

County Profile

Avery County (NC)

November 2018

Demographics

Population & Growth

2016 Est Population
2010 Census Total Population
July 2016 NC Certified Population Estimate

Population

17,633
17,797
18,098

% Annual Growth

(0.4%)
0.4%

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

2016 Est Median Age
2016 Est Total Pop 0-19
2016 Est Total Pop 20-24
2016 Est Total Pop 25-34
2016 Est Total Pop 35-44
2016 Est Total Pop 45-54
2016 Est Total Pop 55-64
2016 Est Total Pop 65+

44
3,467
1,031
2,174
2,395
2,562
2,407
3,597

% Pop by Age

19.7%
5.8%
12.3%
13.6%
14.5%
13.6%
20.4%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2016 ACS Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 22.3
Workers Not Working at Home 6,220
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 21.7%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 12.7%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 16.0%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 12.2%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 4.4%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 17.7%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 5.8%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 4.2%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 5.4%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base 6,396
Work at Home 2.8%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 79.4%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 13.4%
Public Transportation 0.5%
Walked 3.3%
Bicycle 0.1%
Taxi, Motorcycle, Other 0.5%

Place of Work

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

Commuters

4,643
1,669
83

Residents

72.6%
26.1%
1.3%

Education

2017-18 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment
2018 Average SAT score (1600 new scale)
2018 Percent of Graduates taking SAT
2015-16 Higher Education Completions (Final)
2015-16 Higher Education Total Enrollment (Final)
2016 Est Education Attainment - At Least High School Graduate
2016 Est Education Attainment - At Least Bachelor's Degree

2,089
1,052
14.2%
890
2,659
10,372
2,601

Pop Age 25+

79.0%
19.8%

Housing

| | | % Ann Growth or % Total |
|---|-----------|--------------------------------|
| 2016 Est Total Housing Units | 14,008 | 0.1% |
| 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% |
| 2016 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing | \$130,900 | |
| 2016 Est Median Gross Rent | \$696 | |
| 2016 Est Owner Occupied Housing | 5,117 | 75.7% |
| 2016 Est Renter Occupied Housing | 1,639 | 24.3% |
| 2016 Est Owner Occupied Housing Vacancy | 4.9% | |
| 2016 Est Renter Occupied Housing Vacancy | 20.7% | |

Income

| | | % Ann Growth or % Pov |
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| 2016 Est Median Family Income | \$46,516 | |
| 2016 Median Household Income (SAIPE) | \$38,098 | 2.6% |
| 2016 Est Median Worker Earnings | \$21,517 | |
| 2016 Per Capita Income (BEA) | \$32,500 | |
| 2016 Est Pop, Income Below Poverty Level (SAIPE) | 2,985 | 19.7% |

Employment / Unemployment

| | Currently | 2017 Annual |
|--|------------------|--------------------|
| Sep 2018 Prelim., 2017 Employment | 7,517 | 7,362 |
| Sep 2018 Prelim., 2017 Unemployment | 213 | 335 |
| Sep 2018 Prelim., 2017 Unemployment Rate | 2.8% | 4.4% |
| 2018Q2 YTD, 2017 Announced Job Creation | . | . |
| 2018Q2 YTD, 2017 Total Announced Investments (\$mil) | . | . |

Employment / Wages by Industry

| | 2018Q1 Employment | 2017 Annual Employment | 2018Q1 Avg Weekly Wage | 2017 Avg Weekly Wage |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Total All Industries | 6,375 | 6,852 | \$608 | \$603 |
| Total Government | 1,482 | 1,508 | \$722 | \$704 |
| Total Private Industry | 4,893 | 5,344 | \$573 | \$575 |
| Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting | 81 | 101 | \$658 | \$606 |
| Mining | . | . | . | . |
| Utilities | . | . | . | . |
| Construction | 374 | 375 | \$745 | \$688 |
| Manufacturing | 81 | 82 | \$747 | \$644 |
| Wholesale Trade | 113 | 110 | \$760 | \$802 |
| Retail Trade | 839 | 832 | \$445 | \$446 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 119 | 120 | \$783 | \$805 |
| Information | 21 | 24 | \$1,022 | \$1,024 |
| Finance and Insurance | 75 | 73 | \$1,028 | \$1,130 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 148 | 143 | \$734 | \$684 |
| Professional and Technical Services | 82 | 84 | \$640 | \$792 |
| Mgt of Companies, Enterprises | . | . | . | . |
| Administrative and Waste Services | 244 | 521 | \$665 | \$658 |
| Educational Services | . | 613 | . | \$665 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 885 | 910 | \$639 | \$610 |
| Arts, Entertainment and Recreation | 673 | 683 | \$542 | \$562 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 652 | 752 | \$367 | \$397 |
| Other Services Ex. Public Admin | 353 | 360 | \$437 | \$478 |
| Public Administration | 979 | 1,012 | \$752 | \$711 |
| Unclassified | 0 | 0 | \$0 | \$0 |

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

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| 2018Q3 Available Industrial Buildings | . |
| 2018Q1 Establishments: Total Private Industry | 559 |
| 2018Q1 Establishments: Manufacturing | 13 |
| 2016 Est Self Employed | 581 |

Local Retail Business

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| 2018 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil) | \$213.5 |
| 2018 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink) | 204 |
| 2018 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink) | \$1,046,472 |
| 2018Q3 Available Commercial Buildings (if County reports) | . |

Quality of Life

Taxes

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| FY2018-19 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value | \$0.5500 |
| FY2017-18 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil) | \$267.3 |
| 2018 Tier designation | 2 |

Childcare

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| 2018Q3 Licensed Child Care Facilities | 10 |
| 2018Q3 Licensed Child Care Enrollment | 268 |

Weather

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| Annual Rainfall, inches | 54 |
| Annual Snowfall, inches | 37 |
| Average Annual Temperature, °F | 51 |
| Average Annual High Temperature, °F | 60 |
| Average Annual Low Temperature, °F | 41 |

Healthcare Providers

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| 2017 Number of Physicians | 24 |
| 2017 Physicians per 10,000 population | 13.3 |
| 2017 RNs per 10,000 population | 75.3 |
| 2017 Dentists per 10,000 population | 3.3 |
| 2017 Pharmacists per 10,000 population | 11.1 |

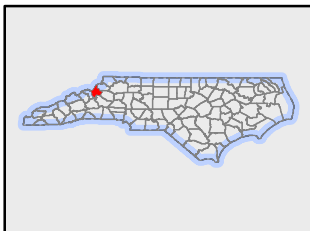
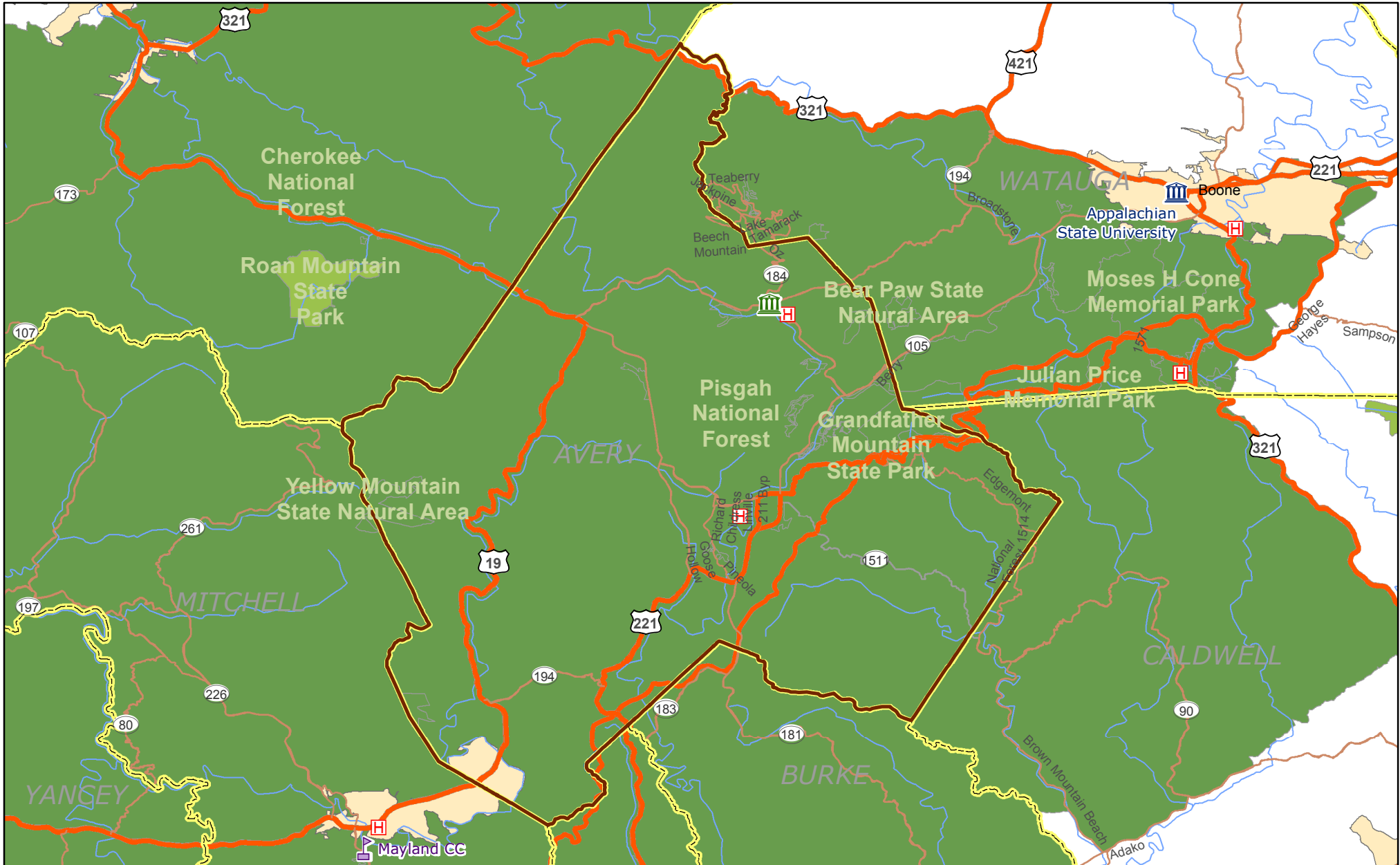
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Notes:

Data are the latest available at the date the profile was prepared. SAT scores use the new 1600 scoring system started in 2016 and represent county systems. Unemployment data is now the latest month which is preliminary and is subject to change. US Education IPEDs data for Completions and Enrollment is at least Provisional and updated when Final. American Community Survey (ACS) data are estimates, noted "Est" and are from the 2011-16, 5-year survey; data is as of 2016 with dollars inflated to 2016. Additional data, reports, and dashboards are available at: <http://accessnc.nccommerce.com/index.html>.

Avery County, North Carolina



Legend

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| Airports by Total Enplanements | Public University | Interstate |
| 14,000,001 - 43,130,585 | Private University | US Route |
| 3,000,001 - 14,000,000 | NC Community Colleges | NC Route |
| 0 - 3,000,000 | Hospital | Major Railroad Lines |
| | | County Boundary |

