

NORTH CAROLINA'S ELECTRIC COOPERATIVES AT A GLANCE

People Served:	North Carolina's 26 electric cooperatives serve more than 2.5 million people in 93 counties.
Geographic Area:	North Carolina's electric cooperatives deliver energy in 93 of 100 North Carolina counties. More than 98,000 miles of power lines are maintained by North Carolina's electric cooperatives.
2011 Revenues:	A collective \$2.9 billion for the state's electric cooperatives and North Carolina Electric Membership Corporation (NCEMC), the power supplier they collectively own.
Recent Historic Growth:	The amount of electricity delivered by the state's electric cooperatives has grown by an annual average of 2.4 percent during the past 10 years.
Projected Annual Growth:	An average of 1.2 percent from 2013 through 2022.
Assets:	More than \$5.5 billion collectively for the state's electric cooperatives and NCEMC.
Established:	The state's first electric cooperative was established in 1936, Edgecombe-Martin County Electric Membership Corporation in Tarboro.
Cooperative Structure:	North Carolina's electric cooperatives are private, independent and not-for-profit entities. Customers own the cooperative and elect a board of directors.
Customer Base:	Approximately 99 percent of electric cooperative customers are residential and small businesses.
Employment:	North Carolina's electric cooperatives collectively employ more than 2,300 skilled people.
Economic Development:	North Carolina's electric cooperatives can provide favorable financing to support economic development projects through a \$20 million development fund and partnership with USDA Rural Development programs.
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