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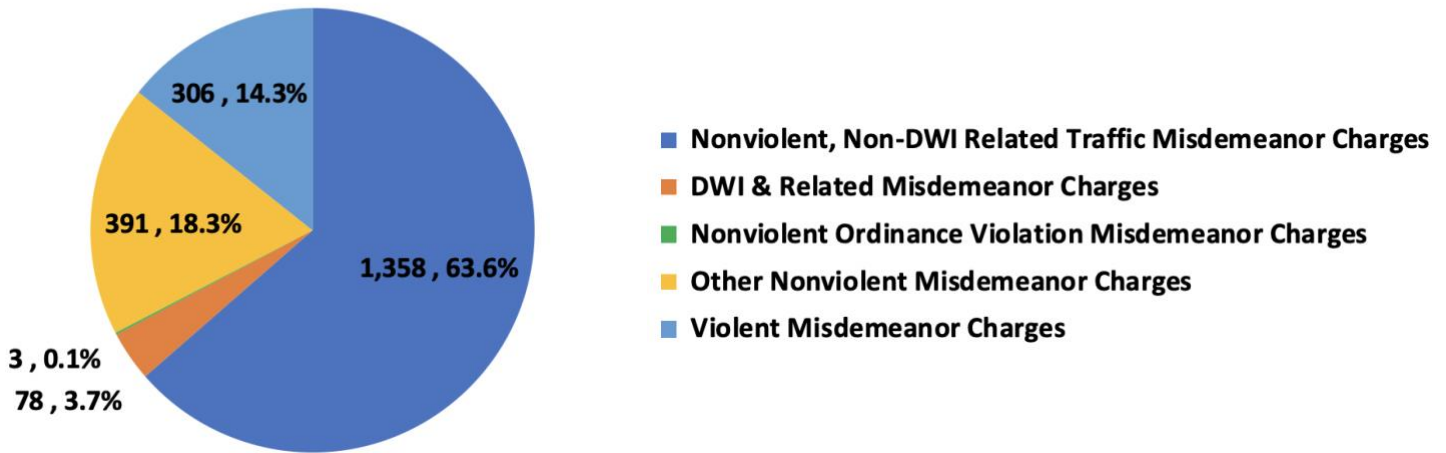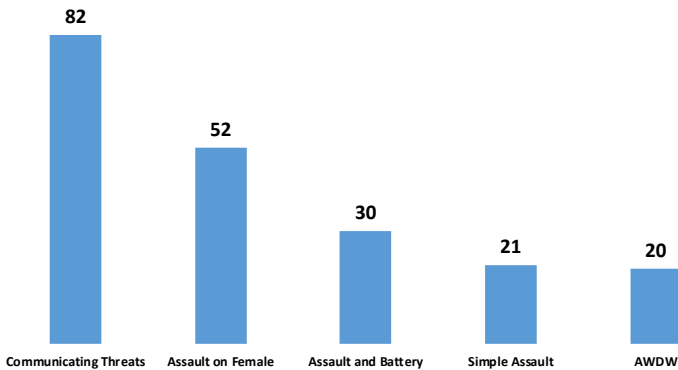Criminal Justice Innovation Lab

63.6% of Northampton County misdemeanor charges were for nonviolent and non-DWI related traffic offenses, **18.3%** were for other nonviolent offenses, **3.7%** were for DWI and related offenses, **14.3%** were for violent offenses, and **.1%** were for nonviolent ordinance violations.
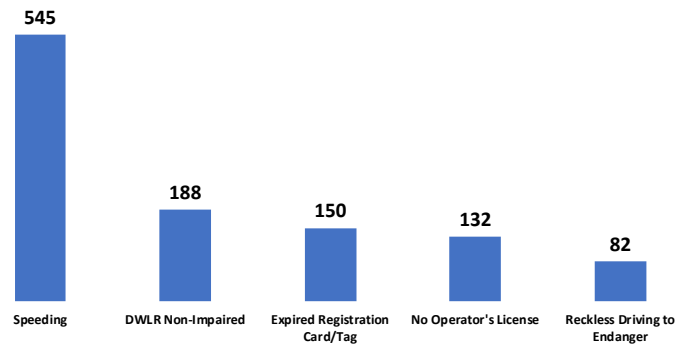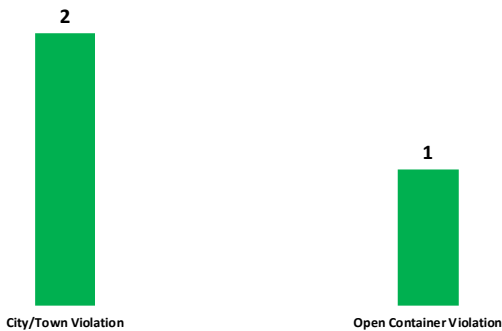
2019 Charged Misdemeanors

- **Nonviolent, Non-DWI Related Traffic Misdemeanor Charges**
- **DWI & Related Misdemeanor Charges**
- **Nonviolent Ordinance Violation Misdemeanor Charges**
- **Other Nonviolent Misdemeanor Charges**
- **Violent Misdemeanor Charges**

306 , 14.3%
391 , 18.3%
1,358 , 63.6%
3 , 0.1%
78 , 3.7%

Most Commonly Charged Violent Misdemeanors

Communicating Threats	82
Assault on Female	52
Assault and Battery	30
Simple Assault	21
AWDW	20

Most Commonly Charged Non-DWI Related Traffic Misdemeanors

Speeding	545
DWLR Non-Impaired	188
Expired Registration Card/Tag	150
No Operator's License	132
Reckless Driving to Endanger	82

Most Commonly Charged Ordinance Violations

City/Town Violation	2
Open Container Violation	1

Most Commonly Charged Other Nonviolent Misdemeanors

Resisting Public Officer	41
Possession Marijuana Up to 1/2 Oz.	41
Possession Marijuana Paraphernalia	34
Second Degree Trespass	31
Misdemeanor Larceny	31

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%
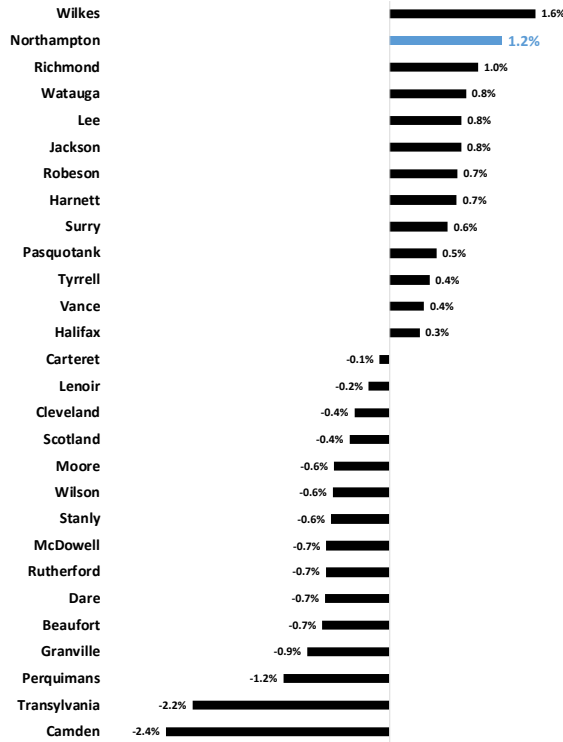
Among micropolitan counties[1], Northampton County had the sixth highest number of violent misdemeanor charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at **1,555**. Between 2018 and 2019, Northampton County had the second largest increase in violent misdemeanor charges among micropolitan counties at **1.2** percentage points.
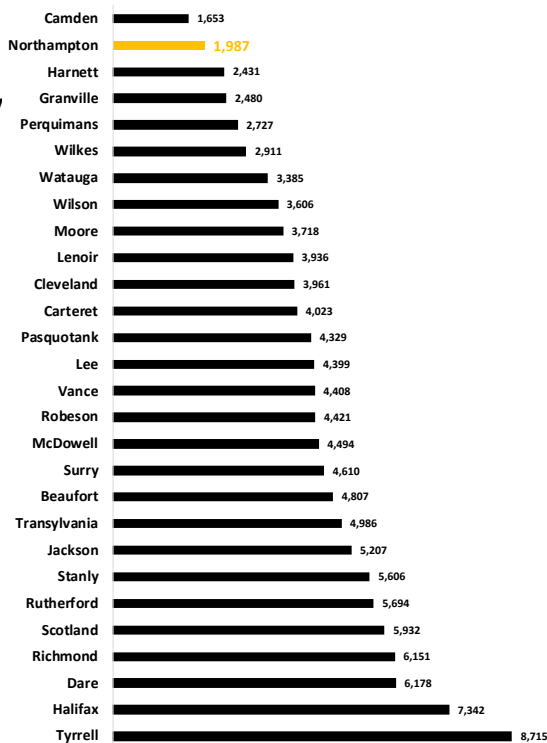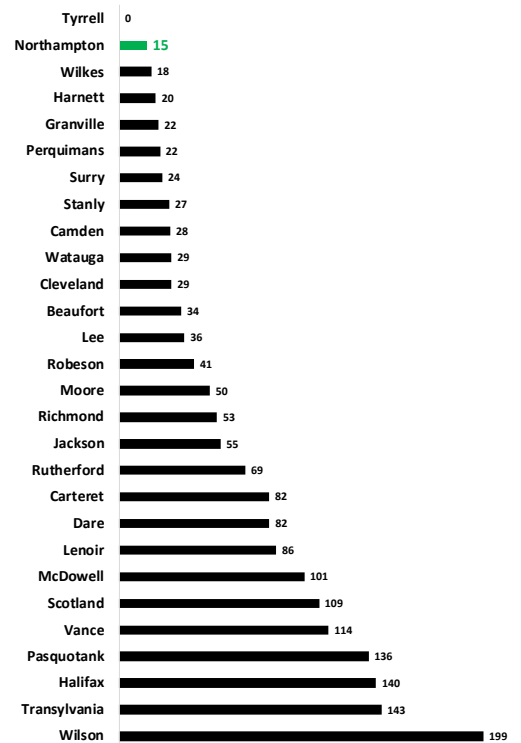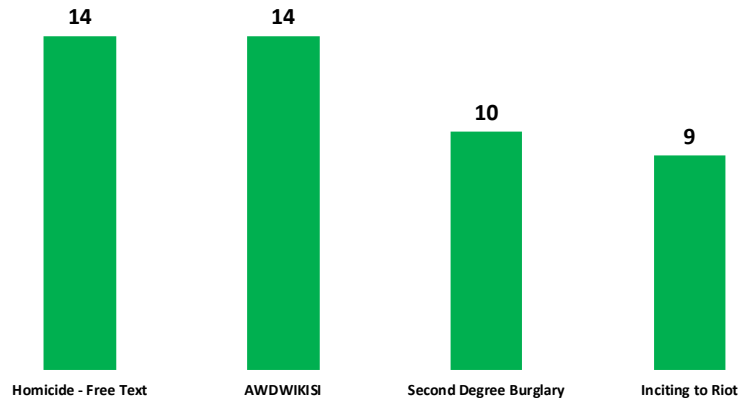
Among micropolitan counties[1], Northampton County had the second lowest number of other nonviolent misdemeanor charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at **1,987**. Northampton County had the second lowest number of ordinance violation charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at **15**.
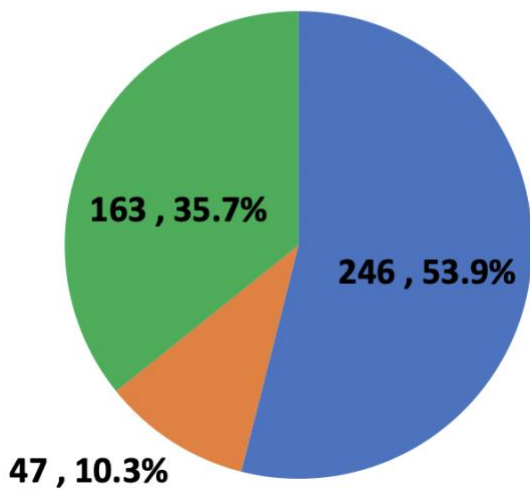
2019 Other Nonviolent Misdemeanor Charges Per 100,000 Population Among Noncore Counties

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.

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35.7% of Northampton County felony charges were for violent felonies, **10.3%** were for nonviolent drug felonies, and **53.9%** were for other nonviolent felonies.

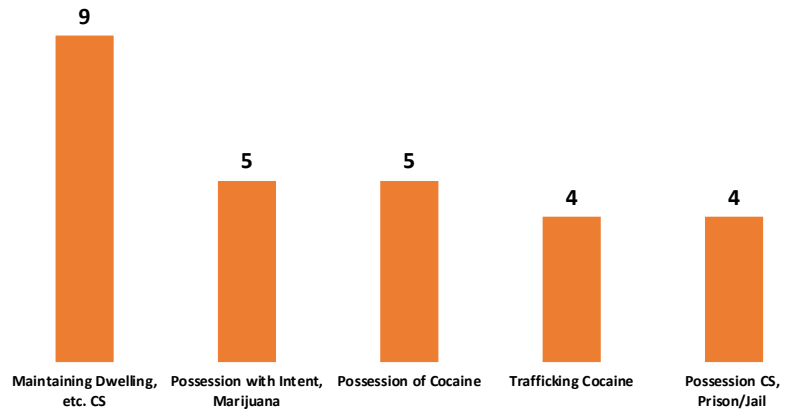**Most Commonly Charged Violent Felonies**

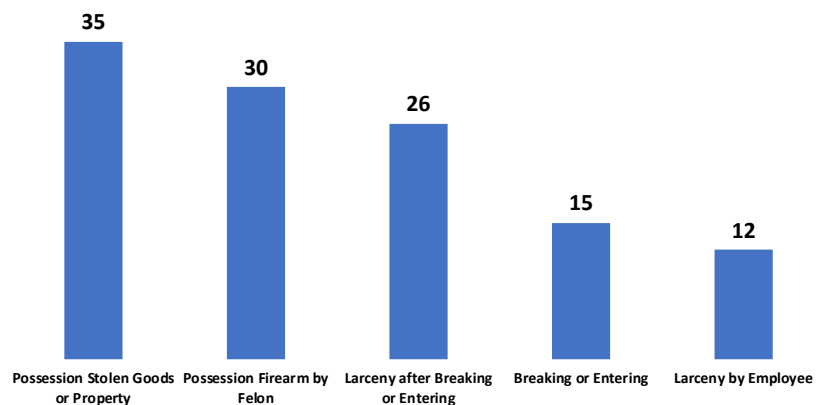| Homicide - Free Text	AWDWIKISI	Second Degree Burglary	Inciting to Riot
14	14	10	9

2019 Charged Felonies

246 , 53.9%
163 , 35.7%
47 , 10.3%

■ **Nonviolent Felonies, Other**
■ **Nonviolent Drug Felonies**
■ **Violent Felonies**

Most Commonly Charged Drug Felonies

Maintaining Dwelling, etc. CS	Possession with Intent, Marijuana	Possession of Cocaine	Trafficking Cocaine	Possession CS, Prison/Jail
9	5	5	4	4

Most Commonly Charged Other Nonviolent Felonies

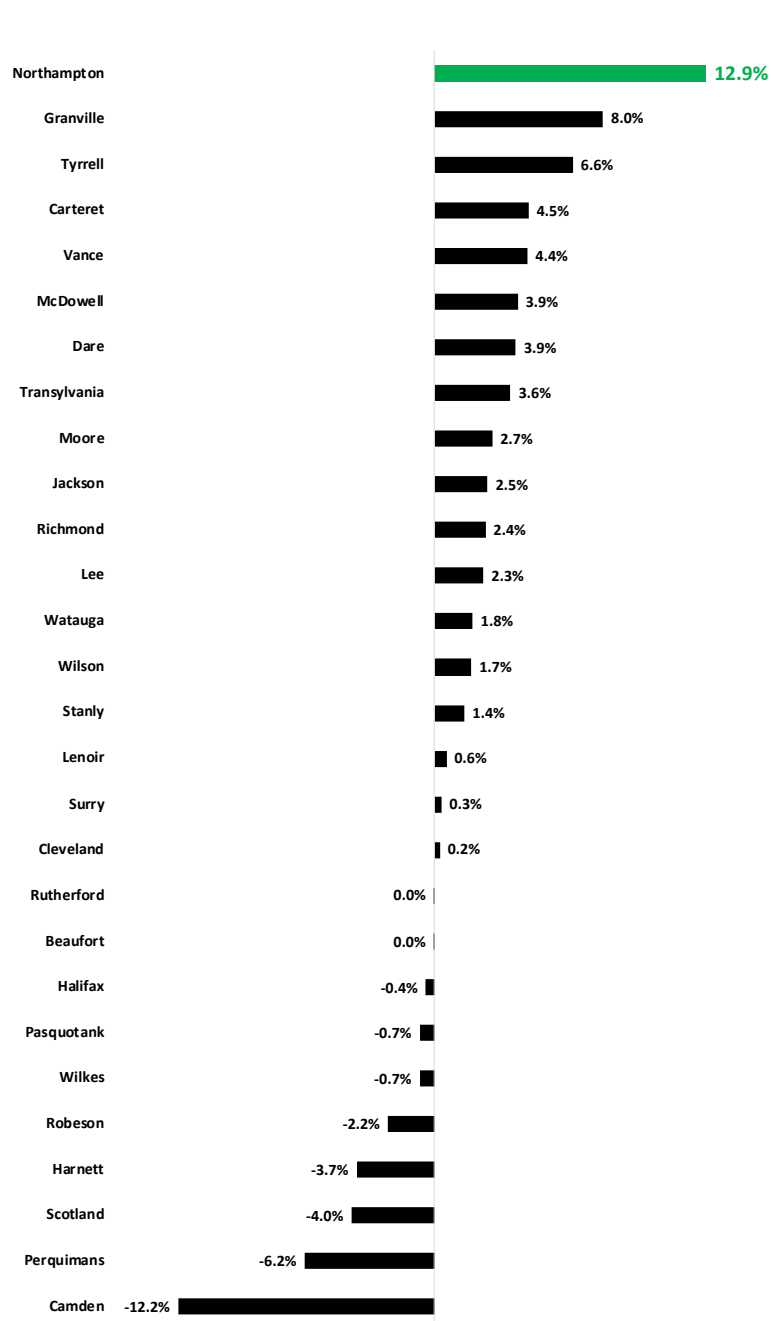| Possession Stolen Goods or Property	Possession Firearm by Felon	Larceny after Breaking or Entering	Breaking or Entering	Larceny by Employee
35	30	26	15	12

Among micropolitan counties[1], Northampton County had the eighth highest number of violent felony charges per 100,000 residents in 2019 at **828**. Between 2018 and 2019, Northampton County had the largest increase in violent felony charges among micropolitan counties at **12.9** 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
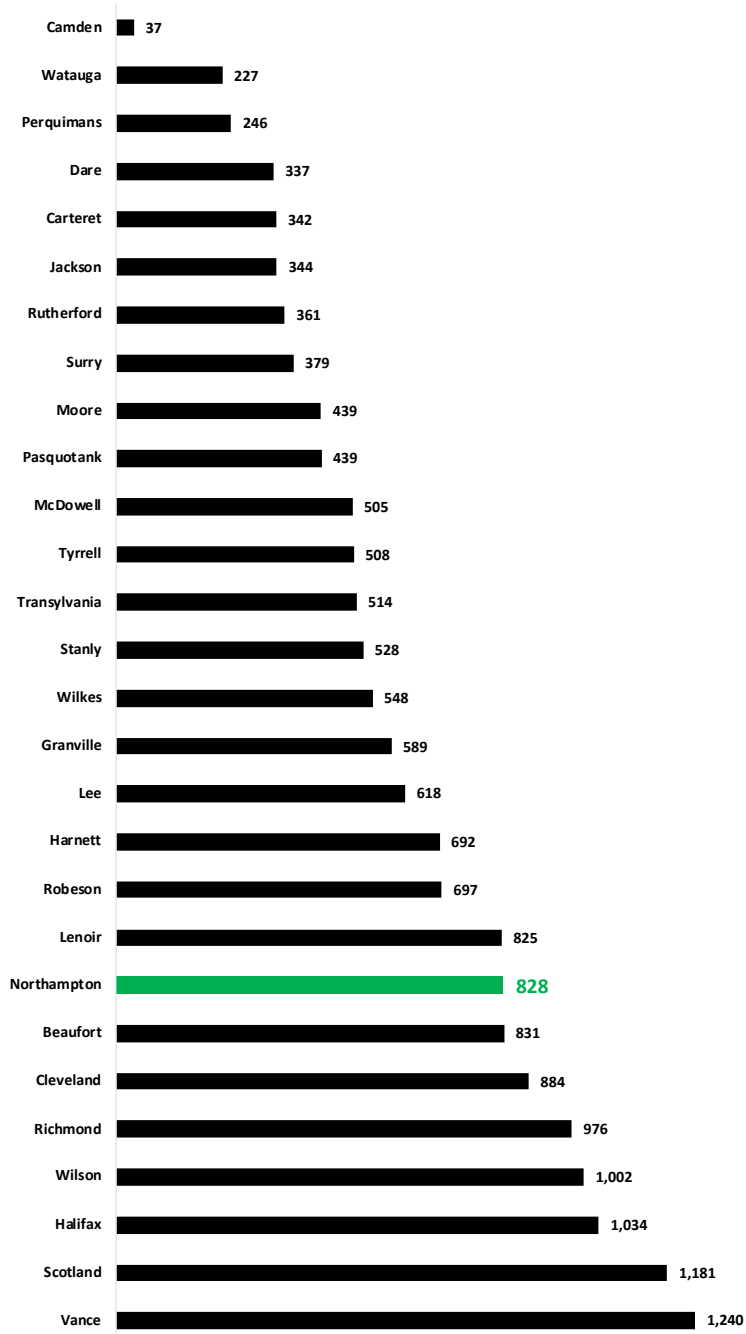
2018 - 2019 Change in Percentage Violent Felony Charges Among Noncore Counties

County	Change
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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