

Swain County

Highlights from the 2022 NCACC Map Book



Demographics

2022 population	14,051
Projected change over next 20 years	4%
2042 population projection	14,589
2022 Population Facts	County NC Rank¹
Median Age	40.1 39.6 71
Population Under 18	23% 21% 9
Population Age 65+	20% 18% 57
Veterans	7% 6% 43



Health and Wellbeing

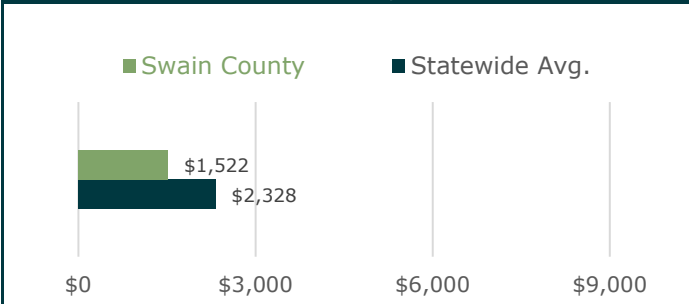
40% of residents are covered by Medicaid.(4)	22% of residents under 65 are uninsured.(2)	16% of households are food insecure.(3)
7 residents died from opioid poisoning in 2020.	3,266 residents were prescribed opioids in 2020.	



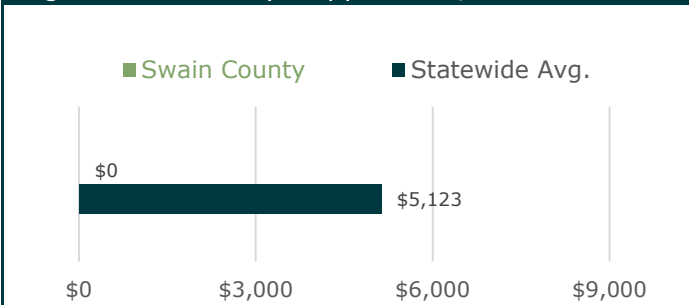
Education

79% of eligible children are enrolled in NC Pre-K.(4)	36% of adults 25-44 hold a post-secondary degree or credential. (5)	20% of residents age 16-24 are not in school or working.(2)
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Local K-12 \$ Per Student, FY 2020-21



Avg Teacher Salary Supplement, FY 2021-22



Economy and Taxes

	County	NC	Rank ¹
Income			
Per Capita Income (3)	\$44,213	\$50,305	35
Average Weekly Wage (4)	\$832	\$1,146	42
Children in Poverty (3)	21%	18%	50
Employment			
Unemployment Rate (May 2022)	3.3%	3.5%	73
Employed residents whose job is within the county (3)	69%	71%	32
Employed residents who commute by driving alone (3)	85%	71%	13
Access to Technology			
Households with broadband or satellite internet access (3)	59%	76%	87
Households with access to a computing device (3)	82%	91%	90
Local Taxes, FY 2021-22			
Property Tax Rate	0.3600	0.6072	98
Taxable property per capita (in thousands of dollars)	\$141.9	\$131.1	30
Property tax levy per capita	\$511	\$822	99
Sales tax rate (State + local)	7.00%	-	-

Notes: (1) A rank of 1 indicates the highest level or rate Statewide; a rank of 100 represents the lowest. (2) 2019 data; (3) 2020 data; (4) 2021 data; (5) 2018 data. For full notes and sources, or to download the Map Book or this fact sheet, visit www.ncacc.com/mapbook.