

Peak of Eugenics Program in North Carolina July 1946 - June 1968

Sterilizations Performed per County (Highest to Lowest)

Rank	County of Residence	Sterilizations Performed July 1946 to June 1968
1	Mecklenburg	485
2	Guilford	167
3	Gaston	161
4	Pitt	142
5	Buncombe	139
6	Forsyth	128
7	Rowan	120
8	Scotland	114
9	Wake	114
10	Hertford	106
11	Iredell	104
12	Wilkes	100
13	Alamance	93
14	Cumberland	89
15	Wayne	85
16	Durham	82
17	Surry	82
18	Catawba	80
19	Moore	78
20	Cabarrus	77
21	Duplin	75
22	Robeson	75
23	Bladen	73
24	Cleveland	72
25	New Hanover	72
26	Nash	70
27	Person	70
28	Franklin	64
29	Lenoir	61
30	Caldwell	59
31	Burke	56
32	Sampson	56
33	Harnett	55
34	Wilson	55
35	Johnston	54
36	Chatham	53
37	Rockingham	53
38	Rutherford	51
39	Lee	50
40	Edgecombe	49
41	Columbus	48
42	Vance	47
43	Halifax	46
44	Lincoln	46
45	Richmond	46
46	Transylvania	46
47	Anson	44
48	Bertie	44
49	Warren	44
50	McDowell	43
51	Gates	41
52	Madison	40
53	Orange	40

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54	Pasquotank	39
55	Northampton	37
56	Davidson	36
57	Martin	36
58	Perquimans	36
59	Craven	35
60	Onslow	35
61	Pamlico	35
62	Randolph	33
63	Union	31
64	Yadkin	30
65	Avery	29
66	Cartaret	29
67	Henderson	29
68	Ashe	28
69	Haywood	28
70	Hoke	28
71	Pender	27
72	Watauga	26
73	Caswell	24
74	Beaufort	23
75	Chowan	23
76	Brunswick	22
77	Mitchell	22
78	Jackson	20
79	Stanly	20
80	Stokes	19
81	Cherokee	18
82	Polk	18
83	Camden	17
84	Montgomery	17
85	Swain	17
86	Davie	16
87	Greene	16
88	Alexander	14
89	Macon	14
90	Clay	13
91	Yancey	13
92	Graham	11
93	Jones	11
94	Dare	9
95	Granville	7
96	Hyde	7
97	Washington	7
98	Currituck	6
99	Alleghany	5
100	Tyrrell	4
	Total	5364

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