

County Profile

Gaston County (NC)

August 2017

Demographics

Population & Growth

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

Population

209,807
206,086
212,636

% Annual Growth

0.7%
0.1%

Urban/Rural Representation

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

165,595
40,491

Urban/Rural Percent

80.4%
19.7%

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+

40
53,882
13,273
24,870
29,259
30,730
27,145
30,648

% Pop by Age

25.7%
6.3%
11.9%
13.9%
14.6%
13.0%
14.6%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2015 Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 24.5
Workers Not Working at Home 89,644
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 10.5%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 12.8%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 16.7%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 16.3%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 8.4%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 16.4%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 7.0%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 7.9%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 3.9%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base 89,644
Work at Home 3.0%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 85.0%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 10.0%
Public Transportation 0.5%
Walked 0.8%
Other Transportation 0.8%

Place of Work

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

Commuters

51,997
33,944
3,703

Residents

58.0%
37.9%
4.1%

Education

2015-16 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment
2016 Average SAT score (2400 scale)
2016 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

33,773
1,424
45.9%
1,851
19,982
118,277
27,142

Pop Age 25+

82.9%
19.0%

Housing

		% Ann Growth or % Total
2015 Est Total Housing Units	89,702	0.4%
2010 Census Total Housing	79,867	
2010 Census Total Households	88,686	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	71,048	89.0%
2010 Census Vacant Housing	8,819	11.0%
2015 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$308	
2015 Est Median Gross Rent	\$731	
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing	52,638	66.5%
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing	26,528	33.5%
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing Vacancy	1.8%	
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing Vacancy	8.3%	

Income

		% Ann Growth or % Pov
2015 Est Median Family Income	\$52,227	1.3%
2015 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$45,031	7.1%
2015 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$27,658	
2015 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$36,950	
2015 Est Total Pop with Income Below Poverty Level, Last 12 months	36,027	17.4%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2016 Annual
Jun 2017 Prelim., 2016 Employment	103,409	100,745
Jun 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment	4,531	5,601
Jun 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment Rate	4.2%	5.3%
2017Q1 YTD, 2016 Announced Job Creation	0	95
2017Q1 YTD, 2016 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$0.4	\$115.3

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2016Q4 Employment	2016 Annual Employment	2016Q4 Avg Weekly Wage	2016 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	70,980	70,131	\$760	\$741
Total Government	9,820	9,425	\$809	\$798
Total Private Industry	61,160	60,706	\$753	\$732
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	0	0	.	.
Mining	0	0	.	.
Utilities	478	487	\$1,558	\$1,652
Construction	3,019	2,948	\$954	\$845
Manufacturing	13,611	14,221	\$966	\$925
Wholesale Trade	2,328	2,293	\$1,029	\$990
Retail Trade	10,079	9,579	\$496	\$497
Transportation and Warehousing	1,475	1,460	\$893	\$885
Information	657	671	\$1,071	\$1,048
Finance and Insurance	1,159	1,157	\$1,065	\$1,024
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	947	914	\$900	\$755
Professional and Technical Services	1,496	1,417	\$1,031	\$958
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	438	441	\$1,381	\$1,482
Administrative and Waste Services	3,492	3,576	\$580	\$553
Educational Services	5,616	5,239	\$721	\$709
Health Care and Social Assistance	11,504	11,331	\$887	\$868
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	863	861	\$235	\$232
Accommodation and Food Services	7,455	7,280	\$291	\$288
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	1,636	1,606	\$584	\$585
Public Administration	3,841	3,807	\$874	\$860
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

June 2017 Available Industrial Buildings	11
2016Q4 Establishments: Total Private Industry	4,126
2016Q4 Establishments: Manufacturing	297
2015 Est Self Employed	4,453

Local Retail Business

2016 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$3,001.9
2016 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	1,488
2016 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$2,017,382
June 2017 Available Commercial Buildings (if reported)	1

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2017-18 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.8700
FY2015-16 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$1,940.1
2017 Tier designation	2

Childcare

2017Q2 Licensed Child Care Facilities	111
2017Q2 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	4,955

Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	43
Annual Snowfall, inches	2
Average Annual Temperature, F	60
Average Annual High Temperature, F	71
Average Annual Low Temperature, F	49

Healthcare Providers

2016 Number of Physicians	395
2016 Physicians per 10,000 population	18.5
2016 RNs per 10,000 population	84.8
2016 Dentists per 10,000 population	3.9
2016 Pharmacists per 10,000 population	11.8

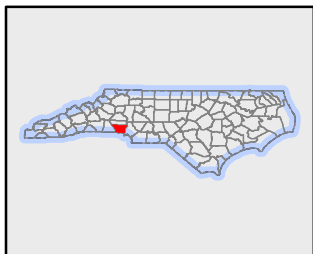
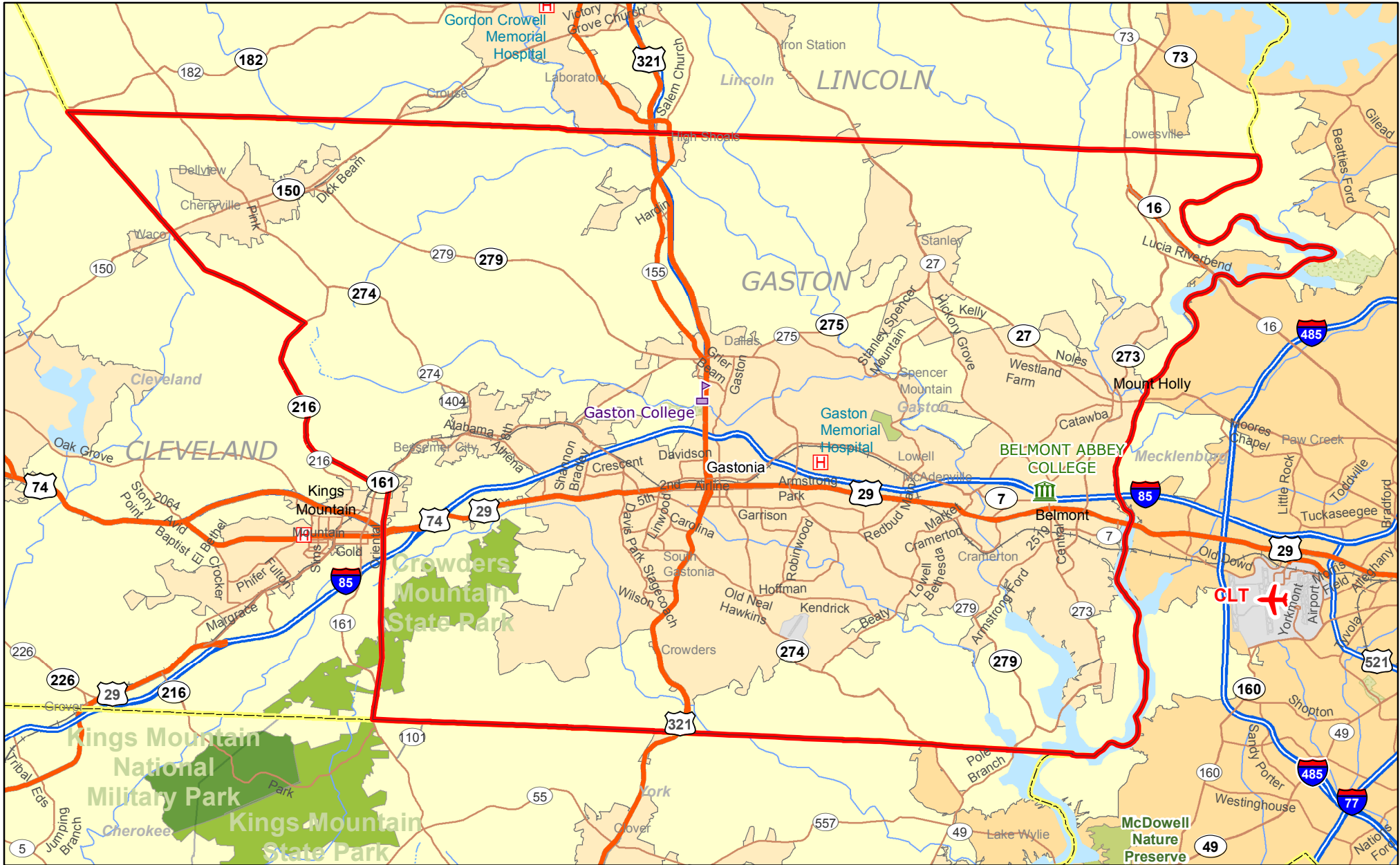
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Notes:

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 | |

