

County Profile

Lee County (NC)

May 2022

Demographics			
Population & Growth 2019 Est Population 2020 Census Total Population Jul2020 NC Certified Population Estimate	Population 60,481 63,285 63,576	% Annual Growth 0.6% 0.9% 4.0%	
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		% Pop by Age	
2019 Est Median Age	39	1 3 3	
2019 Est Total Pop 0-19	16,265	26.9%	
2019 Est Total Pop 20-24	3,484	5.8%	
2019 Est Total Pop 25-34	7,643	12.6%	
2019 Est Total Pop 35-44	7,496	12.4%	
2019 Est Total Pop 45-54	7,995	13.2%	
2019 Est Total Pop 55-64	7,853	13.0%	
2019 Est Total Pop 65+	9,745	16.1%	

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2019 Census ACS Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

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Avg Travel Time, Minutes	25.5	Worker Transp, Base	26,409
Workers Not Working at Home	25,654	Work at Home	2.9%
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes	12.9%	Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone	82.0%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes	18.1%	Carpooled Car/Truck/Van	13.1%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes	17.6%	Public Transportation	0.5%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes	11.5%	Walked	1.0%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes	3.9%	Bicycle	0.0%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes	9.9%	Taxi, Motorcycle, Other	0.6%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes	7.1%	-	
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes	10.5%		
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes	8.6%		

Place of Work	Commuters	Residents
Worked in State/County of Residence	16,796	63.6%
Worked in State/Outside County of Residence	9,402	35.6%
Worked Outside State of Residence	211	0.8%

Education				
		Pop Age 25+		
2020-21 Kindergarten-12th Enrollment	9,787			
2020 Average SAT score (1600 scale)	1,014			
2020 Percent of Graduates taking SAT	29.9%			
2019-20 (Provisional) Higher Education Completions	1,261			
2019-20 (Provisional) Higher Education Enrollment	7,564			
2019 Est Education Attainment age 25+, At Least High School Graduate	33,999	83.5%		
2019 Est Education Attainment age 25+, At Least Bachelor's Degree	8,755	21.5%		



	ł	lousing		
2020 Census Total Housing Units, % annual growth 2020 Census Occupied Housing, % of total 2020 Census Vacant Housing, % of total 2019 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing 2019 Est Median Gross Rent 2019 Est Owner Occupied Housing, % of total 2019 Est Renter Occupied Housing, % of total 2019 Est % Owner Occupied Vacancy Rate 2019 Est % Renter Occupied Vacancy Rate			% Ann C 26,583 24,575 2,008 \$144,200 \$775 14,601 7,293 2,4% 4,5%	Growth or % Total 1.0% 92.4% 7.6% 66.7% 33.3%
		ncome		
2019 Est Median Family Income 2020 Median Household Income (SAIPE) 2019 Est Median Worker Earnings 2020 Per Capita Income (BEA) 2020 Est Pop, Income Below Poverty (SAIPE)			% Ann \$59,667 \$57,025 \$29,125 \$44,870 9,411	Growth or % Pov 7.4% 15.4%
	Employmen	t / Unemployment		
Mar2022 Prelim., 2021 Employment Mar2022 Prelim., 2021 Unemployment Mar2022 Prelim., 2021 Unemployment Rate 2021Q4YTD, 2021 Announced Job Creation 2021Q4YTD, 2021 Total Announced Investments (\$	imil)	Cur	rently 24,828 1,081 4.2% 325 \$213.0	2021 Annual 23,894 2,071 8.0% 325 \$213.0
Employment / Wages by Industry	2021Q4 Employment	2021 Employment	2021Q4 Avg Weekly Wage	2021 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries Total Government Total Private Industry Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting Mining Utilities Construction Manufacturing Wholesale Trade Retail Trade Transportation and Warehousing Information Finance and Insurance Real Estate and Rental and Leasing Professional and Technical Services Mgt of Companies, Enterprises Administrative and Waste Services Educational Services Health Care and Social Assistance Arts, Entertainment and Recreation Accommodation and Food Services Other Services Ex. Public Admin Public Administration	$\begin{array}{c} 25,753\\ 3,272\\ 22,481\\ 120\\ 63\\ 116\\ 1,393\\ 7,587\\ 1,045\\ 3,149\\ 480\\ 104\\ 326\\ 237\\ 605\\ 76\\ 1,726\\ 2,206\\ 2,565\\ 211\\ 2,123\\ 449\\ 1,174\end{array}$	24,713 3,060 21,653	\$991 \$1,067 \$980 \$730 \$1,535 \$1,696 \$1,195 \$1,132 \$1,376 \$708 \$976 \$1,102 \$1,797 \$996 \$1,379 \$1,118 \$845 \$1,050 \$1,086 \$401 \$365 \$757 \$963	\$846 \$854 \$844 \$1,290 \$1,645 \$1,027 \$1,041 \$1,234 \$564 \$862 \$1,244 \$818 \$1,036 \$1,244 \$818 \$1,036 \$343 \$327 \$599 \$869



Commercial/Retail/Industrial

2021 Tier designation

Local Business		Local Retail Business	
2021Q4 Available Industrial Buildings		2021 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$776.7
2021Q4 Establishments: Total Private Industry	1,558	2021 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	446
2021Q4 Establishments: Manufacturing	79	2021 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,741,370
2019 Est Self Employed	1,237	2021Q4 Available Commercial Buildings (if County reports)	

Quality of Life

FY2021-22 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value \$0.7600 FY2020-21 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil) \$1,072.2 2

Healthcare Providers	
2019 Number of Physicians	90
2019 Physicians/10,000 population	14.6
2020 RNs/10,000 population	54.6
2020 Dentists/10,000 population	5.3
2020 Pharmacists/10,000 population	8.2

Childcare

2022Q1	Licensed Child Care Facilities	
2022Q1	Licensed Child Care Enrollment	

35

1,395

Sources:

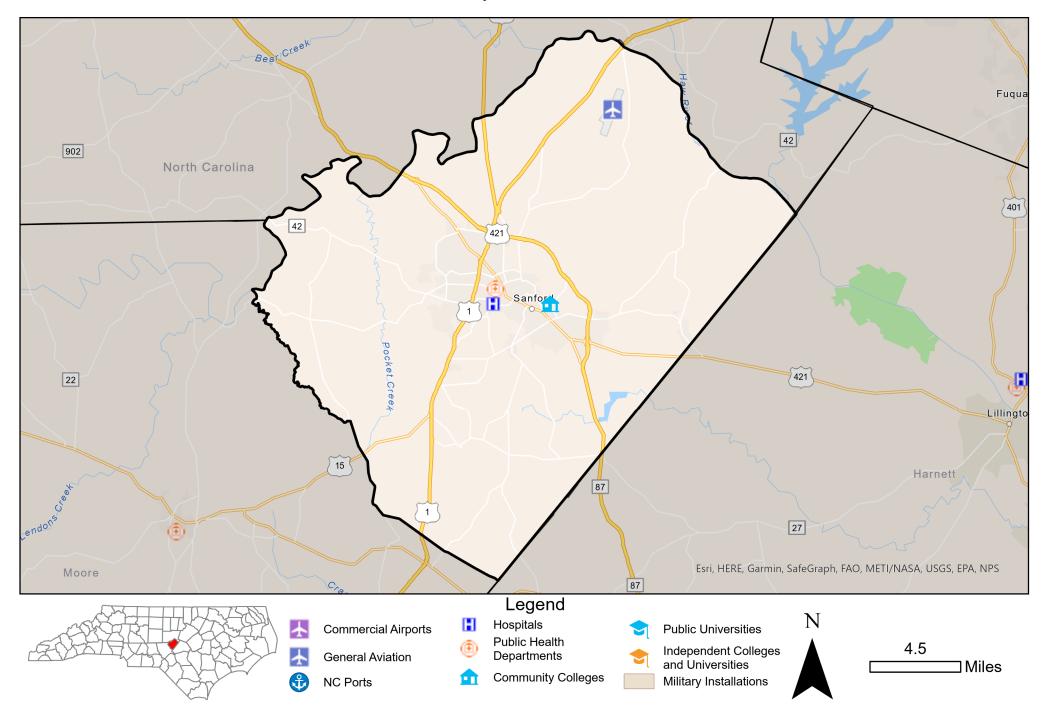
Taxes

Census (2020, ACS 2015-19) for income, commuters, place of work, population, housing, and educational attainment at https://data.census.gov. AGS for retail data at www.AppliedGeographic.com. NC Dept. of Education for SAT data by NC county system at http://www.ncpublicschools.org. US Dept. of Education, National Center for Education Statistics for higher education data at https://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/datacenter. NC Commerce, Labor and Economic Analysis Division for NC tiers, occupational data, employment and unemployment, and wages and establishments by industry at https://d4.nccommerce.com/. EDPNC for announced new jobs and investment and available buildings at https://edpnc.com. NC Dept. of Health & Human Services for childcare data at http://www.ncdhhs.gov/. UNC Sheps Center for healthcare professions at https://nchealthworkforce.unc.edu/. For more data resources, see https://d4.nccommerce.com/.

Notes:

Data are the latest available at the date the profile was prepared. A period means the data is not available. SAT scores use the 1600 scoring system and represent county systems. Unemployment data is now the lastest 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. Census' 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 resources are available at: https://d4.nccommerce.com/.

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