



Alamance County, NC Community Profile

Geography

Alamance County is centrally located in North Carolina linking the Research Triangle Region and the Piedmont Triad Region. This gateway location provides access to North Carolina's most desired amenities. Midway between the Atlantic Coast and the Blue Ridge Mountains, Alamance County covers 428 acres of metropolitan areas, small towns and rural areas.

Labor Force

2008 Annual Average	Alamance County	Alamance Area*
Total Labor Force	69,585	1,398,052
Employed	61,232	1,262,853
Unemployed	8,353	135,199
Unemployment Rate	12%	10%

Labor Availability

Active Job Applicants (May-10)	6,911	110,013
High School Graduates (2008)	1,428	24,727
Laid-off Workers (Announced 2006-09)	3,436	48,022

Major Employers

Company	Employees
Laboratory Corp of America (HQ)	3,300
Alamance-Burlington School System	3,260
Alamance Regional Medical Center	2,300
Elon University	1,290
Alamance County Government	1,100
Wal-Mart Stores Inc. (3 Locations)	1,100
City of Burlington	875
Alamance Community College	600
Honda Power Equipment Mfg	510
GKN Driveline North America	500
Glen Raven	400

Population

	2000	2008	Growth
Alamance County	130,794	146,025	11.6%
Alamance Area*	2,314,912	2,777,793	11.7%

July 2008 Municipal Population

Burlington	50,927	Gibsonville	5,775
Graham	14,865	Green Level	2,467
Mebane	9,848	Haw River	2,052
Elon	7,319	Swepsonville	1,243

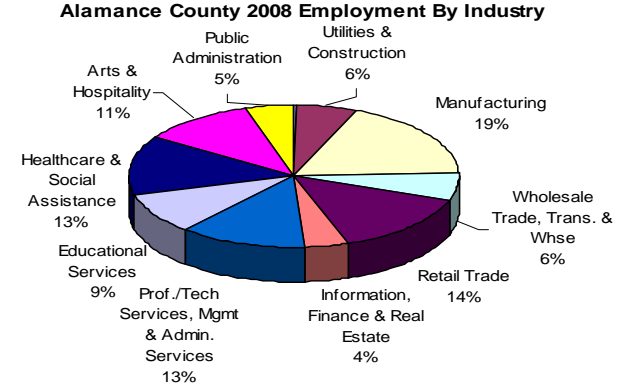
Demographics

	Female	Male
2008 Population	52%	48%
2008 Median Age	39.0	36.6
2008 Median Age of Total Population	37.9	

Income

	2009 Median Household	2009 Per Capita Personal
Alamance County	\$49,088	\$22,164
North Carolina	\$50,465	\$24,499
United States	\$53,684	\$26,485

Employment by Industry



* Alamance Area consists of Alamance, Caswell, Chatham, Davidson, Durham, Forsyth, Guilford, Orange, Person, Randolph, Rockingham & Wake counties

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Transportation

Interstates / Highways

Alamance County has two Interstates 85 (N/S) and 40 (E/W) that run concurrently through the county on 8-lanes. Other major routes include US 70, and NC Routes 49, 54, 62, 87, and 119.

Ports

The modern, deep-water ports of Wilmington, NC, Morehead City, NC and Charleston, SC provide shipping service to Alamance County along with two inland ports located in neighboring Greensboro and Charlotte.

Rail

North Carolina is the hub of an East Coast rail network with 3,600 miles of track throughout the state. Norfolk & Southern Railway and Amtrak provide freight and passenger service respectively to Alamance County.

Education

Alamance County Schools 2009-2010

	# Schools	Ave. # Students
Public Schools	35	22,500
Charter Schools	3	1,162
Private Schools	7	1,269

Higher Education

Alamance County is home to Elon University, a nationally ranked four-year liberal arts college, as well as Alamance Community College (ACC). Elon offers 49 majors including masters-level education for its nearly 5,000 full-time students. ACC has 46 programs of study offering a variety of certificates and associates degrees for its 4,400 full-time students.

22 universities and 10 community colleges are within an hour's drive of Alamance County including numerous prominent schools such as Duke University and UNC. There are a total of 140,700 full-time university students and 53,700 community college students in the area.

Healthcare

Locally, Alamance Regional Medical Center provides excellent healthcare with 238 beds and 1,700 employees in facilities located throughout Alamance County.

Regionally, there are 20 hospitals (over 8,600 beds) in a 45-minute drive, including three world-renowned institutions Duke University Medical Center, UNC Chapel Hill, and Wake Forest/Baptist Medical Center.

Commercial Airports

Alamance County is served by two commercial airports within a 45-minute drive.

Piedmont Triad International (PTI) Ave. Daily Flights - 61
Raleigh Durham International (RDU) Ave. Daily Flights - 270

Daily Non-stop flights to over 40 locations including the two international destinations of London and Toronto.

Air Cargo

Air Cargo service is provided by 10 air cargo carriers. The Piedmont Triad International is the site of a new FedEx Mid-Atlantic sorting hub which opened in 2009.

Local Airport

Burlington-Alamance Regional Airport (BUY) offers a 5,000' lighted, paved runway with ILS, FBO, Rental Car, and Hangers. The runway is currently being extended to 6400' and will be able to manage a plane as large as a 737.

Housing

Alamance County offers a variety of housing including historical, suburban and lakeside homes. According to MLS listings, in 2009, 1,096 houses were listed for sale with an average sale price of \$157,696. The 2008 median house value of existing homes was \$134,300.

Alamance County residential market has slowed with the national economy. 643 single family homes were permitted for new construction in 2008; 388 in 2009.

Taxes

2009-2010 Property Tax Rates

	Per \$100 valuation
Alamance County	\$.52
Burlington (City & County)	\$1.11
Elon (City & County)	\$.96
Graham (City & County)	\$.965
Mebane (City & County)	\$1.02

Sales Tax 2009

State sales tax	4.25%
Local sales tax	2.5%
Local lodging tax	3%

Quality of Life

Alamance County features recreational parks, historic battlefields, arts/entertainment, one of the oldest Dentzel carousels still in operation, and much more.

There is a variety of shopping choices with everything from specialty shops, antique malls and art galleries to malls and outlet stores. A diverse array of dining options exists including fine dining, casual dining, ethnic foods and great North Carolina Barbeque.

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