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Michael (Mike) Cline serves as the [State Demographer](#) of North Carolina. [Dr. Cline](#) prepares the official population estimates for municipalities and counties in North Carolina. In addition, he produces thirty-year population projections for counties and the state; advises state agencies and the Governor's office regarding the implications of demographic change for public policy; and supports census related activities.

Mike moved to North Carolina in April 2017 after a long career in Texas – including a stint working within the Office of the State Demographer of Texas and, most recently, as the Associate Director of the Hobby Center for the Study of Texas at Rice University. A native of the small west Texas town of Snyder, his professional work in demography began soon after the 1990 Census when, as a staff intern for a Council of Governments, he helped three rural counties redraw county commissioner court boundaries. Since then, he has provided demographic research in support of business, non-profit and government decision making.

Dr. Cline has authored or co-authored several books, book chapters, and articles to include [*Population Change in the United States: Socioeconomic Challenges and Opportunities in the Twenty-First Century*](#) and [*Poverty, Educational Attainment and Health Among America's Children: Current and Future Effects of Population Diversification and Associated Socioeconomic Change*](#). Dr. Cline earned his Ph.D. in Demography from the University of Texas at San Antonio and has degrees in Geography from Kansas State University (MA) and Texas Tech University (BA).

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