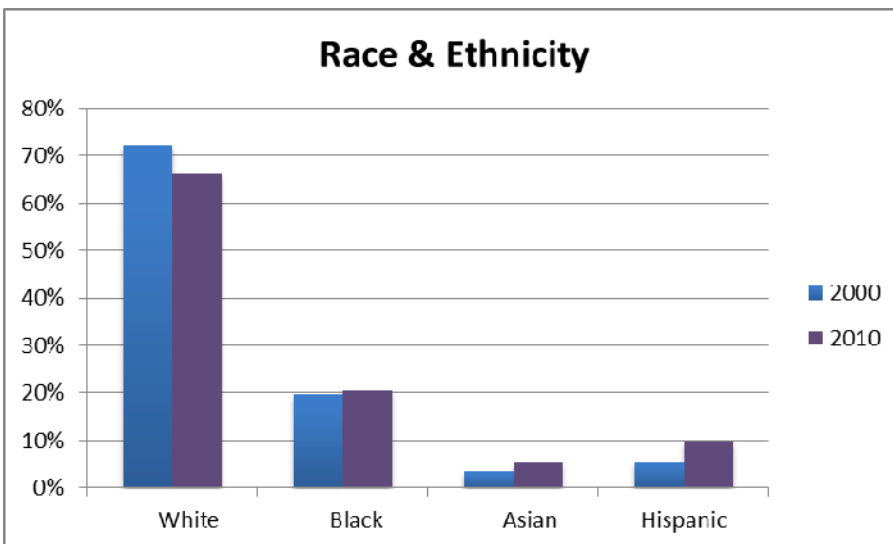
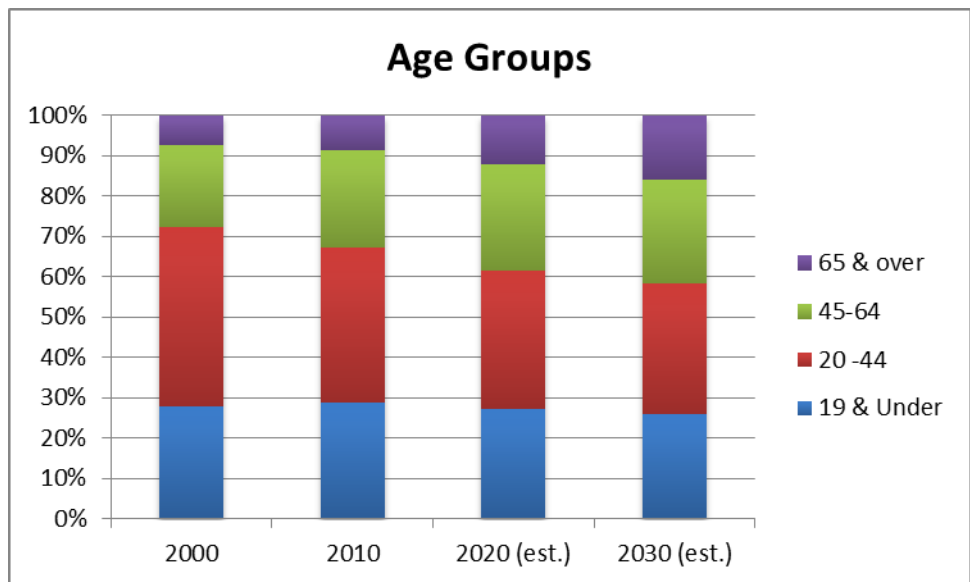
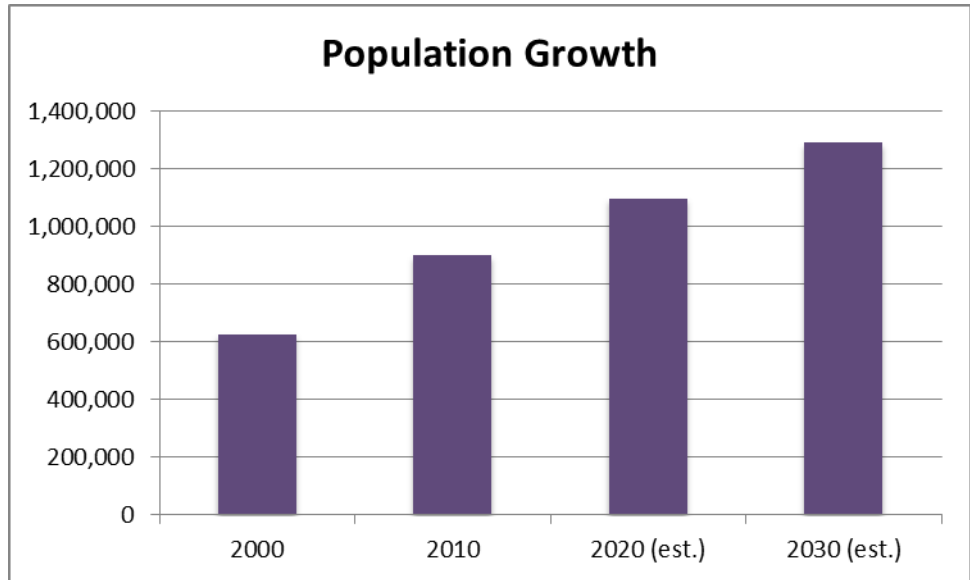


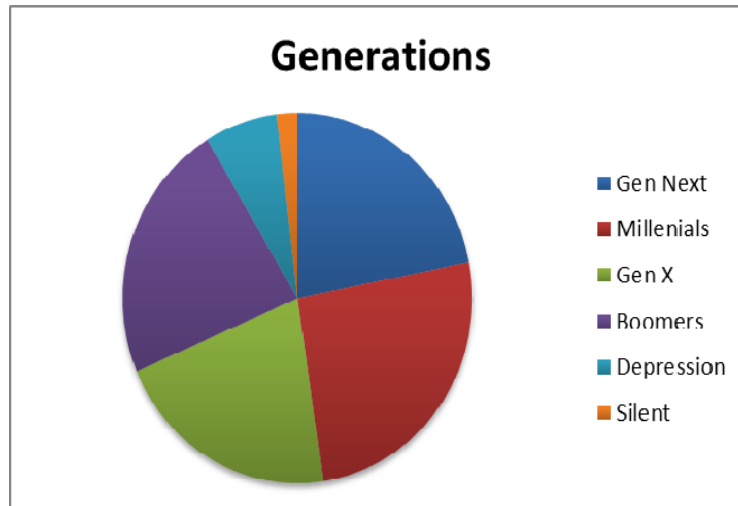
- **835 square miles**—Wake Co. is the largest county in the region by land area.
- **900,993**—Wake Co. is also the largest county in the region by population.
- The county's tax base is **22.7% non-residential**.
- Wake Co.'s population grew by **43.5%** between 2000 and 2010 and is projected to grow by another **43.4%** from 2010-2030.
- Wake Co. was the only county where the percentage of African Americans increased between 2000 (**19.7%**) and 2010 (**20.7%**).



Sources:

- Tax Base: [NC Dept. of Revenue](#)
- Population-US Census & NC State Demographer (estimates)
- Age Groups: US Census & NC State Demographer (estimates)
- Race & Ethnicity: US Census

- **20.9%**—Wake Co. has the largest percentage of Gen Xers of all the region's counties.
- Wake Co. also has the lowest percentage of Silent generation—**1.9%**.
- In Wake Co., Gen Next is **60%** white and the Silent Generation is **79.7%** white.
- Between 2000 and 2010, the murder rate remained the same (.04) in Wake Co., and MV theft went down. All other crime rates went up.



Generation ages:

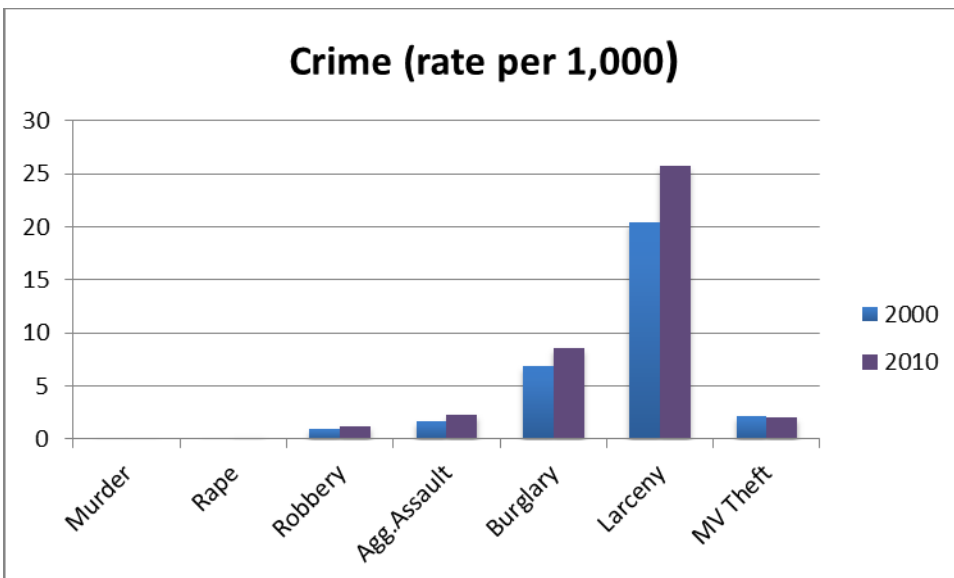
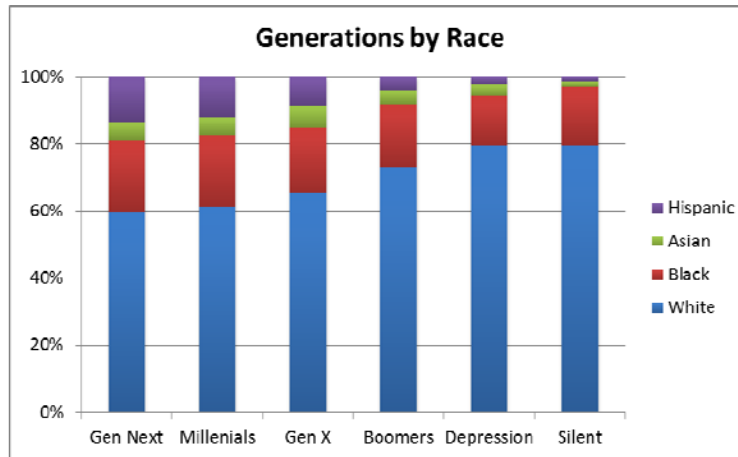
- Gen Next: 0-14
- Millennials: 15-34
- Gen X: 35-44
- Boomers: 45-64
- Depression*: 65-80
- Silent**: 81+

*-Named for those people who were children of the Great Depression (born 1930-1945).

** -Born before 1929.

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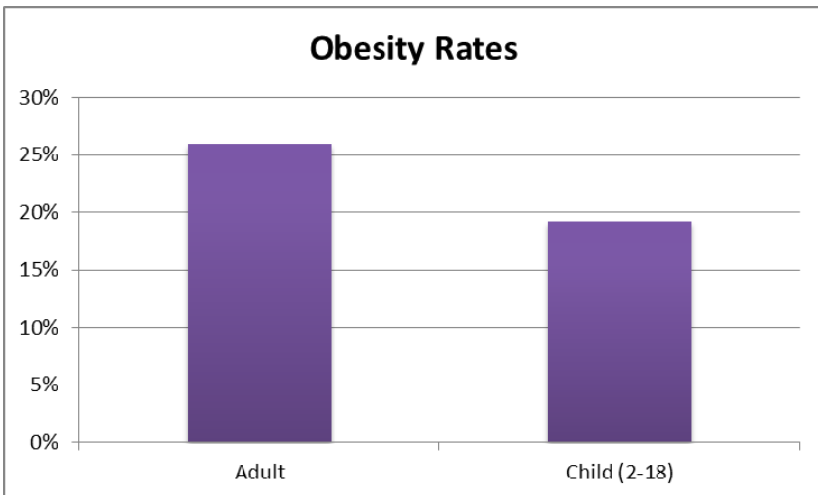
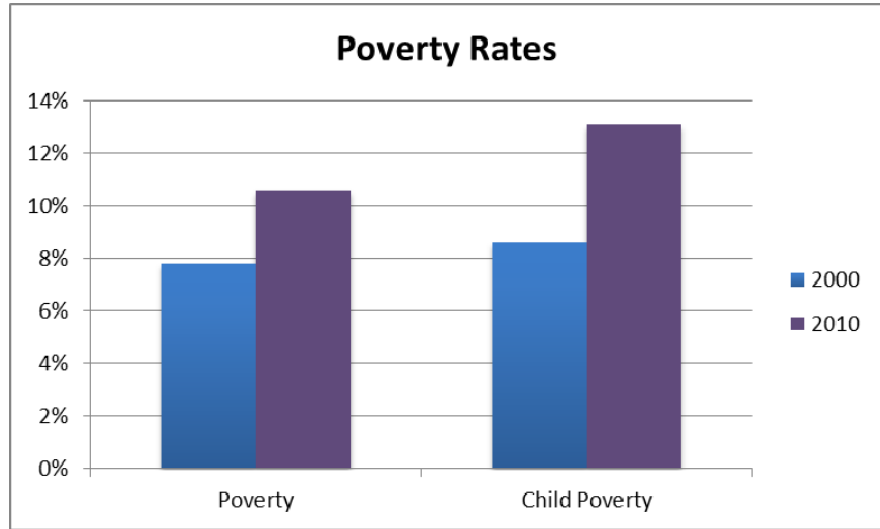
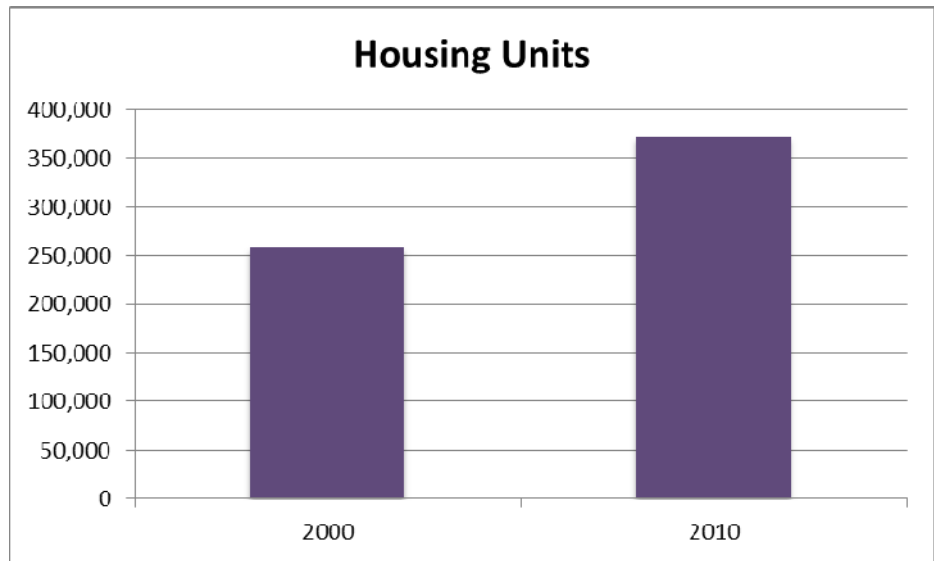
"Generation Y: America's New Housing Wave,"
Urban Land Jan/ Feb 2011, pp. 64-66



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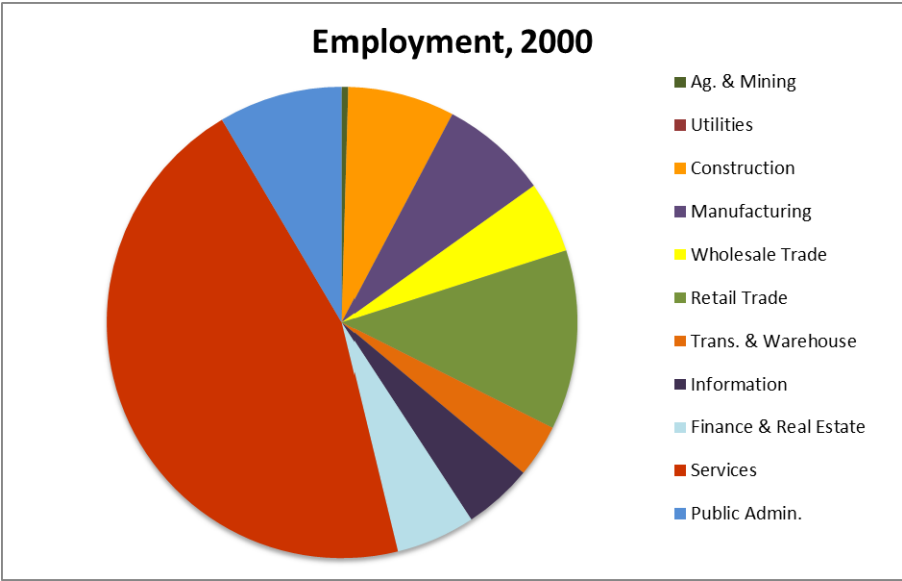
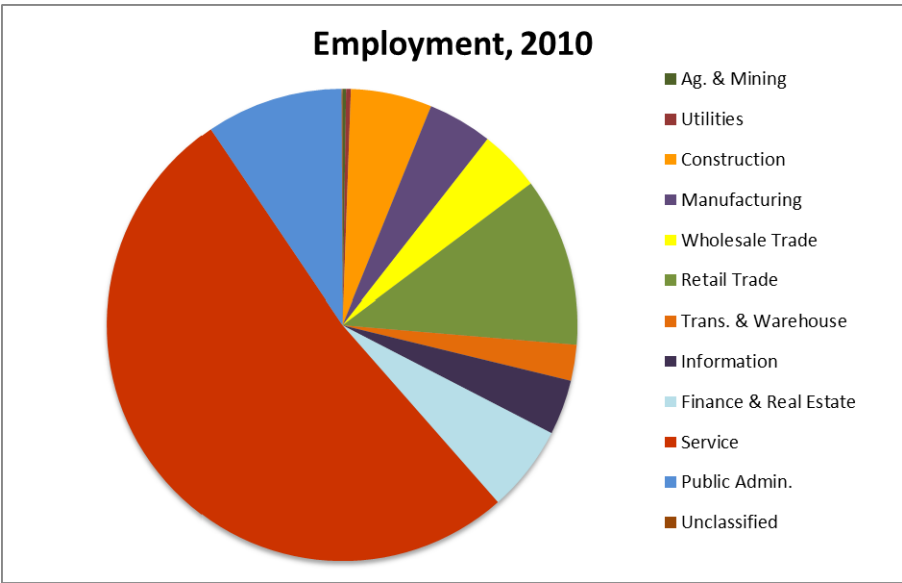
- Generations: US Census
- Crime: [NC Department of Justice](#)

- Wake Co. had the 3rd lowest teenage pregnancy rate of all counties in 2010— **35.1** per 1,000 15-19 year old girls.
- Wake Co. had the largest increase in housing units from 2000 to 2010— **43.6%**.
- Wake Co. has the 3rd lowest adult obesity rate (**26%**) in the region.
- In 2010 Wake Co. had the 2nd lowest percent of people without health insurance— **13.4%**.



- Sources:**
- *Housing Units*: US Census
 - *Teenage Pregnancy*: [APPCNC](#)
 - *Poverty*: US Census
 - *Adult Obesity*: [Centers for Disease Control](#)
 - *Childhood Obesity*: [Eat Smart Move More NC](#)
 - *Non-insured*: US Census

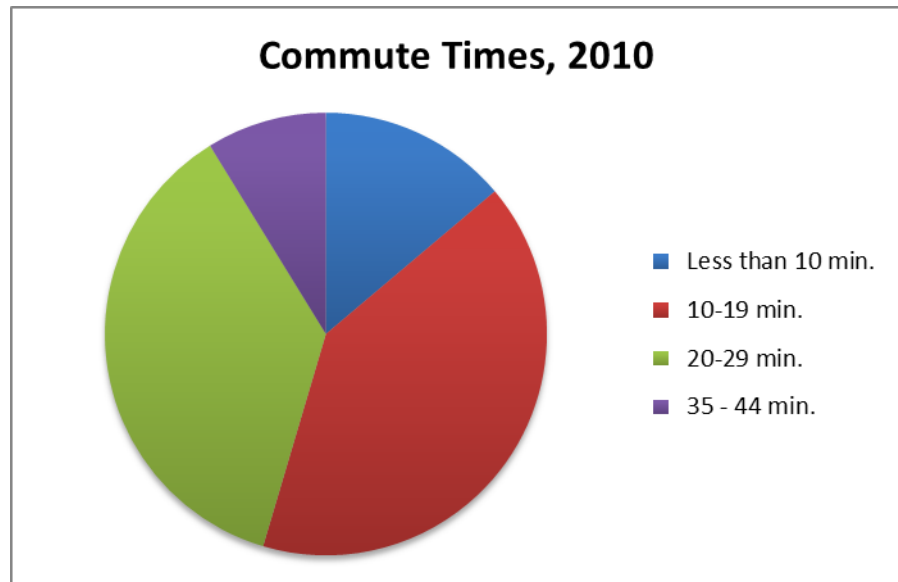
- In Wake Co., public administration and services were the only sectors that increased employment between 2000 and 2010.
- The Wake Co. unemployment rate in 2011 was 8.3%, it was 2.4% in 2000.
- Median household income for Wake Co. in 2010 was \$63,386, up from \$54,988 in 2000. This was the highest income in the region.
- The Wake Co. per capita income in 2010 was \$32,592.



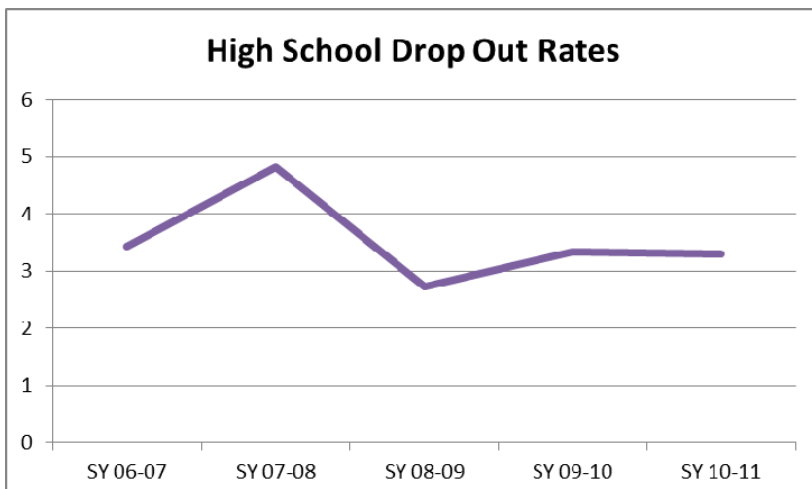
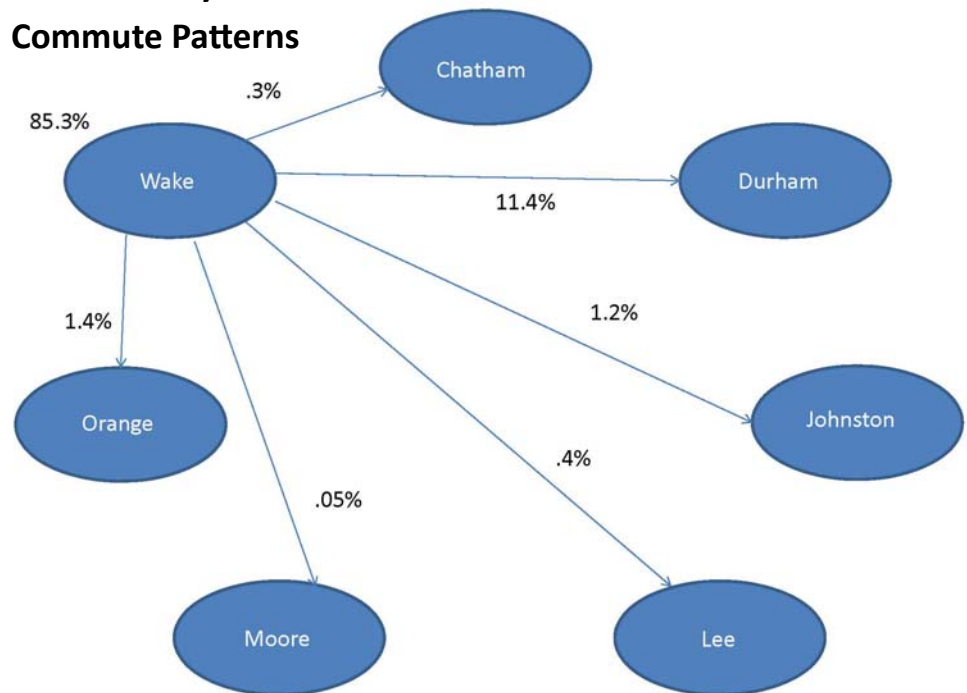
Average Annual Wage		Employment		% of Population receiving food stamps
2000	2010	2000	2010	2010
\$35,412	\$46,800	357,153	425,856	5.2%

- Sources:**
- Employment Sectors: [NC Employment Security Commission](#)
 - Unemployment: [NC Employment Security Commission](#)
 - Median HH Income: US Census
 - Per Capita Income: US Census
 - Food Stamps: US Census

- The average commute time to work in Wake Co. in 2010 was **23.7** minutes.
- **85.3**—the percent of Wake Co. residents who work in Wake Co.
- Wake Co. has **284** family child care homes and **334** child care centers.
- Wake Co. had the lowest dropout rate in SY 06-07 (**3.44**) and SY 08-09 (**2.73**).
- Dropout rates are calculated by dividing the number of dropouts by the total number of students.

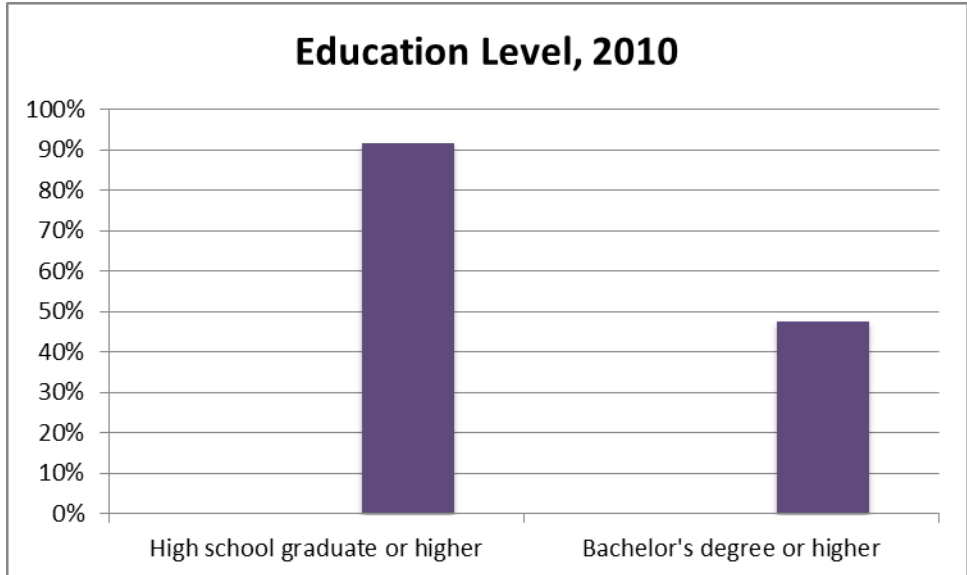
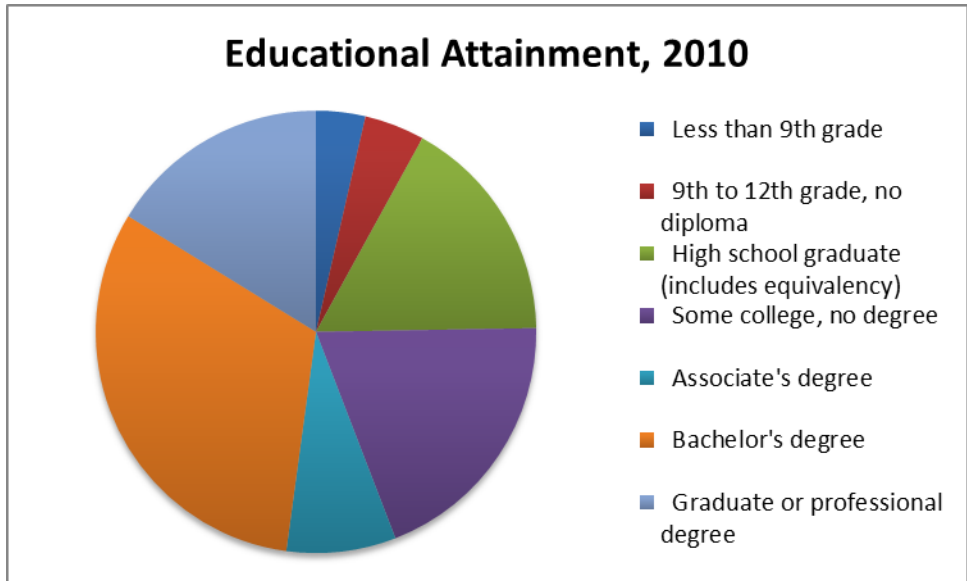


Wake County Residents Commute Patterns



- Sources:**
- *Commute Times*: US Census
 - *High School Drop Out Rates*: [NC Dept. of Public Instruction](#)
 - *Commute Patterns*: CTPP
 - *Child Care Facilities*: [NC Dept. of Child Development and Early Education](#)

- **55.8%** of Wake Co. residents have an Associate's Degree, Bachelor's Degree or Graduate Degree.
- **91.9%** have graduated from high school.
- **65.2%** of 3-4 year olds in Wake Co. were enrolled in Pre-K programs in 2010.
- The number of doctorate degrees among Wake Co. residents grew by **42.3%** between 2000 and 2010, just below the rate of population growth (**43.5%**) for the same period.
- North Carolina State University conferred 499 doctorate degrees in the 2009-2010 school year.



Doctorate Degrees		
	Number	% of Population
2000	8424	2.1%
2010	11991	2.1%

- Sources:**
- *Educational Attainment*: US Census
 - *Doctorate Degrees*: US Census