

PITTSBORO, NC Land Use Plan

Map 2: Regional Context



THE PIEDMONT CRESCENT

The Piedmont Crescent of NC forms the economic core of the state, the rapidly developing megalopolis along the I-85 corridor links communities formed along an Indian Trading Path established long before European contact. The region has experienced sustained population and economic growth since the late 19th century and is now the 4th largest manufacturing region in the country as well as an international center of finance and banking.

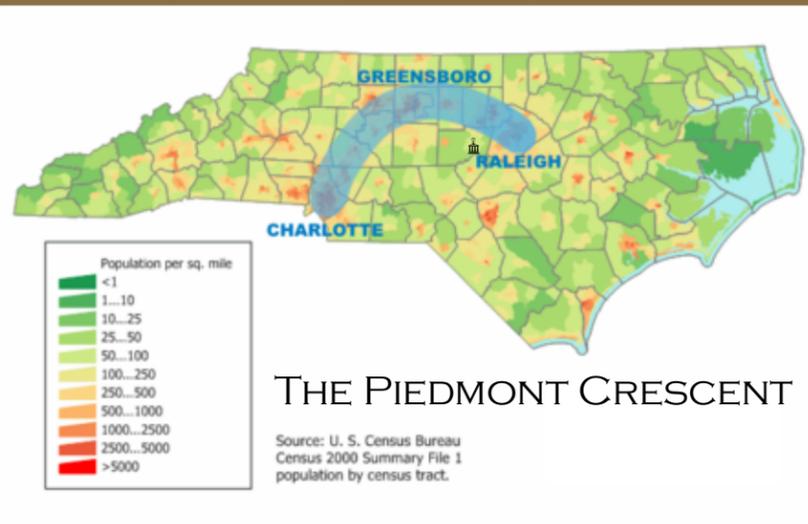
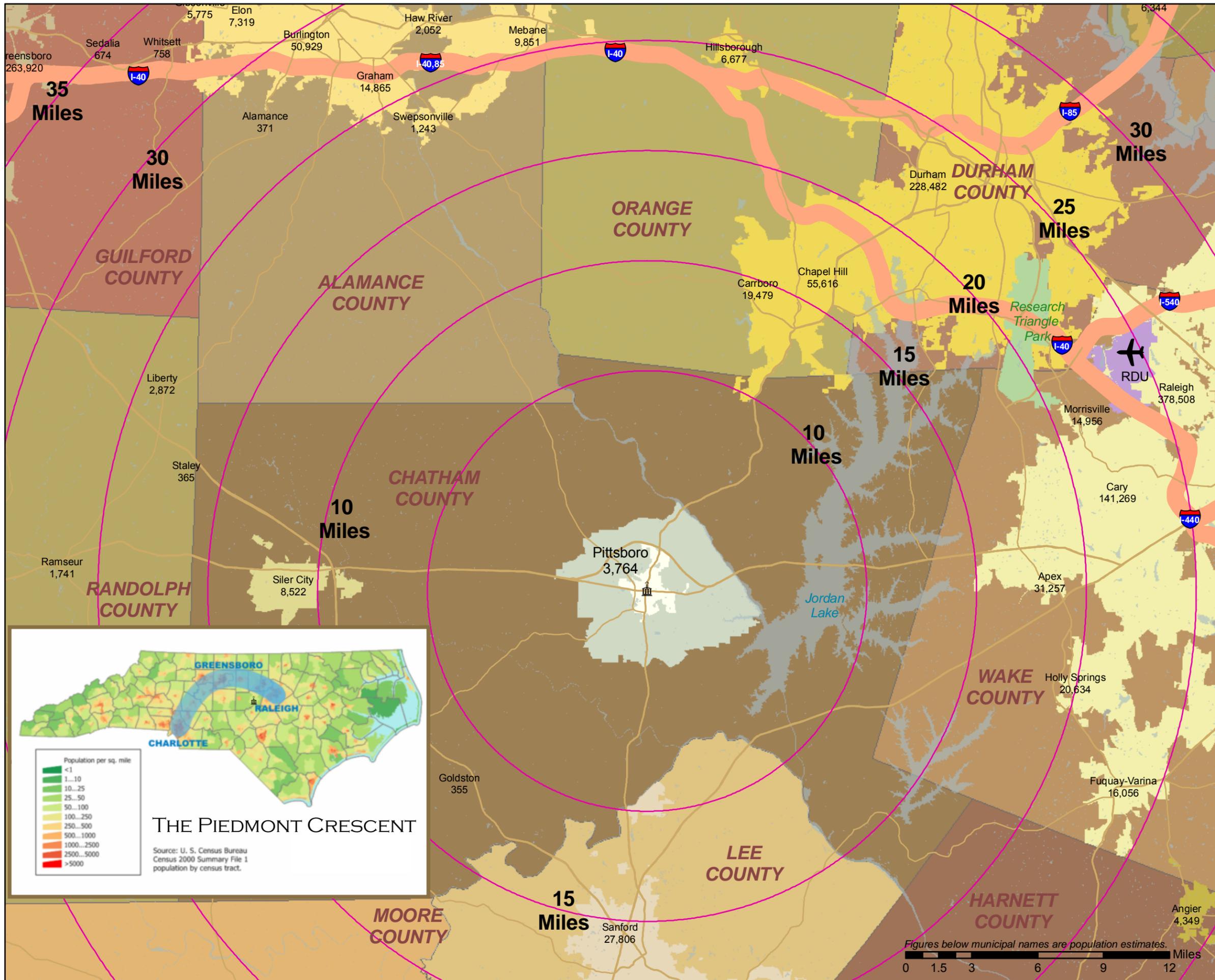
NC's 8 largest cities as well as 9 major universities and three international airports are located along this corridor which contains over 63% of the state's population.

The Piedmont Crescent name is thought to have been coined when the NC Railroad company laid tracks through the area in 1855-56. The "Piedmont Crescent Railroad", brought extensive growth to the communities along its route. The rail corridor is still critical, but I-85 and I-40 serve as the primary transportation link. -Wikipedia

Pittsboro is impacted greatly by the growth of this corridor, particularly by the Triangle region, for which it increasingly serves as a bedroom community. Projections are for migration to continue to fuel the steady growth of NC's metro areas.

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TOWN OF PITTSBORO



Figures below municipal names are population estimates.
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