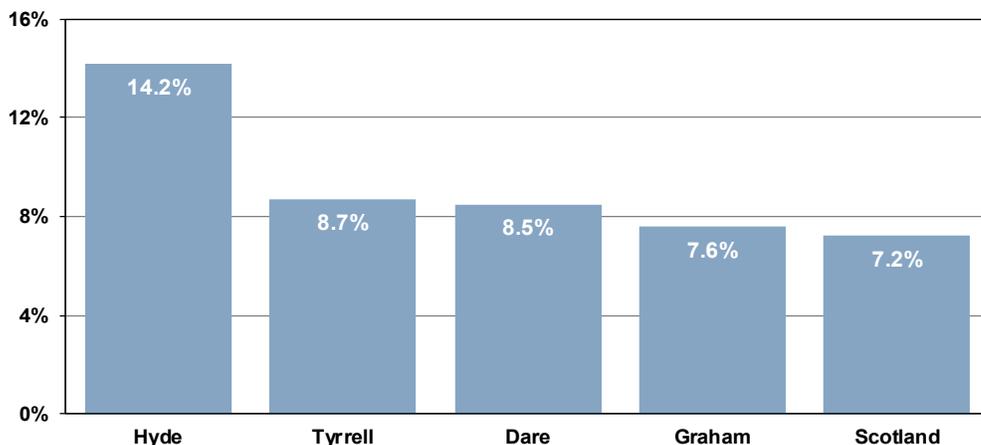


Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates January 2020* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

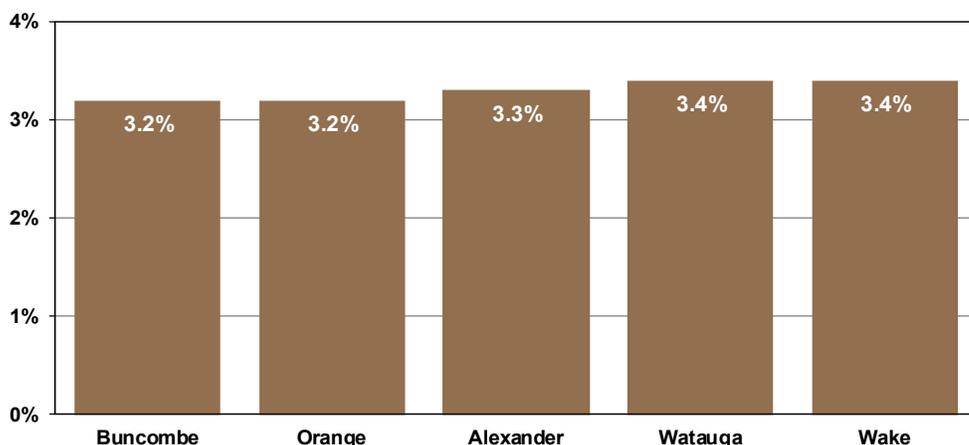


North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 4.1 percent in January. This increased 0.8 of a percentage point from December's revised rate, and fell 0.4 of a percentage point over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate increased in all of North Carolina's 100 counties. Thirty-nine counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 4.1 percent rate.

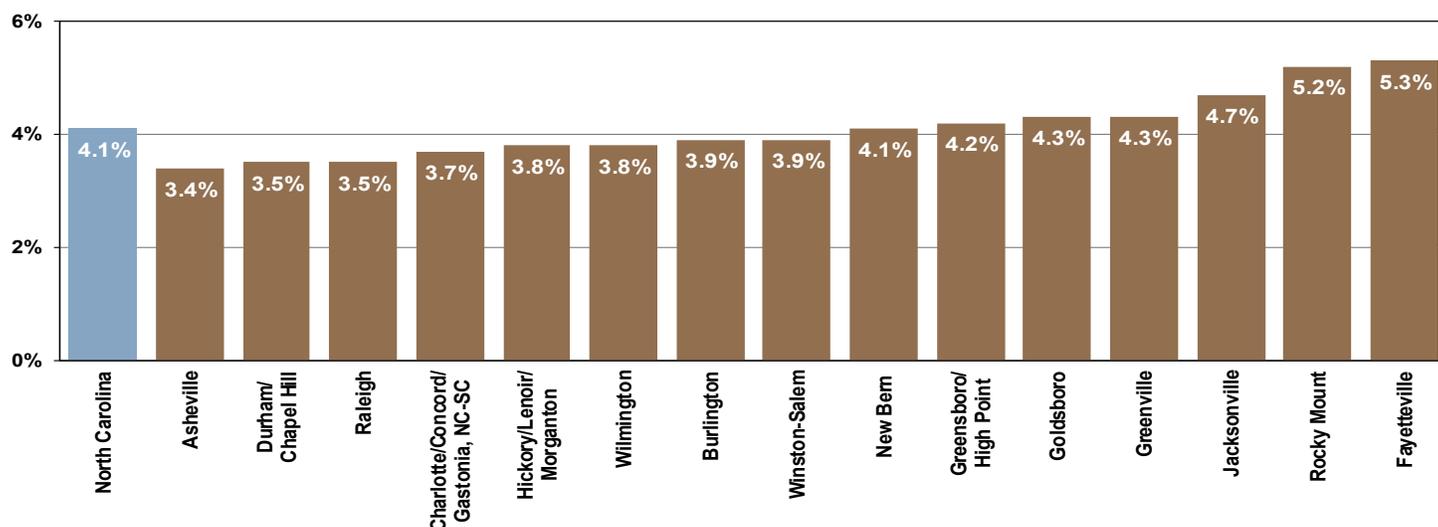
Hyde County recorded December's highest unemployment rate at 14.2 percent, followed by Tyrrell at 8.7 percent. Buncombe and Orange County had the lowest unemployment rate at 3.2 percent, followed by Alexander at 3.3 percent.

Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates January 2020* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Unemployment rates increased in all of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Fayetteville MSA had the highest unemployment rate in January at 5.3 percent, followed by Rocky Mount at 5.2 percent, and Jacksonville at 4.7 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 3.4 percent, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill & Raleigh at 3.5 percent.

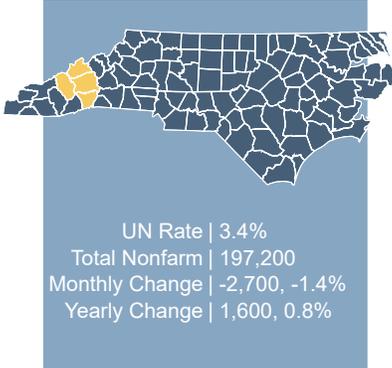
Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates January 2020* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



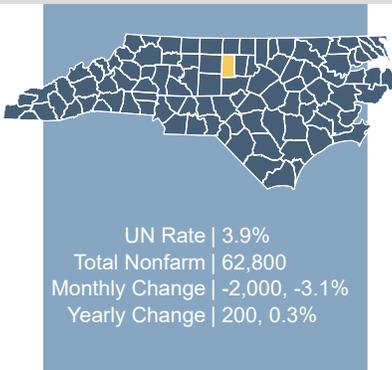
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -1.0%
Manufacturing	-300 -1.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,000 -2.7%
Information	-100 -5.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -1.5%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.1%
Education & Health Services	-200 -0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-700 -2.4%
Other Services	-100 -1.1%
Government	-300 -1.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	100 0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-500 -1.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	200 3.1%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.5%
Education & Health Services	100 0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	900 3.2%
Other Services	500 5.8%
Government	400 1.5%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



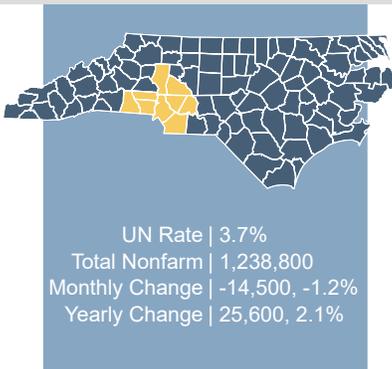
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -3.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -3.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-300 -5.6%
Education & Health Services	-600 -4.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -2.4%
Other Services	-100 -4.4%
Government	-300 -4.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 6.7%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -3.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 5.3%
Professional & Business Services	300 6.3%
Education & Health Services	-400 -3.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 3.8%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	100 1.5%

Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



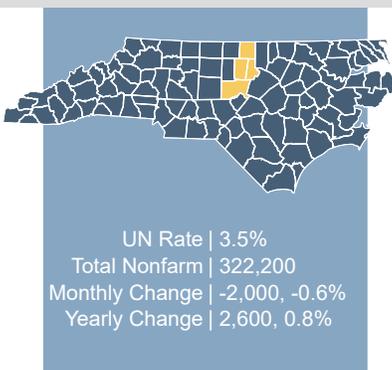
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-900 -1.3%
Manufacturing	-500 -0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-5,800 -2.3%
Information	-100 -0.4%
Financial Activities	-2,000 -1.9%
Professional & Business Services	-400 -0.2%
Education & Health Services	-1,000 -0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,800 -1.3%
Other Services	200 0.5%
Government	-2,200 -1.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,900 4.4%
Manufacturing	900 0.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,600 1.1%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	4,900 4.9%
Professional & Business Services	4,400 2.1%
Education & Health Services	-200 -0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	6,700 5.0%
Other Services	900 2.2%
Government	2,500 1.6%

Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.1%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,100 -2.7%
Information	100 2.0%
Financial Activities	-300 -1.9%
Professional & Business Services	200 0.5%
Education & Health Services	-700 -1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-400 -0.6%

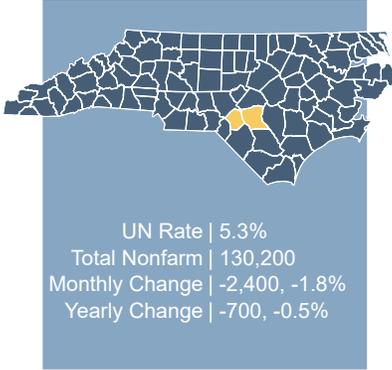
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	600 6.8%
Manufacturing	200 0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 1.0%
Information	400 8.7%
Financial Activities	200 1.3%
Professional & Business Services	-300 -0.7%
Education & Health Services	700 1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -0.7%
Other Services	300 2.7%
Government	300 0.4%

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Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



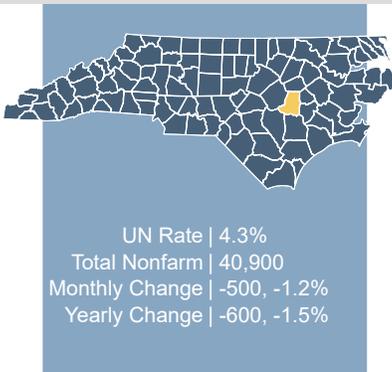
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-600 -2.6%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.9%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-400 -2.3%
Other Services	-100 -2.1%
Government	-1,100 -2.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -3.3%
Manufacturing	200 2.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-900 -3.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 2.6%
Professional & Business Services	-400 -3.6%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	500 3.1%
Other Services	100 2.2%
Government	0 0.0%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



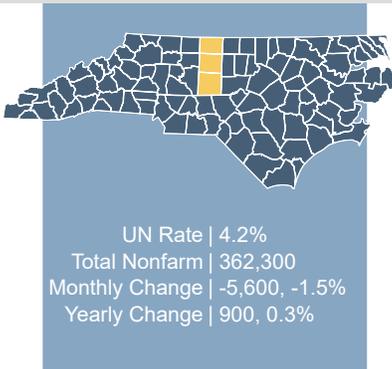
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	-100 -1.1%

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	-100 -1.1%

Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



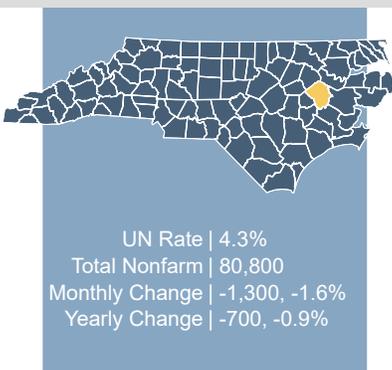
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -1.9%
Manufacturing	-400 -0.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,900 -2.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -0.5%
Professional & Business Services	-1,100 -2.3%
Education & Health Services	-600 -1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -0.5%
Other Services	-200 -1.6%
Government	-800 -1.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -1.9%
Manufacturing	-600 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 0.5%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	800 4.3%
Professional & Business Services	-1,700 -3.5%
Education & Health Services	700 1.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,600 4.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	0 0.0%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-200 -2.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -3.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -4.0%
Professional & Business Services	-300 -4.7%
Education & Health Services	-100 -1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.1%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-100 -0.4%

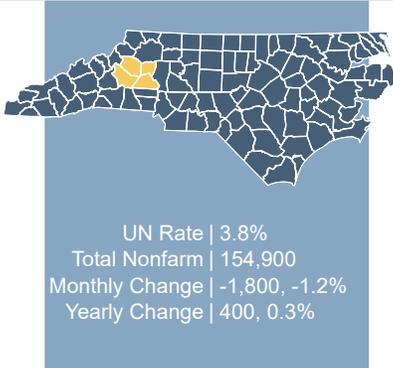
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.7%
Manufacturing	-300 -4.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200 1.7%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-200 -7.7%
Professional & Business Services	-900 -12.9%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	400 1.4%

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Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



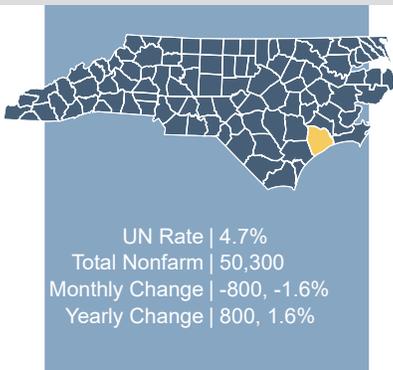
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-200 -0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-700 -2.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.4%
Education & Health Services	-200 -1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -0.7%
Other Services	-100 -2.2%
Government	-300 -1.3%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	100 0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 3.1%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.4%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 2.2%
Other Services	-100 -2.2%
Government	100 0.4%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



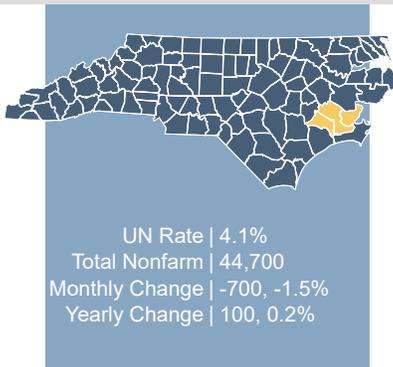
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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	300 2.1%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



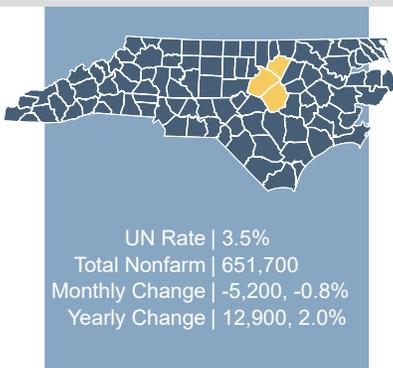
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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

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%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -0.7%
Manufacturing	-400 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-3,300 -2.9%
Information	100 0.4%
Financial Activities	-200 -0.6%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	300 0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	-600 -0.8%
Other Services	-200 -0.8%
Government	-600 -0.6%

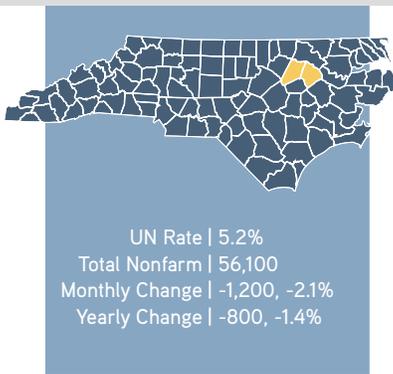
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	900 2.2%
Manufacturing	-400 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 0.3%
Information	100 0.4%
Financial Activities	1,600 4.9%
Professional & Business Services	3,600 3.0%
Education & Health Services	900 1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,900 5.6%
Other Services	700 2.8%
Government	1,300 1.3%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



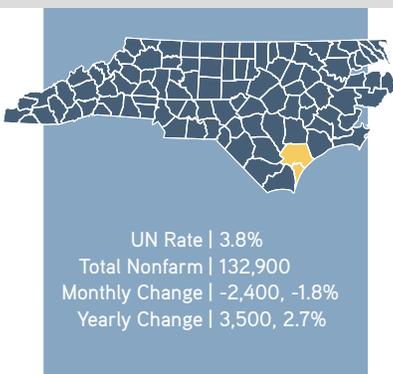
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -3.5%
Manufacturing	-500 -4.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-500 -4.2%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	-100 -2.0%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.8%
Other Services	*
Government	0 0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.7%
Manufacturing	-400 -3.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -1.7%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	-200 -4.0%
Education & Health Services	-100 -1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.8%
Other Services	*
Government	-200 -1.9%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



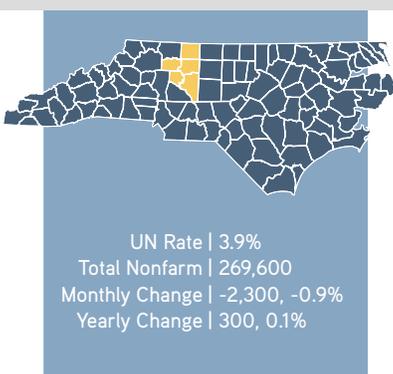
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -1.1%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,100 -4.1%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -1.6%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.2%
Education & Health Services	-200 -1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	-400 -2.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-300 -1.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 2.2%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.4%
Information	-100 -3.1%
Financial Activities	400 6.8%
Professional & Business Services	800 4.9%
Education & Health Services	100 0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,400 7.5%
Other Services	400 7.6%
Government	200 0.8%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | January 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-400 -1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,000 -2.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -0.7%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.3%
Education & Health Services	-200 -0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -0.3%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-400 -1.3%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	500 4.6%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -0.4%
Information	-100 -5.3%
Financial Activities	300 2.2%
Professional & Business Services	-1,800 -4.8%
Education & Health Services	400 0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	800 2.8%
Other Services	300 3.5%
Government	100 0.3%

Note: All data are Not Seasonally Adjusted. All January 2020 data are preliminary.

Over the month, net industry employment decreased in all of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment decrease with 14,500, followed by Greensboro/High Point, 5,600; Raleigh, 5,200; Asheville, 2,700; Fayetteville, 2,400; and Wilmington, 2,400. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the greatest percentage decrease at 3.1 percent, followed by Raleigh, 2.1%, Wilmington, 1.8%, and Durham/Chapel Hill, 1.8%. 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 11 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 25,600, followed by Raleigh, 12,900; Wilmington, 3,500; Durham/Chapel Hill, 2,600; and Asheville, 1,600. Durham/Chapel Hill had the greatest percentage increase at 4.8 percent, followed by Greenville, 3.7 percent; Winston-Salem, 3.3 percent; and New Bern, 2.8 percent.

