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Table 1. New York Counties by Classification Scheme

| County | Population for 2007 | Urban Influence Code | Rural-Urban <br> Continuum Codes (RUCC) | National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Albany | 299,307 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Allegany | 49,637 | 9 | 7 | 6 |
| Bronx | 1,373,659 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Broome | 195,973 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Cattaraugus | 80,087 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Cayuga | 80,066 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Chautauqua | 133,945 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Chemung | 88,015 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Chenango | 51,207 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Clinton | 82,215 | 8 | 5 | 5 |
| Columbia | 62,363 | 5 | 6 | 5 |
| Cortland | 48,369 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Delaware | 46,286 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Dutchess | 292,746 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Erie | 913,338 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Essex | 38,119 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Franklin | 50,449 | 8 | 5 | 5 |
| Fulton | 55,114 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Genesee | 58,122 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Greene | 49,246 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Hamilton | 5,075 | 7 | 8 | 6 |
| Herkimer | 62,558 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Jefferson | 117,201 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Kings | 2,528,050 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Lewis | 26,472 | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| Livingston | 63,196 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Madison | 69,829 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Monroe | 729,681 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Montgomery | 48,809 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Nassau | 1,306,533 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| New York | 1,620,867 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Niagara | 214,845 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Oneida | 232,304 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Onondaga | 454,010 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Ontario | 103,956 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Orange | 377,169 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Orleans | 42,371 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Oswego | 121,454 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Otsego | 62,397 | 5 | 6 | 5 |
| Putnam | 99,489 | 1 | 1 | 2 |


| Queens | $2,270,338$ | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Rensselaer | 155,318 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Richmond | 481,613 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Rockland | 296,483 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| St. Lawrence | 109,809 | 8 | 5 | 5 |
| Saratoga | 215,852 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Schenectady | 150,818 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Schoharie | 32,063 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| Schuyler | 19,027 | 7 | 6 | 6 |
| Seneca | 34,228 | 3 | 6 | 5 |
| Steuben | 96,874 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| Suffolk | $1,453,229$ | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Sullivan | 76,303 | 6 | 4 | 6 |
| Tioga | 50,453 | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Tompkins | 101,055 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Ulster | 181,860 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Warren | 66,143 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Washington | 62,743 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Wayne | 91,291 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Westchester | 951,325 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Wyoming | 41,932 | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| Yates | 24,557 | 4 | 6 | 6 |

Data from United States Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service (United States Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service, 2003b)
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Data from National Center for Health Statistics (Center for Disease Control and Prevention, 2006b)

Table 2. Comparison of Codes and Definitions

| Metropolitan Status | Urban Influence Codes | RUCC | NCHS |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Metropolitan | 1: counties in metro area of $>/=$ 1 million | 1: counties in metro area of $>/=1$ million | 1: Central counties in metro area of $>/=1$ million |
|  |  |  | 2: Fringe counties in metro area of $>/=1$ million |
| Metropolitan | 2: counties in metro area of 50,000-249,999 | 2: counties in metro area of 250,000-999,999 | 3: counties in metro area of 250,000-999,999 |
|  |  | 3: counties in metro area of 50,000-249,999 | 4: counties in metro area of 50,000-249,9999 |
| Nonmetropolitan | 3: micropolitan, adjacent to metro area of $>/=1$ million |  | 5: Micropolitan Counties |
|  | 4: micropolitan, adjacent to metro area of 50,000-999,999 |  |  |
|  | 5: micropolitan, not adjacent to metro area | 4: counties with urban population of 20,00049,999, adjacent to metro area |  |
| Nonmetropolitan | 6: noncore counties, adjacent to metro area of $>/=1$ million | 5: counties with urban population of 20,00049,999, not adjacent to metro area | 6: Noncore Counties |
|  | 7: noncore counties with a town of 2,500-9,999, adjacent to metro area of 50,000-999,999 | 6: counties with urban population of $2,500-$ 19,999 , adjacent to metro area |  |
|  | 8: noncore counties without a town of 2,500-9,999, adjacent to metro area of 50,000-999,999 | 7: counties with urban population of $2,500-$ 19,999 not adjacent to metro area |  |
|  | 9: noncore counties with a town of 2,500-9,999, adjacent to a micropolitan county | 8: counties with urban population under 2,500, adjacent to metro area |  |
|  | 10: noncore counties without a town of 2,500-9,999, adjacent to a micropolitan county | 9: counties with urban population under 2,500 , not adjacent to metro area |  |
|  | 11: noncore counties with a town of 2,500-9,999, not adjacent to metro area or micropolitan county |  |  |
|  | 12: noncore counties without a town of 2,500-9,999, not adjacent to metro area or micropolitan county |  |  |

Data from National Center for Health Statistics (Ingram \& Franco, 2009)

