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Health Needs Assessment

**NORTHAMPTON COUNTY,
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Executive Summary

The Northampton County Health Department and community partners are excited to present the 2021 Community Health Needs Assessment, which provides an overview of the significant community health needs identified in Northampton County, North Carolina.

A Community Health Assessment is a process by which community members and stakeholders gain an understanding of the health issues that affect their county by collecting, analyzing and sharing information about community assets and needs. The process results in the selection of community health priorities.

Findings from this report will be used to identify, develop and target initiatives to provide and connect community members with resources to improve the health challenges in their communities.

The 2021 Community Health Needs Assessment was developed through a collaboration with Healthy ENC.

Vision Statement

The vision for Northampton County Health Department and Northampton Healthy Carolinians Task Force is to improve the quality of life for its citizens by offering efficient, culturally sensitive and cost-effective health care services and programs that will enrich and improve the lives of its citizens. This in turn will promote a higher standard of life, through prevention, education and intervention.

Leadership

The Northampton Healthy Carolinians Task Force is dedicated to improving the life of Northampton's citizens by addressing health and safety issues at the community level. Northampton County Health Department has a mission to promote, provide and protect the health and safety of the citizens of Northampton County. Under the cross-sectoral leadership of these entities, Northampton County conducted the 2021 Community Health Assessment.

Partnerships/Collaborations

TASK FORCE and Hospital

Regional/Contracted Services

Health ENC is a collaborative initiative of health departments and hospitals in eastern North Carolina. The collaborative serves 35 counties with 34 participating health departments and 31 participating hospitals. The collaborative uses a shared approach for primary and secondary data collection to produce a comprehensive Regional Community Health Needs Assessment every three years that can be used to partially satisfy requirements for North Carolina Local Health Department Accreditation and the Internal Revenue Service requirement under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for charitable hospitals.

Theoretical framework/model

Contracted vendor used a modified population health framework for collecting the primary data and secondary data.

Collaborative Summary

Community Health Needs Assessments are completed every three years. These health assessments involve identifying and highlighting the health needs of the county and developing strategies to address those needs. This process is collaborative including agencies and stakeholders from public health, local churches, local community groups and governmental agencies. This process included the direct involvement of the county's residents through surveys and public engagement. Each of these partnerships allowed the department to identify those health priorities of greatest need and importance to the county. The CHA is an ongoing continuous improvement process that remains community centered and focused on improving the overall health and well-being of Northampton County.

Key findings

The leading causes of death in Northampton County are Heart Disease, Cancer, Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases, Diabetes Mellitus and Alzheimer's Disease.

Community Survey Results: Northampton County

Top 3 Quality of Life Issues identified in community survey

- 25.94% responded Low income/Poverty
- 13.05% responded Lack of Community Resources and,
- 10.18% responded Drugs/alcohol (substance abuse)

Listed above are the top three community issues that were ranked by residents as most affecting the quality of life in Northampton County. Number one was low income/poverty, which was the most frequently selected issue and was ranked by 25.94% of survey respondents, followed by lack of community resources, which was ranked the second highest issue at 13.05%. Survey respondents ranked Drugs/alcohol (substance abuse) as the third issue most affecting quality of life in Northampton County at 10.18%. Less than 1% of survey respondents selected child abuse, lack of access to enough food & rape/sexual assault as issues most affecting the quality of life in Northampton County.

Health Priorities:

The task force met three times and reviewed the community health assessment data. The health priorities were selected after reviewing the PowerPoint presentation provided by Health ENC. The three priorities selected were:

- Low income/poverty
- Drugs/alcohol/substance abuse
- Lack of community resources

Next Steps:

The Northampton County Health Department will provide resources to its citizens as well as quality programs that will address many, if not most, of the concerns expressed by our citizens. All materials will be free of charge and accessible to all citizens of Northampton County.

Chapter 1 Introduction

Description of County

Northampton County is a county located in the U.S. state of North Carolina. As of the 2020 census, the population was 17,471. Its county seat is Jackson. Northampton County is part of the Roanoke Rapids, NC Micropolitan Statistical Area, which is also included in the Rocky Mount-Wilson-Roanoke Rapids, NC Combined Statistical Area. The county was formed in 1741 from Bertie County. It was named for James Compton, 5th Earl of Northampton. In 1759 parts of Northampton County, Bertie County, and Chowan County were combined to form Hertford County.

Northampton County is a predominantly agricultural community that is 56.7% African American with White (Non-Hispanic) as its second largest population according the most recent census.

Overview of Health ENC

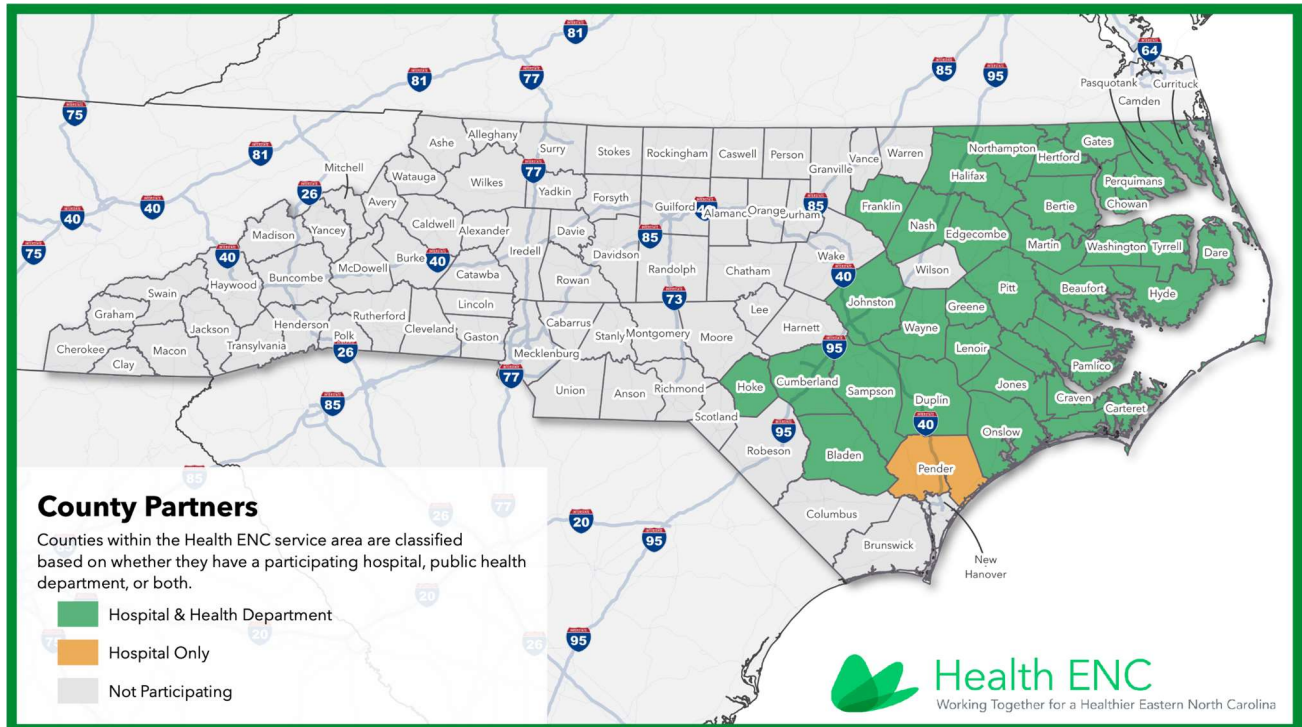
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Overview of Community Health Needs Assessment Process

The Community Health Needs Assessment Process gathers population health data that county health departments, hospitals, community groups can use to

- Identify key health needs/issues in eastern North Carolina Communities
- Develop strategies and action plans based upon data aim to improve the quality of life
- Collaborate to maximize results by having a collective impact in the region
- Maintain local control and decision-making about the choice of health priorities and interventions, and
- Improve health, partnerships and communication.

Participating Health ENC Counties



Health ENC serves the following counties: Beaufort, Bertie, Bladen, Camden, Carteret, Chowan, Craven, Cumberland, Currituck, Dare, Duplin, Edgecombe, Franklin, Gates, Greene, Halifax, Hertford, Hoke, Hyde, Johnston, Jones, Lenoir, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Onslow, Pamlico, Pasquotank, Pender, Perquimans, Pitt, Sampson, Tyrrell, Washington, and Wayne Counties.

Health Data Sources

Primary Data – Community Survey

Survey Methodology/Design

Health ENC Steering Committee structured the primary data collection for participating health departments and hospitals. The primary data used in the Community Health Needs Assessments included (1) a community survey that could be distributed online or by a paper submission and (2) focus group discussions in some counties. The Health ENC Steering Committee did not encourage focus groups for the 2021-2022 Community Health Needs Assessments because of the global COVID-19 pandemic. However, some counties were able to hold focus group discussions safely despite significant challenges in collecting enough survey responses to accurately represent their community’s population.

Survey Design:

The Health ENC Steering Committee developed a primary survey to gather information from community members about their health concerns. A workgroup of Steering Committee members convened and examined survey questions utilized in the 2018-2019 Community Health Needs Assessment. The workgroup also examined data readily available from secondary data sources. The workgroup focused on developing survey questions to obtain data from community members which was not readily available in the secondary

data or where secondary data was weak. In addition, workgroup members worked to combine questions where appropriate and to be more inclusive in the wording of response choices. The Healthy Carolinians Task Force reviewed the sample survey questions and made a few additional revisions to assure the survey only contained questions where community input was needed to guide health priority selection and strategic action planning.

Once the survey questions were finalized, the Steering Committee decided on targets for each county. Because the survey was a convenience sample that was being conducted during a global pandemic (COVID-19), each county was asked to complete a minimum of 300 surveys with representation from as many community groups as possible to assure sufficient sampling to represent the full community. The target of 300 surveys per county was identified through previous work with data analysis vendors who examined each county's population and confirmed this number should provide an accurate reflection of the total county's population, if responses reflected the population demographics equally.

The surveys were made available to the public from April 1 – June 30, 2021. Surveys were made available in paper format and electronically using the REDcap software. Health ENC partners received feedback throughout the survey period on the age, gender, race/ethnicity, and language of survey respondents to assist them in promoting the surveys to various community members within their counties. At the completion of the survey period, 16,661 English surveys and 502 Spanish surveys were completed. Most counties did not have an equally distributed response to surveys to represent their entire county's population. As a result, survey responses should be considered as only one component of information utilized to select health priorities. The most underserved populations' feedback is not adequately reflected in most surveys. Health ENC partners were encouraged to include key stakeholders, who served these populations, in the health priority selection process to assure many of their clients' health needs were considered.

The Northampton County Health Department distributed roughly 1,000 printed copies of the Community Health Needs Assessments throughout the county with the help from community partners. The digital copy was shared on the Health Departments web page and Facebook pages. 435 residents completed the assessment either by hard copy or online.

Key Areas Examined

- Quality of life, health behaviors, health perceptions
- Preventative services, exercise, and access to care

County Responses

- 433 Total English (Total in ENC survey =16,661)
- 2 Total Spanish (Total in ENC survey =502)

Secondary Data Sources

Healthy North Carolina 2030 (HNC 2030)

NC State Center for Health Statistics

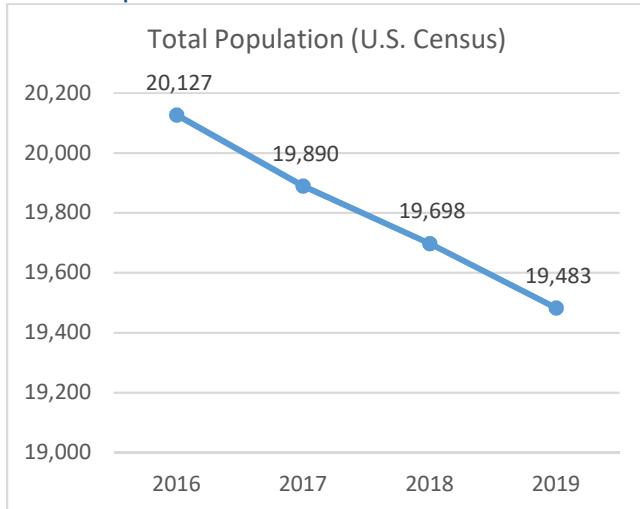
Robert Wood Johnson County Health Rankings and Roadmaps

Limitations

- The data presented represents a snapshot of the population, economic and leading health and wellness issues in eastern NC communities
- It includes primary data gathered from community surveys and secondary data from health and other sources.
- This information can be used as a guide for helping communities identify leading health issues in the Health ENC County Region
- Other health issues, data and resources may be available that were not listed here that communities may wish to consider when establishing health priorities

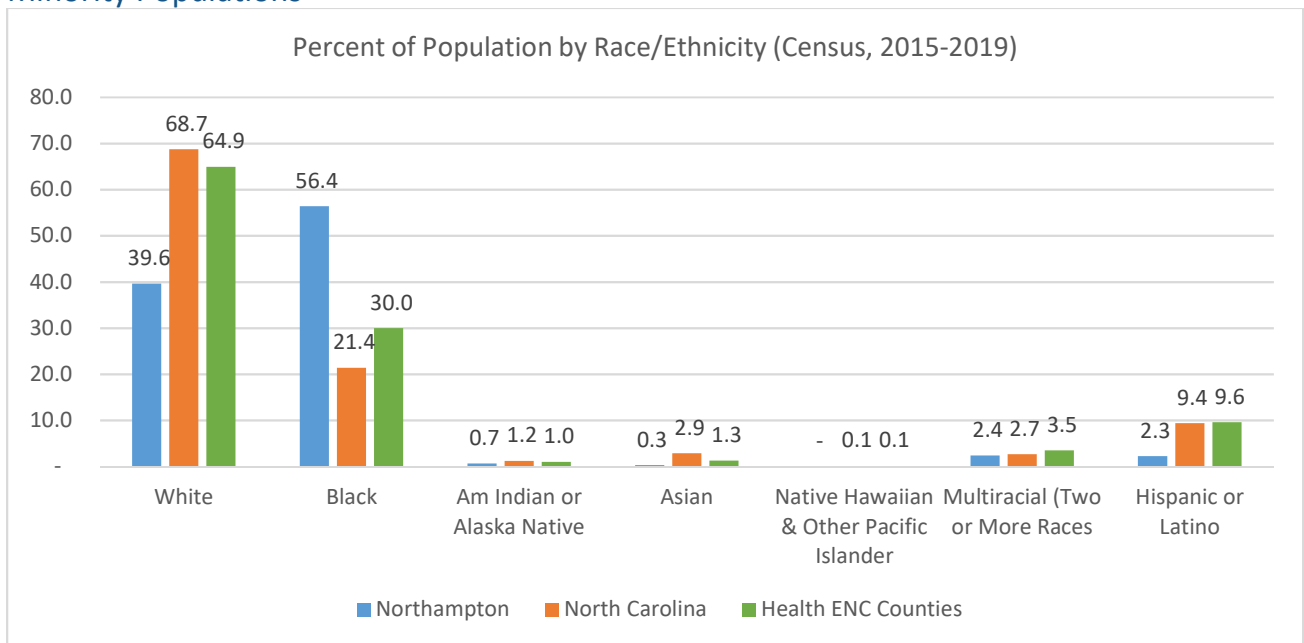
Chapter 2 Demographic Profile

Total Population



- From 2016 to 2019 the population in Northampton County has decreased by 3.3%.
- In 2019, Northampton County had a population estimated at 19,483.

Minority Populations

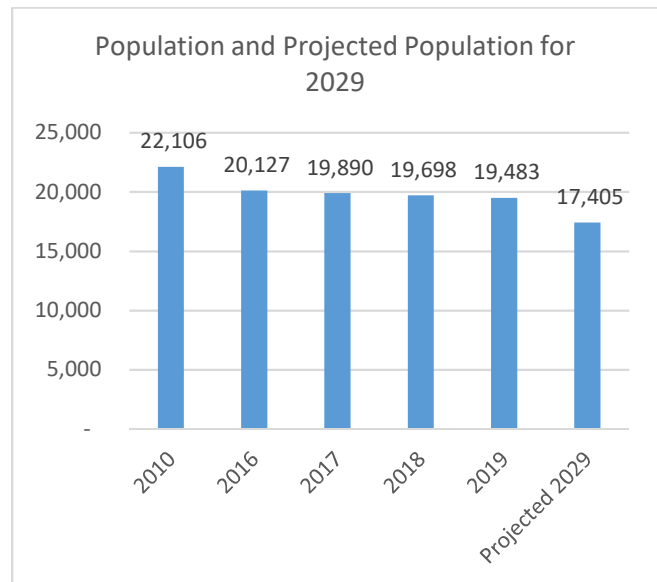


The White population accounts for 39.6% of the total population in Northampton County, with the Black or African American population accounting for 56.7% of the total population. The White population in Northampton County (40.5%) is less than the White population in North Carolina (68.7%) and slightly higher than the Health ENC counties (64.9%). The Black or African American population in Northampton County (56.7%) is higher than the Black or African American population in North Carolina (21.4%) and lower than the Health ENC counties (30.0%). The Hispanic or Latino population comprises 2.6% of Northampton County which is significantly higher than North Carolina (9.4%) and Health ENC Counties (9.6%)

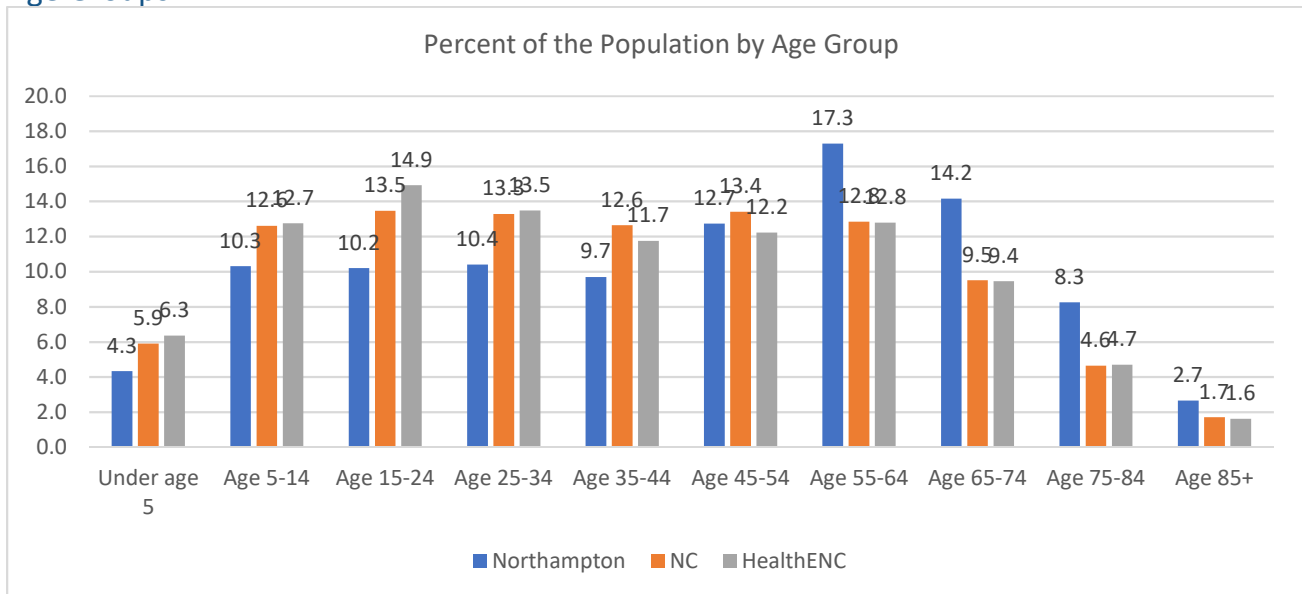
Population Growth

- From 2010 to 2019, the total population of Northampton County has decreased by an overall 13%.
- The population for Northampton County for 2029 is estimated at 17,405 persons

Note: Population projection for 2029 comes from the NC Office of State Mgmt and Budget Pop Projections. All the other population data is from the Census



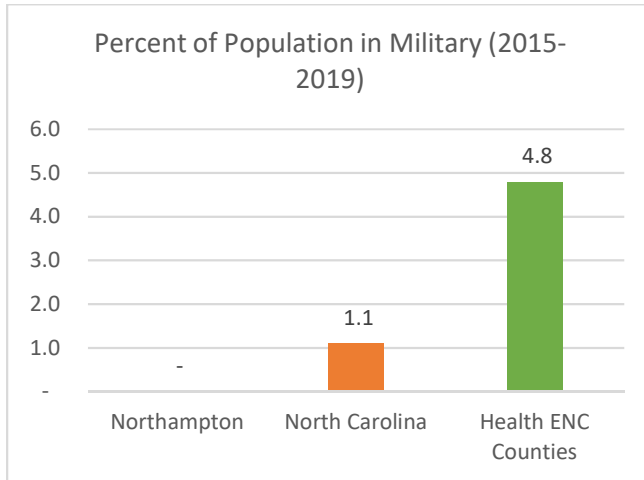
Age Groups



In Northampton County, the percent of people between the ages of 55-64 are higher (17.3%) than the Health ENC (12.8%) and N.C. (12.8%).

Military/Veteran Populations

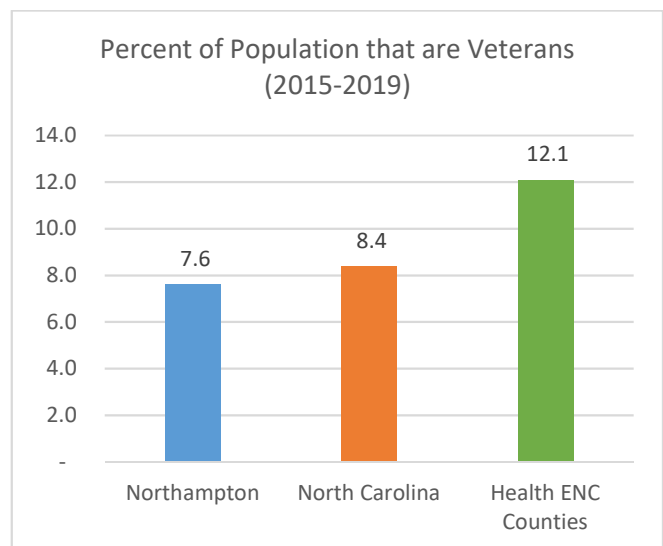
Military Population



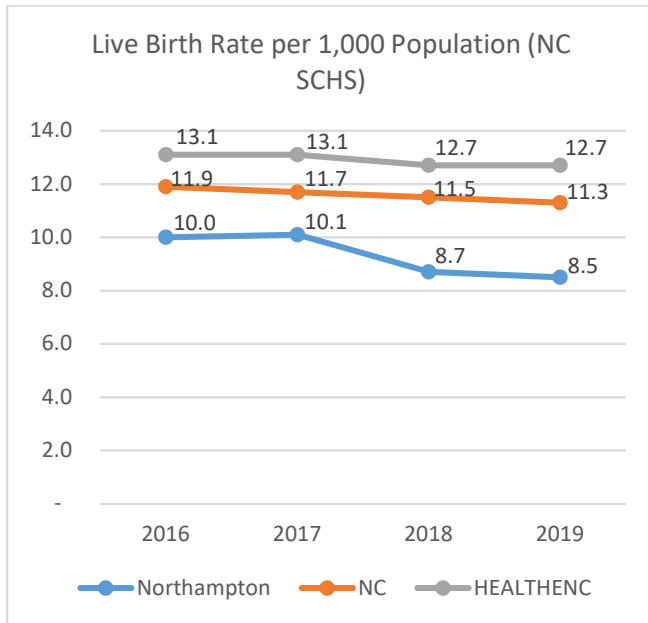
- The percentage of Military Population in Northampton County is 0.0%
- Compared to the counties in Health ENC (4.8%) and North Carolina (1.1%), Northampton County has a smaller population

Veteran Population

The veteran population is given as a percent of the civilian population aged 18 years and older and this data is used for policy analyses, to develop programs, and to create budgets for veteran programs and facilities. Northampton County has a veteran population of 7.6% in 2015-2019, compared to 8.4% for North Carolina and 12.1% for Health ENC counties (Figure 13).



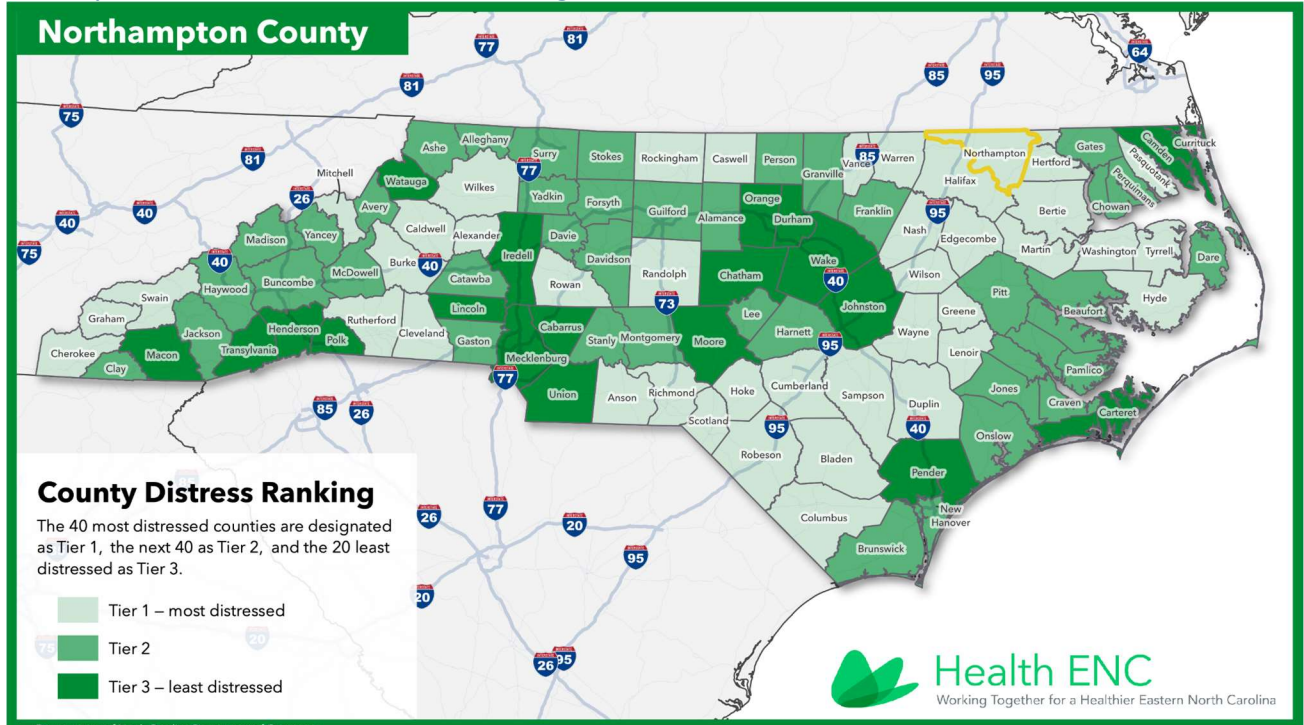
Birth Rates



Birth rates are important measures of population health. The birth rate is usually the dominant factor in determining the rate of population growth; however, population growth is also driven by the age structure of the population (e.g., deaths), immigration and emigration. The Northampton County birth rate demonstrated an overall decrease over the period presented below, with a similar trend seen in the Region and the state.

Chapter 3 Socioeconomic Profile

NC Department of Commerce Tier Designation



The North Carolina Department of Commerce annually ranks the state’s 100 counties based on economic well-being and assigns each a Tier designation. The 40 most distressed counties are designated as Tier 1, the next 40 as Tier 2 and the 20 least distressed as Tier 3. Northampton County has been assigned a Tier 1 designation for 2021.

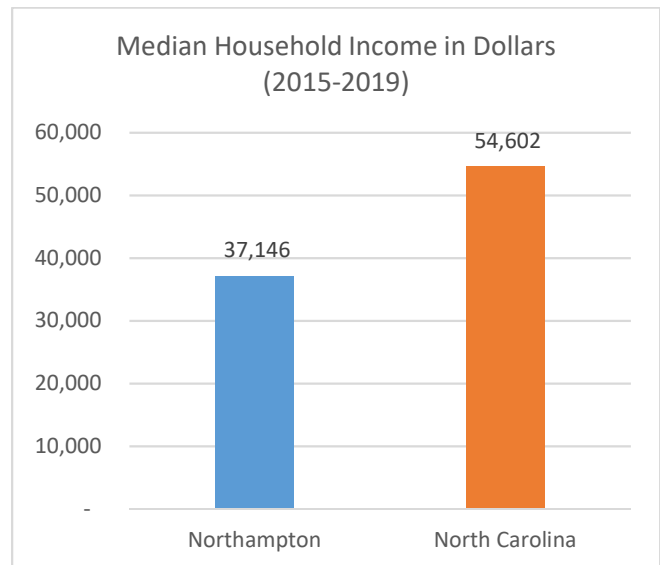
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County Tiers are calculated using four factors:

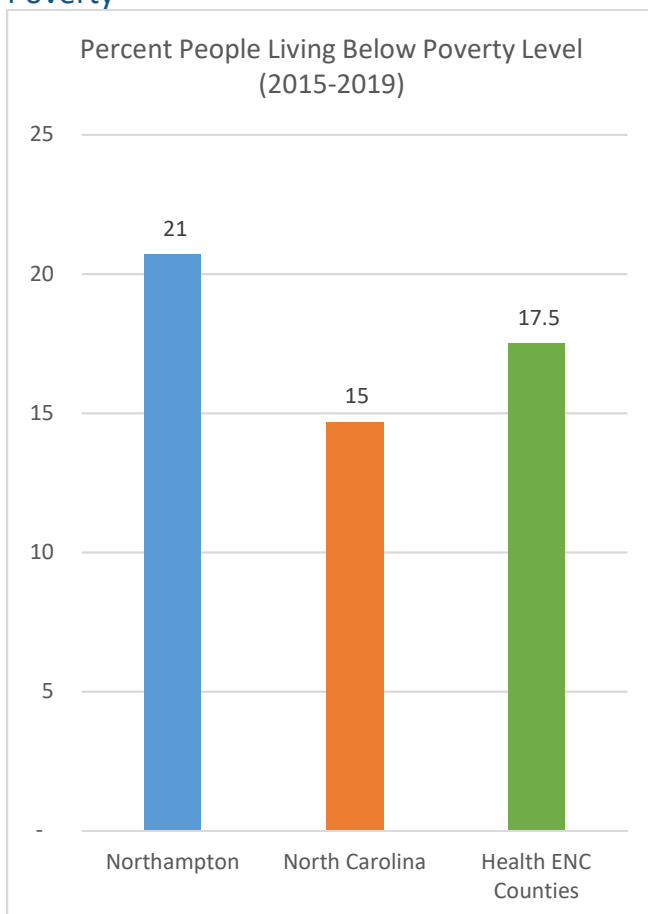
- Average unemployment rate
- Median household income
- Percentage growth in population
- Adjusted property tax base per capita

Income

Median household income reflects the relative affluence and prosperity of an area. Areas with higher median household incomes are likely to have a greater share of educated residents and lower unemployment rates. This figure shows the median household income in Northampton County (\$37,146), which is much lower than the median household income in North Carolina (\$54,602).



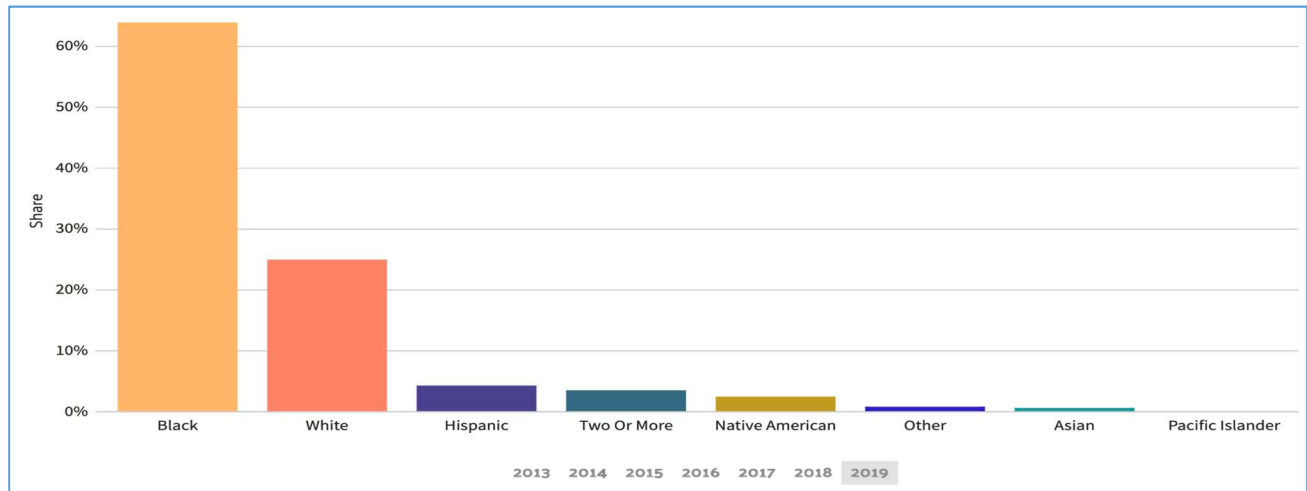
Poverty



Federal poverty thresholds are set every year by the Census Bureau and vary by size of family and ages of family members. A high poverty rate is both a cause and a consequence of poor economic conditions. Children in poverty are more likely to have physical health problems, behavioral problems and emotional problems. Seniors who live in poverty are an especially vulnerable group due to increased physical limitations, medical needs, and social isolation. Persons with a disability are more likely to live in poverty compared to the rest of the population. Without adequate income, individuals with disabilities may not be able to afford necessary expenses, such as rent or mortgage, utility bills, medical and dental care, and food.

- In Northampton County an estimated 21.0% of the population lives below the poverty level, compared to 15.0% of the population in NC and 17.5% for the Health ENC region

Poverty by Race and Ethnicity



Source: U.S. Census Bureau ACS 5-year Estimate
<https://datausa.io/profile/geo/northampton-county-nc#economy>

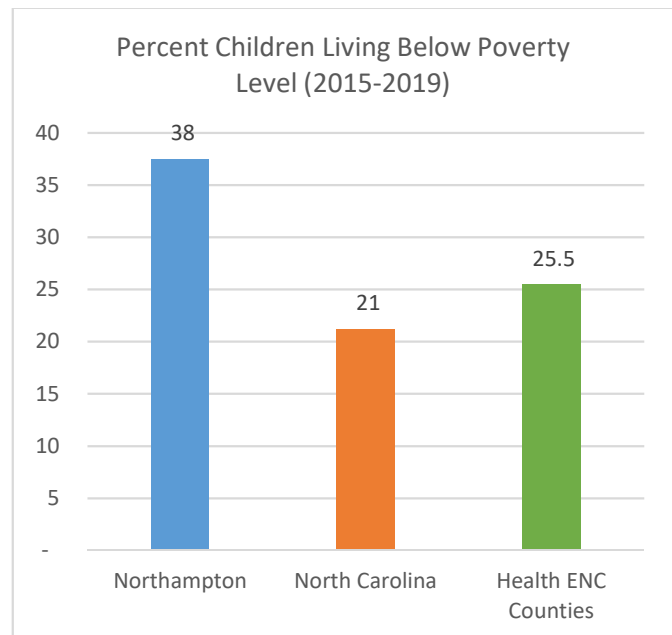
The most common racial or ethnic group living below the poverty line in Northampton County, NC is Black, followed by White and Hispanic.

The Census Bureau uses a set of [money income thresholds](#) that vary by family size and composition to determine who classifies as impoverished. If a family's total income is less than the family's threshold than that family and every individual in it is living in poverty.

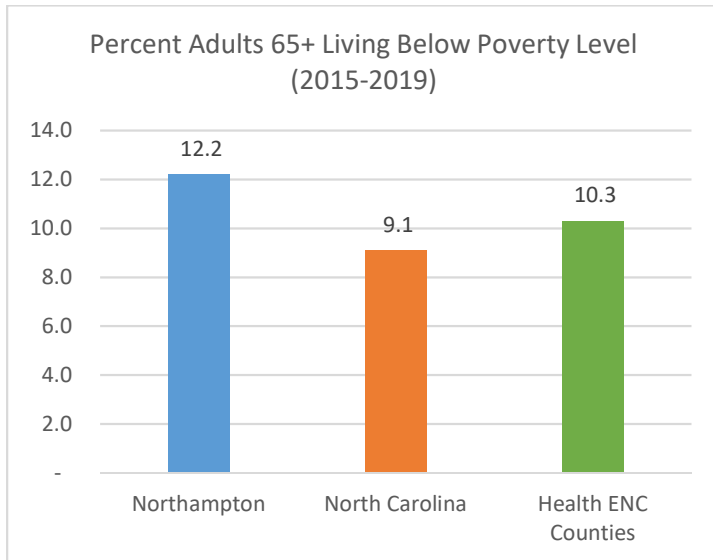
*Data from the [Census Bureau ACS 5-year Estimate](#).

Children in Poverty

- The rate of children living below the poverty level is much higher for Northampton County when compared with N.C. and the Health ENC Counties



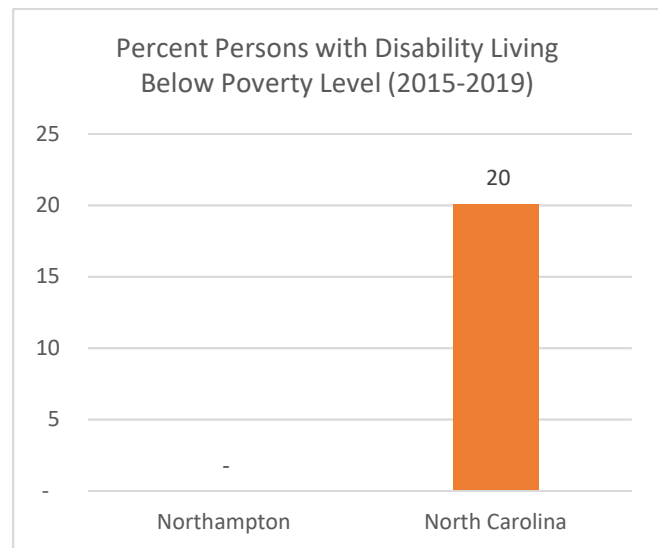
Older Adults in Poverty



- The rate of adults age 65+ years living in poverty is 3.1% higher in Northampton County when compared with NC and the Health ENC counties by 1.9%.

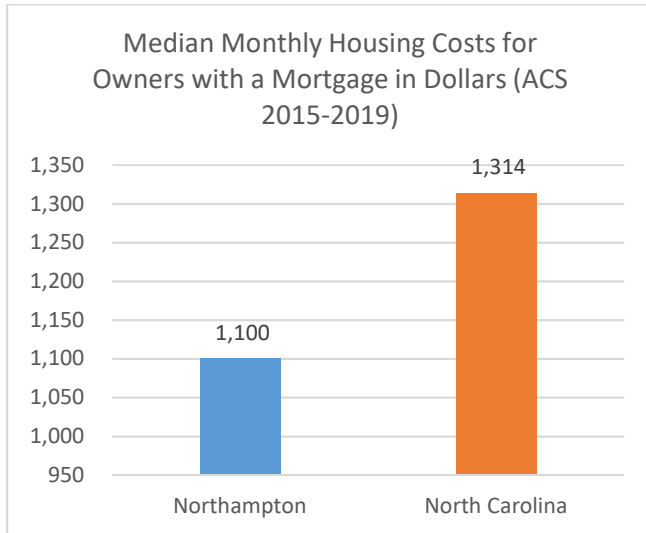
Disabled People in Poverty

The Census American Community Survey does not provide an estimate for the percent of disabled people living in poverty for Northampton County.



Housing

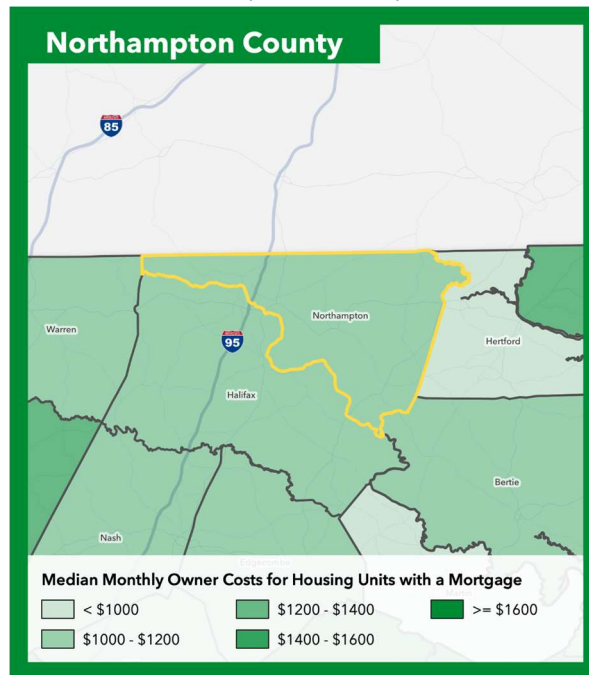
Median Monthly Housing Costs



The average household size in Northampton County is 2.15 people per household (owners) and 2.42 people per household (renters), which is slightly lower than the North Carolina value of 2.57 people per household (owners) and for renters (2.43 people per household).

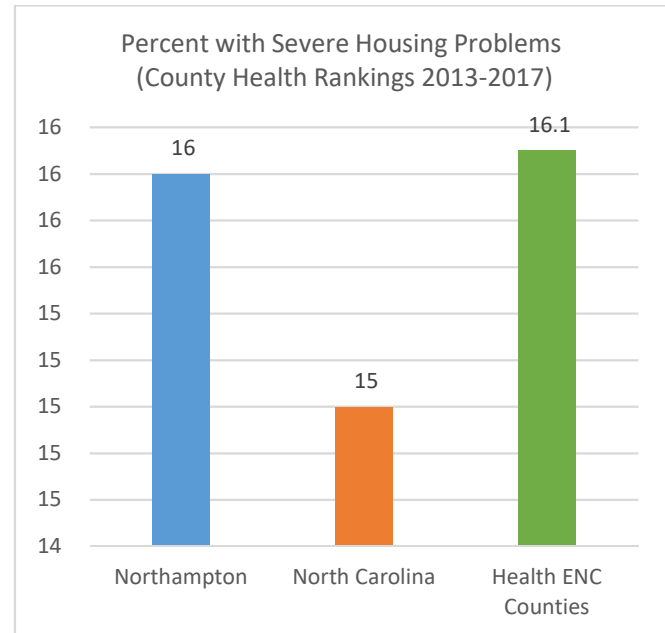
- In Northampton County, the median housing costs for homeowners with a mortgage is \$1,100, which is slightly lower than the N.C. median \$1,314 costs.

Median Monthly Household Costs in Northampton County and Surrounding Counties



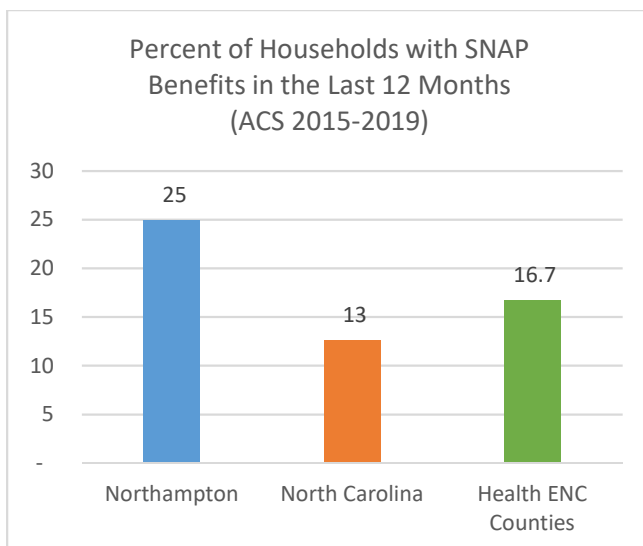
Severe Housing Problems

- Safe and affordable housing is an essential component of healthy communities, and the effects of housing problems are widespread.
- Housing problems include overcrowding, high housing costs, lack of kitchen, or lack of plumbing facilities
- 16.0% of households in Northampton County had severe housing problems, compared to 15.0% in North Carolina and 16.1% in Health ENC Counties.



Food Insecurity

Households with SNAP Benefits



The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) is a federal assistance program that provides low-income families with electronic benefit transfers (EBTs) that can be used to purchase food. The goal of the program is to increase food security and reduce hunger by increasing access to nutritious food.

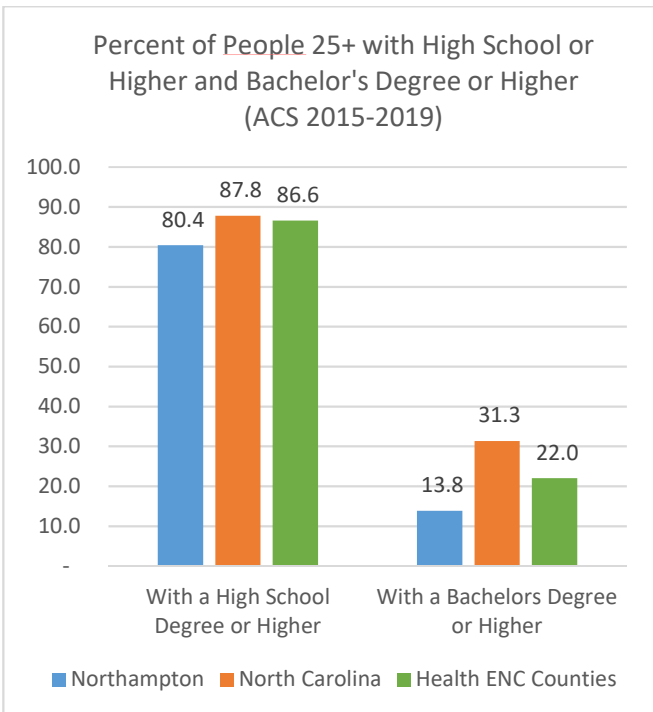
This figure shows the percent of households with children that participate in SNAP. The rate for Northampton County, 25%, is much higher than the state value of 13% and the Health ENC region value of 16.7%.

Education

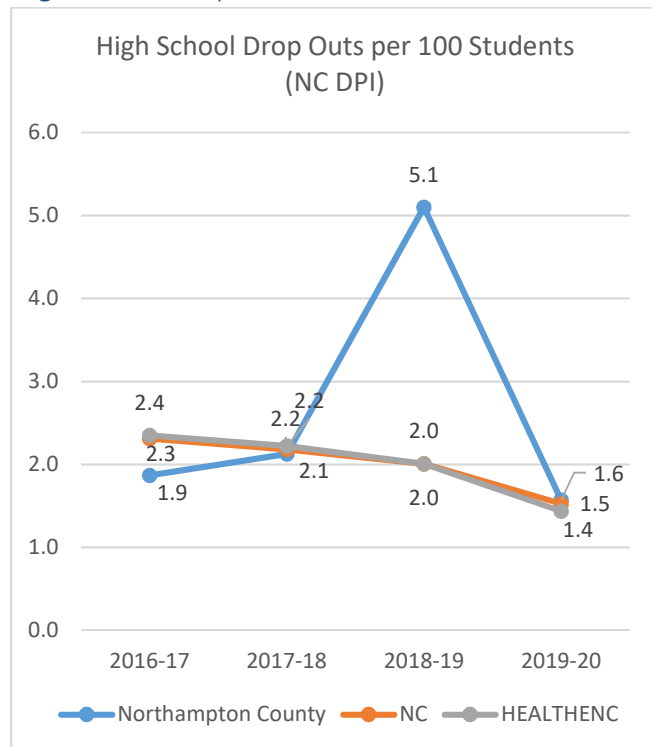
Educational Attainment

Graduating from high school is an important personal achievement and is essential for an individual’s social and economic advancement. Graduation rates can also be an important indicator of the performance of an educational system. Having a bachelor’s degree opens career opportunities in a variety of fields and is often a prerequisite for higher-paying jobs.

- In Northampton County the percent of residents 25 or older with a high school degree or higher was lower (80.4%) than the state value (87.8%) and the Health ENC region (86.6%)
- Percent with a bachelor’s degree or higher education in Northampton County was lower (13.8%) compared to N.C. (31.3%) and Health ENC region (22.0%)



High School Drop Out Rate



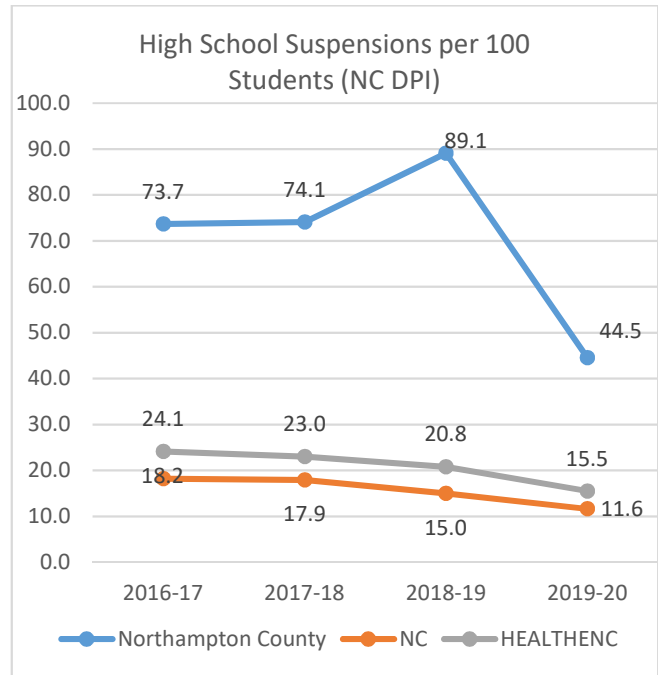
High school dropouts earn less income than high school and college graduates and are more likely to be unemployed. High school dropouts are generally less healthy and require more medical care. Further, high school dropout rates are linked with heightened criminal activity and incarceration rates, influencing a community’s economic, social, and civic health.

- Northampton County’s high school dropout rate was 1.6% in 2019-2020, which was higher than the rate in North Carolina (1.5%) and the Health ENC region (1.4%)
- Northampton County’s high school dropout rate has been on an increase over the past four measurement periods except for 2019-2020 when it dropped

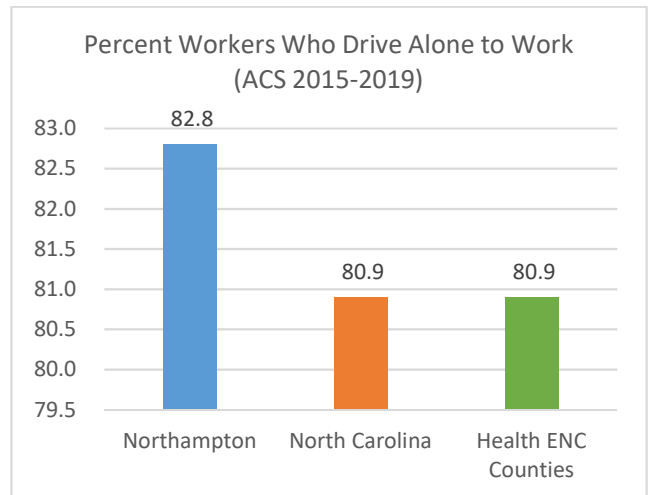
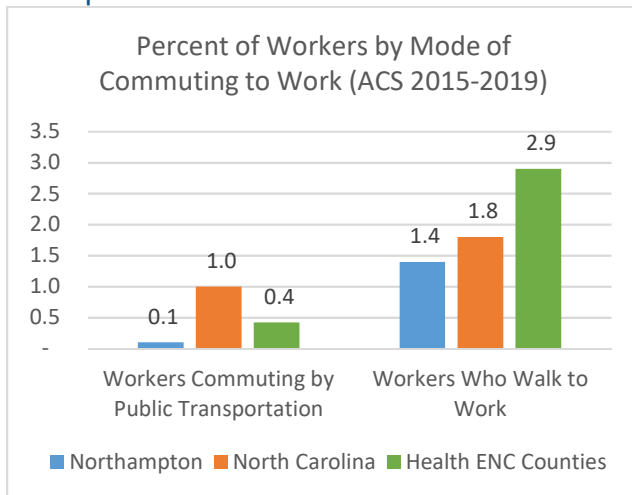
High School Suspension Rate

High school suspension is a form of discipline in which a student is temporarily removed from a classroom and/or school due to a violation of school conduct or code. Higher rates of suspension can be related to high rates of antisocial or delinquent behaviors, which may further contribute to potential future involvement in the juvenile justice system. Additionally, schools with higher suspension rates have higher rates of law or board of education violations and generally spend more money per student.

- Northampton County’s rate of high school suspension (44.5 per 100 students) was higher than North Carolina’s rate (11.6) the Health ENC counties (15.5) in 2019-2020



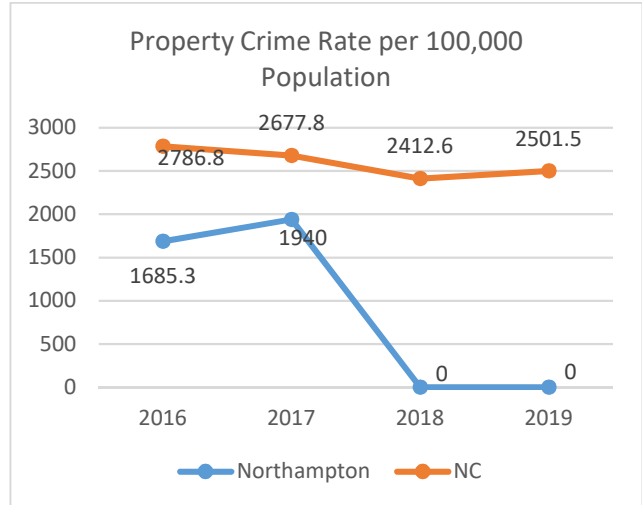
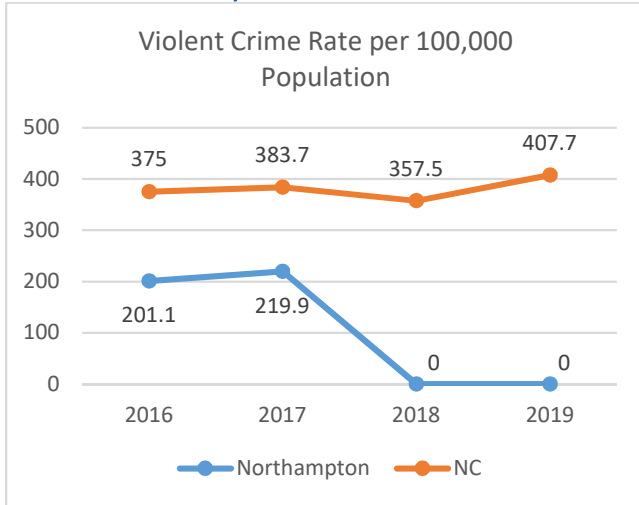
Transportation



Public transportation offers mobility, particularly to people without cars. Transit can help bridge the spatial divide between people and jobs, services, and training opportunities. Public transportation also reduces fuel consumption, minimizes air pollution, and relieves traffic congestion. Walking to work helps protect the environment, while also providing the benefit of daily exercise.

- In Northampton County, an estimated 0.1% of residents commute to work by public transportation, compared to the state value of 1.0%.
- Approximately 1.4% of residents walk to work, which was lower than the state value of 1.8%.
- An estimated 82.8% of workers 16 and older drive alone to work, compared to 80.9% in N.C.

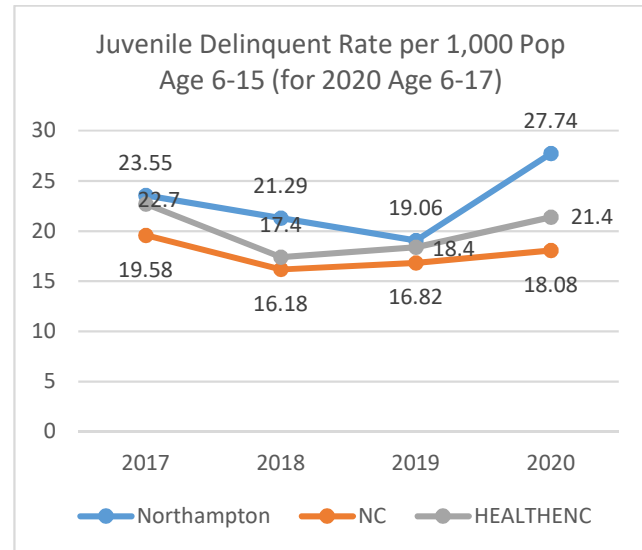
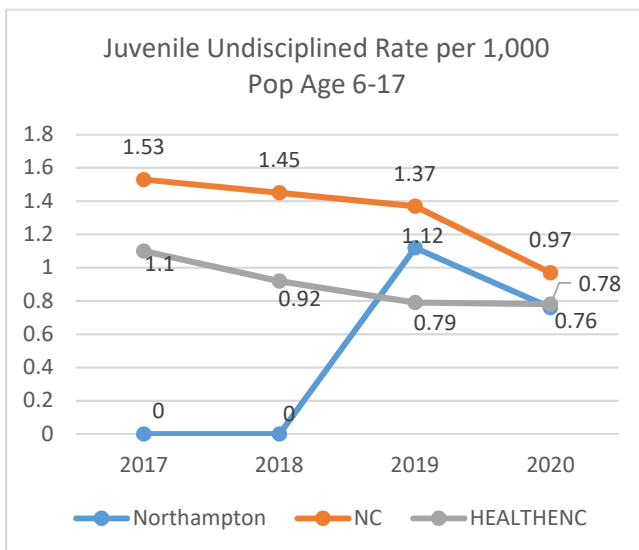
Crime and Safety



Both violent crime and property crime are used as indicators of a community’s crime and safety. Violence negatively impacts communities by reducing productivity, decreasing property values and disrupting social services. Violent crime includes four offenses: murder and non-negligent manslaughter, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Property crime includes the offenses of burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson.

- From 2016 to 2017, the violent crime rate in Northampton County increased from 201.1 to 219.9. Data was unavailable for 2018 and 2019
- During the same time, the property crime rate increased from 1685.3 to 1940, which was lower than the N.C. rate

Juvenile Crime



Youth who commit a crime may not gain the educational credentials necessary to secure employment and succeed later in life. Negative peer influences, history of abuse/neglect, mental health issues, and significant

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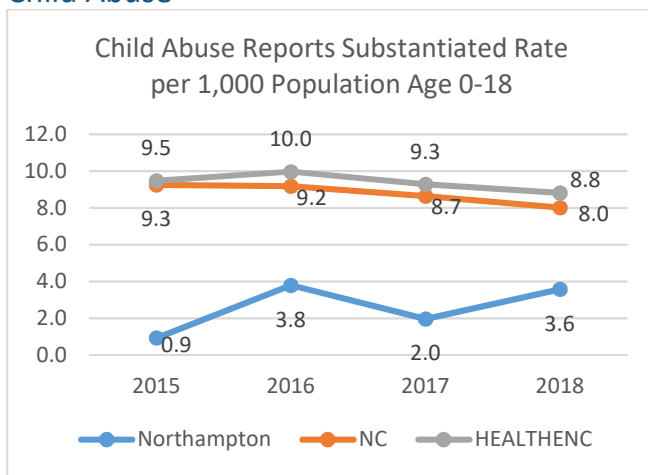
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family problems increase the risk of juvenile arrest. The juvenile justice system aims to reduce juvenile delinquency through prevention, intervention, and treatment services.

The undisciplined rate describes juveniles who are unlawfully absent from school, regularly disobedient and beyond disciplinary control of the parent/guardian, are regularly found where it is unlawful for juveniles to be or have run away from home for more than 24 hours.

- In 2020, the juvenile undisciplined rate in Northampton County (0.76) was lower than the rate in North Carolina (0.97) and the Health ENC region (0.78)
- In 2020, the juvenile delinquent rate for Northampton County was higher (27.74) than N.C. (18.1) and the Health ENC region (21.4)

Child Abuse



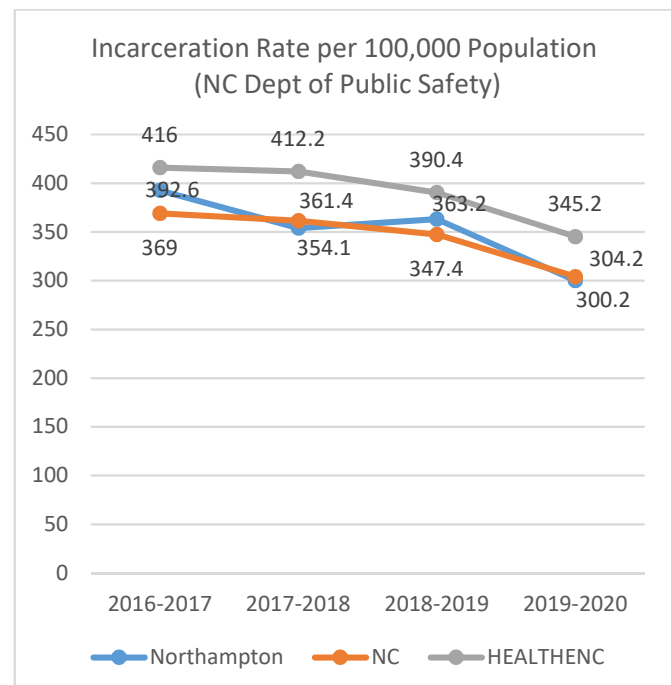
Child abuse includes physical, sexual and emotional abuse. All types of child abuse and neglect can have long lasting effects throughout life, damaging a child’s sense of self, ability to have healthy relationships, and ability to function at home, at work, and at school.

- The 2018 child abuse rate in Northampton County was lower (3.6 per 1,000 pop.) than N.C. (8.0 per 1,000 pop.) and the Health ENC (8.8)

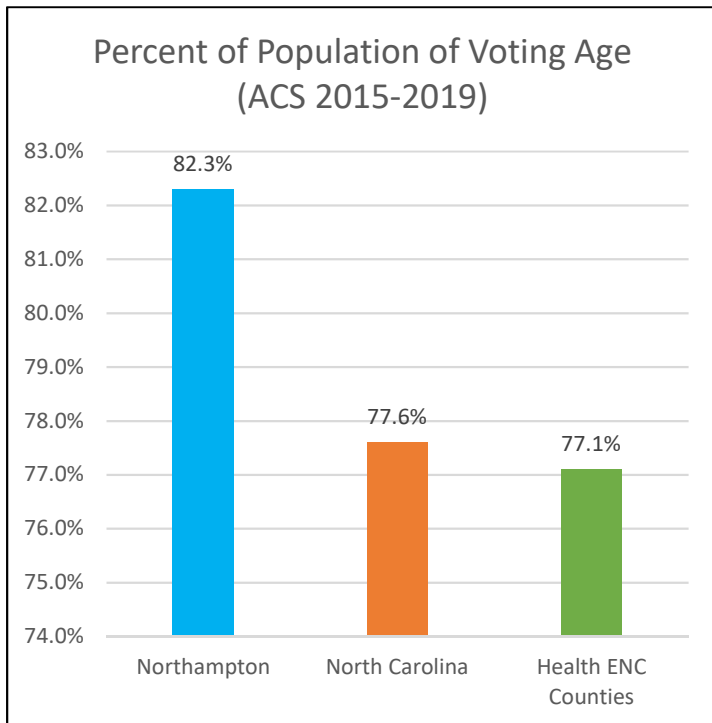
Incarceration

According to the U.S. Bureau of Justice Statistics, approximately one out of 100 adults in the U.S. are in jail or prison. Conditions in jails and prisons can lead to an increased risk of infectious diseases such as tuberculosis and hepatitis C, as well as assault from other inmates. After incarceration, individuals are likely to face a variety of social issues such as employment discrimination, disruption of family relationships and recidivism.

- Over the past four measurement periods, the incarceration rate in Northampton County has been inconsistent
- In 2019-2020, the incarceration rate in Northampton County was lower (300.2 per 1,000 population) than N.C. (304.2) and the Health ENC region (345.2)



Civic/Political Engagement



Exercising the right to vote allows a community to choose elected officials and hold them accountable. Voting ensures that all citizens can voice their opinions on issues such as the use of tax dollars, civil rights and foreign policy. By voting, individuals shape their communities and influence the next generation of society. A high level of voter turnout indicates that citizens are involved and interested in who represents them in the political system.

- Northampton County has a marginally higher percent of residents of voting age (82.3%) than North Carolina (77.6%) and the Health ENC Counties (77.1%)

Analysis of Socioeconomic Profile

The Northampton County child abuse rates are sufficiently lower than the state and the Healthy ENC average. It could be due to fact that there is a lower rate of cases being reported in the county verses the overall state.

Northampton County’s incarceration rate appears as if it is trending down and that fewer citizens are being incarcerated within the county. The Northampton County’s incarceration rate runs about average in comparison to the state and the Healthy ENC communities.

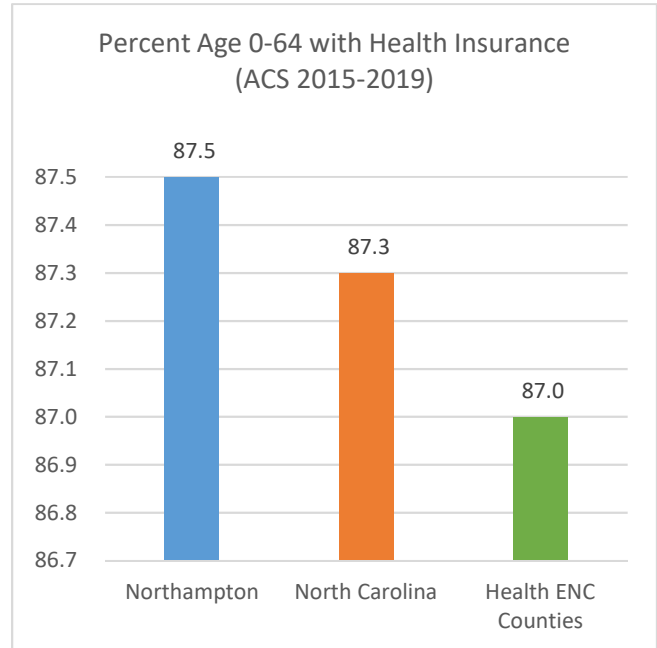
The lower incarceration rate may also be due to the decline in population in the county.

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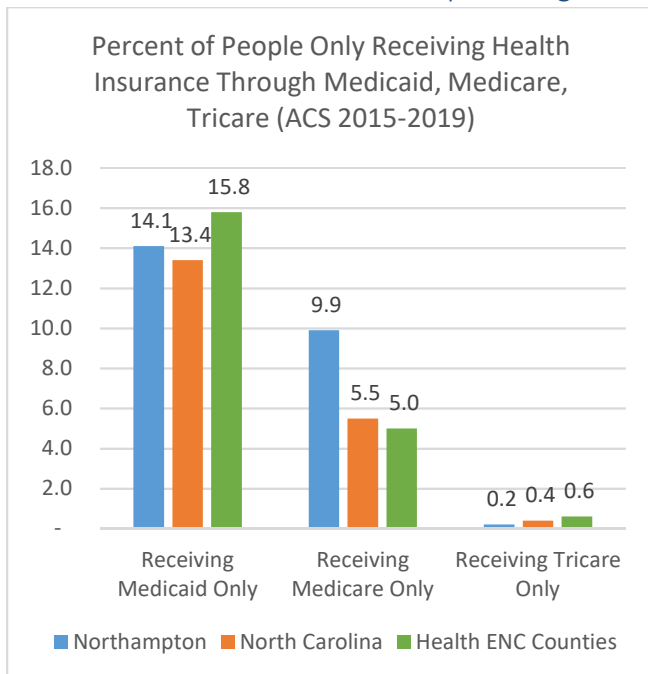
Health Insurance Coverage

Medical costs in the United States are very high. People without health insurance may not be able to afford medical treatment or prescription drugs. They are also less likely to get routine checkups and screenings. Therefore, if they do become ill they may not seek treatment until the condition is more advanced, more difficult and costly to treat.

- Nearly 13% of the population 0-64 years of age in Northampton County are uninsured
- The rate of individuals aged 0-64 years old that have health insurance coverage in Northampton County is 87.5%, which was higher than the rate for North Carolina (87.3%) and the Health ENC region (87.0%)



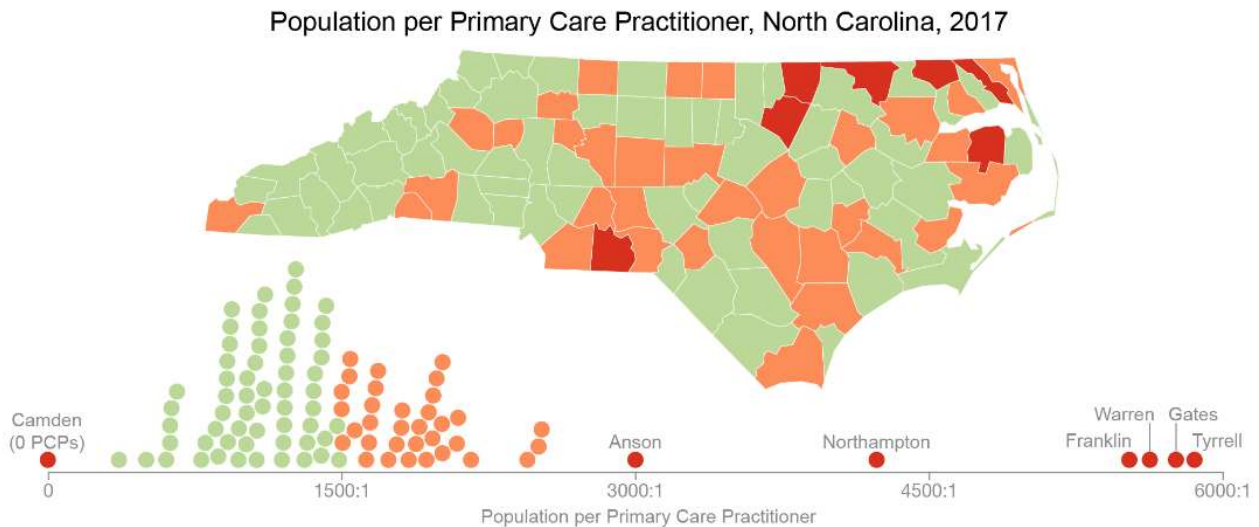
Government Health Insurance Only Coverage – Medicaid, Medicare, Tricare



This graph shows the percent of the population only receiving health insurance through Medicaid, Medicare, or military healthcare (TRICARE).

- In Northampton County, 14.1% of the population report receives health insurance coverage through Medicaid, 9.9% Medicare and 0.2% Tricare

Primary Care Practitioners



Notes: Updated March 10, 2020 to reflect adjustments to 2017 nurse practitioner data. Primary care physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners are defined as in Spero, J. C., & Galloway, E. M. (2019). Running the Numbers. North Carolina Medical Journal, 80(3), 186-190. Physicians with a primary area of practice of obstetrics/gynecology were weighted as 0.25 of a full-time equivalent (FTE) primary care practitioner. All other primary care physicians were weighted as 1 FTE. Primary care physician assistants, nurse practitioners, and certified nurse midwives were weighted as 0.75 FTE. Physician and physician assistant data are derived from licensure data provided by the North Carolina Medical Board. This analysis only includes physicians who are not residents-in-training and are not employed by the Federal government. Nurse practitioner and certified nurse midwife data is derived from licensure data provided by the North Carolina Board of Nursing. Data include active, licensed practitioners in practice in North Carolina as of October 31, 2017. Practitioners are assigned to counties based on primary practice location. County populations were adjusted for age and gender according to primary care use rates described in data from the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey. The raw (unadjusted) population data was from the NC Office of State Budget and Management



Access to primary care is necessary to improving the health outcomes of communities. With the recent spread of the novel [coronavirus](#) in North Carolina, primary care is critical as an entry-point to further care. Many rural areas of North Carolina lack adequate access to primary care providers. The disparities in access between rural and metropolitan areas have continued to grow despite an overall increase of physicians in NC.

On the map above, Northampton County is shaded in red, a color that indicates the county is far from meeting the NC Institute of Medicine’s (NCIOM) target ratio of 1 primary care provider to every 1,500 people.

Currently, 60% of NC’s 100 counties meet the NCIOM’s target. As shown in this figure, seven counties were substantially below target: Anson, **Northampton**, Franklin, Warren, Gates, Tyrrell and Camden. Camden has a population of just over 10,000, and no primary care providers.

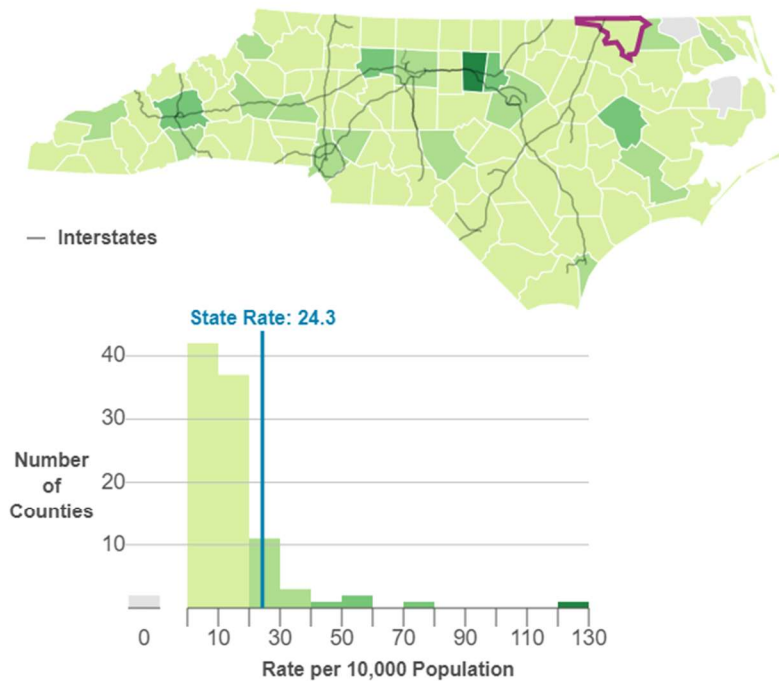
The NCIOM definition of primary care clinician includes physicians, nurse practitioners (NPs), physician assistants (PAs) and certified nurse midwives (CNMs).

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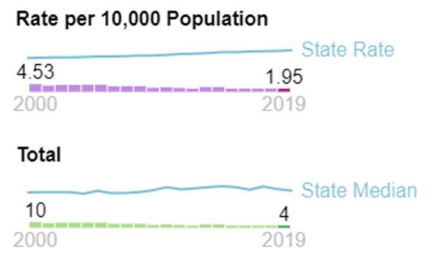
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Physicians per 10,000 Population by County, North Carolina, 2019



Profession Demographics for Northampton County



Notes: Data include active, licensed physicians in practice in North Carolina as of October 31 of each year who are not residents-in-training and are not employed by the Federal government. Physician data are derived from the North Carolina Medical Board. County estimates are based on primary practice location. Population census data and estimates are downloaded from the North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management via NC LINC and are based on US Census data. Source: North Carolina Health Professions Data System, Program on Health Workforce Research and Policy, Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Created August 27, 2021 at <https://nchealthworkforce.unc.edu/interactive/supply/>.

As shown in this figure, the number of physicians per 10,000 population in Northampton County has decreased from 4.53 physicians in 2000 to 1.95 in 2019 which is significantly below the state rate of 24.3 per 10,000 population.

Source: North Carolina Health Professions Data System, [Program on Health Workforce Research and Policy](https://nchealthworkforce.unc.edu/interactive/supply/), Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Created September 29, 2021, at <https://nchealthworkforce.unc.edu/interactive/supply/>.

Chapter 5 Chronic and Communicable Disease Profile

Leading Causes of Death

Northampton County				North Carolina				Health ENC Counties			
Rank	Cause	Deaths	Rate	Rank	Cause	Deaths	Rate	Rank	Cause	Deaths	Rate
1	Heart Disease	53	272.03	1	Cancer	19,963	190.34	1	Heart Disease	4546	210.2
2	Cancer	53	272.03	2	Heart Disease	19,661	187.46	2	Cancer	4345	200.91
3	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	14	71.86	3	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	5,411	51.59	3	Cerebrovascular Disease	1215	56.18
4	Diabetes Mellitus	14	71.86	4	Cerebrovascular Disease	5,203	49.61	4	Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1114	51.51
5	Alzheimer's Disease	11	56.46	5	Other Unintentional Injuries	4,683	44.65	5	Other Unintentional Injuries	1006	46.52
6	Cerebrovascular Disease	9	46.19	6	Alzheimer's Disease	4,508	42.98	6	Alzheimer's Disease	918	42.45
7	Nephritis Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	6	30.8	7	Diabetes Mellitus	3,127	29.81	7	Diabetes Mellitus	838	38.75
8	Pneumonitis Due to Solids and Liquids	6	30.8	8	Nephritis Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	2,121	20.22	8	Nephritis Nephrotic Syndrome and Nephrosis	476	22.01
9	Motor Vehicle Injuries	6	30.8	9	Pneumonia and Influenza	1,730	16.49	9	Motor Vehicle Injuries	460	21.27
10	Essential Primary Hypertension	5	25.66	10	Motor Vehicle Injuries	1,608	15.33	10	Pneumonia and Influenza	382	17.66

Notes: Leading causes of death are calculated based on the crude number of deaths per 100,000 population in 2019.

Deaths: North Carolina State Center for Health Statistics 2019 Vital Statistics Public Use Data Files, downloaded from the Odum Institute for Research in Social Science at UNC-Chapel Hill Dataverse web site, May 2021. Population: National Center for Health Statistics 2019 Bridged-Race Population Estimates (https://www.cdc.gov/nchs/nvss/bridged_race.htm). Analysis by ECU Department of Public Health, Health Systems Research and Development.

This table shows the top 10 leading causes of death or mortality in Northampton County, North Carolina, and Health ENC Counties in 2019.

Many of these chronic conditions death rates are higher than the state and the Health ENC County Region rates.

Leading Causes of Injury Death

Leading Causes of Injury Death 2016 to 2019 NORTHAMPTON			Leading Causes of Injury Hospitalization 2016 to 2019 NORTHAMPTON			Leading Causes of Injury ED Visits 2016 to 2019 NORTHAMPTON		
Rank	Cause	#	Rank	Cause	#	Rank	Cause	#
1	MVT - Unintentional	20	1	Fall - Unintentional	220	1	Fall - Unintentional	2,720
2	Poisoning - Unintentional	13	2	MVT - Unintentional	70	2	Unspecified - Unintentional	1,998
3	Firearm - Self-Inflicted	8	3	Unspecified - Unintentional	29	3	MVT - Unintentional	1,372
4	Firearm - Assault; Fire/Burn - Unintentional	5	4	Poisoning - Self-Inflicted	25	4	Struck By/Against - Unintentional	714
5	Suffocation - Unintentional; Fall - Unintentional	4	5	Poisoning - Unintentional	21	5	Natural/Environmental - Unintentional	411
TOTAL		72	TOTAL		467	TOTAL		9,502

MVT – motor vehicle traffic
(2016-2019, all ages)

Source: <https://www.injuryfreenc.ncdhhs.gov/DataSurveillance/index.htm#genData>

Leading Causes of Hospitalizations

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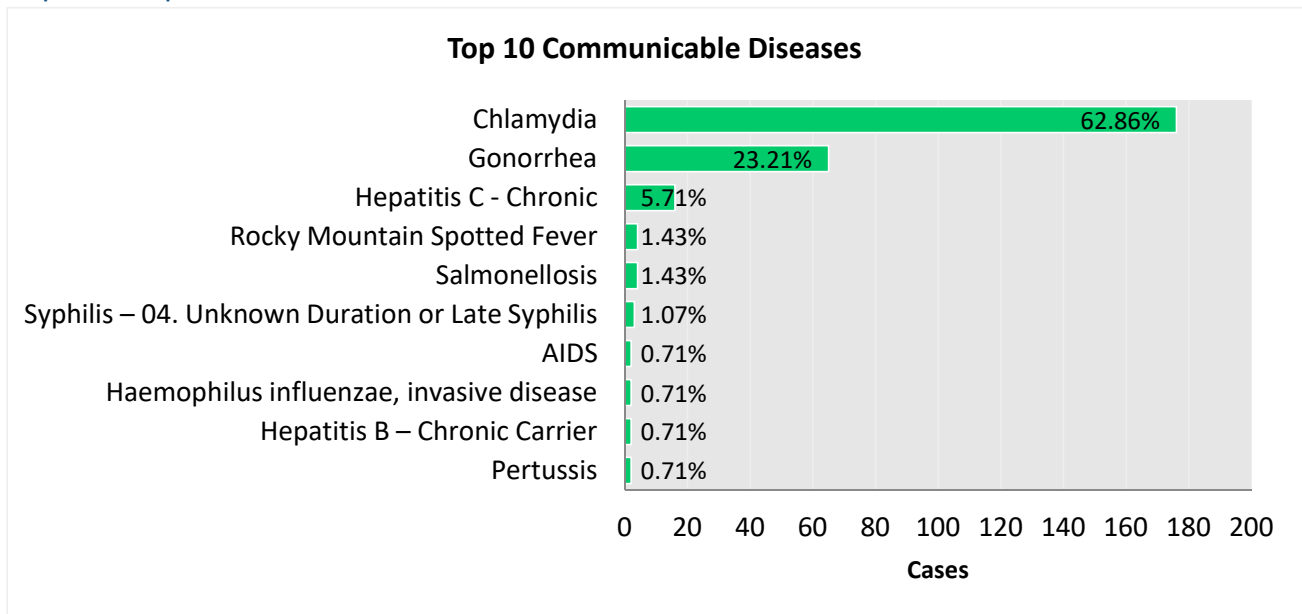
Leading Causes of Emergency Department Visits

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Top Ten Reportable Communicable Diseases



Note: To view and compare communicable disease rates in your county with NC State-wide rates, reported number of cases, etc., view the custom dashboard

<https://NCD3NorthCarolinaDiseaseDataDashboard>

Preventing and controlling the spread of communicable diseases are a top concern among communities.

The top communicable diseases as reported by NC DHHS in Northampton County in 2018 are shown above.

Chlamydia ranked highest among percent of cases reported. Chlamydia is a common STD that can infect both men and women. It can cause serious, permanent damage to a woman's reproductive system.

Chapter 6 HNC 2030 Indicator Rankings by Health ENC Regions

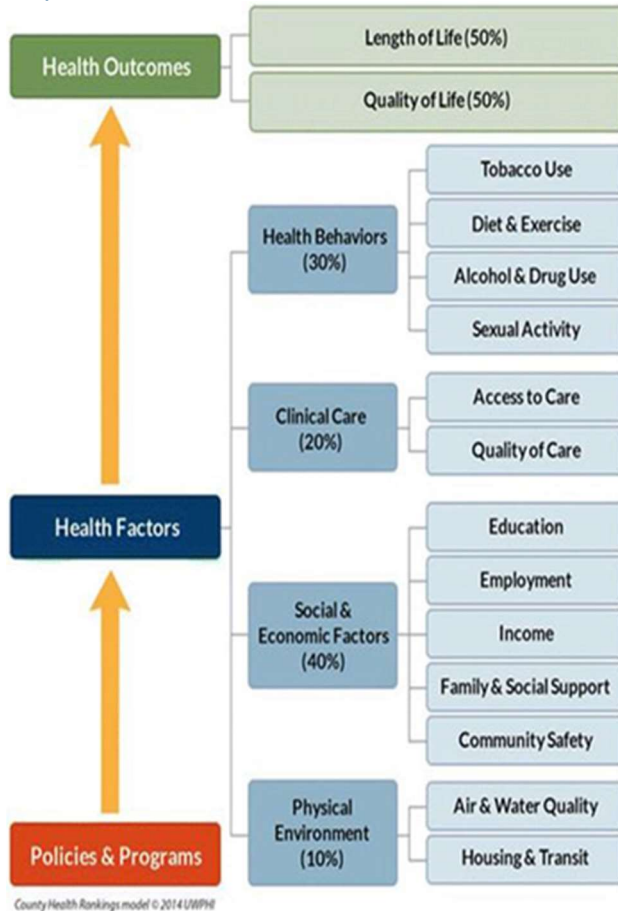
Indicators / Measures	Northampton	NC
Health Outcomes		
Premature Death	9700	7600
Low Birthweight	12%	9%
Health Behaviors		
Adult Smoking	25%	18%
Adult Obesity	40%	32%
Physical Inactivity	37%	23%
Access to Exercise Opportunities	19%	74%
Excessive drinking	16%	18%
Sexual Transmitted infections	886.10	647.80
Teen Births	38%	22
Clinical Care		
Uninsured	12%	13%
Primary Care Physicians	19680:1	1400 to 1
Preventable hospital stays	6371%	4539
Mammography Screening	47%	46%
Flu Vaccinations	50%	52%
Social & Economic Factors		
High School Completion	80%	88%
Some College	52.00%	67.00%
Unemployment	5.20%	3.90%
Children in Poverty	37.00%	19.00%
Children in single parent households	50.00%	28.00%

Areas to Explore	Areas of Strength
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Source: County Health Rankings
<https://www.countyhealthrankings.org/>

Chapter 7 County Health Ranking Indicators

Population Health Model



The County Health Rankings are based on a model of community health that emphasizes the many factors that influence how long and how well we live. The Rankings use more than 30 measures that help communities understand how healthy their residents are today (health outcomes) and what will impact their health in the future (health factors). Explore the Model to learn more about these measures and how they fit together to provide a profile of community health

- There are many factors that influence how well and how long people live.
- The *County Health Rankings* model (right) is a population health model that uses data from different sources to help identify areas of concerns and strengths to help communities achieve health and wellness.
- The Rankings provides county-level data on health behavior, clinical care, social and economic and physical environment factors.

Source: County Health Rankings
<https://www.countyhealthrankings.org>

Chapter 8 Inventory of Resources

Northampton County has limited resources, Northampton County also has low-social economic status and is a rural area that is largely an agricultural/farming community. The county has a local health department, but no local hospital. Residents must travel to nearby Halifax County, which is approximately 20 minutes travel time, (from the county seat) or to Hertford County, which is approximately 45 minutes in travel time, (from the county seat.)

Northampton County has only a few mental health and or substance abuse providers, Integrated Family Services and Trillium Health Care Services mobile crisis unit. Any residents needing these services will have to travel outside of the county to seek more intensive and or extensive services. This is sometimes not feasible because lack of transportation and/or access to affordable transportation.

Northampton County does have a local transportation provider, CPTA, however because of cost and available routes citizens are not always able to utilize this service.

Northampton County does have a 911 Call Center and a local Sherriff and Police Department that is accessible to its citizens.

The NC State Cooperative Extension service is present and provides services to the farmers as well as supports an active 4-H program for the youth in Northampton County.

There are several nursing and rehabilitation centers located in the county for families that need those services.

The Northampton County Department of Social Services provides services for children and their families.

The Northampton County Cultural and Wellness Center promotes healthy living, as well as, provides a centrally located facility for its citizens to access. The wellness center offers a full workout center, inside and outside walking tracks, as well as football and baseball/softball fields.

Northampton has a large faith-based community that are often utilized by local governmental agencies to disseminate information to its congregation.

Northampton County Schools is currently 112 out of 115 public schools in North Carolina according to the NCPI website.

To properly be able to provide adequate services to its citizens and to address the CHN priorities the county will need to improve healthcare, provide more services for mental health and substance abuse, as well as offer more resources for its citizens to access.

Northampton County Resource Guide

County Government

Board of Commissioners

Northampton County Board of Commissioners	100 W. Jefferson Street P.O. Box 808 Jackson NC 27845	(252) 534-2501	Set policies and budgets for Northampton County.
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Commissioners

Districts

Townships

Charles R. Tyner Chair	1	Conway Township
Geneva Riddick-Faulkner Vice Chair	2	Rich Square Township
Nicole J. Boone	3	Roanoke & Jackson
Joyce Buffaloe	4	Seaboard and Wiccacanee Townships
Kelvin Edwards, Sr.	5	Occoneechee, Pleasant Hill and Gaston Townships

County Manager

Charles Tyner Interim County Manager	108 W. Jefferson Street P.O. Box 808 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-2501	The Chief Administrator of County Government. Responsible to the Board of County Commissioners for directing and supervising the administration of all County offices, departments, Board of Commissions and agencies under the general control of the Board of Commissioners.
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County Attorney

Scott McKellar	PO Box 7100 Rocky Mount, N.C. 278	(252) 534-2501	Reviews contracts entered by the County and provides legal advice and counsel to local government.
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Agencies

Northampton County Chamber of Commerce	127 W Jefferson Street Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1383	A nonprofit membership organization representing businesses and individuals in North Carolina's northern coastal plain. The service area includes all of Northampton County.
Northampton County Board of Elections	9495 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-5681	The Board of Elections maintains voter registration records and encourages the participation of all eligible voters in the election process.
Northampton County Building Inspection Department	9495 Hwy 305 P.O. Box 97 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-5171	Provides construction permitting, inspection, enforcement, and related information to the Northampton County community. Their objective is to ensure the safe and code-compliant construction of buildings, and to enforce building code compliance to provide safe, healthy environments in which to live, work and play.
Northampton County Clerk of Superior Court	102 West Jefferson Street, P.O. Box 217 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-3100	Probate of wills, Incompetency proceedings, Trusts, Foreclosure under power of sale. Operates unified record keeping system of all civil actions, special proceedings, estates, criminal actions, juvenile actions.
Northampton County Day Reporting Criminal Justice Partnership Program Center	114 West Jefferson Street P.O. Box 975 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1627	Provides accountability and control over offenders on supervised probation while providing the necessary services to make them productive citizens.
Northampton County Finance Department.	9467 NC HWY 305 P.O. Box 663 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1536	The Finance Office maintains an accurate accounting of all Local Government resources, obligations and assets in accordance with general accepted governmental accounting principles and by policies adopted by the Board of County Commissioners.
Northampton County Land Records Office	102 Thomas Bragg Drive P.O. Box 637 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-5941	Assignment of E-911. Assist public with property location and information.

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Northampton County Public Works	9371 NC Hwy 305 P.O. Box 68 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-6341	Protect the environment, and to maintain taxpayer investments of County owned properties through the provision of rural and municipal public water and wastewater services; rural, municipal, and commercial solid waste and recycling services; and the maintenance of County owned buildings and grounds.
Northampton County Cultural and Wellness Center and Recreation Department	9536 Hwy 305 P.O. Box 955 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1303	Promote and encourage diverse leisure, recreation, and cultural opportunities to enrich the quality of life for all residents.
Northampton County Register of Deeds	104 Thomas Bragg Street P.O. Box 128 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-2511	The Register of Deeds Office is responsible for the recording, indexing and preservation of all real estate records, vital records, UCC's, plats and other miscellaneous records.
Northampton County Sheriff's Office	104 W Jefferson Street P.O. Box 176 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-2611	Protect the lives and property of the citizens of the County. The Sheriff's Department fulfills its mission by enforcing the law, maintaining the County jail, providing courtroom security and investigating crimes.
Northampton County Tax Department	204 Thomas Bragg Drive P.O. Box 637 Jackson, NC 27845	Primary Phone Number: (252) 534-4461 Secondary Phone Number: (252) 534-3431	Inventories and appraises real property and taxable personal property; bills and collects the tax and fees levied thereon by our local government or other tax jurisdictions within our County with equity and efficiency; investigates and eliminates situations reported that imply the inequity of taxation among property owners; maintains accounting records related to the above task; assures that these tasks are undertaken in strict accordance with State and local law.
Northampton County Veterans Service Office	102 Jefferson Street P.O. Box 74, Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-2621	Serves as the advocate for the County's veterans and their dependents by assisting them in their application for benefits from the Veterans Administration.

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Northampton County Office of Emergency Management	132 Landfill Road P.O. Box 682 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 574-0214	Responsible for the planning, coordination and operation of Emergency Management activities in Northampton County. Maintains liaison relationship with State and Federal authorities and the authorities of nearby political subdivision to insure the most effective operation of the emergency management plans.
Northampton County Health Department And Home Health Agency	9495 NC Highway 305 P.O. Box 635 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-5841	Promotes health, prevent disease, and protect the environment (See detailed list of services under Health).
Northampton County Emergency Medical Services	132 Landfill Road P.O. Box 701 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-6811	Provides primary Advance Life Support emergency care to the citizens of Northampton County on a first out basis 24 hours per day, seven days per week.
Northampton County E911	132 Landfill Road P.O. Box 25 Jackson, NC 27845	Non-Emergency Calls: (252) 574-0205	Provides 911 services to the citizens and visitors of Northampton County. The 911 center is the primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP).
Northampton County Economic Development Commission	P.O. Box 685 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1092	The Northampton County Economic Development Commission is responsible for initiating, organizing and managing the County's public sector efforts to strengthen the local economy, improve the standard of living and create sustainable, higher-wage employment opportunities for the people of Northampton County.
Northampton County Cooperative Extension	P.O. Box 606 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-2711	Helps people improve the quality of their lives by providing research-based information and informal educational opportunities focused on issues and needs.
Northampton County Memorial Library	207 W Jefferson Street Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-3571	Provides information and resources to the community.
Northampton Office on Aging	P.O. Box 1034 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) Phone: 574-0229	Acts as an information and referral center for adults ages sixty and above. Provides medical and nutritional transportation for the county's senior citizens.

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Northampton County Department Of Social Services DSS	9467 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845	Phone: Main Line (252) 534-5811	Provides social services and financial assistance to individuals who meet eligibility criteria. (See detailed list of services under Social Services).
Northampton County Museum	203 W Jefferson Street Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-2911	Historical preservation, presentation and genealogical research.
Northampton County ABC Board	205 E Jefferson Street Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-2011	Sales of alcoholic beverages – State controlled.
Farm Service Agency	9495 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-5331	Administers farm programs, conservation disaster, direct cyclical payments, and commodity loans.
Northampton County Natural Resources Services Natural Resources Soil Conservation Division of Forest Resources	9495 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845	252) 534-2591: Opt. 2 (252) 534-2591: Opt. 3 (252) 534-4741	Provides quality leadership and customer service for the conservation of the County's natural resources.

Emergency Services – County

Northampton County Office of Emergency Management	P.O. Box 682 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 574-0214	Responsible for the planning, coordination and operation of Emergency Management activities in Northampton County. Purpose is to maintain liaison with State and Federal Authorities and the authorities of nearby political subdivision to insure the most effective operation of the emergency management plans.
Northampton Emergency Medical Services	132 Landfill Road P.O. Box 701 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-6811	Purpose is to provide primary Advance Life Support emergency care to the citizens of Northampton County on a first out basis 24 hours per day, seven days per week.

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Northampton E911	132 Landfill Road P.O. Box 25 Jackson, NC 27845	Non- Emergency (252) 574- 0205	Purpose is to provide 911 services to the citizens and visitors of Northampton County. The 911 center is the primary Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP).
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Towns in Northampton County

Town of Conway	301 W Main St. Conway, NC 27820	(252) 585- 0488	Provides police, sewer and water services and town administration.
Town of Garysburg	504 Old Highway Road Garysburg, NC 27831	(252) 536- 2167	Provides police and town administration.
Town of Gaston	223 Craige Street Gaston, NC 27832	(252) 537- 1046	Provides police and administration.
Town of Jackson	100 E Jefferson Street Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534- 3811	Provides police, sewer and water services and town administration.
Town of Lasker	207 East Church Street Lasker, NC 27845	(252) 539- 4014	Provides town administration.
Town of Rich Square	306 W Jackson St Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539- 2315	Provides Police, sewer and water services and town administration.
Town of Seaboard	102 West Central Street Seaboard, NC 27876	(252) 589- 5061	Provides police, sewer and water services and town administration.
Town of Severn	314 Main Street Severn, NC 27877	(252) 585- 0144	Provides police, sewer and water services and town administration.

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Town of Woodland	123 W Main Street Woodland, NC 27897	(252) 587-7161	Provides police, sewer and water services and town administration.
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Fire and Rescue Services

Conway Volunteer Fire Department	P.O. Box 158 Conway, NC 27820	Primary Phone Number 911	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Conway Fire District.
Conway/Severn Volunteer Rescue Squad	P.O. Box 220 Conway, NC 27820	Primary Phone Number 911	Emergency rescue.
Garysburg Volunteer Fire Department	P.O. Drawer Y Garysburg, NC 27831	(252) 536-4557	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Garysburg Fire District.
Gaston Volunteer Fire Department	P.O. Box 700 Gaston, NC 27832	Primary Phone Number 911	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Gaston Fire District.
Gaston Volunteer Rescue Squad	P.O. Box 699 Gaston, NC 27832	Primary Phone number 911	Emergency Rescue.
Jackson Volunteer Fire Department	P.O. Box 545 Jackson, NC 27845	Primary Phone number 911	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Jackson Fire District.
Lasker Volunteer Fire Department	203 West Church Street Lasker, NC 27845	Primary Phone Number 911	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Lasker Fire District.
Seaboard Volunteer Rescue Squad	107 Clay Street Seaboard, NC 27876	Primary Phone number 911	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Seaboard Fire District.
Woodland Volunteer Fire Department	PO Box 226 Woodland, NC 27897	Primary Phone Number: 911	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Woodland Fire District.

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Woodland Volunteer Rescue Squad	205 Spruce Street Woodland, NC 27897	Primary Phone number 911	EMS and Rescue.
Roanoke- Wildwood Volunteer Fire Department	1448 River Road Henrico, NC 27842	Primary Phone number 911	Extinguish fires to save life and property, primarily in the Woodland Fire District.
Eastside EMS	308 West Jackson Street Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-2211	Emergency Rescue.

Education

Central Office Northampton County Schools	320 Bagley Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1371	Administration of Education
Northampton High School	152 Hurricane Drive Gaston, NC 27832	(252) 537-1910	Education Grades 9 –12
Northampton Early College High School	100 College Drive, Weldon, NC 27890	(252) 536-5460	Education Grades 9 –12
Northampton Career and Technical Academy	750 NCHS Road, Conway, NC 27820	(252) 534-1371	Education Grades 9 –12
Northampton Virtual Academy	701 N. Church Street, Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 537-2877	Education Grades 9 –12
Conway Middle School	400 Main Street Conway, NC 27820	(252) 585-0312	Education Grades 5--8
Gaston STEM Leadership Academy	400 Broughton Street,	(252) 537-2520	Education Grades K-8

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	Gaston, NC 27832		
Central Elementary School	9742 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-3381	Education Grades Pre-K-4
KIPP Gaston College Preparatory School	320 Pleasant Hill road Gaston, NC 27832	(252) 308-6932	Charter School Grades 5-12
Northeast Academy	210 Church Street Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 539-2461	Private School Grades Pre-K – 12
Halifax Community College	200 College Drive Weldon, NC 27890	(252) 536-4221	Education 2-Year Community College
Roanoke-Chowan Community College	109 Community College Road Ahoskie, NC 27910	(252) 862-1200	Education 2-Year Community College

Childcare

A & J Kiddie Land Child Care Center	924 South Main Street Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-1011	Childcare provider
Central Elementary Schools	9742 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-3381	Pre-K provider
J & B child Care Center	222 Reid Road Garysburg, NC 27831	(252) 536-5100	Childcare provider
Northeast Academy Little Eagles Preschool	210 Church Street Lasker, NC 27848	(252) 539-2461	Pre-K provider
Reid's Family Child Care Center	507 Johnson Street Conway, NC 27820	(252) 585-2000	Childcare provider
Tina's University for Tots Child Care Center	112 Walnut Street Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-4000	Childcare provider
Woodland Head Start	505 West Main Street Woodland, NC 27897	(252) 587-1108	Home based options up to 3 years old Early Head Start Head Start

Social Services

Northampton County Department of Social Services	9467 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845	Main Line (252) 534-5811 Food Stamps (252) 534-0521 Adult and Children Services (252) 534-1246 Child Support (252) 534-0111 Work First (252) 534-7046 Child Protective Services (CPS) Hotline (252) 534-1773	Provides social services and financial assistance to individuals who meet eligibility criteria.
Hannah’s Place	P.O. Box 1392 Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870	(252) 535-5946 (252) 537-2882	For battered women, victims of sexual assault. 24-Hour Crisis Line, Shelter, Informal counseling, Court Advocacy, Computer Literacy.
Roanoke Chowan S.A.F.E. Shelter, Court Advocacy. Acronym: SAFE (Services for Abused Families with Emergencies)	P.O. Box 98 Ahoskie, NC 27910	Call (252) 332-1933	Shelter, Court Advocacy. Acronym: SAFE (Services for Abused Families with Emergencies) For victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. 24-Hour Crisis Line
Choanoke Area Development Association (CADA)	120 Sessoms Drive Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-4155	Administers programs impacting low-income residents.
Hertford-Northampton Smart Start Partnership for Children	711 East Vance Street Murfreesboro, NC 27855	(252) 398-4124	Aids in finding Childcare.
Triple P	Halifax County Health Department P.O. Box 10	(252) 583-5021	Positive Parenting – Delivered to parents of children up to 12 years with Teen Triple P for parents of 12- to 16-year-olds. Designed to prevent as well as treat behavioral and

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	19 Dobbs street Halifax, NC 27839		emotional problems in children and teenagers. Encourages children to realize their potential.
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Food Distribution Centers

Branches Chapel Church	610 Chapel Hill Church Road Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-2930	Provide food to individuals in need of food.
Galatia Baptist Church	1197 Galatia Road Seaboard, NC 27846	(252) 585-1174	Provide food to individuals in need of food.
J W Faison Senior Center	110 Ridge Crest Lane Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1012	Provide food to individuals in need of food.
Jackson United Methodist Church	206 Thomas Bragg Drive Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 539-8711	Provide food to individuals in need of food.
Choanoke Area Development of North Carolina Incorporated (CADA)	120 Sessoms Drive Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-4155	Provide food to individuals in need of food.
Northampton County Office on Aging	9536 NC Hwy 305 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 574-0229	USDA Food Distribution Program

Hospitals

ECU Health North Medical Center	250 Smith Church Road Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870	(252) 535-8011	Hospital medical services and patient education.
ECU Health Roanoke Chowan Hospital	500 Academy St. Ahoskie, NC 27910	(252) 209-3000	Hospital medical services and patient education.
ECU Health Bertie Memorial Hospital	1403 S King Street Windsor, NC 27938	(252) 794-6600	Hospital medical services and patient education.

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ECU Health Edgecombe Hospital	111 Hospital Drive Tarboro, NC 27886	(252) 641-7700	Hospital medical services and patient education.
ECU Health Pitt Memorial Hospital	2100 Stantonsburg Road Greenville, NC 27835	(252) 847-4100	Hospital medical services and patient education.

Health

Northampton County Health Department	9495 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845 www.northamptonhd.com	(252) 534-5841	Animal Control Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program CC4C-Care Coordination for Children Child Health Communicable Diseases Emergency Preparedness Environmental Health Family Planning General Clinic Health Education Home Delivered Meals Maternal Health North Carolina Health Check/Health Choice Nurse Family Partnership Pregnancy Care Management Wise Woman
Northampton County Home Health	9495 NC Highway 305 Jackson, NC 27845 www.northamptonhd.com	(252) 534-1291	Skilled care: Skilled nursing, infusion nursing, physical, speech and occupational therapy. Support Services: Home Health Aides, Nutrition Services. Coordinate with other health agencies in the area to assure comprehensive care to patients, including, Hospice, Home Delivered Meals, Pharmacy Consultation.
Trillium Health Services	144 Community College Road Ahoskie, NC 27910	(866) 998-2957	Mental health, developmental disabilities and substance abuse services.
Rural Health Group	Medical - 9425 NC Hwy 305 Jackson, NC 27845 Dental - 9409 NC Hwy 305 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-1661 (252) 536-5920	Provides quality primary care services. Preventive and basic restorative dental services.

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Woodland Primary	105 Spruce Street Woodland, NC 27897	(252) 587-3511	Family Medicine/General Practice.
Bryan Health and Rehab	921 Jr. High School Road Scotland Neck, NC 27874	(252) 826-4144	Health Treatment and Long-Term Care.
Northampton Family Practice (Dr. Frank Taylor)	111 Main Street Conway, NC. 27820	(252) 585-1134	Family Medicine/General Practice.
Fresenius Kidney Care East	121 N Church Street Conway, NC 27820	(800) 881-5101	Dialysis Center
Integrated Family Services	9486 NC-305, Jackson, N.C. 27845	(252)534-1088	Mental Health and Behavioral Services

Nursing and Rehabilitation

Rich Square Home Health Care Center	320 N. Main Street Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-4161	Nursing and Rehab Center – Assisted Living Campus.
Hampton Woods Health and Rehabilitation Center	200 Hampton Woods Complex Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-0131	Nursing Home Care
Pine Forest Rest Home	3277 NC 35 Potecasi, NC 27867	(252) 587-1591	Home for the Aged.
Roanoke Valley Adult Day Center	108 East 1st. Street Weldon, NC 27890	Primary Phone Number: (252) 536-2070	Services Provided: Adult Day Care/Adult Day Health.
Vidant Home Health & Hospice	521 West Myers Street Ahoskie, NC 27910	(252) 332-3392	Palliative and supportive care and services for terminally ill patients and their families/caregivers. Bereavement and counseling services, pain management and advance care planning, RN & NA services, medical social work.
Upper Coastal Plain Council of Governments	1309 S. Wesleyan Boulevard, Rocky Mount, NC 27803	(252) 446-0411	Medicare Lookout, Med-Link, Family Caregiver Support Program, Information & Assistance, Title 1, Reverse Mortgage, HCCBG Management.
Division of Community Corrections	P.O. Box 6 Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-5671	Court related business.

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Transportation

Carolina Public Transportation Authority (CPTA)	505 North Main Street Rich Square, NC 27869	(252) 539-2022	Public Transportation.
Department of Transportation	9339 Hwy 305 N Jackson, NC 27845	(252) 534-4031	Highway maintenance.

Employment

NC WORKS/Job Link Career Center	406 Premier Blvd. Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870	(252) 537-4188	Job Placement, Unemployment Insurance, Labor Market Information.
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Housing

Halifax/Northampton Habitat for Humanity	14 E. 2nd. Street Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870	(252) 537-2556	Builds housing for low-income working families
Roanoke Chowan Housing Authority	205 Tinsley Way Gaston, NC 27832	(252) 537-1051	Rental Assistance Program, Public Housing.

Chapter 9 Community Prioritization Process

The CHA report will be available on the Health Department’s webpage and Facebook page. The Healthy Carolinians Task Force met in November 2021 to discuss the community’s priorities and how to best implement programming that will reflect the needs expressed in the CHA report. The Northampton County Health Department will assume a leadership role in identifying existing community interventions to address the priorities of the task force in addition to planning new initiatives with community partners.

REFERENCES

Data Sources and References for ENC Health Community Health Assessment (2020-2021)

Health Outcomes	Source	Years
Life expectancy	NC-DHHS State Center for Health Statistics	2014-2018
Leading causes of death	NC-DHHS State Center for Health Statistics / CDC, NCHS	2019
Fetal deaths and fetal death rates	NC-DHHS State Center for Health Statistics	2014-2018
Leading causes of injury death, hospitalization, and ED visits	NC-DHHS, Injury & Violence Prevention Branch	2016-2019
Communicable diseases	NC-DHHS State Center for Health Statistics	2018
Clinical Care	Source	Years
Population per primary care physicians	Cecil G. Sheps, Center for Health Services Research, UNC	2017
Physicians per population by county	Cecil G. Sheps, Center for Health Services Research, UNC	2019
Health Insurance Coverage	U.S. Census Bureau ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Government Health Insurance Only	U.S. Census Bureau ACS 5-year Estimate	
Health Behavior Factors	Source	Years
BRFSS	NC-DHHS State Center for Health Statistics	2018
Health ENC Primary Data Questions – Quality of Life, Behavior	Health ENC Report	2020-2021
Healthy NC, 2030	NCIOM / NC DHHS	2020
County Health Rankings	Robert Woods Johnson Foundation	Varies
Social and Economic Factors	Source	Years
Population	U.S. Census Bureau ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Projected Population	NC Office of State Mgmt & Budget Pop Projections and US Census	2021
General population characteristics	Census Population Estimates	2015-2019
Education	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Employment	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Income	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Minority Populations	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Military Population	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Veteran Population	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Birth Rate	NC State Center for Health Statistics	2016-2019
Poverty (% of population with income <200% of poverty level)	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Poverty by race and ethnicity	U.S. Census Bureau ACS 5-year Estimate	2013-2019
Children in poverty	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Older adults in poverty	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Disabled people in poverty	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Housing – Median monthly costs	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Housing – median monthly costs in surrounding counties	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Employment by industries	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Food Insecurity	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Percent of population below 200% by zip code	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Educational attainment	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
High School dropout rate (% dropout per 100 students)	N.C. Dept of Public Instruction	2016-2020
High School suspension rate (% suspension per 100 students)	N.C. Dept of Public Instruction	2019-2020
Transportation (% of workers commuting; % of workers drive alone)	U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-year Estimate	2015-2019
Tier Designation (County Distress Ranking)	N.C. Department of Commerce	2021
Community and Safety Factors	Source	Years
Crime and Safety	N.C. State Bureau of Investigations, uniform crime report	2016-2019
Juvenile Crime (% Undisciplined and % Delinquent per 1,000)	NC. Dept. of Public Safety, juvenile justice county Databook	2017-2020
Incarceration (Rate per 100,000 population)	N.C. Dept. of Public Safety	2019-2020
Child Abuse (Reports per 1000, age 0-18 years)	Annie E. Casey Foundation Kids Count Data Center	2015-2018
Severe housing problems	Robert Woods Johnson County Health Rankings	2013-2017

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