

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

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General Statistics

Total Ballots Cast	527,168
Total Eligible Voters*	7,708,662
Turnout	6.84%

Total Ballots Cast (Absentee/Early Voting)

In-Person Early Voting	517,677
Civilian (Mail)	8,473
Military (Mail)	146
Overseas (Mail)	872
Total	527,168

Comparison to 2022 Primary Election

Total ballots cast this time in 2022

Early Voting	408,301
Civilian, Military, & Overseas	15,301
<i>(Total number of accepted ballots cast)</i>	423,602

Registration Statistics by Party

		%
Democratic	2,313,500	30.01%
Republican	2,322,382	30.13%
Unaffiliated	3,021,604	39.20%
Libertarian	46,686	0.61%
Green	4,490	0.06%
Total	7,708,662	

Ballots Cast by Party

		Turnout*	Proportion**
Democratic	220,414	9.53%	41.81%
Republican	149,794	6.45%	28.41%
Unaffiliated	156,868	5.19%	29.76%
Libertarian	64	0.14%	0.01%
Green	28	0.62%	0.01%
Total	527,168		

Registration Statistics by Race

		%
White	4,910,301	63.70%
Black	1,488,932	19.32%
Other	1,309,429	16.99%
Total	7,708,662	

Ballots Cast by Race

		Turnout*	Proportion**
White	368,246	7.50%	69.85%
Black	122,378	8.22%	23.21%
Other	36,544	2.79%	6.93%
Total	527,168		

Registration Statistics by Ethnicity

		%
Hispanic or Latino	346,432	4.49%
Not Hispanic or Not Latino	4,934,756	64.02%
Undesignated	2,427,474	31.49%
Total	7,708,662	

Ballots Cast by Ethnicity

		Turnout*	Proportion**
Hispanic or Latino	7,815	2.26%	1.48%
Not Hispanic or Not Latino	406,797	8.24%	77.17%
Undesignated	112,556	4.64%	21.35%
Total	527,168		

Registration Statistics by Gender

		%
Female	3,793,843	49.22%
Male	3,235,614	41.97%
Undesignated	679,205	8.81%
Total	7,708,662	

Ballots Cast by Gender

		Turnout*	Proportion**
Female	290,354	7.65%	55.08%
Male	217,971	6.74%	41.35%
Undesignated	18,843	2.77%	3.57%
Total	527,168		

* 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	8,504	167	0	14	8,685
ALEXANDER	2,111	7	0	1	2,119
ALLEGHANY	849	4	0	0	853
ANSON	1,437	33	0	1	1,471
ASHE	1,817	9	2	1	1,829
AVERY	592	10	0	2	604
BEAUFORT	3,590	16	0	1	3,607
BERTIE	1,967	2	0	0	1,969
BLADEN	2,015	30	0	1	2,046
BRUNSWICK	12,304	191	1	8	12,504
BUNCOMBE	22,313	607	5	49	22,974
BURKE	3,944	42	0	10	3,996
CABARRUS	5,661	265	2	18	5,946
CALDWELL	4,095	22	0	3	4,120
CAMDEN	375	4	0	1	380
CARTERET	6,144	57	3	2	6,206
CASWELL	1,251	10	0	0	1,261
CATAWBA	8,174	206	1	3	8,384
CHATHAM	7,184	177	1	5	7,367
CHEROKEE	1,696	21	0	1	1,718
CHOWAN	911	11	0	0	922
CLAY	1,188	6	0	0	1,194
CLEVELAND	3,299	57	0	1	3,357
COLUMBUS	2,375	71	0	0	2,446
CRAVEN	5,114	50	1	3	5,168
CUMBERLAND	11,669	94	12	13	11,788
CURRITUCK	991	13	0	0	1,004
DARE	3,154	49	0	2	3,205
DAVIDSON	7,843	164	1	3	8,011
DAVIE	2,151	28	0	2	2,181
DUPLIN	2,031	50	2	0	2,083
DURHAM	23,363	291	7	112	23,773
EDGECOMBE	2,465	5	0	0	2,470
FORSYTH	16,547	433	2	13	16,995
FRANKLIN	3,915	62	0	3	3,980
GASTON	10,093	150	3	6	10,252
GATES	786	8	1	1	796
GRAHAM	704	16	0	0	720

GRANVILLE	4,090	23	0	2	4,115
GREENE	830	22	0	0	852
GUILFORD	24,502	332	9	45	24,888
HALIFAX	3,110	13	0	0	3,123
HARNETT	4,217	61	3	1	4,282
HAYWOOD	4,857	89	1	3	4,950
HENDERSON	8,573	186	0	13	8,772
HERTFORD	777	0	0	1	778
HOKE	2,862	8	0	0	2,870
HYDE	243	3	0	0	246
IREDELL	6,855	72	2	6	6,935
JACKSON	2,728	73	0	0	2,801
JOHNSTON	8,516	151	3	7	8,677
JONES	617	2	0	0	619
LEE	2,581	35	0	2	2,618
LENOIR	2,344	20	0	0	2,364
LINCOLN	4,738	60	3	3	4,804
MACON	3,909	38	0	0	3,947
MADISON	1,215	15	0	3	1,233
MARTIN	746	8	0	1	755
MCDOWELL	2,759	14	0	2	2,775
MECKLENBURG	40,466	690	10	142	41,308
MITCHELL	2,202	55	0	0	2,257
MONTGOMERY	721	20	0	0	741
MOORE	6,115	112	8	4	6,239
NASH	6,045	51	2	0	6,098
NEW HANOVER	10,802	181	7	28	11,018
NORTHAMPTON	1,552	3	0	1	1,556
ONslow	4,802	83	7	2	4,894
ORANGE	10,254	162	3	99	10,518
PAMLICO	781	10	1	0	792
PASQUOTANK	2,529	17	3	1	2,550
PENDER	3,699	55	0	0	3,754
PERQUIMANS	630	4	0	0	634
PERSON	2,015	39	0	1	2,055
PITT	7,540	44	1	8	7,593
POLK	1,568	20	0	4	1,592
RANDOLPH	6,691	102	1	0	6,794
RICHMOND	1,750	2	0	0	1,752
ROBESON	2,529	6	0	1	2,536
ROCKINGHAM	8,133	59	0	4	8,196
ROWAN	5,526	119	1	3	5,649
RUTHERFORD	4,272	33	1	4	4,310
SAMPSON	3,027	12	0	1	3,040

SCOTLAND	2,283	14	0	0	2,297
STANLY	1,597	26	1	1	1,625
STOKES	2,477	25	1	2	2,505
SURRY	7,113	130	0	2	7,245
SWAIN	956	17	1	1	975
TRANSYLVANIA	2,842	54	0	1	2,897
TYRRELL	225	0	0	0	225
UNION	9,062	98	3	8	9,171
VANCE	2,552	27	0	0	2,579
WAKE	47,853	1,291	15	168	49,327
WARREN	1,467	6	0	0	1,473
WASHINGTON	951	1	0	0	952
WATAUGA	2,494	52	1	12	2,559
WAYNE	6,990	41	12	1	7,044
WILKES	2,622	74	0	0	2,696
WILSON	3,390	32	0	0	3,422
YADKIN	2,205	27	2	2	2,236
YANCEY	1,258	16	0	2	1,276
Total	517,677	8,473	146	872	527,168