



Granville County

SNAPSHOT



2023 Edition

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WHAT IS THE SNAPSHOT?

The *2023 Granville County Snapshot* is a revamped version of the annual *Information and Resource Guide* distributed previously.

Staff members of Granville County and affiliate organizations research, validate and present statistics and information on a regular basis. The *Snapshot* is still intended to serve as a free information and resource guide to all Granville County residents, businesses and visitors.

Information was provided by Granville County Economic Development, Granville County Tourism Development Authority, and Granville County Government. A special thank you to Chip Henderson and his photography of Granville County events.

Other information sources included the Granville County Chamber of Commerce, Kerr-Tar Regional Council of Governments, Vance-Granville Community College, Granville County Public Schools, Granville Medical Center, Granville-Vance Public Health, Tar River Land Conservancy, Town of Butner, City of Creedmoor, City of Oxford, Town of Stem, and Town of Stovall.

Included in the *Snapshot* are featurettes of the five municipal partners, tourism and events, parks and recreation, quality of life and economic development.

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Happy Reading!

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WANT TO LEARN MORE?

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WELCOME TO GRANVILLE COUNTY!

On behalf of the Granville County Board of Commissioners, welcome to our community! We are so glad you are here! Whether you are considering Granville as a new business location or are considering calling Granville home for you and your family, we know that you will find all the comforts and small-town charm of a rural community complemented by easy access to all of the amenities offered by the Triangle metropolitan area.

We believe that Granville County offers a great value for new businesses and residents without the need to sacrifice the services you would expect to find in urban counties. Granville County prides itself on offering convenient access to nearby Research Triangle Park, Raleigh-Durham International Airport, freight railroad lines, major research universities like UNC Chapel Hill, NC State, Duke, and NC Central; but without the need to trade-off a high quality of life and absence of stress.

Locally, Granville County boasts career development training at Vance-Granville Community College as well as excellent K-12 education offered by the Granville County Public School System and local charter schools like Falls Lake Academy and Oxford Preparatory School.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to our staff who along with our Board of Commissioners work tirelessly to make Granville County the best place to start a business or begin a new chapter with your family in North Carolina.

Sincerely,
Russ May
Chair, District 5



Granville County Board of Commissioners

Pictured L to R: Zelodis Jay, Rob Williford, Sue Hinman, Chair Russ May, Vice Chair Tim Karan, Tony Cozart, Jimmy Gooch

MEET OUR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



The Granville County Board of Commissioners generally meets on the first and third Mondays of each month. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. at the Granville County Convention and Expo Center, located at 4185 US Highway 15 South in Oxford.

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"UNIQUELY CAROLINA"



The Granville experience is an alternative. An alternative to what you have. A yin, to the everyday yang. Yet this alternative is not far away, but in your own backyard – just steps away.

Granville County is not just a location, but a place where you can gather, relax, inhale/exhale, create your own space, and also become part of that space.

We are not a destination at which you “arrive” – but a destination in which you insert yourself and interact. Becoming not just a tourist, or guest, but part of a community. A community where quaint gives a nod to eclectic, where small town embraces the heart and soul of hometown, and where rural translates to space to find yourself.



\$50,000,000+

2021 Visitor Spending



\$11,600,000

2021 Total Payroll Generated



275+

Direct Employees of Travel & Tourism



\$1,800,000

Local Taxes Generated from Travel-Generated and Travel-Supported Sales & Property Tax Revenue



Source: *Economic Impact of Travel on North Carolina Counties 2021*



THE 3 W'S: WHAT, WHEN & WHERE

From annual, signature events to recreational attractions, Granville County festivals and events are not just for attending; they are for engaging with and becoming part of our community! With a variety of options in arts and entertainment, food and beverage, recreation and shopping, there is something "Uniquely Carolina" for everyone to do in Granville County! A full list of events and attractions is available on the "Visit Granville" website.



Butner Summer Festival
Central Avenue, Butner



Independence Day Celebration
Lake Holt, Butner



Creedmoor Music Festival
Main Street, Creedmoor



Pottery & Glass Festivals
Cedar Creek Gallery



Masonic Homecoming Festival
Masonic Home, Oxford



Granville Haunt & Christmas Farm
Oxford, NC



NC Hot Sauce Contest & Festival
Main Street, Oxford



Bee Jubilee
Granville County Expo Center

GRANVILLE ATHLETIC PARK



— About — THE GAP

The GAP is open from dawn to dusk year-round. The park is a result of the efforts of many to utilize land donated by the Jonesland Board of Directors and funds earmarked by the Tourism Development Authority to develop a facility that includes both active and passive recreation opportunities for county residents and visitors.

"The Incinerator" 18 - HOLE DISC GOLF COURSE



ADA Inclusive Playground



Music Garden



volleyball courts



tennis courts



soccer fields



baseball fields

sports pavilion • concrete cornhole pads • trails & paved walkways •
amphitheater • picnic shelters • spray park • musical garden • outdoor
fitness center • storywalk • sports pavilion • concrete cornhole pads • trails &
paved walkways • amphitheater • picnic shelters • spray park • musical
garden • outdoor fitness center • storywalk • sports pavilion • concrete
cornhole pads • trails & paved walkways • amphitheater • picnic shelters •
spray park • musical garden • outdoor fitness center • storywalk • sports
pavilion • concrete cornhole pads • trails & paved walkways • amphitheater
• picnic shelters • spray park • musical garden • outdoor fitness center •



THE GAP
GRANVILLE ATHLETIC PARK



GAP Field & Facility Rentals

INSIDE GRANVILLE COUNTY

Town of Butner

Located near the southern end of the county and situated just off I-85, the Town of Butner offers close proximity to the Research Triangle Park. Butner’s rich history, industrial sites, and close-knit community make it an ideal location for residents and visitors.



8,847	3	3	76
Population	I-85 Exits	Recreational Amenities	Businesses
6	\$315,000	2	
Signature Events	Median Home List Price	GCPS Campuses	



DID YOU KNOW?

Butner has a rich military history, serving as a training area for combat troops during World War II, as well as a prisoner-of-war camp.



INSIDE GRANVILLE COUNTY

City of Creedmoor

The City of Creedmoor is known for its family-friendly events and recreational opportunities. US Highway 15 and NC Highway 56 pass directly through Creedmoor and offer easy access to Interstate 85, US Highway 1, Durham, Raleigh, and areas beyond.



5,017

Population

3

I-85 Exits

7

Recreational Amenities

78

Businesses

8

Signature Events

\$389,900

Median Home List Price

4

GCPS Campuses



DID YOU KNOW?

The Cross City Trail offers over three miles of pedestrian paths along major thoroughfares, connecting historic downtown to Lake Rogers.



INSIDE GRANVILLE COUNTY

City of Oxford

Established in 1816 as a center for trade and agriculture, especially tobacco, the City of Oxford is now home to several international manufacturing plants and serves as the county seat of Granville County.

OXFORD



8,775

Population

3

I-85 Exits

5

Recreational Amenities

272

Businesses

9

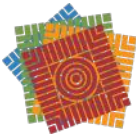
Signature Events

\$299,900

Median Home List Price

5

GCPS Campuses



North Carolina
MAIN STREET
Community



DID YOU KNOW?

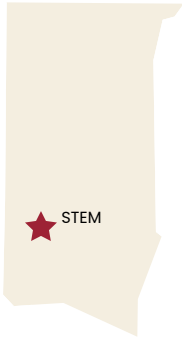
The North Carolina Hot Sauce Contest and Festival is held annually in Historic Downtown Oxford.



INSIDE GRANVILLE COUNTY

Town of Stem

The Town of Stem, located just off I-85, is less than twenty miles from downtown Durham. The town’s rustic charm makes it a popular destination for weddings, fundraisers and special gatherings, as it is home to several established event venues that attract visitors from across the region.



987
Population

1
I-85 Exit

5
Recreational Amenities

88
Businesses

4
Signature Events

\$290,000
Median Home List Price

1
GCPS Campus



DID YOU KNOW?


William Thomas Stem founded the town in 1888 from the “Tally Ho” township.



INSIDE GRANVILLE COUNTY

Town of Stovall

Located in northern Granville County, the Town of Stovall is situated between Oxford and Clarksville, Virginia on US 15, and includes beautiful historic architecture in a quaint rural setting. The future North Granville Senior Center, which will be located in Stovall, is planned for construction in 2024.

STOVALL 



335

Population

1

I-85 Exit

2

Recreational Amenities

23

Businesses

1

Signature Event

\$257,000

Median Home List Price

1

GCPS Campus



DID YOU KNOW?

One of Stovall's most famous residents was John Penn, a member of the Continental Congress and one of three North Carolinians to sign the Declaration of Independence.





PUBLIC SAFETY

The Granville County Sheriff's Office and the community work together through programs such as Crime Stoppers and Neighborhood Watch to keep homes, workplaces and everywhere in between safe. The Sheriff's Office works with municipal law enforcement agencies in Butner, Creedmoor, Oxford, Stem, and Stovall to ensure that the entire county is covered for prompt response to emergencies of all kinds.



A new, more centrally located state-of-the-art Law Enforcement Center opened in 2020 and includes the 911 Emergency Communications Center.



The **Granville County Sheriff's Citizens Academy** began in 2021 and is entering its 3rd year of operation, starting its fourth cohort this fall. The Citizens Academy features classes about law enforcement issues, crime prevention, patrol procedures, and other topics to interested community members. This program facilitates understanding between those served by law enforcement and our Granville County Sheriff's Office.



Municipality Public Safety





HEALTHCARE

For the past 100 years, Granville Health System has been delivering quality healthcare close to home. To meet the growing needs of our community, Granville Health System has expanded its services throughout Granville County, offering convenient access to medical care where you work and live. Granville Health System is dedicated to quality physicians and staff who provide personal attention you and your family deserve.



15

Total Locations

62

Hospital Beds

Strategic Pillars



SERVICE



QUALITY



FINANCE



GROWTH



PEOPLE

Granville County Health System Timeline

First Granville County Hospital opened as The Brantwood Hospital



Becomes County owned and operated



Opens South Granville Medical Center



1920

1938

1973

1980

2004

2020



Opens new health facility: The Granville Hospital



Becomes Granville Medical Center



Celebrates 100 Year Anniversary





EDUCATION: K-12



9

Elementary
Schools

4

Middle
Schools

5

High
Schools

2

Charter
Schools

Granville County Public School System

Elementary Highlights:

- Character Education
- The Arts
- STEAM
- Project-based Learning

Secondary Highlights:

- Engineering
- Robotics
- JROTC
- Industrial Trades

Granville Early College High School

Program Highlights:

- Granville Academy
- High School Diploma
- Two-year Associates Degree
- Hybrid online and in-person learning

Charter School Options

Charter School Options:

- Oxford Preparatory School
- Falls Lake Academy
- K-12
- College-preparatory curriculum

Source: 2018-2023 Granville County Public Schools Strategic Plan



Strategic Priorities



Academic
Success



Health &
Safety



Human Capital
Management



Fiscal
Responsibility



Communication &
Community



VANCE-GRANVILLE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Established in 1969, Vance-Granville Community College offers more than 40 curriculum programs, in which students work toward certificates, diplomas and degrees. Area residents and businesses can take advantage of a variety of Continuing Education opportunities, as well as the High School Equivalency and Adult High School Diploma programs. High school students can also get a step ahead by starting their college education early with VGCC courses.



Graduates for 2022 School Year

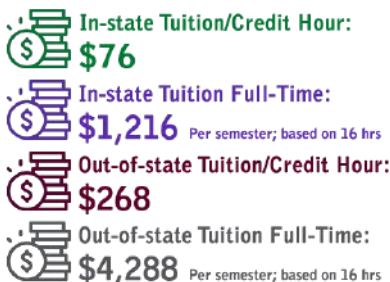


Enrollment Estimates

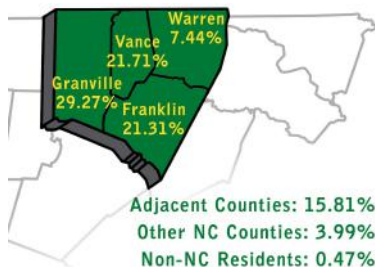
(Summer 2021, Fall 2021, and Spring 2022)



Tuition



Curriculum Students Residence Profile



BY THE NUMBERS

The Granville County Economic Development department regularly updates and reports a collection of demographic, educational and economic projections from North Carolina's 100 counties. Data is provided by the North Carolina Association of County Commissioners, North Carolina Department of Commerce, Esri Inc. and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

\$60,606

Median Household Income

24,609

Total Households

61,861

Total Population

41.4

Median Age of Residents

#14

Ranking in 2021 for highest weekly wages

#22

Projected population ranking by 2042

#20

Ranking in 2020 for households with internet access



58%

White Collar Employment



14%

Service Employment



28%

Blue Collar Employment

1.6%

Population Growth Rate

3.5%

Unemployment Rate

63%

Population Age 18-64

\$48,020

Average Salary

\$958

Average Weekly Wage

22,070

Average Employment

25%

of adults age 25 to 44 currently have a bachelor's degree



62%

of adults age 25 to 44 will have attained a post-secondary degree or credential by 2042



\$330,000

Median Home Sale Price December 2022



217

Building Permits filed in 2021



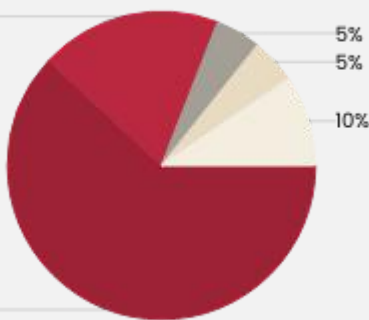
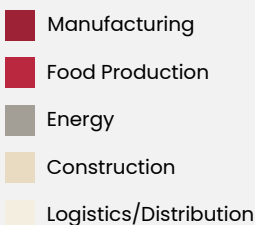
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Home to some of the largest manufacturing plants in the nation, Granville County is known for its welcoming atmosphere, skilled workforce and progressive business environment. With six Interstate-85 exchanges and close proximity to the Research Triangle, Granville County gives companies access to major markets all while maintaining its “Modern-day Mayberry” charm and quality of life.

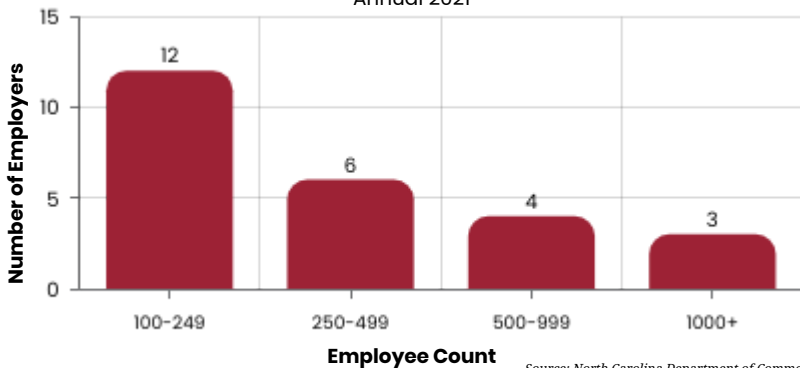
ECONOMIC IMPACT



PROJECT WINS BY INDUSTRY SECTOR



TOP 25 EMPLOYERS Annual 2021



Source: North Carolina Department of Commerce

TRIANGLE NORTH GRANVILLE

Granville County mixes a "make-it-what-you-want" lifestyle with a thriving and innovative ecosystem for business development.

[Triangle North Granville](#) is an industrial and technology park located in one of the most economically competitive locations in the world.

At Triangle North Granville, companies and developers have the option to select their own site. Building locations and specifications can be adjusted to accommodate the needs of individual companies.



Features

- ✓ 500+ acres of developable land
- ✓ 3 miles of Interstate 85 frontage access
- ✓ 30 minutes from Research Triangle Park
- ✓ Located within Opportunity Zone

Utilities

- ✓ Water/Sewer
- ✓ Electric
- ✓ Gas

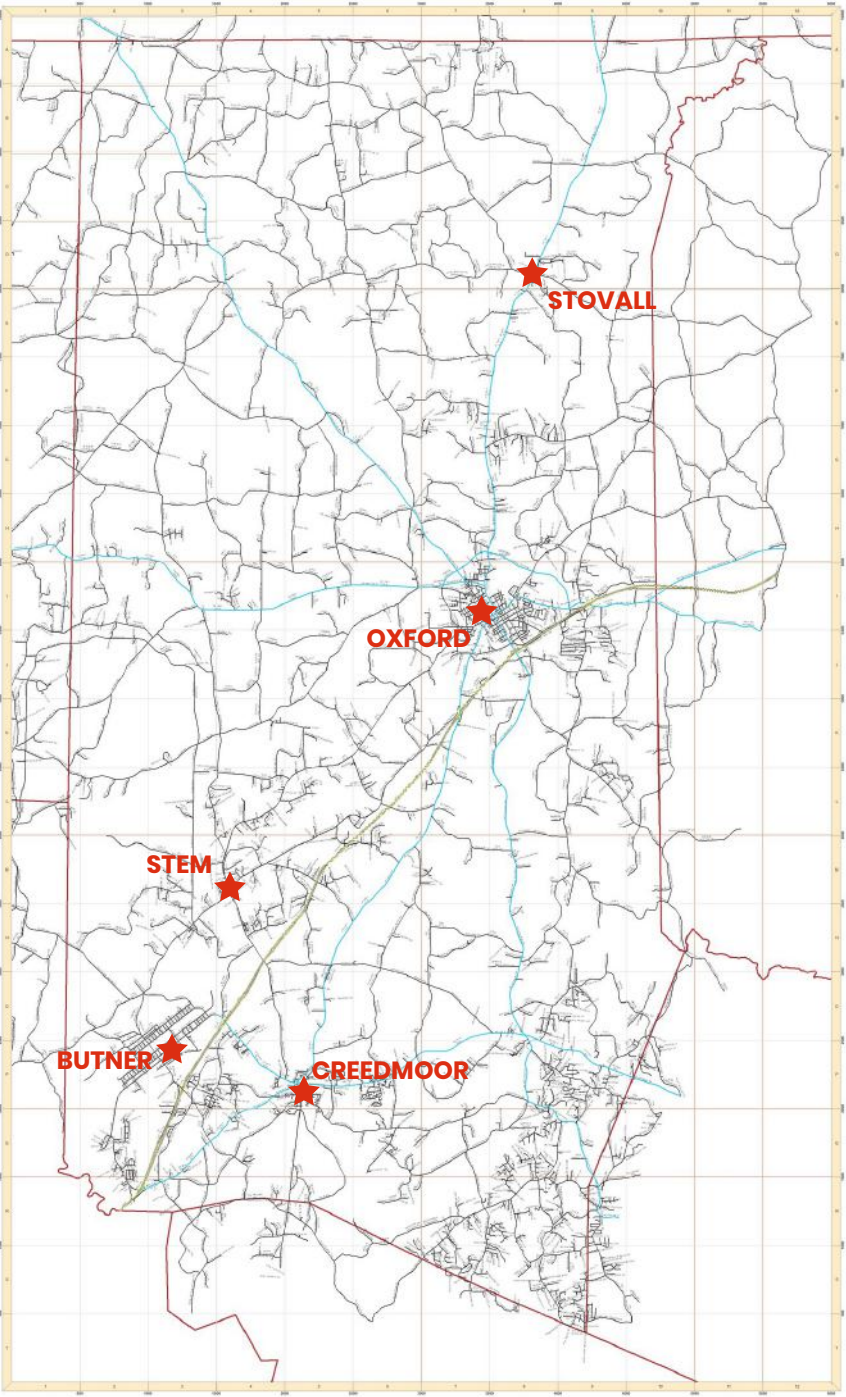
Industries

- ✓ Advanced Manufacturing
- ✓ Food Production & Distribution
- ✓ Professional Services

Logistics

- ✓ 2 miles to I-85
- ✓ 40 minutes to RDU Intl. Airport
- ✓ 3 hours to Norfolk, VA seaport

GRANVILLE COUNTY, NC



HOW TO CONTACT THE COUNTY

All Emergencies

Dial 9-1-1

General Information

919-693-4761

Non-Emergency, After Hours Calls

919-690-0444

Ambulance Services—business calls

919-690-3000

Airport (Henderson-Oxford)

919-693-5769

Animal Control/Animal Shelter

919-693-6749

Board of Elections

919-693-2515

Clerk of Superior Court

919-690-4800

Cooperative Extension Service

919-603-1350

County Commissioners

919-693-4761

County Manager's Office

919-693-5240

Economic Development

919-693-5911

Emergency Management/Fire Marshal

919-603-1310

Facility Rental

919-693-3716

Finance

919-693-4182

Forest Service

919-693-3154

Granville Athletic Park (Parks and Grounds)

919-693-3716

Granville County Historical Society Museum

919-693-9706

Granville Health System

919-690-3000

Granville-Vance Public Health

919-693-2141

Environmental Health

919-693-2688

WIC Program

919-693-1333

Granville County Public Schools

919-693-4613

Human Resources

919-603-1338

Internal Auditing

919-693-9539

Kerr-Tar Council of Governments

252-436-2040

Planning/Inspections

Inspections

919-603-1326

Planning

919-603-1331

Public Information

919-925-3992

Public Libraries

Berea Branch

919-693-1231

Richard H. Thornton, Oxford

919-693-1121

South Branch, Creedmoor

919-528-1752

Stovall Branch

919-693-5722

Register of Deeds

919-693-6314

Senior Services

Main Office, Oxford

919-693-1930

North Granville Center, Stovall

919-693-3383

South Granville Center, Creedmoor

919-528-0848

Sheriff's Office

919-693-3213

Crime Stoppers

919-693-3100

Detention Center

919-693-3717



Social Services (Main office)

919-693-1511

Child Support Services

919-693-1611

Soil and Water Conservation Services

919-693-4603

Solid Waste and Recycling

Butner Material Management Facility

919-575-0498

Oxford Area Landfill

919-603-1354

Tax Department

Collections

919-693-7714

Listing

919-693-4181

Mapping

919-603-1319

Tourism/Chamber of Commerce

919-693-6125

Vance-Granville Community College

Main Campus

252-492-2061

South Campus

919-528-4737

Veterans Services

919-693-1484

