## 2010 Census Results

Population distribution and change in North Carolina


## Introduction

- First of 2010 Census data released in February
- Total and Voting Age Populations
- Race and Hispanic Origin
- Housing Units
- More detailed data just released* (May 2011)
- Sex and Age Distributions
- Household/Family Structures
- Housing Tenure
* These data are not included in this presentation.
- 2010 NC population: 9,535,483
$-10^{\text {th }}$ most populous state
- Up from 11 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ in 2000

|  | State | Population $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | California | $37,253,956$ |
| 2 | Texas | $25,145,561$ |
| 3 | New York | $19,378,102$ |
| 4 | Florida | $18,801,310$ |
| 5 | Illinois | $12,830,632$ |
| 6 | Pennsylvania | $12,702,379$ |
| $\mathbf{7}$ | Ohio | $11,536,504$ |
| $\mathbf{8}$ | Michigan | $9,883,640$ |
| 9 | Georgia | $\mathbf{9 , 6 8 7 , 6 5 3}$ |
| $\mathbf{1 0}$ | North Carolina | $\mathbf{9 , 5 3 5 , 4 8 3}$ |

## Population Growth

- Growth slowed in 2000s across the nation
- NC was $6^{\text {th }}$ fastest-growing state in 2000s


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

| Percent Change 2000-2010 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 Nevada | 35.1\% |
| 2 Arizona | 24.6\% |
| 3 Utah | 23.8\% |
| 4 Idaho | 21.1\% |
| 5 Texas | 20.6\% |
| 6 North Carolina | 18.5\% |
| 7 Georgia | 18.3\% |
| 8 Florida | 17.6\% |
| 9 Colorado | 16.9\% |
| 10 South Carolina | 15.3\% |
| Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000 |  |

## Population Growth

- NC was fastest growing among neighboring states in 2000s but grew at slightly slower rate than the 1990s


NC and GA had very similar growth rates during the last two decades. NC had 18.5\% growth in the 2000s compared to $18.3 \%$ for $G A$.

Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000, Census 1990

## Population Growth

- 10 largest counties
- Little change in order over 2000s
- Only Union and Onslow changed

| 2010 |  |  | 2000 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Mecklenburg | 919,628 | 1 | Mecklenburg | 695,454 |
| 2 | Wake | 900,993 | 2 | Wake | 627,846 |
| 3 | Guilford | 488,406 | 3 | Guilford | 421,048 |
| 4 | Forsyth | 350,670 | 4 | Forsyth | 306,067 |
| 5 | Cumberland | 319,431 | 5 | Cumberland | 302,963 |
| 6 | Durham | 267,587 | 6 | Durham | 223,314 |
| 7 | Buncombe | 238,318 | 7 | Buncombe | 206,330 |
| 8 | Gaston | 206,086 | 8 | Gaston | 190,365 |
| 9 | New Hanover | 202,667 | 9 | New Hanover | 160,307 |
| 10 | Union | 201,292 | 10 | Onslow | 150,355 |



Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division

## Population Growth

- 10 largest cities
- Slightly more movement than top counties

| 2010 |  | 2000 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Charlotte | 731,424 | 1 | Charlotte | 540,828 |
| 2 Raleigh | 403,892 | 2 | Raleigh | 276,093 |
| 3 Greensboro | 269,666 | 3 | Greensboro | 223,891 |
| 4 Winston-Salem | 229,617 | 4 | Durham | 187,035 |
| 5 Durham | 228,330 |  | Winston-Salem | 185,776 |
| 6 Fayetteville | 200,564 | 6 | Fayetteville | 121,015 |
| 7 Cary | 135,234 | 7 | Cary | 94,536 |
| 8 Wilmington | 106,476 | 8 | High Point | 85,839 |
| 9 High Point | 104,371 |  | Wilmington | 75,838 |
| 10 Greenville | 84,554 |  | Asheville | 68,889 |



Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000

## Population Growth

- Greatest growth occurred in and around metropolitan areas
- Union County was fastest-growing in the state (62.8\%)
- Losses occurred in rural counties in the Costal Plain


Map courtesy of U.S. Census

## Population Growth

- Growth in 2000s was not as wide-spread as 1990s
- Number of counties losing population has increased since 1990s


## POPULATION CHANGE BY COUNTY: 1990-2000



Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000

## Population Growth- Charlotte

- Fastest growth rates were in the smaller suburbs surrounding Charlotte
- Indian Trail was $9^{\text {th }}$ fastest-growing city in the nation (of cities with 2000 population of 10,000 or more)


Indian Trail

- Suburban growth on a smaller scale in the Raleigh metropolitan area
- Slower growth in the Durham MSA



Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000

## Age Trends

- Youth population in the state grew (16.2\%) but did not keep pace with overall rate of growth (18.5\%), and its proportion of the total population shrank slightly


## STATE YOUTH POPULATION NORTH CAROLINA



Note: Youth population includes individuals under 18 years old and is the only age group featured because data for other age groups was not available at the time of this presentation.

## Age Trends

- Greatest growth in young population occurred in and around the major metropolitan areas
- Many rural areas, in the northeastern part of the state especially, saw declines in youth populations

YOUTH POPULATION CHANGE BY COUNTY: 2000-2010


## Race Trends: Increasing Diversity

- Minority populations grew faster than the white population and now comprise a larger portion of the state's total population than they did in 2000
- 2010: 34.7\% minority
- 2000: 29.8\% minority

STATE POPULATION BY RACE NORTH CAROLINA: 2010
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Census

| PERCENT OF POPULATION | CHANGE 2000-2010 |
| :---: | :---: |
| White alone $\square$ | 12.5\% $\uparrow$ |
| Black or African American alone 21.5\% | 17.9\% |
| American Indian and Alaska Native alone \| 1.3\% | 22.7\% $\uparrow$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Asian alone } \\ & \text { in } 2.2 \% \end{aligned}$ | 83.8\% $\uparrow$ |
| Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone I $0.1 \%$ | e $65.8 \%$ 个 |
| Some Other Race alone $\square 4.3 \%$ | 121.8\% $\uparrow$ |
| Two or More Races 2.2\% | 99.7\% $\uparrow$ |
| STATE POPULATION BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN NORTH CAROLINA: 2010 |  |
| PERCENT OF POPULATION | CHANGE 2000-2010 |
| Hispanic or Latino 8.4\% | 111.1\% $\uparrow$ |
| in Not Hispanic or Latino | 91.6\% 13.9\% $\uparrow$ |

## Race trends: majority minority

- Half of the 10 largest cities in the state are now
"majority minority"
- Up from just 2 in 2000

|  | \% Minority |  |
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|  | $\mathbf{2 0 1 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 0}$ |
| Charlotte | $54.9 \%$ | $44.9 \%$ |
| Raleigh | $46.7 \%$ | $39.7 \%$ |
| Greensboro | $54.4 \%$ | $46.4 \%$ |
| Winston-Salem | $52.9 \%$ | $47.6 \%$ |
| Durham | $62.1 \%$ | $57.6 \%$ |
| Fayetteville | $58.7 \%$ | $53.4 \%$ |
| Cary | $31.1 \%$ | $20.3 \%$ |
| Wilmington | $29.2 \%$ | $30.6 \%$ |
| High Point | $49.6 \%$ | $41.5 \%$ |
| Greenville | $45.2 \%$ | $39.4 \%$ |

Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000
Note: Minorities defined as all groups excluding Non-Hispanic whites.

## Race Trends: Black Suburbanization

- National trend observed in NC, especially around Charlotte and Raleigh

BLACK POPULATION CHANGE BY CITY: 2000-2010


Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000
Note: Black population defined as non-Hispanic blacks.

## Race Trends: Hispanic Growth

- Hispanic population in NC more than doubled over the decade from 378,963 in 2000 to $\mathbf{8 0 0 , 1 2 0}$ in 2010, a $\mathbf{1 1 1 \%}$ increase
- $6^{\text {th }}$ in the nation in Hispanic growth rate
- Growth rate outstripped that of neighboring Georgia (96\%) and Virginia (92\%) but lagged South Carolina (148\%) and Tennessee (134\%)


## Race Trends: Hispanic Growth

- Greatest percentage growth occurred in and around major metropolitan areas and rural areas in the southwestern mountains and northern coast

HISPANIC POPULATION CHANGE BY COUNTY: 2000-2010


Sources: Census 2010, Census 2000

## Race Trends: Hispanic Growth

- Hispanic population is disproportionately concentrated in the state's metropolitan areas
- Half of all Latinos in the state live in 9 metro counties, and one-quarter live in Mecklenburg and Wake alone

| County (population rank) | Hispanic population | State's Hispanic Population St |  | State's Total Population |
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|  |  |  | [ ] |  |
| Mecklenburg (1) | 111,944 | 25\% | Mecklenburg | 19.1\% |
| Wake (2) | 87,922 |  |  |  |
| Forsyth (4) | 41,775 |  | Forsyth | 20.7\% |
| Durham (6) | 36,077 | 25.4\% | Durham |  |
| Guilford (3) | 34,826 |  | Cumberland |  |
| Cumberland (5) | 30,190 |  | Johnston |  |
| Johnston (13) | 21,814 |  | Onslow |  |
| Union (10) | 20,967 |  |  |  |
| Onslow (12) | 17,896 |  | Rest of NC counties |  |
| Statewide | 800,120 |  |  |  |

[^0]Conclusions

- North Carolina continues to grow at a rapid pace, but growth appears to be slowing slightly
- Growth within the state is occurring unevenly, favoring metropolitan areas
- Minority populations are expanding, especially in and around metropolitan areas


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[^0]:    County groupings suggested by Owen Furuseth, Ph.D., UNC Charlotte Metropolitan Studies.

