

# Election Night Results Guide

North Carolina State Board of Elections



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## **Overview of North Carolina Election Night Results**

Election Night Reporting (ENR) is an online web-based tool used to display election results.. The Web interface provides visitors with both text and graphical views of election results for statewide and county contests. Users are presented with a breakdown of votes received for a candidate by contest and totals by vote type. Maps are used to illustrate the counties or precincts reporting, voter turnout, and results by county or precinct. A reporting area allows interactive report creation and the ability to download detailed reports from any computer connected to the Internet.

### **How do I access Election Night Results?**

Results can be accessed at the NC State Board of Elections Web site <http://www.sboe.state.nc.us/>. Click on **Election Results**.

### **When and how often will the results be updated?**

Once the precinct polling locations have closed and all eligible voters processed, results are delivered to the county board offices. The county boards then upload unofficial precinct results to ENR. The state aggregates results, and then begins reporting results to the public via the ENR tool. Updates occur throughout the night until all counties have reported all unofficial totals.

### **How do I navigate Election Night Results?**

The following pages will step you through how to navigate through ENR and the various options available to users.

We will review the following areas:

- Home Page
- Synopsis Area
- Summary Tab
- Precincts Reporting Tab
- Voter Turnout Tab
- Reports Tab
- Viewing County Results

## Home page

When you initially access ENR, you will see a page that resembles the following. This is the ENR home page. From the ENR home page, you can access state and county results. This guide demonstrates navigating state results. Navigating the county results uses similar processes, and the most notable difference is that state results are reported by county and the county results are reported by precincts within each county.

The screenshot shows the North Carolina State Board of Elections website in Internet Explorer. The page title is "North Carolina State Board of Elections". The main content area is titled "2008 Primary Election" and includes the following statistics:

- Registered Voters: 5,724,861
- Ballots Cast: 174,996
- Voter Turnout: 3.06 %
- Counties Partially Reported: 4 of 100
- Counties Completely Reported: 79 of 100

The page also features a "State Wide" tab and a "Select County" dropdown menu. Below the statistics, there are tabs for "Summary", "Counties Reporting", "Voter Turnout", and "Reports". A "PRINT THIS PAGE" link is also visible.

The "Summary" tab is active, showing "SEARCH CONTESTS (93 of 93)" and "Next >>". The "Go To Page" is set to 1 and "Display" is set to 5.

The first contest is "PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE - DEM (Vote For 1)", with 79 of 100 counties reporting. The results are as follows:

	Percent	Votes
Hillary Clinton (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
Mike Gravel (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
Barack Obama (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
No Preference (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
		71,252

The second contest is "US SENATE - DEM (Vote For 1)", also with 79 of 100 counties reporting.

The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several open applications (Inbox, NC\_ENR\_Media, Start Menu, Microsoft Excel, Election Night R..., NC - Election R...), and the system clock showing 12:46 PM on 4/25/2008.

## Synopsis area

Beginning at the top of the web page, you will see the synopsis area. This view appears at the top of each tab as you move through the various features of ENR. Within the synopsis area, you can find important information, such as:

- A time stamp that shows when the Web site was last updated with results
- Number of registered voters for the state (specific to the current election)
- Number of ballots cast for the state (specific to the current election)
- Voter turnout percentages—based on the ratio of registered voters to ballots cast
- Number of counties partially reported
- Number of counties completely reported

The screenshot shows the North Carolina State Board of Elections website. The synopsis area is highlighted with a red border and contains the following information:

State Wide		Select County	
<b>2008 Primary Election</b>	Registered Voters: 5,724,861	Counties Partially Reported: 4 of 100	
Website last updated 4/25/2008 12:42:09 PM EST	Ballots Cast: 174,996	Counties Completely Reported: 79 of 100	
	Voter Turnout: 3.06 %		

Below the synopsis area, the website displays a navigation menu with tabs for Summary, Counties Reporting, Voter Turnout, and Reports. The current view is the Summary page for the 2008 Primary Election. The page shows a search bar for contests (93 of 93) and a table of results for the Presidential Preference - DEM (Vote For 1) contest. The table shows that 79 of 100 counties are reporting results. The results are as follows:

	Percent	Votes
Hillary Clinton (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
Mike Gravel (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
Barack Obama (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
No Preference (DEM)	25.00%	17,813
		71,252

The page also includes a section for the US Senate - DEM (Vote For 1) contest, which also shows 79 of 100 counties reporting results.

## Summary tab

The Summary tab displays the number of votes a candidate has received by contest.

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	Percent	Votes
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Below the table is another section titled "US SENATE - DEM (Vote For 1)" with 79 of 100 Counties Reporting. The taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button and several open applications: Inbox - Microsoft..., NC\_ENR\_Media..., Start Menu, Microsoft Excel..., Election Night R..., and NC - Election R... The system clock shows 12:46 PM.

## Filtering on the Summary tab

Clicking **Search Contest** will allow you to filter the display by contest.

**North Carolina State Board of Elections**

**State Wide** | **Select County**

**2008 Primary Election**  
 Registered Voters: 5,724,861  
 Ballots Cast: 174,996  
 Voter Turnout: 3.06 %  
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 Counties Completely Reported: 79 of 100

Website last updated 4/25/2008 12:42:09 PM EST

**Summary** | Counties Reporting | Voter Turnout | Reports | PRINT THIS PAGE

SEARCH CONTESTS (93 of 93) | Next >> | Go To Page 1 | Display 5

**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE - DEM (Vote For 1)** | VOTE TYPE SUMMARY | CONTEST DETAIL MAP  
 79 of 100 Counties Reporting

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**US SENATE - DEM (Vote For 1)** | VOTE TYPE SUMMARY | CONTEST DETAIL MAP  
 79 of 100 Counties Reporting

## Expanding the Summary tab

The Summary tab can be expanded into two additional features:

- Vote Type Summary
- Contest Detail Map

Drill-down view of **Summary, Vote Type Summary**

NC - Election Results - Windows Internet Explorer

http://admin.enr.clarityelections.com/files/NC/1875/2218/en/summary.html?pv=true

## North Carolina State Board of Elections

State Wide Select County

**2008 Primary Election**

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 Ballots Cast: 174,996  
 Voter Turnout: 3.06 %

Counties Partially Reported: 4 of 100  
 Counties Completely Reported: 79 of 100

Website last updated 4/25/2008 12:42:09 PM EST

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**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE - DEM (Vote For 1)** VOTE TYPE SUMMARY CONTEST DETAIL MAP

79 of 100 Counties Reporting

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**US SENATE - DEM (Vote For 1)** VOTE TYPE SUMMARY CONTEST DETAIL MAP

79 of 100 Counties Reporting

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The Vote Type Summary option displays contest results by vote type for each candidate statewide, as shown in the following graphic.

NC - Election Results - Windows Internet Explorer

http://admin.enr.clarityelections.com/files/NC/1875/2218/en/vts.html?cid=0103&pv=true

Google

NC - Election Results

## North Carolina State Board of Elections

State Wide Select County

**2008 Primary Election**

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Summary > Vote Type Summary

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE - DEM (Vote For 1)					
Choice	Election Day	Absentee / One Stop	Provisional	Total	Percent
Hillary Clinton	9,548	6,337	1,928	17,813	25.00%
Mike Gravel	9,995	5,864	1,954	17,813	25.00%
Barack Obama	9,853	5,955	2,005	17,813	25.00%
No Preference	10,154	5,651	2,008	17,813	25.00%

Summary | Counties Reporting | Voter Turnout | Reports | Print This Page | Top of Page

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View of Summary, Contest Detail Map

NC - Election Results - Windows Internet Explorer

http://admin.enr.clarityelections.com/files/NC/1875/2218/en/summary.html?pv=true

## North Carolina State Board of Elections

State Wide Select County

**2008 Primary Election**

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**US SENATE - DEM (Vote For 1)** VOTE TYPE SUMMARY CONTEST DETAIL MAP

79 of 100 Counties Reporting

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The Contest Detail Map option graphically displays which candidate is leading in each county, as shown in the following graphic. Pointing to a county on the state map with your mouse displays the county name.

NC - Election Results - Windows Internet Explorer

http://admin.enr.clarityelections.com/files/NC/1875/2218/en/md.html?cid=0103&pv=true

## North Carolina State Board of Elections

**State Wide** [Select County](#)

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 Ballots Cast: 174,996  
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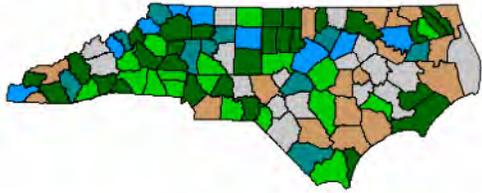
Website last updated 4/25/2008 12:42:09 PM EST

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[Summary](#) > Contest Detail Map

**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE - DEM (Vote For 1)** [VIEW ALL DATA](#) [VIEW ENLARGED MAP](#)

Choice	Total	Color
Hillary Clinton (DEM)	17,813	
Mike Gravel (DEM)	17,813	
Barack Obama (DEM)	17,813	
No Preference (DEM)	17,813	
Tie		
Has Not Reported		
Not Participating		



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View of **Summary, Contest Detail Map, View All Data**

NC - Election Results - Windows Internet Explorer

http://admin.enr.clarityelections.com/files/NC/1875/2218/en/md.html?cid=0103&pv=true

## North Carolina State Board of Elections

**State Wide** **Select County**

**2008 Primary Election**

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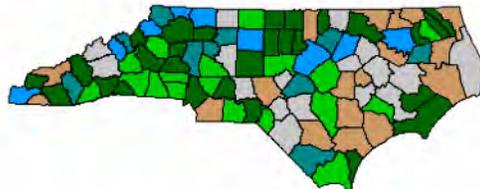
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Summary > Contest Detail Map

**PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE - DEM (Vote For 1)** **VIEW ALL DATA** **VIEW ENLARGED MAP**

Choice	Total	Color
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The Contest Detail Map, View All Data option displays the candidate vote count break down by county in text form, as shown in the following graphic.

Unofficial Results					
NC General			Website last updated 3/27/2008 10:55:24 PM EST		
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE - DEM (Vote For 1)				<a href="#">PRINT THIS PAGE</a> <a href="#">CLOSE THIS WINDOW</a>	
= County Reporting					
County	Hillary Clinton	Mike Gravel	Barack Obama	No Preference	Total
Alamance	645	630	315	630	2,220
Alexander	645	630	315	630	2,220
Alleghany	645	630	315	630	2,220
Anson	645	630	315	630	2,220
Beaufort	645	630	315	630	2,220
Bertie	645	630	315	630	2,220
Bladen	645	630	315	630	2,220
Brunswick	645	630	315	630	2,220
Burke	645	630	315	630	2,220
Cabarrus	645	630	315	630	2,220
Camden	645	630	315	630	2,220
Davie	645	630	315	630	2,220
Duplin	645	630	315	630	2,220
Gaston	645	630	315	630	2,220

## Counties Reporting tab

The Counties Reporting tab displays a state map of the status for the counties reporting. When a county begins to upload election results, the map will be shaded yellow, indicating that the county has begun to report results. When all election results have been reported for a county, the map will be shaded green to indicate the county is completely reporting. Pointing to a county on the state map with your mouse displays the county name.



State Wide

Select County

NC General

Website last updated 3/27/2008 10:55:24 PM EST

Registered Voters: 126,000  
Ballots Cast: 63,000  
Voter Turnout: 50.00 %

Counties Partially Reported: 0 of 20  
Counties Completely Reported: 20 of 20

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**Counties Reporting**

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Counties Reporting

VIEW ALL DATA

VIEW ENLARGED MAP

Not Participating  Completely Reported  Partially Reported  Has Not Reported



View of **Counties Reporting**, **View All Data**

**State Wide** Select County

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Summary **Counties Reporting** Voter Turnout Reports PRINT THIS PAGE

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Counties Reporting **VIEW ALL DATA** VIEW ENLARGED MAP

Not Participating 
  Completely Reported 
  Partially Reported 
  Has Not Reported

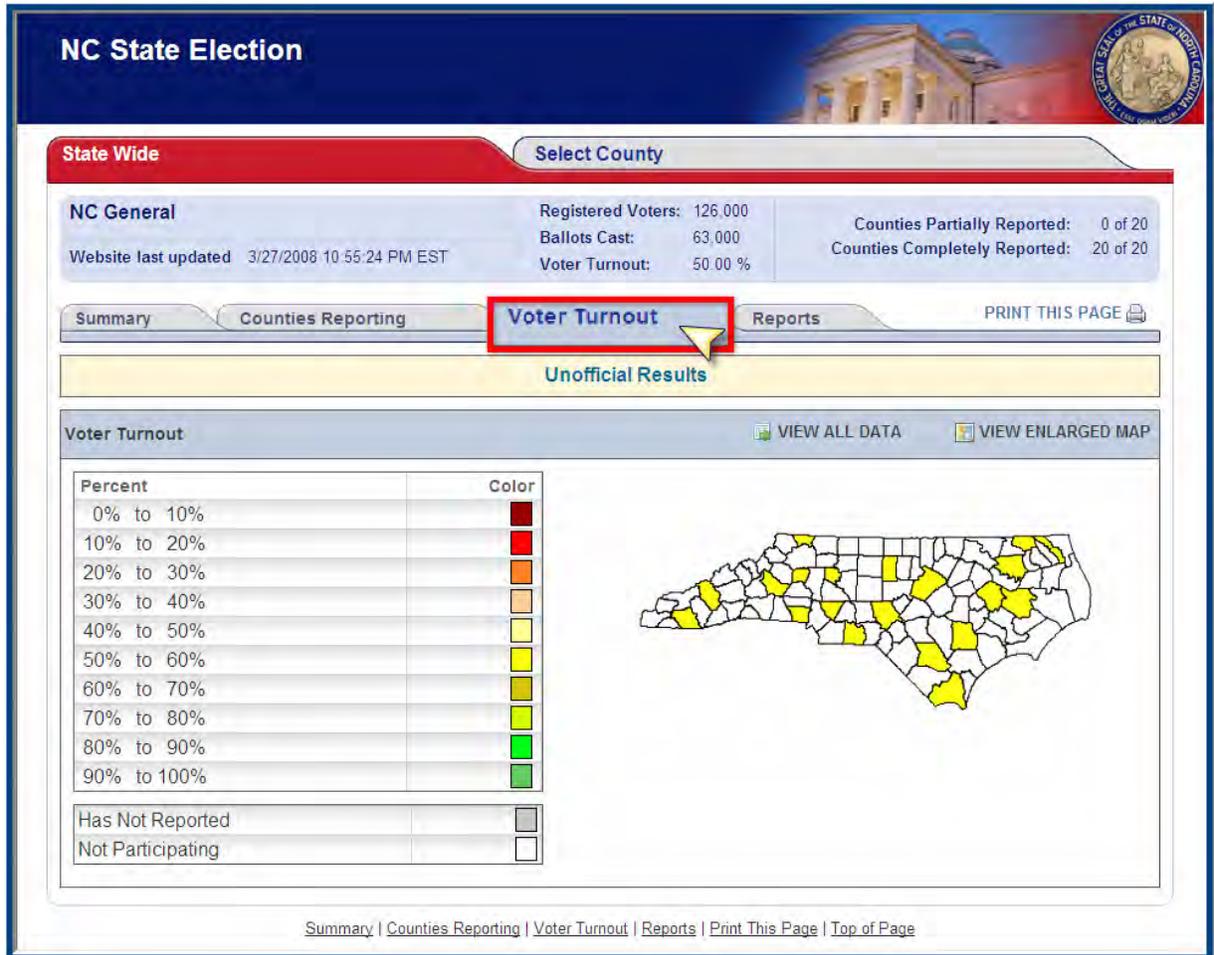


The Counties Reporting, View All Data option displays a tabular view of the status for counties reporting, as shown in the following graphic.

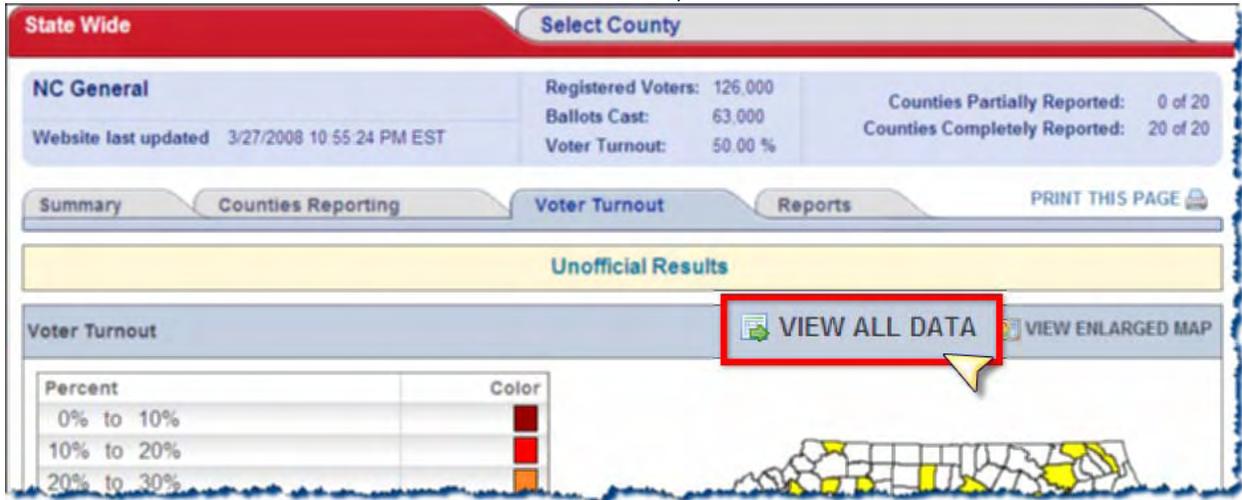
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NC General <span style="float: right;">Website last updated 3/27/2008 10:55:24 PM EST</span>	
Counties Reporting <span style="float: right;">PRINT THIS PAGE CLOSE THIS WINDOW</span>	
<input type="radio"/> Not Participating <input checked="" type="radio"/> Completely Reported <input type="radio"/> Partially Reported <input type="radio"/> Has Not Reported	
County	Status
Alamance	●
Alexander	●
Alleghany	●
Anson	●
Beaufort	●
Bertie	●
Bladen	●
Brunswick	●
Burke	●
Cabarrus	●
Camden	●
Davie	●
Duplin	●
Gaston	●
Gates	●

## Voter Turnout tab

The Voter Turnout tab shows a graphical display of how many registered voters cast a ballot per county. The legend on the left side of the page explains what each color represents. This page provides a quick look at which counties had the highest election participation. Pointing to a county on the state map with your mouse displays the county name.



View of Voter Turnout, View All Data



The Voter Turnout, View All Data option displays a text view of voter turnout by County, as shown in the following graphic.

Unofficial Results			
NC General		Website last updated 3/27/2008 10:55:24 PM EST	
Voter Turnout		PRINT THIS PAGE X CLOSE THIS WINDOW	
County	Ballots Cast	Registered Voters	Voter Turnout
Alamance	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Alexander	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Alleghany	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Anson	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Beaufort	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Bertie	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Bladen	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Brunswick	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Burke	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Cabarrus	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Camden	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Davie	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Duplin	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Gaston	3,150	6,300	50.00 %
Gates	3,150	6,300	50.00 %

## Reports tab

On the Reports tab, the following options for viewing and creating reports are available.

- **Download Reports.** View downloadable reports that capture data for the latest set of results.
- **Custom Filter by District.** Use a custom filter to create a report based on district, contest, and vote type.
- **Custom Filter by Vote Type and County.** Use a custom filter to create a report based on county and vote type.

**NC State Election**

State Wide | Select County

**NC General** Registered Voters: 126,000 Counties Partially Reported: 0 of 20  
Ballots Cast: 63,000 Counties Completely Reported: 20 of 20  
Website last updated 3/28/2008 2:54:02 PM EST Voter Turnout: 50.00 %

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**Unofficial Results**

▼ **Download Reports**

Type	Description	Download	Size
Summary CSV	Comma separated values showing total votes received by each choice in each contest. Precinct level detail is not available in this report.	<a href="#">summary.zip</a>	1.5 kB
Excel Spreadsheet	Precinct level details for election results. Contains votes received by each choice in each contest in each precinct, by vote type.	<a href="#">detail.xls.zip</a>	16.2 kB
TXT type label	TXT description	<a href="#">detail.txt.zip</a>	5.9 kB
Detail XML	Precinct level details for election results. Contains votes received by each choice in each contest in each precinct, by vote type.	<a href="#">detail.xml.zip</a>	7.9 kB
Type PDF label	PDF description	<a href="#">detail.pdf.zip</a>	234.7 kB

▼ **Custom Filter by District**

Contest: -- Select -- | Vote Type label: -- Select -- | District: -- Select -- | Refresh

▼ **Custom Filter by Vote Type and County**

Vote Type label: -- Select -- | County: -- Select -- | Refresh

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# County Results

As noted, viewing the results of a specific county is very similar to viewing the state results. To view county results, click the **Select County** tab. An interactive state map of North Carolina is displayed.

**NC State Election**

State Wide | **Select County**

**NC General**

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**NC State Election**

State Wide | **Select County**

**NC General**

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- [Burke](#)
- [Cabarrus](#)
- [Camden](#)
- [Davie](#)
- [Duplin](#)
- [Gaston](#)
- [Gates](#)
- [Haywood](#)
- [Macon](#)
- [Moore](#)
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Pointing to a county on the state map with your mouse displays the county name.

The screenshot shows the 'NC State Election' website interface. At the top, there is a blue header with the text 'NC State Election' and an image of the North Carolina State Capitol building. Below the header, there are two tabs: 'State Wide' and 'Select County'. The 'Select County' tab is active. Below the tabs, there is a table with election statistics:

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Below the table, there is a yellow banner with the text 'Unofficial Results'. Underneath the banner is a map of North Carolina with several counties shaded in green. One county, Wake County, is highlighted with a red border and a yellow callout box containing the word 'Wake'. A mouse cursor is pointing at the Wake County callout box.

Select the county you want to view by clicking the county on the map or selecting it from the list below the map. The county results page will open in a new browser window.

The synopsis area applicable to the county is displayed. Data in this view is based on precincts.