In Durham, the per-pupil expenditure in public elementary and secondary schools is **$10,527**, compared to **$9,654** in North Carolina.

### Math Scores

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In Durham, the average grade level performance for 3rd graders on math standardized tests is **2.8**, compared to **3.1** in North Carolina.

### Reading Scores

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In Durham, the average grade level performance for 3rd graders on English Language Arts standardized tests is **3.0**, compared to **3.2** in North Carolina.

### High School Graduation

- **82%** high school graduation rate in Durham, compared to **86.4%** in North Carolina.

### Some College

- **74%** of adults have some post-secondary education in Durham, compared to **67%** in North Carolina.

### Advanced Degree

- **53%** of those age 25 and older have an advanced degree in Durham, compared to **38.1%** in North Carolina.
Percent of Durham County population below the poverty level, by race and ethnicity:

- Asian: 19%
- Black: 20%
- Hispanic/Latino: 31%
- Native American: 16%
- White: 8%

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
Percentage of the population ages 16 and older who are unemployed but seeking work.

- Durham: 3.5%
- North Carolina: 3.9%

MEDIAN INCOME
The income where half of households in a county earn more and half of households earn less. Durham’s median is $59,300 compared to $53,900 for North Carolina.

INCOME INEQUALITY
Ratio of household income at the 80th percentile to income at the 20th percentile. Durham is 4.8, compared to 4.8 for North Carolina as well.

DATA SOURCES