SOUTHWEST REGIONAL DATA PROFILE

SCHOOL OF GOVERNMENT
ncIMPACT Initiative
Total population of Region = 2,347,519
Economic Mobility
Total Employment Relative to 2005
Population Growth

Source: Carolina Demography
Per Capita Income Weighted for Region
2017 Household Poverty Levels by Race

Households Below Poverty Level by Race

- Hispanic or Latino of Any Race
- Other Race Alone
- American Indian
- Black or African American
- Two or More Races
- Asian
- White

Average
Income Inequality: GINI Index

- **Southwest Region**: 0.45 (2010), 0.47 (2017)
- **North Carolina**: 0.45 (2010), 0.46 (2017)
- **United States**: 0.41 (2010), 0.415 (2017)
Education Systems
Educational Attainment

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Graph showing the number of individuals for different educational attainment levels from 2010 to 2017.
Infrastructure
Average Rent, Weighted

Southwest Region: $929/month

NC: $847/month
Share of Households with Cost Burden, Weighted

29%

North Carolina Cost Burden: 29%
Affordable Housing Units

- Anson County: 3088
- Cabarrus County: 16070
- Cleveland County: 7866
- Gaston County: 8902
- Iredell County: 24651
- Lincoln County: 14645
- Mecklenburg County: 120870
- Rowan County: 21283
- Stanly County: 9237
- Union County: 2388
- 1-bedroom affordable units
- 2-bedroom affordable units
- 3-bedroom affordable units
RESIDENTIAL SEGREGATION INDEXES

by county in the Southwestern Region

The 2019 County Health Rankings used data from 2013-2017 for this measure.

County Health Rankings, data from 2013-2017
Residential Segregation Index
Weighted Average for Region

45.660

Average of Overall in NC: 50.0
73%

Regional Broadband Access

NC: 68%
NC Weighted Uninsured: 19%
Business Competitiveness
Manufacturing Trends in NC: Job Gains 2018-2019

Provided by NC Department of Commerce
Service Industry Trends in NC: Job Gains 2018-2019

Provided by NC Department of Commerce
Minimum Wage in all counties: $7.25/hr
Regional Collaboration
PERCENTAGE OF WORKING RESIDENTS WHO WORK WITHIN COUNTY

by county in the Southwestern Region

Resident workers working within the same respective county
Mean Travel Time to Work

NC Average Commute: 23.6 minutes
Workforce Readiness
Percent of Children who Qualify for Childcare Assistance but Don't Receive it (Age 0-5)
DISCONNECTED YOUTH
by county in the Southwestern Region

Making the Connection: Transportation and Youth Disconnection, using 2017 data
Weighted for Region by total population—Disconnected Youth

12.745%

NC Disconnected Youth: 12%