

NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY CLASSIFICATIONS

Note that the classifications/categories below are those created in "The Equity of Local Sales Tax Distributions in Urban, Suburban, Rural, and Tourism-rich counties in North Carolina." Afonso 2016. Public Finance Review 44(6):691-721. The classifications have been updated by the author to use the most recent data available.

County	Classification	County	Classification	County	Classification
Alamance	Tourism	Franklin	Suburban	Pamlico	Rural
Alexander	Rural	Gaston	Urban	Pasquotank	Rural
Alleghany	Rural	Gates	Suburban	Pender	Rural
Anson	Rural	Graham	Rural	Perquimans	Rural
Ashe	Rural	Granville	Rural	Person	Rural
Avery	Rural	Greene	Rural	Pitt	Tourism
Beaufort	Rural	Guilford	Urban	Polk	Rural
Bertie	Rural	Halifax	Rural	Randolph	Rural
Bladen	Rural	Harnett	Rural	Richmond	Rural
Brunswick	Tourism	Haywood	Tourism	Robeson	Rural
Buncombe	Urban	Henderson	Tourism	Rockingham	Rural
Burke	Rural	Hertford	Rural	Rowan	Suburban
Cabarrus	Tourism	Hoke	Rural	Rutherford	Tourism
Caldwell	Rural	Hyde	Rural	Sampson	Rural
Camden	Rural	Iredell	Tourism	Scotland	Rural
Carteret	Tourism	Jackson	Tourism	Stanly	Rural
Caswell	Rural	Johnston	Tourism	Stokes	Rural
Catawba	Tourism	Jones	Rural	Surry	Rural
Chatham	Rural	Lee	Rural	Swain	Tourism
Cherokee	Rural	Lenoir	Rural	Transylvania	Rural
Chowan	Rural	Lincoln	Suburban	Tyrrell	Rural
Clay	Rural	Macon	Rural	Union	Urban
Cleveland	Rural	Madison	Rural	Vance	Rural
Columbus	Rural	Martin	Rural	Wake	Urban
Craven	Rural	McDowell	Rural	Warren	Rural
Cumberland	Urban	Mecklenburg	Urban	Washington	Rural
Currituck	Suburban	Mitchell	Rural	Watauga	Tourism
Dare	Tourism	Montgomery	Rural	Wayne	Rural
Davidson	Rural	Moore	Tourism	Wilkes	Rural
Davie	Rural	Nash	Tourism	Wilson	Rural
Duplin	Rural	New Hanover	Urban	Yadkin	Rural
Durham	Urban	Northampton	Rural	Yancey	Rural
Edgecombe	Rural	Onslow	Tourism		
Forsyth	Urban	Orange	Tourism		