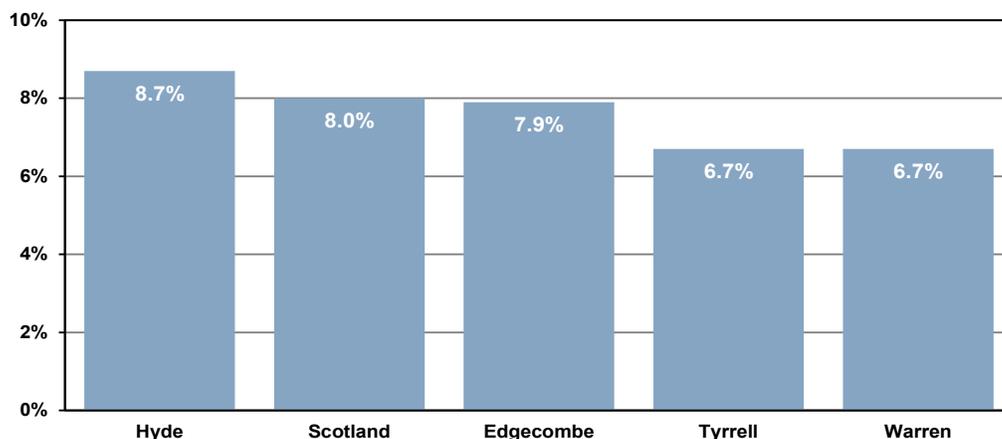


### Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates

March 2022\*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 3.6 percent in March. This decreased 0.1 of a percentage point from February's revised rate, and declined 1.7 percentage points over the year.

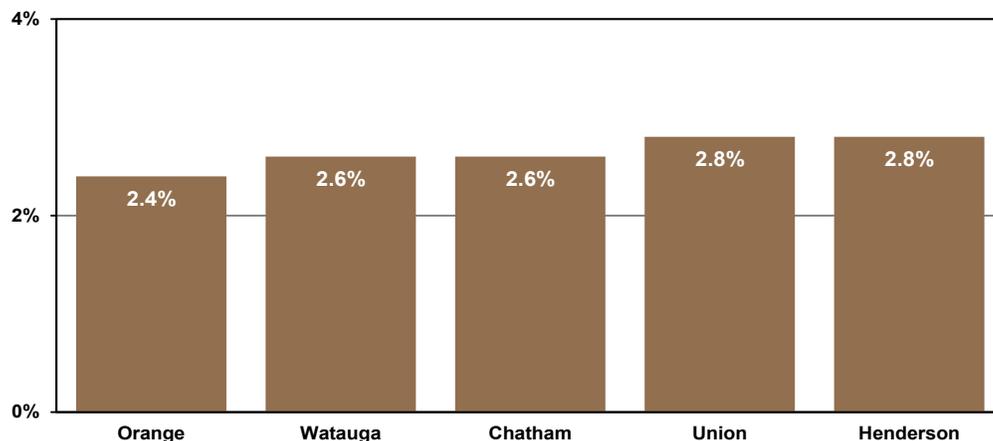
Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in 85 of North Carolina's 100 counties. Fifty-six counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 3.6 percent rate.

Hyde County recorded March's highest unemployment rate at 8.7 percent, followed by Scotland at 8.0 percent. Orange County had the lowest unemployment rate at 2.4 percent, followed by Watauga & Chatham counties at 2.6 percent each.

### Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates

March 2022\*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

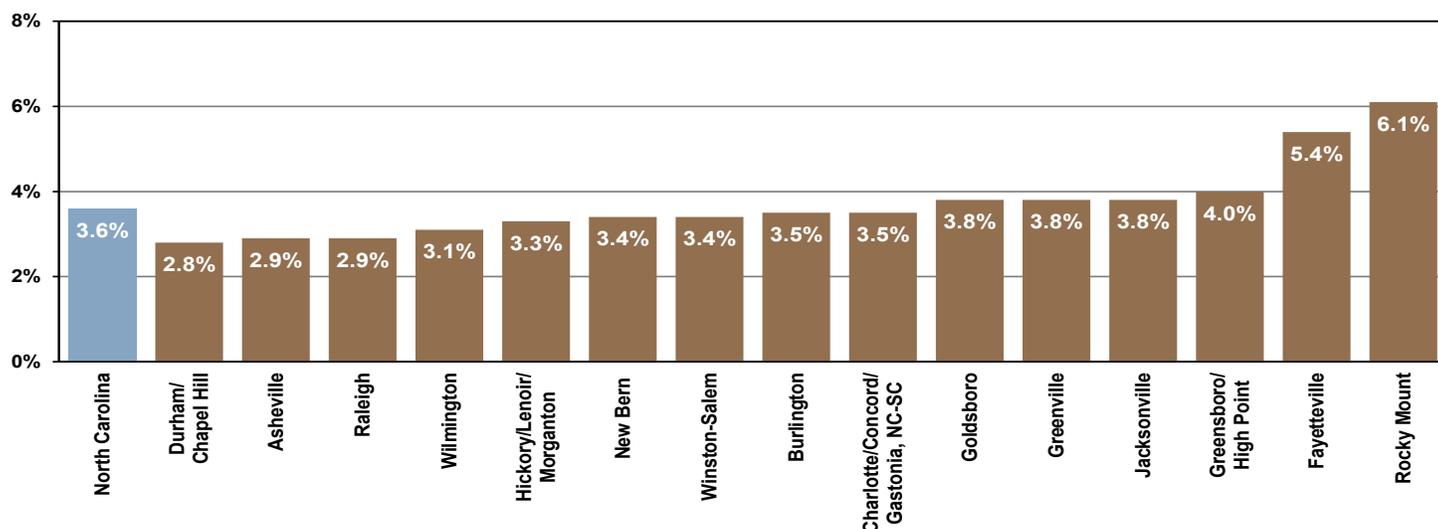


Unemployment rates decreased in 14 of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in March at 6.1 percent. The Durham/Chapel Hill MSA reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 2.8 percent, followed by Asheville & Raleigh at 2.9 percent each.

### Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates

March 2022\*

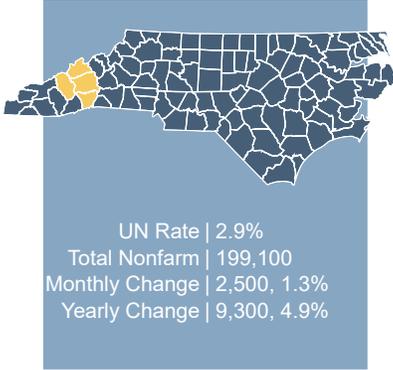
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# North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

## Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



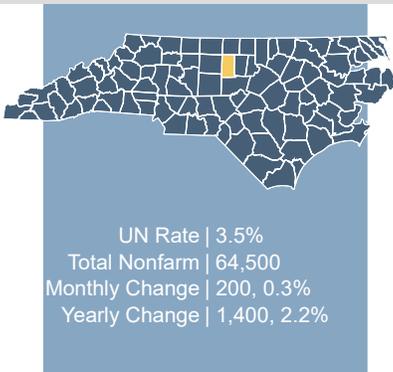
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 2.0%
Manufacturing	100 0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	500 1.4%
Information	100 5.3%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	300 1.5%
Education & Health Services	300 0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	500 1.8%
Other Services	100 1.1%
Government	400 1.6%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	700 7.3%
Manufacturing	1,000 4.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	500 1.4%
Information	200 11.1%
Financial Activities	300 4.7%
Professional & Business Services	1,200 6.2%
Education & Health Services	1,300 3.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,300 13.5%
Other Services	300 3.4%
Government	500 1.9%

## Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



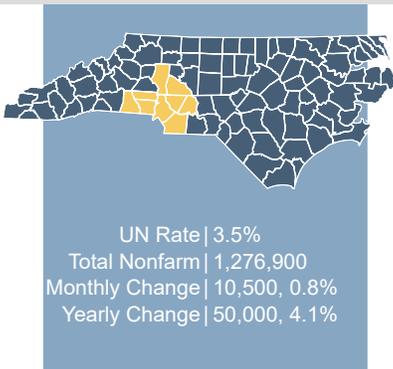
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.2%
Manufacturing	100 1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -1.5%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -1.5%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.4%
Other Services	100 4.3%
Government	100 1.4%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.2%
Manufacturing	200 2.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	100 50.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	400 6.5%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 4.2%
Other Services	100 4.3%
Government	300 4.4%

## Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



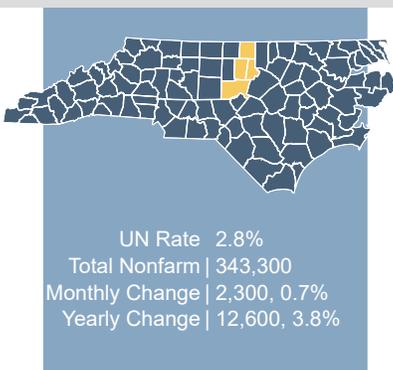
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,500 3.6%
Manufacturing	700 0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	600 0.2%
Information	100 0.4%
Financial Activities	700 0.6%
Professional & Business Services	200 0.1%
Education & Health Services	1,400 1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,000 2.4%
Other Services	500 1.1%
Government	800 0.5%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,400 3.4%
Manufacturing	1,100 1.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	6,900 2.6%
Information	1,100 4.7%
Financial Activities	5,600 5.0%
Professional & Business Services	12,200 5.8%
Education & Health Services	4,500 3.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	12,000 10.3%
Other Services	2,800 6.4%
Government	1,400 0.9%

## Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	300 3.3%
Manufacturing	300 0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-500 -1.2%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	-300 -0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	600 2.5%
Other Services	200 1.8%
Government	1,700 2.5%

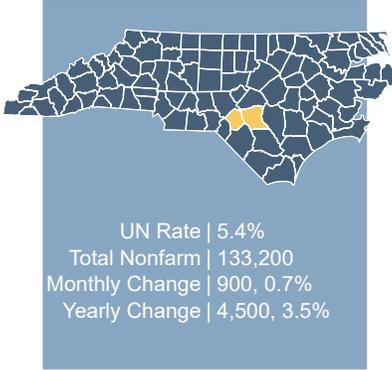
### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.1%
Manufacturing	1,000 2.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.2%
Information	700 12.1%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	3,400 7.1%
Education & Health Services	2,400 3.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,500 16.6%
Other Services	300 2.8%
Government	1,300 1.9%

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# North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

## Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.9%
Manufacturing	100 1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -1.2%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.8%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	800 4.9%
Other Services	100 2.3%
Government	200 0.5%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	400 8.0%
Manufacturing	700 8.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800 3.3%
Information	100 12.5%
Financial Activities	100 2.6%
Professional & Business Services	500 3.9%
Education & Health Services	200 1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,000 13.3%
Other Services	100 2.3%
Government	-400 -1.0%

## Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



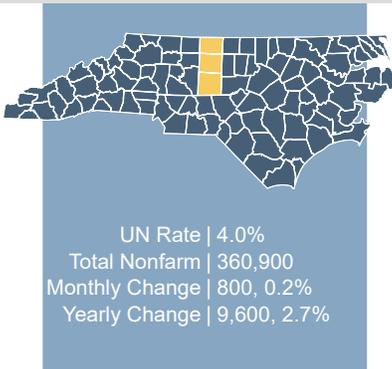
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

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 -3.4%

## Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



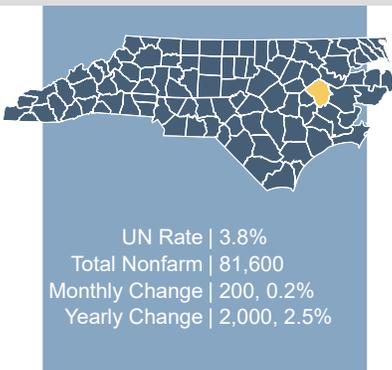
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	400 2.4%
Manufacturing	200 0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -0.2%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.2%
Education & Health Services	600 1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -0.3%
Other Services	100 0.8%
Government	-100 -0.2%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	400 2.4%
Manufacturing	1,500 3.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,500 1.9%
Information	-100 -2.3%
Financial Activities	-300 -1.7%
Professional & Business Services	1,500 3.2%
Education & Health Services	-400 -0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,700 8.8%
Other Services	200 1.7%
Government	2,600 6.1%

## Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.9%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -1.3%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	200 0.7%

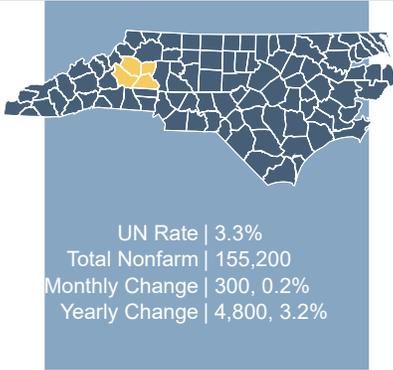
### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	400 6.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200 1.7%
Information	100 16.7%
Financial Activities	100 4.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 2.8%
Education & Health Services	-100 -1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	700 8.6%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	400 1.4%

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# North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

## Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



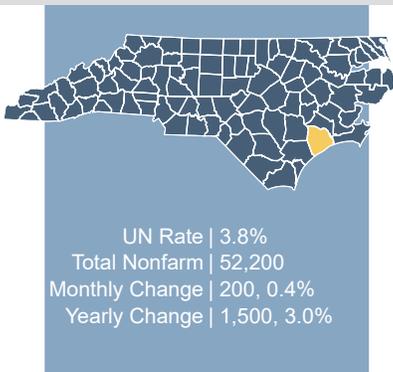
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.0%
Manufacturing	100 0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -1.0%
Information	100 14.3%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	100 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	200 0.9%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 4.0%
Manufacturing	2,300 5.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 1.3%
Information	200 33.3%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	600 4.3%
Education & Health Services	100 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	500 4.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	500 2.3%

## Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



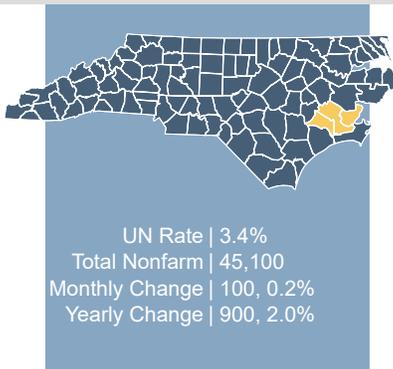
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

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%

## New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



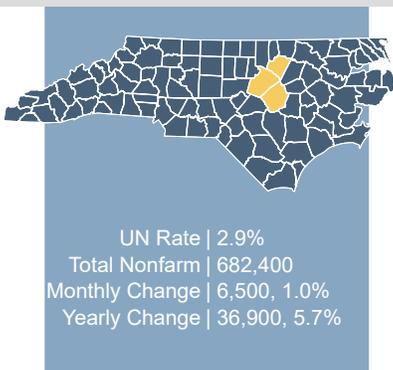
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

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 | March 2022



### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,300 2.9%
Manufacturing	400 1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 0.3%
Information	200 0.8%
Financial Activities	400 1.0%
Professional & Business Services	400 0.3%
Education & Health Services	1,400 1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	700 1.0%
Other Services	200 0.8%
Government	1,100 1.1%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,300 5.3%
Manufacturing	1,400 4.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	3,300 2.8%
Information	1,500 6.5%
Financial Activities	1,900 5.2%
Professional & Business Services	10,600 8.4%
Education & Health Services	3,400 4.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	9,800 16.6%
Other Services	1,000 3.9%
Government	1,700 1.7%

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# North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

## Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



UN Rate | 6.1%  
 Total Nonfarm | 54,000  
 Monthly Change | 400, 0.7%  
 Yearly Change | 100, 0.2%

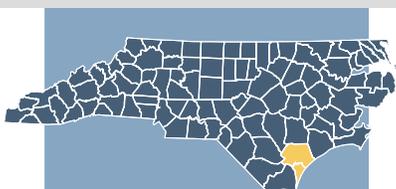
### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 4.0%
Manufacturing	100 1.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.9%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	*
Government	100 1.0%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 4.0%
Manufacturing	200 2.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-800 -6.7%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 6.3%
Other Services	*
Government	100 1.0%

## Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



UN Rate | 3.1%  
 Total Nonfarm | 137,300  
 Monthly Change | 700, 0.5%  
 Yearly Change | 5,500, 4.2%

### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	300 3.1%
Manufacturing	100 1.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -1.5%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.5%
Education & Health Services	-300 -1.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	700 3.6%
Other Services	100 1.7%
Government	300 1.6%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	400 4.1%
Manufacturing	300 5.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.4%
Information	200 8.0%
Financial Activities	300 4.8%
Professional & Business Services	900 5.1%
Education & Health Services	-600 -2.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,600 14.9%
Other Services	500 9.1%
Government	800 4.3%

## Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2022



UN Rate | 3.4%  
 Total Nonfarm | 272,500  
 Monthly Change | 2,900, 1.1%  
 Yearly Change | 6,700, 2.5%

### Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 1.7%
Manufacturing	200 0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 0.8%
Information	100 5.9%
Financial Activities	100 0.7%
Professional & Business Services	-400 -1.2%
Education & Health Services	1,300 2.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	600 2.2%
Other Services	100 1.1%
Government	300 1.0%

### Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 1.7%
Manufacturing	1,200 3.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 0.8%
Information	200 12.5%
Financial Activities	700 5.4%
Professional & Business Services	-1,600 -4.5%
Education & Health Services	1,200 2.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,900 11.8%
Other Services	400 4.8%
Government	1,100 3.7%

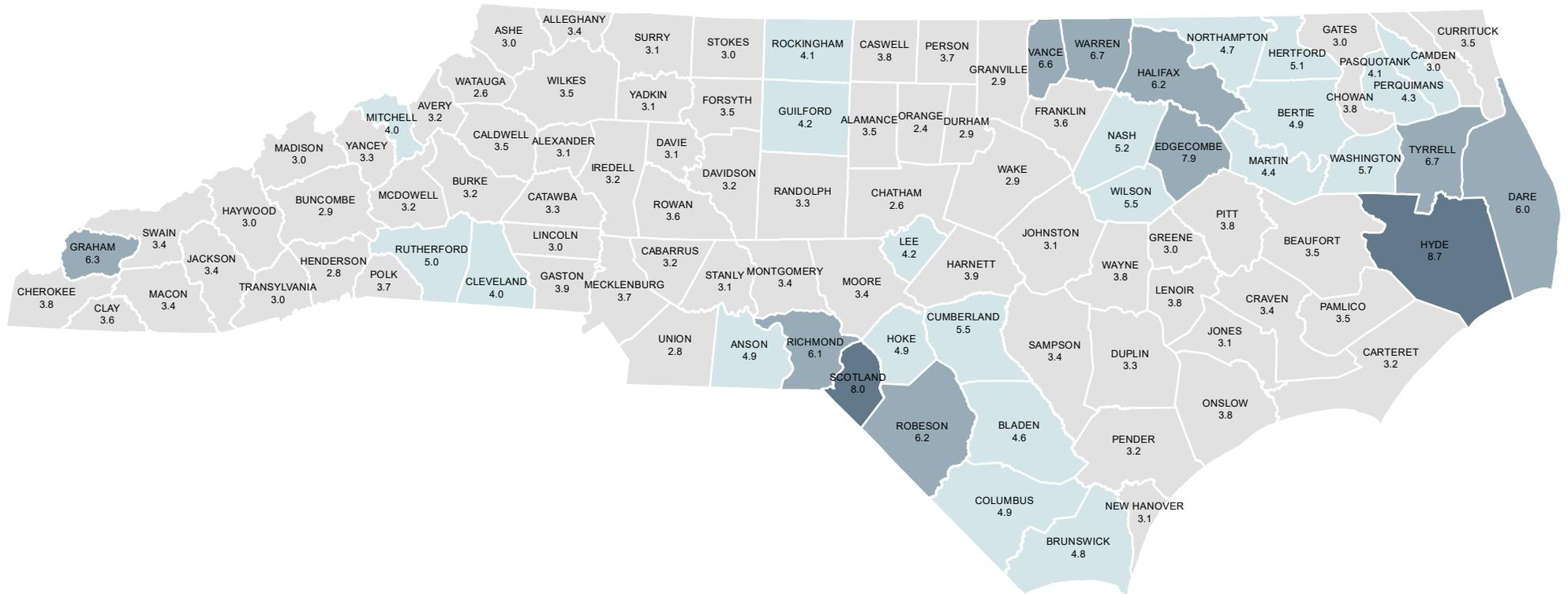
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Over the month, 14 of North Carolina's 15 MSAs experienced net job increase. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 10,500, followed by Raleigh, 6,500; Winston-Salem, 2,900; Asheville, 2,500; and Durham/Chapel Hill, 2,300. Asheville had the greatest percentage increase at 1.3%, followed by Winston-Salem at 1.1%; Raleigh, 1.0%; and Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 0.8%. 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.

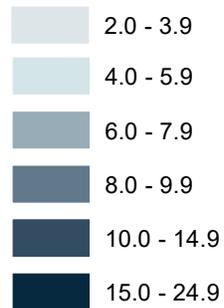
Over the year, employment increased in all of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 50,000, followed by Raleigh, 36,900; Durham/Chapel Hill, 12,600; Greensboro/High Point, 9,600; and Asheville, 9,300. Raleigh had the greatest percentage increase at 5.7%, followed by Asheville, 4.9%; Wilmington, 4.2%; and Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 4.1%.

# North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

## March 2022



### March 2022



- ^ 3 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- v 85 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
- = 12 Counties Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 3.6%  
Not Seasonally Adjusted

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