# BEARFACTS 1992 – 2002
# Robeson , North Carolina [37155]

Robeson is one of 100 counties in North Carolina. It is part of the Lumberton, NC Micropolitan SA. Its 2002 population of 123,943 ranked 21st in the state.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Robeson had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of $18,049. This PCPI ranked 97th in the state and was 66 percent of the state average, $27,515, and 59 percent of the national average, $30,838. The 2002 PCPI reflected a decrease of 0.5 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 0.1 percent and the national change was 0.8 percent. In 1992 the PCPI of Robeson was $13,379 and ranked 91st in the state. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.9 percent and for the nation was 4.0 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2002 Robeson had a total personal income (TPI) of $2,237,082*. This TPI ranked 28th in the state and accounted for 1.0 percent of the state total. In 1992 the TPI of Robeson was $1,457,238* and ranked 26th in the state. The 2002 TPI reflected a decrease of 0.2 percent from 2001. The 2001-2002 state change was 1.5 percent and the national change was 1.8 percent. The 1992-2002 average annual growth rate of TPI was 4.4 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.8 percent and for the nation was 5.2 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Robeson. In 2002 net earnings accounted for 56.2 percent of TPI (compared with 65.1 in 1992); dividends, interest, and rent were 12.3 percent (compared with 12.4 in 1992); and personal current transfer receipts were 31.5 percent (compared with 22.5 in 1992). From 2001 to 2002 net earnings decreased 2.5 percent; dividends, interest, and rent decreased 3.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 5.9 percent. From 1992 to 2002 net earnings increased on average 2.9 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 4.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 8.0 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Robeson decreased from $1,277,334* in 2001 to $1,234,516* in 2002, a decrease of 3.4 percent. The 2001-2002 state change was 1.7 percent and the national change was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1992 estimate of $987,745* to the 2002 estimate was 2.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.7 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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