

Burke County

2025 Roadmap of Need County Profile

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Indicator		County Data	North Carolina	Rank
Economic Development	Median Household Income	\$55,616	\$70,838	65
	Unemployment Rate	3.3	3.5	24
	Housing Cost Burden	21%	28%	9
	Food Insecurity	23.9%	18.9%	69
Physical Health	Teen Pregnancy	27.3	22.2	61
	Physicians per 100K	25.1	26.1	14
	Child Fatality	54	58.7	43
	Uninsured	11.5%	10.9%	65
Mental Health and Safety	Suicide Rate	21.3	16.6	61
	Student-Counselor Ratio	352:1	315:1	65
	Juvenile Detention Admission Rate	2.6	2.23	73
	Drug and Medicine Overdose Rate	67.9	41.0	90
Education Inputs	State Expenditures	\$8,312	\$7896	61
	Local Expenditures	\$2,515	\$3058	50
	Federal Expenditures	\$2,150	\$2269	75
	Teacher Vacancy Rate	3.4%	6.4%	31
Education Outcomes	Math Proficiency	49.4%	37.0%	19
	3rd Grade Reading Proficiency	46.0%	48.6%	47
	% Meeting ACT Benchmark	11.6%	15.2%	35
	High School Graduation Rate	88.3%	86.9%	38

Ranking Summary

Overall	52
Economic Development	46
Physical Health	43
Mental Health	90
Education Input	59
Education Outcomes	32

Public School Student Demographics

