



North Carolina Counties: Veteran Population

Every North Carolina county is home to a veteran, defined by the Department of Veterans Affairs as a servicemember who has served and completed “active military, naval, air, or space service.” In support of veterans, the NCACC’s 100 Strong Productions produced the documentary *The Veteran’s Battlefield* and encourages participation in initiatives such as Operation Green Light.

Statewide, there are approximately 618,846 veterans.

Wake County has the largest number of veterans at 50,228.

Onslow County has the highest percentage of veterans at 21.8%.

County	Veteran Population	As a % of the county	County	Veteran Population	As a % of the county	County	Veteran Population	As a % of the county
Alamance	9,398	6.9%	Franklin	4,467	8.0%	Pamlico	1,293	12.3%
Alexander	2,086	7.1%	Gaston	12,778	7.1%	Pasquotank	3,613	11.5%
Alleghany	760	8.2%	Gates	965	11.5%	Pender	4,715	9.7%
Anson	1,381	7.9%	Graham	515	7.8%	Perquimans	1,186	11.1%
Ashe	1,447	6.5%	Granville	3,411	7.0%	Person	2,176	7.0%
Avery	1,084	7.2%	Greene	843	5.1%	Pitt	9,576	7.1%
Beaufort	3,291	9.2%	Guilford	25,442	6.0%	Polk	1,462	8.8%
Bertie	1,089	7.4%	Halifax	2,318	6.1%	Randolph	7,554	6.7%
Bladen	2,177	9.3%	Harnett	10,898	11.3%	Richmond	1,932	5.9%
Brunswick	13,986	11.2%	Haywood	4,951	9.7%	Robeson	5,682	6.5%
Buncombe	14,976	6.7%	Henderson	7,812	8.2%	Rockingham	5,206	7.1%
Burke	4,574	6.4%	Hertford	1,389	8.4%	Rowan	8,796	7.6%
Cabarrus	11,366	6.6%	Hoke	6,238	17.4%	Rutherford	4,122	8.0%
Caldwell	4,557	7.1%	Hyde	239	6.3%	Sampson	3,186	7.1%
Camden	1,253	15.6%	Iredell	9,699	6.5%	Scotland	1,757	6.6%
Carteret	6,741	12.0%	Jackson	3,049	8.5%	Stanly	3,363	6.8%
Caswell	1,264	6.8%	Johnston	13,968	8.2%	Stokes	2,802	7.7%
Catawba	8,148	6.4%	Jones	911	12.1%	Surry	3,630	6.4%
Chatham	4,387	7.0%	Lee	3,437	7.0%	Swain	627	5.7%
Cherokee	2,753	11.3%	Lenoir	3,716	8.8%	Transylvania	3,122	11.2%
Chowan	1,070	9.6%	Lincoln	5,391	7.5%	Tyrrell	168	6.0%
Clay	858	9.0%	Macon	2,994	9.7%	Union	11,567	6.4%
Cleveland	5,717	7.4%	Madison	1,344	7.5%	Vance	2,210	6.9%
Columbus	2,671	6.7%	Martin	1,209	7.0%	Wake	50,228	5.7%
Craven	10,912	14.8%	McDowell	2,778	7.7%	Warren	1,366	8.9%
Cumberland	39,514	18.1%	Mecklenburg	45,741	5.3%	Washington	789	8.9%
Currituck	3,655	16.2%	Mitchell	969	7.9%	Watauga	2,151	4.5%
Dare	2,732	8.9%	Montgomery	1,282	6.3%	Wayne	10,292	12.0%
Davidson	9,869	7.4%	Moore	9,424	12.3%	Wilkes	3,341	6.4%
Davie	2,960	8.6%	Nash	5,564	7.5%	Wilson	3,821	6.3%
Duplin	2,870	7.7%	New Hanover	13,033	6.9%	Yadkin	2,028	6.9%
Durham	13,935	5.3%	Northampton	955	6.8%	Yancey	1,048	6.9%
Edgecombe	2,825	7.5%	Onslow	25,681	21.8%			
Forsyth	18,549	6.2%	Orange	5,771	4.9%	Statewide	618,846	7.6%