North Carolina

Nickname........................................... The Tar Heel State and Old North State
Motto.............................................................. Esse Quam Videri
(To Be Rather Than to Seem)
Flower ........................................................... Dogwood
Bird ............................................................... Cardinal
Tree .................................................................. Long Leaf Pine
Song ............................................................... The Old North State
Entered the United States ......................... November 21, 1789
Capital .......................................................... Raleigh

STATISTICS

Land Area (square miles) .................................. 53,818
Rank in Nation .............................................. 29th
Population ................................................... 9,566,401
Rank in Nation .............................................. 10th
Density per square mile ................................... 198.6
Capital City ................................................... Raleigh
Number of Special Districts ............................ 515
Number of County Governments .................... 100
Number of Municipal Governments ................. 548
Number of School Districts ............................ 60
Number of 2012 Electoral Votes ......................... 15
Number of Representatives in Congress ............... 13
Number of Members in the Cabinet ..................... 10

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Executive Body .............................................. General Assembly
President of the Senate .................................... Lt. Gov. Walter Dalton
President Pro Tem of the Senate ...................... Phil Berger
Principal Clerk of the Senate ............................... Sarah Clapp
Speaker of the House ...................................... Thom Tillis
Speaker Pro Tempore of the House ................. Dale Folwell
Principal Clerk of the House ......................... Denise Weeks

2012 Regular Session .................................. Jan. 4 – mid-July 2012
Number of Senatorial Districts ......................... 50
Number of Representative Districts ................... 120

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Governor ...................................................... Beverly Perdue
Lieutenant Governor ........................................... Walter Dalton
Secretary of State ........................................... Elaine Marshall
Attorney General .......................................... Roy A. Cooper III
Treasurer ...................................................... Jane Cowell
Auditor ........................................................ Beth Wood
Controller ..................................................... David McCoy

Governor’s Present Term .............................. 1/2009 – 1/2013
Number of Members in the Cabinet ..................... 10

JUDICIAL BRANCH

Highest Court ............................................. Supreme Court
Supreme Court Chief Justice ........................... Sarah Parker
Number of Supreme Court Judges ...................... 7
Number of Intermediate Appellate Court Judges ...... 15
Number of U.S. Court Districts ......................... 3
U.S. Circuit Court .......................................... 4th Circuit

STATE INTERNET ADDRESSES

Official State Website ..................................... http://www.ncgov.com
Governor’s Website ..................................... http://www.governor.state.nc.us
Legislative Website ....................................... http://www.nclega.state.nc.us
Judicial Website .......................................... http://www.nccourt.org