

County Profile

Lee County (NC)

November 2020

Demographics

Population & Growth

2018 Est Population
2010 Census Total Population
Jul2018 NC Certified Population Estimate

Population

60,125
57,866
60,878

% Annual Growth

0.5%
1.8%
1.9%

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

2018 Est Median Age
2018 Est Total Pop 0-19
2018 Est Total Pop 20-24
2018 Est Total Pop 25-34
2018 Est Total Pop 35-44
2018 Est Total Pop 45-54
2018 Est Total Pop 55-64
2018 Est Total Pop 65+

38
16,354
3,526
7,517
7,406
8,097
7,727
9,498

% Pop by Age

27.3%
5.9%
12.5%
12.3%
13.5%
12.8%
15.8%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2018 ACS Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 24.8
Workers Not Working at Home 25,600
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 13.9%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 20.3%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 16.3%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 11.1%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 3.4%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 9.8%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 6.1%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 11.0%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 8.1%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base 26,302
Work at Home 2.7%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 83.5%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 11.9%
Public Transportation 0.3%
Walked 1.0%
Bicycle 0.0%
Taxi, Motorcycle, Other 0.7%

Place of Work

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

Commuters

17,412
8,680
210

Residents

66.2%
33.0%
0.8%

Education

2019-20 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment
2020 Average SAT score (1600 new scale)
2020 Percent of Graduates taking SAT
2018-19 Higher Education Completions (Provisional)
2018-19 Higher Education Enrollment (Provisional)
2018 Est Education Attainment age 25+, At Least High School Graduate
2018 Est Education Attainment age 25+, At Least Bachelor's Degree

10,106
1,014
29.9%
1,246
6,911
33,582
8,421

Pop Age 25+

83.4%
20.9%

Housing

		% Ann Growth or % Total
2010 Census Total Housing	22,058	
2010 Census Total Households	24,136	
2018 Est Total Housing Units, % annual growth	24,463	0.2%
2018 Est Occupied Housing, % of total	21,744	88.9%
2018 Est Vacant Housing, % of total	2,719	11.1%
2018 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$138,300	
2018 Est Median Gross Rent	\$749	
2018 Est Owner Occupied Housing, % of total	14,489	66.6%
2018 Est Renter Occupied Housing, % of total	7,255	33.4%
2018 Est % Owner Occupied Vacancy Rate	2.7%	
2018 Est % Renter Occupied Vacancy Rate	8.2%	

Income

		% Ann Growth or % Pov
2018 Est Median Family Income	\$58,313	
2018 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$48,984	(8.1%)
2018 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$27,877	
2018 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$40,098	
2018 Est Pop, Income Below Poverty (SAIPE)	9,459	15.7%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2019 Annual
SEP2020 Prelim., 2019 Employment	23,851	24,995
SEP2020 Prelim., 2019 Unemployment	1,895	1,179
SEP2020 Prelim., 2019 Unemployment Rate	7.4%	4.5%
2020Q2YTD, 2019 Announced Job Creation	417	835
2020Q2YTD, 2019 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$112.6	\$715.9

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2020Q1 Employment	2019 Employment	2020Q1 Avg Weekly Wage	2019 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	26,026	25,638	\$809	\$812
Total Government	3,311	3,248	\$774	\$801
Total Private Industry	22,715	22,390	\$815	\$814
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	.	.	.	.
Mining	.	.	.	.
Utilities	117	116	\$1,818	\$1,536
Construction	1,373	1,237	\$974	\$1,012
Manufacturing	7,718	7,635	\$1,043	\$1,016
Wholesale Trade	1,050	996	\$1,290	\$1,209
Retail Trade	3,041	3,090	\$527	\$534
Transportation and Warehousing	.	427	.	\$834
Information	.	.	.	.
Finance and Insurance	323	324	\$1,337	\$1,178
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	246	197	\$740	\$729
Professional and Technical Services	558	733	\$921	\$930
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	.	.	.	.
Administrative and Waste Services	1,862	1,456	\$562	\$736
Educational Services	.	.	.	.
Health Care and Social Assistance	2,777	2,850	\$763	\$785
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	.	.	.	.
Accommodation and Food Services	2,107	2,170	\$312	\$313
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	486	477	\$538	\$562
Public Administration	1,154	1,159	\$778	\$819
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

2020Q3 Available Industrial Buildings	4
2020Q1 Establishments: Total Private Industry	1,428
2020Q1 Establishments: Manufacturing	75
2018 Est Self Employed	1,220

Local Retail Business

2019 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$0.8
2019 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	381
2019 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,978,346
2020Q3 Available Commercial Buildings (if County reports)	2

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2020-21 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.7750
FY2019-20 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$879.7
2020 Tier designation	2

Childcare

2020Q3 Licensed Child Care Facilities	38
2020Q3 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	1,650

Healthcare Providers

2019 Number of Physicians	90
2019 Physicians/10,000 population	14.6
2019 RNs/10,000 population	61.1
2019 Dentists/10,000 population	5.4
2017 Pharmacists/10,000 population	8.3

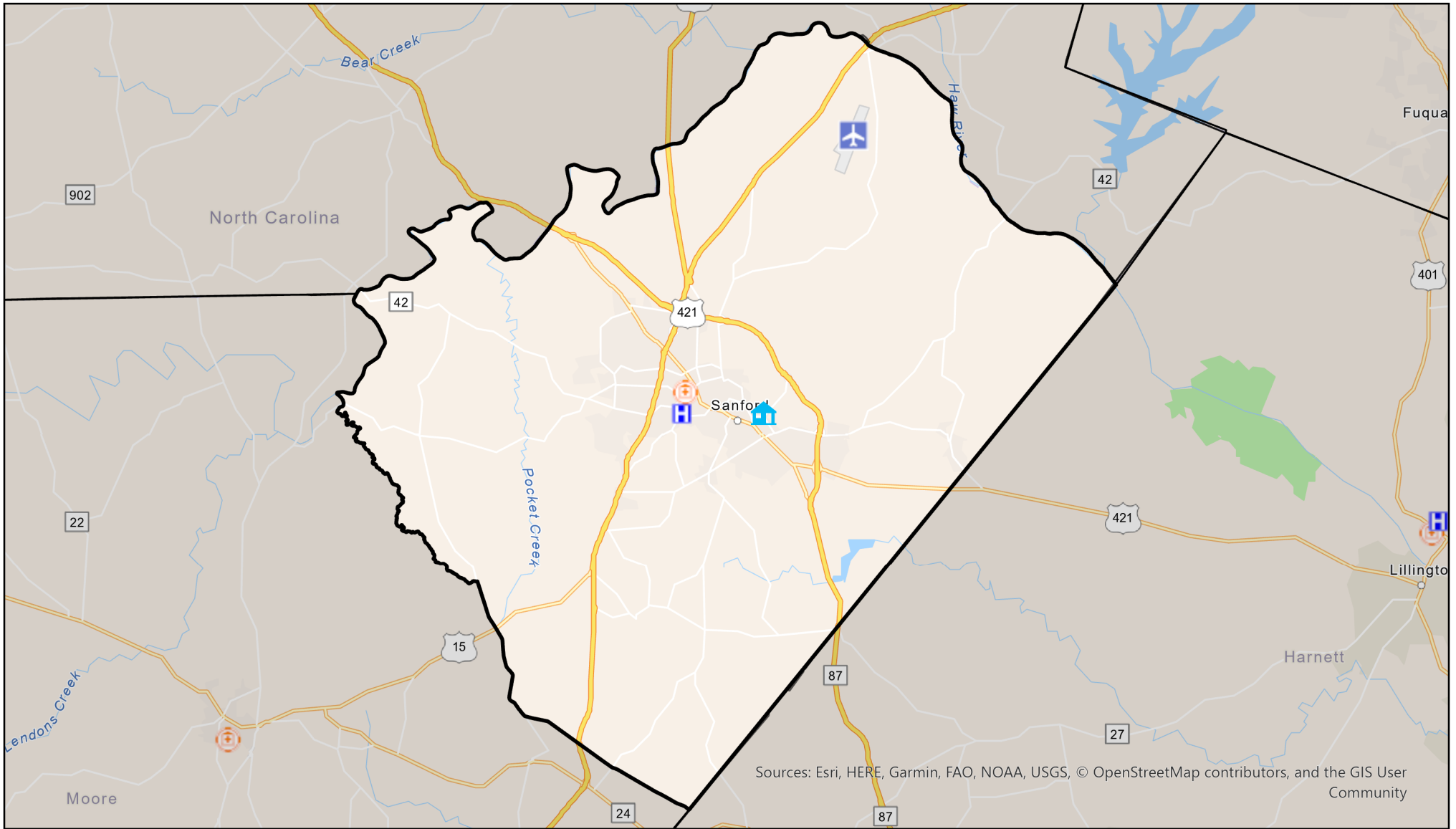
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Notes:

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 5-year survey; data is as of final year with dollars inflated to final year. Per capita income is a broad measure of income spread over all residents. Worker earnings includes wage income for residents regardless of where they work. Private sector wages are paid by local employers to their employees regardless of where they live. Additional data, reports, and dashboards are available at: <http://accessnc.nccommerce.com/index.html>.

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Legend

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|  | Commercial Airports |  | Hospitals |  | Public Universities |
|  | General Aviation |  | Public Health Departments |  | Independent Colleges and Universities |
|  | NC Ports |  | Community Colleges |  | Military Installations |



4.5 Miles