

N.C. Absentee & Early Voting Statistics for the 2026 Primary Election

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General Statistics

Total Ballots Cast	475,552
Total Eligible Voters*	7,709,547
Turnout	6.17%

Total Ballots Cast (Absentee/Early Voting)

In-Person Early Voting	467,126
Civilian (Mail)	7,451
Military (Mail)	137
Overseas (Mail)	838
Total	475,552

Comparison to 2022 Primary Election

Total ballots cast this time in 2022

Early Voting	357,036
Civilian, Military, & Overseas	13,725
<i>(Total number of accepted ballots cast)</i>	370,761

Registration Statistics by Party

		%
Democratic	2,313,724	30.01%
Republican	2,322,627	30.13%
Unaffiliated	3,022,008	39.20%
Libertarian	46,695	0.61%
Green	4,493	0.06%
Total	7,709,547	

Ballots Cast by Party

		Turnout*	Proportion**
Democratic	200,995	8.69%	42.27%
Republican	133,835	5.76%	28.14%
Unaffiliated	140,641	4.65%	29.57%
Libertarian	56	0.12%	0.01%
Green	25	0.56%	0.01%
Total	475,552		

Registration Statistics by Race

		%
White	4,910,888	63.70%
Black	1,489,092	19.31%
Other	1,309,567	16.99%
Total	7,709,547	

Ballots Cast by Race

		Turnout*	Proportion**
White	330,105	6.72%	69.42%
Black	112,665	7.57%	23.69%
Other	32,782	2.50%	6.89%
Total	475,552		

Registration Statistics by Ethnicity

		%
Hispanic or Latino	346,445	4.49%
Not Hispanic or Not Latino	4,935,296	64.02%
Undesignated	2,427,806	31.49%
Total	7,709,547	

Ballots Cast by Ethnicity

		Turnout*	Proportion**
Hispanic or Latino	7,038	2.03%	1.48%
Not Hispanic or Not Latino	367,493	7.45%	77.28%
Undesignated	101,021	4.16%	21.24%
Total	475,552		

Registration Statistics by Gender

		%
Female	3,794,245	49.21%
Male	3,235,971	41.97%
Undesignated	679,331	8.81%
Total	7,709,547	

Ballots Cast by Gender

		Turnout*	Proportion**
Female	262,445	6.92%	55.19%
Male	196,271	6.07%	41.27%
Undesignated	16,836	2.48%	3.54%
Total	475,552		

* Turnout = Ballots Cast per Demographic / Registered Voter Count for that Demographic

** Proportion = Ballots Cast per Demographic / Total Ballots Cast

Data Sources: absentee_counts_state_20260303.csv, absentee_20220517.zip

Ballots Cast by County

County	In-Person	Mail			Total
	EARLY VOTING	CIVILIAN	MILITARY	OVERSEAS	
ALAMANCE	7,759	153	0	13	7,925
ALEXANDER	1,851	6	0	1	1,858
ALLEGHANY	731	4	0	0	735
ANSON	1,366	11	0	1	1,378
ASHE	1,605	9	2	1	1,617
AVERY	498	10	0	2	510
BEAUFORT	3,225	16	0	1	3,242
BERTIE	1,852	0	0	0	1,852
BLADEN	1,844	28	0	1	1,873
BRUNSWICK	10,966	185	1	8	11,160
BUNCOMBE	19,472	581	5	44	20,102
BURKE	3,489	40	0	8	3,537
CABARRUS	5,124	238	2	18	5,382
CALDWELL	3,638	19	0	3	3,660
CAMDEN	326	4	0	1	331
CARTERET	5,488	55	3	2	5,548
CASWELL	1,134	4	0	0	1,138
CATAWBA	7,338	200	1	3	7,542
CHATHAM	6,536	164	1	5	6,706
CHEROKEE	1,533	12	0	1	1,546
CHOWAN	813	10	0	0	823
CLAY	1,050	6	0	0	1,056
CLEVELAND	3,018	55	0	1	3,074
COLUMBUS	2,076	64	0	0	2,140
CRAVEN	4,541	46	1	3	4,591
CUMBERLAND	10,706	85	10	13	10,814
CURRITUCK	904	11	0	0	915
DARE	2,803	42	0	2	2,847
DAVIDSON	7,027	149	1	3	7,180
DAVIE	1,908	23	0	1	1,932
DUPLIN	1,823	50	2	0	1,875
DURHAM	21,302	231	7	107	21,647
EDGECOMBE	2,290	4	0	0	2,294
FORSYTH	14,808	342	2	10	15,162
FRANKLIN	3,556	57	0	3	3,616
GASTON	9,301	143	1	5	9,450
GATES	723	8	1	0	732
GRAHAM	619	14	0	0	633

GRANVILLE	3,753	23	0	2	3,778
GREENE	754	17	0	0	771
GUILFORD	22,341	307	8	41	22,697
HALIFAX	2,908	12	0	0	2,920
HARNETT	3,826	61	3	1	3,891
HAYWOOD	4,199	82	1	3	4,285
HENDERSON	7,561	150	0	11	7,722
HERTFORD	699	0	0	1	700
HOKE	2,652	8	0	0	2,660
HYDE	226	3	0	0	229
IREDELL	6,176	61	2	6	6,245
JACKSON	2,370	67	0	0	2,437
JOHNSTON	7,641	111	3	7	7,762
JONES	549	2	0	0	551
LEE	2,283	29	0	2	2,314
LENOIR	2,101	19	0	0	2,120
LINCOLN	4,327	27	3	3	4,360
MACON	3,578	27	0	0	3,605
MADISON	1,069	15	0	3	1,087
MARTIN	663	7	0	1	671
MCDOWELL	2,501	12	0	1	2,514
MECKLENBURG	36,858	585	10	137	37,590
MITCHELL	1,989	54	0	0	2,043
MONTGOMERY	656	20	0	0	676
MOORE	5,321	105	8	4	5,438
NASH	5,542	48	2	0	5,592
NEW HANOVER	9,589	160	7	26	9,782
NORTHAMPTON	1,417	3	0	1	1,421
ONslow	4,230	69	6	2	4,307
ORANGE	9,202	141	2	98	9,443
PAMLICO	686	10	1	0	697
PASQUOTANK	2,393	14	3	1	2,411
PENDER	3,271	52	0	0	3,323
PERQUIMANS	628	4	0	0	632
PERSON	1,799	37	0	1	1,837
PITT	6,954	41	1	8	7,004
POLK	1,384	17	0	4	1,405
RANDOLPH	6,037	92	1	0	6,130
RICHMOND	1,592	1	0	0	1,593
ROBESON	2,312	5	0	1	2,318
ROCKINGHAM	7,433	54	0	4	7,491
ROWAN	5,077	115	1	3	5,196
RUTHERFORD	3,827	30	1	4	3,862
SAMPSON	2,737	8	0	1	2,746

SCOTLAND	2,129	13	0	0	2,142
STANLY	1,436	26	1	1	1,464
STOKES	2,182	25	1	2	2,210
SURRY	6,536	123	0	2	6,661
SWAIN	879	17	1	1	898
TRANSYLVANIA	2,562	48	0	1	2,611
TYRRELL	167	0	0	0	167
UNION	8,030	83	2	8	8,123
VANCE	2,374	20	0	0	2,394
WAKE	43,440	1,080	15	168	44,703
WARREN	1,349	5	0	0	1,354
WASHINGTON	885	1	0	0	886
WATAUGA	2,154	47	0	12	2,213
WAYNE	6,404	36	12	1	6,453
WILKES	2,268	74	0	0	2,342
WILSON	3,131	28	0	0	3,159
YADKIN	1,939	26	2	2	1,969
YANCEY	1,107	15	0	2	1,124
Total	467,126	7,451	137	838	475,552