

Snapshot of Employment, Poverty, Income, and Health Coverage in North Carolina's Counties

2008 and 2009

COUNTY*	Total Poverty 2008 (percent)	Median Household Income (2008\$)	Health Insurance Uninsured (percent)	Unemployment		Food Stamp Participation				NC Living Income Standard 2008 4 Person Family (2 Adults, 2 Kids) Avg. Annual Wage
				November 2008	November 2009	Nov. 2008	Share of Pop. 08	Nov. 2009	Share of Pop. 09	
Alamance	17.7%	\$ 42,822	16.9%	8.2%	11.9%	14,811	10.1%	19,512	13.1%	\$ 42,128
Alexander**	11.9%	\$ 42,796	n/a	9.4%	13.8%	4,060	11.0%	4,990	13.4%	\$ 38,674
Alleghany*	n/a	n/a	n/a	9.1%	11.6%	1,243	11.2%	1,553	13.9%	\$ 38,464
Anson**	18.7%	\$ 34,845	n/a	11.1%	14.9%	5,222	20.6%	5,840	23.1%	\$ 36,817
Ashe**	15.6%	\$ 35,339	n/a	8.5%	11.6%	2,902	11.0%	3,647	13.8%	\$ 37,832
Avery*	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.8%	9.5%	1,631	8.9%	2,078	11.4%	\$ 40,747
Beaufort**	15.1%	\$ 39,341	n/a	8.7%	11.4%	6,840	14.7%	7,569	16.2%	\$ 39,867
Bertie*	n/a	n/a	n/a	9.2%	10.4%	4,381	21.8%	4,864	24.2%	\$ 39,086
Bladen**	24.7%	\$ 31,667	n/a	9.5%	12.1%	5,972	18.6%	6,948	21.6%	\$ 38,256
Brunswick	9.6%	\$ 46,179	26.8%	8.5%	11.5%	9,588	9.3%	12,535	11.8%	\$ 42,128
Buncombe	13.7%	\$ 43,640	15.8%	5.7%	8.2%	22,826	10.0%	29,376	12.7%	\$ 39,911
Burke	15.6%	\$ 35,520	16.0%	10.5%	14.1%	10,401	11.7%	13,182	14.6%	\$ 38,324
Cabarrus	10.5%	\$ 56,782	15.5%	7.4%	11.7%	15,978	9.4%	20,232	11.4%	\$ 45,174
Caldwell	15.4%	\$ 43,421	16.8%	10.4%	15.9%	11,728	14.7%	14,357	17.8%	\$ 38,674
Camden*	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.0%	7.9%	609	6.3%	843	8.5%	\$ 41,090
Carteret**	11.2%	\$ 49,958	n/a	6.7%	8.8%	5,782	9.1%	7,454	11.7%	\$ 41,126
Caswell**	18.4%	\$ 37,788	n/a	10.6%	12.2%	3,819	16.3%	4,396	18.8%	\$ 39,495
Catawba	14.7%	\$ 43,009	16.1%	9.3%	14.0%	19,196	12.4%	23,414	14.9%	\$ 38,674
Chatham**	13.3%	\$ 54,874	n/a	6.2%	7.9%	3,771	6.2%	4,716	7.6%	\$ 46,376
Cherokee**	16.4%	\$ 37,831	n/a	12.0%	15.0%	3,164	11.7%	3,908	14.2%	\$ 37,014
Chowan*	n/a	n/a	n/a	10.9%	11.7%	2,577	17.5%	2,980	20.2%	\$ 41,141
Clay*	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.3%	11.8%	1,530	14.6%	1,830	17.2%	\$ 39,283
Cleveland	17.4%	\$ 36,748	16.0%	10.6%	14.8%	16,544	16.9%	20,418	20.7%	\$ 41,569
Columbus**	19.2%	\$ 34,122	n/a	9.5%	12.9%	10,236	18.7%	11,710	21.3%	\$ 38,828
Craven	15.7%	\$ 46,259	10.4%	7.7%	10.4%	10,745	11.0%	12,649	12.8%	\$ 40,889
Cumberland	14.8%	\$ 44,786	11.8%	7.1%	9.2%	46,003	14.5%	54,196	16.9%	\$ 39,763
Currituck**	7.6%	\$ 56,923	n/a	6.1%	7.0%	1,729	7.3%	2,031	8.5%	\$ 45,213
Dare**	9.2%	\$ 54,594	n/a	8.2%	11.5%	1,564	4.6%	2,318	6.9%	\$ 45,928
Davidson	15.1%	\$ 43,997	14.8%	9.3%	13.0%	20,682	13.0%	24,788	15.4%	\$ 39,286
Davie**	9.8%	\$ 51,752	n/a	7.8%	10.8%	3,457	8.4%	4,383	10.5%	\$ 40,182
Duplin**	21.5%	\$ 35,815	n/a	7.5%	9.1%	6,413	12.0%	7,579	14.0%	\$ 38,242
Durham	13.6%	\$ 51,028	14.5%	5.5%	7.9%	25,526	9.8%	31,885	11.9%	\$ 47,775
Edgecombe**	22.9%	\$ 31,775	n/a	12.9%	16.6%	13,164	25.4%	14,969	29.0%	\$ 40,153
Forsyth	15.3%	\$ 46,912	15.3%	6.9%	9.7%	33,402	9.7%	41,960	12.0%	\$ 41,990
Franklin**	14.8%	\$ 43,508	n/a	7.3%	10.2%	7,017	12.1%	8,321	14.1%	\$ 45,204
Gaston	15.1%	\$ 46,353	16.5%	9.9%	13.4%	28,860	14.1%	36,103	17.2%	\$ 43,433
Gates*	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.2%	6.8%	1,370	11.6%	1,559	13.0%	\$ 41,141
Graham*	n/a	n/a	n/a	12.1%	15.8%	1,135	14.0%	1,347	16.6%	\$ 38,900
Granville**	11.1%	\$ 47,855	n/a	12.1%	10.5%	5,051	9.0%	6,399	11.3%	\$ 40,821
Greene**	17.0%	\$ 38,654	n/a	7.6%	10.1%	3,063	14.4%	3,973	18.6%	\$ 38,697
Guilford	13.3%	\$ 47,553	15.0%	11.0%	7.5%	55,160	11.8%	68,759	14.4%	\$ 43,787
Halifax**	23.8%	\$ 29,393	n/a	11.6%	13.6%	13,646	24.7%	14,845	26.9%	\$ 38,925
Harnett	13.9%	\$ 43,547	19.5%	8.1%	11.1%	13,319	12.1%	16,843	14.9%	\$ 39,893
Haywood**	12.4%	\$ 38,944	n/a	6.9%	9.5%	3,946	6.9%	8,615	15.0%	\$ 38,106
Henderson	13.8%	\$ 45,695	17.7%	5.9%	8.8%	7,072	6.8%	9,419	8.9%	\$ 39,911
Herford**	24.6%	\$ 28,891	n/a	7.7%	9.2%	4,935	20.8%	5,615	23.6%	\$ 38,772
Hoke**	18.1%	\$ 42,303	n/a	6.7%	8.5%	6,810	15.3%	7,793	17.1%	\$ 39,258
Hyde*	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.9%	8.8%	835	15.1%	897	16.3%	\$ 39,258
Iredell	13.8%	\$ 50,343	16.0%	8.3%	12.6%	11,516	7.5%	14,966	9.5%	\$ 42,204
Jackson**	18.2%	\$ 39,163	n/a	6.0%	8.3%	3,333	9.0%	4,118	11.0%	\$ 40,911
Johnston	12.0%	\$ 52,484	18.4%	7.3%	9.6%	17,566	10.8%	21,536	12.8%	\$ 44,965
Jones*	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.2%	10.8%	1,461	14.2%	1,831	17.8%	\$ 40,420
Lee**	14.3%	\$ 43,046	n/a	10.1%	13.6%	6,690	11.6%	8,574	14.6%	\$ 41,144
Lenoir**	25.7%	\$ 31,475	n/a	9.0%	11.8%	10,759	18.7%	12,377	21.6%	\$ 39,409
Lincoln	13.7%	\$ 49,279	20.3%	9.3%	13.7%	7,796	10.5%	10,041	13.1%	\$ 41,347
Macon**	12.8%	\$ 40,164	n/a	7.3%	10.6%	3,684	10.8%	4,783	13.7%	\$ 39,782

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Madison**	15.8%	\$ 39,518	n/a	6.4%	9.5%	2,561	12.3%	3,373	16.0%	\$ 40,983
Martin**	24.6%	\$ 34,487	n/a	8.2%	10.5%	4,252	17.8%	4,772	20.1%	\$ 38,375
McDowell**	15.9%	\$ 35,114	n/a	11.6%	14.9%	5,345	12.0%	6,772	15.0%	\$ 40,566
Mecklenburg	10.5%	\$ 57,033	15.8%	7.5%	11.0%	93,422	10.7%	121,875	13.6%	\$ 46,402
Mitchell*	n/a	n/a	n/a	9.2%	11.8%	1,785	11.1%	2,079	13.0%	\$ 41,333
Montgomery**	24.9%	\$ 32,285	n/a	10.1%	13.1%	4,261	15.4%	4,818	17.3%	\$ 39,454
Moore	10.3%	\$ 46,697	15.1%	7.3%	9.8%	7,461	8.7%	8,753	10.1%	\$ 40,965
Nash	15.4%	\$ 45,482	13.6%	9.1%	12.0%	12,408	13.2%	14,407	15.1%	\$ 40,580
New Hanover	13.8%	\$ 51,223	14.6%	6.3%	9.5%	16,587	8.6%	20,395	10.5%	\$ 44,999
Northampton**	22.4%	\$ 28,493	n/a	9.3%	11.3%	4,795	22.7%	5,483	25.9%	\$ 38,893
Onslow	12.7%	\$ 48,017	11.6%	6.4%	8.2%	13,017	7.4%	14,751	8.3%	\$ 38,808
Orange	14.5%	\$ 54,390	10.9%	4.4%	6.3%	7,109	5.5%	8,888	6.8%	\$ 50,180
Pamlico*	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.4%	10.2%	1,521	11.8%	1,735	13.5%	\$ 38,994
Pasquotank**	16.4%	\$ 45,136	n/a	8.0%	9.7%	5,471	13.2%	6,156	14.8%	\$ 42,388
Pender**	11.4%	\$ 42,630	n/a	8.1%	10.9%	5,547	10.7%	6,867	12.8%	\$ 39,792
Perquimans*	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.9%	10.5%	1,991	15.4%	2,397	18.1%	\$ 41,090
Person**	16.1%	\$ 45,321	n/a	8.3%	10.7%	5,299	14.1%	6,181	16.4%	\$ 38,446
Pitt**	22.2%	\$ 40,025	16.4%	7.5%	9.9%	21,906	14.1%	25,330	15.9%	\$ 39,424
Polk*	n/a	n/a	n/a	6.2%	8.6%	1,760	9.3%	2,201	11.6%	\$ 41,213
Randolph	15.2%	\$ 41,989	19.2%	8.2%	11.4%	17,267	12.2%	20,927	14.7%	\$ 41,739
Richmond**	23.9%	\$ 29,505	n/a	11.3%	13.6%	9,073	19.4%	10,747	22.9%	\$ 39,098
Robeson	30.8%	\$ 30,932	22.8%	9.2%	11.8%	30,023	23.0%	35,452	26.9%	\$ 39,664
Rockingham	16.2%	\$ 37,678	15.8%	9.6%	12.1%	11,522	12.6%	13,950	15.2%	\$ 38,014
Rowan	16.4%	\$ 42,540	16.1%	8.7%	13.1%	15,367	11.1%	19,829	14.1%	\$ 42,322
Rutherford**	16.7%	\$ 36,022	n/a	10.5%	16.1%	9,735	15.3%	12,035	18.7%	\$ 40,687
Sampson**	20.9%	\$ 34,844	n/a	7.0%	8.5%	9,770	14.9%	11,535	17.4%	\$ 38,202
Scotland**	28.9%	\$ 30,755	n/a	13.1%	16.5%	9,035	24.4%	9,637	25.8%	\$ 40,597
Stanly**	11.7%	\$ 44,988	n/a	8.9%	12.6%	6,807	11.4%	8,418	14.0%	\$ 40,503
Stokes**	12.6%	\$ 40,526	n/a	7.4%	10.2%	4,309	9.2%	5,100	10.9%	\$ 40,182
Surry	15.3%	\$ 36,679	16.0%	9.3%	12.2%	9,822	13.4%	11,659	15.8%	\$ 38,054
Swain*	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.7%	11.7%	2,179	15.6%	2,683	19.0%	\$ 39,330
Transylvania**	14.0%	\$ 38,537	n/a	6.3%	9.5%	3,308	10.7%	4,192	13.4%	\$ 39,303
Tyrell*	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.9%	10.9%	759	17.7%	860	20.1%	\$ 41,090
Union	8.5%	\$ 62,087	14.4%	7.1%	10.4%	12,879	6.7%	18,003	9.0%	\$ 45,037
Vance**	25.5%	\$ 35,686	n/a	11.2%	13.5%	11,443	26.3%	12,776	29.3%	\$ 39,570
Wake	9.1%	\$ 65,180	12.8%	5.6%	8.3%	50,508	5.8%	63,613	7.1%	\$ 51,856
Warren*	n/a	n/a	n/a	10.6%	12.8%	3,756	18.9%	4,261	21.4%	\$ 39,374
Washington*	n/a	n/a	n/a	9.4%	12.3%	2,707	20.6%	2,971	22.7%	\$ 40,246
Watauga**	21.2%	\$ 35,010	n/a	5.2%	7.4%	2,082	4.6%	2,889	6.3%	\$ 43,674
Wayne	19.2%	\$ 39,388	15.6%	7.0%	9.0%	16,082	13.9%	19,235	16.5%	\$ 38,605
Wilkes	25.2%	\$ 29,705	17.4%	9.0%	13.1%	9,082	13.5%	11,863	17.5%	\$ 39,083
Wilson	22.7%	\$ 38,004	15.7%	8.8%	12.1%	11,647	14.8%	13,511	16.9%	\$ 41,228
Yadkin**	15.2%	\$ 38,986	n/a	7.1%	9.6%	3,555	9.3%	4,690	12.2%	\$ 39,769
Yancey*	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.9%	11.7%	2,840	15.3%	3,267	17.4%	\$ 38,152

Sources: Poverty Data (American Community Survey, 2008), Median Income Data (American Community Survey 2008), Health Coverage Data (state: Current Population Survey 2008; county: American Community Survey 2008)

* Counties with populations of 20,000 or less. US Census (2008 American Community Survey) data is unavailable for these counties.
 ** Counties with populations between 20,000 and 65,000. Health care data unavailable.

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