CHARLOTTE REGIONAL BUSINESS ALLIANCE®

ALEXANDER COUNTY

Cities/ Towns: Township of Taylorsville, Hiddenite, Bethlehem, Stony Point

Alexander County, NC, is strategically located just 10 miles north of Interstate 40 and approximately 45 miles from the dynamic City of Charlotte, offering convenient access to major transportation routes. Spanning 260 square miles, the county boasts a rich diversity in its residential demographics, industrial landscape, and natural topography. The local economy thrives on precision manufacturing and agri-business/food systems, contributing to a consistently low unemployment rate. Alexander County offers an exceptional quality of life, from rock climbing and scenic trails in its mountainous northern region to the serene shores of Lake Hickory and the Catawba River, all within an easy drive to the amenities of a large metro.

POPULATION 36,192

EST POPULATION 36,200 (2030)

MEDIAN AGE 43.9

LABOR FORCE 18,173

REGIONAL LABOR FORCE 1,536,696
 (CHARLOTTE REGION)

INCOME

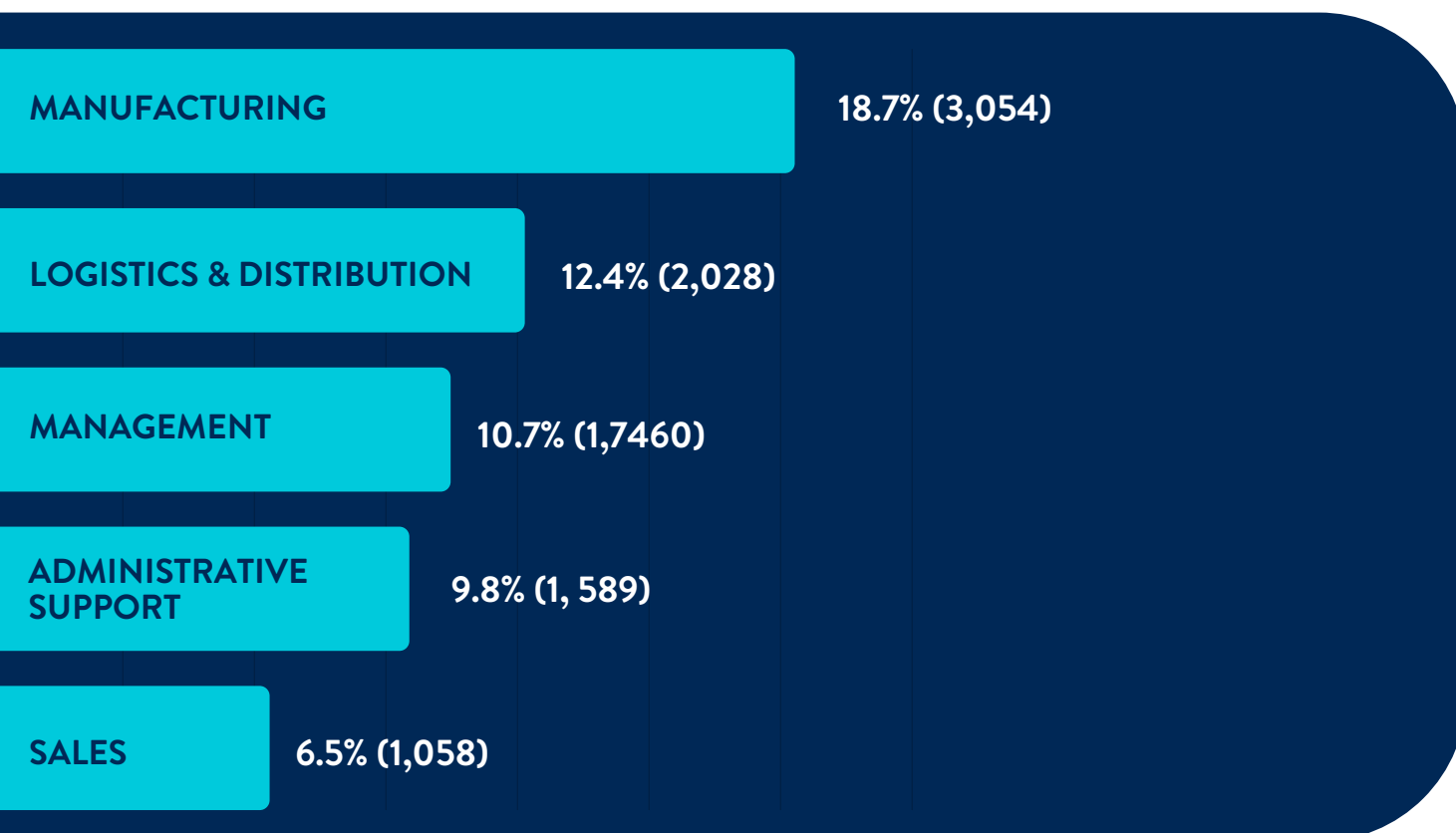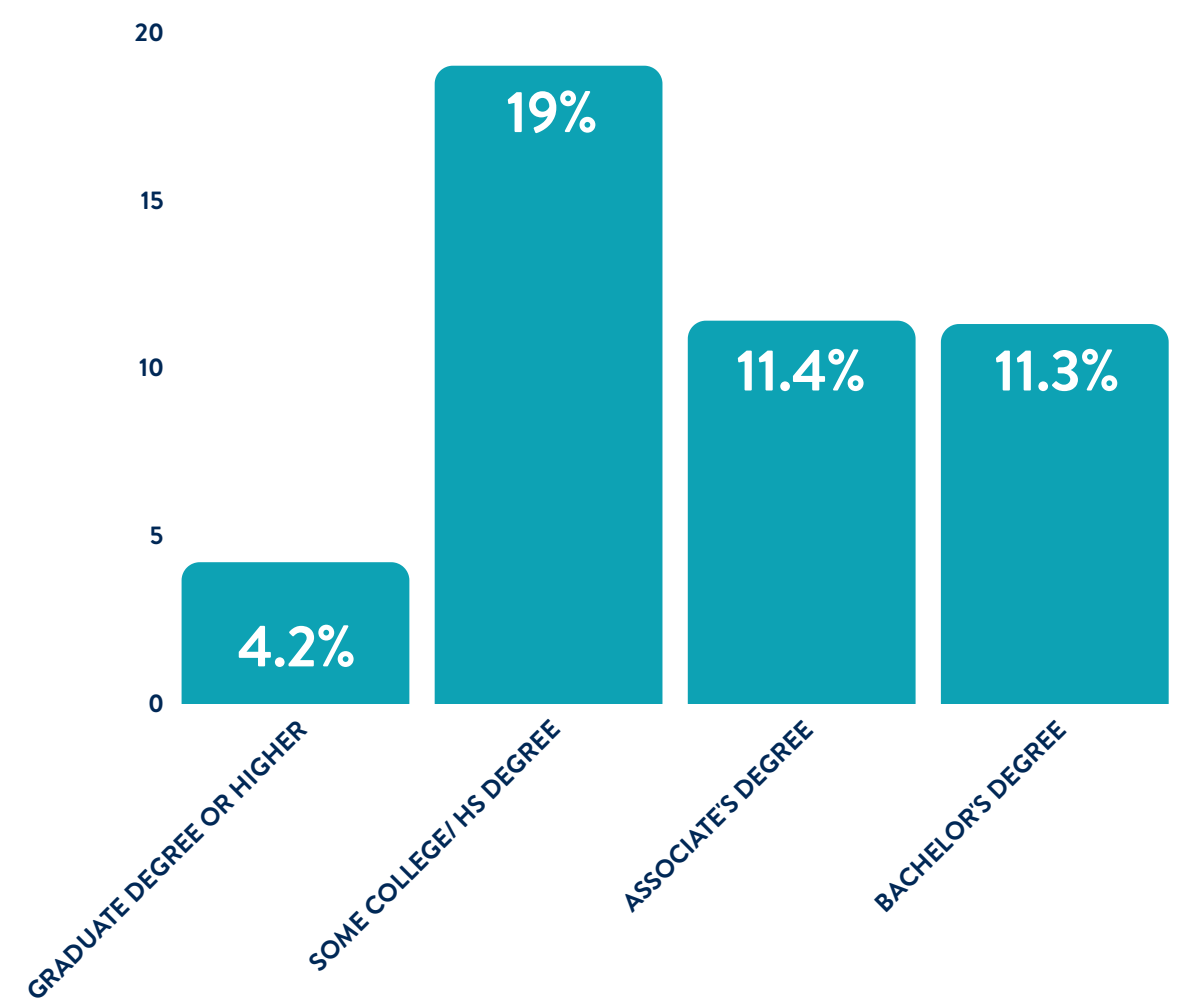| MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME	AVERAGE WAGE
$64,147	18.82/hr

EDUCATION POPULATION AGE 25+

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION RATE 85.30 %
POST SECONDARY DEGREE 45.9%

Bar chart (percentages):
- GRADUATE DEGREE OR HIGHER: 4.2%
- SOME COLLEGE/ HS DEGREE: 19%
- ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE: 11.4%
- BACHELOR'S DEGREE: 11.3%

TOP 5 LARGEST SECTORS BY EMPLOYMENT PERCENTAGES

Sector	Percentage
MANUFACTURING	18.7% (3,054)
LOGISTICS & DISTRIBUTION	12.4% (2,028)
MANAGEMENT	10.7% (1,7460)
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT	9.8% (1, 589)
SALES	6.5% (1,058)

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

HANCOCK & MOORE

CRAFTMASTER FURNITURE

SCHNEIDER AMERICAN QUALITY FROM START TO FINISH

PARAGON FILMS®

Shurtape TECHNOLOGIES

INDUSTRY CLUSTERS

- FURNITURE
- LOGISTICAL SERVICES
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERIVICES
- PLASTICS
- AGRIBUSINESS & FOOD
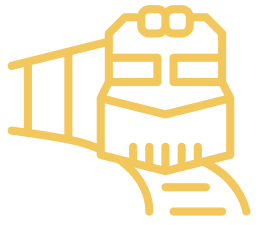- METAL WORKING TECHNOLOGY

TRANSPORTATION/ ACCESS

AVERAGE RESIDENT COMMUTE TIME: 25.7 MINUTES

CLOSEST INTERSTATE HIGHWAY ACCESS: INTERSTATES 77, 16, 85 AND HIGHWAYS 90, 64 , 127

WITHIN A 2-DAY TRUCKING TIME OVER 70% OF THE US POPULATION IS ACCESSIBLE AND 35% IS ACCESSIBLE WITHIN 1-DAY OF TRUCKING

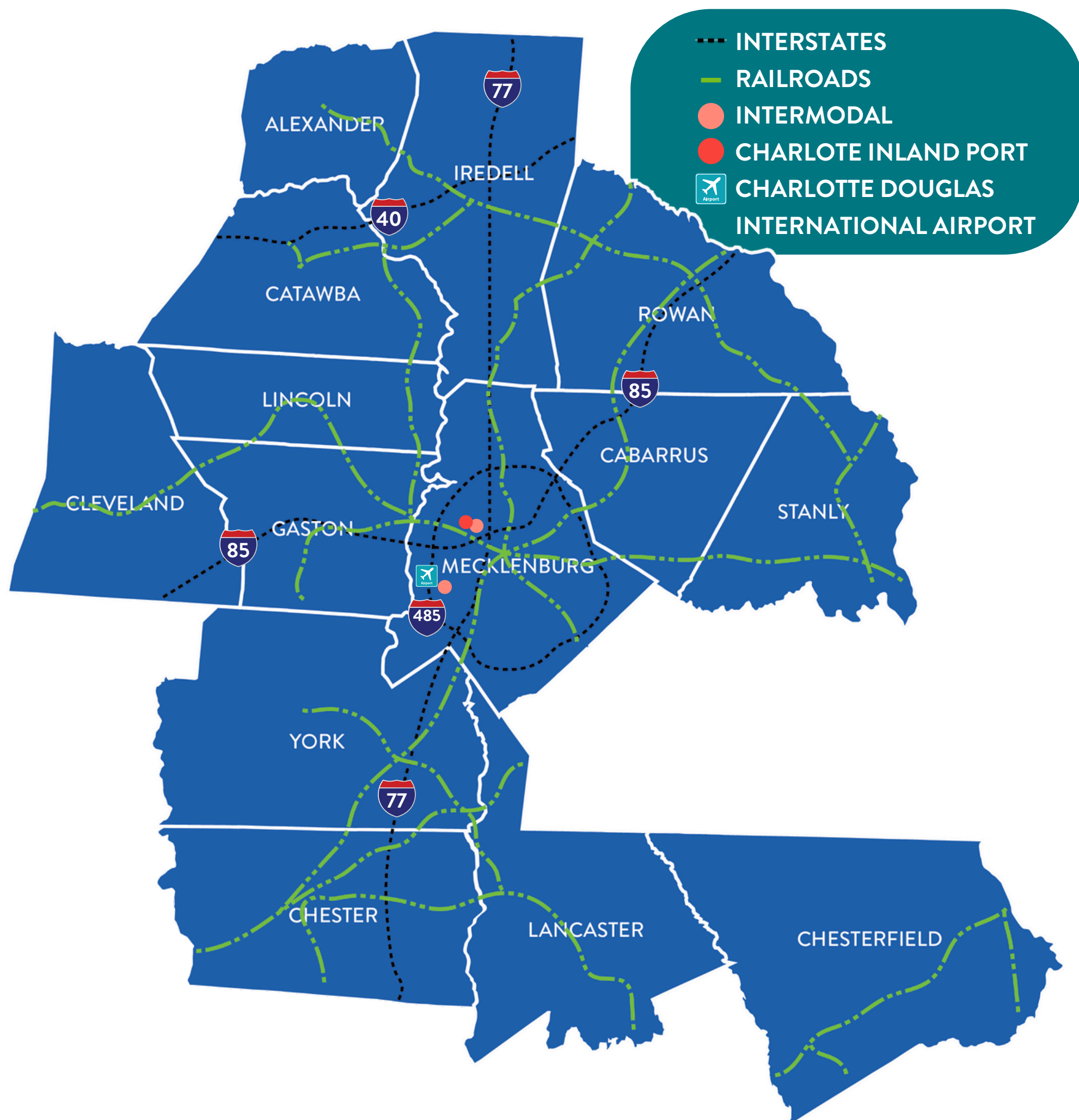**RAIL – ALEXANDER RAILROAD COMPANY SHORT LINE**

PORTS – 3 DEEP-WATER PORTS WITHIN 250 MILES, CHARLOTTE INLAND PORT AND 2 INTERMODAL FACILITIES (CSX AND NORFOLK SOUTHERN)

AIRPORT – 60-70 MINUTES TO CLT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT –7TH BUSIEST AIRPORT IN THE WORLD

LOCAL AIRPORT: HICKORY REGIONAL AIRPORT (25 MILES)
STATESVILLE REGIONAL AIRPORT (35 MILES) – TOP 10 BUSIEST & PERFORMING AIRPORTS IN NC

Map legend:
- ······· INTERSTATES
- — RAILROADS
- ● INTERMODAL
- ● CHARLOTE INLAND PORT
- ✈ CHARLOTTE DOUGLAS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Counties: ALEXANDER, IREDELL, CATAWBA, ROWAN, LINCOLN, CABARRUS, CLEVELAND, GASTON, MECKLENBURG, STANLY, YORK, CHESTER, LANCASTER, CHESTERFIELD

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