

FRANKLIN COUNTY PROFILE

Population	
Population 1990	36,414
Population 2000	47,260
Population 2006	55,886
Population Density 2000	96
Percent Population Change 1990 – 2000	29.8%
Percent White	66.0%
Percent Black	30.0%
Percent American Indian	0.4%
Percent Asian	0.3%
Percent 0 – 17	25.3%
Percent 65 and over	11.0%
Median Age	35.8
Percent Born in NC	72.2%
Income and Poverty	
Median Household Income 2000	\$38,968
Per Capita Income 2000	\$17,562
Population in Poverty 2000	5,790
Poverty Rate 2000	12.6%
Child Poverty Rate	16.1%
Elderly Poverty Rate	16.7%
Percent Receiving Food Stamps	10.6%
Housing	
Percent Unaffordable Housing	16.7%
Percent Substandard Housing	0.2%
Home-ownership Rate	77.8%
Health	
Physicians Per Population	6.6
Infant Mortality Rate	6.8
Percent Uninsured	18.1%
Education	
Students Passing End of Grade Exams	54.3%
White Students Passing End of Grade Exams	68.4%
Black Students Passing End of Grade Exams	35.9%
American Indian Students Passing End of Grade Exams	40.0%
Asian Students Passing End of Grade Exams	55.6%
Hispanic Students Passing End of Grade Exams	48.3%
Per Student Expenditures K-12	\$6,972

Percent with Less Than High School Education	26.4%
Percent with High School Diploma	34.5%
Percent with Bachelor's Degree or Higher	13.2%
Graduation Rate	61.5%
Labor Force and Employment	
Percent Working Age Population	63.7%
Unemployment Rate 2006	4.1%
Female Labor Force Participation Rate	60.0%
Percent Working in Manufacturing	23.2%
Average Wage for Manufacturing	\$45,346
Percent Professionals	25.3%
Percent Working in Production	20.7%
Percent Working in Sales	23.7%
Total Announced Layoffs 2006	19
Agriculture and Natural Resources	
Total Agricultural Receipts	\$46,719,000
Total Farms 2002	574
Percent Family Owned Farms	94.4%
Average Farm Size 2002	223
Tobacco Dependency Ranking	Medium
Other	
Crime Rate	22.3%
Property Tax Rate	\$ 0.79
Ability to Pay	13
Voting Rate	68.9%

Data Source: NC Rural Economic Development Center
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