

LABOR MARKET OVERVIEW



Gaston Workforce Development Board

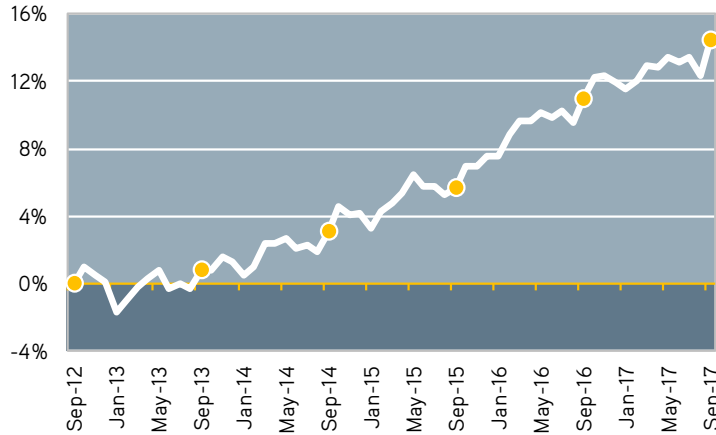
November 2017

Regional Labor Market Snapshot

5-Year Percent Change in Number Employed*

Gaston Region

Source: LAUS, Labor & Economic Analysis, NC Dept. of Commerce



Trending

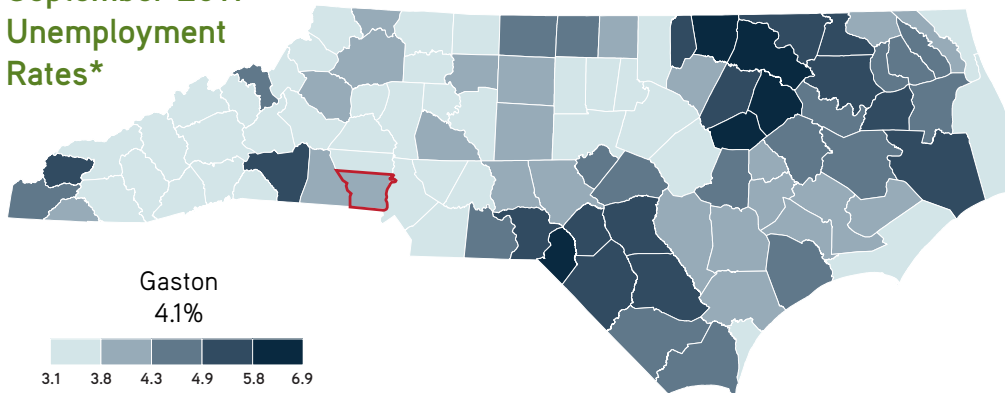
UNEMPLOYMENT*

September 2017

Gaston Total = 4,425

	Current	Previous
Region	4.1%	4.5%
NC	4.0%	4.5%
US	4.1%	4.5%

September 2017 Unemployment Rates*



REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT*

Gaston Total = 104,564

1,945 More People Working in September than previous month

3,175 More People Working than same period one year ago

METRO JOB GROWTH*

Charlotte Total = 1,182,700

4,600 More Jobs in September than previous month

24,700 More Jobs than same period one year ago

Who's Hiring

past 90 days from October 27, 2017

Gaston County Public Schools	384
Gaston Memorial Hospital	161
Lowe's	47
Gaston Family Health Services	45
Forward Air, Inc.	40
American & Efird	31
Carolinas HealthCare System	28
Target Corporation	26

What Jobs

past 90 days from October 27, 2017

Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	205
Registered Nurses	162
Retail Salespersons	132
First-Line Supervisors, Retail Sales	111
Maintenance & Repair Workers	64
Teacher Assistants	50
Bus Drivers, School or Special Client	49
Coaches & Scouts	49

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*September 2017 data are preliminary, previous month's data are revised while all other data have undergone annual revision. All data produced in this publication are generated by LEAD unless otherwise stated.

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TAXABLE RETAIL SALES

Gaston Total = \$168,546,325

4% Higher

than same period one year ago

Source: NC Dept. of Revenue
Note: September 2017 data most current available at time of release.

ONLINE JOB ADS

2,879 Online Advertised Vacancies over past 90 days

18 More Vacancies

than same period one year ago

Source: The Conference Board Help Wanted Online