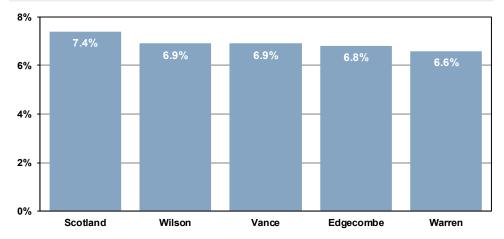
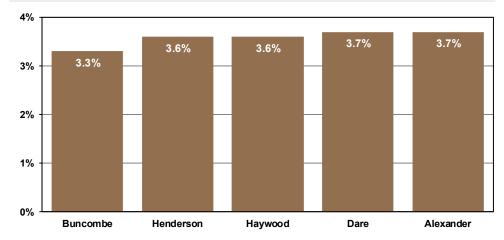


(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates July 2019*

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North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 4.4 percent in July. This remained unchanged from June's revised rate, and increased 0.3 of a percentage point over the year.

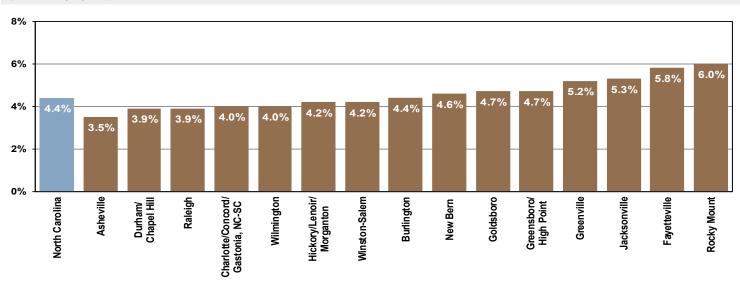
Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in 70 of North Carolina's 100 counties. Forty-nine counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 4.4 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded July's highest unemployment rate at 7.4 percent, followed by Wilson and Vance at 6.9 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 3.3 percent, followed by Henderson and Haywood at 3.6 percent, and Dare and Alexander at 3.7%.

Unemployment rates decreased in 12 of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in July at 6.0 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 5.8 percent, Jacksonville at 5.3 percent, and Greenville at 5.2 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 3.5 percent, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill and Raleigh at 3.9 percent.

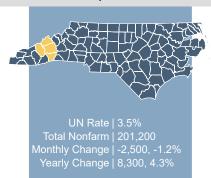
Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates July 2019*

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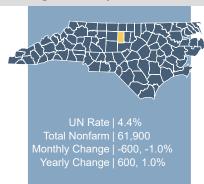
Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change Change Mining, Logging & Construction -100 -0.9% Manufacturing 200 0.9% Trade, Transportation & Utilities 100 0.3% Information 0.0% Financial Activities 100 1.5% Professional & Business Services 0.0% Education & Health Services -200 -0.5% Leisure & Hospitality 400 Other Services 100 1.1% -3,100 -12.6% Government

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	700	7.1%
Manufacturing	1,600	7.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,000	5.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	200	3.0%
Professional & Business Services	600	3.3%
Education & Health Services	2,900	7.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-0.7%
Other Services	300	3.5%
Government	200	0.9%

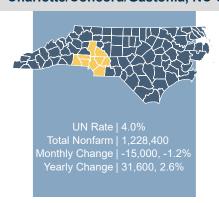
Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



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	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100	-1.9%
Education & Health Services	200	1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-900	-13.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	3.5%	
Manufacturing	100	1.1%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	0	0.0%	
Professional & Business Services	200	4.1%	
Education & Health Services	200	1.6%	
Leisure & Hospitality	200	2.4%	
Other Services	0	0.0%	
Government	-200	-3.3%	

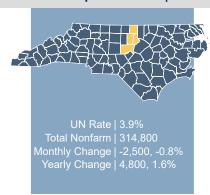
Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Chai	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-0.5%
Manufacturing	600	0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,700	0.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	800	0.8%
Professional & Business Services	-800	-0.4%
Education & Health Services	-600	-0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-0.1%
Other Services	700	1.6%
Government	-16,900	-11.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Chai	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	-3,100	-4.7%
Manufacturing	1,700	1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	6,500	2.7%
Information	600	2.0%
Financial Activities	3,400	3.6%
Professional & Business Services	9,600	4.6%
Education & Health Services	4,900	4.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	6,900	4.7%
Other Services	2,600	6.3%
Government	-1,500	-1.1%

Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019

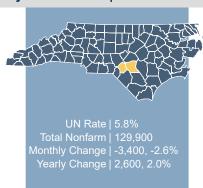


Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	0.5%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	0.7%
Professional & Business Services	300	0.7%
Education & Health Services	-800	-1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	0.7%
Other Services	100	0.9%
Government	-2,600	-3.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Chang	je	
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	2.3%
Manufacturing	200	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100	-0.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	300	2.0%
Professional & Business Services	800	1.8%
Education & Health Services	-2,200	-3.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,600	5.7%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	4,000	6.6%

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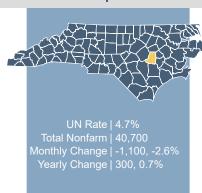
Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	1.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100	-0.8%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-3,600	-8.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Cha	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	3.5%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	1.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	2.6%
Professional & Business Services	900	8.0%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	1.2%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	900	2.5%

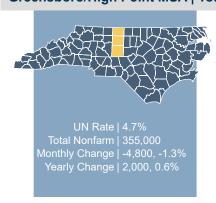
Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Cha	inge
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	-1,200	-12.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Char	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information		
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services		
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	200	2.5%

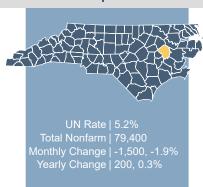
Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800	1.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-500	-1.1%
Education & Health Services	600	1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	400	1.1%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-6,200	-14.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	0.6%
Manufacturing	700	1.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	3,000	4.0%
Information	-100	-2.2%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-1,200	-2.5%
Education & Health Services	800	1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,400	-3.8%
Other Services	100	0.8%
Government	0	0.0%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019

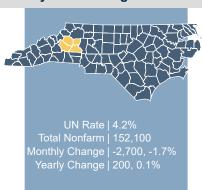


Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	2.7%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300	-2.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100	-1.4%
Education & Health Services	100	1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-1,300	-4.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	8.6%
Manufacturing	-100	-1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-300	-10.3%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	200	2.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-2.1%
Other Services	-100	-4.4%
Government	400	1.5%

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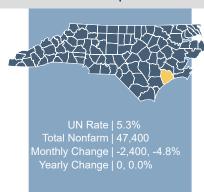
Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200	-0.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-2,500	-11.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	
Manufacturing	900	2.1%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.3%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	100	3.2%	
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	
Education & Health Services	100	0.5%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,200	-8.3%	
Other Services	100	2.2%	
Government	100	0.5%	

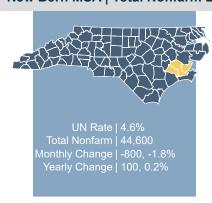
Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Cha	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	-2.600	-18.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Char	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information		
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services		
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality		
Other Services	*	
Government	100	0.9%

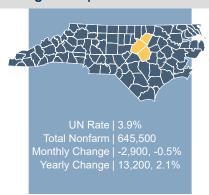
New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Char	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information		
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services		
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality		
Other Services	*	
Government	-800	-5.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Char	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information		
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services		
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality		
Other Services	*	
Government	100	0.8%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019

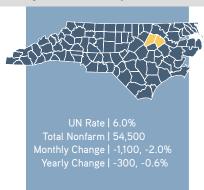


Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	400	1.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	600	0.5%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	500	1.5%
Professional & Business Services	400	0.3%
Education & Health Services	1,200	1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-900	-1.2%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-5,100	-5.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Chang	е	
Industry	Char	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	600	1.5%
Manufacturing	100	0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,700	2.4%
Information	500	2.3%
Financial Activities	500	1.5%
Professional & Business Services	900	0.7%
Education & Health Services	4,100	5.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,400	3.3%
Other Services	500	2.0%
Government	900	1.0%

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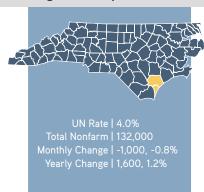
Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change Change Mining, Logging & Construction -3.7% <u>-10</u>0 -1.1% Manufacturing Trade, Transportation & Utilities 0.0% Information Financial Activities Professional & Business Services 0.0% Education & Health Services -100 -1.5% Leisure & Hospitality 0.0% Other Services -900 -8.7% Government

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	
Manufacturing	-600	-6.1%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	1.7%	
Information			
Financial Activities	*		
Professional & Business Services	500	10.2%	
Education & Health Services	100	1.5%	
Leisure & Hospitality	300	5.3%	
Other Services	*		
Government	0	0.0%	

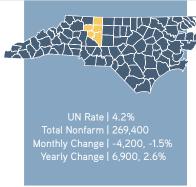
Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	
Manufacturing	0	0.0%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	0.8%	
Information	0	0.0%	
Financial Activities	100	1.6%	
Professional & Business Services	100	0.6%	
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-0.9%	
Other Services	0	0.0%	
Government	-1,200	-5.2%	

Over-the-Year Employment Change)		
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.1%	
Manufacturing	100	1.7%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400	1.6%	
Information	100	3.1%	
Financial Activities	100	1.6%	
Professional & Business Services	200	1.2%	
Education & Health Services	-500	-3.2%	
Leisure & Hospitality	1,300	6.0%	
Other Services	-200	-3.6%	
Government	200	0.9%	

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | July 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change				
Industry	Change			
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%		
Manufacturing	300	0.9%		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.2%		
Information	0	0.0%		
Financial Activities	-100	-0.8%		
Professional & Business Services	-500	-1.3%		
Education & Health Services	300	0.5%		
Leisure & Hospitality	200	0.7%		
Other Services	100	1.1%		
Government	-4,600	-14.9%		

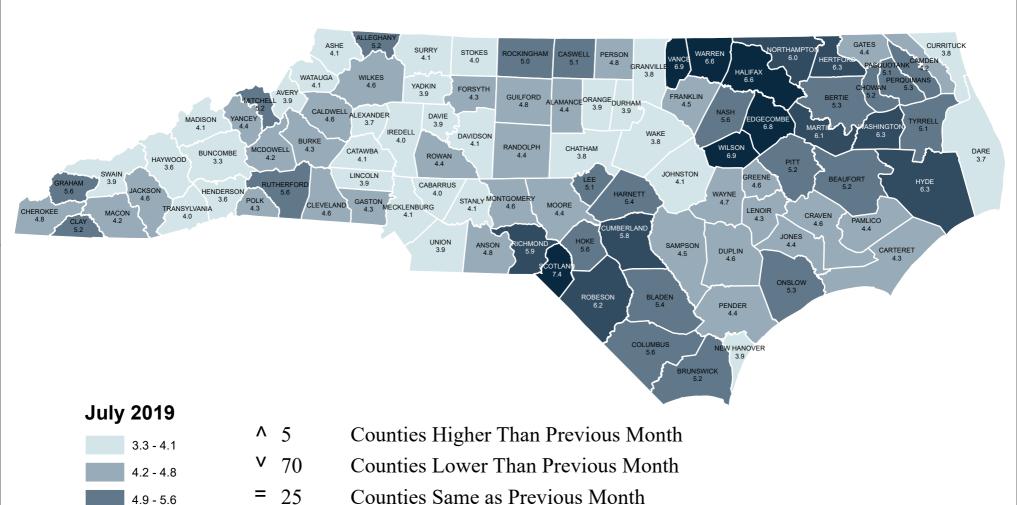
Over-the-Year Employment Change	•		
Industry	Cha	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	700	6.5%	
Manufacturing	800	2.5%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	900	1.9%	
Information	-100	-5.3%	
Financial Activities	-100	-0.8%	
Professional & Business Services	900	2.5%	
Education & Health Services	2,500	4.6%	
Leisure & Hospitality	1,500	5.1%	
Other Services	0	0.0%	
Government	-200	-0.8%	

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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 15,000, followed by Greensboro/High Point, 4,800; Winston-Salem, 4,200; Fayetteville, 3,400; and Raleigh, 2,900. Jacksonville experienced the greatest percentage decrease at 4.8 percent, followed by Goldsboro & Fayetteville, 2.6 percent; and Rocky Mount, 2.0 percent. 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 13 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 31,600, followed by Raleigh, 13,200; Asheville, 8,300; and Winston-Salem, 6,900. Asheville had the greatest percentage increase at 4.3 percent, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC & Winston-Salem, 2.6 percent; and Raleigh, 2.1 percent.

North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County July 2019



5.7 - 6.3

6.4 - 7.4

North Carolina Rate 4.4% Not Seasonally Adjusted