

Pender County

2025 Roadmap of Need County Profile

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	Indicator	County Data	North Carolina	Rank
Economic Development	Median Household Income	\$72,161	\$70,838	20
	Unemployment Rate	3.3	3.5	24
	Housing Cost Burden	27%	28%	51
	Food Insecurity	15.4%	18.9%	18
Physical Health	Teen Pregnancy	17.9	22.2	22
	Physicians per 100K	3.7	26.1	91
	Child Fatality	44.5	58.7	22
	Uninsured	9.7%	10.9%	29
Mental Health and Safety	Suicide Rate	13.2	16.6	33
	Student-Counselor Ratio	460:1	315:1	94
	Juvenile Detention Admission Rate	1	2.23	26
	Drug and Medicine Overdose Rate	29.2	41.0	23
Education Inputs	State Expenditures	\$7,894	\$7896	77
	Federal Expenditures	\$2,013	\$3058	75
	Local Expenditures	\$2,337	\$2269	63
	Teacher Vacancy Rate	6.1%	6.4%	53
Education Outcomes	Math Proficiency	49.4%	37.0%	19
	3rd Grade Reading Proficiency	50.0%	48.6%	26
	% Meeting ACT Benchmark	15.7%	15.2%	18
	High School Graduation Rate	92.7%	86.9%	8

Ranking Summary

Overall	24
Economic Development	19
Physical Health	33
Mental Health	38
Education Input	85
Education Outcomes	7

Public School Student Demographics

