

2026 AAPI Voter Demographics | NORTH CAROLINA



74.15%
AAPI POPULATION
GROWTH 2014-2024

535,271
AAPI POPULATION SIZE

135,570
FOREIGN BORN NONCITIZEN

155,113
FOREIGN BORN CITIZEN

244,588
NATIVE BORN CITIZEN

LARGEST ASIAN AMERICAN ETHNIC GROUPS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Asian Indian (142,203)	Chinese, except Taiwanese (66,062)	Filipino (52,990)	Vietnamese (45,969)	Korean (37,644)	Japanese (21,611)
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LARGEST NHPI ETHNIC GROUPS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Native Hawaiian (7,150)	Samoan (3,819)	Chamorro (3,792)
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VOTER TRENDS

(National Level Data, 2024)

- According to the 2024 Asian American Voter Survey (AAVS), 90% of Asian American voters say they plan to vote for President, Congress and other offices in November (compared to 93% in 2020 and 94% in 2016). Over two-thirds (68%) say they are absolutely certain they will vote in 2024.
- Nearly half of Asian American voters (46%) prefer voting by mail or dropping their ballot off, instead of voting in-person.
- 42% of Asian American voters say they have not been contacted by either of the two major political parties in the 2024 election season, including half (50%) who say they have not been contacted by the Democratic Party and 57% indicating not being contacted by the Republican Party.

(Current Data)

280,452
ELIGIBLE
AAPI VOTERS

96.11% AAPI VOTER
ELIGIBILITY GROWTH
2014-2024

3.44% AAPI SHARE OF
ELECTORATE

23.03% AAPI YOUTH
VOTE SHARE
Age 18-29

34.50% AAPI SENIOR
VOTE SHARE
Age 50+

LANGUAGE DIVERSITY

Per the 2022 AAVS of Asian Americans speaking non-English languages at home, 11% reported language barriers to voting and 42% stated that in-language voter assistance would be utilized (*National level data*).

Among Asian Americans in North Carolina:

57.57% *Speak a language outside of English at home*

19.72% *Are limited English-proficient (speak English less than “very well”)*

Top Asian Languages

Chinese (39,490)
Telugu (24,441)
Hindi (24,209)
Vietnamese (23,624)
Tagalog (17,440)

Top NHPI Languages

Other Eastern Malayo-Polynesian languages (432)
Samoan (377)
Chamorro (243)

SOCIOECONOMIC CHALLENGES IN NORTH CAROLINA



About 9.30% Asian Americans and 16.42% NHPs in North Carolina live in poverty.



About 4.63% Asian Americans and 4.60% NHPs in North Carolina lack health insurance.



About 10.94% Asian Americans and 13.81% NHPs in North Carolina lack broadband access.

COUNTIES WITH THE HIGHEST AAPI POPULATIONS

	Size of AAPI Population	AAPI Share of County Population	Number of AAPI Eligible Voters	AAPI Eligible Vote Share of County
Wake County, North Carolina	101,715	8.63%	47,154	5.72%
Mecklenburg County, North Carolina	74,004	6.41%	33,720	4.29%
Guilford County, North Carolina	30,022	0.05%	15,211	0.04%
Durham County, North Carolina	18,155	0.05%	10,295	0.04%
Cabarrus County, North Carolina	14,837	0.06%	6,001	0.04%