

**County Profile**

**Lee County (NC)**

**June 2018**

**Demographics**

**Population & Growth**

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

**Population**

59,540  
57,866  
59,244

**% Annual Growth**

0.2%  
1.8%

**Urban/Rural Representation**

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

33,120  
24,746

**Urban/Rural Percent**

57.2%  
42.8%

**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+

38  
16,337  
3,700  
7,466  
7,489  
8,112  
7,434  
9,002

**% Pop by Age**

27.6%  
6.2%  
12.5%  
12.6%  
13.6%  
12.5%  
15.1%

**Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2016 Est**

**Percent of Workers, By Travel Time**

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 23.5  
Workers Not Working at Home 24,710  
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 14.1%  
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 19.4%  
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 18.8%  
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 12.1%  
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 3.8%  
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 9.4%  
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 6.2%  
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 10.0%  
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 6.2%

**Workers, By Transportation**

Worker Transp, Base 25,486  
Work at Home 3.0%  
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 85.8%  
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 9.2%  
Public Transportation 0.2%  
Walked 1.1%  
Bicycle 0.0%  
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**

17,891  
7,391  
204

**Residents**

70.2%  
29.0%  
0.8%

**Education**

2016-17 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment  
2017 Average SAT score (1600 new scale)  
2017 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

9,948  
1,044  
30.2%  
2,108  
14,154  
31,978  
8,225

**Pop Age 25+**

81.0%  
20.8%

## Housing

		<b>% Ann Growth or % Total</b>
2016 Est Total Housing Units	24,234	0.1%
2010 Census Total Housing	22,058	
2010 Census Total Households	24,136	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	19,980	90.6%
2010 Census Vacant Housing	2,078	9.4%
2016 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$134,800	
2016 Est Median Gross Rent	\$690	
2016 Est Owner Occupied Housing	14,271	66.8%
2016 Est Renter Occupied Housing	7,078	33.2%
2016 Est Owner Occupied Housing Vacancy	2.8%	
2016 Est Renter Occupied Housing Vacancy	8.3%	

## Income

		<b>% Ann Growth or % Pov</b>
2016 Est Median Family Income	\$57,288	
2016 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$46,723	5.5%
2015 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$26,360	
2016 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$37,346	
2016 Est Pop, Income Below Poverty Level (SAIPE)	9,869	16.9%

## Employment / Unemployment

	<b>Currently</b>	<b>2017 Annual</b>
Apr 2018 Prelim., 2016 Employment	25,377	25,267
Apr 2018 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment	1,090	1,372
Apr 2018 Prelim., 2016 Unemployment Rate	4.1%	5.2%
2018Q1 YTD, 2017 Announced Job Creation	22	390
2018Q1 YTD, 2017 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$96.3	\$217.0

## Employment / Wages by Industry

	<b>2017Q4 Employment</b>	<b>2017 Annual Employment</b>	<b>2017Q4 Avg Weekly Wage</b>	<b>2017 Avg Weekly Wage</b>
Total All Industries	26,159	25,978	\$806	\$765
Total Government	3,394	3,271	\$815	\$758
Total Private Industry	22,765	22,707	\$805	\$765
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	.	.	.	.
Mining	.	.	.	.
Utilities	110	108	\$1,396	\$1,479
Construction	1,170	1,146	\$982	\$918
Manufacturing	7,966	7,943	\$996	\$969
Wholesale Trade	1,032	1,028	\$1,170	\$1,118
Retail Trade	3,190	3,105	\$504	\$498
Transportation and Warehousing	.	435	.	\$901
Information	.	111	.	\$712
Finance and Insurance	326	325	\$1,205	\$1,174
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	.	.	.	.
Professional and Technical Services	419	431	\$1,086	\$998
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	.	.	.	.
Administrative and Waste Services	1,676	1,767	\$697	\$623
Educational Services	2,197	.	\$763	.
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,996	2,984	\$832	\$734
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	288	280	\$279	\$279
Accommodation and Food Services	2,167	2,182	\$297	\$290
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	446	446	\$549	\$529
Public Administration	1,146	1,150	\$860	\$778
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

## Commercial/Retail/Industrial

### Local Business

2018Q1 Available Industrial Buildings	5
2017Q4 Establishments: Total Private Industry	1,345
2017Q4 Establishments: Manufacturing	77
2016 Est Self Employed	999

### Local Retail Business

2017 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$828.1
2017 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	469
2017 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,765,603
2018Q1 Available Commercial Buildings (if reported)	2

## Quality of Life

### Taxes

FY2017-18 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.7950
FY2016-17 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$782.2
2018 Tier designation	2

### Childcare

2018Q1 Licensed Child Care Facilities	41
2018Q1 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	1,611

### Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	46
Annual Snowfall, inches	4
Average Annual Temperature, F	60
Average Annual High Temperature, F	72
Average Annual Low Temperature, F	48

### Healthcare Providers

2017 Number of Physicians	88
2017 Physicians per 10,000 population	14.8
2017 RNs per 10,000 population	69.4
2017 Dentists per 10,000 population	5.9
2016 Pharmacists per 10,000 population	9.5

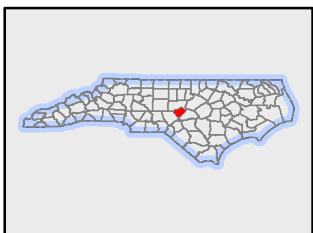
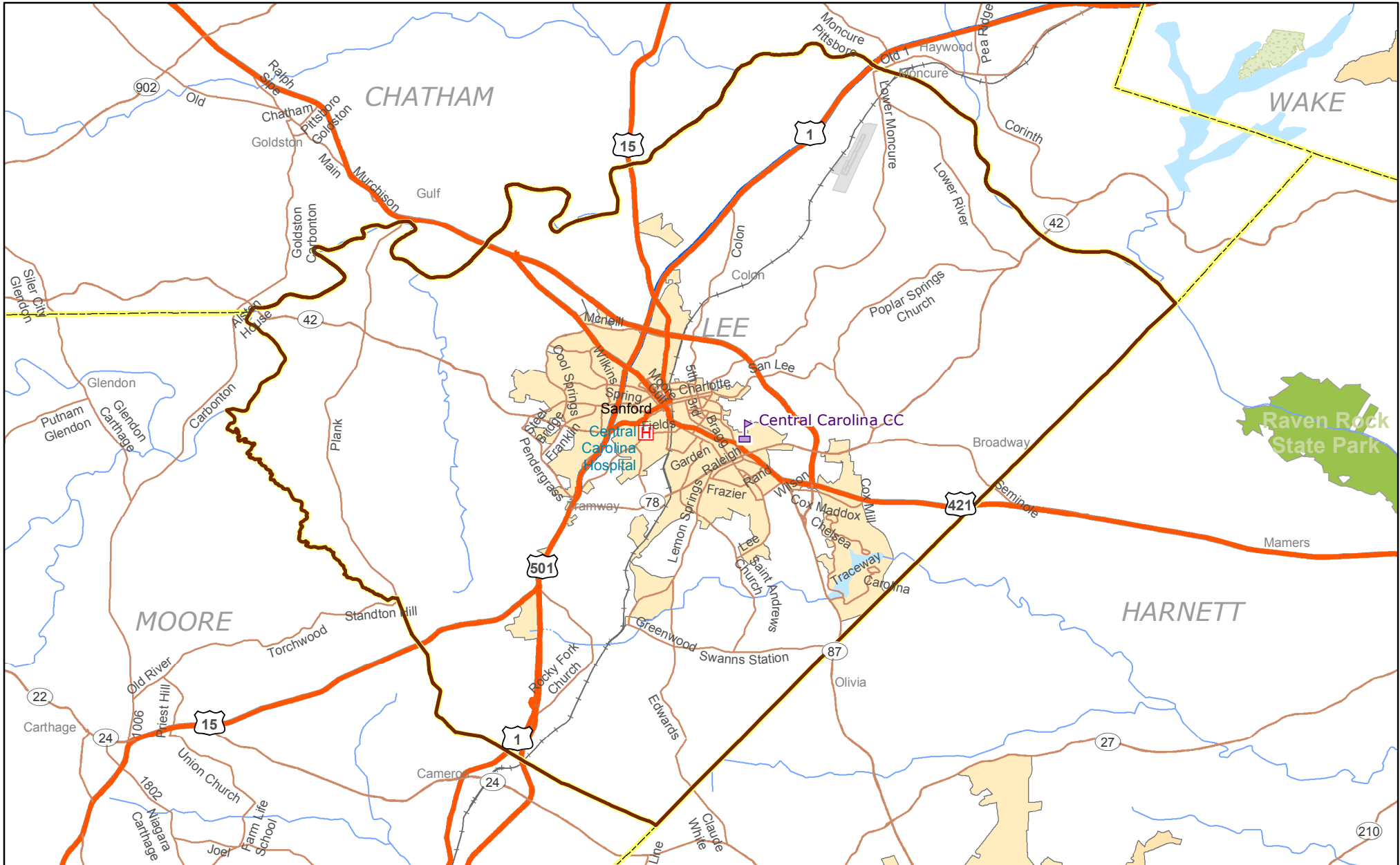
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### Notes:

Data are the latest available at the date the profile was prepared. SAT scores use the new 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. 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>.

# Lee County, North Carolina



**Legend**

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

