

Nash County

Nash County has a population of 93,950, an increase of 1.1% over the past decade.

Our communities thrive when we ...



Provide Jobs and Opportunities

There were 2,610 people looking for work compared to 849 job openings.

In the past year, the county's unemployment rate has gone from 6.3% to 5.7%.



Ensure Access to Affordable Housing and Health Services

Rent was unaffordable for 55.6% of renters.

13.1% did not have health insurance.

There are 913 residents for every mental health provider.



Address Structural Barriers to Equality

41.2% of residents are low-income (\$48,600 or less for a family of four).

The richest 5% of households have an average income 26 times greater than the poorest fifth and 6 times the typical household.

... make the investments needed to power prosperity for more people and places in our state.



Poverty and Economic Hardship				
		County	State	Year
Percentage of people living in poverty		16.5%	15.4%	
	Black	26.2%	26.1%	
	White	9.8%	11.5%	2012-
	Latinx	25.9%	31.5%	2010
	Asian	17.2%	12.9%	
	American Indian	0.2%	28.1%	
Child poverty rate		25.1%	21.7%	2016

Jobs and Ability to Afford the Basics				
	County	State	Year	
Jobless worker : Job openings	2,610 : 849	150,919 : 141,253	Jan. 2018	
Unemployment rate	5.7%	4.3%	Dec. 2017	
Change in number of people employed since December 2007	2,604 fewer	422,055 more	2016	
Living Income Standard* wage (1 adult, 2 kids)	\$21.49	\$21.95	2016	
Hourly median wage	\$14.32	\$16.31	2016	
Change in median wage since the recovery began	fell 17 cents	fell 15 cents	2009, 2016	
Median Household Income	\$47,403	\$50,595	2016	

Access to Affordable Housing				
	County	State	Year	
Percentage of people paying more than 30% of income toward rent	55.6%	50.6%	2012- 2016	
Fair market rent for a two-bedroom unit	\$743	\$821	2017	
Two-bedroom housing wage (Number of hours/ week a minimum wage worker would need for a two-bedroom unit)	\$14.29	\$15.79	2017	

Healthy Lives and Communities				
		County	State	Year
Percentage of residents without health insurance		13.1%	13.2%	2012- 2016
Life expectancy		75.9 years	78 years	2014
	Black	74.6 years	75.6 years	2014- 2016
	White	77.1 years	78.8 years	2010
Mental health provider : residents		1:913	1:464	2017

	Educational Attainment				
		County	State	Year	
Graduation rate		84.3%	86.5%		
	Black	81.7%	83.9%		
	White	88.2%	89.3%	2016-	
	Latinx	83.6%	80.5%	2017	
	Asian	85.7%	93.8%		
	American Indian	>95%	84.3%		
Percentage of adults with Bachelor's degrees		19.6%	29%		
Bachelor's degree, men		20.2%	28.2%		
Bachelor's degree, women		18.9%	29.8%	2012-	
Median salary, men with at least a Bachelor's		\$53,519	\$57,765	2010	
Median salary, women with at least a Bachelor's		\$36,010	\$38,851		

Work and Income Supports to Avoid Poverty				
	County	State	Year	
Percentage of residents receiving SNAP	16.7%	13.5%	Dec. 2017	
Number of people eligible for state Earned Income Tax Credit**	11,134	1,204,039	2013	

^{*} The Living Income Standard is a measure of what a family needs in order to cover the basic expenses. ** Lawmakers allowed the state EITC to expire in 2013. *** Insufficient data