

County Profile

Cherokee County (NC)

January 2019

Demographics

Population & Growth

2016 Est Population
2010 Census Total Population
July 2017 NC Certified Population Estimate

Population

27,226
27,444
28,941

% Annual Growth

0.5%
1.3%

Urban/Rural Representation

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

0
27,444

Urban/Rural Percent

0.0%
100.0%

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+

50
5,436
1,115
2,342
2,887
3,557
4,614
7,275

% Pop by Age

20.0%
4.1%
8.6%
10.6%
13.1%
17.0%
26.7%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2016 ACS Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 23.1
Workers Not Working at Home 8,800
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 16.4%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 18.6%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 16.9%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 15.8%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 5.8%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 12.7%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 2.8%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 4.9%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 6.0%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base 9,364
Work at Home 6.0%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 82.7%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 6.2%
Public Transportation 0.4%
Walked 3.0%
Bicycle 0.0%
Taxi, Motorcycle, Other 1.7%

Place of Work

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

Commuters

7,238
777
1,348

Residents

77.3%
8.3%
14.4%

Education

2017-18 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment
2018 Average SAT score (1600 new scale)
2018 Percent of Graduates taking SAT
2016-17 Higher Education Completions (Provisional)
2016-17 Higher Education Enrollment (Provisional)
2016 Est Education Attainment - At Least High School Graduate
2016 Est Education Attainment - At Least Bachelor's Degree

3,374
1,063
17.9%
344
1,617
17,407
3,977

Pop Age 25+

84.2%
19.2%

Housing

		% Ann Growth or % Total
2016 Est Total Housing Units	17,709	0.2%
2010 Census Total Housing	11,753	
2010 Census Total Households	17,515	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	5,991	51.0%
2010 Census Vacant Housing	5,762	49.0%
2016 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$140,700	
2016 Est Median Gross Rent	\$678	
2016 Est Owner Occupied Housing	8,649	79.7%
2016 Est Renter Occupied Housing	2,208	20.3%
2016 Est % Owner Occupied Vacancy Rate	3.6%	
2016 Est % Renter Occupied Vacancy Rate	15.9%	

Income

		% Ann Growth or % Pov
2016 Est Median Family Income	\$45,100	
2017 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$38,283	2.8%
2016 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$22,419	
2017 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$31,207	
2017 Est Pop, Income Below Poverty (SAIPE)	4,760	17.2%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2017 Annual
Nov 2018 Prelim., 2017 Employment	10,880	10,591
Nov 2018 Prelim., 2017 Unemployment	431	566
Nov 2018 Prelim., 2017 Unemployment Rate	3.8%	5.1%
2018Q3 YTD, 2017 Announced Job Creation	140	6
2018Q3 YTD, 2017 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$105.3	\$2.0

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2018Q2 Employment	2017 Employment	2018Q2 Avg Weekly Wage	2017 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	8,186	8,012	\$631	\$632
Total Government	1,592	1,557	\$749	\$733
Total Private Industry	6,594	6,455	\$602	\$607
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	.	54	.	\$662
Mining
Utilities	53	.	\$1,823	.
Construction	433	419	\$706	\$683
Manufacturing	866	849	\$706	\$740
Wholesale Trade	94	102	\$947	\$871
Retail Trade	1,348	1,341	\$480	\$465
Transportation and Warehousing	83	79	\$846	\$753
Information	82	91	\$655	\$609
Finance and Insurance	226	200	\$1,131	\$1,042
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	99	98	\$550	\$535
Professional and Technical Services	513	455	\$791	\$811
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises
Administrative and Waste Services	138	185	\$604	\$434
Educational Services	.	857	.	\$696
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,315	1,361	\$719	\$765
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	64	18	\$221	\$304
Accommodation and Food Services	1,070	972	\$317	\$316
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	196	196	\$402	\$401
Public Administration	656	661	\$679	\$640
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

2018Q3 Available Industrial Buildings	6
2018Q2 Establishments: Total Private Industry	677
2018Q2 Establishments: Manufacturing	27
2016 Est Self Employed	921

Local Retail Business

2018 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$330.6
2018 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	284
2018 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,163,986
2018Q3 Available Commercial Buildings (if County reports)	1

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2018-19 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.5200
FY2017-18 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$311.7
2019 Tier designation	2

Childcare

2018Q3 Licensed Child Care Facilities	18
2018Q3 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	681

Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	59
Annual Snowfall, inches	7
Average Annual Temperature, °F	56
Average Annual High Temperature, °F	68
Average Annual Low Temperature, °F	43

Healthcare Providers

2017 Number of Physicians	32
2017 Physicians/10,000 population	11.0
2017 RNs/10,000 population	72.6
2017 Dentists/10,000 population	3.1
2017 Pharmacists/10,000 population	7.2

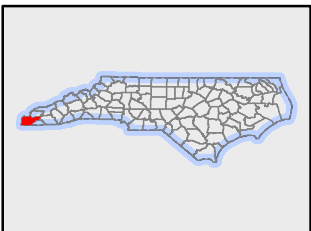
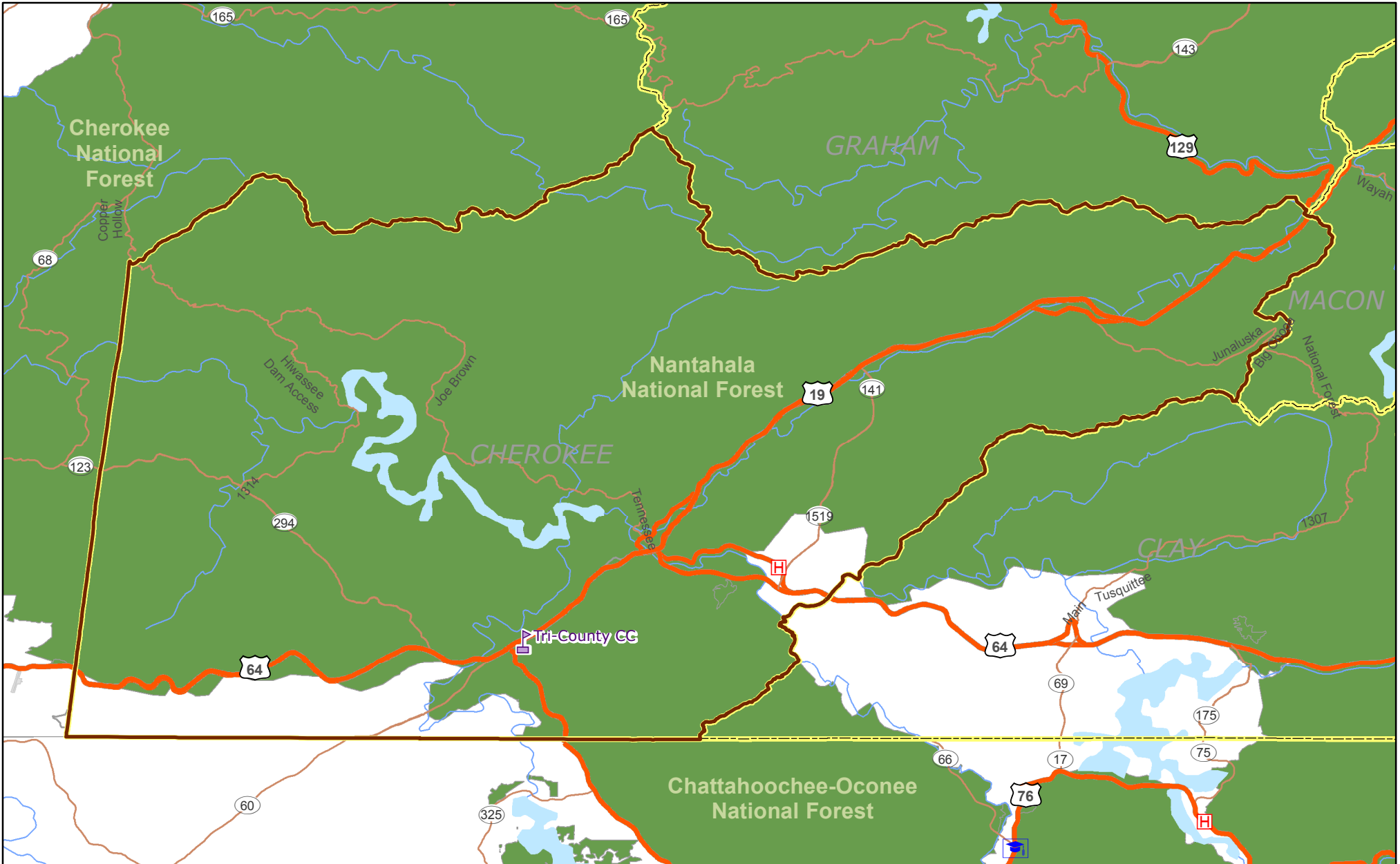
Sources:

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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 2012-16, 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>.

Cherokee County, North Carolina



Legend

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

