

# **Hertford County**

Hertford County has a population of 24,333, an increase of 1.2% over the past decade.

## Our communities thrive when we ...



### Provide Jobs and Opportunities

There were 501 people looking for work compared to 513 job openings.

In the past year, the county's unemployment rate has gone from 5.2% to 4.7%.



Ensure Access to Affordable Housing and Health Services

Rent was unaffordable for 49.5% of renters.

12.4% did not have health insurance.

There are 569 residents for every mental health provider.



#### Address Structural Barriers to Equality

47.6% of residents are lowincome (\$49,200 or less for a family of four).

The richest 5% of households have an average income 23 times greater than the poorest fifth and 5 times the typical household.

#### ... make the investments needed to power prosperity for more people and places in our state.

The Budget & Tax Center's Economic Snapshots provide a look at how well counties in North Carolina are faring across key indicators of economic well-being and opportunity.

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| Poverty and Economic Hardship             |                 |        |       |               |
|---|-----------------|--------|-------|---------------|
|   |                 | County | State | Year          |
| Percentage of people<br>living in poverty |                 | 24.4%  | 14.7% |               |
|   | Black           | 30.8%  | 24.9% |               |
|   | White           | 11.4%  | 11.1% | 2013-<br>2017 |
|   | Latinx          | 43.1%  | 30.1% | 2017          |
|   | Asian           | 9.4%   | 12.7% |               |
|   | American Indian | 16.5%  | 26.2% |               |
| Child poverty rate                        |                 | 36.7%  | 21%   | 2017          |

| Jobs and Ability to Afford the Basics                         |             |                      |               |
|---|-------------|----------------------|---------------|
|   | County      | State                | Year          |
| Jobless worker : Job<br>openings                              | 501 : 513   | 202,412 :<br>302,886 | March<br>2019 |
| Unemployment rate   | 4.7%        | 3.7%                 | Dec. 2018     |
| Change in number of<br>people employed since<br>December 2007 | 771 fewer   | 489,823<br>more      | 2018          |
| Living Income Standard*<br>wage (1 adult, 2 kids)             | \$18.94     | \$22.94              | 2019          |
| Hourly median wage  | \$14.75     | \$17.19              | 2019          |
| Change in median wage since the recovery began                | grew \$1.44 | grew 38<br>cents     | 2009,<br>2019 |
| Median Household<br>Income                                    | \$38,786    | \$52,797             | 2017          |

| Access to Affordable Housing   |         |         |               |
|--|---------|---------|---------------|
|  | County  | State   | Year          |
| Percentage of people<br>paying more than 30% of<br>income toward rent  | 49.5%   | 48.7%   | 2013-<br>2017 |
| Fair market rent for a two-bedroom unit  | \$708   | \$850   | 2018          |
| Two-bedroom housing<br>wage (Number of hours/<br>week a minimum wage<br>worker would need for a<br>two-bedroom unit) | \$13.62 | \$15.79 | 2018          |

| Healthy Lives and Communities                    |       |            |            |               |
|--|-------|------------|------------|---------------|
|  |       | County     | State      | Year          |
| Percentage of residents without health insurance |       | 12.4%      | 12.1%      | 2013-<br>2017 |
| Life expectancy                                  |       | 77.3 years | 77.6 years | 2015          |
|  | Black | 76.2 years | 75.3 years | 2015-<br>2017 |
|  | White | 79.6 years | 78.4 years |               |
| Mental health provider :<br>residents            |       | 1:569      | 1:439      | 2019          |
| Percentage of residents receiving SNAP           |       | 23.2%      | 13%        | 2018          |

| Educational Attainment                             |                  |          |          |       |
|--|------------------|----------|----------|-------|
|  |                  | County   | State    | Year  |
| Graduation rate                                    |                  | 85.5%    | 86.3%    |       |
|  | Black            | 86.4%    | 83.2%    |       |
|  | White            | 75.8%    | 89.6%    | 2017- |
|  | Latinx           | >95%     | 79.9%    | 2018  |
|  | Asian            | ***      | 93.4%    |       |
|  | American Indian  | ***      | 84.4%    |       |
| Percentage of adults with<br>Bachelor's degrees    |                  | 15.3%    | 29.9%    |       |
| Bachelo  | or's degree, men | 13.5%    | 28.9%    | _     |
| Bachelor's degree,<br>women                        |                  | 17%      | 30.7%    | 2013- |
| Median salary, men with<br>at least a Bachelor's   |                  | \$41,458 | \$60,022 | 2017  |
| Median salary, women<br>with at least a Bachelor's |                  | \$32,028 | \$40,260 |       |

\* The Living Income Standard is a measure of what a family needs in order to cover the basic expenses. \*\*\* Insufficient data

For data sources, visit NCJustice.org/snapshots