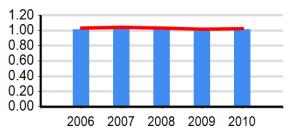
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#### **North Carolina Financial Condition Analysis**

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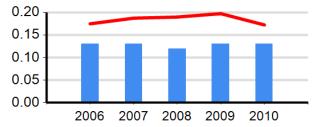
Benchmark peers against urban counties - Wake, Guilford, Mecklenburg and Durham

**Service Obligation** – **Operations Ratio** – Measures whether or not a government's annual revenues were sufficient to pay for annual operations. The operations ratio is calculated as total revenues divided by total expenditures (plus transfer to debt service fund). The natural benchmark is 1.0.



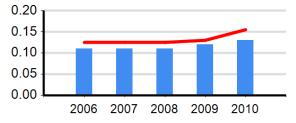
FORSYTH COUNTY = 1.01, Benchmark = 1.03

**Dependency** – **Intergovernmental Ratio** – measures the extent to which a government relies on other governments resources. The intergovernmental ratio is calculated as total intergovernmental revenue divided by total revenue. This ratio shows that for the past five (5) years Forsyth County has been less reliant on revenue from other governments as opposed to our benchmark peers.



FORSYTH COUNTY = 0.13, Benchmark = 0.17

**Financing Obligation** – **Debt Service Ratio** – addresses service flexibility or the amount of expenditures committed to annual debt service. The debt service ratio is calculated as debt service divided by total expenditures (plus transfer to debt service fund). Forsyth County is 16% net of designated debt revenue.



FORSYTH COUNTY = 0.13, Benchmark = 0.16

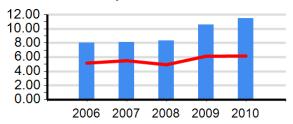
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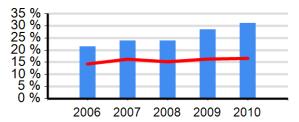
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**Liquidity** – **Quick Ratio** – measures a government's ability to meet its short-term obligations. The quick ratio is calculated as cash investments divided by current liabilities.



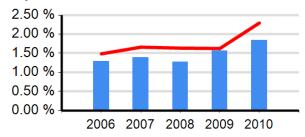
FORSYTH COUNTY = 11.51, Benchmark = 6.16

**Solvency** – **Fund Balance as a percentage of expenditures** – measures a government's ability to meet long-term obligations. Fund balance as a percentage of expenditures is calculated as available fund balance divided by expenditures plus transfers out.



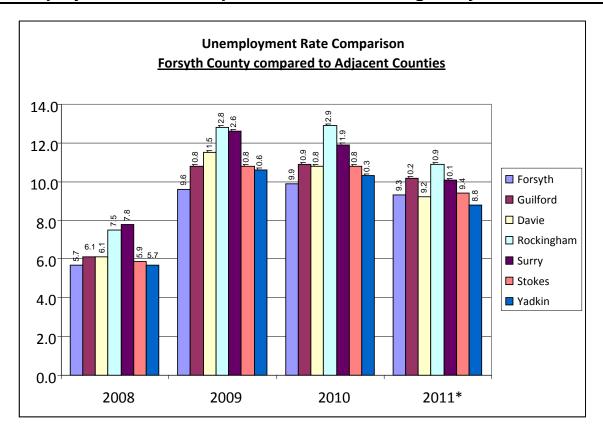
FORSYTH COUNTY = 31.15 %, Benchmark = 16.58 %

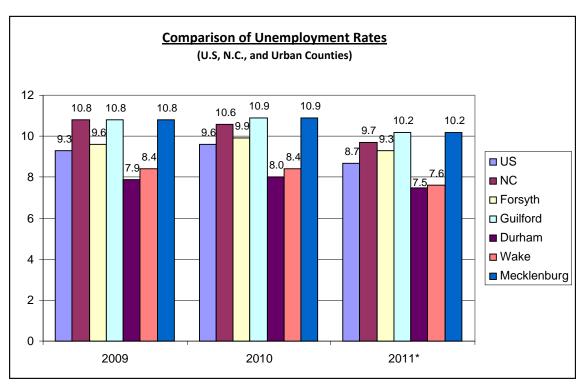
**Leverage** – **Debt as a percentage of assessed value** – measures the extent to which a government relies on tax-supported debt. The ratio of debt as a percentage of assessed value is calculated as tax-supported, long-term debt divided by assessed value. North Carolina state law is 8%.



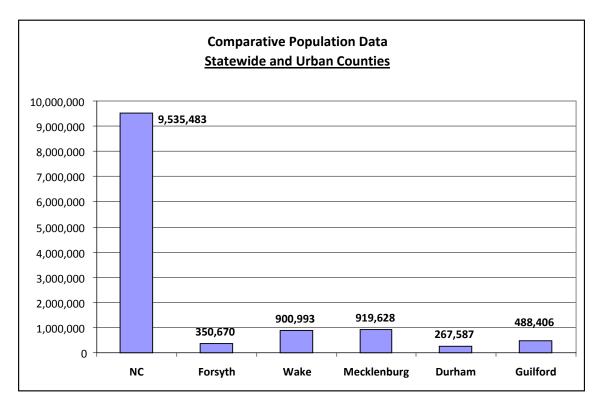
FORSYTH COUNTY = 1.84 %, Benchmark = 2.29 %

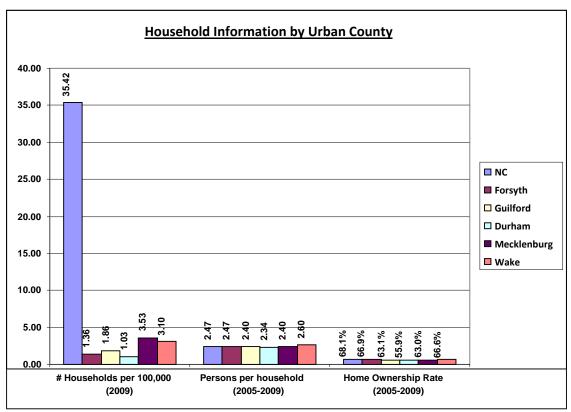
## **Unemployment Rate Comparisons – 2008 through May 2011**





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