DEMOGRAPHICS

North Carolina Snapshot 2020

DEPENDENT-AGE POPULATION
By 2030
53%

PK-12 ENROLLMENT
2012 to 2017
3.8% growth

PK-12 ENROLLMENT
48%

White: 25%
Black: 17%
Hispanic: 3%
Asian: 6%
Other: 20%

CHILDREN UNDER 18 LIVING IN POVERTY
14% of households were food insecure

EARLY AND MIDDLE GRADES

PERCENTAGES OF STUDENTS PERFORMING AT OR ABOVE PROFICIENT ON NAEP IN 2019

4th Grade

Reading: ↑ 36%
Math: ↓ 41%

21% Low-Income
10% English Learners
11% Students With Disabilities

8th Grade

Reading: ↑ 33%
Math: ↓ 37%

26% Low-Income
17% English Learners
13% Students With Disabilities

Arrows indicate direction of change of 0.1 points or more from 2009 to 2019.

HIGH SCHOOL

86% graduated from high school

18% met all 4 ACT college-readiness benchmarks

13% met ACT STEM benchmark

POSTSECONDARY

PROPORTION OF STATE FINANCIAL AID THAT IS NEED-BASED
83% 66%

4-YEAR PUBLIC COLLEGE STUDENTS GRADUATING IN 6 YEARS OR LESS
40% 26% 8% 4%

4-YEAR PUBLIC COLLEGE FRESHMAN PERSISTING TO THEIR SECOND YEAR
87% 56%

BACHELOR'S GRADUATES WITH STUDENT LOAN DEBT

WORKFORCE

LESS THAN HS

HIGH SCHOOL OR EQUIVALENT

SOME COLLEGE OR ASSOCIATE

BACHELOR'S OR HIGHER

Adults 25+ in poverty
26% 14% 10% 4%

Adults 25-64 employed
54% 67% 75% 84%

Working-age adults with a high school diploma or less
36%

Source: SREB, 2020 North Carolina State Progress Report