

County Profile

McDowell County (NC)

February 2019

Demographics

Population & Growth

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

Population

45,013
44,996
46,171

% Annual Growth

0.1%
0.7%

Urban/Rural Representation

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

13,363
31,633

Urban/Rural Percent

29.7%
70.3%

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+

43
10,456
2,470
5,005
5,823
6,560
6,452
8,247

% Pop by Age

23.2%
5.5%
11.1%
12.9%
14.6%
14.3%
18.3%

Commuters, Workers Age 16 and Over, 2016 ACS Est

Percent of Workers, By Travel Time

Avg Travel Time, Minutes 23.5
Workers Not Working at Home 16,642
Travel Time to Work: < 10 minutes 13.1%
Travel Time to Work: 10-14 minutes 18.0%
Travel Time to Work: 15-19 minutes 16.9%
Travel Time to Work: 20-24 minutes 14.9%
Travel Time to Work: 25-29 minutes 8.1%
Travel Time to Work: 30-34 minutes 11.9%
Travel Time to Work: 35-44 minutes 5.6%
Travel Time to Work: 45-59 minutes 6.5%
Travel Time to Work: 60+ minutes 5.1%

Workers, By Transportation

Worker Transp, Base 17,198
Work at Home 3.2%
Drove Car/Truck/Van Alone 78.2%
Carpooled Car/Truck/Van 16.9%
Public Transportation 0.0%
Walked 0.6%
Bicycle 0.0%
Taxi, Motorcycle, Other 1.1%

Place of Work

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

Commuters

12,331
4,643
241

Residents

71.7%
27.0%
1.4%

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

4,325
1,053
35.8%
482
1,657
26,441
4,699

Pop Age 25+

82.4%
14.6%

Housing

		% Ann Growth or % Total
2016 Est Total Housing Units	20,922	0.1%
2010 Census Total Housing	17,838	
2010 Census Total Households	20,808	
2010 Census Occupied Housing	14,868	83.4%
2010 Census Vacant Housing	2,970	16.6%
2016 Est Median Value of Owner Occupied Housing	\$104,500	
2016 Est Median Gross Rent	\$591	
2016 Est Owner Occupied Housing	12,403	70.5%
2016 Est Renter Occupied Housing	5,178	29.5%
2016 Est % Owner Occupied Vacancy Rate	1.1%	
2016 Est % Renter Occupied Vacancy Rate	7.8%	

Income

		% Ann Growth or % Pov
2016 Est Median Family Income	\$45,431	
2017 Median Household Income (SAIPE)	\$42,853	3.4%
2016 Est Median Worker Earnings	\$25,525	
2017 Per Capita Income (BEA)	\$32,673	
2017 Est Pop, Income Below Poverty (SAIPE)	7,138	16.2%

Employment / Unemployment

	Currently	2017 Annual
Dec 2018 Prelim., 2017 Employment	19,971	20,078
Dec 2018 Prelim., 2017 Unemployment	759	870
Dec 2018 Prelim., 2017 Unemployment Rate	3.7%	4.2%
2018Q3 YTD, 2017 Announced Job Creation	80	134
2018Q3 YTD, 2017 Total Announced Investments (\$mil)	\$6.9	\$8.2

Employment / Wages by Industry

	2018Q3 Employment	2017 Employment	2018Q3 Avg Weekly Wage	2017 Avg Weekly Wage
Total All Industries	16,094	16,066	\$687	\$697
Total Government	2,210	2,467	\$756	\$706
Total Private Industry	13,884	13,599	\$677	\$696
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	.	.	.	.
Mining	77	107	\$867	\$700
Utilities	.	.	.	.
Construction	509	514	\$720	\$749
Manufacturing	6,384	6,161	\$815	\$865
Wholesale Trade	309	287	\$1,210	\$1,358
Retail Trade	1,955	1,858	\$490	\$496
Transportation and Warehousing	195	.	\$888	.
Information	31	.	\$867	.
Finance and Insurance	160	170	\$930	\$842
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	.	.	.	.
Professional and Technical Services	146	160	\$755	\$837
Mgt of Companies, Enterprises	.	.	.	.
Administrative and Waste Services	730	815	\$498	\$496
Educational Services	.	.	.	.
Health Care and Social Assistance	1,429	1,447	\$605	\$591
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	86	.	\$362	.
Accommodation and Food Services	1,353	1,321	\$328	\$281
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	404	390	\$470	\$461
Public Administration	1,144	1,129	\$744	\$716
Unclassified	0	0	\$0	\$0

Commercial/Retail/Industrial

Local Business

2018Q4 Available Industrial Buildings	5
2018Q2 Establishments: Total Private Industry	736
2018Q2 Establishments: Manufacturing	48
2016 Est Self Employed	807

Local Retail Business

2018 Total Retail Sales (With Food/Drink) (\$mil)	\$614.8
2018 Total Retail Businesses (With Food/Drink)	314
2018 Avg Sales/Business Total (with Food/Drink)	\$1,958,032
2018Q4 Available Commercial Buildings (if County reports)	1

Quality of Life

Taxes

FY2018-19 Property Tax Rate per \$100 Value	\$0.5875
FY2017-18 Annual Taxable Retail Sales (\$mil)	\$352.1
2019 Tier designation	2

Childcare

2018Q4 Licensed Child Care Facilities	35
2018Q4 Licensed Child Care Enrollment	907

Weather

Annual Rainfall, inches	52
Annual Snowfall, inches	6
Average Annual Temperature, °F	58
Average Annual High Temperature, °F	71
Average Annual Low Temperature, °F	44

Healthcare Providers

2017 Number of Physicians	75
2017 Physicians/10,000 population	21.2
2017 RNs/10,000 population	68.3
2017 Dentists/10,000 population	4.0
2017 Pharmacists/10,000 population	10.5

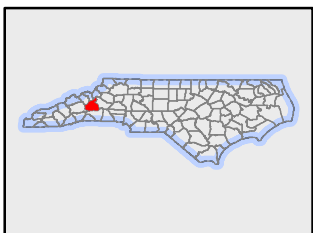
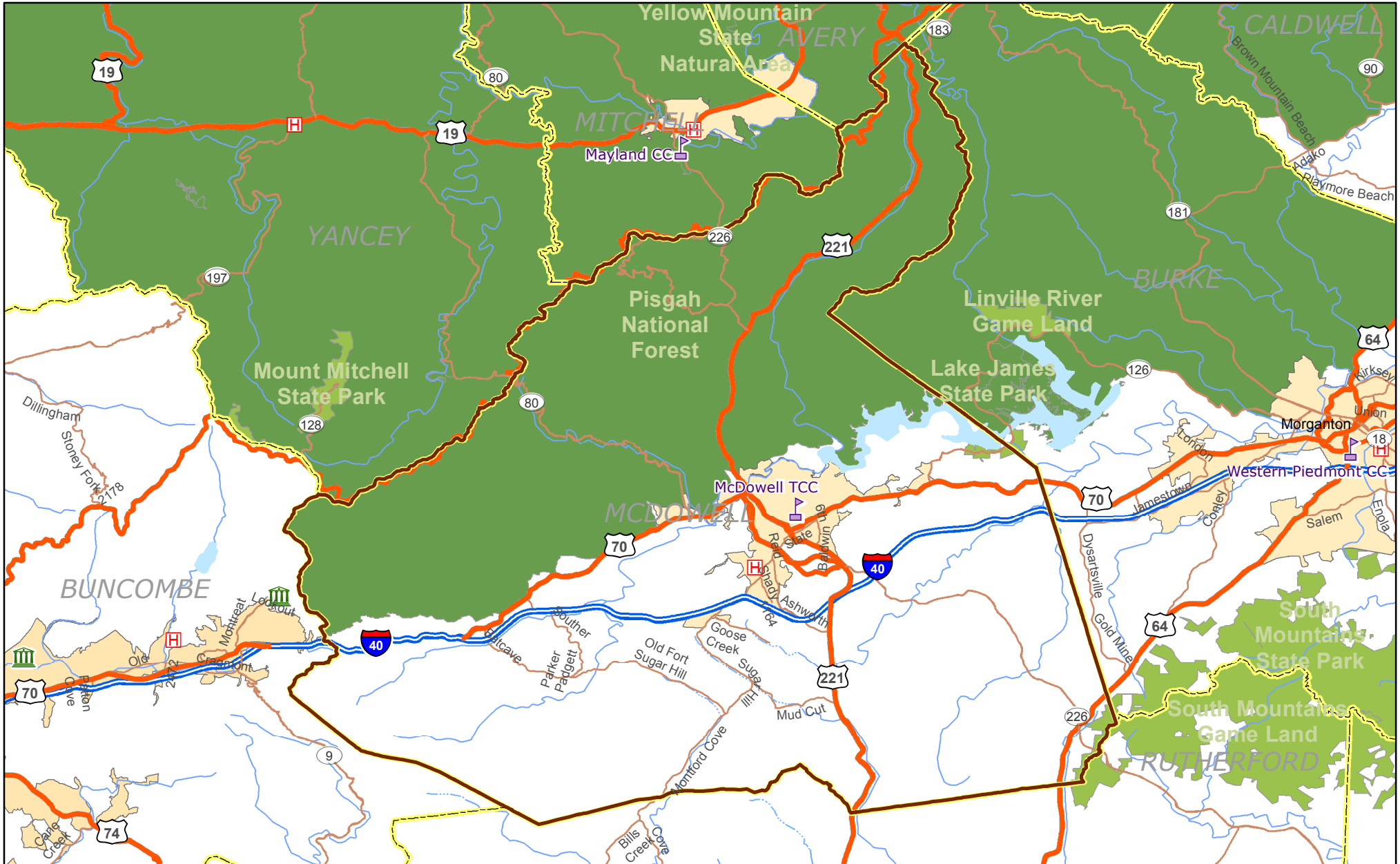
Sources:

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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>.

McDowell 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

