

# the partnership

Henderson County, NC  
Economic Development

## Community Profile

We know that existing and potential business developers in Henderson County need to make informed decisions based on reliable information. Use our Community Profile to find up to date, relevant data on Henderson County's community, businesses, and economy.

### ACCOLADES

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NC has the lowest corporate income tax rate in the country among states levying the tax. Henderson County ranks among the 75th percentile for the lowest ad valorem tax rate in the state.



Henderson County has no unionized manufacturing labor. NC is the least unionized state in the nation.



Our Public Schools System ranks 17th among the best school districts in NC and is among the Top 20 SAT scores in North Carolina.



Lowest crime rate for a community with a population greater than 100,000.



Recipient of Expansion Solutions Magazine's 2009 Award of Excellence in the Automotive Industry.



Business NC Magazine's Small Business of Year (2005, 2010) from Henderson County.

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NC ranks #1 in Best States for Business by Forbes Magazine

Henderson County (Asheville, NC MSA) #8 America's Smartest Cities, New Geography, November 2014.

## DEMOGRAPHICS

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Population	113,625
Labor Force	53,364
Unemployment Rate	5.4% (2020)
High School Graduate or Higher	33,463
Bachelor Degree or Higher	16,551
Henderson County Land Area	375.06 square miles
2020 Median Home Value	\$203,400
2020 Proj. Per Capita Personal Income	\$29,860
2020 Proj. Median Household Income	\$52,815
2020 Median Age	47.1
Average Work Commute Time	21.2 minutes

# EMPLOYMENT

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SECTOR	EMPLOYMENT	AVG ANNUAL SALARY
Construction	2,890	\$44,088
Manufacturing	5,670	\$54,167
Trade, Trans. & Utilities	1,350	\$69,285
Information	356	\$41,382
Finance & Real Estate	1,193	\$48,353
Education	2,757	\$37,216
Healthcare	7,117	\$49,884
Leisure & Hospitality	4,181	\$19,321
Professional & Technical	1,710	\$42,128
Public Administration	1,602	\$47,153

## TOP EMPLOYERS

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Pardee Memorial Hospital

Ingles Markets Inc.

Park Ridge Health

Henderson County

Continental Automotive Systems Inc.

Wal-Mart Associates Inc

Meritor Inc.

Sierra Nevada Brewing Co.

Current, Powered by GE

UPM-Raflatac Inc.

Carolina Village Inc.

Broad River Rehabilitation

Blue Ridge Community College

City of Hendersonville

Compassionate Home Care

Borgwarner Thermal Systems Inc.

Manual Woodworkers & Weavers Inc.

Kimberly -Clark, Berkeley Mills

Kyocera International

Wilsonart International

# TAXES

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Henderson County	0.561¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation
City of Hendersonville	0.49¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation, + County rate = 1.051¢
Hendersonville Main St.	0.26¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation + City & County = \$1.311
Hendersonville 7th Ave.	0.17¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation + City & County = \$1.221
Town of Laurel Park	0.435¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation + County rate = 0.996¢
Town of Fletcher	0.34¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation + County rate = 0.901¢
Town of Mills River	0.19¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation + County rate = 0.751¢
Village of Flat Rock	0.13¢ per \$100 of assessed valuation + County rate = 0.691¢
North Carolina Sales Tax	6.75% (4.75% State + applicable local rate)
NC Corporate Income Tax	2.5%

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## ROADS

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Interstate 26	0mi.
Interstate 40	10.5mi.
Interstate 85	50mi.
Interstate 81	85mi.

## DEEP WATER PORTS

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Charleston	246mi.
Savannah	276mi.
Wilmington	311mi.

## AIRPORTS

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Asheville Regional (AVL)	0mi.
Greenville/Spartanburg (GSP)	40mi.
Charlotte Douglas Intl	108mi.

# POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION (WITHIN 70 MI RADIUS OF DOWNTOWN)

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INSTITUTION	DISTANCE	TYPE
Wingate University- Hendersonville Campus	0mi.	Graduate
Blue Ridge Community College	4mi.	2-yr public
Mars Hill College-South Asheville	12mi.	Graduate
Western Carolina University- Biltmore Park	15mi.	Graduate
Brevard College	20mi.	4-yr Private
AB Technical Community College	24mi.	2-yr public
Warren Wilson College	25mi.	4-yr Private
Lenoir Rhyne-Asheville	26mi.	Graduate
North Greenville University	26mi.	4-yr private
UNC Asheville	28mi.	4-yr public
Furman University	35mi.	4-yr private
Montreat College	36mi.	4-yr private
University of South Carolina-Upstate	42mi.	4-yr public
Gardner Webb University	54mi.	4-yr private
Clemson University	62mi.	4-yr public
Western Carolina University	66mi.	4-yr public

# HENDERSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## NUMBER OF SCHOOLS

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Elementary Schools	13
Middle Schools	4
High Schools / Early College	6

## 2018 AVERAGE SAT SCORES

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County	1124
North Carolina	1098
United States	1068

## STUDENTS BY NUMBERS

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Annual Enrollment	13,521
Average Class Size	21