North Carolina Resources

To understand North Carolina research one must understand the very different regions of the state: the coastal plains, the piedmont and the mountain region. North Carolina was first explored by Europeans as early as the 1500s, the first permanent settlement being in 1655 by Nathaniel Batts, and in 1705 the first town was created (http://www.secretary.state.nc.us/kidspg/history.htm).

Genealogical and Historical Societies

http://ncaahgs.org/ - Afro-American Genealogical and Historical Society of North Carolina
http://www.baynor.com/Beaufort/bcgs.htm - Beaufort County Genealogical Society
http://www.catawbacontgnygenealogicalsociety.org/ - Catawba County Genealogical Society
http://www.ncgenweb.us/dogsnc/ - Durham-Orange Genealogical Society
http://grsrsnc.com/ - Genealogical Society of Rockingham and Stokes County
http://www.gcgs.org/ - Granville County Genealogical Society
http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ncgcs/ - Guilford County Genealogical Society
http://hatgensoc.weebly.com/ - Hatteras Island Genealogical and Preservation Society
http://www.nchchgs.org/ - Haywood County Historical and Genealogical Society
http://www.hcghs.com/ - Henderson County Genealogical Society
http://www.lincolncountyhistory.com/ - Lincoln County Historical Association
http://www.maconnhistorical.org/home/ - Macon County Historical Society and Museum
http://www.meckdec.org/ - Mecklenburg Historical Association
http://www.ncgenealogy.org/ - North Carolina Genealogical Society
http://www.obcgs.com/ - Old Buncombe County Genealogical Society
http://www.onhgs.org/ - Old New Hanover Genealogical Society
http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ncomgs/ - Olde Mecklenberg Genealogical Society
http://www.randolphcountygenealogy.com/ - Randolph County Genealogical Society
http://rchs-nc.net/ - Richmond County Historical Society
http://www.ncgenweb.us/sampson/schs/SCGSHH.htm  Sampson County Historical Society
http://www.transylvaniagenealogy.com/  Transylvania Genealogical Society
http://www.trianglejigs.org/  Triangle Jewish Genealogical Society
http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~ncwgs/  Wake County Genealogical Society
http://www.wakehistory.com/  - Wake County Historical Society

Archives, Libraries, and Museums
http://www.ashelibrary.org/genealogy  - Ashe County Public Library
http://www.braswell-library.org/adult_tar_river_connections.htm  - Braswell County Library
http://www.ccpl.us/info/local_history_room.html  - Caldwell County Public Library
http://library.duke.edu/  - Duke University Libraries
http://durhamcountylibrary.org/ncc/  - Durham County Public Library Resources
http://www.ecu.edu/cs-lib/specialcollections.cfm  - East Carolina University Special Collections
https://www.forsyth.cc/library/Central/nc_room.aspx  - Forsyth County Public Library
http://statelibrary.ncdcr.gov/ghl/resources/genealogy.html  - Genealogical resources at the State Library
http://www.madisoncountylibrary.org/home/history-room  - Madison County Public Library
http://www.stanlycountymuseum.com/research.html  - Stanley County Museum
http://www.stanlycountylibrary.org/Genealogy_Resources.html  - Stanly County Public Library
http://www2.lib.unc.edu/ncc/genealogy.html  - University of North Carolina Genealogical Resources
http://www.union.lib.nc.us/genealogy_resources.asp  - Union County Public Library

Miscellaneous Resources
http://www.catawbagenealogicalsociety.org/  - Catawba County
http://www.cravengenealogy.org/  - Craven County