

Non-Municipal Population Highlights

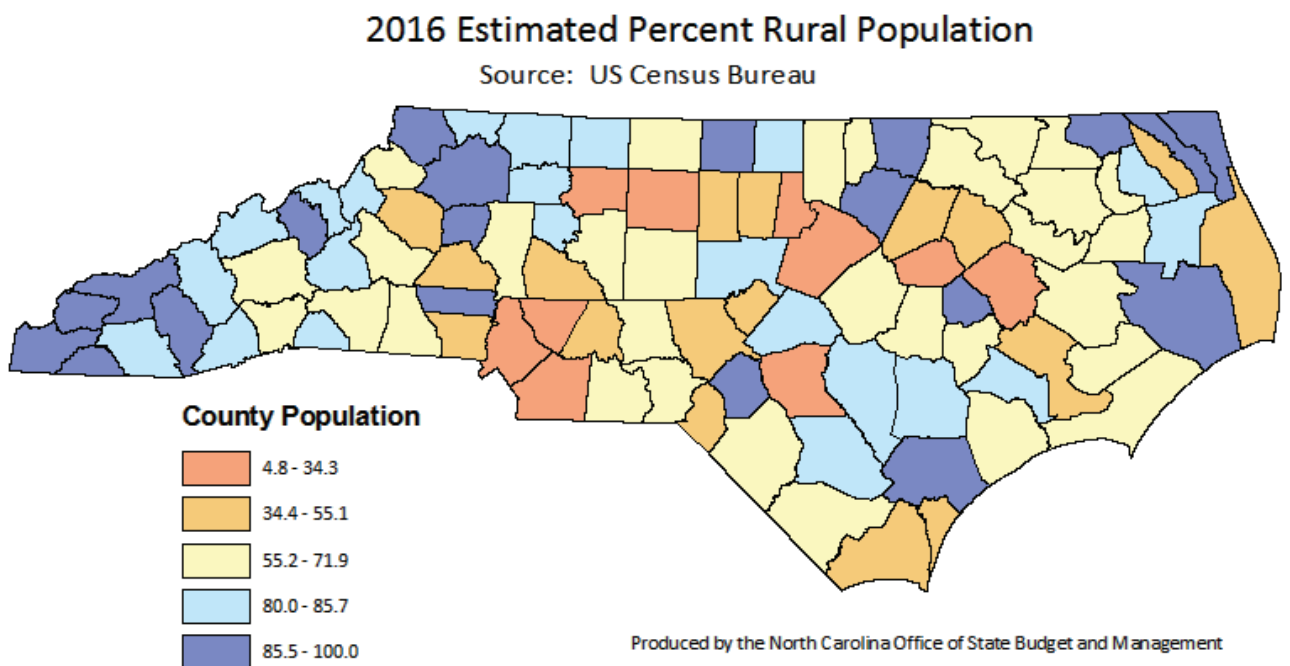
The 2016 Census Bureau Subcounty Area Population Estimates also estimates population for those areas of counties that are not within municipal boundaries. This non-municipal population is termed “rural” for presentation purposes here.

Over half the estimated population live outside municipal boundaries in 80 of North Carolina’s 100 counties.

68 counties saw their estimated percent rural population either remain stable or increase.

Rural populations in 66 counties saw estimated numeric growth from 2015 to 2016, and the rural population of 14 counties grew by over 1,000 during this period.

The estimated rural populations of Johnston, Harnett, Buncombe, Wake, Brunswick, Iredell, New Hanover, and Gaston Counties grew by over 1,500 each from 2015 to 2016.



Data Access

The complete Census release of 2016 population estimates for subcounty areas is available on census.gov through American FactFinder, QuickFacts and the Population Estimates Program Web page. In the coming months, the Census Bureau will release 2016 population estimates of national, state and county population estimates by age, sex, race and Hispanic origin.

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