

## North Carolina

USDA's three **SUN Summer Nutrition Programs for Kids** offer families more ways to get their kids the nutrition they need when school is out. Lack of nutrition during the summer makes students more likely to fall behind in school and experience health issues.

## COUNTY DATA PROFILE

### 2025 Summer Nutrition Programs for Kids

#### Wayne County

#### NEED

**18.2K or 98%**  
of students in North Carolina's K-12 schools were eligible for FRP\* school meals



### FUELING CHILDREN & THE ECONOMY

**\$2M** in funding to the county from all SUN Summer Nutrition Programs



\$120 per eligible child for the 2025 summer

**15.4K**

Children received benefits in the county

**\$1.9M**

Funding distributed in the county

**Total # of SUN Meals for Kids distributed in the county 27.4K**



**Congregate meals**, eaten on-site with other kids

**27.4K**

Meals served

**\$114.8K**

NC summer meals funding

**3**

Congregate sponsor

**25**

Congregate meal sites

**0/25**

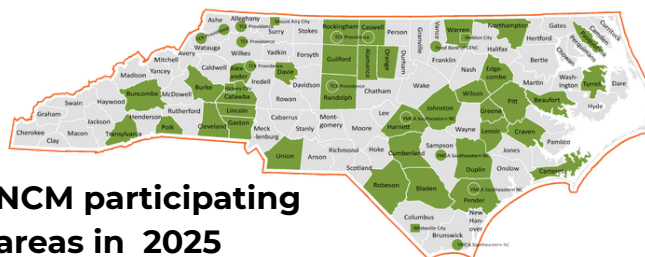
Open sites/Congregate meal sites

open to anyone 18 years and under

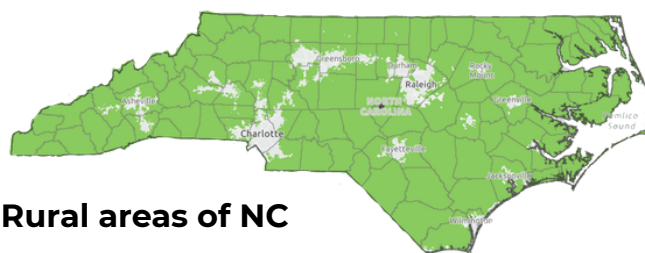


**Non-congregate meals (NCM)**, in rural areas, picked up or delivered to homes

This county did not operate non-congregate meals in 2025.



**NCM participating areas in 2025**



**Rural areas of NC**

\* Free and Reduced-Priced school meals

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[SummerMeals4NCKids.org/County-Profiles](https://SummerMeals4NCKids.org/County-Profiles)

Thanks to all  
the dedicated  
summer  
nutrition staff!



### THE OPPORTUNITY: Expanding Access

Up to 2 meals or snacks are reimbursable by USDA at each meal site daily - and can be served 7 days a week during the summer.

**\$8.4M**

**Potential funds** if every FRP eligible student received 2 meals Monday-Friday (55 days) in the summer.

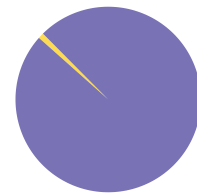
**\$114.8K**

**Funding Accessed**

**\$8.3M**

**Not Accessed**

**1% Funds Accessed**



**99%**

**Funds Not Accessed**



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**Data Sources:** See data explainer at [SummerMeals4NCKids.org/Data-Profiles](https://SummerMeals4NCKids.org/Data-Profiles).

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