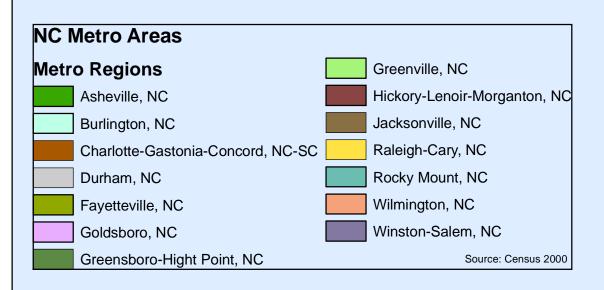
North Carolina Metropolitan Areas





United States metropolitan areas are defined by census data. The most recent metro areas are established as of Census 2000 data and were announced as of June 2003. The US Office of Management and Budget (OMB) defines metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas as containing a substantial population center, together with adjacent communities having a substantial integration with the population center.

