

Charlotte FAST FACTS



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Population

	2015	2020
City	809,958	1,000,000
County	1,012,539	1.2 mil.
MSA	2.4 mil.	2.6 mil.
100-mile	7.5 mil.	9.5 mil.

Labor Force (July 2015)

County	563,504	5.9% Unemployed
MSA	1,140,719	6.0% Unemployed

Air Travel (2014)

Enplaned Passengers	22.1 million
Enplaned Cargo	63,411 tons

6th most active airport in the nation with more than 700 airline flights daily

Construction (2014)

Residential Units	12,114	\$1.7 billion
Non-Residential Permits	7,503	\$2.3 billion

- Cost of living below the national average
- City, County and State AAA bond rating
- 9,419 new jobs for 2015
- \$15.1 billion in annual retail sales
- 17th largest U.S. city
- 2nd largest banking center (controls more than \$2.2 trillion in assets)

Accolades

- 1st** best place to work for a small business (Wallethub.com May 2015)
- 1st** best big city bargain (Money Magazine, Sept. 2014)
- 1st** best city for high pay and low expenses (Yahoo Finance, March 2014)
- 1st** most competitive large-size airport (Air Transport Research Society, Sept. 2014)
- 1st** most entrepreneurial city (Global Trade Magazine, Dec. 2014)
- 2nd** best city for recent college graduates (Apartments.com, April 2014)
- 2nd** best place for families to live (ZipRealty, July 2014)
- 3rd** best state for business (Forbes, Nov. 2014)
- 3rd** Top Moving Destination (United Van Lines, January 2015)
- 4th** most cost-friendly business location (KPMG, March 2014)



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