# COUNTY PROFILE: Gaston County, North Carolina

#### US COUNTY PERFORMANCE

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME) at the University of Washington analyzed the performance of all 3,142 US counties or county-equivalents in terms of life expectancy at birth, mortality rates for select causes, alcohol use, smoking prevalence, obesity prevalence, and recommended physical activity using novel small area estimation techniques and the most up-to-date county-level information.

Explore more results using the interactive US Health Map data visualization (http://vizhub.healthdata.org/subnational/usa).

#### FINDINGS: LIFE EXPECTANCY

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	Gaston County	Sex
+1.3	2636	81.5	80.2	78.0	Female
+7.0	2597	76.7	75.4	72.7	Male

life expectancy at birth (years), 2014

Fig. 1: Female life expectancy, 2014

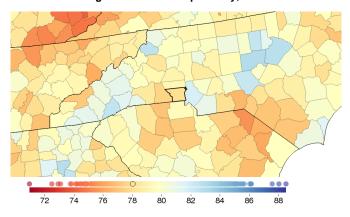
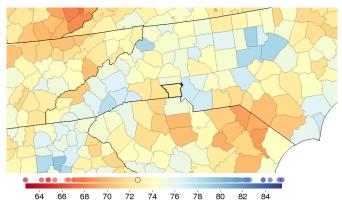


Fig. 2: Male life expectancy, 2014



### FINDINGS: ALL-CAUSE MORTALITY

Sex	<b>Gaston County</b>	North Carolina	National	National rank	% change 1980-2014
Female	876.4	725.0	667.8	2705	+0.5
Male	1227.4	1011.0	930.1	2632	-24.1

Fig. 3: Female all-cause mortality, 2014

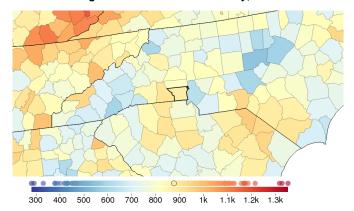
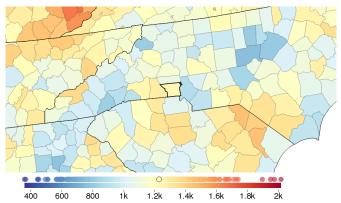


Fig. 4: Male all-cause mortality, 2014



#### FINDINGS: ISCHEMIC HEART DISEASE

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	<b>Gaston County</b>	Sex
-52.3	1543	124.9	114.8	132.4	Female
-61.4	2087	191.5	185.5	231.5	Male

rate per 100,000 population, age-standardized, 2014

Fig. 5: Female ischemic heart disease, 2014

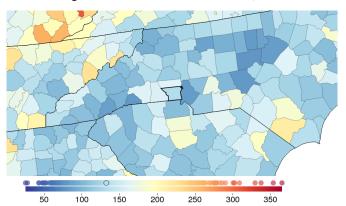
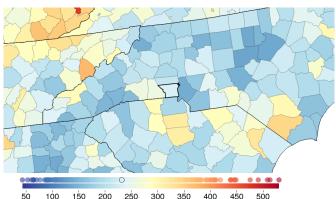


Fig. 6: Male ischemic heart disease, 2014



## FINDINGS: CEREBROVASCULAR DISEASE (STROKE)

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	Gaston County	Sex
-45.0	1476	47.4	55.4	50.5	Female
-50.0	2189	48.8	57.5	57.8	Male

Fig. 7: Female cerebrovascular disease (stroke), 2014

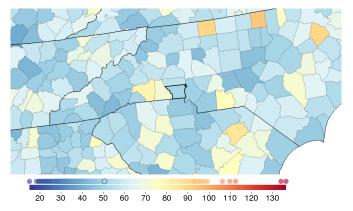
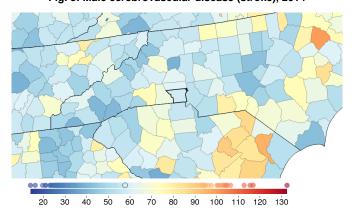


Fig. 8: Male cerebrovascular disease (stroke), 2014



# FINDINGS: TRACHEAL, BRONCHUS, AND LUNG CANCER

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	<b>Gaston County</b>	Sex
+117.0	2829	43.8	47.3	63.7	Female
-20.0	2570	67.6	82.7	104.4	Male

rate per 100,000 population, age-standardized, 2014

Fig. 9: Female tracheal, bronchus, and lung cancer, 2014

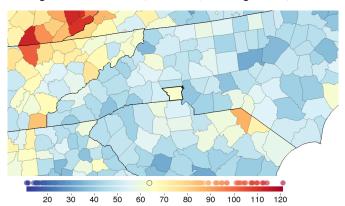


Fig. 10: Male tracheal, bronchus, and lung cancer, 2014

FINDINGS: BREAST CANCER

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	Gaston County	Sex
-14.3	1824	25.9	26.6	26.6	Female
-6.4	2568	0.3	0.4	0.4	Male

Fig. 11: Female breast cancer, 2014

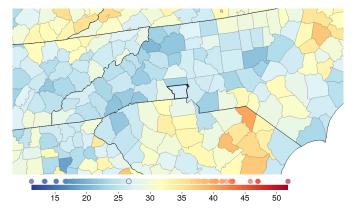
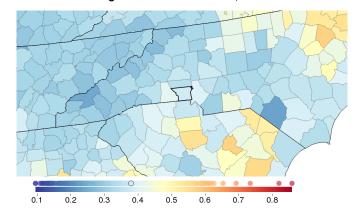


Fig. 12: Male breast cancer, 2014



### FINDINGS: MALIGNANT SKIN MELANOMA

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	<b>Gaston County</b>	Sex
-1.4	2815	1.9	2.0	2.6	Female
+30.3	2213	4.5	4.8	5.4	Male

rate per 100,000 population, age-standardized, 2014

Fig. 13: Female malignant skin melanoma, 2014

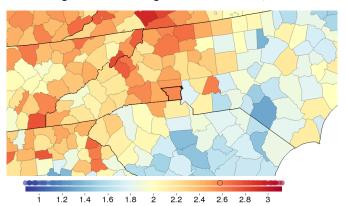
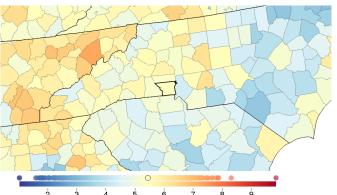


Fig. 14: Male malignant skin melanoma, 2014



# FINDINGS: DIABETES, UROGENITAL, BLOOD, AND ENDOCRINE DISEASES MORTALITY

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	<b>Gaston County</b>	Sex
+31.0	2174	49.6	57.6	63.5	Female
+27.8	2082	63.8	71.4	75.2	Male

Fig. 15: Female diabetes, urogenital, blood, and endocrine diseases mortality, 2014

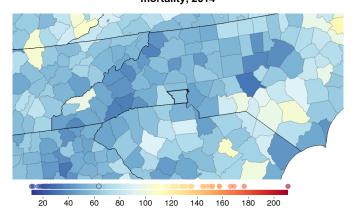
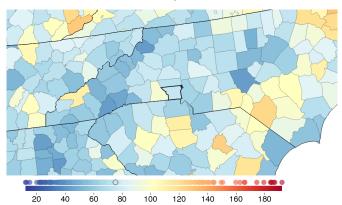


Fig. 16: Male diabetes, urogenital, blood, and endocrine diseases mortality, 2014



### FINDINGS: SELF-HARM AND INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE MORTALITY

Sex	<b>Gaston County</b>	North Carolina	National	National rank	% change 1980-2014
Female	11.8	9.9	9.0	2382	-3.4
Male	37.9	32.2	30.9	2196	-16.6

rate per 100,000 population, age-standardized, 2014

Fig. 17: Female self-harm and interpersonal violence mortality, 2014

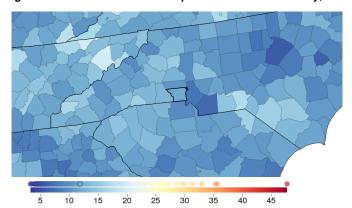
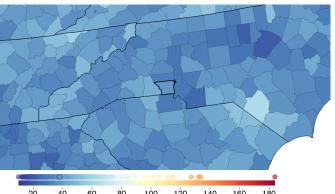


Fig. 18: Male self-harm and interpersonal violence mortality, 2014  $\,$ 



# FINDINGS: TRANSPORT INJURIES MORTALITY

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	Gaston County	Sex
-30.4	900	8.1	10.1	10.5	Female
-43.7	975	19.8	24.8	24.7	Male

Fig. 19: Female transport injuries mortality, 2014

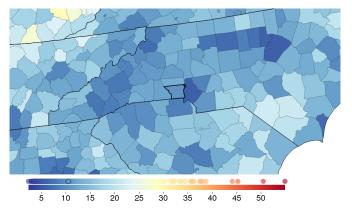
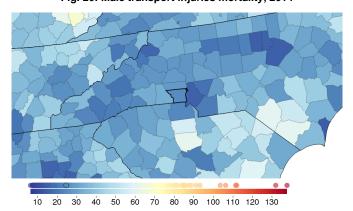


Fig. 20: Male transport injuries mortality, 2014



#### FINDINGS: MENTAL AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS MORTALITY

Sex	<b>Gaston County</b>	North Carolina	National	National rank	% change 1980-2014
Female	15.9	8.1	8.2	2869	+497.6
Male	24.2	17.5	18.7	2597	+222.0

rate per 100,000 population, age-standardized, 2014

Fig. 21: Female mental and substance use disorders mortality, 2014

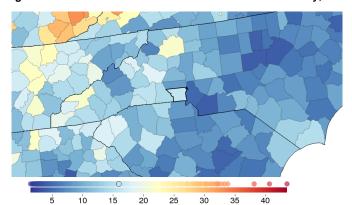
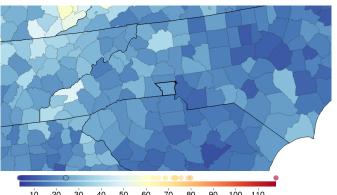


Fig. 22: Male mental and substance use disorders mortality, 2014



## FINDINGS: CIRRHOSIS AND OTHER CHRONIC LIVER DISEASES MORTALITY

% change 1980-2014	National rank	National	North Carolina	<b>Gaston County</b>	Sex
+15.1	2589	11.8	12.2	16.2	Female
+49.0	2967	22.2	23.2	38.3	Male

Fig. 23: Female cirrhosis and other chronic liver diseases mortality, 2014

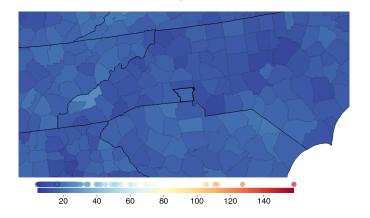
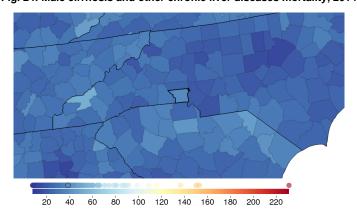


Fig. 24: Male cirrhosis and other chronic liver diseases mortality, 2014

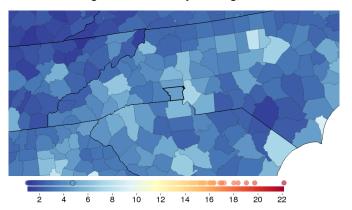


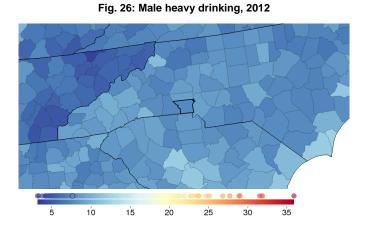
### FINDINGS: HEAVY DRINKING

Sex	<b>Gaston County</b>	North Carolina	National	National rank	% change 2005-2012
Female	4.7	5.0	6.7	1367	+36.5
Male	7.6	8.4	9.9	421	+28.2

prevalence (%), age-standardized, 2012

Fig. 25: Female heavy drinking, 2012





FINDINGS: BINGE DRINKING

% change 2002-2012	National rank	National	North Carolina	Gaston County	Sex
+41.9	1120	12.4	8.8	9.1	Female
+15.6	661	24.5	20.4	19.6	Male

prevalence (%), age-standardized, 2012

Fig. 27: Female binge drinking, 2012

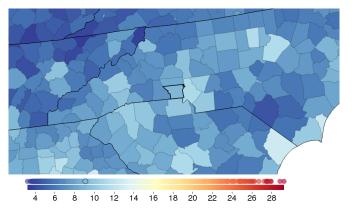
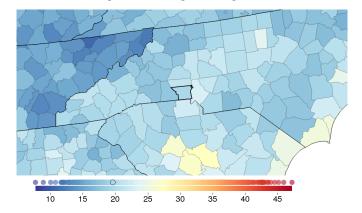


Fig. 28: Male binge drinking, 2012

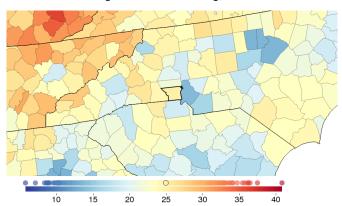


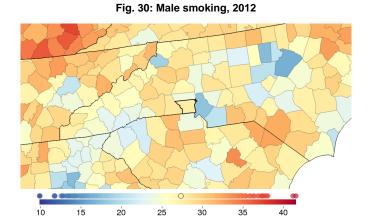
### FINDINGS: SMOKING

% change 1996-2012	National rank	National	North Carolina	<b>Gaston County</b>	Sex
-5.7	2462	17.9	19.5	25.0	Female
-21.5	2049	22.2	23.6	27.3	Male

prevalence (%), age-standardized, 2012

Fig. 29: Female smoking, 2012





FINDINGS: OBESITY

% change 2001-2011	National rank	National	North Carolina	Gaston County	Sex
+16.6	1361	36.1	38.6	37.7	Female
+12.4	472	33.8	34.9	34.0	Male

prevalence (%), age-standardized, 2011

Fig. 31: Female obesity, 2011

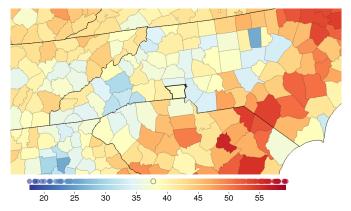
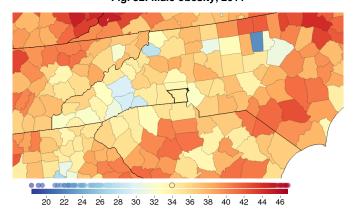


Fig. 32: Male obesity, 2011



### FINDINGS: RECOMMENDED PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

% change 2001-2011	National rank	National	North Carolina	<b>Gaston County</b>	Sex
+15.9	2479	52.6	48.2	43.8	Female
+4.0	1456	56.3	54.3	54.0	Male

prevalence (%), age-standardized, 2011

Fig. 33: Female recommended physical activity, 2011

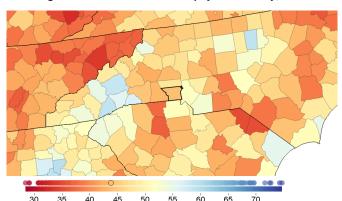
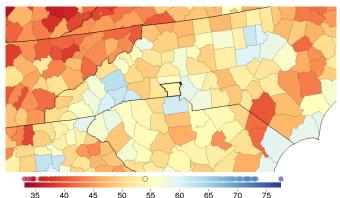


Fig. 34: Male recommended physical activity, 2011



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