



# Charlotte-Mecklenburg Quality of Life Explorer



The Quality of Life Explorer is an interactive online tool to discover our county and the diverse neighborhoods within it. The Explorer features over 80 variables across nine dimensions of quality of life that reflect you, the places you live and work, and collectively, our community. Check out the website to learn more about what's happening, see trends over time, and connect to resources to take action on the issue that matter to you.

**Learn more. Take action. Create change.** [mcmmap.org/qol](https://mcmmap.org/qol)

## Character

- Age of Residents
- Area
- Population- Older Adult
- Population- Youth
- Population Density
- Race/Ethnicity
- Vacant Land

## Economy

- Commercial Building Age
- Commercial Construction
- Commercial Space
- Employment
- Food and Nutrition Services
- Household Income
- Job Density
- Proximity to Financial Services

## Health

- Age of Death
- Births to Adolescents
- Low Birthweight
- Prenatal Care
- Proximity to a Grocery Store
- Proximity to a Pharmacy
- Proximity to Low-Cost Health Care
- Proximity to Public Outdoor Recreation
- Public Health Insurance

## Safety

- Calls for Animal Control
- Crime- Property
- Crime- Violent
- Disorder-related Calls
- Fire Calls for Service
- Nuisance Violations

## Transportation

- Bicycle Friendliness
- Long Commute
- Proximity to Public Transportation
- Sidewalk Availability
- Street Connectivity
- Transit Ridership

## Engagement

- 311 Requests
- Arts and Culture Participation
- Municipal Board/Committee Participation
- Neighborhood Organizations
- Voter Participation

## Housing

- Home Ownership
- Home Sales Price
- Housing Assistance
- Housing Age
- Housing Code Violations
- Housing Density
- Housing Size
- Rental Costs
- Rental Houses
- Residential Demolitions
- Residential Foreclosures
- Residential New Construction
- Residential Renovation
- Residential Occupancy
- Single-Family Housing

## Environment

- Adopt-a-Stream Participation
- Adopt-a-Street Participation
- Commuters Driving Alone
- Energy Consumption- Electricity
- Energy Consumption- Natural Gas
- Impervious Surface
- Residential Recycling
- Residential Solid Waste
- Residential Solid Waste Diversion
- Tree Canopy
- Water Consumption

## Education

- Education Level- Bachelor's Degree
- Education Level- High School Diploma
- High School Graduation Rate
- Library Card Holders
- Neighborhood School Attendance
- Proximity to Early Care and Education
- Proximity to School-Age Care
- Student Absenteeism
- Test Proficiency- Elementary School
- Test Proficiency- Middle School
- Test Proficiency- High School

The Quality of Life Explorer is developed through a partnership of the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, and the UNC Charlotte Urban Institute. For more information, email [qualityoflife@charlottenc.gov](mailto:qualityoflife@charlottenc.gov).



# Explorer Quick Reference

