# North Carolina County-Level Estimates of Non-Elderly Uninsured 

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This data snapshot provides information about uninsured individuals in North Carolina by age and county of residence. Uninsured estimates are presented for 2010-2011. This information will be helpful to state and local policymakers, health care professionals, insurers, and community groups and others interested in the provision of health care at the local level.

State-level estimates about the characteristics of uninsured individuals in North Carolina, including family income, race/ethnicity, workforce status, firm size, age, citizenship, rural/urban residence, health status, and industry are available on the North Carolina Institute of Medicine website at www.nciom.org.

## Methodology

County-level estimates were developed using data from the U.S. Census Bureau and the North Carolina Employment Security Commission. To generate county-level uninsured estimates, the state-level estimates for uninsured in North Carolina, obtained from the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey, Annual Social and Economic Supplement, were adjusted using county-level estimates of age, race/ ethnicity, gender, poverty, and unemployment, as well as data on the types of industries and firm sizes in each North Carolina county. Estimates are not directly comparable to previously published NCIOM/Sheps Center estimates due to slight changes in the methodology.

The table below outlines the estimated rates for North Carolina's 100 counties for children (ages 0-18), adults (ages 19-64), and total non-elderly (ages 0-64). (Following convention, we do not include the elderly since only about one percent of older adults are uninsured.) Because these are estimates, numbers of uninsured have been rounded to the nearest thousands. We also present the quartile of the county - "Low" denotes those 25 counties with the lowest rate, "Mid-Low" the next 25 lowest rates, etc.

|  | Children (0-18) |  |  | Adult (19-64) |  |  | Total (0-64) |  |  |
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| County | Number | Percent | Rank | Number | Percent | Rank | Number | Percent | Rank |
| Alamance County | 4,000 | $8.8 \%$ | High | 21,000 | $21.3 \%$ | Mid-High | 25,000 | $17.6 \%$ | Mid-High |
| Alexander County | 1,000 | $7.6 \%$ | Low | 5,000 | $19.5 \%$ | Low | 5,000 | $16.2 \%$ | Low |
| Alleghany County | $<500$ | $8.7 \%$ | High | 1,000 | $21.6 \%$ | Mid-High | 2,000 | $18.2 \%$ | Mid-High |
| Anson County | 1,000 | $8.5 \%$ | Mid-High | 4,000 | $23.1 \%$ | High | 5,000 | $19.2 \%$ | High |
| Ashe County | $<500$ | $7.6 \%$ | Low | 3,000 | $19.7 \%$ | Low | 4,000 | $16.7 \%$ | Mid-Low |
| Avery County | $<500$ | $8.2 \%$ | Mid-Low | 3,000 | $21.1 \%$ | Mid-High | 3,000 | $18.2 \%$ | Mid-High |
| Beaufort County | 1,000 | $8.5 \%$ | Mid-High | 6,000 | $20.3 \%$ | Mid-Low | 7,000 | $17.0 \%$ | Mid-Low |
| Bertie County | $<500$ | $8.7 \%$ | High | 3,000 | $24.8 \%$ | High | 4,000 | $20.6 \%$ | High |
| Bladen County | 1,000 | $8.6 \%$ | Mid-High | 5,000 | $21.2 \%$ | Mid-High | 6,000 | $17.7 \%$ | Mid-High |
| Brunswick County | 2,000 | $7.8 \%$ | Low | 14,000 | $20.0 \%$ | Mid-Low | 16,000 | $17.0 \%$ | Mid-Low |
| Buncombe County | 4,000 | $7.7 \%$ | Low | 30,000 | $18.5 \%$ | Low | 34,000 | $15.8 \%$ | Low |
| Burke County | 2,000 | $8.0 \%$ | Mid-Low | 11,000 | $18.7 \%$ | Low | 13,000 | $15.6 \%$ | Low |
| Cabarrus County | 4,000 | $8.1 \%$ | Mid-Low | 25,000 | $20.9 \%$ | Mid-High | 29,000 | $16.8 \%$ | Mid-Low |
| Caldwell County | 2,000 | $7.7 \%$ | Low | 10,000 | $18.6 \%$ | Low | 12,000 | $15.6 \%$ | Low |
| Camden County | $<500$ | $6.8 \%$ | Low | 1,000 | $19.5 \%$ | Low | 1,000 | $15.6 \%$ | Low |


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| County | Number | Percent | Rank | Number | Percent | Rank | Number | Percent | Rank |
| Carteret County | 1,000 | 7.4\% | Low | 8,000 | 18.8\% | Low | 9,000 | 16.1\% | Low |
| Caswell County | <500 | 8.1\% | Mid-Low | 4,000 | 23.2\% | High | 4,000 | 19.4\% | High |
| Catawba County | 3,000 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 18,000 | 17.5\% | Low | 21,000 | 14.7\% | Low |
| Chatham County | 1,000 | 8.9\% | High | 9,000 | 22.5\% | High | 11,000 | 18.8\% | High |
| Cherokee County | <500 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 3,000 | 17.2\% | Low | 3,000 | 14.8\% | Low |
| Chowan County | <500 | 8.2\% | Mid-Low | 2,000 | 20.6\% | Mid-Low | 2,000 | 17.0\% | Mid-Low |
| Clay County | <500 | 7.6\% | Low | 1,000 | 18.7\% | Low | 1,000 | 16.0\% | Low |
| Cleveland County | 2,000 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 12,000 | 19.3\% | Low | 14,000 | 16.0\% | Low |
| Columbus County | 1,000 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 8,000 | 22.2\% | Mid-High | 10,000 | 18.3\% | Mid-High |
| Craven County | 2,000 | 8.0\% | Mid-Low | 14,000 | 20.2\% | Mid-Low | 16,000 | 16.6\% | Mid-Low |
| Cumberland County | 9,000 | 8.6\% | Mid-High | 50,000 | 22.8\% | High | 58,000 | 18.4\% | Mid-High |
| Currituck County | <500 | 7.0\% | Low | 3,000 | 19.8\% | Mid-Low | 4,000 | 16.2\% | Low |
| Dare County | 1,000 | 7.8\% | Low | 4,000 | 18.2\% | Low | 5,000 | 15.7\% | Low |
| Davidson County | 3,000 | 7.8\% | Low | 22,000 | 20.5\% | Mid-Low | 25,000 | 16.9\% | Mid-Low |
| Davie County | 1,000 | 7.6\% | Low | 5,000 | 19.8\% | Mid-Low | 6,000 | 16.3\% | Low |
| Duplin County | 2,000 | 10.0\% | High | 10,000 | 26.7\% | High | 12,000 | 21.6\% | High |
| Durham County | 7,000 | 9.1\% | High | 41,000 | 21.5\% | Mid-High | 48,000 | 18.1\% | Mid-High |
| Edgecombe County | 1,000 | 8.8\% | High | 8,000 | 22.2\% | Mid-High | 9,000 | 18.2\% | Mid-High |
| Forsyth County | 9,000 | 8.9\% | High | 47,000 | 20.3\% | Mid-Low | 56,000 | 16.9\% | Mid-Low |
| Franklin County | 1,000 | 8.4\% | Mid-High | 9,000 | 23.0\% | High | 11,000 | 18.7\% | High |
| Gaston County | 4,000 | 8.0\% | Mid-Low | 28,000 | 20.3\% | Mid-Low | 32,000 | 16.8\% | Mid-Low |
| Gates County | <500 | 7.7\% | Low | 2,000 | 22.8\% | High | 2,000 | 18.5\% | High |
| Graham County | <500 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 1,000 | 20.4\% | Mid-Low | 1,000 | 16.9\% | Mid-Low |
| Granville County | 1,000 | 8.4\% | Mid-High | 9,000 | 20.5\% | Mid-Low | 10,000 | 17.3\% | Mid-High |
| Greene County | 1,000 | 9.7\% | High | 4,000 | 27.0\% | High | 5,000 | 22.3\% | High |
| Guilford County | 11,000 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 68,000 | 20.3\% | Mid-Low | 79,000 | 16.9\% | Mid-Low |
| Halifax County | 1,000 | 8.6\% | High | 8,000 | 23.0\% | High | 9,000 | 18.9\% | High |
| Harnett County | 3,000 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 19,000 | 24.3\% | High | 22,000 | 19.1\% | High |
| Haywood County | 1,000 | 7.4\% | Low | 7,000 | 18.0\% | Low | 8,000 | 15.3\% | Low |
| Henderson County | 2,000 | 8.2\% | Mid-Low | 13,000 | 20.0\% | Mid-Low | 15,000 | 16.8\% | Mid-Low |
| Hertford County | 1,000 | 8.9\% | High | 4,000 | 22.7\% | High | 4,000 | 18.8\% | High |
| Hoke County | 1,000 | 8.8\% | High | 9,000 | 27.1\% | High | 10,000 | 21.0\% | High |
| Hyde County | <500 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 1,000 | 24.6\% | High | 1,000 | 20.9\% | High |
| Iredell County | 3,000 | 7.7\% | Low | 20,000 | 19.1\% | Low | 24,000 | 15.7\% | Low |
| Jackson County | 1,000 | 8.3\% | Mid-High | 6,000 | 20.6\% | Mid-Low | 6,000 | 17.4\% | Mid-High |
| Johnston County | 5,000 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 26,000 | 23.3\% | High | 31,000 | 18.5\% | High |
| Jones County | <500 | 8.3\% | Mid-High | 1,000 | 22.7\% | High | 2,000 | 18.9\% | High |
| Lee County | 2,000 | 9.4\% | High | 8,000 | 22.2\% | Mid-High | 10,000 | 18.2\% | Mid-High |
| Lenoir County | 1,000 | 8.7\% | High | 8,000 | 20.9\% | Mid-High | 9,000 | 17.3\% | Mid-High |
| Lincoln County | 2,000 | 7.6\% | Low | 11,000 | 20.3\% | Mid-Low | 12,000 | 16.8\% | Mid-Low |
| Macon County | 1,000 | 8.1\% | Mid-Low | 4,000 | 19.5\% | Low | 5,000 | 16.4\% | Mid-Low |


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| County | Number | Percent | Rank | Number | Percent | Rank | Number | Percent | Rank |
| Madison County | <500 | 7.5\% | Low | 3,000 | 19.2\% | Low | 3,000 | 16.1\% | Low |
| Martin County | 1,000 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 3,000 | 21.1\% | Mid-High | 4,000 | 17.6\% | Mid-High |
| McDowell County | 1,000 | 7.8\% | Low | 6,000 | 18.9\% | Low | 6,000 | 15.9\% | Low |
| Mecklenburg County | 24,000 | 8.7\% | High | 139,000 | 21.2\% | Mid-High | 163,000 | 17.5\% | Mid-High |
| Mitchell County | <500 | 7.6\% | Low | 2,000 | 18.7\% | Low | 2,000 | 15.9\% | Low |
| Montgomery County | 1,000 | 9.5\% | High | 4,000 | 22.5\% | Mid-High | 5,000 | 18.7\% | High |
| Moore County | 2,000 | 8.0\% | Mid-Low | 10,000 | 19.5\% | Low | 12,000 | 16.2\% | Low |
| Nash County | 2,000 | 8.6\% | Mid-High | 13,000 | 20.7\% | Mid-Low | 15,000 | 17.2\% | Mid-Low |
| New Hanover County | 4,000 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 28,000 | 20.0\% | Mid-Low | 32,000 | 16.9\% | Mid-Low |
| Northampton County | <500 | 8.6\% | Mid-High | 3,000 | 23.1\% | High | 4,000 | 19.2\% | High |
| Onslow County | 4,000 | 8.0\% | Mid-Low | 30,000 | 24.0\% | High | 34,000 | 19.2\% | High |
| Orange County | 3,000 | 8.2\% | Mid-High | 19,000 | 19.5\% | Low | 22,000 | 16.4\% | Low |
| Pamlico County | <500 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 2,000 | 20.2\% | Mid-Low | 2,000 | 17.2\% | Mid-High |
| Pasquotank County | 1,000 | 8.2\% | Mid-High | 6,000 | 21.1\% | Mid-High | 7,000 | 17.4\% | Mid-High |
| Pender County | 1,000 | 8.0\% | Mid-Low | 8,000 | 22.2\% | Mid-High | 9,000 | 18.2\% | Mid-High |
| Perquimans County | <500 | 7.7\% | Low | 2,000 | 21.5\% | Mid-High | 2,000 | 17.8\% | Mid-High |
| Person County | 1,000 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 5,000 | 20.7\% | Mid-Low | 6,000 | 17.1\% | Mid-Low |
| Pitt County | 4,000 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 26,000 | 22.0\% | Mid-High | 30,000 | 18.1\% | Mid-High |
| Polk County | <500 | 8.0\% | Mid-Low | 2,000 | 18.6\% | Low | 3,000 | 15.9\% | Low |
| Randolph County | 3,000 | 8.3\% | Mid-High | 19,000 | 20.5\% | Mid-Low | 22,000 | 16.9\% | Mid-Low |
| Richmond County | 1,000 | 8.6\% | Mid-High | 7,000 | 22.8\% | High | 8,000 | 18.6\% | High |
| Robeson County | 4,000 | 9.8\% | High | 22,000 | 25.4\% | High | 26,000 | 20.3\% | High |
| Rockingham County | 2,000 | 8.0\% | Mid-Low | 12,000 | 20.3\% | Mid-Low | 14,000 | 17.0\% | Mid-Low |
| Rowan County | 3,000 | 8.2\% | Mid-High | 19,000 | 20.8\% | Mid-High | 22,000 | 17.2\% | Mid-Low |
| Rutherford County | 1,000 | 7.9\% | Mid-Low | 9,000 | 20.2\% | Mid-Low | 10,000 | 16.8\% | Mid-Low |
| Sampson County | 2,000 | 9.6\% | High | 11,000 | 26.0\% | High | 12,000 | 21.0\% | High |
| Scotland County | 1,000 | 8.5\% | Mid-High | 5,000 | 21.7\% | Mid-High | 6,000 | 17.7\% | Mid-High |
| Stanly County | 1,000 | 7.5\% | Low | 7,000 | 18.9\% | Low | 9,000 | 15.6\% | Low |
| Stokes County | 1,000 | 7.1\% | Low | 6,000 | 20.0\% | Mid-Low | 7,000 | 16.5\% | Mid-Low |
| Surry County | 2,000 | 8.4\% | Mid-High | 9,000 | 19.7\% | Mid-Low | 11,000 | 16.5\% | Mid-Low |
| Swain County | <500 | 9.4\% | High | 2,000 | 21.8\% | Mid-High | 2,000 | 18.1\% | Mid-High |
| Transylvania County | 1,000 | 7.7\% | Low | 4,000 | 18.5\% | Low | 4,000 | 15.7\% | Low |
| Tyrrell County | <500 | 9.0\% | High | 1,000 | 26.6\% | High | 1,000 | 22.5\% | High |
| Union County | 5,000 | 7.7\% | Low | 28,000 | 21.3\% | Mid-High | 33,000 | 16.6\% | Mid-Low |
| Vance County | 1,000 | 9.1\% | High | 7,000 | 23.2\% | High | 8,000 | 18.8\% | High |
| Wake County | 22,000 | 8.1\% | Mid-Low | 126,000 | 19.7\% | Low | 149,000 | 16.2\% | Low |
| Warren County | <500 | 8.9\% | High | 3,000 | 25.2\% | High | 4,000 | 20.9\% | High |
| Washington County | <500 | 8.8\% | High | 2,000 | 22.1\% | Mid-High | 2,000 | 18.3\% | Mid-High |
| Watauga County | 1,000 | 8.1\% | Mid-Low | 8,000 | 21.8\% | Mid-High | 9,000 | 18.6\% | High |
| Wayne County | 3,000 | 8.8\% | High | 18,000 | 22.6\% | High | 21,000 | 18.5\% | Mid-High |


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| Wilkes County | 1,000 | $7.7 \%$ | Low | 9,000 | $19.2 \%$ | Low | 10,000 | $16.0 \%$ | Low |
| Wilson County | 2,000 | $9.0 \%$ | High | 12,000 | $22.1 \%$ | Mid-High | 14,000 | $18.1 \%$ | Mid-High |
| Yadkin County | 1,000 | $8.3 \%$ | Mid-High | 5,000 | $20.9 \%$ | Mid-High | 6,000 | $17.3 \%$ | Mid-High |
| Yancey County | $<500$ | $7.9 \%$ | Mid-Low | 2,000 | $19.9 \%$ | Mid-Low | 3,000 | $16.8 \%$ | Mid-Low |
| North Carolina | 214,000 |  |  | $1,341,000$ |  |  | $1,562,000$ |  |  |

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