

Health Snapshot 2011: Buncombe, NC

BUNCOMBE COUNTY, NC	Buncombe Value	National Benchmark	NC Value	Buncombe's NC Rank
HEALTH OUTCOMES				17th
Mortality				15th
Premature death [1]	7,686	☹	5,564	8,108
Morbidity				35th
Poor or fair health [2]	16%	☹	10%	18%
Poor physical health days [3]	3.6	☹	2.6	3.6
Poor mental health days [4]	3.5	☹	2.3	3.3
Low birthweight [5]	9.1%	☹	6.0%	9.1%
HEALTH FACTORS				3rd
Health Behaviors				5th
Adult smoking [6]	23%	☹	15%	22%
Adult obesity [7]	22%	😊	25%	29%
Excessive drinking [8]	13%	☹	8%	12%
Motor vehicle crash death rate [9]	14	☹	12	20
Sexually transmitted infections [10]	290	☹	83	414
Teen birth rate [11]	46	☹	22	50
Clinical Care				3rd
Uninsured adults [12]	21%	☹	13%	21%
Primary care providers [13]	464:1	😊	631:1	859:1
Preventable hospital stays [14]	47	😊	52	68
Diabetic screening [15]	89%	☺	89%	86%
Mammography screening [16]	66%	☹	74%	67%
Social & Economic Factors				13th
High school graduation [17]	76%	☹	92%	78%
Some college [18]	64%	☹	68%	60%
Unemployment [19]	8.6%	☹	5.3%	10.6%
Children in poverty [20]	20%	☹	11%	20%
Inadequate social support [22]	16%	☹	14%	21%
Single-parent households [23]	31%	☹	20%	34%
Homicide rate [24]	6	☹	1	7
Physical Environment				41st
Air pollution-particulate matter days [25]	1	☹	0	1
Air pollution-ozone days [26]	2	☹	0	6
Access to healthy foods [27]	93%	😊	92%	66%
Access to recreational facilities [28]	10	☹	17	11

NOTES: * The symbols indicate the status of our **Buncombe Value** relative to the National Benchmark.

- ☹ Buncombe Value is **below** National Benchmark.
- ☺ Buncombe Value is **equal to** National Benchmark
- 😊 Buncombe Value is **above** National Benchmark