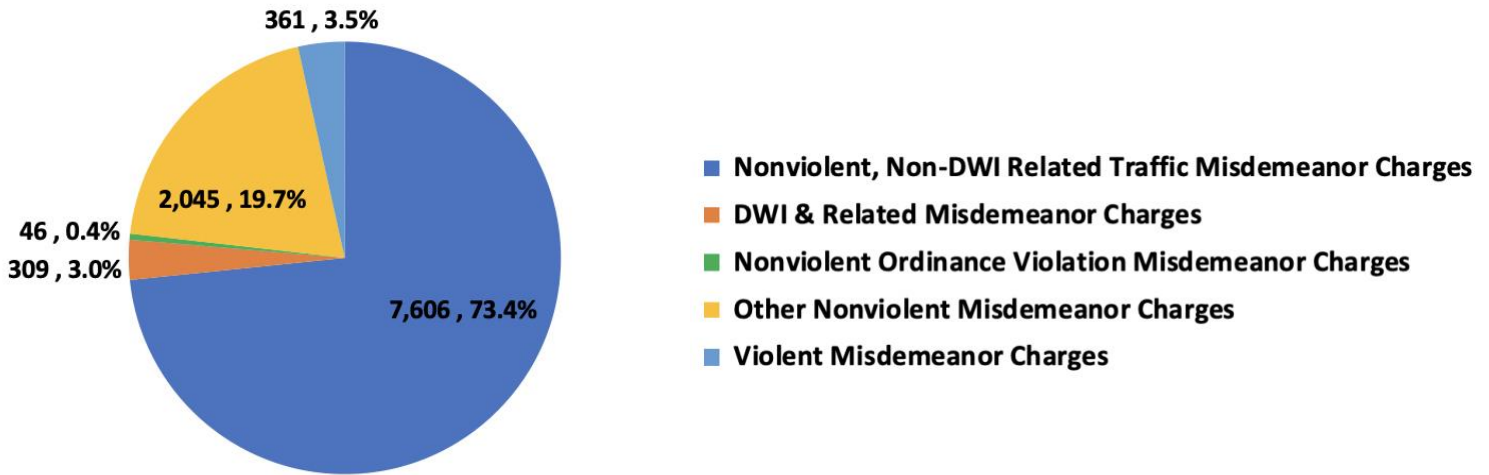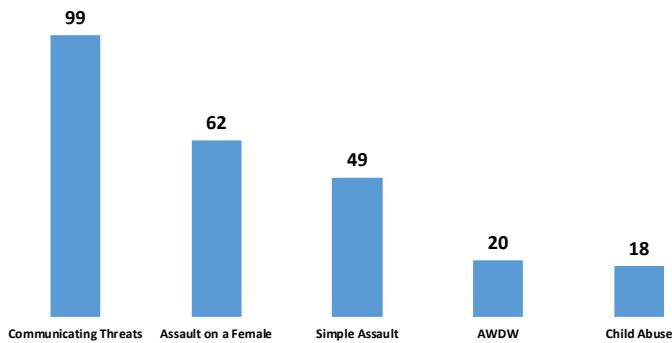**73.4%** of McDowell County misdemeanor charges were for nonviolent and non-DWI related traffic offenses, **19.7%** were for other nonviolent offenses, **3.0%** were for DWI and related offenses, **3.5%** were for violent offenses, and **.4%** were for nonviolent ordinance violations.
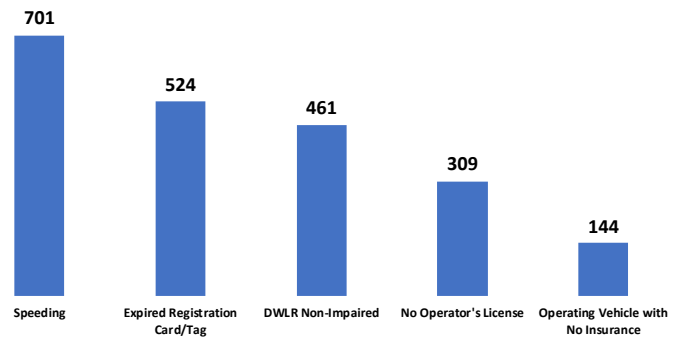
2019 Charged Misdemeanors

Pie chart legend:
- Nonviolent, Non-DWI Related Traffic Misdemeanor Charges
- DWI & Related Misdemeanor Charges
- Nonviolent Ordinance Violation Misdemeanor Charges
- Other Nonviolent Misdemeanor Charges
- Violent Misdemeanor Charges

Pie chart values:
- 7,606 , 73.4%
- 2,045 , 19.7%
- 361 , 3.5%
- 309 , 3.0%
- 46 , 0.4%

Most Commonly Charged Violent Misdemeanors

Communicating Threats	Assault on a Female	Simple Assault	AWDW	Child Abuse
99	62	49	20	18

Most Commonly Charged Non-DWI Related Traffic Misdemeanors

Speeding	Expired Registration Card/Tag	DWLR Non-Impaired	No Operator's License	Operating Vehicle with No Insurance
701	524	461	309	144

Most Commonly Charged Ordinance Violations

Open Container Violation	Local Ordinance - Free Text
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Most Commonly Charged Other Nonviolent Misdemeanors

Possession Marijuana Paraphernalia	Possession Marijuana Up to 1/2 Oz.	Possession Drug Paraphernalia	Larceny	Resisting Public Officer
173	151	103	101	87

For statewide charging statistics, see https://cjil.sog.unc.edu/files/2020/06/Violent-Non-Violent-Charging-Data-6.25.2020.pdf

2019 Violent Misdemeanor Charges Per 100,000 Population Among Noncore Counties

County	Value
Camden	355
Watauga	663
McDowell	793
Dare	901
Perquimans	991
Moore	1,005
Beaufort	1,041
Carteret	1,100
Granville	1,101
Surry	1,104
Stanly	1,139
Pasquotank	1,140
Wilson	1,191
Jackson	1,196
Rutherford	1,208
Tyrrell	1,210
Harnett	1,242
Lee	1,292
Cleveland	1,334
Transylvania	1,339
Wilkes	1,422
Lenoir	1,536
Northampton	1,555
Halifax	1,813
Robeson	2,006
Vance	2,012
Richmond	2,785
Scotland	3,220

2018 - 2019 Change in Percentage Violent Misdemeanor Charges Among Noncore Counties

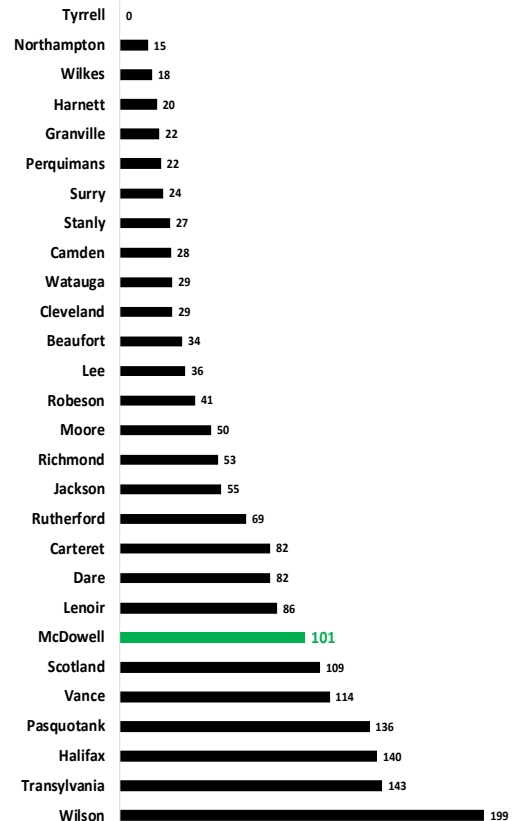| County	Value
Wilkes	1.6%
Northampton	1.2%
Richmond	1.0%
Watauga	0.8%
Lee	0.8%
Jackson	0.8%
Robeson	0.7%
Harnett	0.7%
Surry	0.6%
Pasquotank	0.5%
Tyrrell	0.4%
Vance	0.4%
Halifax	0.3%
Carteret	-0.1%
Lenoir	-0.2%
Cleveland	-0.4%
Scotland	-0.4%
Moore	-0.6%
Wilson	-0.6%
Stanly	-0.6%
McDowell	-0.7%
Rutherford	-0.7%
Dare	-0.7%
Beaufort	-0.7%
Granville	-0.9%
Perquimans	-1.2%
Transylvania	-2.2%
Camden	-2.4%
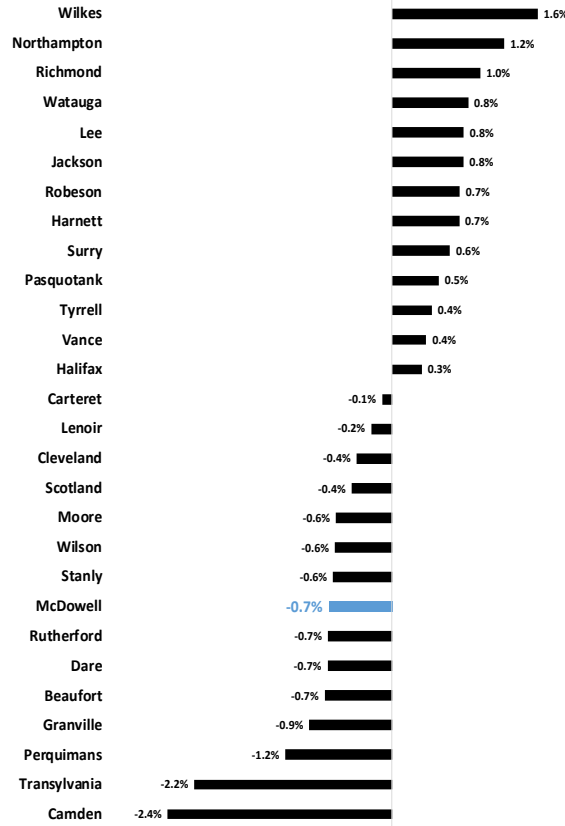
Among micropolitan counties[1], McDowell County had the third lowest number of violent misdemeanor charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at 793. Between 2018 and 2019, McDowell County had the eighth largest decrease in violent misdemeanor charges among micropolitan counties at .7 percentage points.

Among micropolitan counties[1], McDowell County had the 12th highest number of other nonviolent misdemeanor charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at 4,494. McDowell County had the seventh highest number of ordinance violation charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at 101.
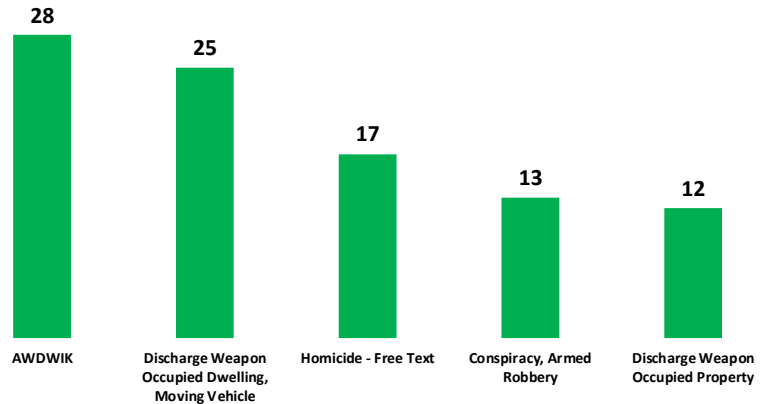
2019 Other Nonviolent Misdemeanor Charges Per 100,000 Population Among Noncore Counties

County	Value
Camden	1,653
Northampton	1,987
Harnett	2,431
Granville	2,480
Perquimans	2,727
Wilkes	2,911
Watauga	3,385
Wilson	3,606
Moore	3,718
Lenoir	3,936
Cleveland	3,961
Carteret	4,023
Pasquotank	4,329
Lee	4,399
Vance	4,408
Robeson	4,421
McDowell	4,494
Surry	4,610
Beaufort	4,807
Transylvania	4,986
Jackson	5,207
Stanly	5,606
Rutherford	5,694
Scotland	5,932
Richmond	6,151
Dare	6,178
Halifax	7,342
Tyrrell	8,715

2019 Ordinance Violation Charges Per 100,000 Population Among Noncore Counties

| County	Value
Tyrrell	0
Northampton	15
Wilkes	18
Harnett	20
Granville	22
Perquimans	22
Surry	24
Stanly	27
Camden	28
Watauga	29
Cleveland	29
Beaufort	34
Lee	36
Robeson	41
Moore	50
Richmond	53
Jackson	55
Rutherford	69
Carteret	82
Dare	82
Lenoir	86
McDowell	101
Scotland	109
Vance	114
Pasquotank	136
Halifax	140
Transylvania	143
Wilson	199

[1] Micropolitan counties are counties in micropolitan statistical areas, which are defined by the Office of Management and Budget as having a core concentrated population of at least 10,000 and less than 50,000.

14.1% of McDowell County felony charges were for violent felonies, **34.4%** were for nonviolent drug felonies, and **51.6%** were for other nonviolent felonies.

2019 Charged Felonies
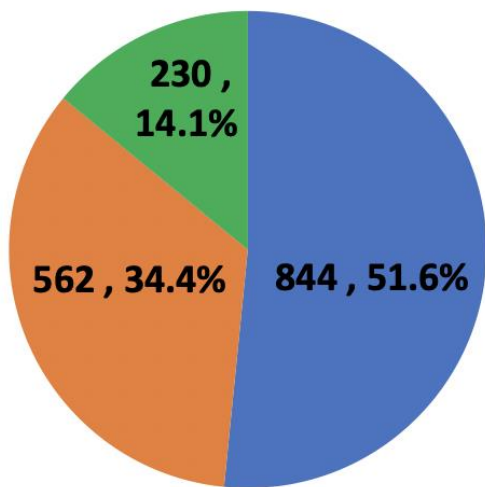
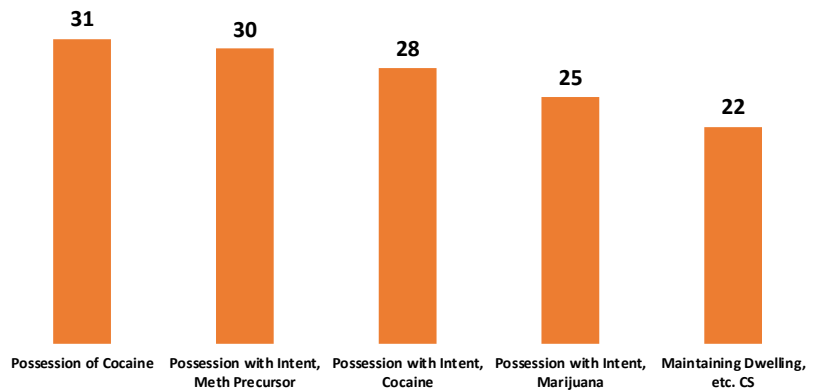- ■ **Nonviolent Felonies, Other**
- ■ **Nonviolent Drug Felonies**
- ■ **Violent Felonies**

Pie chart values: 844, 51.6%; 562, 34.4%; 230, 14.1%

Most Commonly Charged Violent Felonies

AWDWIK	Discharge Weapon Occupied Dwelling, Moving Vehicle	Homicide - Free Text	Conspiracy, Armed Robbery	Discharge Weapon Occupied Property
28	25	17	13	12

Most Commonly Charged Drug Felonies

Possession of Cocaine	Possession with Intent, Meth Precursor	Possession with Intent, Cocaine	Possession with Intent, Marijuana	Maintaining Dwelling, etc. CS
31	30	28	25	22

Most Commonly Charged Other Nonviolent Felonies

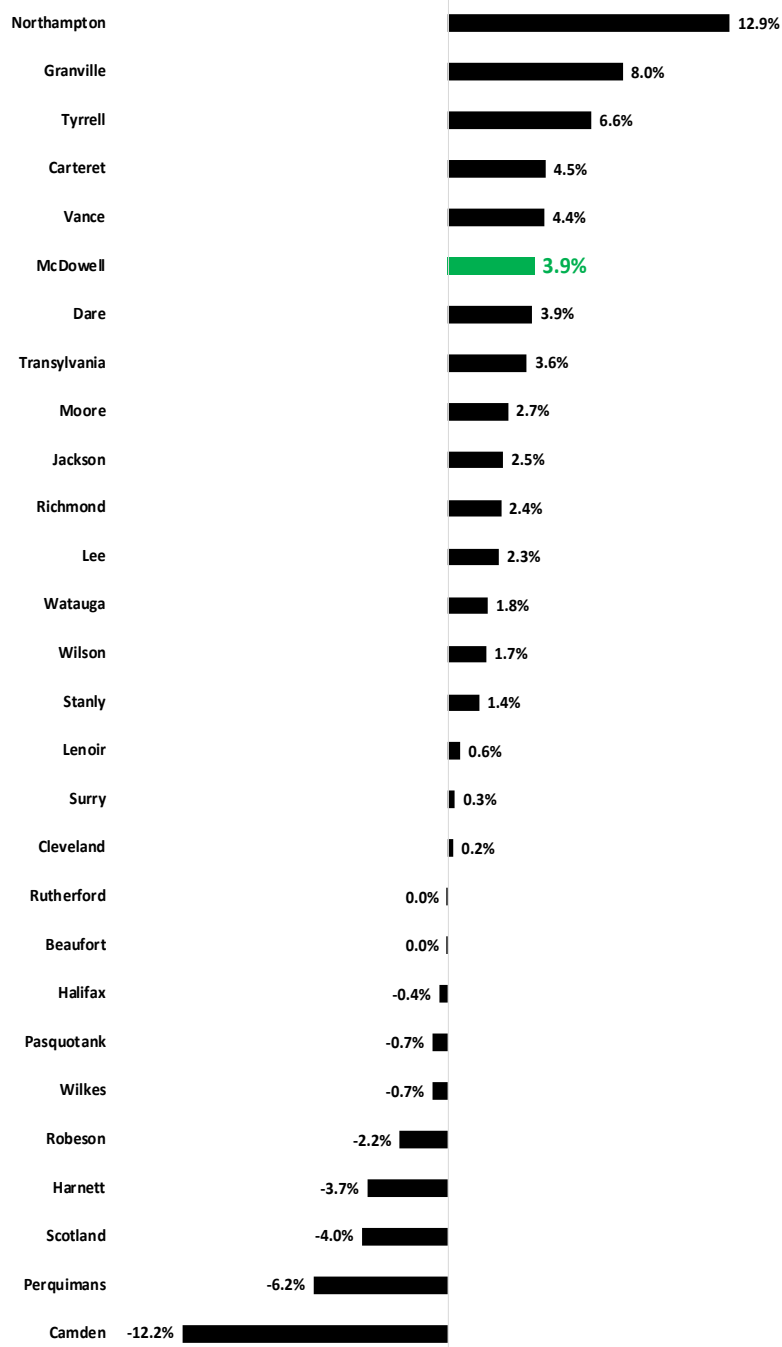| Disturbing Casket/Grave Marker	Obtaining Property by False Pretenses	Breaking or Entering	Identity Theft	Possession of Firearm by Felon
104	78	63	60	48
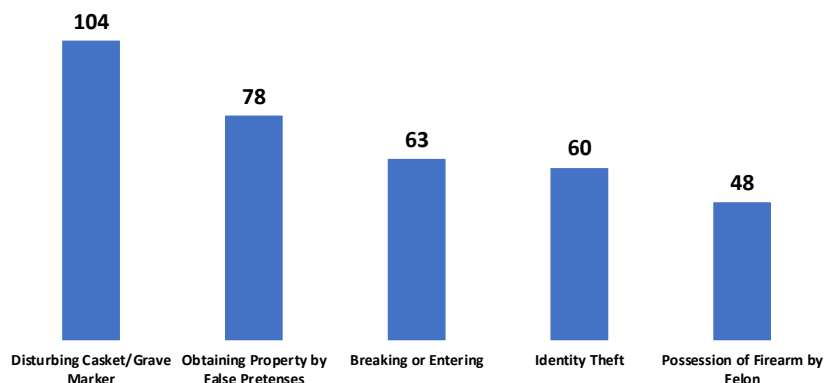
Among micropolitan counties[1], McDowell County had the 11th lowest number of violent felony charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at **505**. Between 2018 and 2019, McDowell County had the sixth largest increase in violent felony charges among micropolitan counties at **3.9** percentage points.

2019 Violent Felony Charges Per 100,000 Population Among Noncore Counties

County	Value
Camden	37
Watauga	227
Perquimans	246
Dare	337
Carteret	342
Jackson	344
Rutherford	361
Surry	379
Moore	439
Pasquotank	439
McDowell	505
Tyrrell	508
Transylvania	514
Stanly	528
Wilkes	548
Granville	589
Lee	618
Harnett	692
Robeson	697
Lenoir	825
Northampton	828
Beaufort	831
Cleveland	884
Richmond	976
Wilson	1,002
Halifax	1,034
Scotland	1,181
Vance	1,240
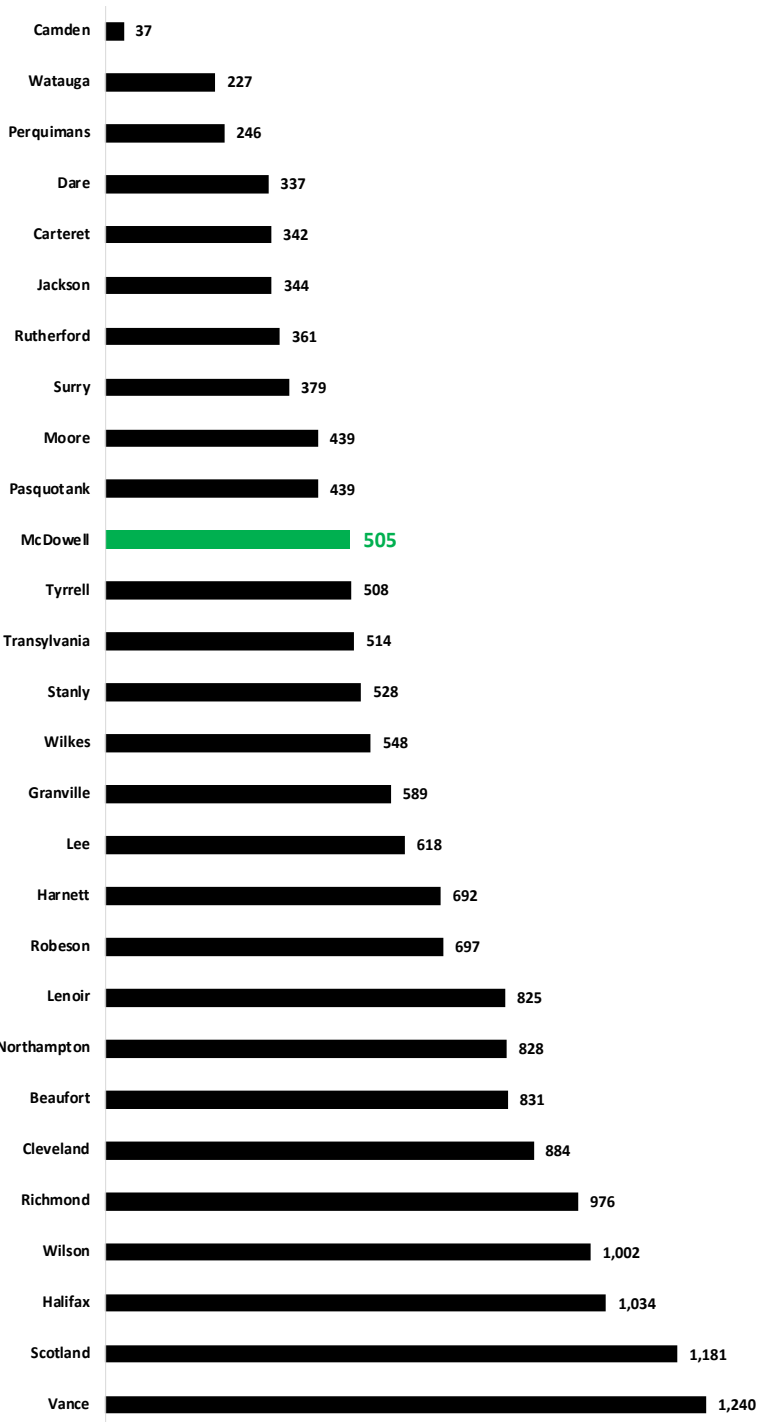
2018 - 2019 Change in Percentage Violent Felony Charges Among Noncore Counties

County	Value
Northampton	12.9%
Granville	8.0%
Tyrrell	6.6%
Carteret	4.5%
Vance	4.4%
McDowell	3.9%
Dare	3.9%
Transylvania	3.6%
Moore	2.7%
Jackson	2.5%
Richmond	2.4%
Lee	2.3%
Watauga	1.8%
Wilson	1.7%
Stanly	1.4%
Lenoir	0.6%
Surry	0.3%
Cleveland	0.2%
Rutherford	0.0%
Beaufort	0.0%
Halifax	-0.4%
Pasquotank	-0.7%
Wilkes	-0.7%
Robeson	-2.2%
Harnett	-3.7%
Scotland	-4.0%
Perquimans	-6.2%
Camden	-12.2%

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