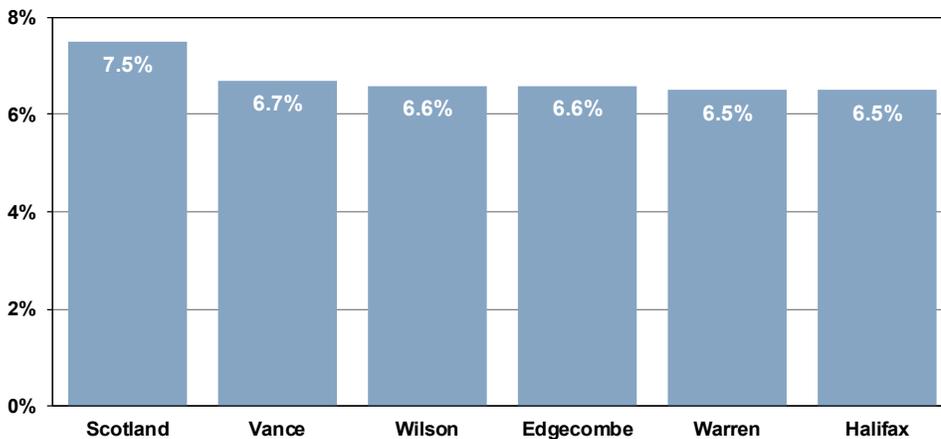


Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates

August 2019*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 4.3 percent in August. This decreased 0.1 of a percentage point from July's revised rate, and increased 0.3 of a percentage point over the year.

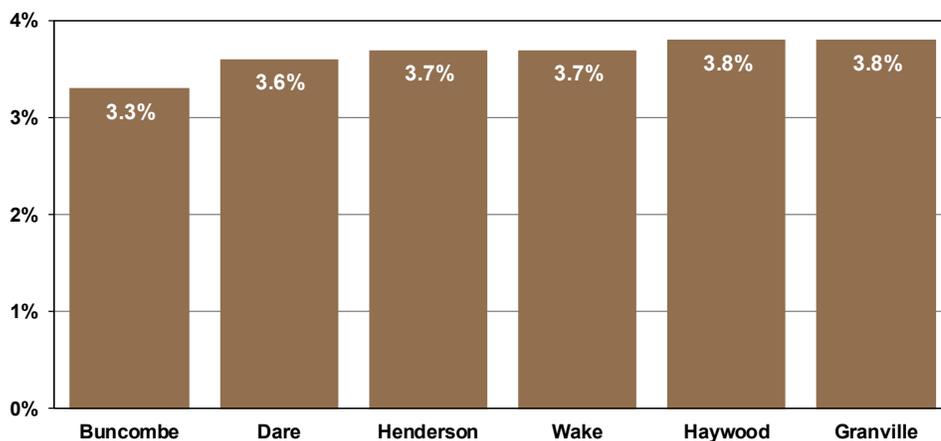
Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in 40 of North Carolina's 100 counties. Forty-three counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 4.3 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded August's highest unemployment rate at 7.5 percent, followed by Vance at 6.7 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 3.3 percent, followed by Dare at 3.6 percent, and Henderson and Wake at 3.7%.

Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates

August 2019*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

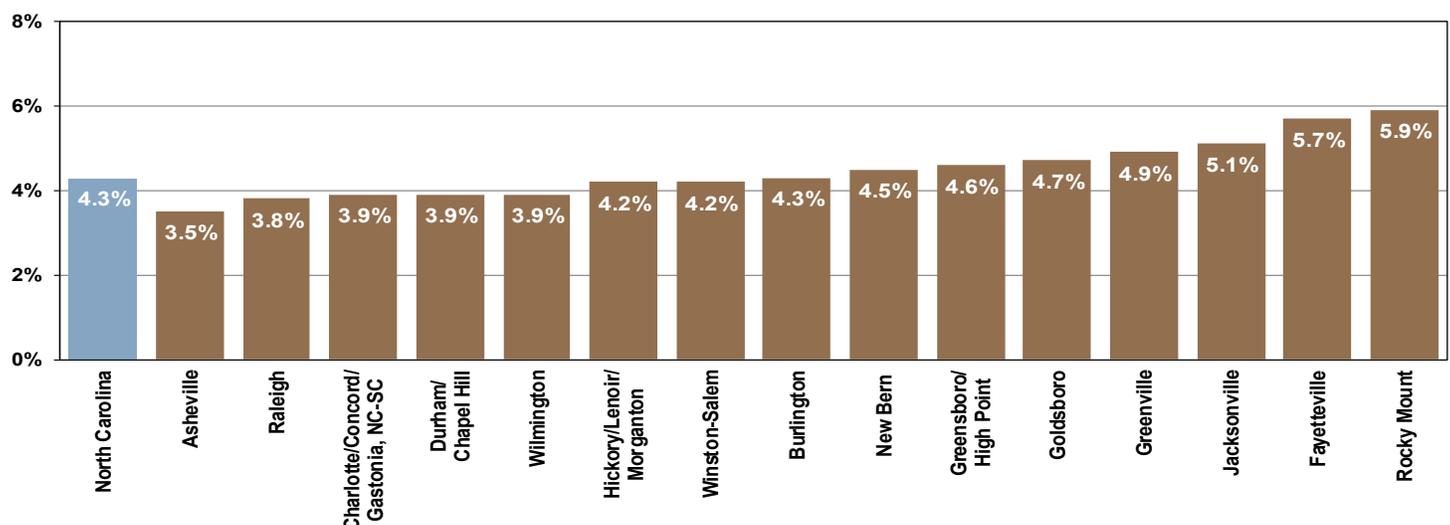


Unemployment rates decreased in 11 of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in August at 5.9 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 5.7 percent, Jacksonville at 5.1 percent, and Greenville at 4.9 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 3.5 percent, followed by Raleigh at 3.8 percent.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates

August 2019*

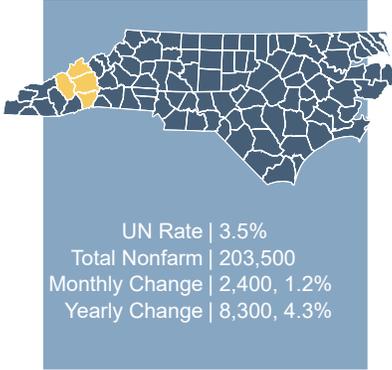
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Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



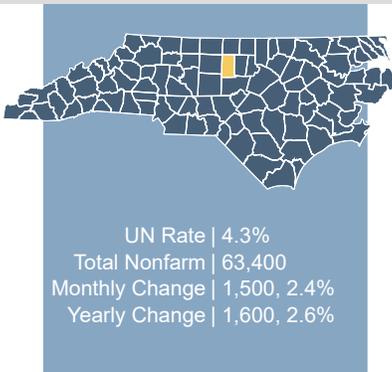
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 0.9%
Manufacturing	200 0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -0.5%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.1%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -0.7%
Other Services	-200 -2.2%
Government	2,500 11.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	600 5.9%
Manufacturing	1,600 7.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,900 5.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	200 3.0%
Professional & Business Services	800 4.4%
Education & Health Services	2,700 7.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	300 3.5%
Government	200 0.8%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



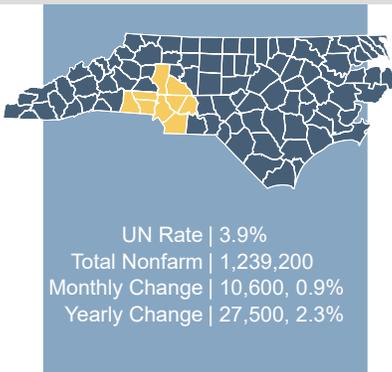
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -3.3%
Manufacturing	100 1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	300 5.9%
Education & Health Services	400 3.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 2.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	600 10.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	200 2.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 5.6%
Professional & Business Services	500 10.2%
Education & Health Services	400 3.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	400 4.9%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	0 0.0%

Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



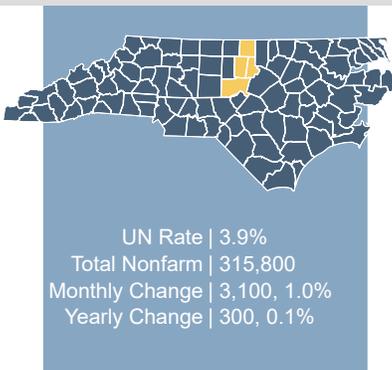
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	500 0.8%
Manufacturing	-400 -0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -0.1%
Professional & Business Services	2,600 1.2%
Education & Health Services	500 0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	-3,000 -1.9%
Other Services	-800 -1.8%
Government	11,300 8.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-2,900 -4.4%
Manufacturing	1,900 1.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	5,600 2.3%
Information	900 3.1%
Financial Activities	2,800 2.9%
Professional & Business Services	9,700 4.6%
Education & Health Services	4,200 3.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	5,200 3.5%
Other Services	1,600 3.9%
Government	-1,500 -1.0%

Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-900 -1.9%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -0.3%
Other Services	-200 -1.8%
Government	4,500 7.3%

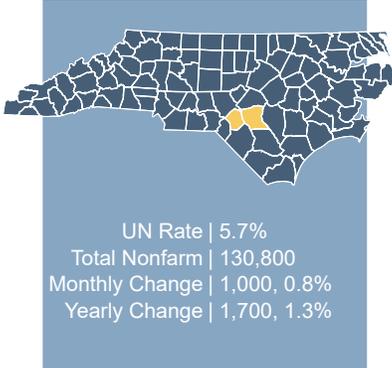
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 2.3%
Manufacturing	500 1.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	300 2.0%
Professional & Business Services	-400 -0.9%
Education & Health Services	-1,800 -2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,200 4.2%
Other Services	-200 -1.8%
Government	800 1.2%

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Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



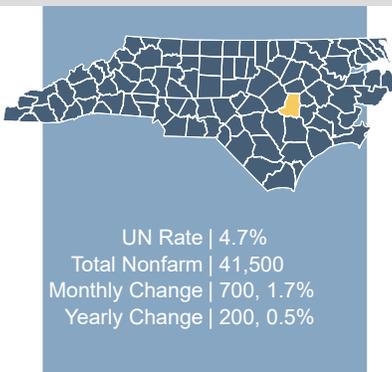
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -1.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100 0.8%
Education & Health Services	200 1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	-500 -2.9%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	1,500 4.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	300 5.3%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 2.6%
Professional & Business Services	1,100 9.9%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	-300 -1.8%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	700 1.8%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



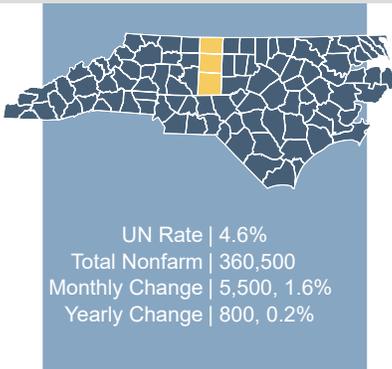
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	800 9.8%

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	200 2.3%

Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



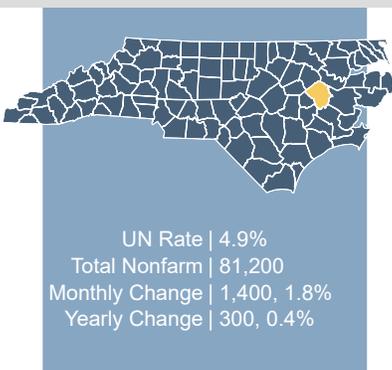
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -0.6%
Manufacturing	-100 -0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200 0.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -0.5%
Professional & Business Services	200 0.4%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	500 1.4%
Other Services	-100 -0.8%
Government	5,100 14.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 0.6%
Manufacturing	600 1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,700 3.6%
Information	-100 -2.2%
Financial Activities	-100 -0.5%
Professional & Business Services	-1,300 -2.7%
Education & Health Services	-200 -0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	-900 -2.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	0 0.0%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -2.6%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200 1.7%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.1%
Other Services	100 4.6%
Government	1,100 4.1%

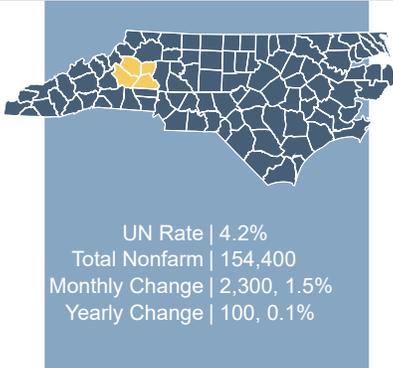
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 5.7%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 3.5%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-200 -7.1%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	100 1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-400 -4.1%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	300 1.1%

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Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



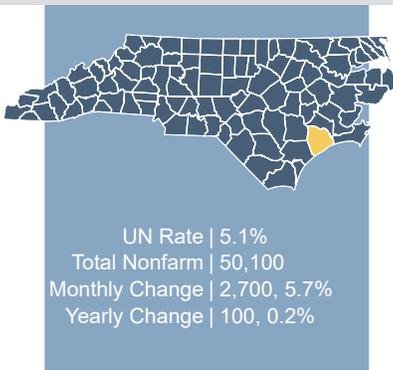
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	200 0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100 0.7%
Education & Health Services	100 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.8%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	1,800 9.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.3%
Manufacturing	900 2.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	100 12.5%
Financial Activities	100 3.2%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.4%
Education & Health Services	100 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,000 -6.9%
Other Services	100 2.2%
Government	-100 -0.5%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



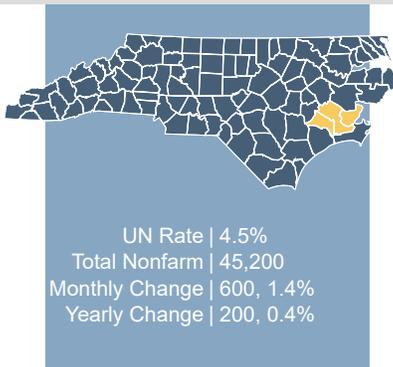
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	2,700 23.1%

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	200 1.4%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



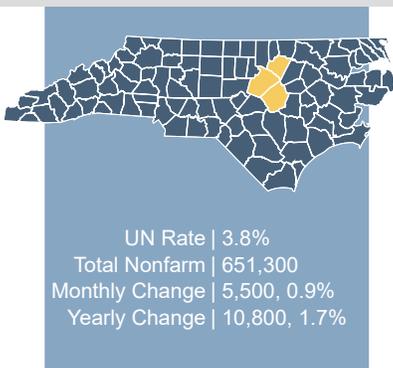
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	600 4.5%

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 | August 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 0.5%
Manufacturing	200 0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.1%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 0.3%
Professional & Business Services	1,900 1.6%
Education & Health Services	100 0.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-500 -0.7%
Other Services	-100 -0.4%
Government	3,700 4.0%

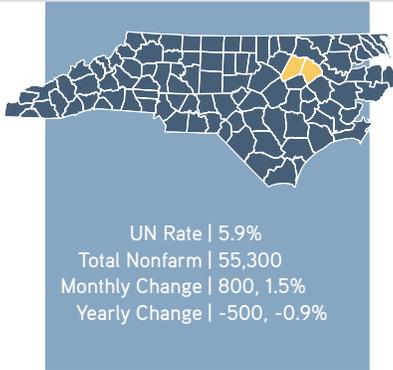
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,100 2.7%
Manufacturing	200 0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,400 2.2%
Information	600 2.7%
Financial Activities	500 1.5%
Professional & Business Services	2,200 1.8%
Education & Health Services	3,200 4.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,200 1.6%
Other Services	300 1.2%
Government	-900 -0.9%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



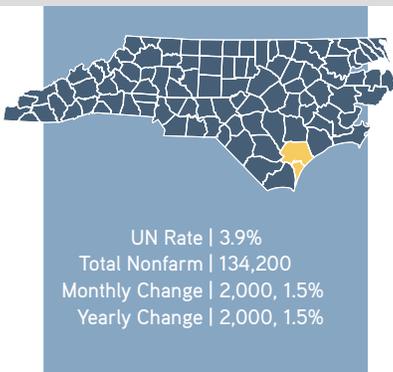
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	100 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	*
Government	800 8.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-300 -3.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 2.6%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	100 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 5.3%
Other Services	*
Government	0 0.0%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



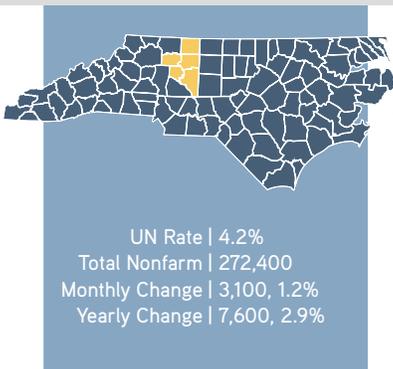
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -1.1%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	100 0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	500 2.2%
Other Services	-100 -1.9%
Government	1,800 8.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -1.1%
Manufacturing	100 1.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200 0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 1.6%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.2%
Education & Health Services	-400 -2.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,100 9.8%
Other Services	-200 -3.6%
Government	0 0.0%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 0.8%
Professional & Business Services	1,000 2.6%
Education & Health Services	100 0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.3%
Other Services	-200 -2.3%
Government	2,400 9.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	600 5.5%
Manufacturing	800 2.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	200 1.5%
Professional & Business Services	2,200 6.0%
Education & Health Services	1,900 3.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,400 4.8%
Other Services	100 1.2%
Government	0 0.0%

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Over the month, net industry employment increased in all of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 10,600, followed by Greensboro/High Point, 5,500; Raleigh, 5,500; Durham/Chapel Hill, 3,100; and Winston-Salem, 3,100. Jacksonville experienced the greatest percentage increase at 5.7 percent, followed by Burlington, 2.4 percent; and Greenville, 1.8 percent. 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 14 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 27,500, followed by Raleigh, 10,800; Asheville, 8,300; and Winston-Salem, 7,600. Asheville had the greatest percentage increase at 4.3 percent, followed by Winston-Salem, 2.9 percent; Burlington, 2.6%; and Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 2.3 percent.

