

County Profile

McDowell 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

47,572
46,466
44,996
45,370

Annual Growth

0.5%
0.7%

Urban/Rural Representation

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

13,363
31,633

Urban/Rural Percent

29.7%
70.3%

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+

44
43
10,643
5,166
5,610
6,609
6,900
11,538

Pop by Age

22.9%
11.1%
12.1%
14.2%
14.8%
24.8%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2015 Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes	23.5
Workers Not Working at Home	17,028
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes	12.9%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes	18.1%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes	17.1%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes	14.7%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes	7.6%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes	11.5%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes	5.7%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes	7.4%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes	5.0%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base	17,028
Work at Home	3.3%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone	76.5%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van	18.3%
Public Transportation	0.0%
Walked	0.6%
Other Transportation	1.2%

Place of Work

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

Commuters

12,383
4,407
238

Residents

72.7%
25.9%
1.4%

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

4,341
1,432
31.2%
231
3,218
26,077
4,301

Pop Age 25+

81.7%
13.5%

Housing

		% Growth or % of Total
2019 Proj Total Housing	22,577	3.5%
2014 Proj Total Housing	21,820	
2010 Census Total Housing	17,838	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	14,868	83.4%
2010 Census Vacant Housing	2,970	16.6%
2015 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$69	
2015 Est Median Gross Rent	\$583	
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing	12,165	70.2%
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing	5,158	29.8%
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing Vacancy	0.9%	
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing Vacancy	7.0%	
2010 Census Total Households	20,808	

Income

		% Growth or % of Total
2015 Est Median Family Income	\$44,487	17.5%
2019 Proj Median Household Income	\$38,408	13.7%
2014 Proj Median Household Income	\$33,786	4.2%
2015 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$24,924	
2019 Proj Per Capita Income	\$19,545	1.4%
2014 Proj Per Capita Income	\$18,244	13.3%
2015 Est Total Pop with Income Below Poverty Level, Last 12 months	8,897	20.20%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2015 Annual
Jan 2017 Prelim., 2015 Employment	20,004	20,145
Jan 2017 Prelim., 2015 Unemployment	1,105	1,180
Jan 2017 Prelim., 2015 Unemployment Rate	5.2%	5.5%
2016Q4 YTD, 2016 Announced Job Creation	23	23
2016Q4 YTD, 2016 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$2.5	\$2.5

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2016Q3 Employment	2015 Annual Employment	2016Q3 Avg Weekly Wage	2015 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	15,980	16,341	\$666	\$634
Total Government	2,267	2,480	\$696	\$672
Total Private Industry	13,713	13,861	\$662	\$627
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	88	81	\$617	\$485
Mining	107	95	\$736	\$615
Utilities	0	0	.	.
Construction	533	484	\$704	\$671
Manufacturing	6,091	6,391	\$826	\$768
Wholesale Trade	283	259	\$1,232	\$1,070
Retail Trade	1,770	1,780	\$496	\$464
Transportation and Warehousing	60	56	\$1,045	\$1,047
Information	38	50	\$1,099	\$1,020
Finance and Insurance	171	173	\$788	\$783
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	49	44	\$572	\$525
Professional and Technical Services	0	0	.	.
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	0	0	.	.
Administrative and Waste Services	759	846	\$448	\$416
Educational Services	842	1,094	\$697	\$660
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	0	.	.
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	67	57	\$366	\$348
Accommodation and Food Services	1,465	1,321	\$280	\$262
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	391	365	\$480	\$483
Public Administration	610	596	\$800	\$767
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Businesses

Sept 2016 Available Industrial Buildings	7
2016Q3 Establishments: Total Private Industry	707
2016Q3 Establishments: Manufacturing	50
2015 Est Self Employed	884

Local Retail Business

2016 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$677.8
2016 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	324
2016 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$2,091,909
Sept 2016 Available Commercial Buildings (if reported)	.

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2016-17 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.5500
FY2015-16 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$318.9
2017 Tier designation	1

Childcare

2016Q4 Licensed Child Care Facilities	37
2016Q4 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	1,132

Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	52
Annual Snowfall, inches	6
Average Annual Temperature, F	58
Average Annual High Temperature, F	72
Average Annual Low Temperature, F	44

Healthcare Providers

2013 Number of Physicians	42
2013 Physicians per 10,000 population	9.3
2013 RNs per 10,000 population	60.6
2013 Dentists per 10,000 population	2.2
2013 Pharmacists per 10,000 population	5.8

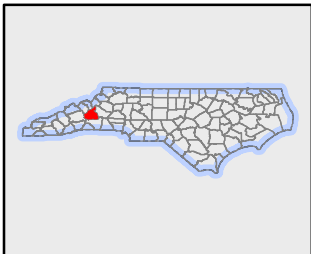
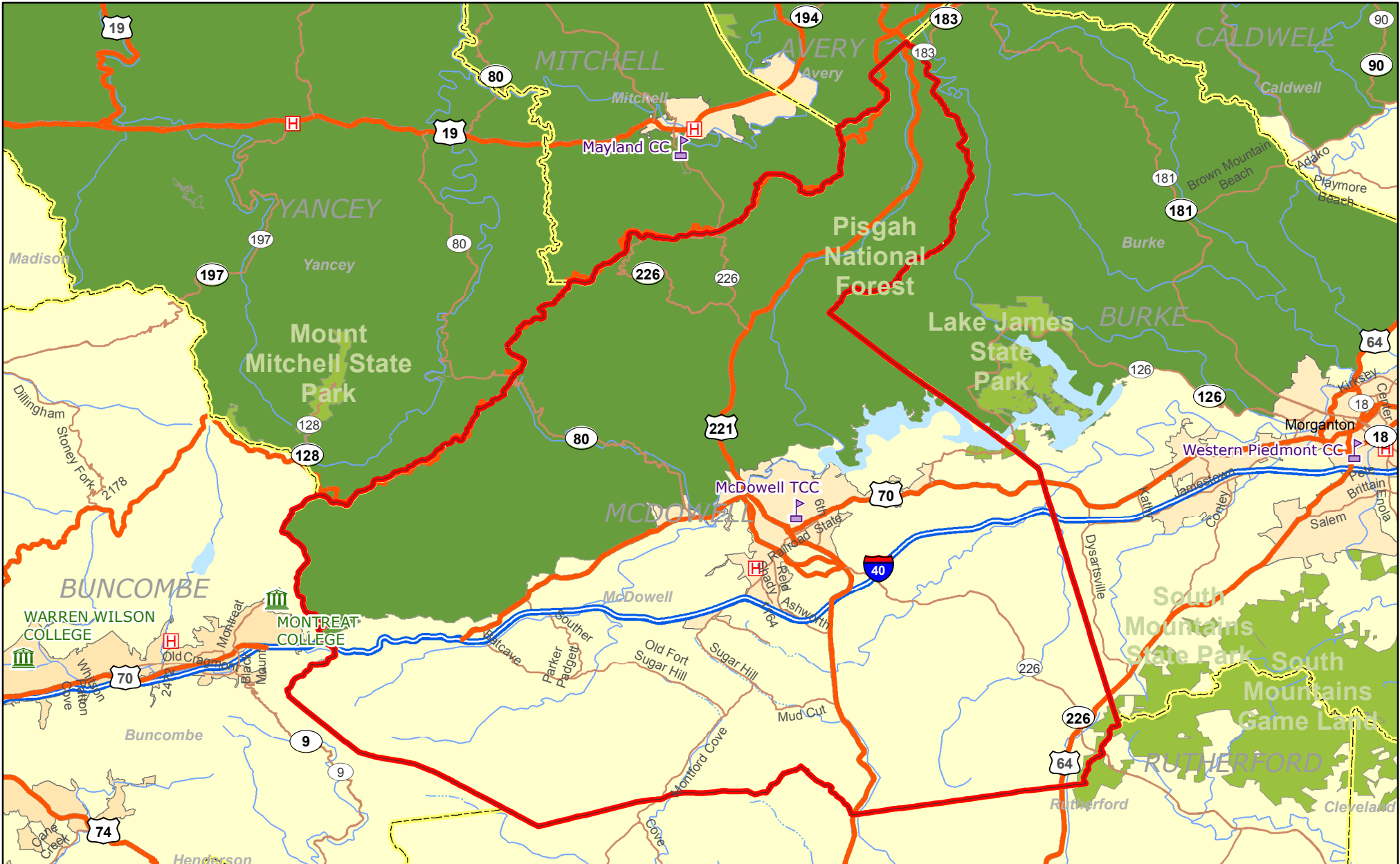
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Notes:

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>.

McDowell County, North Carolina



Legend

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

