

County Profile

Gaston County (NC)

April 2017

Demographics

Population & Growth

2019 Proj Total Population
2014 Proj Total Population
2010 Census Total Population
July 2015 Certified Population Estimate (NC only)

Population

216,035
210,276
206,086
212,636

Annual Growth

0.5%
0.8%

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

2019 Proj Median Age
2014 Proj Median Age
2014 Proj Total Pop 0-19
2014 Proj Total Pop 20-29
2014 Proj Total Pop 30-39
2014 Proj Total Pop 40-49
2014 Proj Total Pop 50-59
2014 Proj Total Pop 60+

41
40
53,059
26,004
25,895
30,832
30,221
44,265

Pop by Age

25.2%
12.4%
12.3%
14.7%
14.4%
21.1%

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

		% Growth or % of Total
2019 Proj Total Housing	93,550	2.8%
2014 Proj Total Housing	91,005	
2010 Census Total Housing	79,867	
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%	
2010 Census Total Households	88,686	

Income

		% Growth or % of Total
2015 Est Median Family Income	\$52,227	12.9%
2019 Proj Median Household Income	\$50,041	19.0%
2014 Proj Median Household Income	\$42,045	6.5%
2015 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$27,658	
2019 Proj Per Capita Income	\$24,656	2.1%
2014 Proj Per Capita Income	\$22,264	15.8%
2015 Est Total Pop with Income Below Poverty Level, Last 12 months	36,027	17.40%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2015 Annual
Jan 2017 Prelim., 2015 Employment	101,989	97,074
Jan 2017 Prelim., 2015 Unemployment	6,075	6,160
Jan 2017 Prelim., 2015 Unemployment Rate	5.6%	6.0%
2016Q4 YTD, 2016 Announced Job Creation	95	95
2016Q4 YTD, 2016 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$115.3	\$115.3

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2016Q3 Employment	2015 Annual Employment	2016Q3 Avg Weekly Wage	2015 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	68,923	70,041	\$753	\$740
Total Government	8,744	9,347	\$864	\$779
Total Private Industry	60,179	60,694	\$737	\$734
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	0	0	.	.
Mining	0	0	.	.
Utilities	485	490	\$1,557	\$1,541
Construction	3,023	2,625	\$861	\$798
Manufacturing	13,744	15,033	\$931	\$942
Wholesale Trade	2,321	2,559	\$1,008	\$1,000
Retail Trade	9,563	9,508	\$506	\$492
Transportation and Warehousing	1,451	1,370	\$903	\$917
Information	647	636	\$1,077	\$986
Finance and Insurance	1,165	1,171	\$1,004	\$1,043
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	942	839	\$731	\$758
Professional and Technical Services	1,382	1,252	\$1,003	\$946
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	433	366	\$1,110	\$1,347
Administrative and Waste Services	3,490	3,942	\$586	\$519
Educational Services	4,521	5,189	\$751	\$700
Health Care and Social Assistance	11,290	11,113	\$881	\$872
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	957	449	\$236	\$331
Accommodation and Food Services	7,258	6,946	\$295	\$278
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	1,621	1,946	\$607	\$491
Public Administration	3,858	3,750	\$916	\$850
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Businesses

Sept 2016 Available Industrial Buildings	39
2016Q3 Establishments: Total Private Industry	4,105
2016Q3 Establishments: Manufacturing	292
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
Sept 2016 Available Commercial Buildings (if reported)	7

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2016-17 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.8700
FY2015-16 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$1,940.1
2017 Tier designation	2

Childcare

2016Q4 Licensed Child Care Facilities	112
2016Q4 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	4,952

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

2013 Number of Physicians	386
2013 Physicians per 10,000 population	18.4
2013 RNs per 10,000 population	80.1
2013 Dentists per 10,000 population	3.6
2013 Pharmacists per 10,000 population	9.5

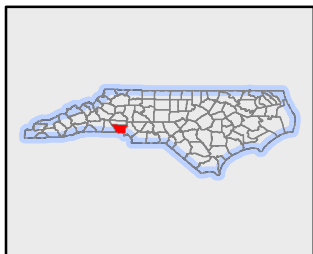
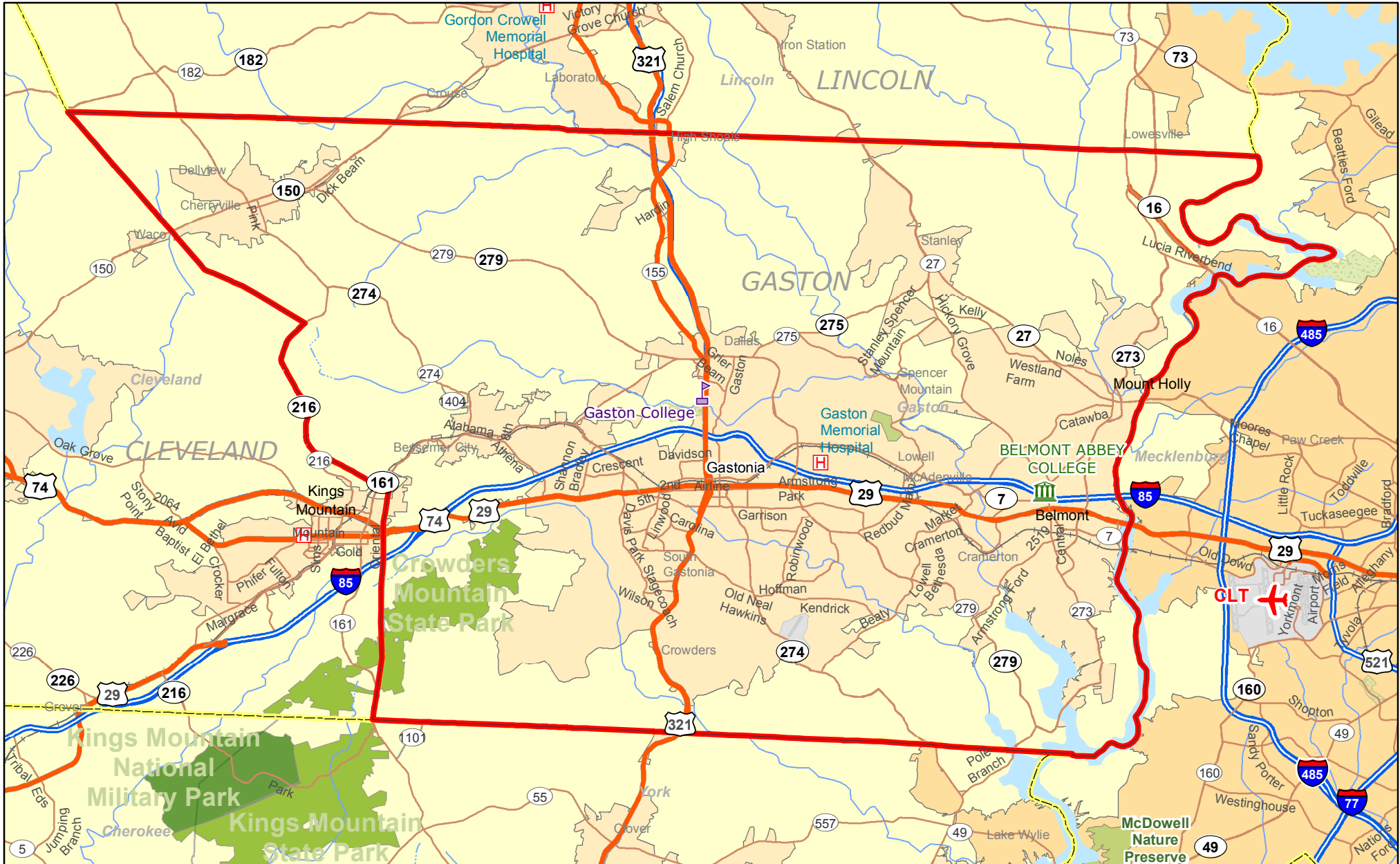
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Notes:

Data are the latest available at the date the profile was prepared. SAT scores use the new scoring system including a writing test for a perfect score of 2400 and represent county systems. Unemployment data are now showing preliminary month and subject to change. ESRI 2014/2019 data are projections and noted as proj. Some data may be available only for North Carolina. 2010 Census data is noted as such. American Community Survey (ACS) data are estimates and noted as est and is from the 2011-15, 5 year survey and data is as of the end year with dollars inflated to the end year. For further details or questions, please check the Data Sources Guide at https://edis.commerce.state.nc.us/docs/bibliography/Data_Sources_Guide.pdf or click on it under Resources. Additional data and reports are available at: <http://www.nccommerce.com/lead>.

Gaston County, North Carolina



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 | |

