

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

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General Statistics

Total Ballots Cast	715,805
Total Eligible Voters*	7,708,662
Turnout	9.29%

Total Ballots Cast (Absentee/Early Voting)

In-Person Early Voting	701,149
Civilian (Mail)	12,953
Military (Mail)	266
Overseas (Mail)	1,437
Total	715,805

Comparison to 2022 Primary Election

Total ballots cast this time in 2022

Early Voting	559,095
Civilian, Military, & Overseas	24,605
<i>(Total number of accepted ballots cast)</i>	583,700

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	297,961	12.88%	41.63%
Republican	200,942	8.65%	28.07%
Unaffiliated	216,760	7.17%	30.28%
Libertarian	109	0.23%	0.02%
Green	33	0.73%	0.00%
Total	715,805		

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	496,179	10.10%	69.32%
Black	165,571	11.12%	23.13%
Other	54,055	4.13%	7.55%
Total	715,805		

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	11,849	3.42%	1.66%
Not Hispanic or Not Latino	546,240	11.07%	76.31%
Undesignated	157,716	6.50%	22.03%
Total	715,805		

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	394,711	10.40%	55.14%
Male	293,326	9.07%	40.98%
Undesignated	27,768	4.09%	3.88%
Total	715,805		

* 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	11,172	241	1	20	11,434
ALEXANDER	2,807	15	1	1	2,824
ALLEGHANY	1,140	9	0	0	1,149
ANSON	1,724	44	1	1	1,770
ASHE	2,484	33	2	1	2,520
AVERY	857	17	0	2	876
BEAUFORT	4,834	38	1	1	4,874
BERTIE	2,314	7	0	0	2,321
BLADEN	2,601	35	0	1	2,637
BRUNSWICK	15,396	301	1	18	15,716
BUNCOMBE	30,773	732	9	90	31,604
BURKE	5,301	63	1	12	5,377
CABARRUS	7,789	389	4	23	8,205
CALDWELL	5,525	37	0	4	5,566
CAMDEN	517	5	0	1	523
CARTERET	7,662	84	3	5	7,754
CASWELL	1,612	16	0	0	1,628
CATAWBA	11,135	238	3	4	11,380
CHATHAM	9,756	260	4	15	10,035
CHEROKEE	2,309	29	1	2	2,341
CHOWAN	1,178	15	0	1	1,194
CLAY	1,619	10	0	2	1,631
CLEVELAND	4,349	76	1	3	4,429
COLUMBUS	3,093	74	0	0	3,167
CRAVEN	6,661	78	2	5	6,746
CUMBERLAND	15,686	160	19	18	15,883
CURRITUCK	1,447	19	0	0	1,466
DARE	4,245	73	0	2	4,320
DAVIDSON	10,350	216	1	6	10,573
DAVIE	2,922	42	0	3	2,967
DUPLIN	2,484	68	3	0	2,555
DURHAM	33,162	468	12	181	33,823
EDGECOMBE	3,293	10	1	0	3,304
FORSYTH	22,750	618	5	28	23,401
FRANKLIN	5,434	98	1	3	5,536
GASTON	13,115	214	3	10	13,342
GATES	1,105	11	1	2	1,119
GRAHAM	1,111	23	1	0	1,135

GRANVILLE	5,770	69	0	4	5,843
GREENE	1,089	25	0	0	1,114
GUILFORD	33,351	517	14	72	33,954
HALIFAX	4,148	30	0	0	4,178
HARNETT	5,809	111	5	5	5,930
HAYWOOD	6,556	110	1	5	6,672
HENDERSON	11,265	249	0	23	11,537
HERTFORD	1,045	16	0	1	1,062
HOKE	3,558	25	2	0	3,585
HYDE	291	3	0	0	294
IREDELL	9,282	148	4	10	9,444
JACKSON	3,733	90	1	4	3,828
JOHNSTON	12,385	259	5	11	12,660
JONES	760	2	0	0	762
LEE	3,615	59	4	2	3,680
LENOIR	3,042	25	0	0	3,067
LINCOLN	6,400	80	3	4	6,487
MACON	4,935	46	0	1	4,982
MADISON	1,699	23	0	5	1,727
MARTIN	1,003	12	0	1	1,016
MCDOWELL	3,642	19	0	3	3,664
MECKLENBURG	55,647	1,190	21	200	57,058
MITCHELL	2,849	64	0	1	2,914
MONTGOMERY	965	23	0	0	988
MOORE	8,184	171	13	8	8,376
NASH	8,055	83	2	3	8,143
NEW HANOVER	14,299	289	8	39	14,635
NORTHAMPTON	2,058	12	0	1	2,071
ONslow	6,300	110	15	3	6,428
ORANGE	15,417	266	6	151	15,840
PAMLICO	980	11	1	0	992
PASQUOTANK	3,235	20	5	1	3,261
PENDER	4,926	70	1	2	4,999
PERQUIMANS	1,023	11	0	0	1,034
PERSON	2,821	51	0	1	2,873
PITT	9,719	88	2	10	9,819
POLK	2,189	28	1	6	2,224
RANDOLPH	8,996	148	1	0	9,145
RICHMOND	2,306	4	0	0	2,310
ROBESON	3,175	11	0	2	3,188
ROCKINGHAM	10,354	89	0	4	10,447
ROWAN	7,391	136	2	4	7,533
RUTHERFORD	5,579	79	2	4	5,664
SAMPSON	4,229	29	2	1	4,261

SCOTLAND	2,907	34	0	0	2,941
STANLY	2,168	63	1	1	2,233
STOKES	3,394	49	1	3	3,447
SURRY	8,821	168	2	3	8,994
SWAIN	1,254	19	1	1	1,275
TRANSYLVANIA	3,723	64	0	7	3,794
TYRRELL	316	0	0	0	316
UNION	12,859	162	5	12	13,038
VANCE	3,387	52	0	0	3,439
WAKE	68,048	2,187	33	330	70,598
WARREN	1,914	11	0	0	1,925
WASHINGTON	1,148	4	0	0	1,152
WATAUGA	3,663	83	1	15	3,762
WAYNE	9,067	58	13	2	9,140
WILKES	3,567	103	0	0	3,670
WILSON	4,493	75	4	1	4,573
YADKIN	2,875	35	2	3	2,915
YANCEY	1,758	19	0	2	1,779
Total	701,149	12,953	266	1,437	715,805