

**County Profile**

**Polk County (NC)**

**August 2017**

**Demographics**

**Population & Growth**

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

**Population**

20,327  
20,510  
20,828

**% Annual Growth**

( 0.1%)  
0.1%

**Urban/Rural Representation**

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

1,585  
18,925

**Urban/Rural Percent**

7.7%  
92.3%

**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+

51  
3,924  
967  
1,657  
1,973  
2,882  
3,454  
5,470

**% Pop by Age**

19.3%  
4.8%  
8.2%  
9.7%  
14.2%  
17.0%  
26.9%

**Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2015 Est**

**Percent of Workers, By Travel Time**

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 25.0  
Workers Not Working at Home 8,126  
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 13.0%  
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 18.1%  
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 12.4%  
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 10.2%  
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 4.4%  
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 15.7%  
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 8.9%  
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 12.1%  
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 5.2%

**Workers, By Transportation**

Worker Transp, Base 8,126  
Work at Home 6.2%  
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 75.9%  
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 13.6%  
Public Transportation 0.7%  
Walked 1.6%  
Other Transportation 2.0%

**Place of Work**

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

**Commuters**

3,946  
2,396  
1,784

**Residents**

48.6%  
29.5%  
22.0%

**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

2,169  
1,558  
33.5%  
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13,606  
4,835

**Pop Age 25+**

88.1%  
31.3%

## Housing

		<b>% Ann Growth or % Total</b>
2015 Est Total Housing Units	11,450	0.0%
2010 Census Total Housing	8,989	
2010 Census Total Households	11,432	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	6,546	72.8%
2010 Census Vacant Housing	2,443	27.2%
2015 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$135	
2015 Est Median Gross Rent	\$743	
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing	6,512	74.8%
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing	2,189	25.2%
2015 Est Owner Occupied Housing Vacancy	2.3%	
2015 Est Renter Occupied Housing Vacancy	7.2%	

## Income

		<b>% Ann Growth or % Pov</b>
2015 Est Median Family Income	\$53,479	1.9%
2015 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$45,672	0.5%
2015 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$25,427	
2015 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$41,477	
2015 Est Total Pop with Income Below Poverty Level, Last 12 months	2,790	13.9%

## Employment / Unemployment

	<b>Currently</b>	<b>2016 Annual</b>
Jun 2017 Prelim., 2016 Employment	8,572	8,468
Jun 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment	355	413
Jun 2017 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment Rate	4.0%	4.7%
2017Q1 YTD, 2016 Announced Job Creation	.	.
2017Q1 YTD, 2016 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	.	.

### Employment / Wages by Industry

	<b>2016Q4 Employment</b>	<b>2016 Annual Employment</b>	<b>2016Q4 Avg Weekly Wage</b>	<b>2016 Avg Weekly Wage</b>
Total All Industries	5,133	5,082	\$599	\$574
Total Government	957	926	\$695	\$656
Total Private Industry	4,176	4,156	\$576	\$556
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	135	0	\$612	.
Mining	0	0	.	.
Utilities	0	0	.	.
Construction	454	433	\$562	\$523
Manufacturing	309	308	\$646	\$587
Wholesale Trade	118	114	\$1,130	\$964
Retail Trade	382	384	\$495	\$446
Transportation and Warehousing	46	44	\$1,080	\$985
Information	35	33	\$1,119	\$1,020
Finance and Insurance	100	102	\$1,091	\$1,051
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	38	40	\$600	\$557
Professional and Technical Services	167	168	\$756	\$699
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	0	0	\$0	\$0
Administrative and Waste Services	181	189	\$542	\$562
Educational Services	11	15	\$319	\$274
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,494	1,479	\$585	\$604
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	150	153	\$379	\$337
Accommodation and Food Services	472	466	\$296	\$282
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	125	131	\$599	\$564
Public Administration	343	344	\$627	\$575
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

## Commercial/Retail/Industrial

### Local Business

June 2017 Available Industrial Buildings	1
2016Q4 Establishments: Total Private Industry	542
2016Q4 Establishments: Manufacturing	22
2015 Est Self Employed	866

### Local Retail Business

2016 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$136.3
2016 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	162
2016 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$841,242
June 2017 Available Commercial Buildings (if reported)	1

## Quality of Life

### Taxes

FY2017-18 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.5294
FY2015-16 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$122.0
2017 Tier designation	2

### Childcare

2017Q2 Licensed Child Care Facilities	7
2017Q2 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	245

### Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	58
Annual Snowfall, inches	9
Average Annual Temperature, F	59
Average Annual High Temperature, F	69
Average Annual Low Temperature, F	48

### Healthcare Providers

2016 Number of Physicians	29
2016 Physicians per 10,000 population	13.8
2016 RNs per 10,000 population	71.6
2016 Dentists per 10,000 population	1.9
2016 Pharmacists per 10,000 population	5.2

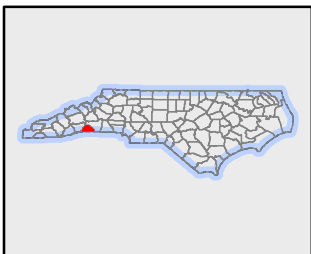
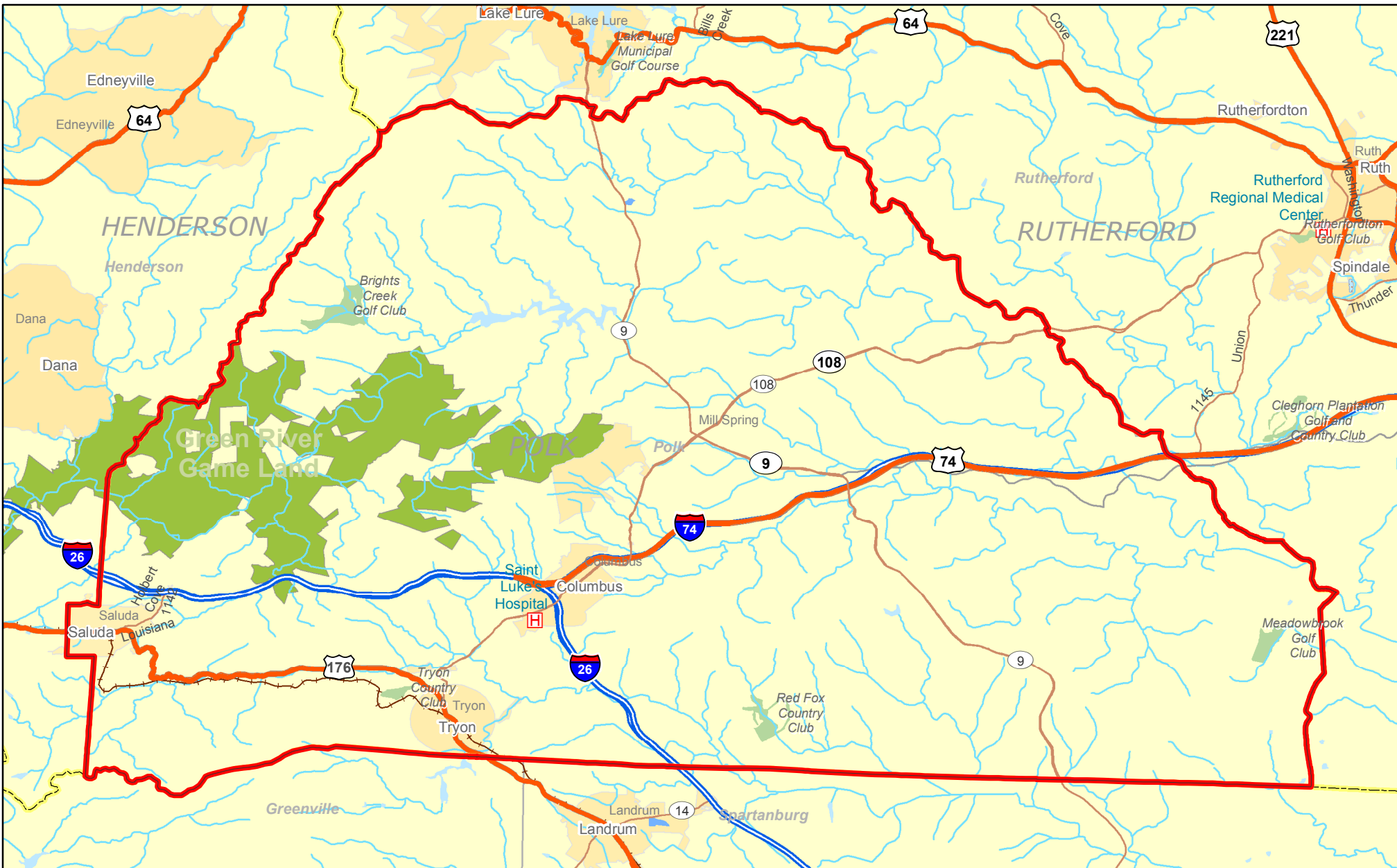
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### Notes:

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>.

# Polk 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                 |                 |

