



Carteret County

Highlights from the 2025 NCACC County Map Book

Demographics

71,314

County Population

+4.80%

Population Change Since 2015

Population Facts	County	NC	Rank*
Median Age	51.9	39.6	6
Population Under 18	15.2%	21.1%	95
Population 65+	30.2%	18.4%	9
Veteran Population	11.2%	6.0%	6

Economics and Taxation

Economics	County	NC	Rank*
Children in Poverty	14.4%	17.5%	16
Average Weekly Wage	\$940	\$1,358	79
Per Capita Income	\$68,500	\$61,839	7
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	\$3,452.6 million	\$788.1 billion	37

Taxation	County	NC	Rank*
Property Tax Rate, FY 2024-25	0.2250	---	1
Property Tax Levy Per Capita	\$856	\$942	54
Property Tax Revenue Per Penny	\$1,794,758	---	26
Value Deferred Under Present Use Valuation	\$105.3 million	\$42.2 billion	93
Sales Tax Rate (State + Local)	6.75%	---	---

53.5%

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



5.2%

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

\$3,681

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

100.0%

of eligible children enrolled in the NC Pre-K Program

14.9%

of residents experience food insecurity

20.8%

of residents enrolled in "traditional" Medicaid coverage

9.0%

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



10.1%

of residents enrolled in Medicaid Expansion

61

emergency department visits for drug overdose

29

deaths due to overdose

86.0%

of households have at least one device to access the internet

92.0%

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.