Location Composition

Category	County	% of State
2010 Population	25,976	0.27%
2010 Households	11,555	0.31%
2010 Group Quarters	289	0.10%

RACE/ETH	#POP	%POP	LANG.	#POP	%POP
White	24,960	96.09%	English	24,685	95.03%
Hispanic	1,143	4.40%	Spanish	1,193	4.59%
Other race	826	3.18%	German	33	0.13%
Multiracial	75	0.29%	French	17	0.07%
Nat. Amer.	50	0.19%	Japanese	16	0.06%
Asian	36	0.14%	Portuguese	12	0.05%
Black	29	0.11%	Hungarian	7	0.03%
			Persian	7	0.03%

Getting Involved

To learn more about this location, please contact Shirley Sells (ssells@ncbaptist.org).

NOTES:

The Communities Summary identifies the top three types of communities in the county, the number of households, and the percent of the county.

The Lifestyle Summary identifies the top six lifestyle segments in the county, the number of households, percent of the county households, and the percent of households that are unreached.

The numbers in the Evangelscape communicate the most compelling reasons why this community needs churches and believers to intercede in missional prayer and activity.

Churchscape indicators reveal a snapshot of the extent of evangelical presence in the county. The last three items provide the household percent that is "affiliated" with the top religious groups. "Other World Religions" include religions other than Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, and Christianity.

Location Composition: Listed are the total number of people and the total number of households in the county.

Race/Ethnicity gives the population count and percentage of population for each of the race / ethnicity categories. The language section gives the population count age 5 yrs+ that speaks the

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MISSIONAL COUNTY DIGEST

Top County Communities



Notes

Luke 10:2

Jesus told them.

plentiful, but the

workers are few.

send

workers into

harvest field."

harvest is



Households: 5,176 Percent: 44.79%



Households: 3,237 Percent: 28.01%



Households: 1,968 Percent: 17.03%

Country Communities

Land, family and community are central to the day-to-day lives of the people in these farming and mining communities. They work hard to provide a steady, peaceful family life through farming, agriculture, education, mining and service industries. With low levels of education, these primarily white family households earn wages in the lower middle income bracket. Residents live in single-family homes, mobile homes or trailers in rural tracts and neighborhoods.

Working Communities

Most residents of Working Communities are high school educated. Some have even been to college. Their education affords them lower middle incomes through blue collar jobs in manufacturing, construction, health services, retail, wholesale and food service. These jobs provide a stable household economy supporting personal and family pursuits in everyday life. This ethnically diverse mix of single and married homeowners dwells in densely populated areas and small-town suburbs.

Mainstay Communities

The backbone of small towns and second cities, Mainstay Communities are established neighborhoods where residents enjoy strong relational ties. These moderately educated wage earners are employed in well-paying blue collar and professional service jobs. The aging adult population consists of retired American singles and couples. A sense of belonging within the community is a key identity factor for those who live there. Residents go into the city to visit clubs and malls.



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Top Lifestyle Segments



Steadfast Conservatives (69% Unreached)

A guietly aging cluster, Steadfast Conservatives is home to mature singles and couples living in midscale urban neighborhoods. Households tend to be white, high school-educated and middle class. Many have begun to empty-nest or are already filled with couples and singles aged 65 years or older. The seniority of many residents does have benefits in the workplace. They earn middle class incomes from skilled jobs in manufacturing, retail and health.

Households: 2,711 Percent: 23.46%

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Hardy Rural Families

(61% Unreached)

Far beyond the nation's beltways in tiny towns and isolated villages, the households of Hardy Rural Families are thriving. Predominantly white and middle-class, these older Americans have crafted rustic lifestyles in older single-family houses and mobile homes. Most of the households comprise married couples with a single wage earner who are high school educated and have blue-collar jobs in agriculture, construction and transportation. I

Households: 2,097 Percent: 18.15%



Hinterland Families

(41% Unreached)

Hinterland Families is a collection of families and couples who've settled in isolated towns and villages throughout the South. These mostly middle-aged households are overwhelmingly white, less educated (one-fifth never completed high school) and working-class. They work in a variety of blue-collar jobs in manufacturing, construction, transportation and agriculture. Though most live in inexpensive houses, one-third reside in mobile homes.

Households: 1,371 Percent: 11.86%

Evangelscape: Spiritual Indicators

SPIRITUALITY INDICATOR	COUNTY HOUSEHOLDS	COUNTY %
Unreached	7,216	62.45%
Religious but NOT Evangelical	1,403	12.14%
Spiritual but NOT Evangelical	1,481	12.82%
Non-Evangelical but NOT Interested	4,333	37.5%

Needscape: Social Issues

MAJOR SOCIAL ISSUES	#POP	%POP
Adult Poor or Fair Health (as % of Adults yrs 25+)	4,482	23.40%
Adult Obesity (as % of Adults yrs 25+)	4,406	23.00%
Adult High School dropouts (as % of Adults yrs 25+)	3,697	19.30%
Children in Poverty (as % of all children)	1,584	30.20%
Adult Unemployment Rate (as % of Adults yrs 25+)	1,529	12.30%
Household Violent Crime incidents (as % of all hhlds)	107	0.93%
Adult STD Incidents (as % of Adults yrs 25+)	19	0.10%

Note: A "0" means that this particular data item is not available for this county.

Motivescape: Attitudinal Indicators



Approvers Looking for recognition # HH: 8,769

75.89%

% HH:



Looking for relationship

HH: 8,128 % HH: 70.35%



Creators Looking for innovation

HH: 7,318 % HH: 63.33%

Churchscape: Religious Indicators

SPIRITUALITY INDICATOR	COUNTY HOUSEHOLDS	COUNTY %
Active Evangelical HHlds	3,400	29.43%
Evangelical Protestant Heritage	8,710	75.38
Other World Religions Heritage	1,244	10.77
Mainline Protestant Heritage	1,067	9.23