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Affordable Best Places In The Carolinas

Fayetteville, NC

Fayetteville, NC has a population of about 172,000 people and is located in Cumberland County, which has a total population of 303,953 people. Although its population is sizable, Fayetteville has been able to maintain the air of a small town, while enjoying the cosmopolitan benefits that are typically found in a larger town. Set in the Cape Fear Valley, southeast of the center of the state, Fayetteville is just to the west of the Cape Fear River. Fayetteville is home to museums, a symphony, a ballet company and a theater company. The median home price in Fayetteville is approximately \$90,000. A home with three bedrooms and one bathroom, on a small lot, sells for approximately \$52,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,400 square feet, sells for approximately \$125,000. The closest airport is Fayetteville Regional-Grannis Field. Fayetteville Regional Airport has limited services from Delta and US Airways.

Sylva, NC

Sylva has a population of 2,450 people and is the county seat of Jackson County, which has a total population of 33,121 people. Just off of the Blue Ridge Parkway, Sylva is a natural playground in the heart of the Pisgah National Forest, surrounded by mountain peaks and valleys filled with cool, clear streams and tumbling waterfalls. Sylva's community mindedness is evident at the child-designed, community-built playground in town. The median house price around Sylva is approximately \$85,000. A single story home with two bedrooms, one bath, and about 1,171 square feet, on a third of an acre, sells for approximately \$60,000. A secluded home, on at least an acre with two bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,500 square feet, sells for approximately \$150,000. The closest airport is an hour away in Asheville, Asheville Regional Airport.

Asheville, NC

Asheville has a population of 69,045 people, making it the largest city in Western North Carolina and in Buncombe County, which has a total population of 212,672 people. It has a beautiful setting in the middle of the Pisgah National Forest, at the spot where the Blue Ridge Mountains meet the Great Smoky Mountains. Combine this setting with a moderate climate and high quality of life, including excellent health-care, senior services, cultural activities and outdoor recreation opportunities, and you have one of the best small cities in the country. The median home price is approximately \$150,000. A home north of the city center, with three bedrooms, one bathroom and around 1,600 square feet, on about a quarter acre, sells for approximately \$100,000. A ranch style home, on an acre of land, with three bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms and about 2,400 square feet, sells for approximately \$230,000. Asheville is home to Asheville Regional Airport, which is the largest airport in Western North Carolina.

New Bern, NC

New Bern has a population of 31,824 people and is located in Craven County, which has a total population of 91,436 people. Situated at the confluence of the Nuese and Trent Rivers, and nestled in between the coast and the Croatan National Forest's 157,000 acres, New Bern is surrounded by beautiful land. You'll be able to wile away the days by spending time on the water, kayaking, water skiing, fishing and sailing, in both fresh and salt water. If you're a land lubber, New Bern has also got you covered. Hike around in the trails of the huge Croatan National Forest. Play eighteen holes at one of the many golf courses. The median home price in the New Bern area is approximately \$85,000. A home with two bedrooms, one bathroom and about 1,000 square feet, on a quarter acre, sells for approximately \$70,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,600 square feet, on a half an acre sells for approximately \$155,000. The closest airport is Craven County Regional Airport with connections running eight times a day to Charlotte.

Monroe, NC

Monroe is the largest city and the county seat of Union County, it has a population of 40,806 people of Union County's total population of 147,986 people. Monroe is located within 40 minutes of the Charlotte metropolitan area. Every week, there is a Farmer's Market that runs from Tuesday through Saturday. Annually, the Union County Writers Club sponsors a festival to recognize local talent. Live arts enthusiasts can enjoy productions from the Union County Symphony and the Union County Players. The median home price is approximately \$100,000. A two bedroom home with one bathroom and approximately 1,200 square feet, on a third of an acre, sells for approximately \$100,000. A home with four bedrooms, two and half baths, with approximately 2,100 square feet, on a half an acre, sells for approximately \$250,000. Charlotte-Douglass International Airport is located thirty-one miles away, and is the best option for commercial flights in and out of the Monroe area.

Mount Airy, NC

Mount Airy has a population of 8,484 people and is located in Surry County, which has a total population of 72,278 people. Famous for being the birthplace of Andy Griffith, Mount Airy is also known as, "Small Town USA". Whether it is the scenic location in the Blue Ridge Mountain foothills, its TV heritage, or the friendly atmosphere where it seems that everyone knows each other, Mount Airy is a place where everyone feels at home. The median housing price in Mount Airy is approximately \$65,000. A home with two bedrooms and one bathroom, on a third of an acre, sells for around \$54,000. A home with five bedrooms, two bathrooms and a view of the mountains, sells for approximately, \$170,000. The closest airport is Piedmont Triad International Airport located an hour and fifteen minutes away, outside of Greensboro.

Lexington, NC

Lexington has a population of 30,000 people and is the county seat of Davidson County, which has a total population of 151,178 people. Lexington is known as the “Hickory Smoked Barbecue Capital of the World”. With over 20 restaurants specializing in barbecue, for a population of only 30,000, the title seems well earned. The countryside surrounding this small city is filled with green, rolling hills. Temperatures stay comfortable through the year, with summer averages hovering around eighty degrees and winter lows in the upper twenties. The median home price in the region is approximately \$85,500. A home with three bedrooms and one a half bathrooms, sells for approximately \$55,000. A home on a country club, with four bedrooms and two and a half bathrooms, on approximately an acre, sells for approximately \$130,000. Lexington residents can choose between Charlotte-Douglas International Airport, which is about sixty miles away, outside of Charlotte, or Piedmont Triad International Airport which is about thirty miles away, outside of Greensboro.

Elizabeth City, NC

Elizabeth City has a population of about 17,500 people, which accounts for almost half of Pasquotank County's total population of 36,071 people. Elizabeth City has received praise from the likes of *Money Magazine*, who named the city one of the best places to live on the Mid-Atlantic Coast in its June 2004 edition. The downtown area of Elizabeth City is thriving with many specialty boutiques, cafes and shops to satisfy even the most demanding consumer. Elizabeth City is also host to a number of colleges, including Elizabeth City State University which has a full-time enrollment of about 2,000 students. The median home value in Elizabeth City is approximately \$90,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,500 square feet, on a little over a tenth of an acre, sells for approximately \$76,000. A home with four bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,600 square feet, on a half an acre, sells for approximately \$160,000. The closest large airport is Norfolk International Airport, which is located about 45 miles away in Norfolk, Virginia.

Boone, NC

Boone has a population of 13,472 people and is located in Watauga County, which has a total population of 42,808 people. Surrounded by the Blue Ridge Mountains, Boone's heart lays in its natural beauty. Boone is a classic, Southern mountain town whose streets are lined with businesses to outfit every outdoor adventure. The town offers many options to relax after you've been out all day, ranging from nice bookstores to pubs, hot tubs, shops and quiet restaurants. The median home price in Boone is approximately \$140,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,700 square feet, on half an acre, sells for approximately \$160,000. A home with four bedrooms, three bathrooms and about 2,300 square feet, on about an acre of land, sells for approximately \$225,000. The best option for flights in and out of the Boone area is Asheville Regional Airport, which is located about eighty miles away and takes connecting flights from a number of national airports including Charlotte.

Salisbury, NC

Salisbury has a population of 26,548 people and is located in Rowan County, which has a total population of 133,465 people. Known as, “The Paris of the Piedmont,” Salisbury isn't the first place you would guess to be an artists haven, but one visit to the downtown filled with historic buildings and galleries proves otherwise. The median home value around Salisbury is approximately \$90,000. A home with three bedrooms, two baths and about 1,600 square feet, on a quarter of an acre, sells for approximately \$90,000. A home with three bedrooms, two and a half baths, and about 3,000 square feet, on three quarters of an acre, sells for approximately \$175,000. Charlotte-Douglas International Airport and the Piedmont Triad International Airport are both about forty-five miles away, outside of Charlotte and Greensboro, respectively.

Apex, NC

A gem in the crown of Wake County, which has a total population of 695,681 people, Apex offers small-town living with a population of only about 25,000 people. Apex is only a twenty minute drive to Raleigh and the benefits of one of the best rated business and professional areas in the country; “The Research Triangle”. Downtown Apex has recently undergone a major street scape renovation project to restore its historic character. Now, it's on the National Register of Historic Places as an authentic example of a turn-of-the-century railroad town. There are many options in the Apex area, from farmhouses to apartments and historic homes. The median home price is approximately \$180,000. A home on an acre of land, with two bedrooms, two bathrooms and 1,100 square feet of living space, sells for approximately \$100,000. A home with three bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms and about 2,000 square feet, on an acre sells for approximately \$200,000. The nearest airport is Raleigh-Durham International Airport, which is about twelve miles away.

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Abbeville, SC

Abbeville has a population of 5,840 people and is the county seat of Abbeville County, which has a total population of 26,381 people. Abbeville is located in the northwest corner of South Carolina, about a half an hour away from the Georgia border. Just north of Sumter National Forest, Abbeville is in one of the most picturesque parts of the state, with forested land broken up by rolling farms, creeks, rivers and lakes. The median home price in Abbeville is approximately \$60,000. A home with two bedrooms and one bathroom sells for approximately \$69,000. A home with three bedrooms and two and a half bathrooms, on one and three quarter acres of land, sells for approximately \$170,000. The best option for flying in and out of the Abbeville area is Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport, located about fifty miles north, in Greer, SC.

Aiken, SC

Aiken has a population of 25,337 people and is the county seat of Aiken County, which has a total population of 146,736 people. Aiken is located near the Georgia border, about fifteen miles east of Augusta, and an hour southwest of Columbia. Named an All-American City, by the National Civic League in 1997, Aiken offers its citizens a picturesque downtown, a complete range of services and is a great place to live for humans and horses alike. The median home price is approximately \$100,000. A home with three bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms, and about 1,400 square feet, on approximately half an acre, sells for approximately \$85,000. A home with four bedrooms, two bathrooms, and about 1,800 square feet, on around an acre, will sell for approximately \$155,000. Augusta Regional Airport at Bush Field is the closest airport, twenty-one miles away in Augusta, Georgia.

Anderson, SC

Anderson has a population of 25,514 people and is the county seat of Anderson County which has a total population of 171,510 people. Located in the northwest corner of the state, Anderson is about fifteen minutes east of the Georgia border and fifteen minutes south of Interstate 85. Although it has a healthy economy of its own, Anderson's proximity to Greenville is a great incentive for commuters. Residents of Anderson typically pay about \$30,000 less for similar homes and enjoy lower taxes than people living in Greenville. The median home price is around \$88,000. A home with two bedrooms and one bathroom, on half an acre sells for approximately \$65,000. A home with four bedrooms and two bathrooms, on about an acre of land, sells for approximately \$165,000. Greenville-Spartanburg Airport is about forty miles away in Greenville and is the best option for flying in and out of the Anderson area.

Georgetown, SC

A small coastal town, Georgetown has a population of 8,940 people and serves as the county seat of Georgetown County, which has a total population of 58,924 people. Georgetown is South Carolina's third oldest city and has been ranked among America's top 100 small towns by travel writer Norman Crampton. The rich history of Georgetown is evident as you walk through the five-by-eight block area that was set-up as the town center in 1729. The area now makes up Georgetown's National Register Historic District consisting of over 50 separate sites. The town revolves around Front Street, made up of stores with distinctive merchandise, sidewalk cafes and restaurants. The median home price in Georgetown is approximately \$75,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,400 square feet sells for approximately \$65,000. A home with four bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms and about 2,200 square feet sells for approximately \$135,000. The closest airport is Myrtle Beach International Airport, located about fifty minutes up the coast.

Summerville, SC

Known as the, "Flowertown in the Pines," Summerville has a population of 27,752 people and is located in Dorchester County, which has a total population of 104,168 people. Summerville has earned its reputation as, "Flowertown in the Pines," due to its proliferation of public and private azalea gardens and beautiful pine trees that were historically reputed to be a treatment for lung diseases. Located just thirty minutes north of Charleston along route I-26, Summerville is an excellent location for enjoying the benefits of a larger city, while still having a quality of life befitting that of a small town. The median home price is approximately \$90,000. A home with three bedrooms, one bathroom and about 1,000 square feet, on a quarter acre, sells for approximately \$80,000. A home with four bedrooms, three bathrooms and about 2,000 square feet, on a quarter acre of land, sells for approximately \$210,000. Charleston International Airport is the closest airport and is a half an hour away in Charleston.

Walterboro, SC

Walterboro is a small town with a population of 5,153 people in Colleton County, which has a total population of 39,173. A quiet stop along I-95, Walterboro is located inland in between Beaufort and Charleston, both are about an hour away. Walterboro is a town that has grown steadily through the years and looks poised to continue to do so, as people all over search for a peaceful and quiet retreat that feels like home. Downtown Walterboro is an active place where friends can be seen meeting and chatting on the sidewalks or at local spots such as Hiott's Pharmacy. With a rich history, Walterboro shows strides in moving ahead as steadily as it has progressed in the past. The median home price in Walterboro is approximately \$74,000. A home with two bedrooms, one bathroom and about 1,000 square feet of living space on a half an acre, sells for approximately \$67,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 2,000 square feet, on an acre of land sells for approximately \$130,000. Walterboro's closest airport is Charleston International Airport, which is about an hour and fifteen minutes away.

Batesburg-Leesville, SC

Batesburg-Leesville is a small suburban community outside of the Columbia metro area with a population of about 5,517 people in the city, and 9,000 people in the immediate area. Batesburg-Leesville is located in Lexington County, which has a total population of 226,528 people, and is surrounded by many rural areas. Batesburg-Leesville is surrounded by many other great towns and cities. An hour to the north is the cultural center of Newberry, forty minutes to the south, you have the equestrian capital of Aiken and the beautiful city of Augusta, Georgia only a few miles further down the road. Heading forty-five minutes east, you'll run into Columbia, SC, the state capital with great business, entertainment, cultural and athletic options available. The median home price in Batesburg-Leesville is approximately \$70,000. A home with three bedrooms, one bathroom and about 950 square feet, on less than a quarter acre sells for approximately \$60,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,500 square feet, on a half acre sells for approximately \$140,000. The closest airport is Columbia Metropolitan Airport which is about forty-five minutes away in Columbia.

Orangeburg, SC

Orangeburg has a population of 12,765, and is located in Orangeburg County, which has a total population of 91,028 people. Located just off Interstate 26, Orangeburg is in a great position to access two of South Carolina's key metropolitan areas. Columbia is fifty minutes away, and the port city of Charleston is an hour and twenty minutes away. The proximity to these two areas, as well as being twenty minutes from I-95, has attracted business interests to Orangeburg in the form of new industrial parks. National recognition came to the area when Orangeburg won the honor of being a 2005 "All-American City." The median home price in Orangeburg is approximately \$70,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,700 square feet, on about a quarter acre, sells for approximately \$70,000. A home with three bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms and about 2,500 square feet, on a half an acre, sells for approximately \$155,000. The closest airport is Columbia Metropolitan which is located 35 miles away in Columbia.

Rock Hill, SC

Rock Hill has a population of around 70,000 people and is the largest city in York County, which has a population of around 178,000 people. Although it is the fifth largest city in the state, Rock Hill has been careful in preserving the architecture of many of its older buildings to ensure its historical character is maintained. The downtown streets are quaint, lined by street lights and covered by awnings providing shade on hot days. The median home price in Rock Hill is approximately \$100,000. A home with three bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 1,000 square feet, on a quarter acre, sells for approximately \$70,000. A home with four bedrooms, two bathrooms and about 2,600 square feet, on a half an acre, sells for approximately \$175,000. The closest airport to Rock Hill is Charlotte-Douglas International located twenty miles north in Charlotte.

Newberry, SC

Newberry has a population of 10,542 people and is the county seat of Newberry County, which has a total population of 36,108 people, spread out over 400,000 acres. Newberry County is full of sprawling farmlands, flowing rivers and forested land. The Broad and Saluda Rivers border Newberry, and Sumter National Forest is immediately to the north. As it enjoys a small town life, Newberry also has a respectable downtown with most everything you'll need on a daily basis. If you can't find what you're looking for in the immediate area, Newberry is less than an hour from the metropolitan centers of Columbia and Greenville-Spartanburg. The median home price in Newberry is approximately \$65,000. A home with two bedrooms, one bathroom and about 1,300 square feet, on a half an acre sells for approximately \$75,000. A home with four bedrooms, three bathrooms and about 2,500 square feet, on a half an acre sells for approximately \$230,000. The closest airport is Columbia Metropolitan Airport which is about forty-two miles away in Columbia.

Greenville, SC

Greenville has a population of about 56,000 people and is located in Greenville County, which has a total population of about 395,000 people. One of South Carolina's top cities, Greenville is located just south of the North Carolina, in a great place for work and play. Business and city amenities are offered in Greenville and forty minutes away in Spartanburg. Greenville is located in the Boom Belt, in between Charlotte, NC, an hour and forty-five minutes away, and Atlanta, GA, two and a half hours away, taking its position as a key economic contributor in the region. The median home price in Greenville is approximately \$110,000. A home with three bedrooms and one bathroom, on approximately a quarter acre sells for approximately \$75,000. A home with four bedrooms and three bathrooms, on approximately a half an acre sells for approximately \$175,000. The Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport is the best bet for air travel around Greenville.

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