North Carolina's U.S. House Seats Before \& After the 2011 Redistricting Process

# Redistricting North Carolina's U.S. House Seats: District 3, 2001 v. 2011 Boundaries 

## Boundary Shifts



2011

## Race Shifts



## Ethnic Shifts

7\% in 2001 boundary V.

6\% in 2011 boundary

## Median Age

35.5 in 2001 boundary V.
34.7 in 2011 boundary

## Deviation from Ideal District Size

 Prior to Redistricting2010 Population 735,979

733,499
Difference from Ideal 2,480
\% Difference from Ideal 0.3\%

District 3 covers the majority of the eastern coast of North Carolina. In 2010, the old $3^{\text {rd }}$ District had the smallest deviation from ideal district population, with only 2,500 or $0.3 \%$ more residents than the ideal size.

During 2011 redistricting, District 3 gained and lost a roughly equal amount of land mass, keeping the district approximately the same physical size, although its shape changed markedly. The district lost the outskirts of Lenoir, Wayne, and Wilson counties and gained Jones and Pender counties, additional parts of Beaufort County, and downtown Wilmington. The current $3^{\text {rd }}$ Congressional District contains nearly all of North Carolina's coastline with the exception of Brunswick County and portions of New Hanover County.

District 3's overall demographic composition saw minimal shifts between the old and new district boundaries.

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