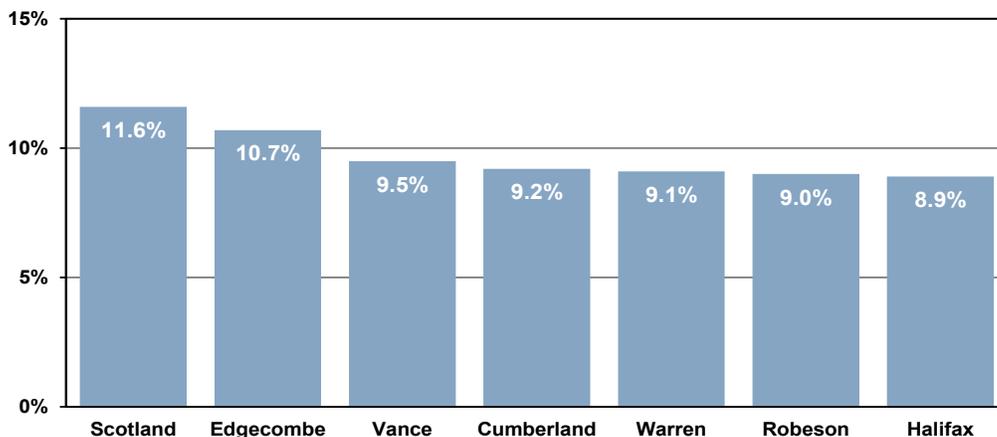


Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates

August 2020*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 6.8 percent in August. This decreased 2.0 percentage points from July's revised rate, and grew 2.7 percentage points over the year.

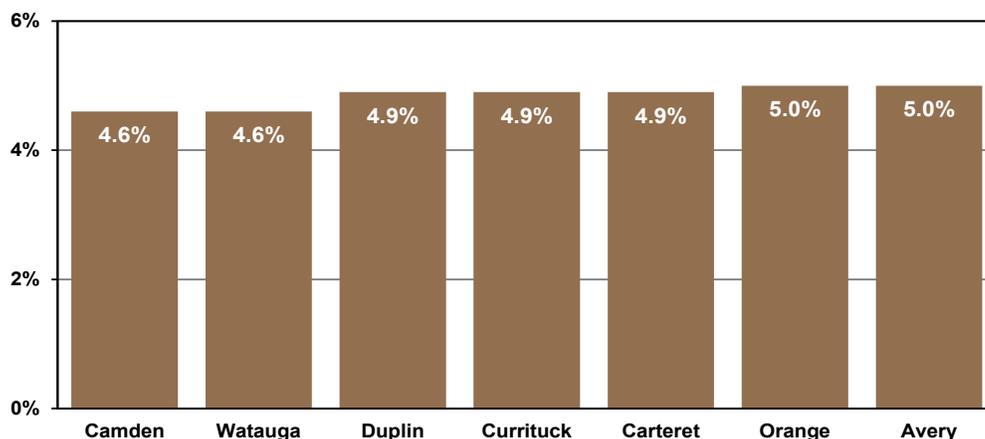
Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in all of North Carolina's 100 counties. Sixty-nine counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 6.8 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded August's highest unemployment rate at 11.6 percent, followed by Edgecombe at 10.7 percent. Camden and Watauga had the lowest unemployment rate at 4.6 percent.

Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates

August 2020*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

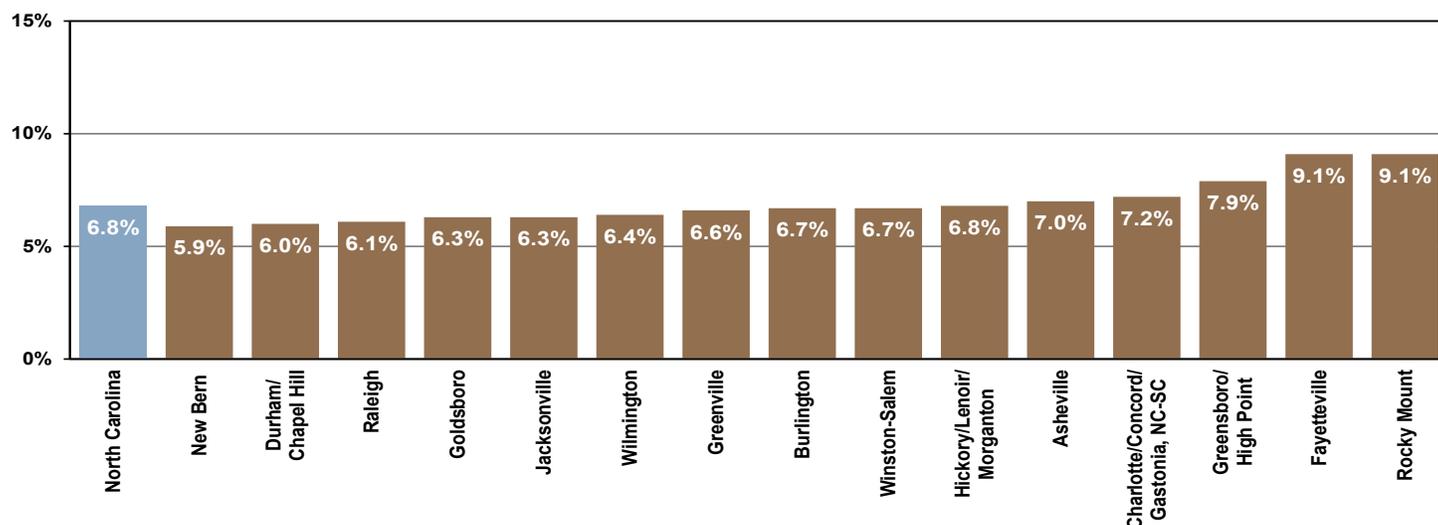


Unemployment rates decreased in all of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Fayetteville MSA and Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in August at 9.1 percent, followed by Greensboro/High Point at 7.9 percent. New Bern reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 5.9 percent, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill at 6.0 percent, and Raleigh at 6.1 percent.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates

August 2020*

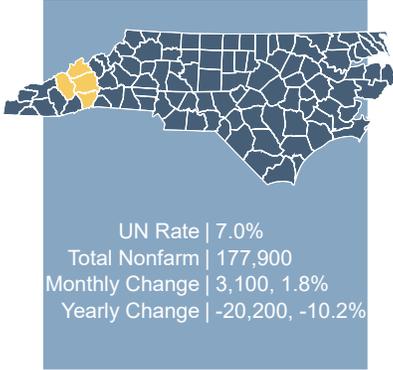
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Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



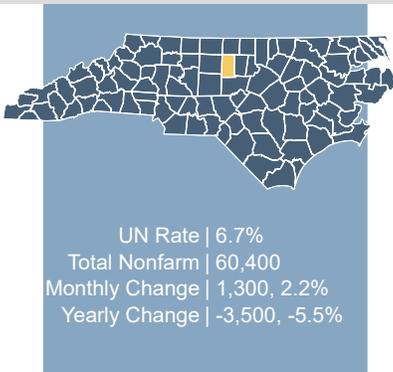
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.0%
Manufacturing	-200	-1.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	0.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-300	-1.7%
Education & Health Services	-200	-0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	600	2.8%
Other Services	-100	-1.2%
Government	3,000	15.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	3.0%
Manufacturing	-2,100	-9.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,500	-4.1%
Information	-500	-26.3%
Financial Activities	-100	-1.5%
Professional & Business Services	-1,100	-5.9%
Education & Health Services	-3,900	-10.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	-8,900	-28.4%
Other Services	-1,400	-14.9%
Government	-1,000	-4.2%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



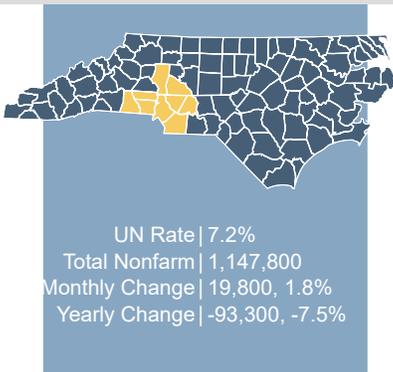
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	1.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-100	-5.0%
Professional & Business Services	500	10.4%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	1.3%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	600	10.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	-1,200	-12.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-900	-6.8%
Information	-100	-25.0%
Financial Activities	-100	-5.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100	-1.9%
Education & Health Services	200	1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-800	-9.5%
Other Services	-300	-13.0%
Government	-200	-3.0%

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



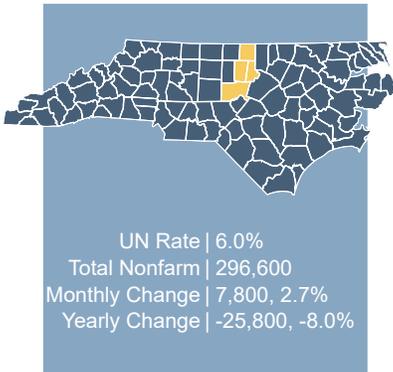
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	1,000	1.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,200	0.5%
Information	-100	-0.4%
Financial Activities	800	0.8%
Professional & Business Services	4,100	2.0%
Education & Health Services	300	0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	-500	-0.5%
Other Services	-1,700	-4.1%
Government	14,700	11.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,600	-2.3%
Manufacturing	-6,600	-5.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-7,000	-2.8%
Information	-1,400	-5.8%
Financial Activities	2,100	2.0%
Professional & Business Services	-9,100	-4.2%
Education & Health Services	-11,500	-9.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-45,700	-30.4%
Other Services	-3,000	-7.1%
Government	-9,500	-6.4%

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



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.1%
Manufacturing	-100	-0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800	2.1%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	900	2.2%
Education & Health Services	800	1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	500	2.9%
Other Services	-100	-0.9%
Government	4,900	8.0%

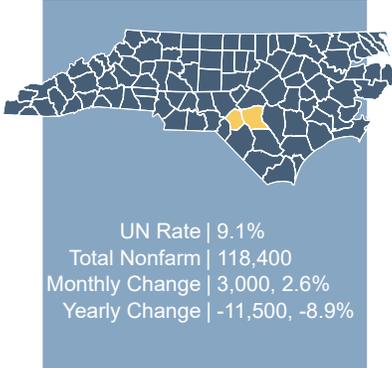
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.1%
Manufacturing	-7,000	-24.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-500	-1.2%
Information	-200	-4.2%
Financial Activities	-400	-2.5%
Professional & Business Services	-4,000	-8.7%
Education & Health Services	-4,300	-5.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	-10,900	-37.7%
Other Services	-500	-4.3%
Government	1,900	3.0%

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North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



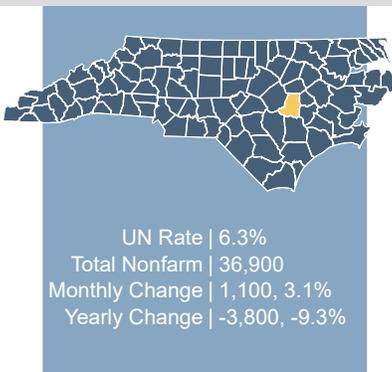
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	200 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	600 4.7%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	2,200 6.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-600 -10.3%
Manufacturing	-1,100 -12.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-500 -2.1%
Information	-100 -9.1%
Financial Activities	-300 -7.5%
Professional & Business Services	-1,100 -9.6%
Education & Health Services	-1,700 -10.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	-3,700 -21.6%
Other Services	-1,000 -21.7%
Government	-1,400 -3.7%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



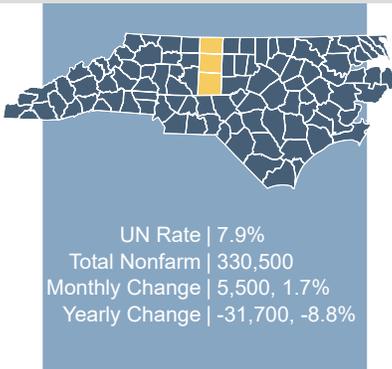
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	1,000 12.8%

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	0 0.0%

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



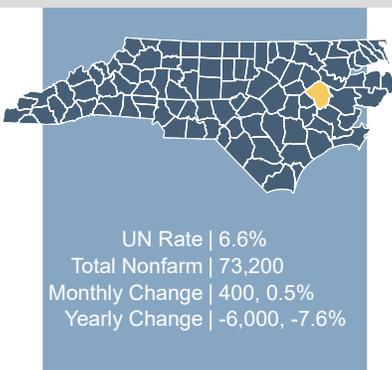
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 0.6%
Manufacturing	-800 -1.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	700 0.9%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	600 1.4%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	-600 -2.0%
Other Services	-200 -1.6%
Government	5,800 18.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -0.6%
Manufacturing	-8,800 -16.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,200 -1.5%
Information	-300 -6.5%
Financial Activities	-200 -1.0%
Professional & Business Services	-4,700 -9.8%
Education & Health Services	-4,200 -8.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-10,000 -25.7%
Other Services	-300 -2.4%
Government	-1,900 -4.8%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



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	-100 -4.2%
Professional & Business Services	100 1.7%
Education & Health Services	100 1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	500 2.2%

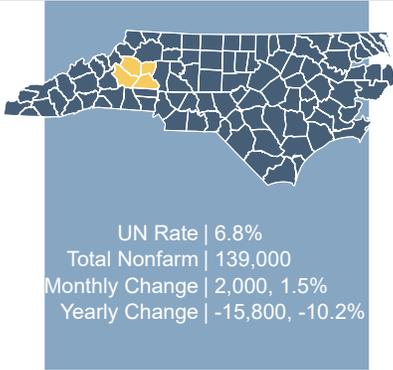
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.6%
Manufacturing	-600 -9.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800 6.9%
Information	-100 -14.3%
Financial Activities	-200 -8.0%
Professional & Business Services	-500 -7.6%
Education & Health Services	400 4.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-2,700 -28.1%
Other Services	-300 -13.6%
Government	-2,900 -11.2%

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



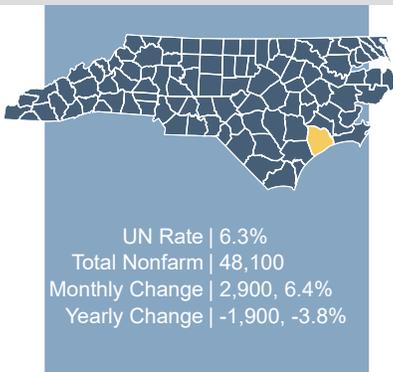
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 1.1%
Information	-100 -12.5%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	100 0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -1.8%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	1,900 10.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -4.3%
Manufacturing	-6,200 -14.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,200 -4.0%
Information	-100 -12.5%
Financial Activities	-100 -3.0%
Professional & Business Services	-1,200 -8.3%
Education & Health Services	-2,100 -10.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	-3,500 -24.1%
Other Services	-400 -8.7%
Government	-800 -3.7%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



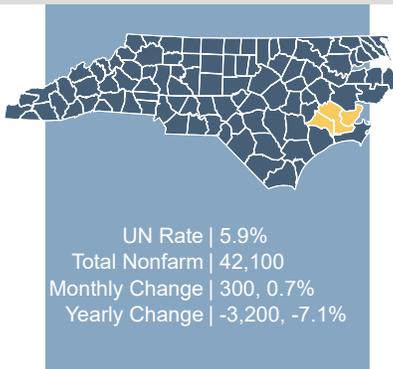
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	2,700 24.5%

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	-300 -2.1%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



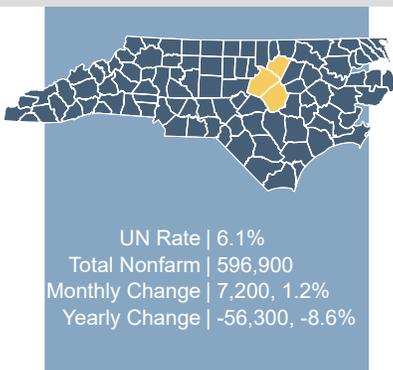
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	500 3.9%

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	-700 -5.0%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	300 0.7%
Manufacturing	-100 -0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,400 1.3%
Information	-100 -0.5%
Financial Activities	100 0.3%
Professional & Business Services	1,200 1.0%
Education & Health Services	-200 -0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -0.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	4,800 5.8%

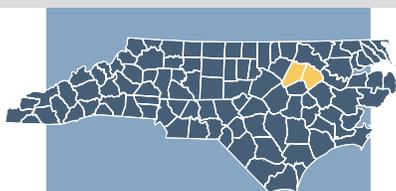
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	500 1.2%
Manufacturing	-3,900 -10.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-4,000 -3.6%
Information	-1,000 -4.4%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-1,700 -1.3%
Education & Health Services	-14,900 -18.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-23,300 -30.8%
Other Services	-1,300 -5.0%
Government	-6,700 -7.1%

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North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



UN Rate | 9.1%
 Total Nonfarm | 51,500
 Monthly Change | 600, 1.2%
 Yearly Change | -3,800, -6.9%

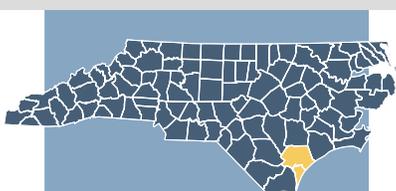
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.6%
Manufacturing	100 1.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.8%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	*
Government	600 7.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-1,700 -17.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.9%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	600 12.5%
Education & Health Services	-1,100 -16.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	-2,100 -36.2%
Other Services	*
Government	-1,400 -14.1%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



UN Rate | 6.4%
 Total Nonfarm | 122,100
 Monthly Change | 1,200, 1.0%
 Yearly Change | -12,800, -9.5%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -2.2%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.2%
Education & Health Services	100 0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	-300 -2.0%
Other Services	-100 -1.8%
Government	1,800 9.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -3.2%
Manufacturing	900 15.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -0.8%
Information	-200 -6.5%
Financial Activities	-700 -10.8%
Professional & Business Services	-1,000 -5.9%
Education & Health Services	-1,900 -11.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	-7,100 -32.7%
Other Services	-400 -6.9%
Government	-1,900 -8.2%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | August 2020



UN Rate | 6.7%
 Total Nonfarm | 248,500
 Monthly Change | 6,200, 2.6%
 Yearly Change | -21,000, -7.8%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,100 2.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	1,000 3.1%
Education & Health Services	1,500 3.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -0.4%
Other Services	-100 -1.2%
Government	2,800 11.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,000 -8.6%
Manufacturing	-2,200 -6.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,400 -2.9%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-200 -1.4%
Professional & Business Services	-4,100 -11.0%
Education & Health Services	-4,900 -8.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-6,500 -21.8%
Other Services	-600 -6.7%
Government	-100 -0.4%

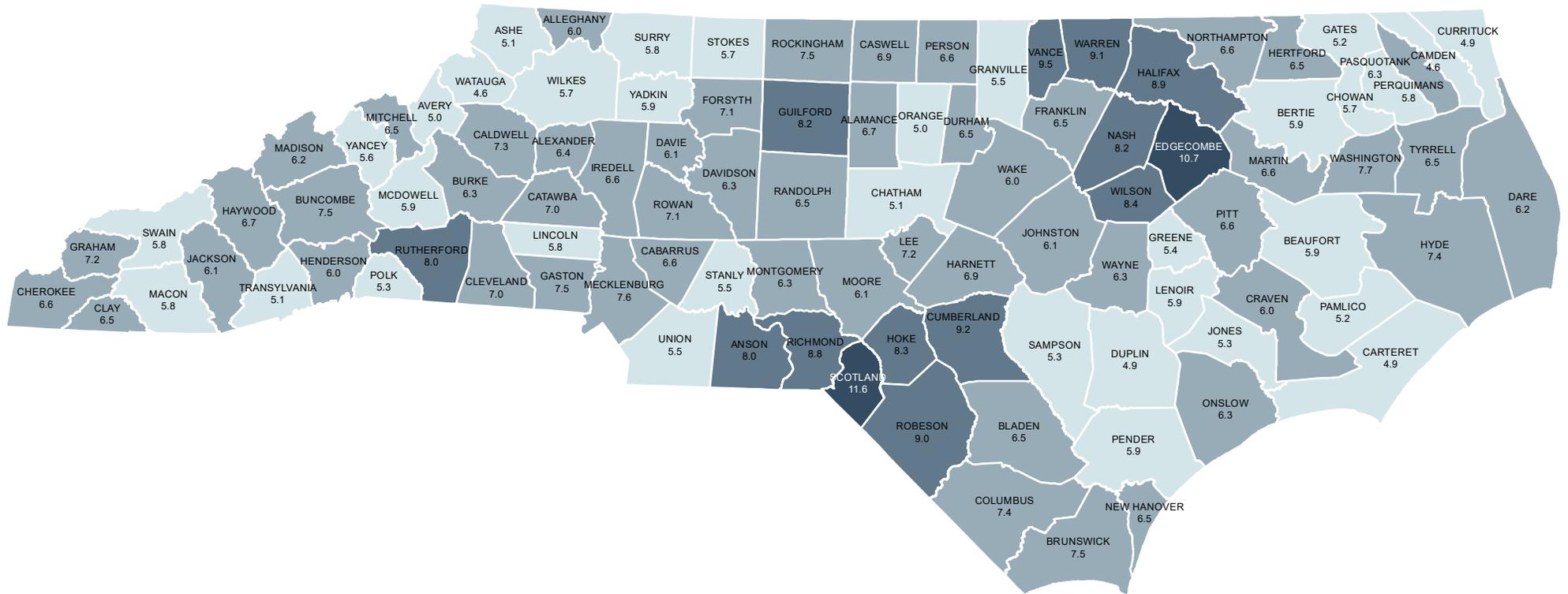
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Over the month, all of North Carolina's 15 MSAs experienced net job growth. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 19,800, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill, 7,800; Raleigh, 7,200; Winston-Salem, 6,200; and Greensboro/High Point, 5,500. Jacksonville had the greatest percentage increase at 6.4 percent, followed by Goldsboro, 3.1%, Durham/Chapel Hill, 2.7%, Winston-Salem, 2.6% and Fayetteville, 2.6%. 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.

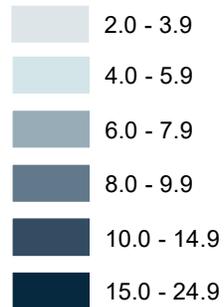
Over the year, employment decreased in all 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment decrease at 93,300, followed by Raleigh, 56,300; Greensboro/High Point, 31,700; Durham/Chapel Hill; 25,800; and Winston-Salem, 21,000. Asheville & Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton had the greatest percentage decrease at 10.2 percent, followed by Wilmington, 9.5 percent; Goldsboro, 9.3 percent; and Fayetteville, 8.9 percent.

North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

August 2020



August 2020



- ^ 0 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- ∨ 100 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
- = 0 County Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 6.8%
Not Seasonally Adjusted