Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC — #1 of 10: Construction Establishments

Charlotte leads NC in construction establishments

Based on 2022 data, ALEX Intelligence 2026

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7,279

Construction Establishments (2022)

Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia ranks #1 among 15 North Carolina metros.

This figure reflects the depth and density of active construction firms, signaling sustained investment across residential, commercial, and industrial sectors. The number is not just high — it's nearly double the second-place metro, Raleigh-Cary, suggesting a structural advantage in labor, supply chains, and regulatory stability.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, County Business Patterns 2022, NAICS 23 (Construction) · ALEX Intelligence computation
https://alex-companies.com/data/2026-11-07-charlotte-istand-23-msa

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Construction density fuels long-term resilience

This density also supports job creation beyond the trades. Every construction establishment sustains a network of suppliers, architects, engineers, and inspectors — creating a self-reinforcing ecosystem that absorbs shocks and scales with demand.

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A new benchmark for regional economic health

The implication is clear: Charlotte isn’t just building homes — it’s building the foundation for sustained regional prosperity. Future growth won’t just follow demand; it will be enabled by the very machinery of construction already in place.

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