

# North Carolina HIV/STD Quarterly Surveillance Report: Vol. 2026, No. 1

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**Readers should consider the data in this report to be *preliminary*.** These data represent reports for short time periods and changes noted from quarter to quarter may not be meaningful. Some cases listed in this report are considered presumptive; their status may change as case investigation continues.

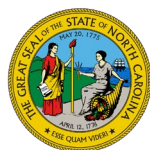
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### About the authors

North Carolina law requires that diagnoses of certain communicable diseases, including sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), be reported to local health departments that in turn report the information to the state. The HIV/STD Surveillance Unit (HSSU) is the designated recipient for STD morbidity reports at the state level and is responsible for aggregating reports and providing statewide information about these diseases to others, including the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia. The HSSU is part of the Communicable Disease Branch within the North Carolina Division of Public Health.

### About the contents of this report

The *North Carolina HIV/STD Surveillance Report: Vol. 2026, No. 1* presents statistics and trends of sexually transmitted diseases (including HIV and AIDS) in North Carolina from January 1 through March 31, 2026. All reports are presented by the **date of diagnosis**. This report is intended as a reference document for local health departments, program managers, health planners, researchers and others who are concerned with the public health implications of these diseases. **The information in this quarterly report is meant to be brief and provide limited data on these diseases throughout the year. More detailed and complete information will continue to be available in annual publications.** This report and our annual publications are available on our website (<https://epi.dph.ncdhhs.gov/cd/stds/figures.html>). The CDC maintains data about these diseases for the United States; national information is available from its website (<https://www.cdc.gov/hiv/library/reports/hiv-surveillance.html>).



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## HIV Infection Surveillance Data

**Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection case reports** represents all new diagnoses with HIV in North Carolina regardless of the stage of the disease (including acquired immunodeficiency syndrome [AIDS]). Most persons are reported with only an HIV infection, but some persons are reported with a concurrent diagnosis of AIDS (an AIDS diagnosis within six months of the initial HIV infection diagnosis). In North Carolina, about one-quarter of the new HIV infection reports represent persons who are diagnosed with HIV infection and AIDS at the same time. **AIDS case reports**, by contrast, represent only persons with HIV infection who have progressed to this later, more life threatening, stage of disease. For these reasons, HIV infection reports and AIDS case reports should be considered separately. The two categories should never be combined to estimate an infected population, as the broad group of HIV disease includes AIDS cases, and combining the two categories would therefore double-count the AIDS cases. **HIV infection and AIDS cases are both presented by date of diagnosis in this publication.** This gives a preliminary look at HIV infection surveillance for 2025. Also, HIV and AIDS cases diagnosed from long-term care institutions, such as prisons, are not included in county totals, but are listed under “Unassigned” county.

## Chlamydia Surveillance Data

Chlamydia case reports represent persons who have a laboratory-confirmed chlamydial infection. It is important to note that chlamydial infection is often asymptomatic in both males and females, and most cases are detected through screening. The disease can cause serious complications in females (such as infertility), and a number of screening programs are in place to detect infection in young women. There are no comparable screening programs for young men. For this reason, chlamydia case reports are always highly biased with respect to gender. Changes in the number of reported cases may be due to changes in screening practices. Increases in morbidity totals since 2008 are likely to be the result of enhancements in laboratory reporting. Chlamydia infections are presented by **date of diagnosis** in this publication.

## Gonorrhea Surveillance Data

Gonorrhea case reports represent persons who have a laboratory-confirmed gonorrhea infection. Gonorrhea is often symptomatic in males and slightly less so in females. Many cases are detected when patients seek medical care. Others are detected through screening, but to a far lesser degree than chlamydia cases. Gonorrhea can cause serious complications for females (such as infertility), and a number of screening programs exist targeting this population. There is less screening of males but since they are more likely to have symptoms that would bring them to the STD clinic, gender bias in gonorrhea reporting is not likely to be large. Public clinics and health departments may do a better job of conducting such screening programs and reporting cases, causing the reported cases to be biased toward those attending public clinics. Gonorrhea infections are presented by **date of diagnosis** in this publication.

## Syphilis Surveillance Data

Syphilis cases are reported by stage of infection, which is determined through a combination of laboratory testing and patient interviews. Primary and secondary syphilis have very specific symptoms associated with them, so misclassification of these stages is highly unlikely. Early latent syphilis is asymptomatic but can be staged with confirmation that the person has been infected for less than a year. Together these three stages that occur within the first year of infection are called “early syphilis.” This report includes only early syphilis cases, though other later stages are reported to HSSU. Because North Carolina performs patient interviews, partner notification, and contact tracing on all early syphilis cases, the quality of the early latent case data is also quite good. Screening programs are more likely to detect asymptomatic cases, which may introduce some bias in the early latent case reports toward screened populations (pregnant women, jail inmates, others). But, thorough contact tracing further aids in case detection and reduces these biases. Syphilis infections are presented by **date of diagnosis** in this publication.

## For more information

The data descriptions provided on this page are succinct. For a more detailed discussion of the content, strengths, and weaknesses of STD and HIV surveillance data, please see Appendix B in the *Epidemiologic Profile for HIV/STD Prevention & Care Planning, December 2013*. This report can be found on our website <https://epi.dph.ncdhhs.gov/cd/stds/figures.html>.

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Table 1. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed Chlamydia Infections by Gender and Age, 2026

| Gender       | Age Group | 1st Qtr<br>(Jan - Mar) |       | 2nd Qtr<br>(Apr - Jun) |   | 3rd Qtr<br>(July - Sept) |   | 4th Qtr<br>(Oct - Dec) |   | 2026 Total |       |
|--------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|------------|-------|
|              |           | Cases                  | %     | Cases                  | % | Cases                    | % | Cases                  | % | Cases      | %     |
| Male         | 0-9       | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
|              | 10-14     | 6                      | 0.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 6          | 0.1   |
|              | 15-19     | 635                    | 7.7   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 635        | 7.7   |
|              | 20-24     | 987                    | 11.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 987        | 11.9  |
|              | 25-29     | 535                    | 6.5   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 535        | 6.5   |
|              | 30-34     | 301                    | 3.6   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 301        | 3.6   |
|              | 35-39     | 211                    | 2.6   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 211        | 2.6   |
|              | 40-44     | 95                     | 1.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 95         | 1.1   |
|              | 45-54     | 94                     | 1.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 94         | 1.1   |
|              | 55-64     | 39                     | 0.5   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 39         | 0.5   |
|              | 65+       | 12                     | 0.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 12         | 0.1   |
|              | Unknown   | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
| <b>Total</b> |           | 2,915                  | 35.3  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2,915      | 35.3  |
| Female       | 0-9       | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
|              | 10-14     | 34                     | 0.4   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 34         | 0.4   |
|              | 15-19     | 1,606                  | 19.4  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,606      | 19.4  |
|              | 20-24     | 1,892                  | 22.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,892      | 22.9  |
|              | 25-29     | 858                    | 10.4  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 858        | 10.4  |
|              | 30-34     | 473                    | 5.7   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 473        | 5.7   |
|              | 35-39     | 231                    | 2.8   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 231        | 2.8   |
|              | 40-44     | 120                    | 1.5   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 120        | 1.5   |
|              | 45-54     | 106                    | 1.3   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 106        | 1.3   |
|              | 55-64     | 21                     | 0.3   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 21         | 0.3   |
|              | 65+       | 6                      | 0.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 6          | 0.1   |
|              | Unknown   | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
| <b>Total</b> |           | 5,347                  | 64.7  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 5,347      | 64.7  |
| Total        | 0-9       | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
|              | 10-14     | 40                     | 0.5   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 40         | 0.5   |
|              | 15-19     | 2,241                  | 27.1  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2,241      | 27.1  |
|              | 20-24     | 2,879                  | 34.8  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2,879      | 34.8  |
|              | 25-29     | 1,393                  | 16.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,393      | 16.9  |
|              | 30-34     | 774                    | 9.4   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 774        | 9.4   |
|              | 35-39     | 442                    | 5.3   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 442        | 5.3   |
|              | 40-44     | 215                    | 2.6   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 215        | 2.6   |
|              | 45-54     | 200                    | 2.4   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 200        | 2.4   |
|              | 55-64     | 60                     | 0.7   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 60         | 0.7   |
|              | 65+       | 18                     | 0.2   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 18         | 0.2   |
|              | Unknown   | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
| <b>Total</b> |           | 8,262                  | 100.0 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 8,262      | 100.0 |

Data Source: North Carolina Electronic Disease Surveillance System (data as of May 4, 2026).

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Table 2. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed Chlamydia Infections by Gender and Race/Ethnicity, 2026

| Gender | Race/Ethnicity                             | 1st Qtr<br>(Jan - Mar) |              | 2nd Qtr<br>(Apr - Jun) |   | 3rd Qtr<br>(July - Sept) |   | 4th Qtr<br>(Oct - Dec) |   | 2026 Total   |              |
|--------|--|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|--------------|--------------|
|        |  | Cases                  | %            | Cases                  | % | Cases                    | % | Cases                  | % | Cases        | %            |
| Male   | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 52                     | 0.6          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 52           | 0.6          |
|        | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 19                     | 0.2          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 19           | 0.2          |
|        | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 1,312                  | 15.9         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,312        | 15.9         |
|        | Hispanic/Latino                            | 367                    | 4.4          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 367          | 4.4          |
|        | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 403                    | 4.9          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 403          | 4.9          |
|        | Multiple Race                              | 50                     | 0.6          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 50           | 0.6          |
|        | Unknown                                    | 712                    | 8.6          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 712          | 8.6          |
|        | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>2,915</b>           | <b>35.3</b>  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>2,915</b> | <b>35.3</b>  |
| Female | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 126                    | 1.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 126          | 1.5          |
|        | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 43                     | 0.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 43           | 0.5          |
|        | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 2,113                  | 25.6         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2,113        | 25.6         |
|        | Hispanic/Latino                            | 859                    | 10.4         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 859          | 10.4         |
|        | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 902                    | 10.9         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 902          | 10.9         |
|        | Multiple Race                              | 103                    | 1.2          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 103          | 1.2          |
|        | Unknown                                    | 1,201                  | 14.5         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,201        | 14.5         |
|        | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>5,347</b>           | <b>64.7</b>  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>5,347</b> | <b>64.7</b>  |
| Total  | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 178                    | 2.2          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 178          | 2.2          |
|        | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 62                     | 0.8          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 62           | 0.8          |
|        | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 3,425                  | 41.5         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 3,425        | 41.5         |
|        | Hispanic/Latino                            | 1,226                  | 14.8         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,226        | 14.8         |
|        | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 1,305                  | 15.8         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,305        | 15.8         |
|        | Multiple Race                              | 153                    | 1.9          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 153          | 1.9          |
|        | Unknown                                    | 1,913                  | 23.2         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,913        | 23.2         |
|        | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>8,262</b>           | <b>100.0</b> |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>8,262</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

<sup>a</sup>Non-Hispanic/Latino.

Data Source: North Carolina Electronic Disease Surveillance System (data as of May 4, 2026).

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Table 3. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed Gonorrhea Infections by Gender and Age, 2026

| Gender       | Age Group | 1st Qtr<br>(Jan - Mar) |       | 2nd Qtr<br>(Apr - Jun) |   | 3rd Qtr<br>(July - Sept) |   | 4th Qtr<br>(Oct - Dec) |   | 2026 Total |       |
|--------------|-----------|------------------------|-------|------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|------------|-------|
|              |           | Cases                  | %     | Cases                  | % | Cases                    | % | Cases                  | % | Cases      | %     |
| Male         | 0-9       | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
|              | 10-14     | 1                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1          | 0.0   |
|              | 15-19     | 238                    | 7.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 238        | 7.1   |
|              | 20-24     | 468                    | 14.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 468        | 14.0  |
|              | 25-29     | 412                    | 12.3  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 412        | 12.3  |
|              | 30-34     | 309                    | 9.3   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 309        | 9.3   |
|              | 35-39     | 258                    | 7.7   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 258        | 7.7   |
|              | 40-44     | 133                    | 4.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 133        | 4.0   |
|              | 45-54     | 151                    | 4.5   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 151        | 4.5   |
|              | 55-64     | 69                     | 2.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 69         | 2.1   |
|              | 65+       | 33                     | 1.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 33         | 1.0   |
|              | Unknown   | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
| <b>Total</b> |           | 2,072                  | 62.1  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2,072      | 62.1  |
| Female       | 0-9       | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
|              | 10-14     | 7                      | 0.2   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 7          | 0.2   |
|              | 15-19     | 303                    | 9.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 303        | 9.1   |
|              | 20-24     | 397                    | 11.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 397        | 11.9  |
|              | 25-29     | 238                    | 7.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 238        | 7.1   |
|              | 30-34     | 131                    | 3.9   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 131        | 3.9   |
|              | 35-39     | 88                     | 2.6   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 88         | 2.6   |
|              | 40-44     | 39                     | 1.2   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 39         | 1.2   |
|              | 45-54     | 44                     | 1.3   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 44         | 1.3   |
|              | 55-64     | 16                     | 0.5   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 16         | 0.5   |
|              | 65+       | 2                      | 0.1   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2          | 0.1   |
|              | Unknown   | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
| <b>Total</b> |           | 1,265                  | 37.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,265      | 37.9  |
| Total        | 0-9       | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
|              | 10-14     | 8                      | 0.2   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 8          | 0.2   |
|              | 15-19     | 541                    | 16.2  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 541        | 16.2  |
|              | 20-24     | 865                    | 25.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 865        | 25.9  |
|              | 25-29     | 650                    | 19.5  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 650        | 19.5  |
|              | 30-34     | 440                    | 13.2  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 440        | 13.2  |
|              | 35-39     | 346                    | 10.4  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 346        | 10.4  |
|              | 40-44     | 172                    | 5.2   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 172        | 5.2   |
|              | 45-54     | 195                    | 5.8   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 195        | 5.8   |
|              | 55-64     | 85                     | 2.5   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 85         | 2.5   |
|              | 65+       | 35                     | 1.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 35         | 1.0   |
|              | Unknown   | 0                      | 0.0   |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0   |
| <b>Total</b> |           | 3,337                  | 100.0 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 3,337      | 100.0 |

Data Source: North Carolina Electronic Disease Surveillance System (data as of May 4, 2026)

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Table 4. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed Gonorrhea Infections by Gender and Race/Ethnicity, 2026

| Gender | Race/Ethnicity                             | 1st Qtr<br>(Jan - Mar) |              | 2nd Qtr<br>(Apr - Jun) |   | 3rd Qtr<br>(July - Sept) |   | 4th Qtr<br>(Oct - Dec) |   | 2026 Total   |              |
|--------|--|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|--------------|--------------|
|        |  | Cases                  | %            | Cases                  | % | Cases                    | % | Cases                  | % | Cases        | %            |
| Male   | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 35                     | 1.0          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 35           | 1.0          |
|        | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 17                     | 0.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 17           | 0.5          |
|        | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 1,158                  | 34.7         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,158        | 34.7         |
|        | Hispanic/Latino                            | 182                    | 5.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 182          | 5.5          |
|        | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 256                    | 7.7          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 256          | 7.7          |
|        | Multiple Race                              | 47                     | 1.4          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 47           | 1.4          |
|        | Unknown                                    | 377                    | 11.3         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 377          | 11.3         |
|        | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>2,072</b>           | <b>62.1</b>  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>2,072</b> | <b>62.1</b>  |
| Female | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 16                     | 0.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 16           | 0.5          |
|        | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 5                      | 0.1          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 5            | 0.1          |
|        | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 678                    | 20.3         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 678          | 20.3         |
|        | Hispanic/Latino                            | 74                     | 2.2          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 74           | 2.2          |
|        | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 221                    | 6.6          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 221          | 6.6          |
|        | Multiple Race                              | 38                     | 1.1          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 38           | 1.1          |
|        | Unknown                                    | 233                    | 7.0          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 233          | 7.0          |
|        | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>1,265</b>           | <b>37.9</b>  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>1,265</b> | <b>37.9</b>  |
| Total  | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 51                     | 1.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 51           | 1.5          |
|        | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 22                     | 0.7          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 22           | 0.7          |
|        | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 1,836                  | 55.0         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1,836        | 55.0         |
|        | Hispanic/Latino                            | 256                    | 7.7          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 256          | 7.7          |
|        | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 477                    | 14.3         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 477          | 14.3         |
|        | Multiple Race                              | 85                     | 2.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 85           | 2.5          |
|        | Unknown                                    | 610                    | 18.3         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 610          | 18.3         |
|        | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>3,337</b>           | <b>100.0</b> |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>3,337</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

<sup>a</sup>Non-Hispanic/Latino.

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Table 5. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed Early Syphilis (Primary, Secondary, and Early Latent) Infections by Gender and Age, 2026

| Gender             | Age Group    | 1st Qtr<br>(Jan - Mar) |      | 2nd Qtr<br>(Apr - Jun) |   | 3rd Qtr<br>(July - Sept) |   | 4th Qtr<br>(Oct - Dec) |   | 2026 Total |      |
|--------------------|--------------|------------------------|------|------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|------------|------|
|                    |              | Cases                  | %    | Cases                  | % | Cases                    | % | Cases                  | % | Cases      | %    |
| Male               | 0-9          | 0                      | 0.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0  |
|                    | 10-14        | 0                      | 0.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0  |
|                    | 15-19        | 12                     | 1.8  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 12         | 1.8  |
|                    | 20-24        | 69                     | 10.5 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 69         | 10.5 |
|                    | 25-29        | 71                     | 10.8 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 71         | 10.8 |
|                    | 30-34        | 77                     | 11.8 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 77         | 11.8 |
|                    | 35-39        | 73                     | 11.1 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 73         | 11.1 |
|                    | 40-44        | 59                     | 9.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 59         | 9.0  |
|                    | 45-54        | 67                     | 10.2 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 67         | 10.2 |
|                    | 55-64        | 47                     | 7.2  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 47         | 7.2  |
|                    | 65+          | 18                     | 2.7  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 18         | 2.7  |
|                    | Unknown      | 0                      | 0.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0  |
|                    | <b>Total</b> |                        | 493  | 75.3                   |   |                          |   |                        |   |            | 493  |
| Female             | 0-9          | 0                      | 0.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0  |
|                    | 10-14        | 2                      | 0.3  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2          | 0.3  |
|                    | 15-19        | 7                      | 1.1  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 7          | 1.1  |
|                    | 20-24        | 23                     | 3.5  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 23         | 3.5  |
|                    | 25-29        | 30                     | 4.6  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 30         | 4.6  |
|                    | 30-34        | 28                     | 4.3  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 28         | 4.3  |
|                    | 35-39        | 23                     | 3.5  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 23         | 3.5  |
|                    | 40-44        | 16                     | 2.4  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 16         | 2.4  |
|                    | 45-54        | 18                     | 2.7  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 18         | 2.7  |
|                    | 55-64        | 13                     | 2.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 13         | 2.0  |
|                    | 65+          | 1                      | 0.2  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 1          | 0.2  |
|                    | Unknown      | 0                      | 0.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0  |
|                    | <b>Total</b> |                        | 161  | 24.6                   |   |                          |   |                        |   |            | 161  |
| Total <sup>a</sup> | 0-9          | 0                      | 0.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0  |
|                    | 10-14        | 2                      | 0.3  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 2          | 0.3  |
|                    | 15-19        | 19                     | 2.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 19         | 2.9  |
|                    | 20-24        | 92                     | 14.0 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 92         | 14.0 |
|                    | 25-29        | 102                    | 15.6 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 102        | 15.6 |
|                    | 30-34        | 105                    | 16.0 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 105        | 16.0 |
|                    | 35-39        | 96                     | 14.7 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 96         | 14.7 |
|                    | 40-44        | 75                     | 11.5 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 75         | 11.5 |
|                    | 45-54        | 85                     | 13.0 |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 85         | 13.0 |
|                    | 55-64        | 60                     | 9.2  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 60         | 9.2  |
|                    | 65+          | 19                     | 2.9  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 19         | 2.9  |
|                    | Unknown      | 0                      | 0.0  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0  |
|                    | <b>Total</b> |                        | 655  | 100.0                  |   |                          |   |                        |   |            | 655  |

<sup>a</sup>Total includes 1 case with unreported gender (1 case in Quarter 1).

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**Table 6. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed Early Syphilis (Primary, Secondary, and Early Latent) Infections by Gender and Race/Ethnicity, 2026**

| Gender             | Race/Ethnicity                             | 1st Qtr<br>(Jan - Mar) |              | 2nd Qtr<br>(Apr - Jun) |   | 3rd Qtr<br>(July - Sept) |   | 4th Qtr<br>(Oct - Dec) |   | 2026 Total |              |
|--------------------|--|------------------------|--------------|------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|------------------------|---|------------|--------------|
|                    |  | Cases                  | %            | Cases                  | % | Cases                    | % | Cases                  | % | Cases      | %            |
| Male               | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 13                     | 2.0          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 13         | 2.0          |
|                    | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 3                      | 0.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 3          | 0.5          |
|                    | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 299                    | 45.6         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 299        | 45.6         |
|                    | Hispanic/Latino                            | 65                     | 9.9          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 65         | 9.9          |
|                    | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 84                     | 12.8         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 84         | 12.8         |
|                    | Multiple Race                              | 12                     | 1.8          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 12         | 1.8          |
|                    | Unknown                                    | 17                     | 2.6          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 17         | 2.6          |
|                    | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>493</b>             | <b>75.3</b>  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>493</b> | <b>75.3</b>  |
| Female             | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 9                      | 1.4          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 9          | 1.4          |
|                    | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 0                      | 0.0          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 0          | 0.0          |
|                    | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 72                     | 11.0         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 72         | 11.0         |
|                    | Hispanic/Latino                            | 14                     | 2.1          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 14         | 2.1          |
|                    | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 49                     | 7.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 49         | 7.5          |
|                    | Multiple Race                              | 9                      | 1.4          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 9          | 1.4          |
|                    | Unknown                                    | 8                      | 1.2          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 8          | 1.2          |
|                    | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>161</b>             | <b>24.6</b>  |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>161</b> | <b>24.6</b>  |
| Total <sup>b</sup> | American Indian/Alaska Native <sup>a</sup> | 22                     | 3.4          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 22         | 3.4          |
|                    | Asian/Pacific Islander <sup>a</sup>        | 3                      | 0.5          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 3          | 0.5          |
|                    | Black/African American <sup>a</sup>        | 371                    | 56.6         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 371        | 56.6         |
|                    | Hispanic/Latino                            | 80                     | 12.2         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 80         | 12.2         |
|                    | White/Caucasian <sup>a</sup>               | 133                    | 20.3         |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 133        | 20.3         |
|                    | Multiple Race                              | 21                     | 3.2          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 21         | 3.2          |
|                    | Unknown                                    | 25                     | 3.8          |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | 25         | 3.8          |
|                    | <b>Total</b>                               | <b>655</b>             | <b>100.0</b> |                        |   |                          |   |                        |   | <b>655</b> | <b>100.0</b> |

<sup>a</sup>Non-Hispanic/Latino.

<sup>b</sup>Total includes 1 case with unreported gender (1 case in Quarter 1).

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**Table 7. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Early Syphilis (Primary, Secondary, and Early Latent) Infections by County of Residence at Time of Diagnosis, 2024-2026**

| COUNTY     | CHLAMYDIA       |                 |                 | GONORRHEA       |                 |                 | P. & S. SYPHILIS |                 |                 | E. L. SYPHILIS  |                 |                 |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|            | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar | 2024<br>Jan-Mar  | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar |
| ALAMANCE   | 208             | 236             | 156             | 74              | 69              | 53              | 9                | 11              | 5               | 6               | 5               | 7               |
| ALEXANDER  | 8               | 14              | 6               | 2               | 10              | 0               | 0                | 2               | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| ALLEGHANY  | 4               | 0               | 4               | 1               | 0               | 0               | 1                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| ANSON      | 48              | 49              | 27              | 16              | 13              | 25              | 1                | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| ASHE       | 6               | 8               | 4               | 2               | 2               | 0               | 1                | 0               | 1               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| AVERY      | 6               | 9               | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| BEAUFORT   | 63              | 57              | 27              | 19              | 10              | 16              | 1                | 0               | 0               | 2               | 1               | 0               |
| BERTIE     | 26              | 41              | 7               | 7               | 14              | 8               | 2                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 1               | 0               |
| BLADEN     | 57              | 42              | 30              | 13              | 6               | 5               | 0                | 0               | 3               | 1               | 1               | 1               |
| BRUNSWICK  | 112             | 100             | 63              | 28              | 24              | 24              | 1                | 1               | 2               | 1               | 2               | 0               |
| BUNCOMBE   | 221             | 192             | 105             | 67              | 57              | 41              | 10               | 11              | 7               | 9               | 5               | 6               |
| BURKE      | 48              | 37              | 14              | 14              | 13              | 7               | 4                | 5               | 5               | 1               | 5               | 5               |
| CABARRUS   | 308             | 266             | 215             | 98              | 71              | 60              | 12               | 10              | 3               | 10              | 11              | 2               |
| CALDWELL   | 55              | 62              | 26              | 21              | 35              | 7               | 6                | 1               | 3               | 3               | 4               | 2               |
| CAMDEN     | 7               | 11              | 2               | 0               | 0               | 2               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| CARTERET   | 52              | 28              | 23              | 8               | 3               | 3               | 1                | 0               | 1               | 0               | 3               | 3               |
| CASWELL    | 27              | 22              | 17              | 9               | 8               | 7               | 0                | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| CATAWBA    | 133             | 122             | 82              | 48              | 52              | 31              | 6                | 3               | 3               | 7               | 5               | 2               |
| CHATHAM    | 48              | 41              | 32              | 9               | 8               | 10              | 0                | 3               | 1               | 1               | 1               | 2               |
| CHEROKEE   | 12              | 3               | 0               | 2               | 0               | 0               | 1                | 1               | 1               | 1               | 1               | 0               |
| CHOWAN     | 14              | 11              | 9               | 6               | 1               | 3               | 1                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| CLAY       | 7               | 3               | 1               | 2               | 0               | 0               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| CLEVELAND  | 169             | 120             | 42              | 61              | 17              | 25              | 6                | 7               | 2               | 5               | 4               | 3               |
| COLUMBUS   | 60              | 55              | 32              | 16              | 19              | 13              | 1                | 2               | 1               | 4               | 0               | 1               |
| CRAVEN     | 127             | 103             | 65              | 45              | 34              | 23              | 3                | 4               | 1               | 3               | 4               | 5               |
| CUMBERLAND | 873             | 745             | 434             | 362             | 256             | 245             | 21               | 16              | 29              | 34              | 23              | 31              |
| CURRITUCK  | 11              | 17              | 0               | 2               | 3               | 0               | 1                | 1               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| DARE       | 23              | 26              | 7               | 2               | 2               | 3               | 2                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| DAVIDSON   | 171             | 153             | 94              | 66              | 35              | 28              | 8                | 4               | 1               | 3               | 6               | 3               |
| DAVIE      | 30              | 25              | 14              | 9               | 5               | 2               | 2                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| DUPLIN     | 75              | 67              | 57              | 19              | 10              | 11              | 3                | 0               | 2               | 4               | 0               | 0               |
| DURHAM     | 705             | 666             | 401             | 340             | 226             | 208             | 14               | 12              | 11              | 13              | 14              | 17              |
| EDGECOMBE  | 144             | 132             | 80              | 83              | 53              | 52              | 4                | 6               | 4               | 8               | 5               | 6               |
| FORSYTH    | 798             | 633             | 466             | 324             | 157             | 119             | 20               | 17              | 12              | 15              | 11              | 11              |
| FRANKLIN   | 79              | 74              | 35              | 27              | 31              | 22              | 2                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 1               | 2               |
| GASTON     | 372             | 288             | 182             | 127             | 84              | 92              | 20               | 12              | 3               | 8               | 9               | 5               |
| GATES      | 7               | 2               | 5               | 2               | 2               | 2               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| GRAHAM     | 1               | 0               | 2               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| GRANVILLE  | 80              | 93              | 32              | 19              | 27              | 22              | 1                | 4               | 1               | 1               | 1               | 1               |
| GREENE     | 28              | 31              | 19              | 18              | 8               | 6               | 1                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| GUILFORD   | 1,152           | 1,078           | 505             | 532             | 338             | 243             | 48               | 28              | 25              | 26              | 36              | 35              |
| HALIFAX    | 118             | 118             | 72              | 35              | 34              | 41              | 0                | 0               | 1               | 2               | 0               | 0               |
| HARNETT    | 162             | 128             | 90              | 77              | 34              | 31              | 2                | 7               | 3               | 9               | 4               | 2               |
| HAYWOOD    | 30              | 15              | 12              | 4               | 0               | 9               | 0                | 0               | 2               | 1               | 1               | 0               |
| HENDERSON  | 67              | 56              | 37              | 22              | 14              | 9               | 4                | 1               | 0               | 1               | 2               | 1               |
| HERTFORD   | 49              | 38              | 30              | 15              | 7               | 11              | 2                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| HOKE       | 108             | 112             | 57              | 43              | 37              | 16              | 7                | 1               | 4               | 6               | 0               | 4               |
| HYDE       | 2               | 2               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| IREDELL    | 186             | 175             | 104             | 74              | 45              | 36              | 2                | 5               | 1               | 4               | 2               | 3               |
| JACKSON    | 60              | 40              | 10              | 3               | 4               | 7               | 0                | 1               | 3               | 2               | 0               | 0               |
| JOHNSTON   | 291             | 240             | 142             | 88              | 72              | 50              | 7                | 9               | 7               | 2               | 9               | 3               |
| JONES      | 3               | 11              | 4               | 2               | 2               | 0               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |

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| COUNTY       | CHLAMYDIA       |                 |                 | GONORRHEA       |                 |                 | P. & S. SYPHILIS |                 |                 | E. L. SYPHILIS  |                 |                 |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|              | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar | 2024<br>Jan-Mar  | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar |
| LEE          | 102             | 62              | 52              | 25              | 18              | 20              | 0                | 1               | 2               | 2               | 3               | 0               |
| LENOIR       | 166             | 114             | 59              | 71              | 26              | 36              | 4                | 1               | 1               | 3               | 3               | 2               |
| LINCOLN      | 67              | 32              | 31              | 22              | 12              | 5               | 1                | 4               | 1               | 6               | 3               | 1               |
| MACON        | 32              | 8               | 13              | 3               | 2               | 3               | 1                | 1               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MADISON      | 11              | 5               | 10              | 4               | 0               | 4               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MARTIN       | 59              | 22              | 11              | 20              | 8               | 14              | 2                | 0               | 1               | 0               | 3               | 0               |
| MCDOWELL     | 27              | 11              | 8               | 7               | 3               | 5               | 0                | 4               | 1               | 1               | 4               | 1               |
| MECKLENBURG  | 2,549           | 2,177           | 1,149           | 1,027           | 931             | 534             | 120              | 108             | 52              | 100             | 113             | 73              |
| MITCHELL     | 5               | 8               | 1               | 0               | 1               | 1               | 0                | 1               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MONTGOMERY   | 25              | 26              | 12              | 5               | 5               | 3               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MOORE        | 68              | 86              | 14              | 20              | 17              | 22              | 3                | 0               | 3               | 1               | 1               | 1               |
| NASH         | 178             | 183             | 90              | 98              | 67              | 41              | 19               | 5               | 2               | 18              | 12              | 3               |
| NEW HANOVER  | 277             | 260             | 131             | 90              | 52              | 36              | 6                | 17              | 8               | 6               | 3               | 8               |
| NORTHAMPTON  | 35              | 26              | 14              | 8               | 7               | 14              | 1                | 0               | 1               | 4               | 0               | 0               |
| ONSLow       | 425             | 336             | 255             | 85              | 65              | 49              | 2                | 4               | 2               | 6               | 2               | 3               |
| ORANGE       | 161             | 122             | 70              | 68              | 47              | 34              | 1                | 2               | 1               | 3               | 3               | 1               |
| PAMLICO      | 9               | 7               | 4               | 2               | 0               | 1               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| PASQUOTANK   | 78              | 57              | 31              | 24              | 14              | 8               | 4                | 0               | 3               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| PENDER       | 55              | 45              | 24              | 17              | 7               | 4               | 1                | 1               | 1               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| PERQUIMANS   | 13              | 12              | 8               | 2               | 2               | 2               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| PERSON       | 48              | 60              | 26              | 29              | 11              | 11              | 1                | 0               | 1               | 1               | 2               | 2               |
| PITT         | 509             | 412             | 274             | 205             | 127             | 131             | 19               | 9               | 2               | 11              | 8               | 12              |
| POLK         | 4               | 5               | 0               | 1               | 1               | 0               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| RANDOLPH     | 116             | 107             | 63              | 43              | 32              | 15              | 7                | 5               | 2               | 3               | 3               | 0               |
| RICHMOND     | 76              | 97              | 52              | 40              | 20              | 17              | 1                | 1               | 2               | 3               | 0               | 1               |
| ROBESON      | 341             | 276             | 133             | 125             | 65              | 51              | 7                | 12              | 21              | 12              | 15              | 9               |
| ROCKINGHAM   | 80              | 66              | 76              | 31              | 23              | 17              | 1                | 2               | 1               | 3               | 2               | 1               |
| ROWAN        | 224             | 171             | 139             | 75              | 44              | 44              | 9                | 4               | 5               | 6               | 4               | 6               |
| RUTHERFORD   | 52              | 58              | 28              | 25              | 14              | 9               | 6                | 8               | 1               | 8               | 8               | 1               |
| SAMPSON      | 89              | 93              | 31              | 31              | 16              | 4               | 1                | 0               | 1               | 3               | 2               | 4               |
| SCOTLAND     | 98              | 78              | 66              | 37              | 14              | 14              | 1                | 4               | 4               | 0               | 3               | 2               |
| STANLY       | 62              | 57              | 34              | 16              | 10              | 7               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 2               | 1               |
| STOKES       | 20              | 18              | 13              | 8               | 4               | 5               | 2                | 0               | 1               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| SURRY        | 47              | 42              | 28              | 9               | 16              | 1               | 4                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 1               | 1               |
| SWAIN        | 19              | 11              | 2               | 1               | 4               | 1               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| TRANSYLVANIA | 15              | 19              | 7               | 3               | 3               | 2               | 0                | 1               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| TYRRELL      | 6               | 4               | 1               | 1               | 0               | 0               | 1                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| UNION        | 244             | 232             | 97              | 58              | 57              | 33              | 2                | 7               | 0               | 7               | 4               | 2               |
| VANCE        | 132             | 118             | 70              | 52              | 51              | 27              | 3                | 6               | 2               | 1               | 3               | 1               |
| WAKE         | 1,604           | 1,309           | 938             | 566             | 469             | 391             | 52               | 37              | 25              | 40              | 49              | 43              |
| WARREN       | 37              | 36              | 15              | 9               | 3               | 9               | 0                | 1               | 0               | 1               | 1               | 0               |
| WASHINGTON   | 31              | 20              | 9               | 4               | 4               | 3               | 1                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| WATAUGA      | 54              | 65              | 30              | 13              | 4               | 1               | 2                | 2               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| WAYNE        | 230             | 191             | 115             | 92              | 75              | 29              | 7                | 2               | 5               | 4               | 5               | 1               |
| WILKES       | 46              | 31              | 30              | 12              | 4               | 2               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| WILSON       | 222             | 137             | 106             | 75              | 67              | 44              | 11               | 10              | 3               | 8               | 8               | 5               |
| YADKIN       | 25              | 24              | 11              | 0               | 4               | 3               | 3                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| YANCEY       | 5               | 4               | 1               | 3               | 4               | 1               | 1                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| UNKNOWN      | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0                | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>16,229</b>   | <b>13,937</b>   | <b>8,262</b>    | <b>6,025</b>    | <b>4,383</b>    | <b>3,337</b>    | <b>545</b>       | <b>445</b>      | <b>305</b>      | <b>466</b>      | <b>449</b>      | <b>350</b>      |

Data Source: North Carolina Electronic Disease Surveillance System (data as of May 4, 2026).

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**Table 8. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed HIV Infections by County of Residence at Time of Diagnosis, 2024-2026**

| COUNTY     | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| ALAMANCE   | 2               | 5               | 4               |
| ALEXANDER  | 1               | 1               | 0               |
| ALLEGHANY  | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| ANSON      | 1               | 0               | 4               |
| ASHE       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| AVERY      | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| BEAUFORT   | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| BERTIE     | 2               | 0               | 0               |
| BLADEN     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| BRUNSWICK  | 4               | 3               | 1               |
| BUNCOMBE   | 6               | 2               | 5               |
| BURKE      | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| CABARRUS   | 7               | 4               | 6               |
| CALDWELL   | 1               | 2               | 2               |
| CAMDEN     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| CARTERET   | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| CASWELL    | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| CATAWBA    | 1               | 4               | 2               |
| CHATHAM    | 0               | 0               | 2               |
| CHEROKEE   | 0               | 3               | 0               |
| CHOWAN     | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| CLAY       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| CLEVELAND  | 3               | 2               | 5               |
| COLUMBUS   | 3               | 0               | 0               |
| Craven     | 4               | 3               | 2               |
| CUMBERLAND | 19              | 14              | 18              |
| CURRITUCK  | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| DARE       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| DAVIDSON   | 2               | 0               | 2               |
| DAVIE      | 0               | 1               | 1               |
| DUPLIN     | 2               | 0               | 2               |
| DURHAM     | 13              | 12              | 13              |
| EDGECOMBE  | 4               | 4               | 5               |
| FORSYTH    | 21              | 15              | 10              |
| FRANKLIN   | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| GASTON     | 11              | 6               | 6               |
| GATES      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| GRAHAM     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| GRANVILLE  | 0               | 2               | 0               |
| GREENE     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| GUILFORD   | 18              | 22              | 20              |
| HALIFAX    | 2               | 2               | 3               |
| HARNETT    | 7               | 3               | 3               |
| HAYWOOD    | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| HENDERSON  | 1               | 0               | 4               |
| HERTFORD   | 0               | 1               | 1               |
| HOKE       | 4               | 4               | 0               |
| HYDE       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| IREDELL    | 2               | 4               | 3               |
| JACKSON    | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| JOHNSTON   | 4               | 4               | 4               |

| COUNTY       | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| JONES        | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| LEE          | 3               | 3               | 4               |
| LENOIR       | 0               | 0               | 3               |
| LINCOLN      | 2               | 2               | 2               |
| MACON        | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| MADISON      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MARTIN       | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| MCDOWELL     | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| MECKLENBURG  | 81              | 77              | 79              |
| MITCHELL     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MONTGOMERY   | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| MOORE        | 2               | 0               | 0               |
| NASH         | 8               | 5               | 5               |
| NEW HANOVER  | 6               | 7               | 7               |
| NORTHAMPTON  | 0               | 2               | 2               |
| ONslow       | 4               | 4               | 5               |
| ORANGE       | 5               | 4               | 1               |
| PAMLICO      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| PASQUOTANK   | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| PENDER       | 2               | 2               | 1               |
| PERQUIMANS   | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| PERSON       | 1               | 1               | 3               |
| PITT         | 6               | 8               | 5               |
| POLK         | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| RANDOLPH     | 6               | 1               | 2               |
| RICHMOND     | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| ROBESON      | 5               | 17              | 9               |
| ROCKINGHAM   | 5               | 2               | 0               |
| ROWAN        | 3               | 10              | 7               |
| RUTHERFORD   | 1               | 1               | 1               |
| SAMPSON      | 2               | 2               | 2               |
| SCOTLAND     | 1               | 0               | 2               |
| STANLY       | 2               | 1               | 1               |
| STOKES       | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| SURRY        | 0               | 2               | 1               |
| SWAIN        | 0               | 2               | 0               |
| TRANSYLVANIA | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| TYRRELL      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| UNION        | 3               | 1               | 3               |
| VANCE        | 2               | 1               | 2               |
| WAKE         | 35              | 38              | 41              |
| WARREN       | 1               | 3               | 0               |
| WASHINGTON   | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| WATAUGA      | 1               | 2               | 0               |
| WAYNE        | 4               | 6               | 1               |
| WILKES       | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| WILSON       | 7               | 3               | 2               |
| YADKIN       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| YANCEY       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| UNASSIGNED*  | 10              | 6               | 10              |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>367</b>      | <b>339</b>      | <b>338</b>      |

\* Unassigned includes cases with unknown county of residence at diagnosis or cases that were diagnosed at a long-term care facility such as prison.  
Data Source: enhanced HIV/AIDS Reporting System (eHARS) (data as of May 4, 2026).

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Table 9. North Carolina Newly Diagnosed AIDS (HIV Infection Stage 3) Cases by County of Residence at Time of Diagnosis, 2024-2026

| COUNTY     | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| ALAMANCE   | 4               | 1               | 2               |
| ALEXANDER  | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| ALLEGHANY  | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| ANSON      | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| ASHE       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| AVERY      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| BEAUFORT   | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| BERTIE     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| BLADEN     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| BRUNSWICK  | 0               | 3               | 0               |
| BUNCOMBE   | 2               | 1               | 2               |
| BURKE      | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| CABARRUS   | 4               | 0               | 1               |
| CALDWELL   | 0               | 1               | 2               |
| CAMDEN     | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| CARTERET   | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| CASWELL    | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| CATAWBA    | 0               | 1               | 1               |
| CHATHAM    | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| CHEROKEE   | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| CHOWAN     | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| CLAY       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| CLEVELAND  | 1               | 2               | 2               |
| COLUMBUS   | 3               | 0               | 1               |
| CRAVEN     | 3               | 0               | 1               |
| CUMBERLAND | 7               | 5               | 9               |
| CURRITUCK  | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| DARE       | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| DAVIDSON   | 4               | 1               | 0               |
| DAVIE      | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| DUPLIN     | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| DURHAM     | 7               | 10              | 4               |
| EDGECOMBE  | 1               | 4               | 0               |
| FORSYTH    | 7               | 12              | 4               |
| FRANKLIN   | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| GASTON     | 5               | 3               | 4               |
| GATES      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| GRAHAM     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| GRANVILLE  | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| GREENE     | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| GUILFORD   | 8               | 15              | 13              |
| HALIFAX    | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| HARNETT    | 3               | 0               | 0               |
| HAYWOOD    | 3               | 0               | 0               |
| HENDERSON  | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| HERTFORD   | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| HOKE       | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| HYDE       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| IREDELL    | 0               | 2               | 4               |
| JACKSON    | 1               | 1               | 0               |
| JOHNSTON   | 4               | 2               | 2               |
| JONES      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| LEE        | 1               | 2               | 0               |

| COUNTY       | 2024<br>Jan-Mar | 2025<br>Jan-Mar | 2026<br>Jan-Mar |
|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| LENOIR       | 0               | 2               | 0               |
| LINCOLN      | 0               | 2               | 0               |
| MACON        | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| MADISON      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MARTIN       | 0               | 0               | 2               |
| MCDOWELL     | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| MECKLENBURG  | 42              | 28              | 28              |
| MITCHELL     | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MONTGOMERY   | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| MOORE        | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| NASH         | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| NEW HANOVER  | 3               | 4               | 3               |
| NORTHAMPTON  | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| ONSLow       | 0               | 1               | 2               |
| ORANGE       | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| PAMLICO      | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| PASQUOTANK   | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| PENDER       | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| PERQUIMANS   | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| PERSON       | 1               | 0               | 2               |
| PITT         | 1               | 1               | 5               |
| POLK         | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| RANDOLPH     | 2               | 2               | 3               |
| RICHMOND     | 0               | 1               | 2               |
| ROBESON      | 4               | 5               | 3               |
| ROCKINGHAM   | 1               | 2               | 1               |
| ROWAN        | 2               | 2               | 2               |
| RUTHERFORD   | 0               | 2               | 1               |
| SAMPSON      | 2               | 0               | 0               |
| SCOTLAND     | 1               | 1               | 1               |
| STANLY       | 1               | 1               | 0               |
| STOKES       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| SURRY        | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| SWAIN        | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| TRANSYLVANIA | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| TYRRELL      | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| UNION        | 1               | 0               | 1               |
| VANCE        | 0               | 1               | 0               |
| WAKE         | 24              | 17              | 15              |
| WARREN       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| WASHINGTON   | 0               | 0               | 1               |
| WATAUGA      | 1               | 0               | 0               |
| WAYNE        | 3               | 2               | 0               |
| WILKES       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| WILSON       | 1               | 2               | 3               |
| YADKIN       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| YANCEY       | 0               | 0               | 0               |
| UNASSIGNED*  | 1               | 2               | 1               |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>174</b>      | <b>147</b>      | <b>139</b>      |

\* Unassigned includes cases with unknown county of residence at diagnosis or cases that were diagnosed at a long-term care facility such as prison.  
Data Source: enhanced HIV/AIDS Reporting System (eHARS) (data as of May 4, 2026).