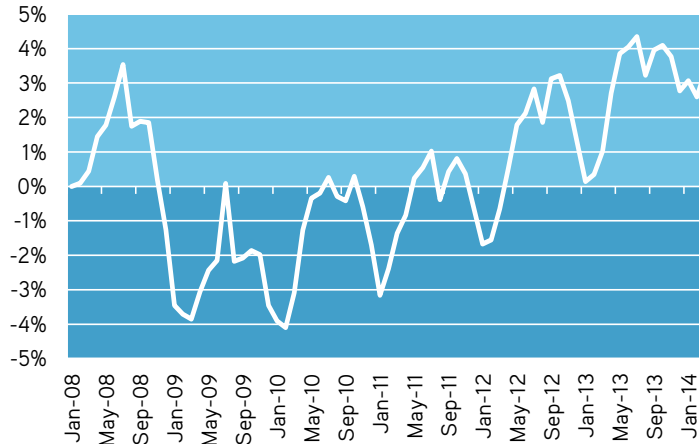


LABOR MARKET OVERVIEW

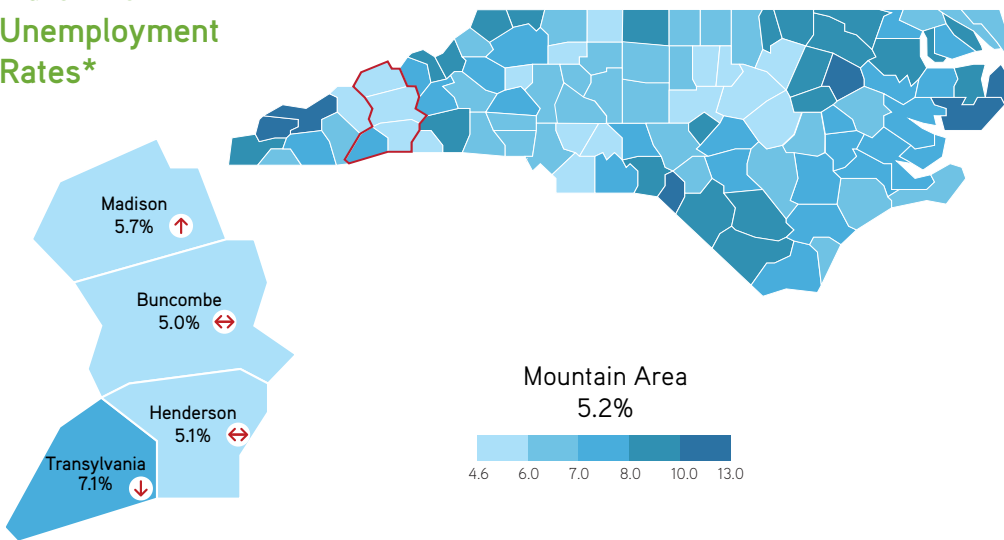
Regional Labor Market Snapshot

5-Year Percent Change in Employment*

Mountain Area Region



March 2014 Unemployment Rates*



Trending

UNEMPLOYMENT*

March 2014

Mountain Area Total = 10,374



Mountain Area 5.2%



North Carolina 6.6%



United States 6.8%

REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT*

Mountain Area Total = 189,871

1,431 More People Working in March than previous month

4,315 More People Working than same period 1 year ago

CLAIMS TAKING ACTIVITY

Initial Claims Total = 593

22% Decrease in Claims in March than previous month

Benefits Paid Total = \$1,510,098

2% Increase in Payments in March than previous month

Duration of Claims Down 3% to 17.6 in March vs. previous month

INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING BENEFITS

Mountain Area Total = 1,744

5% Decrease in Claimants in March than previous month

AVAILABLE JOBS

14,339 Jobs Posted Online over the past 90 days

850 More Job Openings than same period 1 year ago

Source: The Conference Board Help Wanted Online

Who's Hiring

past 90 days from April 23, 2014

• Mission Hospital	752
• Mission Health System	225
• Lowe's	148
• Omni Hotels	107
• SavaSeniorCare	95
• Department of Veterans Affairs	83
• Mission Health	83
• Carepartners	73

What Jobs

past 90 days from April 23, 2014

• Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	729
• Registered Nurses	514
• Retail Salespersons	473
• First-Line Supervisors, Retail Sales	392
• Customer Service Representatives	375
• First-Line Supervisors, Food Prep.	273
• Nursing Assistants	238
• Home Health Aides	237

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Civilian Labor Force Estimates*

		March 2014	February 2014	January 2014	March 2013
Buncombe	Labor Force	127,187	126,300	127,216	126,352
	Employment	120,873	120,017	120,616	117,979
	Unemployment	6,314	6,283	6,600	8,373
	Rate	5.0	5.0	5.2	6.6
Henderson	Labor Force	51,143	50,732	51,115	50,583
	Employment	48,510	48,166	48,407	47,349
	Unemployment	2,633	2,566	2,708	3,234
	Rate	5.1	5.1	5.3	6.4
Madison	Labor Force	9,890	9,807	9,880	9,822
	Employment	9,322	9,256	9,302	9,099
	Unemployment	568	551	578	723
	Rate	5.7	5.6	5.9	7.4
Transylvania	Labor Force	12,025	11,860	11,895	12,249
	Employment	11,166	11,001	10,985	11,129
	Unemployment	859	859	910	1,120
	Rate	7.1	7.2	7.7	9.1

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Initial Claims

	March 2014	March 2013
Buncombe	388	1,021
Henderson	141	361
Madison	34	120
Transylvania	30	102

Duration of Benefits

	March 2014	March 2013
Buncombe	17.7	16.6
Henderson	17.6	14.5
Madison	16.8	16.4
Transylvania	17.5	15.9

Individuals Receiving Benefits

	March 2014	March 2013
Buncombe	1,089	2,327
Henderson	429	888
Madison	87	218
Transylvania	139	300

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