

Table 3 Social, Welfare, and Health Data

	United States	North Carolina	Number of States Higher
Federal Food Stamp Program, Benefits per Participant, FY 2008	\$1,220	\$1,166	28
National School Lunch Program, Cost per Participant, FY 2009	\$283	\$295	16
SSI ¹ Payments per Recipient, 2007	\$5,599	\$4,898	44
Average Weekly Unemployment Insurance Benefits, 2007	\$288	\$276	21
Average Monthly Social Security Benefit, 2008			
Retired Workers ²	\$1,153	\$1,141	26
Disabled Workers	\$1,063	\$1,051	24
Widows and Widowers ³	\$1,112	\$1,062	35
TANF ⁴ Recipients as a Percent of Resident Population, 2007	1.3	0.5	45
Percent Current Cigarette Smokers, 2007 ⁵	19.8	22.9	8
Per Capita Federal Aid to State and Local Governments, FY 2007	\$1,460	\$1,377	25
Per Capita State Government Expenditures, FY 2008 ⁶	\$4,936	\$4,497	36
Employment (FTE) in Health, 2007			
State Government (thousands)	183	5	11
Local Government (thousands)	251	16	4
Employment (FTE) in Hospitals, 2007			
State Government (thousands)	417	17	5
Local Government (thousands)	572	37	4
Hazardous Waste Sites on the Superfund Priorities List, 2008	1,301	32	10
Crime Rate per 100,000 Population, 2007 ⁷	3,730	4,554	7
Violent Crime ⁸	467	466	19
State Parks and Recreation Areas, 2007 Acres per 1,000 Population ⁶	46	22	36

¹ Supplemental Security Income.

² Excludes special benefits.

³ Nondisabled only.

⁴ Temporary Assistance for Needy Families.

⁵ Among civilian population age 18 and over.

⁶ Excludes District of Columbia.

⁷ Offenses known to the police.

⁸ Murder (including non-negligent manslaughter), forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault.