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Demographics	Projected Population Change By 2042	Shows the projected population change for each county between 2022 and 2042 and each county's growth during the prior 20-year period, from 2002 to 2022. It also shows each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the greatest percentage increase over the specified 20-year time period.	Calculated by NCACC using data provided by the North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"]
Demographics	Median Age	Shows the median age for each county's population in 2022 and 2021 and each county's rank among the 100 counties. A rank of 1 indicates the highest median age. The "median age" for a county is the age at which half of the population is older, and half of the population is younger.	County data: North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"] Statewide data
Demographics	Population Under Age 18	Shows the percentage of each county's population under age 18 in 2022 and in 2021 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest density of residents under age 18.	North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"]
Demographics	Population Aged 65+	Shows the percentage of each county's population aged 65 or older in 2022 and in 2021 and each county's rank among the 100 counties. A rank of 1 indicates the highest concentration of residents age 65 or higher.	North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"]
Demographics	Veteran Population	Shows the percentage of each county's residents who were military veterans as of 2022 and 2021 and each county's rank among the 100 counties. A rank of 1 indicates the highest percentage of veterans. This data generally excludes veterans who enlisted in the last 40 years and did not complete a min. service requirement (typically 2 years).	Calculated by NCACC by dividing the number of veterans in each county by the county's population. Veterans data, North Carolina State Demographer's Office Population data: North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"]

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Education and Health	Medicaid Population	Shows the percentage of each county's population that received Medicaid coverage at any point during calendar year 2021 and in 2020 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest rate of Medicaid coverage.	<p>Calculated by NCACC by dividing the number of Medicaid eligibles per county by a county's population.</p> <p>Medicaid eligibles data, North Carolina State Demographer's Office</p> <p>Population data: North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"]</p>
Education and Health	Residents Without Health Insurance	Shows the percentage of each county's residents under age 65 without health insurance in 2019 and 2018 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest rate of uninsured residents.	Calculated by NCACC by dividing uninsured population (data field NUI) by population (data field NIPR) from the 2020 and 2019 model-based data files of the US Census Bureau Small Area Health Insurance Estimates
Education and Health	Food Insecurity	Shows the percentage of each county's households experiencing food insecurity at any time during the year. A household experiences food insecurity if it does not have access to enough food for an active, healthy lifestyle for all household members or if access to nutritionally adequate food is limited or insecure.	Feeding America, Mapping the Meal Gap
Education and Health	Opioid Deaths	Shows opiate poisoning deaths in 2020 as 1) the rate per 100,000 residents, which allows for easier comparison across counties, and 2) the total number of deaths. For counties with under 10 deaths, the rate should be interpreted with caution due to the low count. As deaths are only one indicator of the opioid epidemic, this book also contains data on the prevalence of opioid prescriptions.	NC DHHS, Injury and Violence Prevention Branch

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Education and Health	Opioid Prescriptions	Shows opiate prescriptions in 2020 as 1) the percentage of each county's residents who were prescribed opioids, and 2) the absolute number of residents prescribed opioids. Data only include prescriptions actually dispensed (i.e., filled).	North Carolina Controlled Substance Reporting System, as downloaded from the North Carolina Opioid Settlement Dashboard
Education and Health	NC Pre-K Enrollment	Shows the percentage of eligible 4 year-olds enrolled in the public NC Pre-K program. The State's Early Childhood Action Plan aims for 75% enrollment by 2030. Rates are calculated by dividing the number of children enrolled by the estimated number of income eligible 4 year-olds. Because some counties enroll more children than the estimated eligible population, some rates exceed 100%.	myFutureNC
Education and Health	Students in Charter Schools	Shows the percentage of students in each Local Education Authority (LEA) who were enrolled in public charter schools in FY 2020-21.	Calculated by NCACC using data from the North Carolina Department of Public Education
Education and Health	Local Education Funding Per Student	Shows local current expense per student in each of the State's 115 LEAs for FY 2020-21 and FY 2019-20. It also ranks the LEAs by funding; a rank of 1 indicates the highest local current expense. "Local current expense" represents funding from counties out of local dollars.	North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, School Report Cards
Education and Health	Teacher Salary Supplements	Shows the average locally-funded teacher salary supplement for teachers in each LEA. Although teacher salaries are State funded, most LEAs provide additional funding on top of the State salary.	North Carolina Department of Public Instruction, School Report Cards
Education and Health	Opportunity Youth	Shows the percentage of each county's residents aged 16-24 who were neither in school nor working full or part time, measured over the period from 2015-2019. This figure includes incarcerated youth who are not enrolled in school.	Carolina Demography and myFutureNC

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Education and Health	Educational Attainment	Shows the percentage of adults ages 25 to 44 with a postsecondary degree or credential as of 2018, along with a 2030 goal percentage for each county and each county's rank among the 100 counties. A rank of 1 indicates the highest percentage with a degree or credential. Goals and data were developed by myFutureNC, a statewide nonprofit organization focused on educational attainment.	myFutureNC
Economics	Computing Device Access	Shows the percentage of households in each county with at least one computing device in 2020 and in 2019 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest amount of residents with a computing device. A computing device in this data includes a desktop or laptop computer, a smartphone, or a tablet.	US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates. Table B28001, Types of Computers in Household. 2020 2019
Economics	Internet Access	Shows the percentage of households in each county that had an internet subscription via broadband or satellite internet in 2020 and in 2019 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest rate of internet subscriptions.	US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5-Year Estimates. Table B28011, Internet Subscriptions in Household. 2020 2019
Economics	Children In Poverty	Shows the percentage of each county's children under age 18 living in poverty in 2020 and in 2019 and each county's rank among the 100 counties. A rank of 1 indicates the highest level of child poverty, a measure which is defined by the Census Bureau based on income and family size and composition.	US Census Bureau, Small Area Income and Poverty Estimates Program

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Economics	Per Capita Income	Shows each county's average annual income on a per-person basis in 2020 and in 2019 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest per capita income. A person's income is counted in the county where they live, even if they work somewhere else.	US Bureau of Economic Analysis
Economics	Residents Working In County	Shows the percentage of each county's working residents over age 16 who worked in their home county in 2020 and in 2019 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest rate of residents who work in their home county.	US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 Year Estimates. Table S0801, Commuting Characteristics by Sex. 2020 2019
Economics	Solo Commuters	Shows the percentage of each county's workforce that drove alone to work in 2020 and in 2019 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest rate of driving alone to work.	US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 Year Estimates. Table S0801, Commuting Characteristics by Sex. 2020 2019
Economics	Unemployment Rate	Shows the percentage of each county's labor force that was unemployed in May 2022 and May 2021 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest unemployment rate.	Local Area Unemployment Statistics program, a cooperative effort between the NC Department of Commerce and the US Bureau of Labor Statistics
Economics	Average Weekly Wage	Shows the average weekly wage for employed residents in 2021 and in 2020 and each county's rank among the 100 counties (1 is highest). This measure excludes a few categories of workers, including members of the armed forces, self-employed workers, and private household workers.	US Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages [Use "County High-Level" file]. Note that 2021 data used in the 2022 Map Book were preliminary.

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Economics	Tax Levy Per Capita	Shows each county's total tax levy per capita at a 100% collection rate for FY 2021-22 and FY 2020-21. It also shows each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest tax levy per capita.	<p>Calculated by NCACC by dividing the countywide tax levy by the county's population.</p> <p>Tax levy data: North Carolina Department of Revenue</p> <p>Population data: North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"]</p>
Economics	Property Tax Rates	Shows county property tax rates per \$100 valuation for FY 2021-22 and FY 2020-21 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest property tax rate.	North Carolina Department of Revenue
Economics	Taxable Property Per Capita	Shows each county's total assessed property valuation on a per capita basis for FY 2021-22 and FY 2020-21 and each county's rank among the 100 counties; a rank of 1 indicates the highest level of taxable property per capita.	<p>Calculated by NCACC by dividing the total assessed property valuation in each county by the county's population.</p> <p>Valuation data: North Carolina Department of Revenue</p> <p>Population data: North Carolina State Demographer's Office. [Download the file "Data (Excel Format)" under header "Sex, Race, Age Groups (2000-2050)"]</p>
Economics	Local Option Sales Taxes	[None]	North Carolina Department of Revenue