

Bladen County

Highlights from the 2022 NCACC Map Book



Demographics

2022 population	28,188
Projected change over next 20 years	-28%
2042 population projection	20,319

2022 Population Facts	County	NC	Rank ¹
Median Age	37.9	39.6	86
Population Under 18	23%	21%	14
Population Age 65+	20%	18%	59
Veterans	7%	6%	34



Health and Wellbeing

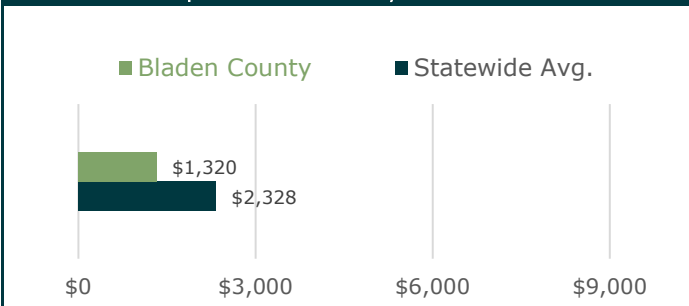
41% of residents are covered by Medicaid.(4)	16% of residents under 65 are uninsured.(2)	16% of households are food insecure.(3)
19 residents died from opioid poisoning in 2020.	5,418 residents were prescribed opioids in 2020.	



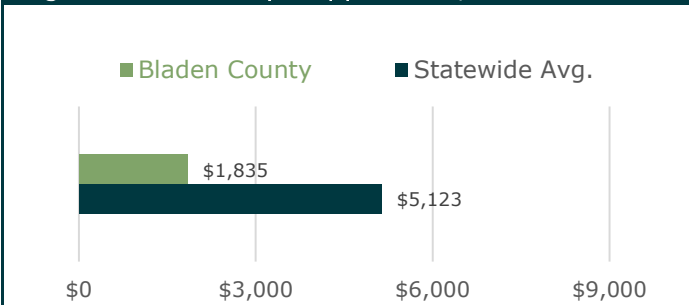
Education

99% of eligible children are enrolled in NC Pre-K.(4)	35% of adults 25-44 hold a post-secondary degree or credential. (5)	22% of residents age 16-24 are not in school or working.(2)
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Local K-12 \$ Per Student, FY 2020-21



Avg Teacher Salary Supplement, FY 2021-22



Economy and Taxes

	County	NC	Rank ¹
Income			
Per Capita Income (3)	\$39,264	\$50,305	75
Average Weekly Wage (4)	\$781	\$1,146	71
Children in Poverty (3)	36%	18%	5
Employment			
Unemployment Rate (May 2022)	4.5%	3.5%	23
Employed residents whose job is within the county (3)	61%	71%	56
Employed residents who commute by driving alone (3)	83%	71%	41
Access to Technology			
Households with broadband or satellite internet access (3)	63%	76%	75
Households with access to a computing device (3)	84%	91%	73
Local Taxes, FY 2021-22			
Property Tax Rate	0.8200	0.6072	15
Taxable property per capita (in thousands of dollars)	\$107.3	\$131.1	51
Property tax levy per capita	\$880	\$822	28
Sales tax rate (State + local)	6.75%	-	-

Notes: (1) A rank of 1 indicates the highest level or rate Statewide; a rank of 100 represents the lowest. (2) 2019 data; (3) 2020 data; (4) 2021 data; (5) 2018 data. For full notes and sources, or to download the Map Book or this fact sheet, visit www.ncacc.com/mapbook.