


YORK COUNTY

Date Formed:	1785	
Land Area (square miles):	682	
Form of Government:	Council-Manager	
Council Members:	7	
Method of Election:	Single Member	
Term Length:	4 yrs.	
Council of Government:	Catawba	
County Seat:	York	
Other Cities and Towns:	Clover, Fort Mill, Hickory Grove, McConnells, Rock Hill, Sharon, Smyrna, Tega Cay	

Population Trends

2020 Census	282,090	2023 Pop. Estimate	298,320
2010 Census	226,073	2020 Pop. Estimate	283,899
2000 Census	164,614	Numeric Change 2020-2023	14,421
Numeric Change 2000-2020	56,017	Percent Change 2020-2023	5.08%
Persons Per Square Mile	413.6		

Economic Data

2023 Jobs	103,923	Avg. Wage Per Job, 2023	\$58,192
2020 Jobs	96,903	Avg. Wage, % of U.S., 2023	80.4%
2010 Jobs	79,250	Per Capita Personal Income, 2022	\$59,987
Percent Change 2020-2023	6.8%	Per Capita Personal Income % of U.S., 2022	90.1
Avg. Ann. Growth Rate, 2010-2020	1.8%	Per Capita Personal Income % of S.C., 2022	110
Avg. Annual % Unemployed, 2023	3.7		

Tax Data

Total Assessed Property, 2022	\$1,782,885,512	Local Sales Tax Rate, if applicable:	
Per Capita Assessed Property, 2022	\$6,320	Local Option	*
County Millage Rate, 2023	0.0745	Capital Projects	1.0%
Value of a County Mil, 2023	\$1,714,194	School District	*
State Accommodations Tax, FY 2022	\$1,873,717	Transportation	*
State Admissions Tax, FY 2022	\$2,536,452	Edu. Capital Improvement	*
		County Green Space	*

County Finance & Employment Data

Total Revenues FY 2022	\$255,357,261	Per Capita Revenues	\$905
Total Expenditures FY 2022	\$224,086,213	Per Capita Expenditures	\$794
General Fund Budget FY 2024	\$148,125,141	Per Capita General Fund Budget	\$525
Total Debt Outstanding FY 2023	\$121,852,159	Per Capita Total Debt FY 2023	\$379
Payroll FY 2024	\$101,198,297	County Credit Ratings:	
Full-Time Employment FY 2024	1198	Fitch FY 2023	*
Full-Time Employment Per 1,000 Residents	4	Moody's FY 2023	Aaa
Part-Time Employment FY 2024	139	S&P FY 2023	AA+

County History

York County and its county seat were named for York County, Pennsylvania. The county was first established in 1785 as part of Camden District. From 1791 to 1800 it was part of Pinckney District, and it became a separate district when Pinckney was dissolved in 1800. Part of the county went to form Cherokee County in 1897. When European settlers arrived, this part of the state was inhabited by the Catawba Indians. The Catawbans signed a treaty with the English in 1763, relinquishing their rights to much of their land. This treaty opened up the area to Scotch-Irish settlers moving down from Pennsylvania and up from the lowcountry. The Catawba Nation is now the only federally-recognized Indian tribe in the state. Two battles were fought in this area during the Revolutionary War, Williamson's Plantation (July 12, 1780) and Kings Mountain (October 7, 1780); the latter battle was a major victory for the Americans. Small-scale cotton farming was prevalent in the county in the nineteenth century, but textile mills became important in the twentieth century, contributing to the growth of the county's largest city, Rock Hill.