

# LOCAL PROFILE

## Asheville, North Carolina Buncombe County

**Population (MSA<sup>1</sup>): 396,985**

**Population (City of Raleigh): 72,789**

### City Population by Race and Ethnicity:

White	78.0%
Black/African American	17.6%
American Indian, Alaska Native	0.4%
Asian	0.9%
Hispanic/Latin American	3.8%
Native Hawaiian, and Other Pacific Islander	0.1%

### Government Structure

The **City of Asheville**, the county seat for **Buncombe County**, has a council-manager form of government. A city manager and a seven member city council govern the city. Council members are elected at-large, and are responsible for appointing the city manager, who advises the council, prepares budgets, supervises government staff, and implements the council's policies. The mayor is member of the City Council but is elected on a separate ballot, and does not have veto power over Council actions.

The five members of Buncombe Board of County Commissioners are elected at-large.

The Buncombe County Board of Health provides fundamental health services for the City of Asheville. The Board of Health, whose members are appointed by the Board of County Commissioners, is responsible for making policies and rules.

[1] Metropolitan Statistical Area – Asheville, NC



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Total number of women aged 13-44: 46,530

Women needing contraceptive services and supplies: 24,570

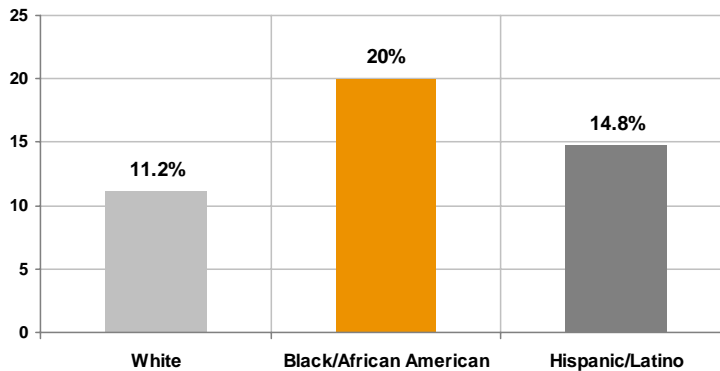
### Birth Outcomes

Infant mortality, rate per 1,000 live births	5.6
Low birthweight <sup>1</sup>	8.9%

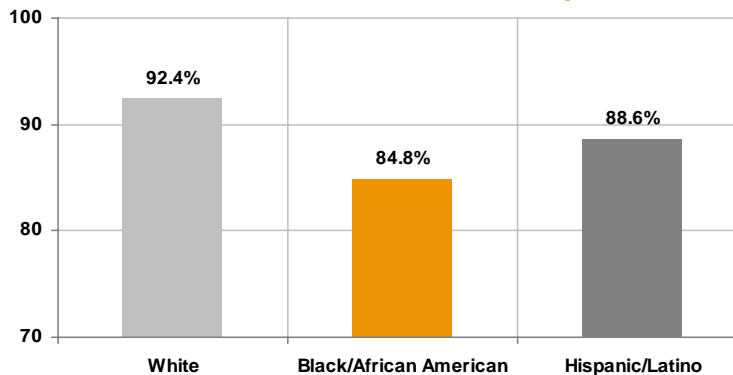
### Cervical Cancer

Percent of women receiving regular Pap testing	86.3%
Cervical cancer, rate per 100,000	5.6

### Share of Births to Teenage Mothers by Race and Ethnicity



### Share of Mothers That Received Adequate Prenatal Care by Race and Ethnicity



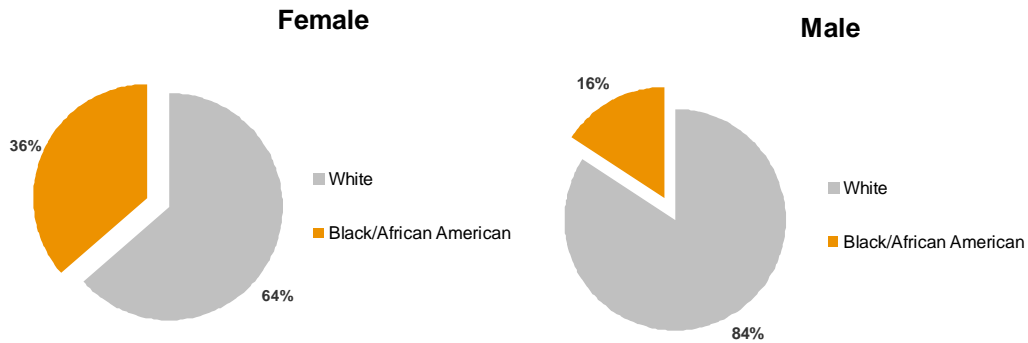
[1] Community Health Assessment CHA 2005: Buncombe County CHA 2005 Community Report, <http://www.buncombecounty.org/common/health/HealthOfBuncombeCounty2005.pdf>

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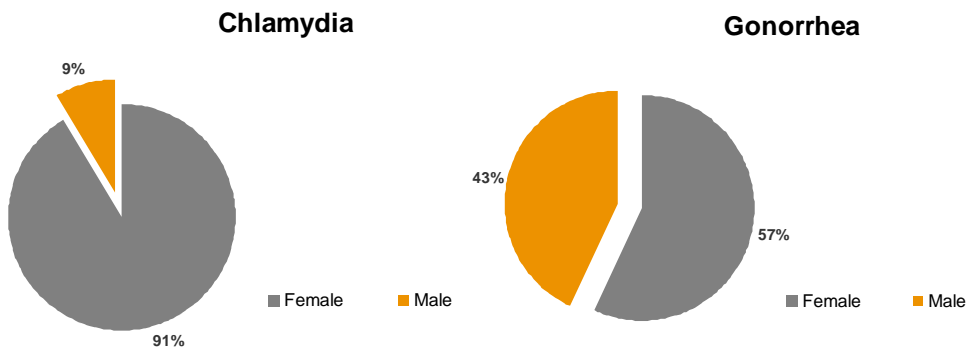
### Sexually Transmitted Infection Total Incidence Rates per 100,000<sup>1</sup>

HIV Disease <sup>2</sup>	22.5
Chlamydia	268.3
Gonorrhea	111.6
Syphilis	0.5

### HIV Disease Cases by Sex, Race and Ethnicity<sup>3</sup>



### Chlamydia and Gonorrhea Cases by Sex<sup>4</sup>



[1] N.C. 2007 Regional HIV/STD Surveillance Tables Buncombe County, [http://www.epi.state.nc.us/epi/hiv/regional07/Buncombe\\_r.pdf](http://www.epi.state.nc.us/epi/hiv/regional07/Buncombe_r.pdf)

[2] Rate includes all newly reported HIV infected individuals by the date of first report (HIV or AIDS) N.C. 2007 Regional HIV/STD Surveillance Tables Buncombe County

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