

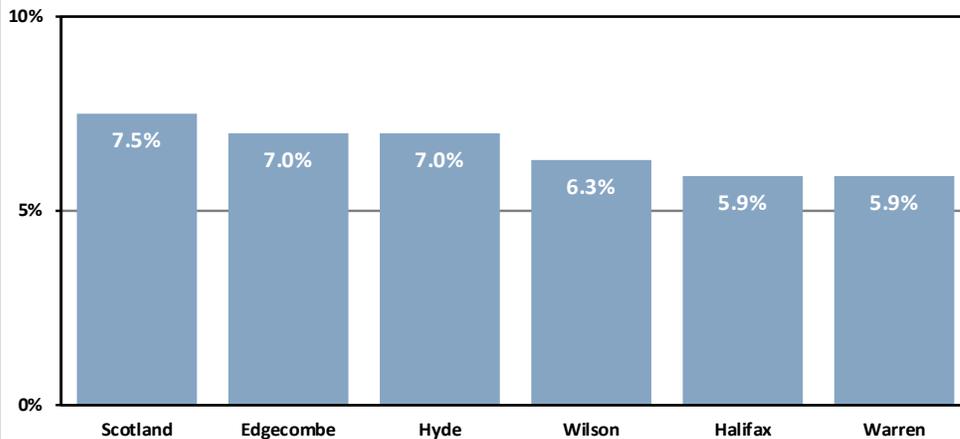
North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

May
2018

Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates

May 2018*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 3.7 percent in May. This remained unchanged from May's revised rate, while falling 0.6 of a percentage point over the year.

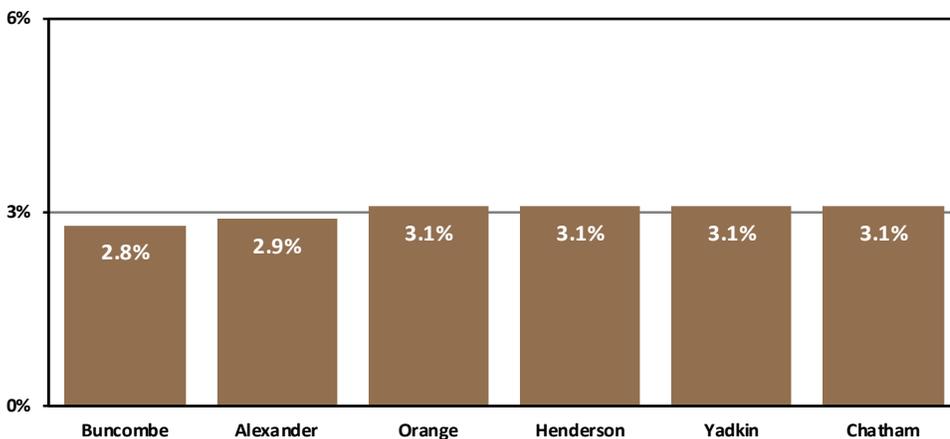
Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in 60 of 100 counties. Fifty-one counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 3.7 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded May's highest unemployment rate at 7.5 percent, followed by Edgecombe at 7.0 percent, Hyde at 7.0 percent, and Wilson at 6.3 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 2.8 percent, followed by Alexander at 2.9 percent, and Orange, Henderson, Yadkin, Chatham & Wake at 3.1 percent.

Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates

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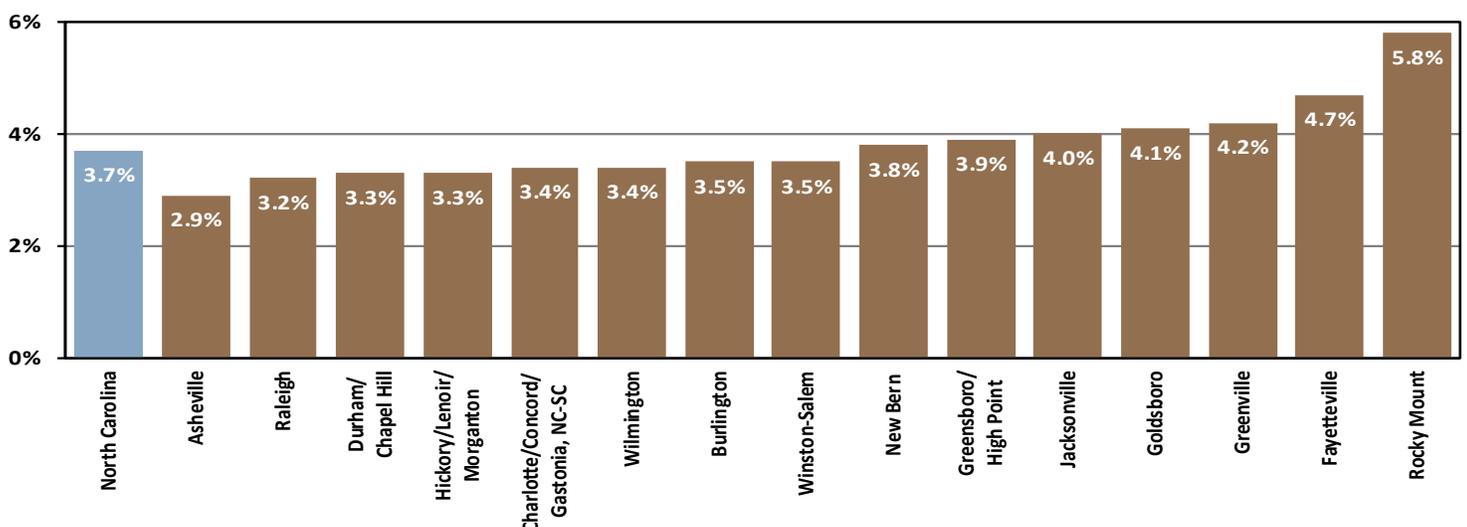


Unemployment rates decreased in seven of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in May at 5.8 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 4.7 percent, and Goldsboro at 4.1 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 2.9 percent, followed by Raleigh at 3.2 percent and Durham/Chapel Hill & Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton at 3.3 percent.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates

May 2018*

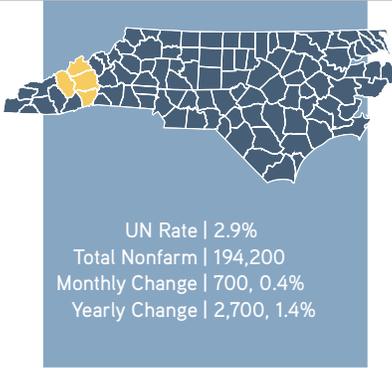
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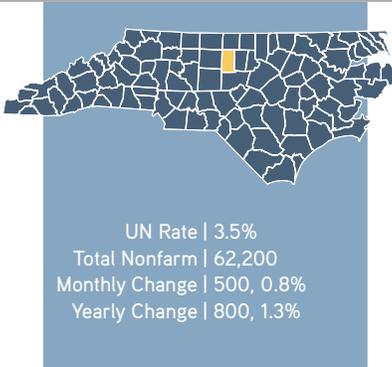
Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.1%
Manufacturing	100	0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400	1.1%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-700	-3.9%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	700	2.4%
Other Services	100	1.2%
Government	0	0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	3.4%
Manufacturing	900	4.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800	2.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	-100	-0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	300	1.0%
Other Services	200	2.5%
Government	300	1.2%

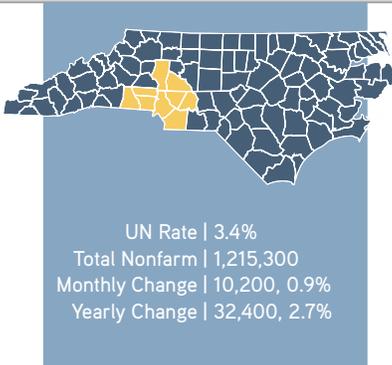
Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.8%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100	-2.0%
Education & Health Services	200	1.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	2.5%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	100	1.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	1.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200	4.2%
Education & Health Services	300	2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-1.2%
Other Services	100	5.0%
Government	100	1.4%

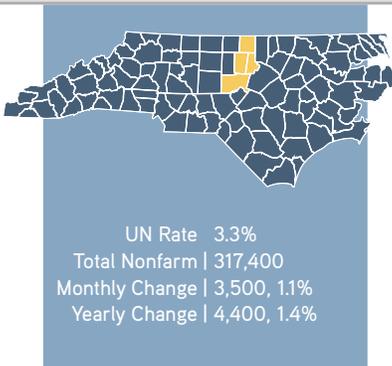
Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	500	0.8%
Manufacturing	-900	-0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,200	0.9%
Information	200	0.7%
Financial Activities	400	0.4%
Professional & Business Services	4,000	2.0%
Education & Health Services	1,100	0.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,100	1.5%
Other Services	700	1.7%
Government	-100	-0.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,600	2.6%
Manufacturing	-1,100	-1.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	6,800	2.8%
Information	1,200	4.4%
Financial Activities	3,000	3.3%
Professional & Business Services	4,500	2.2%
Education & Health Services	4,800	4.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,000	1.4%
Other Services	1,300	3.3%
Government	8,300	5.3%

Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



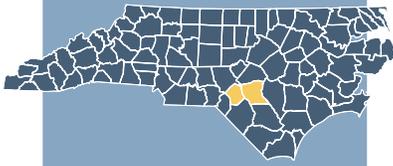
Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.2%
Manufacturing	100	0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	600	1.6%
Information	100	2.2%
Financial Activities	100	0.7%
Professional & Business Services	200	0.5%
Education & Health Services	400	0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	400	1.4%
Other Services	100	0.9%
Government	1,400	2.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	3.8%
Manufacturing	200	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,500	4.1%
Information	100	2.2%
Financial Activities	200	1.3%
Professional & Business Services	700	1.7%
Education & Health Services	-1,600	-2.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,000	3.5%
Other Services	100	0.9%
Government	1,900	2.7%

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Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 4.7%
 Total Nonfarm | 131,700
 Monthly Change | 400, 0.3%
 Yearly Change | 1,000, 0.8%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	2.1%
Manufacturing	100	1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	0.8%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200	1.7%
Education & Health Services	100	0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-400	-1.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	6.5%
Manufacturing	300	3.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400	1.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-300	-2.4%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-1.2%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	500	1.3%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 4.1%
 Total Nonfarm | 41,900
 Monthly Change | 300, 0.7%
 Yearly Change | -600, -1.4%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	0	0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	0	0.0%

Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 3.9%
 Total Nonfarm | 365,200
 Monthly Change | 1,700, 0.5%
 Yearly Change | 4,100, 1.1%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	1.3%
Manufacturing	400	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	900	1.2%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	0.6%
Professional & Business Services	200	0.4%
Education & Health Services	400	0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	-600	-1.7%
Other Services	100	0.8%
Government	0	0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	800	5.4%
Manufacturing	800	1.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,400	3.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-200	-1.1%
Professional & Business Services	1,500	3.1%
Education & Health Services	-600	-1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,000	-2.8%
Other Services	-100	-0.8%
Government	500	1.1%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 4.2%
 Total Nonfarm | 80,800
 Monthly Change | 200, 0.3%
 Yearly Change | 1,000, 1.3%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100	1.5%
Education & Health Services	100	1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-2.1%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	100	0.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	6.5%
Manufacturing	200	3.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	2.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	3.3%
Professional & Business Services	200	3.0%
Education & Health Services	-100	-1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-1.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.7%

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Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 3.3%
 Total Nonfarm | 156,100
 Monthly Change | 1,200, 0.8%
 Yearly Change | 1,500, 1.0%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	2.4%
Manufacturing	100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	1.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	3.2%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	100	0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	500	3.7%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	0	0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	7.5%
Manufacturing	300	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,200	4.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	3.2%
Professional & Business Services	-200	-1.4%
Education & Health Services	200	1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-300	-2.1%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-100	-0.4%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 4.0%
 Total Nonfarm | 50,000
 Monthly Change | 100, 0.2%
 Yearly Change | 200, 0.4%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	-200	-1.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	0	0.0%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 3.8%
 Total Nonfarm | 45,100
 Monthly Change | 200, 0.5%
 Yearly Change | (0) 0.0%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	0	0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	-100	-0.7%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 3.2%
 Total Nonfarm | 634,500
 Monthly Change | 7,000, 1.1%
 Yearly Change | 18,700, 3.0%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,800	4.6%
Manufacturing	200	0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	600	0.5%
Information	200	0.9%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	2,900	2.5%
Education & Health Services	700	0.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,200	3.2%
Other Services	300	1.3%
Government	-1,900	-1.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	3,600	9.6%
Manufacturing	700	2.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	4,100	3.8%
Information	1,100	5.1%
Financial Activities	1,700	5.4%
Professional & Business Services	6,600	5.9%
Education & Health Services	400	0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	600	0.8%
Other Services	100	0.4%
Government	-200	-0.2%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 5.8%
 Total Nonfarm | 55,700
 Monthly Change | 200, 0.4%
 Yearly Change | -600, -1.1%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	4.2%
Manufacturing	100	1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.8%
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	100	2.1%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	1.8%
Other Services	*	
Government	-100	-0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	4.2%
Manufacturing	100	1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	600	5.2%
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	-100	-2.0%
Education & Health Services	-100	-1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-3.4%
Other Services	*	
Government	-200	-1.8%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 3.4%
 Total Nonfarm | 128,700
 Monthly Change | 1,700, 1.3%
 Yearly Change | 1,200, 0.9%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	2.8%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	500	2.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	1.7%
Professional & Business Services	200	1.2%
Education & Health Services	100	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	400	2.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.4%
Manufacturing	-300	-5.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	700	2.9%
Information	-100	-3.2%
Financial Activities	200	3.4%
Professional & Business Services	300	1.9%
Education & Health Services	100	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-1.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	400	1.7%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2018



UN Rate | 3.5%
 Total Nonfarm | 268,600
 Monthly Change | 1,700, 0.6%
 Yearly Change | 4,800, 1.8%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	0.9%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400	0.8%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	900	2.6%
Education & Health Services	400	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.3%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-200	-0.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	400	3.8%
Manufacturing	-200	-0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,000	2.1%
Information	-100	-5.6%
Financial Activities	200	1.5%
Professional & Business Services	1,300	3.8%
Education & Health Services	1,800	3.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	400	1.4%
Other Services	100	1.2%
Government	-100	-0.3%

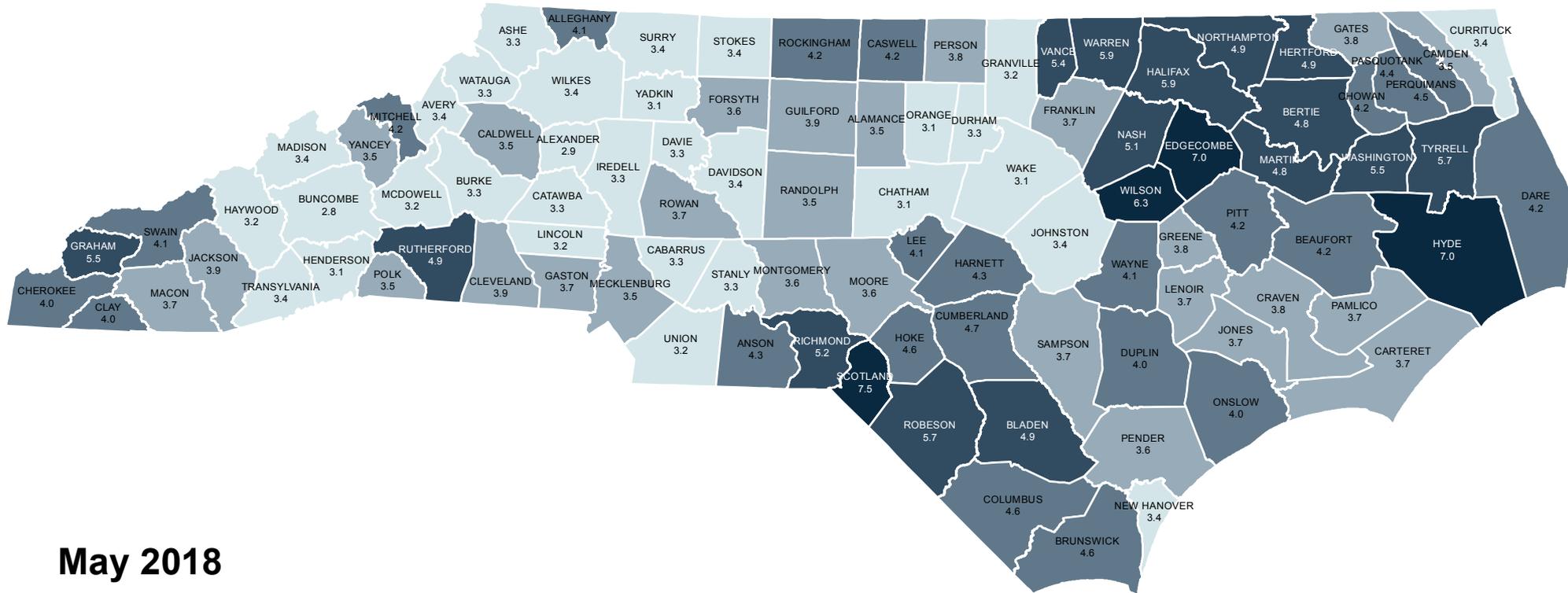
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Over the month, net industry employment increased in all 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 10,200, followed by Raleigh, 7,000; Durham/Chapel Hill, 3,500; Greensboro/High Point, Wilmington, & Winston-Salem, 1,700. Wilmington experienced the greatest percentage increase at 1.3 percent, followed by Raleigh & Durham/Chapel Hill, 1.1 percent; and Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 0.9 of a percentage point. It is important to note that employment estimates are subject to large seasonal patterns; therefore, it is advisable to focus on over-the-year changes in the not seasonally adjusted series.

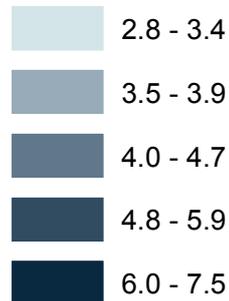
Over the year, employment increased in 12 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 32,400, followed by Raleigh, 18,700; Winston-Salem, 4,800; Durham/Chapel Hill, 4,400 and Greensboro/High Point, 4,100. Raleigh had the greatest percentage increase at 3.0 percent, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 2.7 percent; and Winston-Salem, 1.8 percent.

North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

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^ 8 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
 v 60 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
 = 32 Counties Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 3.7%
Not Seasonally Adjusted