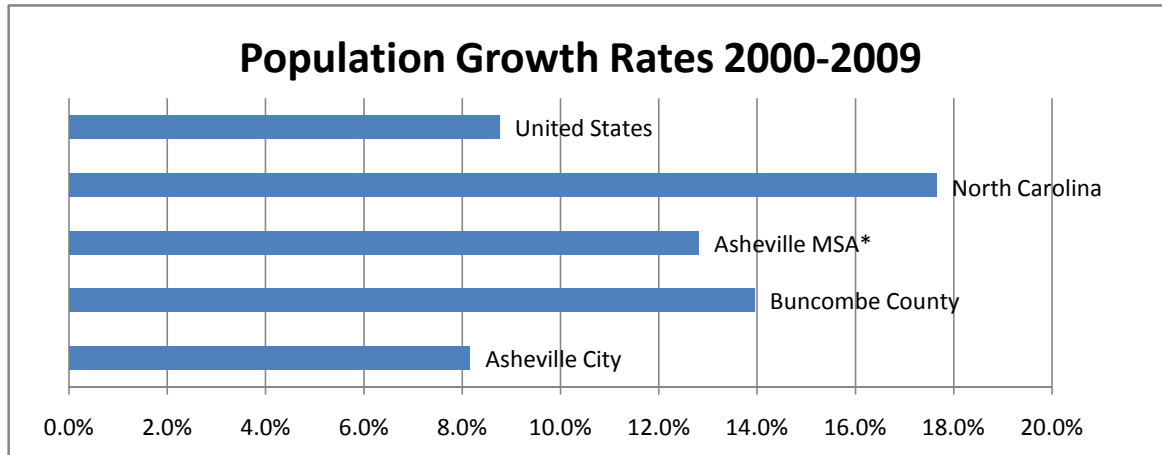


# Local Population

Compiled by the *Asheville Metro Business Research Center*



The Asheville MSA\* has historically experienced moderate population growth. Growth rates are below the state, yet over the national rate.

<b>Population Growth</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Estimate 2009</b>	<b>% Change 2000-2009</b>
Asheville City	65,027	69,128	74,768	8.2%
Buncombe County	174,727	206,330	235,123	14.0%
Asheville MSA*	308,000	369,171	416,498	12.8%
North Carolina	6,628,632	8,049,313	9,470,086	17.7%
United States	248,710,012	281,421,906	306,069,955	8.8%

<b>Median Age</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>Estimate 2009</b>
Asheville City	38	39	41.0
Buncombe County	36.8	38.9	40.6
Asheville MSA*	38.0	40.2	41.8
North Carolina	33.1	35.3	37.3
United States	32.9	35.3	37.1

Source: SRC, LLC. 2009

\*The Asheville MSA consists of Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, and Madison Counties.

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