



RALEIGH

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Introduction

Raleigh, the Capital City of North Carolina, is the second largest city in North Carolina, the seat of government for Wake County, and central to one of the fastest growing areas in the country.



Population

City of Raleigh.....	458,862
Wake County	1,046,791
North Carolina	10,146,788

source: Census Population Estimates Program, July 1, 2016

3,143 persons per square mile in the corporate limits
source: City of Raleigh Department of City Planning

683,000 persons projected in year 2040
source: Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Geography

Land Area:	
City of Raleigh.....	147 square miles
Planning Jurisdiction	181 square miles
Wake County.....	860 square miles

source: City of Raleigh Planning & Development

Elevation.....	435 feet above sea level
Average annual high.....	71.6 F
Average annual low.....	49.5 F
Annual precipitation	46 inches
Annual snowfall	3.9 inches

source: NOAA, Climate Normals 1981-2010

Taxes

Assessed Valuation FY 17-18 projected	\$58,848,006
City Tax Rate	\$0.4253 per \$100 of assessed value
County Tax Rate	\$0.615 per \$100 of assessed value
Total.....	\$1.0403 per \$100 of assessed value

source: City of Raleigh Office of Management and Budget & Wake County Revenue Department

City Government

Council/Manager form of government
City Budget 2016-2017: \$859,021,503
Per Capita Expenditure: \$1,872
Estimated City Property Tax for \$254,000 home: \$1,080

5-yr Capital Improvement Program: \$1,245,649,00
55% Public Utilities
8% Transportation
8% Parks
4% Stormwater
2% Technology
19% General Public Improvements
2% Convention Ctr & Performance Facilities
0.3% Housing

AAA General Credit Rating, Aaa Utility Revenue Rating
source: City of Raleigh Office of Management and Budget

Public Safety

Police:

8 stations (6 District Stations, 1 Special Operations Station, 1 Detective Division Campus) / 762 sworn officers

0.60 sworn officers per 1,000 population

Fire:

28 physical stations (Station 1 & 13 operate in the same location), 1 station under construction

528 firefighters

1.08 firefighters per 1,000 population

Raleigh-Wake 911 Emergency Center: 115 employees

sources: Raleigh Police Department; Raleigh Fire Department; Raleigh-Wake Emergency Communications Center

Parks and Recreation

143 city parks

38 staffed centers

7 non-staffed programmed centers

2 art centers

112 tennis courts at 25 locations

9 public swimming pools

58 open space areas

10,191 acres of parks and greenways

119 miles of greenway trails

source: City of Raleigh Parks and Recreation Department

Utilities

City of Raleigh (and Raleigh ETJ) Public Utilities service connections:

Water.....202,331
Sewer174,570

Raleigh Public Utilities Water and Sewer Capacity*
(Millions of Gallons per Day)

Water Treatment Capacity (peak)	102.00 MGD
Water Treatment Utilization (avg. daily)	50.31 MGD
Wastewater Treatment Capacity	64.85 MGD
Wastewater Treatment Utilization	49.07 MGD

*The Raleigh Public Utilities Service Area includes 7 area jurisdictions and covers approximately 280 square miles

source: City of Raleigh Public Utilities Department

Raleigh area customers served:

Electricity: Duke Energy Progress223,796
Natural Gas: PSNC Energy240,000

Education

Education/Enrollment (Fall 2016- Spring 2017)

Meredith College	2,000
North Carolina State University	33,755
Shaw University	1,660
St. Augustine's University	1,100
Wake Technical Community College	*73,920
William Peace University	1,034

*31,472 in curriculum and 42,448 in continuing education

Wake County Public Schools Enrollment.....160,429

Persons over 25 years of age with:

High School Diploma or higher91.2%
Bachelor's Degree or higher51.0%

source: 2017 ACS, 1-Year Estimate

Transportation

Raleigh-Durham International Airport (2017)

11.65 million passengers incoming & departing (31,927 daily)

99,287 tons of cargo handled

Average operations per day: 400
(air carriers, general aviation, and military operations)

Average Daily Departures: 196

Cargo tonnage handled (daily): 272

Major Carriers (ranked by enplaned passengers including regional affiliates, 2016):

1. Delta
2. American/US Airways
3. Southwest
4. United
5. Jetblue
6. Frontier

source: RDU Airport Authority

Amtrak: 2017 figures for Raleigh
150,919 boardings & alightings
10 trains daily

source: Amtrak

GoRaleigh: City Bus System (FY'18)
99 buses; 80 during peak hour service
Approx. 5.2 million riders per year

source: GoRaleigh

GoTriangle: Regional Bus System (FY '18)
77 total buses; 67 during peak hour service
Approx. 1.6 million riders per year

source: GoTriangle

Media

Examples of Area Television Stations: WRAL-5 CBS, WTVD-11 ABC, WNCN-17 NBC, WRAX-50 FOX, WLFL-22 WB, WRDC-28 UPN, WUNC-4 PBS, Community Access Ch-10

23 Area Radio Stations

Examples of Area Newspapers:

Daily: The News and Observer

Weekly: Triangle Business Journal, Indy Week, The Carolinian

General Information

Hospitals: Duke Raleigh, Rex, WakeMed
(approx. 1,250 beds)

Wake County Public Libraries: 22

Hotels/Motels: 78 (approx. 10,000 rooms)

Places of Worship: 248

source: Wake County Revenue Department

Development

Value of Residential Construction Authorized - 2017

Raleigh\$629,000,000

5 Year Average\$598,000,000

Residential Lots or Units Approved - 2017

Raleigh3,325

5 Year Average3,858

Non-Residential Building Permit Value - 2017

Raleigh\$207,000,000

5 Year Average\$325,000,000

source: City of Raleigh Development Services

Household Characteristics

Total Households.....180,773

Average household size.....2.43

Average family size.....3.11

Median age.....33.4 yrs

source: 2016 ACS – 1-Year Estimates

Race & Ethnicity	
White alone	59.4%
Black or African-American alone	29.1%
American Indian & Alaska Native alone	0.3%
Asian alone	4.7%
Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander alone	0.0%
Some other race alone	3.8%
Two or more races	2.7%
Hispanic or Latino	11.4%

source: 2016 ACS, 1-Year Estimates

Place of Birth

Native.....87%

Foreign Born.....13%

source: 2016 ACS, 1-Year Estimates

Housing

Owner-occupied Units.....51.6%

Renter-occupied Units.....48.4%

source: 2016 ACS, 1-Year Estimates

Total Housing Units.....201,158

source: 2016, ACS 1-Year Estimates

Median Gross Apartment Rent.....\$988

Median Single-Family Home Sale Price.....\$254,000

source: 2015 ACS, 1-Year Estimates, Wake County Revenue Department

Employment

Wake County Employment by Sector		
Sector	Number	Percent
Natural Resources & Mining	1,074	0.2%
Manufacturing	25,113	4.7%
Construction	30,377	5.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	97,720	18.4%
Information	20,895	3.9%
Financial Activities	28,908	5.5%
Professional & Business Services	107,082	20.2%
Education & Health Services	100,173	18.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	61,557	11.6%
Other Services	16,622	3.8%
Public Administration	40,630	7.7%
Unclassified	n/a	n/a
TOTAL	530,125	100%

source: N.C. Division of Employment Security

Average Annual Unemployment Rates		
	2016	5 Year Average (2012-2017)
Raleigh	4.1%	5.2%
Wake County	4.2%	5.5%
N.C.	5.1%	6.4%
U.S.	4.9%	7.2%

source: NC Division of Employment Security

Estimated Raleigh Employment - 2010: 312,000

Projected Raleigh Employment - 2040: 423,000

source: Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Economic Characteristics

Raleigh Median Household Income.....\$64,456

Wake County Median Household Income.....\$76,097

MSA* Median Household Income.....\$71,685

NC Median Household Income.....\$50,584

*MSA= Metropolitan Statistical Area for the Raleigh Metro Area

source: 2016, ACS 1-Year Estimates

Visitors

15.6 million Raleigh/Wake County visitors in 2017

source: Greater Raleigh Convention and Visitors Bureau



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This Community Profile was prepared by the
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