

Buncombe County

Highlights from the 2022 NCACC Map Book



Demographics

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| 2022 population | 275,777 |
| Projected change over next 20 years | 23% |
| 2042 population projection | 338,979 |
| 2022 Population Facts | County NC Rank¹ |
| Median Age | 43.5 39.6 42 |
| Population Under 18 | 17% 21% 81 |
| Population Age 65+ | 22% 18% 39 |
| Veterans | 6% 6% 53 |



Health and Wellbeing

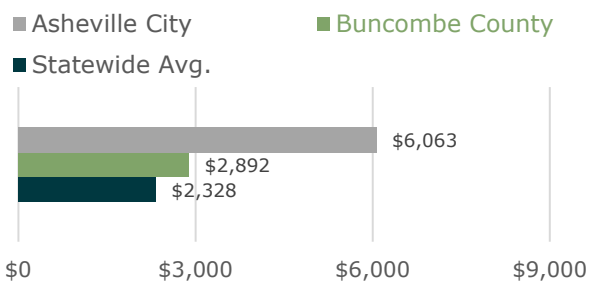
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| 21% of residents are covered by Medicaid.(4) | 15% of residents under 65 are uninsured.(2) | 14% of households are food insecure.(3) |
| 93 residents died from opioid poisoning in 2020. | 31,831 residents were prescribed opioids in 2020. | |



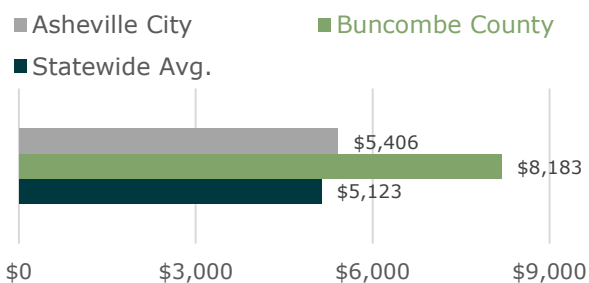
Education

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| 41% of eligible children are enrolled in NC Pre-K.(4) | 58% of adults 25-44 hold a post-secondary degree or credential. (5) | 12% 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) | \$53,309 | \$50,305 | 10 |
| Average Weekly Wage (4) | \$971 | \$1,146 | 12 |
| Children in Poverty (3) | 17% | 18% | 73 |
| Employment | | | |
| Unemployment Rate (May 2022) | 3.0% | 3.5% | 97 |
| Employed residents whose job is within the county (3) | 91% | 71% | 1 |
| Employed residents who commute by driving alone (3) | 78% | 71% | 90 |
| Access to Technology | | | |
| Households with broadband or satellite internet access (3) | 71% | 76% | 47 |
| Households with access to a computing device (3) | 88% | 91% | 42 |
| Local Taxes, FY 2021-22 | | | |
| Property Tax Rate | 0.4880 | 0.6072 | 90 |
| Taxable property per capita (in thousands of dollars) | \$176.4 | \$131.1 | 16 |
| Property tax levy per capita | \$861 | \$822 | 30 |
| Sales tax rate (State + local) | 7.00% | - | - |

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.