

Charleston South Carolina Demographics

Demographics	City	Metro Area	State	Nation
Population	105,961	575,488	4,147,152	290,809,777
Pop. density	990.7	771.2	133.2	79.6
Percent male	47.1%	48.2%	48.5%	49.1%
Percent female	52.9%	51.8%	51.5%	50.9%
Median age	33.2	33.9	36.3	36.5
People per household	2.2	2.9	2.5	2.6
Median household income	\$35,295	\$37,069	\$37,082	\$41,994
Average income per capita	\$22,414	\$16,527	\$18,795	\$21,587

Crime	City	Metro Area	State	Nation
Violent crime risk index	7.0	6.2	5.7	3.0
Property crime risk index	7.0	5.8	4.6	3.2

Housing	City	Metro Area	State	Nation
Median home value	\$197,500	\$130,300	\$114,400	\$170,800
Median age of homes	30.0	18.7	19.9	27.8
Home appreciation	8.0%	8.3%	4.0%	7.7%
Homes - owned	47.4%	64.9%	63.2%	63.4%
Homes - rented	44.2%	21.4%	24.3%	21.7%
Homes - vacant	8.4%	13.7%	12.5%	14.8%
Commuting by bus	3.6%	1.6%	0.8%	2.0%
Commuting by carpool	11.7%	18.4%	14.0%	14.6%
Commuting by auto	73.5%	71.9%	79.5%	71.6%
Working at home	2.7%	2.9%	2.1%	5.6%

Family Facts	City	Metro Area	State	Nation
Currently married	40.0%	51.6%	54.2%	58.3%
Never married	40.2%	29.3%	26.0%	23.8%
Divorced	8.8%	6.4%	9.2%	7.7%
Widowed	7.9%	7.1%	7.3%	7.4%
Separated	3.2%	5.6%	3.3%	2.8%
Married - w/ children	13.7%	30.2%	31.1%	28.5%
Married - no children	22.3%	24.8%	41.9%	31.3%
Single - w/ children	9.5%	14.4%	15.0%	9.3%
Single - no children	8.8%	30.5%	12.0%	30.7%

Education	City	Metro Area	State	National
High school graduates	83.8%	73.8%	76.3%	80.4%
College degree - 2 year	6.4%	8.5%	6.7%	8.2%
College degree - 4 year	23.6%	16.1%	13.5%	14.9%
Graduate degree	13.9%	7.5%	6.9%	7.0%

Expenditures per student	\$5,163	\$4,933	\$5,136	\$5,896
Students per teacher	15.2	15.1	15.0	16.0
Students per librarian	601	617	565	934
Students per guidance counselor	471	617	565	560

Economy	City	Metro Area	State	Nation
Unemployment rate	4.6%	4.3%	6.3%	5.7%
Recent job growth	4.6%	4.6%	2.9%	1.4%
Future job growth	16.4%	4.6%	2.9%	10.5%
Sales tax	6.00%	5.00%	5.64%	5.63%
Income tax	7.00%	7.00%	6.31%	5.02%
Cost of living index	105.4	90.8	86.4	100.0

Health	City	Metro Area	State	Nation
Air quality	28	32	58	48
Watershed quality	50	53	52	54
Physicians per capita	634.2	313.8	121.0	168.5
Health cost index	99.4	98.4	95.9	100.0
Superfund site index	51	69	83	71
UV index	5.1	4.9	4.9	4.3

Climate	City	Metro Area	State	Nation
Altitude	24	42	353	1,058
Rainfall (inches annually)	50.8	51.6	49.0	38.8
Snowfall (inches annually)	0.5	0.5	1.4	24.4
January avg. low temp	39.4	37.6	32.9	21.6
July avg. high temp	91.7	90.7	91.3	86.4
Days of precipitation annually	114	114	112	112
Days mostly sunny annually	209	211	216	205
Comfort index (during hot weather)	31	30	32	44
