

Catawba

WIA Area Profile

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Summary

Population:

Population has increased 25,182 from 2000 to 2005.

Females outnumber males 51.3% to 48.7%.

The largest age group is 25-44 years.

The white population is the majority with 74.6%.

The Hispanic population in this area has increased 70.9% from 2000-2005.

The population is expected to increase 73,680 from 2010-2030.

Labor Force:

The unemployment rate has dropped in the last three years from 8.1% to 7.3%.

Educational Attainment:

High school graduates top the list with 31.2%, followed by less than a high school degree with 25.9%.

Industry Employment:

The top two industries in this area are Trade, Transportation and Utilities, and Manufacturing.

Occupational Employment:

Top five occupations currently are: retail salespersons, cashiers, combined food prep and servers, laborers and materials movers, and office clerks.

Projected Occupations:

The top five occupations with the most openings in 2002-2012 are: cashiers, retail salespersons, combined food prep and servers, waiters and waitresses, and registered nurses.

Occupational Wages:

The average wage for the area is \$15.41, with an entry wage of \$7.66 and an experienced wage of \$19.29.

Per Capita Income:

With a PCI of \$26,750 in 2004, this area is slightly behind the state's PCI of \$27,185.

Population

Catawba Chester Lancaster York

Population				
2000	261,256	34,131	61,404	165,721
2001	265,345	34,064	61,683	169,598
2002	270,218	34,090	62,209	173,919
2003	274,779	33,835	62,656	178,288
2004	280,153	33,567	62,950	183,636
2005	286,438	33,228	63,113	190,097

Gender (from the 2000 Census)				
Male	48.7	48.0	49.5	48.4
Female	51.3	52.0	50.5	51.6

Age (from the 2000 Census)				
0-14 years	56,814	7,624	13,037	36,153
15-24 years	34,932	4,414	7,830	22,688
25-44 years	79,306	9,621	18,562	51,123
45-64 years	60,179	8,092	14,509	37,578
65+ years	28,802	4,317	7,413	17,072

Race (2005)				
White	74.6	60.8	72.0	77.9
Black or African Ame	23.2	38.2	26.9	19.4
All Other	2.2	1.0	1.2	2.7

Hispanic Population				
2000	4,453	255	978	3,220
2005	7,608	305	1,745	5,558
% change	70.9	19.6	78.4	72.6

Projections				
2010	298,500	34,980	64,790	198,730
2015	316,770	35,840	66,830	214,100
2020	335,010	36,690	68,850	229,470
2025	353,260	37,550	70,880	244,830
2030	372,180	38,140	72,710	261,330

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau

Labor Force

2002	Unemployed	Labor Force	Unemp. Rate
Chester	1,604	15,823	10.1
Lancaster	1,987	29,809	6.7
York	5,937	91,176	6.5
Catawba	9,528	136,808	7.0

2003	Unemployed	Labor Force	Unemp. Rate
Chester	1,753	15,868	11.0
Lancaster	2,663	29,729	9.0
York	6,833	93,347	7.3
Catawba	11,249	138,944	8.1

2004	Unemployed	Labor Force	Unemp. Rate
Chester	1,585	15,678	10.1
Lancaster	2,671	29,888	8.9
York	6,752	94,620	7.1
Catawba	11,008	140,186	7.9

2005	Unemployed	Labor Force	Unemp. Rate
Chester	1,540	16,300	9.4
Lancaster	2,570	30,350	8.5
York	6,350	96,920	6.6
Catawba	10,460	143,570	7.3

SOURCE: South Carolina Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information

Educational Attainment (2000)

Catawba County/Area Totals	Chester	Lancaster	York	Area	% of area
	22,043	40,520	105,757	168,320	
Less than HS grad	7,243	12,229	24,065	43,537	25.9
HS grad	7,962	14,447	30,127	52,536	31.2
Some college	3,533	7,058	21,842	32,433	19.3
Associate degree	1,198	2,657	7,610	11,465	6.8
Bachelor's degree or higher	2,107	4,129	22,113	28,349	16.8

SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau

Industry Employment (2005)

INDUSTRY DESCRIPTION	Avg. Emp.	Percent
Total, Private and Government	95,244	100.0
Construction	5,111	5.4
Manufacturing	18,645	19.6
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	19,074	20.0
Information	1,873	2.0
Financial Activities	4,937	5.2
Professional and Business Services	8,681	9.1
Education and Health Services	9,339	9.8
Leisure and Hospitality	9,692	10.2
Other Services (Except Public Administration)	1,912	2.0
All Government	15,015	15.8

SOURCE: South Carolina Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information

Occupational Employment (2005)

Top 25 Occupations Sorted by Percentage of Total Employment

Code	Occupational Title	Employment	% of total emp.
<i>All Occupations</i>		94,760	
412031	Retail Salespersons	2,710	2.9
412011	Cashiers	2,640	2.8
353021	Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food	2,260	2.4
537062	Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand	2,040	2.2
439061	Office Clerks, General	1,970	2.1
512092	Team Assemblers	1,940	2.0
111021	General and Operations Managers	1,670	1.8
436014	Secretaries, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	1,490	1.6
291111	Registered Nurses	1,460	1.5
353031	Waiters and Waitresses	1,460	1.5
372011	Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	1,420	1.5
499042	Maintenance and Repair Workers, General	1,280	1.4
434051	Customer Service Representatives	1,200	1.3
431011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Office and Administrative Support Workers	1,110	1.2
533032	Truck Drivers, Heavy and Tractor-Trailer	1,070	1.1
433031	Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	1,060	1.1
311011	Home Health Aides	1,040	1.1
511011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Production and Operating Workers	990	1.0
435081	Stock Clerks and Order Fillers	940	1.0
537064	Packers and Packagers, Hand	880	0.9
519061	Inspectors, Testers, Sorters, Samplers, and Weighers	860	0.9
411011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	840	0.9
537051	Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	840	0.9
373011	Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	830	0.9
519198	Helpers--Production Workers	810	0.9

SOURCE: South Carolina Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information

Occupational Projections 2002-2012

Ranked by Number of Openings

Occupation Code	Occupation Title	2002 Emp	2012 Emp	# Change	Median Hrly Wage May 05*
00-0000	Total, All Occupations	114,694	132,776	18,082	
41-2011	Cashiers	2,870	4,524	1,654	7.84
41-2031	Retail Salespersons	2,979	4,474	1,495	9.11
35-3021	Combined Food Preparation & Serving Workers, Incl. Fast Food	1,345	2,323	978	6.80
35-3031	Waiters and Waitresses	1,489	2,458	969	6.55
29-1111	Registered Nurses	1,106	1,809	703	24.33
41-1011	First-Line Supervisors/Managers of Retail Sales Workers	1,731	2,353	622	15.07
43-3071	Tellers	395	982	587	10.51
25-2021	Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education	1,212	1,733	521	38,300**
11-1021	General and Operations Managers	2,339	2,772	433	43.21
25-2031	Secondary School Teachers, Exc. Special/Vocational Ed.	912	1,339	427	39,570**

*wages are for Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, NC-SC Metro Area which includes York County and four NC counties.

** Hourly wage rates are not available for occupations where workers typically work fewer than 2,080 hours/year.

SOURCE: South Carolina Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information

Occupational Wages (2005)

Top and Bottom 25 Occupations by Average Wage

Code	Occupational Title	Emp.	Entry	Average	Experienced
	All Occupations		7.66	15.41	19.29

Top 25

Code	Occupational Title	Emp.	Entry	Average	Experienced
291199	Health Diagnosing and Treating Practitioners, All Other	20		87.51	
291069	Physicians and Surgeons, All Other	60		81.18	
111011	Chief Executives	350	35.15	63.71	77.99
291062	Family and General Practitioners	40	41.87	60.07	69.17
291051	Pharmacists	120	39.18	48.77	53.57
231011	Lawyers	160	27.52	44.60	53.15
112021	Marketing Managers	60	21.73	41.18	50.90
112022	Sales Managers	210	19.29	40.52	51.14
119041	Engineering Managers	140	28.55	40.42	46.35
119199	Managers, All Other	70	18.92	38.43	48.18
111021	General and Operations Managers	1,670	20.70	38.10	46.80
113031	Financial Managers	320	22.94	38.08	45.65
112011	Advertising and Promotions Managers	30	13.51	36.60	48.14
113051	Industrial Production Managers	200	25.95	36.20	41.32
113041	Compensation and Benefits Managers	60	22.43	35.56	42.13
291011	Chiropractors	20	20.39	34.93	42.20
113021	Computer and Information Systems Managers	140	22.89	34.85	40.82
172141	Mechanical Engineers	90	24.17	33.86	38.70
113049	Human Resources Managers, All Other	50	22.40	33.64	39.25
151031	Computer Software Engineers, Applications	30	25.50	33.46	37.44
113071	Transportation, Storage, and Distribution Managers	90	20.24	33.20	39.68
291071	Physician Assistants	20	30.86	33.00	34.07
172111	Health & Safety Engineers, Exc. Mining Safety Eng./Inspect.	20	21.73	32.27	37.53
131111	Management Analysts	90	21.23	32.14	37.60
119033	Education Administrators, Postsecondary	110	19.87	32.12	38.24

Bottom 25

434071	File Clerks	180	5.99	8.10	9.15
271023	Floral Designers	40	6.57	8.03	8.76
352015	Cooks, Short Order	360	6.82	8.03	8.64
352012	Cooks, Institution and Cafeteria	250	6.04	8.02	9.02
434081	Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	120	7.49	8.02	8.28
395012	Hairdressers, Hairstylists, and Cosmetologists	170	7.23	8.00	8.38
399021	Personal and Home Care Aides	180	7.53	7.96	8.17
352021	Food Preparation Workers	520	5.94	7.85	8.81
393091	Amusement and Recreation Attendants	340	5.89	7.57	8.41
132082	Tax Preparers	140	6.07	7.56	8.30
516011	Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Workers	60	5.92	7.52	8.32
412011	Cashiers	2,640	5.89	7.36	8.10
353022	Counter Attendants, Cafeteria, Food Concession, & Coffee Shop	170	5.84	7.32	8.06
359031	Hosts and Hostesses, Restaurant, Lounge, and Coffee Shop	260	6.01	7.32	7.97
353021	Combined Food Preparation & Serving Workers, Inc. Fast Food	2,260	5.97	7.18	7.79
353011	Bartenders	140	5.90	7.10	7.69
352011	Cooks, Fast Food	280	5.96	7.05	7.59
434121	Library Assistants, Clerical	20	6.07	6.89	7.30
359021	Dishwashers	450	5.93	6.88	7.36
399032	Recreation Workers	320	6.01	6.83	7.23
399011	Child Care Workers	530	5.90	6.71	7.12
353031	Waiters and Waitresses	1,460	5.90	6.70	7.11
372012	Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners	580	5.85	6.67	7.08
359011	Dining Room and Cafeteria Attendants and Bartender Helpers	180	5.92	6.58	6.90
394021	Funeral Attendants	70	5.79	6.38	6.67

SOURCE: South Carolina Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information

Per Capita Income

Area	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
South Carolina	24,424	24,994	25,361	25,972	27,185

Catawba	23,900	24,367	25,120	25,675	26,750
Chester	19,941	20,836	21,696	22,138	23,415
Lancaster	20,591	20,999	20,929	21,601	22,799
York	25,942	26,301	27,290	27,778	28,714

SOURCE: Regional Economic Information System, Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce