

Federal Races

President and Vice President of the United States

The president is responsible for putting laws into place that are written by Congress. The president selects the heads of the federal agencies, including the Cabinet. The Cabinet and independent federal agencies are responsible for the day-to-day enforcement and administration of federal laws.

The vice president is primarily responsible to fulfill the duties of the president in the event of the president's absence or death. The vice president also serves as the president of the United States Senate, casting the deciding vote in the case of a [tie](#).

United States Senate

Only two individuals from each state can be elected for six-year term to serve as a senator. Senators are responsible for drafting and voting on policy proposals. If the policy proposals are passed by the U.S. House of Representatives and signed by the President of the United States, they become federal [laws](#).

US House of Representatives

Each state has a number of congressional representatives based on the state's population as tabulated in the most recent Decennial Census count. North Carolina currently has 13 congressional representatives, who serve a term of two years. House members draft and vote on policy proposals. If policy proposals are passed by the U.S. Senate and signed by the President of the United States, they become federal [laws](#).

North Carolina Races - Council of State

The elected positions that make up the Executive Branch of North Carolina's State Government.

NC Governor

The governor serves as the state's president. The governor oversees the State Senate and House of Representatives and is responsible for implementing state laws. The governor also manages the state budget and administers funds and loans from the federal [government](#).

NC Lieutenant Governor

The lieutenant governor serves as the president of the State Senate and as a member of the governor's Council of State. The lieutenant governor serves on various boards and commissions and must fulfill the duties of governor in the event of the governor's absence or [death](#). Since the lieutenant governor is elected on a separate ballot from the governor, it is possible that they may be of different political party affiliations.

NC Attorney General

The attorney general provides legal representation to state government agencies and investigates fraud. The attorney general also oversees the North Carolina Justice Academy and the North Carolina State Crime [Lab](#).

NC Auditor

The state auditor examines all books, records, files, papers, documents, and financial affairs of regulatory processes for state agencies such as the departments of Education, Health and Human Services, Transportation, and Public [Safety](#).

NC Commissioner of Agriculture

The Commissioner oversees the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, consisting of 20 divisions and more than 2,000 [employees](#).

NC Commissioner of Insurance

The North Carolina Commissioner of Insurance regulates the insurance industry in North Carolina, licenses insurance professionals in the state, educates consumers about different types of insurance, and handles consumer's [complaints](#).

NC Commissioner of Labor

The Commissioner of Labor oversees the Department of Labor. The department conducts safety and health inspections and investigates work-related accidents and deaths. The department also regulates the safety of boilers, elevators, and amusement [rides](#).

NC Secretary of State

The North Carolina Secretary of State oversees the Department of Secretary of State to foster a competitive and ethical business climate in the state. The department supports economic growth and protects citizens and businesses from misrepresentation and [fraud](#).

NC Superintendent of Public Instruction

The North Carolina Superintendent of Public Instruction oversees the State Board of Education and is responsible for the day-to-day management of the state's public school [system](#).

NC Treasurer

The North Carolina State Treasurer serves as the state's banker. The treasurer oversees the North Carolina Department of State Treasurer and the financial operations of the state [government](#).

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