Quick Facts - Colorectal (CRC) Cancer Screening

North Carolina

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Factors that affect CRC screening:
- Data on factors—such as poverty, educational level, and insurance status: statecancerprofiles.cancer.gov
- CDC PLACES provides local level CRC screening estimates: https://www.cdc.gov/places/
- Learn more about CRC incidence and mortality at https://gis.cdc.gov/Cancer/USCS/DataViz.html

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*Proportion of people who reported completing a screening test for CRC among all people who could be screened based on age (50 – 75 years) according to 2018 United States Preventive Services Task Force Recommendations. Estimates are age-standardized.

Sources:
- Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (www.cdc.gov/brfss)
- CDC Wonder (www.cdc.gov/wonder)
- Population estimates for Guam and Puerto Rico are from the US Census Bureau (www.census.gov) 3/2021

Note: The estimates provided in the 2018 profiles are age-standardized to reduce variations in screening estimates across jurisdictions due to age differences in the underlying population. Therefore, these estimates may differ slightly than published estimates on the CDC BRFSS website.