: Urban
2010 Census Total Population: Rural

1,996
15,801

Urban/Rural Percent

11.2%
88.8%

Estimated Population by Age

2015 Est Median Age
2015 Est Total Pop 0-19
2015 Est Total Pop 20-24
2015 Est Total Pop 25-34
2015 Est Total Pop 35-44
2015 Est Total Pop 45-54
2015 Est Total Pop 55-64
2015 Est Total Pop 65+

44
3,364
1,270
2,111
2,450
2,599
2,417
3,484

% Pop by Age

19.0%
7.2%
11.9%
13.8%
14.7%
13.6%
19.8%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2015 Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 22.9
Workers Not Working at Home 6,739
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 19.1%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 10.7%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 18.3%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 12.5%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 3.5%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 20.5%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 6.3%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 4.6%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 4.6%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base 6,739
Work at Home 5.0%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 79.7%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 11.8%
Public Transportation 0.5%
Walked 2.4%
Other Transportation 0.6%

Place of Work

Worked in State/County of Residence
Worked in State/Outside County of Residence
Worked Outside State of Residence

Commuters

4,830
1,817
92

Residents

71.7%
27.0%
1.4%

Education

2016-17 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment
2017 Average SAT score (1600 new scale)
2017 Percent of Graduates taking SAT
2014-15 Higher Education Completions
2014-15 Higher Education Total Enrollment
2015 Est Education Attainment - At Least High School Graduate
2015 Est Education Attainment - At Least Bachelor's Degree

2,150
1,094
17.8%
435
5,286
10,389
2,470

Pop Age 25+

79.5%
18.9%

Housing

		% Ann Growth or % Total
2015 Est Total Housing Units	13,988	0.3%
2010 Census Total Housing	6,664	
2010 Census Total Households	13,890	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	-562	(8.4%)
2010 Census Vacant Housing	7,226	108.4%
2015 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$137,100	
2015 Est Median Gross Rent	\$671	
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing	5,307	78.0%
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing	1,494	22.0%
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing Vacancy	4.8%	
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing Vacancy	26.8%	

Income

		% Ann Growth or % Pov
2015 Est Median Family Income	\$46,707	2.8%
2015 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$37,120	(0.0%)
2015 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$21,710	
2016 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$32,500	
2015 Est Total Pop with Income Below Poverty Level, Last 12 months	2,350	15.4%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2016 Annual
Nov 2017 Prelim., 2016 Employment	7,084	7,264
Nov 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment	318	386
Nov 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment Rate	4.3%	5.0%
2017Q3 YTD, 2016 Announced Job Creation	.	.
2017Q3 YTD, 2016 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	.	.

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2017Q2 Employment	2016 Annual Employment	2017Q2 Avg Weekly Wage	2016 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	7,067	6,765	\$584	\$585
Total Government	1,549	1,527	\$676	\$676
Total Private Industry	5,517	5,239	\$558	\$558
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	0	0	.	.
Mining	0	0	.	.
Utilities	0	0	.	.
Construction	359	365	\$677	\$665
Manufacturing	82	80	\$633	\$607
Wholesale Trade	111	97	\$723	\$821
Retail Trade	798	844	\$439	\$430
Transportation and Warehousing	35	38	\$1,177	\$976
Information	21	20	\$1,176	\$1,079
Finance and Insurance	74	71	\$1,266	\$1,069
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	132	163	\$680	\$668
Professional and Technical Services	0	0	.	.
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	0	0	.	.
Administrative and Waste Services	722	481	\$627	\$662
Educational Services	332	326	\$720	\$736
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	0	.	.
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	656	659	\$523	\$556
Accommodation and Food Services	765	736	\$374	\$378
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	257	232	\$458	\$457
Public Administration	405	411	\$563	\$583
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

2017Q3 Available Industrial Buildings	.
2017Q2 Establishments: Total Private Industry	552
2017Q2 Establishments: Manufacturing	13
2015 Est Self Employed	656

Local Retail Business

2017 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$213.5
2017 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	204
2017 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,046,472
2017Q3 Available Commercial Buildings (if reported)	.

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2017-18 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.5500
FY2016-17 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$248.2
2017 Tier designation	2

Childcare

2017Q4 Licensed Child Care Facilities	14
2017Q4 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	369

Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	54
Annual Snowfall, inches	36
Average Annual Temperature, F	50
Average Annual High Temperature, F	60
Average Annual Low Temperature, F	41

Healthcare Providers

2016 Number of Physicians	27
2016 Physicians per 10,000 population	15.1
2016 RNs per 10,000 population	71.5
2016 Dentists per 10,000 population	3.4
2016 Pharmacists per 10,000 population	11.2

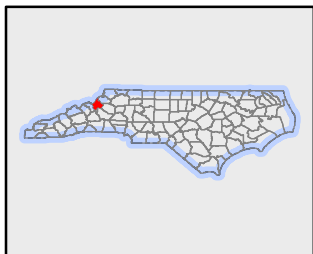
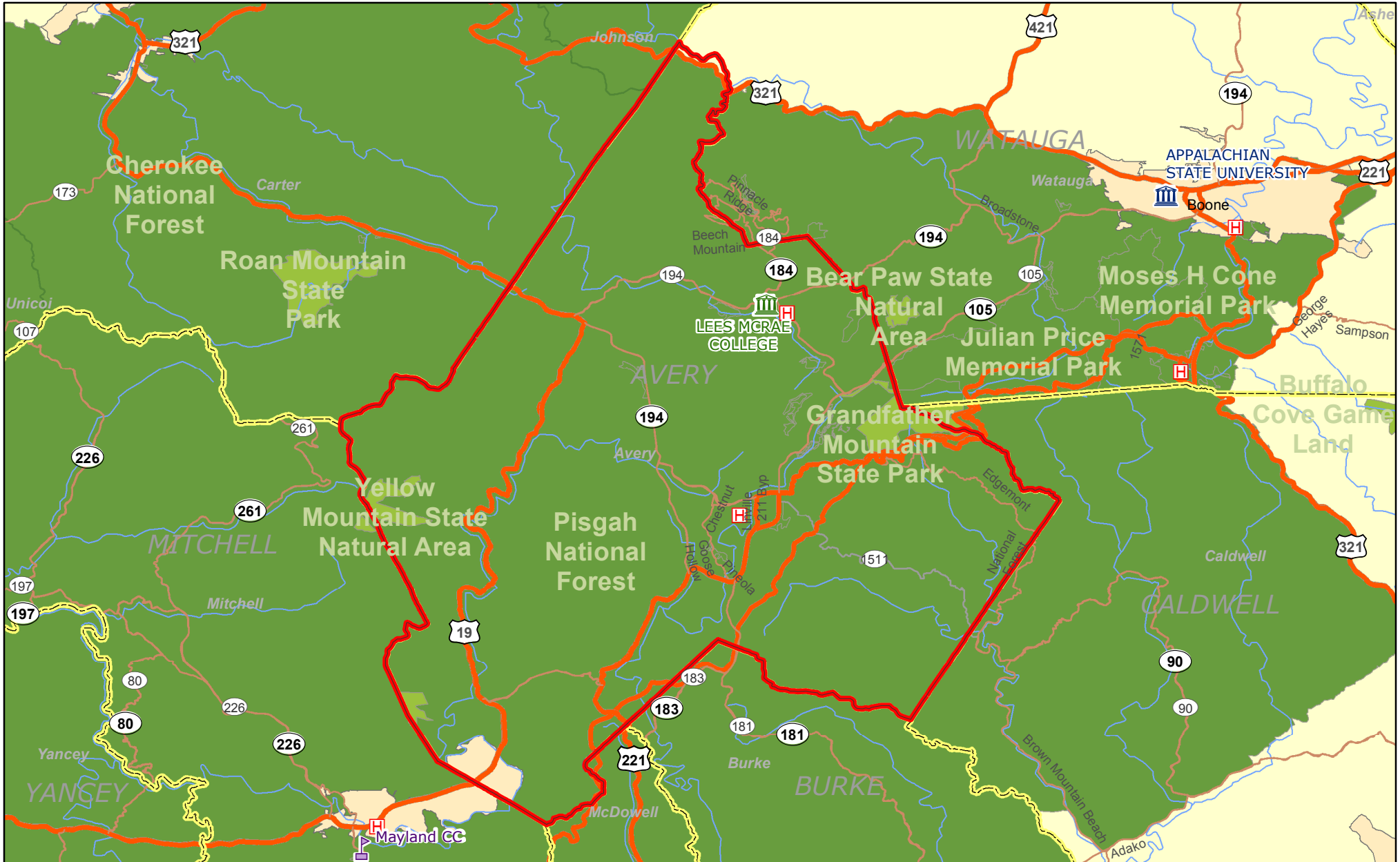
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Notes:

Data are the latest available at the date this profile was prepared. SAT scores use the new scoring system (2400 max) and represent NC county systems. Unemployment data are now showing preliminary month and subject to change. Some data may be available only for North Carolina. Census American Community Survey (ACS) data are estimates (Est) from the 2011-15, 5 year survey. ACS data is as of the end year with \$ inflated to the end year. Full datasets and topic dashboards are available at <http://AccessNC.NCCommerce.com>.

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Legend

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| Airports by Enplanements | Interstate |
| >14 | US Highway |
| 3-14 | Major Road |
| <3 (Million) | Railroads |
| Pub/Pri Univ./Comm Col. | County Boundary |
| Hospital | |

