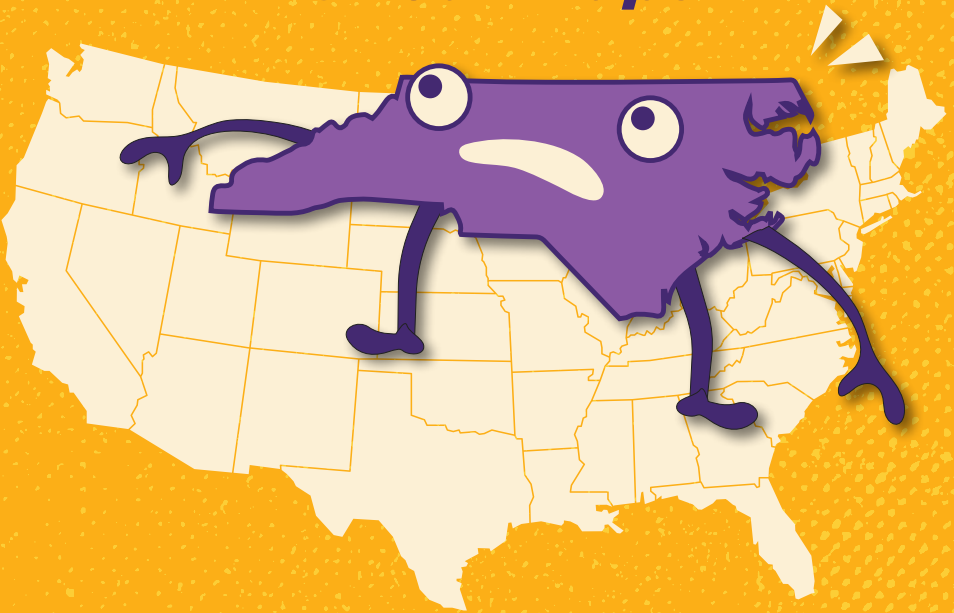




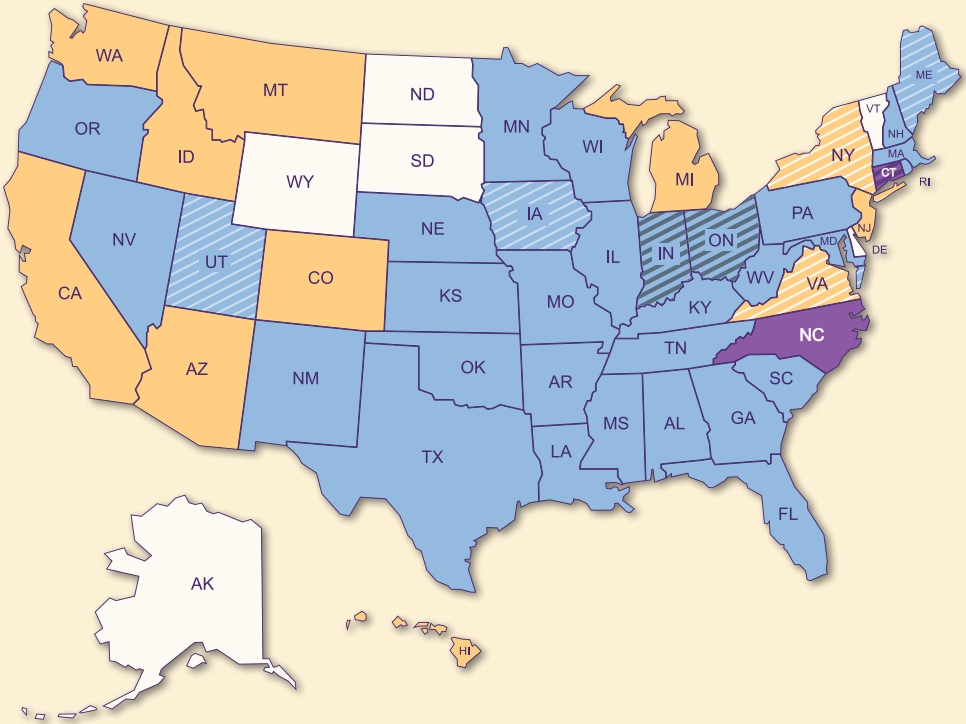
***NC Is the Only State
with No Governor Veto and
no backup commission for
when there is an issue
with our maps.***





*“No one branch of power should just
have unfettered power.”*

- Speaker Tim Moore

Congressional Redistricting Method





 **State Legislature**
Subject to governor veto

 **Advisory Commission**

 **State Legislature**
Governor cannot veto

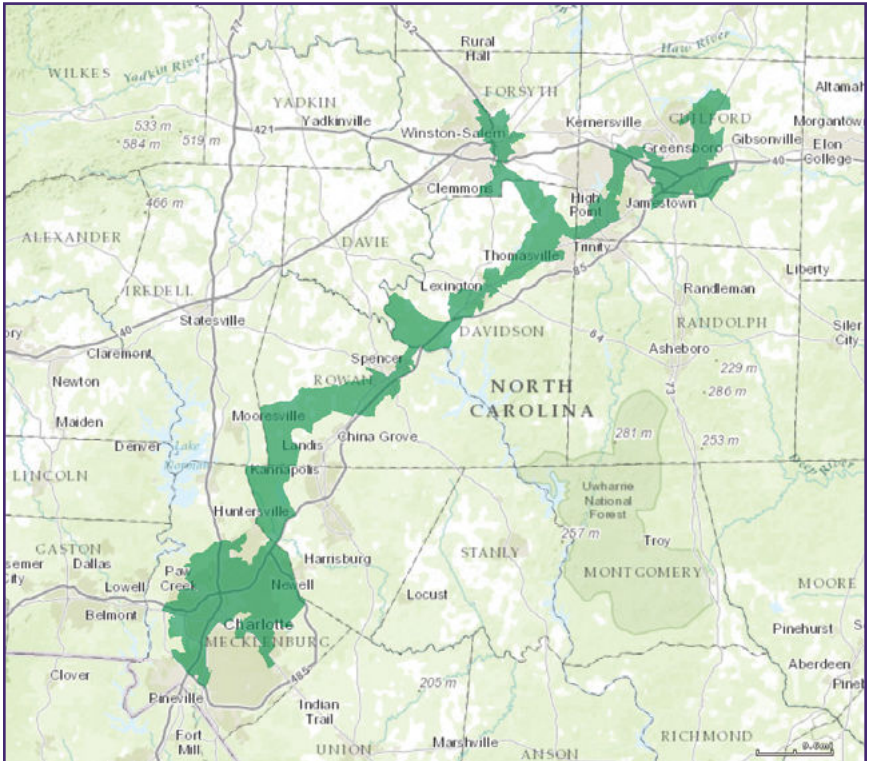
 **Backup Commission**

 **Redistricting Commission**

 **Redistricting Commission**
Subject to legislative approval

 **No Redistricting Currently**
(Single District)

NC Has A History of Extreme Gerrymandering...



Back in 2016, gerrymandering was more blatant. Whether partisan or racial, maps were visibly unfair- draw with the intention to targeted specific voters (our groups of people)

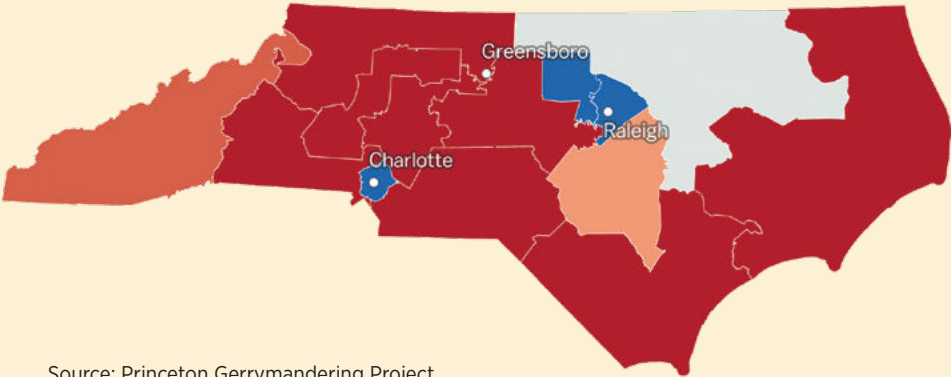
North Carolina's new House map for 2022 **favours Republicans even more**

Republicans would be expected to win about 10 seats in a close election. Democrat would win only about 4 seats

In North Carolina everyone has gerrymandered at every opportunity, depriving the community (the people) their elected official of choice. And even though North Carolina is split roughly in thirds between republicans, democrats and unaffiliated voters – the legislature in power has systematically prioritized party politics over the will of the people. This bill would ensure that the maps are drawn by those who represent our state – including both diversity and political affiliation.

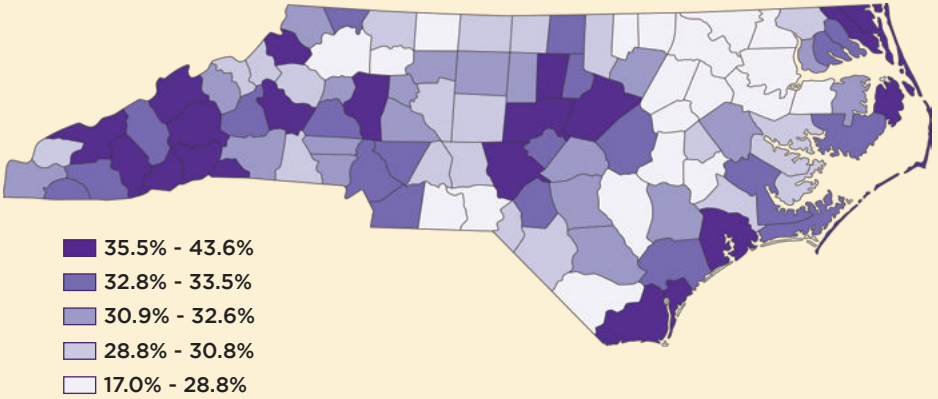
Expected vote margin in an average election, based on past years.

- Solid Republicans (>R+10)
- Strong lean Republicans (>R+7)
- Lean Republicans (>R+5)
- Slight lean Democrats (>R+3)
- Solid Democrats (>R+10)



Source: Princeton Gerrymandering Project

North Carolina **Unaffiliated** Voter Registration



The unaffiliated voter is the fastest growing political affiliation in North Carolina. Voters are fed up with political gamesmanship and the manipulation of their votes.

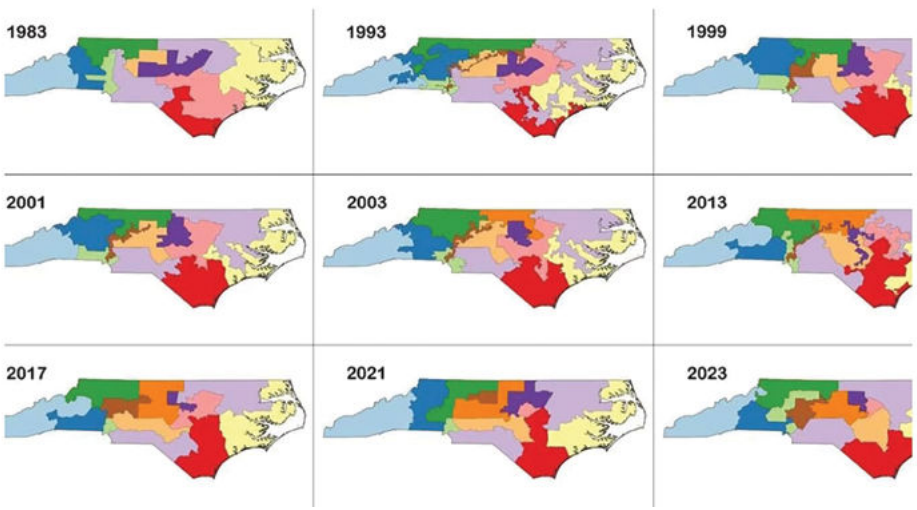
An Independent Redistricting Commission would support the political process, get community members engaged in more than just petty political debates and advertisements, and help restore faith in our representative (or democratic) processes.

Current Registered Voters the 3 largest parties in NC

(Source NC SBOE 2023)

Unaffiliated: 36.1% 2,595,610
Democrats: 33.5% (2,410,525)
Republicans: 30.4 % 2,191,071
Total: 7,197,206

Redistricting does not have to be such a huge problem, sucking millions of dollars of tax dollars through litigation, and taking up so much time and debate. Through an Independent Redistricting Commission the legislature



State lawmakers are supposed to redraw districts every 10 years with new data from the census. But it doesn't always work like that in North Carolina. Over the previous four redistricting cycles, North Carolina's congressional delegation has represented eight different maps after courts forced legislators - Democrat and Republican - back to the drawing board. The ninth map here is the approved plan for the 2023 congressional delegation - if it survives in court. Since 1983, this growing state's U.S. House delegation grew from 11 to 14 members.

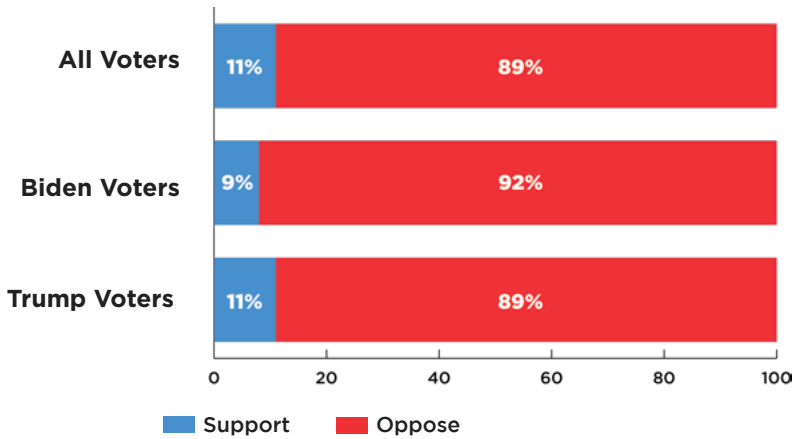
Tyler Dukes and Ethan Hyman

Our maps are supposed to be redrawn every ten years—this should be a straightforward process that doesn't habitually involve the courts. Instead of making sure that maps fairly represent the people, redistricting seems to be used to gain partisan political advantage. In fact, no single House or Senate map has made it to the ten year mark without being challenged or changed.

There is almost an inability to draw a fair map - or is it unwillingness?

A Community-led Independent Commission would increase confidence that voting matters, save millions of tax-payer dollars from being wasted in court, and, most importantly, support politicians in creating maps that represent every single North Carolinian fairly.

Polling



As you may know, redistricting occurs every ten years when each state redraws their U.S. congressional and state legislative voting districts so that each district has an equal number of people.

Gerrymandering is when those voting districts are drawn to help one political party or certain politicians win an election.

Do you support or oppose gerrymandering?

“There is no argument that is reasonable in my mind at all that a state legislature would be empowered to just ignore the votes of the people of that state- that would be wrong.”



A person is shown from the chest up, holding a white sign with both hands. The sign has the text "SUPPRESSION AND GERRYMANDERING ARE NOT DEMOCRACY" written in dark, hand-drawn capital letters. The word "NOT" is underlined with three horizontal lines. The person is wearing a dark-colored bucket hat and a dark t-shirt. The background is dark and out of focus.

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“At the end of the day you should always respect the will of the voters.. the only reason any of us is in office is because the voters put us there.”

- Speaker Tim Moore

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