

Our Insider's Guide: Popular South Carolina Communities Near Charlotte

SOUTH CAROLINA

Commonly perceived as a reasonably priced living option for Charlotte commuters, Fort Mill and surrounding SC cities have become a popular destination for those looking to escape the commotion of Mecklenburg County without sacrificing their jobs and the convenience of urban life. The explosive new growth taking place in these SC communities has caused residents to embrace everything the state has to offer: nature parks, country clubs, suburban community activities, small businesses opportunities, and more.

LOCATION:

The South Carolina side of the Charlotte Metro area consists of York and Lancaster counties. Within these counties lie the townships of Fort Mill, Tega Cay, Lake Wylie, Rock Hill, Lancaster, and Indian Land.

Indian Land, SC soared to 209% growth, while Lake Wylie had even greater growth at 215%. Tega Cay grew by 103% and Fort Mill by 73% between 2010-2014.

Lower property taxes, lower home prices, and strong school systems are just some of the things that attract new residents to this area of South Carolina. Additionally, there is a charm that comes with being just far enough away from the hustle and bustle of the greater metropolitan area without giving up convenience.



Lake Wylie



Downtown Fort Mill

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ATTRACTIONS:

South Carolina offers ample opportunity for the outdoor enthusiast with a plethora of parks, greenways, lakes, and rivers.

LAKE WYLIE: Lake Wylie is a 12,455 acre man-made lake on the South Carolina/North Carolina border. It is operated by Duke Energy and is known for summer water sports. The lake has 325 miles of shoreline.

ANNE SPRINGS CLOSE GREENWAY: Opened to the community in 1995, the Greenway features 40 miles of trails for hiking, biking and horseback riding, a restored 1940's dairy barn, and a 125-foot suspension bridge.

CAROWINDS: A popular amusement park featuring thrill rides, and entertainment just south of Charlotte with easy access off Interstate 77. The premiere park also features a 20-acre water park, Carolina Harbor, which is included with park admission.

KINGS MOUNTAIN STATE PARK: A popular hiking destination just 45 minutes from Charlotte. Popular for family and dogs with choices ranging from an easy 1.2 mile loop up to a challenging 16 mile loop and camping spots along the way.

THE CATAWBA RIVER PARK: This 70-acre park along the Catawba River features more than three miles of scenic trails, a kayak/canoe launch, an outdoor classroom, picnic tables and a large picnic shelter.

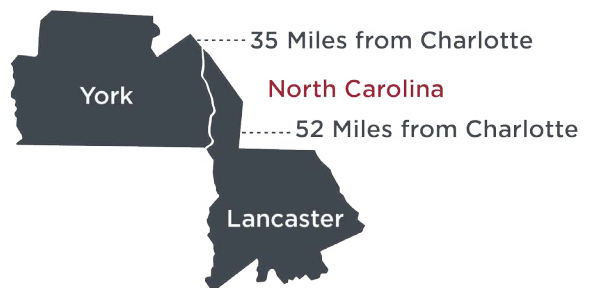
THE PEACH STAND: The Peach Stand in Fort Mill is a popular spot to pick up locally grown produce, gourmet foods and ice cream for the kids.



The Peach Stand, Fort Mill

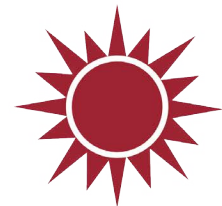
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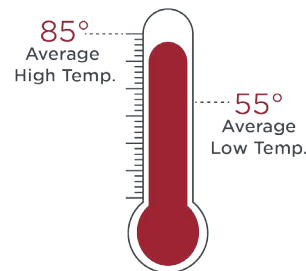
Population

York: 245,346
Lancaster: 83,160



214

Average Number of
Sunny Days



Temperature

(Average Temperature
Between York and
Lancaster County)



Activities

Residents enjoy a
wide variety of activities
such as golfing,
kayaking, & more

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POPULAR DINING:

YORK COUNTY:

ROCK HILL: The Flipside Restaurant, Legal Remedy Brewing, Roasting Company, Burgers & Barley, Millstone Pizza & Taproom, The Dixie Pig, Amélie's French Bakery, Pelican's SnoBalls

FORT MILL: Local Dish, Hobo's, Blacow Burger, Captain Steve's, Fort Mill Family Restaurant, Pasquale's Restaurant & Pub, The Pump House, Gréco Fresh Grille, Grapevine Riverwalk

YORK: The Garden Cafe, Rosita's Mexican Grill, The Cafe on Congress, Italian Garden Restaurant, BackHome BBQ & Grill, Dixie Diner

LANCASTER COUNTY:

LANCASTER: Akina, Cafe Taylor, Charley's Cafe & Catering, Corner Market & Grill, Edwards-Scott House Catering & Cafe, Fox's Pizza Den, Grinders, Gus' Family Restaurant, Herchek's, Hills Sno-Biz of Lancaster, Leigh-Anne's Restaurant, The Whistling Pig



Firethorne Country Club

GOLF COURSES:

FORT MILL:

- SPRINGFIELD GOLF CLUB
- FORT MILL GOLF CLUB

INDIAN LAND

- FIRETHORNE COUNTRY CLUB
- CAROLINA LAKES GOLF CLUB

FORT MILL SUBDIVISIONS:

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| · SPRINGFIELD | · TRINITY RIDGE |
| · WATERSTONE | · EPPINGTON |
| · THE FOREST | · MASSEY |
| · BAXTER VILLAGE | · BRIDGEMILL |
| · RIVERCHASE | · HABERSHAM |
| · WATERSIDE AT THE CATAWBA | · STANTON HEIGHTS |
| · REGENT PARK | · BECKENHAM |
| | · WILDWOOD |

LAKE WYLIE SUBDIVISIONS:

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| · HANDSMILL | · CAROLINA COVES |
| · RIVER HILLS | · SOMERSET AT AUTUMN COVE |
| · MASON'S CROSSING | · THE LANDING |
| · HERON COVE | |



The Pump House, Fort Mill.

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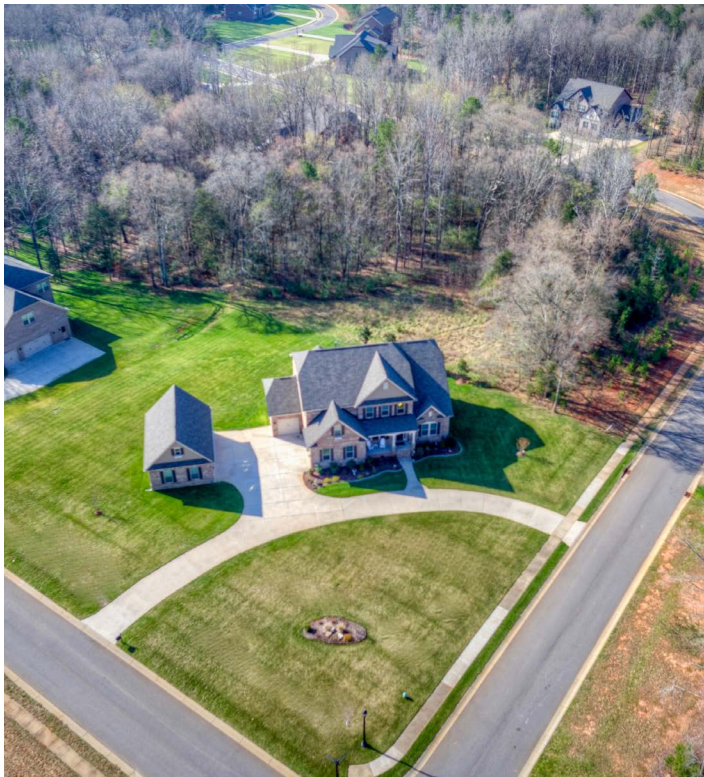
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INDIAN LAND SUBDIVISIONS:

- MILLSTONE CREEK
- TREETOPS
- FIRETHORNE
- FARRINGTON
- LONGBROOKE
- BARBER ROCK
- BRIDGEHAMPTON
- THE RETREAT AT REYFIELD
- ESTATES AT AUDUBON LAKE
- SUN CITY CAROLINA LAKE

TEGA CAY SUBDIVISIONS:

- ANCHORAGE
- SEVEN COVES
- LAKE SHORE
- LAKE FOREST
- LAKE RIDGE
- SERENITY POINT
- CHESTNUT HILL
- THE MANORS AT LAKE RIDGE



Lancashire Drive, Fort Mill



Springfield Swim Clubhouse

SCHOOLS:

YORK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1:

ELEMENTARY: Cotton Belt Elementary, Harold C. Johnson Elementary, Hickory Grove-Sharon Elementary, Hunter Street Elementary, Jefferson Elementary

MIDDLE: York Intermediate School, York Middle School

HIGH: York Comprehensive High, Floyd D. Johnson Tech Center

LANCASTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT:

ELEMENTARY: Brooklyn Springs Elementary, Buford Elementary, Clinton Elementary, Discovery School/GT, Erwin Elementary, Harrisburg Elementary, Heath Springs Elementary, Indian Land Elementary, Kershaw Elementary, McDonald Green Elementary, North Elementary

MIDDLE: A.R. Rucker Middle, Andrew Jackson Middle, Buford Middle, Indian Land Middle, South Middle

HIGH: Andrew Jackson High, Buford High, Indian Land High, Lancaster High

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