



North Carolina Statistical Summary for **PRIVATE SCHOOLS**

2024 - 2025

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The Division of Non-Public Education (DNPE) uses the new portal database system to generate the data in this report. To ensure accuracy, DNPE consistently reminded and encouraged schools to complete their Annual Report to update enrollment. Of the 930 schools, 757 completed their annual reports.

As a result of the 2023 Appropriations Act (House Bill 259), all schools are required to complete the Division of Non-Public Education (DNPE)'s annual reporting requirements to remain eligible to receive scholarship funds from the NC State Education Assistance Authority.

Note: While the governing statutes require schools to maintain attendance information, there is no statutory requirement to report the information using the DNPE portal. Accordingly, what follows is the best available information that estimates private school enrollment.

North Carolina Private School Enrollment by Sex 2024-25 School Year

Female students	67,574	49.8%
Male students	68,164	50.2%
Total students	135,738	100.0%

North Carolina Private School Enrollment by Type 2024-25 School Year

Independent	38,529	28.9%
Religious	97,209	71.0%
Total students	135,738	100.0%

North Carolina Private School Numbers by Type 2024-25 School Year

Independent Schools	327	35.1%
Religious Schools	603	64.9%
Total schools	930	100.0%

North Carolina Private School Enrollment by County

2024-25 School Year

Alamance	2787	Franklin	337	Pamlico	294
Alexander	297	Gaston	2805	Pasquotank	794
Alleghany	0	Gates	0	Pender	204
Anson	47	Graham	0	Perquimans	0
Ashe	0	Granville	52	Person	105
Avery	138	Greene	122	Pitt	2555
Beaufort	541	Guilford	7367	Polk	77
Bertie	433	Halifax	555	Randolph	1231
Bladen	169	Harnett	781	Richmond	463
Brunswick	784	Haywood	247	Robeson	513
Buncombe	4022	Henderson	1306	Rockingham	774
Burke	398	Hertford	525	Rowan	1358
Cabarrus	2690	Hoke	207	Rutherford	418
Caldwell	199	Hyde	21	Sampson	1099
Camden	0	Iredell	1739	Scotland	629
Carteret	783	Jackson	202	Stanly	708
Caswell	0	Johnston	1381	Stokes	327
Catawba	1959	Jones	0	Surry	238
Chatham	645	Lee	1337	Swain	73
Cherokee	58	Lenoir	1285	Transylvania	224
Chowan	62	Lincoln	669	Tyrrell	0
Clay	54	Macon	83	Union	3961
Cleveland	346	Madison	184	Vance	665
Columbus	142	Martin	0	Wake	21621
Craven	1635	McDowell	572	Warren	16
Cumberland	6274	Mecklenburg	21882	Washington	0
Currituck	99	Mitchell	68	Watauga	230
Dare	78	Montgomery	85	Wayne	1718
Davidson	1603	Moore	1970	Wilkes	314
Davie	109	Nash	1429	Wilson	1572
Duplin	235	New Hanover	3882	Yadkin	50
Durham	5828	Northampton	198	Yancey	79
Edgecombe	3	Onslow	2354		
Forsyth	6082	Orange	1283		

Statewide Total – 135,738

North Carolina Private School Numbers by County

2024-25 School Year

Alamance	16	Franklin	3	Pamlico	2
Alexander	2	Gaston	13	Pasquotank	8
Alleghany	0	Gates	0	Pender	4
Anson	3	Graham	0	Perquimans	0
Ashe	0	Granville	2	Person	2
Avery	2	Greene	1	Pitt	19
Beaufort	4	Guilford	45	Polk	2
Bertie	2	Halifax	6	Randolph	9
Bladen	3	Harnett	7	Richmond	7
Brunswick	7	Haywood	5	Robeson	11
Buncombe	34	Henderson	16	Rockingham	13
Burke	6	Hertford	4	Rowan	13
Cabarrus	18	Hoke	9	Rutherford	7
Caldwell	2	Hyde	1	Sampson	8
Camden	0	Iredell	17	Scotland	4
Carteret	8	Jackson	3	Stanly	10
Caswell	0	Johnston	8	Stokes	3
Catawba	12	Jones	0	Surry	3
Chatham	9	Lee	4	Swain	2
Cherokee	2	Lenoir	8	Transylvania	5
Chowan	2	Lincoln	6	Tyrrell	0
Clay	1	Macon	3	Union	21
Cleveland	5	Madison	4	Vance	6
Columbus	2	Martin	0	Wake	94
Craven	10	McDowell	4	Warren	1
Cumberland	35	Mecklenburg	105	Washington	0
Currituck	4	Mitchell	2	Watauga	3
Dare	3	Montgomery	3	Wayne	12
Davidson	9	Moore	13	Wilkes	2
Davie	4	Nash	7	Wilson	14
Duplin	8	New Hanover	24	Yadkin	3
Durham	43	Northampton	2	Yancey	3
Edgecombe	2	Onslow	18	Total	930
Forsyth	32	Orange	6		