



North Carolina ranks **9th** nationally for the number of people 65 years or older.

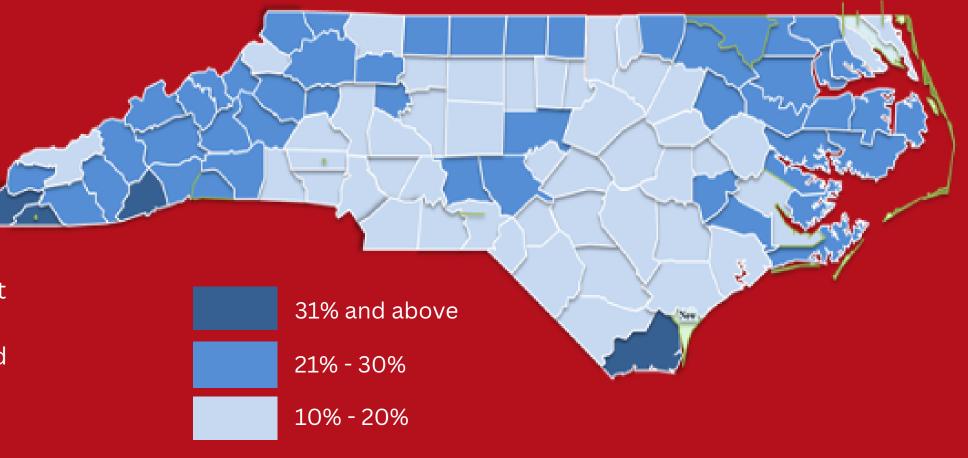
## PERCENT OF COUNTY POPULATION AGE 65 OR OLDER



By 2031 there will be more people 65 or older than under 18 years old.



During the 2022 election cycle voters 66+ had turnout of over **71%** while voters 26-40 turned out at only around 34%.



# AGING IN NORTH CAROLINA

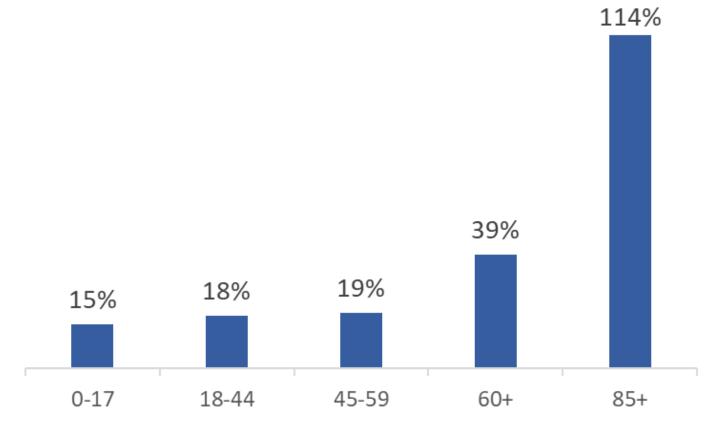
A SNAPSHOT FROM THE MOUNTAINS TO THE COAST



The NC Coalition on Aging is a dynamic group of organizations and individuals that work collaboratively to give voice to issues that affect older North Carolinians. Our mission as a coalition is to improve the quality of life for older adults through collective advocacy, education, and public policy work.

### 1 in 6 North Carolinians are Age 65 or Older

### THOSE AGE 85+ ARE THE FASTEST GROWING POPULATION OVER THE NEXT 20 YEARS





Sources: NC Office of State Budget and Management, Standard Population Estimates; U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2021, 5-year estimates; NC State Board of Elections

### 1.7 million caregivers in North Carolina

#### **Economic impact**

- 36% of NC population is 50+
- 40% of the NC's total GDP (\$225 billion)
- 44% of the total jobs (2.7 billion)
- 38% of state and local taxes (\$16 billion)

#### **CONTRIBUTIONS**

- \$3.6 BILLION IN VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES
- \$18.7 BILLION IN UNPAID CAREGIVING