

Buncombe County: Census 2020 Real-Time Response Rates - Week Ending May 3

How is Buncombe County performing?

51.1% of households in Buncombe County have self-responded to the 2020 Census between March 12 and May 3, 2020, **below** the state response rate of **51.8%**. Buncombe County is currently ranked 38 out of 100 counties in NC.

How are people responding to the 2020 Census in Buncombe County?

47.1% of Buncombe households responded to the census online versus 42.4% of all NC households.

4.0% of Buncombe households responded to the census by phone or mail versus 9.4% of all NC households.

Where are people responding in Buncombe County? (Top 5 Tracts)

| Rank | Tract Number | Self-Response Rate |
|------|--------------|--------------------|
| 1 | 32.01 | 63.4% |
| 2 | 5 | 61.5% |
| 3 | 17 | 61.1% |
| 3 | 32.02 | 61.1% |
| 5 | 11 | 61.0% |

Where are people not responding in Buncombe County? (Bottom 5 Tracts)

| Rank | Tract Number | Self-Response Rate |
|------|--------------|--------------------|
| 56 | 32.05 | 31.4% |
| 55 | 1 | 33.2% |
| 54 | 2 | 37.7% |
| 53 | 31.02 | 37.9% |
| 51 | 9 | 39.3% |

How many households in Buncombe County self-responded in past census counts?

Historic census self-response rates for Buncombe County were 61.0% in 1990, 66.0% in 2000, and 64.7% in 2010.



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How are target groups responding in Buncombe County?

Young Children - 5.9% of NC population ages 0-4

| % Young Children | # of Tracts | Average Response Rate |
|------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Less than 4.1% | 17 | 53.0% |
| 4% to 5.5% | 22 | 50.2% |
| 5.5% to 7.2% | 9 | 50.5% |
| 7.2% or higher | 8 | 48.0% |

Immigrant Population - 7.9% of NC population is foreign-born

| % Foreign-Born Residents | # of Tracts | Average Response Rate |
|--------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Less than 2.9% | 12 | 50.8% |
| 2.9% to 5.7% | 23 | 50.5% |
| 5.7% to 9.8% | 14 | 52.0% |
| 9.8% or higher | 7 | 49.5% |

Minority Population - 34% of NC population is American Indian, Asian/Pacific Islander, Black, or Hispanic/Latinx

| % Minority Residents | # of Tracts | Average Response Rate |
|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Less than 14% | 32 | 52.2% |
| 14% to 28% | 18 | 49.6% |
| 28% to 50% | 5 | 48.5% |
| 50% or higher | 1 | 39.3% |

No Internet - 21% of NC households do not have Internet at home

| % HH with no Internet | # of Tracts | Average Response Rate |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Less than 12% | 13 | 56.3% |
| 12% to 21% | 22 | 53.2% |
| 21% to 31% | 16 | 47.3% |
| 31% or higher | 5 | 37.0% |



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