



Avery County

Highlights from the 2025 NCACC County Map Book

Demographics

17,555

County Population

-0.30%

Population Change Since 2015

Population Facts	County	NC	Rank*
Median Age	46.6	39.6	23
Population Under 18	15.1%	21.1%	96
Population 65+	24.5%	18.4%	32
Veteran Population	4.9%	6.0%	84

Economics and Taxation

Economics	County	NC	Rank*
Children in Poverty	22.1%	17.5%	58
Average Weekly Wage	\$948	\$1,358	77
Per Capita Income	\$50,256	\$61,839	54
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	\$825.7 million	\$788.1 billion	78

Taxation	County	NC	Rank*
Property Tax Rate, FY 2024-25	0.3350	---	8
Property Tax Levy Per Capita	\$1,438	\$942	96
Property Tax Revenue Per Penny	\$635,747	---	56
Value Deferred Under Present Use Valuation	\$106.8 million	\$42.2 billion	92
Sales Tax Rate (State + Local)	6.75%	---	---

38.9%

of adults aged 25-44 hold a secondary degree or high-quality credential



12.1%

of adults aged 25-44 have less than a high school diploma

\$3,038

in K-12 current expense funding as estimated appropriation per student (ADM), as self-reported by the county

67.4%

of eligible children enrolled in the NC Pre-K Program

15.1%

of residents experience food insecurity

24.5%

of residents enrolled in "traditional" Medicaid coverage

10.8%

of residents participate in NC's Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) program



10.3%

of residents enrolled in Medicaid Expansion

12

emergency department visits for drug overdose

79.0%

of households have at least one device to access the internet

10

deaths due to overdose

82.6%

of households have a broadband internet subscription



*Additional county-level data, notes, and explanations about how each indicator is ranked are online at www.ncacc.org/mapbook or via the QR code. The digital PDF can be downloaded or you can email communications@ncacc.org to request a free spiral-bound book.

These data points are excerpted from the 2025 NCACC County Map Book and represent the most recent year available.