

Chatham County Demographics

- Population: 71,427 (2017)
- Urban: 34% / Rural: 66%
- Racial Makeup:
 - 71.6% White
 - 12.7% African American
 - 12.5% Hispanic
 - 3% Other
- Median income: \$59,000
- Percent with at least a bachelor's degree: 36%



“WomenNC's mission is to lead North Carolina's young adults in the elimination of injustice against women and girls. Our vision is to raise a generation that honors women's human rights”

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A Brief Overview of the Status of Women in Chatham County



Indicators of Status of Women



Housing

41% of Chatham renters are cost burdened.

Efforts by the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee and the Chatham County Housing Trust Fund aim to address the need for subsidized housing and new housing developments.

Healthcare

Lack of access to healthcare for women, specifically gynecology and private insurance.

Women receive Medicare benefits at much higher rates than men.

High rates of sexually transmitted diseases for women compared to men.

Childcare

Subsidies given for childcare are not rising at the same rate as child population.

Public and private childcare centers need to stop excluding children who have received subsidies from enrolling with them.

Economics

Wages of men are growing at a faster rate than that of women.

Chatham County has a centralized Human Resources department to ensure fairness in hiring, promotions, and starting wages.

Domestic Violence

Chatham's sole domestic violence agency & emergency shelter shut down last year.

The nonprofit, Second Bloom, and a team of court advocates, the Chatham Family Violence Prevention Services, were established in the wake of the former agency's closure.