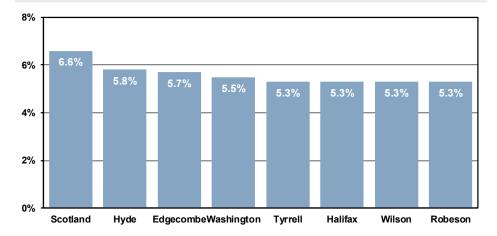
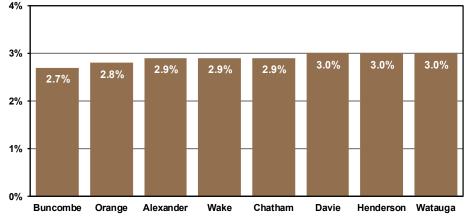
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# Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates November 2018\* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



# Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates November 2018\* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 3.5 percent in November. This increased 0.1 of a percentage point from October's revised rate, while falling 1.0 percent over the year.

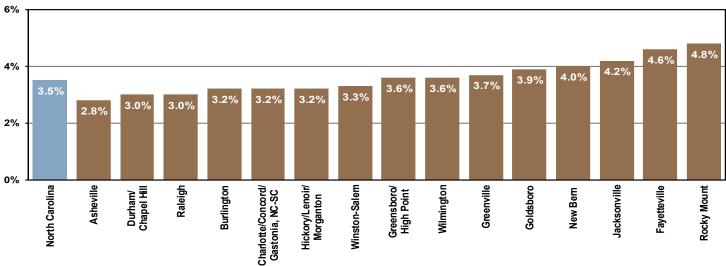
Over the month, the unemployment rate increased in 56 of 100 counties. Forty-seven counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 3.5 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded November's highest unemployment rate at 6.6 percent, followed by Hyde at 5.8 percent, Edgecombe at 5.7 percent, and Washington at 5.5 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 2.7 percent, followed by Orange at 2.8 percent.

Unemployment rates increased in five of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in November at 4.8 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 4.6 percent, Jacksonville at 4.2 percent, New Bern at 4.0 percent, and Goldsboro at 3.9 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 2.8 percent, followed by Raleigh & Durham/Chapel Hill at 3.0 percent.

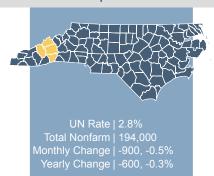
## Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates November 2018\* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

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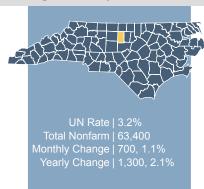
#### Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



#### **Over-the-Month Employment Change** Change Mining, Logging & Construction -200 -2.1% Manufacturing 200 0.9% Trade, Transportation & Utilities 900 2.5% Information 0.0% Financial Activities 0 0.0% Professional & Business Services 0.6% Education & Health Services -100 -0.3% Leisure & Hospitality 1,700 Other Services 0 0.0% -0.4% Government

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	3.4%	
Manufacturing	1,000	4.8%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	900	2.5%	
Information	-100	-5.0%	
Financial Activities	200	3.1%	
Professional & Business Services	-700	-3.8%	
Education & Health Services	-500	-1.3%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-2,100	-7.2%	
Other Services	200	2.5%	
Government	200	0.8%	

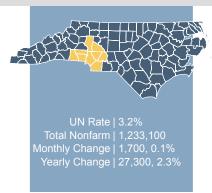
#### **Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018**



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Cha	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-3.5%
Manufacturing	-100	-1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	2.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	400	7.4%
Education & Health Services	100	0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	100	1.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	3.7%	
Manufacturing	0	0.0%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	1.5%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	0	0.0%	
Professional & Business Services	700	13.7%	
Education & Health Services	-100	-0.8%	
Leisure & Hospitality	300	3.9%	
Other Services	0	0.0%	
Government	100	1.4%	

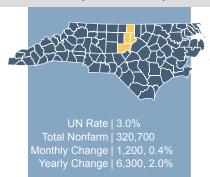
#### Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-800	-1.2%
Manufacturing	100	0.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	5,700	2.3%
Information	300	1.0%
Financial Activities	-200	-0.2%
Professional & Business Services	-2,100	-1.0%
Education & Health Services	-800	-0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,500	-1.1%
Other Services	-400	-1.0%
Government	1,400	0.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	600	1.0%
Manufacturing	-1,000	-0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	7,900	3.2%
Information	900	3.2%
Financial Activities	3,000	3.2%
Professional & Business Services	10,000	4.9%
Education & Health Services	4,800	3.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	-2,200	-1.6%
Other Services	100	0.3%
Government	3,200	2.0%

#### Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018

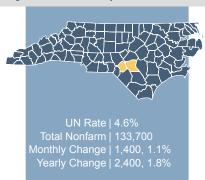


Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.2%
Manufacturing	200	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800	2.1%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100	0.2%
Education & Health Services	200	0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-0.3%
Other Services	-100	-0.9%
Government	200	0.3%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Char	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	3.7%	
Manufacturing	500	1.8%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400	1.1%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	400	2.7%	
Professional & Business Services	400	0.9%	
Education & Health Services	2,100	3.1%	
Leisure & Hospitality	700	2.5%	
Other Services	200	1.8%	
Government	1,300	1.8%	

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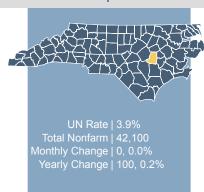
#### Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



#### **Over-the-Month Employment Change** Change Mining, Logging & Construction -200 -4.0% Manufacturing 100 1.3% 700 Trade, Transportation & Utilities 2.9% Information 0.0% **Financial Activities** -100 -2.5% Professional & Business Services 3.3% **Education & Health Services** 100 0.6% Leisure & Hospitality -100 Other Services 0 0.0% 500 1.2% Government

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	
Manufacturing	0	0.0%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	900	3.7%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	100	2.6%	
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	
Education & Health Services	200	1.3%	
Leisure & Hospitality	200	1.3%	
Other Services	100	2.2%	
Government	900	2.2%	

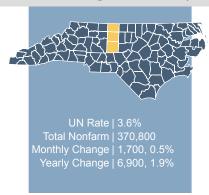
#### Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



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

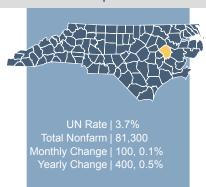
#### Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Cha	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	200	0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,300	1.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	300	0.6%
Education & Health Services	-100	-0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	-400	-1.1%
Other Services	-100	-0.8%
Government	500	1.1%
Government	500	1.1

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,100	7.4%
Manufacturing	1,200	2.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,900	3.8%
Information	-100	-2.1%
Financial Activities	100	0.6%
Professional & Business Services	400	0.8%
Education & Health Services	-400	-0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,500	4.3%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.4%

#### **Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018**

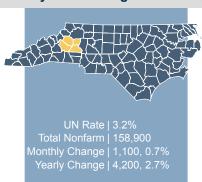


Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	2.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-100	-3.3%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	-100	-1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	0	0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	6.5%	
Manufacturing	300	4.6%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	-100	-3.3%	
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	
Education & Health Services	-200	-2.1%	
Leisure & Hospitality	100	1.0%	
Other Services	100	4.6%	
Government	0	0.0%	

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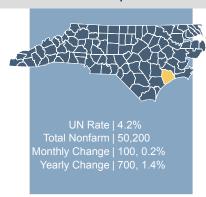
#### Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-2.3%
Manufacturing	100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800	2.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100	-0.7%
Education & Health Services	100	0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	300	1.3%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	7.5%	
Manufacturing	900	2.2%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,600	5.2%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	100	3.2%	
Professional & Business Services	-300	-2.1%	
Education & Health Services	300	1.6%	
Leisure & Hospitality	1,500	11.2%	
Other Services	0	0.0%	
Government	-200	-0.9%	

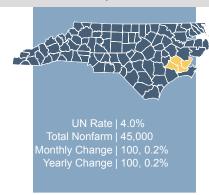
#### Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



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

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

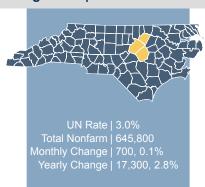
#### New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



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	е	
Industry	Chan	ge
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information		
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services		
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality		
Other Services	*	
Government	0	0.0%

#### Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018

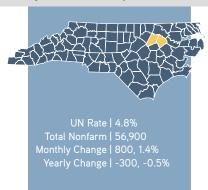


Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Cha	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-1.0%
Manufacturing	100	0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,900	2.6%
Information	100	0.4%
Financial Activities	-300	-0.9%
Professional & Business Services	-2,500	-2.0%
Education & Health Services	700	0.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	-700	-1.0%
Other Services	-100	-0.4%
Government	900	0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,400	6.2%	
Manufacturing	400	1.1%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	3,600	3.2%	
Information	800	3.6%	
Financial Activities	2,000	6.2%	
Professional & Business Services	3,100	2.6%	
Education & Health Services	2,600	3.4%	
Leisure & Hospitality	1,800	2.6%	
Other Services	400	1.7%	
Government	200	0.2%	

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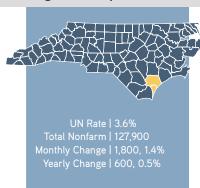
#### Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-3.9%	
Manufacturing	200	2.0%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	1.7%	
Information			
Financial Activities	*		
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-1.8%	
Other Services	*		
Government	300	2.8%	

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	4.2%	
Manufacturing	0	0.0%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.8%	
Information			
Financial Activities	*		
Professional & Business Services	200	4.2%	
Education & Health Services	100	1.5%	
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	
Other Services	*		
Government	-100	-0.9%	

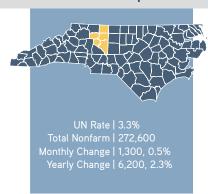
#### Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change				
Industry	Change			
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	2.7%		
Manufacturing	100	1.7%		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,000	4.0%		
Information	0	0.0%		
Financial Activities	0	0.0%		
Professional & Business Services	200	1.3%		
Education & Health Services	100	0.7%		
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%		
Other Services	-100	-2.2%		
Government	300	1.2%		

Over-the-Year Employment Change				
Industry	Change			
Mining, Logging & Construction	500	6.9%		
Manufacturing	0	0.0%		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,200	4.8%		
Information	0	0.0%		
Financial Activities	200	3.4%		
Professional & Business Services	-200	-1.2%		
Education & Health Services	200	1.3%		
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,100	-5.9%		
Other Services	-600	-11.8%		
Government	400	1.6%		

#### Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | November 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change				
Industry	Change			
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%		
Manufacturing	100	0.3%		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,000	2.0%		
Information	0	0.0%		
Financial Activities	0	0.0%		
Professional & Business Services	-300	-0.8%		
Education & Health Services	200	0.4%		
Leisure & Hospitality	200	0.7%		
Other Services	0	0.0%		
Government	100	0.3%		

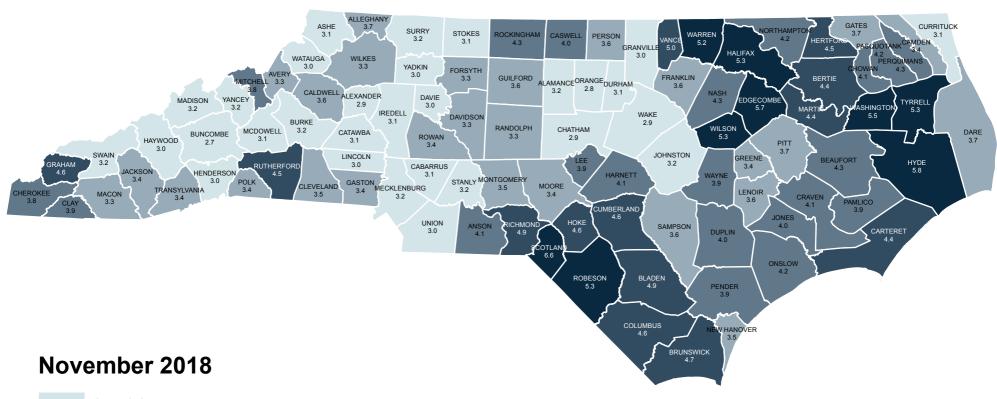
Over-the-Year Employment Change				
Industry	Change			
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	3.8%		
Manufacturing	-700	-2.2%		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,600	3.3%		
Information	0	0.0%		
Financial Activities	300	2.3%		
Professional & Business Services	2,300	6.6%		
Education & Health Services	1,900	3.5%		
Leisure & Hospitality	500	1.7%		
Other Services	100	1.2%		
Government	-200	-0.6%		

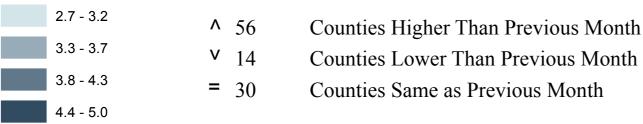
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Over the month, net industry employment increased in 13 of 15 MSAs. Wilmington had the largest net employment increase with 1,800, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 1,700; and Greensboro/High Point, 1,700. Wilmington & Rocky Mount experienced the greatest percentage increase at 1.4 percent, followed by Burlington & Fayetteville, 1.1 percent; and Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton, 0.7 of a percentage. 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 13 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 27,300, followed by Raleigh, 17,300; Greensboro/High Point, 6,900; Durham/Chapel Hill, 6,300; Winston-Salem, 6,200 and Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton, 4,200. Raleigh had the greatest percentage increase at 2.8 percent, followed by Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton, 2.7 percent; and Winston-Salem & Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 2.3 percent.

## North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County November 2018





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North Carolina Rate 3.5% Not Seasonally Adjusted