

**COMMUNITY DATA compiled by the Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond**

**MCDOWELL COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**2009**

	County	State
<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b>		
Total Population	43,587	9,045,705
18 years and over	33,753	6,839,619
65 years and over	6,729	1,121,070
Median age	40	36.6
Hispanic or Latino	1,957	633,220
Not Hispanic or Latino	41,630	8,412,485
White alone	38,904	6,100,974
Black alone	1,533	1,894,014
American Indian & Alaska Native alone	224	97,830
Asian alone	563	171,856
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	0	3,925
Foreign born	1,235	618,878
Language other than English	1,725	808,019
<b>HOUSEHOLD STRUCTURE</b>		
Total households	16,949	3,541,807
Female householder, no husband present, family	1,870	457,857
With own children under 18 years	1,132	278,172
Householder living alone	4,975	979,493
65 years and over	2,192	313,248
Average household size	2.5	2.47
<b>HOUSING</b>		
Total housing units	19,819	4,120,599
Occupied housing units	16,949	3,541,807
Vacant housing units	2,870	578,792
Owner-occupied housing Units	12,573	2,410,327
Renter-occupied housing Units	4,376	1,131,480
Homeowner vacancy rate	1.8	2.4
Rental vacancy rate	7.1	9.7
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
Population 25 years and over	30,440	5,940,248
Less than 9th grade	2,652	376,931
Percent high school graduate or higher	77.4%	83.0%
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	13.2%	25.8%
Percent graduate or professional degree	3.7%	8.5%
<b>INCOME</b>		
Median household income (dollars)	37,374	45,069
Per capita income (dollars)	18,773	24,547
Percent all people whose income in the past 12 months is below the poverty level	15.2%	15.1%
Percent 18 years and over whose income in the past 12 months is below the poverty level	13.5%	13.2%
Percent 65 years and over whose income in the past 12 months is below the poverty level	13.2%	11.1%

Note: N/A - Data for this geographic area cannot be displayed because the number of sample cases is too small or not available.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005-2009 American Community Survey

Last updated June 2011.