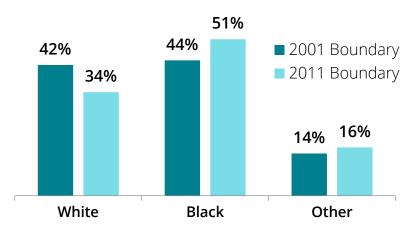
# Redistricting North Carolina's U.S. House Seats: District 12, 2001 v. 2011 Boundaries

# 2001 2011

### **Race Shifts**



### **Ethnic Shifts**

**12%** in 2001 boundary V.

**14%** in 2011 boundary

### **Median Age**

**33.1** in 2001 boundary

**31.6** in 2011 boundary

## Deviation from Ideal District Size Prior to Redistricting

2010 Population 736,646

Ideal District Size 733,499

Difference from Ideal 2,847

% Difference from Ideal 0.4%

District 12 is located in central North Carolina, snaking along I-85 from northern Forsyth County to Mecklenburg County in the south. The 12<sup>th</sup> district has been a district of contention in North Carolina since 1992 when the Department of Justice mandated that North Carolina create a second majority-minority district. This means that a racial minority group must represents the population majority in an individual district. With that mandate, the oddly shaped 12<sup>th</sup> district was created.

In 2010, the district deviated from the ideal district size by 2,850 people or 0.4%. During the 2011 redistricting, District 12 shed portions of Davie and Davidson counties while adding more of Guilford County. These changes shifted the district's population from 43.9% to 50.8% black or African-American to retain its majority-minority status.

Overall, the location and size of District 12 did not change significantly during redistricting. It still contains its voting base in Guilford and Mecklenburg Counties, but the district as a whole narrowed due to the large populations in the Greensboro and Charlotte urban areas that it contains.

Data Source: 2010 Census

