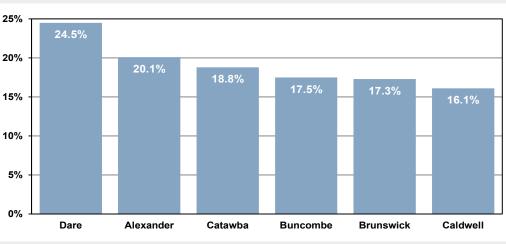
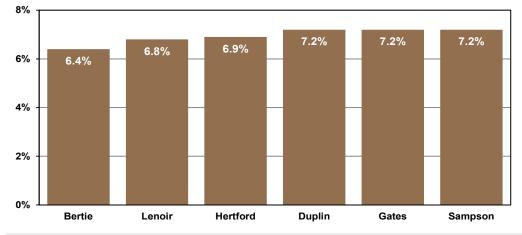
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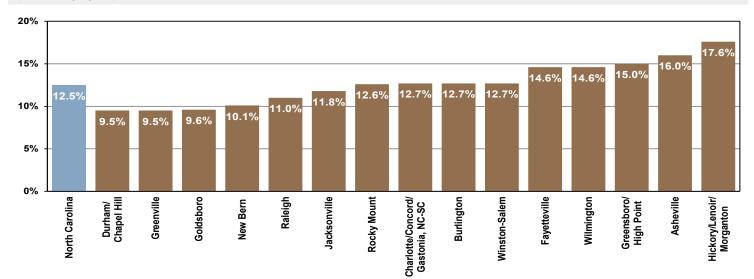
#### Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates April 2020\* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates April 2020\* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



#### Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates April 2020\* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 12.5 percent in April. This increased 8.2 percentage points from March's revised rate, and grew 9.0 percentage points over the year.

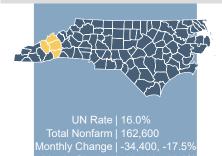
Over the month, the unemployment rate increased in all of North Carolina's 100 counties. Fifty-nine counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 12.5 percent rate.

Dare County recorded April's highest unemployment rate at 24.5 percent, followed by Alexander at 20.1 percent. Bertie had the lowest unemployment rate at 6.4 percent.

Unemployment rates increased in all of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Hickory/Lenoir/ Morganton MSA had the highest unemployment rate in April at 17.6 percent, followed by Asheville at 16.0 percent, and Greensboro/High Point at 15.0 percent. Durham/Chapel Hill and Greenville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 9.5 percent, followed by Goldsboro at 9.6 percent.

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#### Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



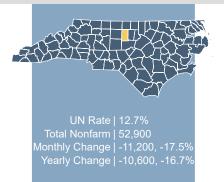
Over-the-Month Employment ChangeIndustryChangeMining, Logging & Construction-500-5.0%Manufacturing-1,600-7.4%Trade, Transportation & Utilities-3,500-9.6%Information-500-26.3%

# Information -500 -26.3% Financial Activities -300 -4.5% Professional & Business Services -900 -5.1% Education & Health Services -5,100 -13.6% Leisure & Hospitality -18,300 -62.7% Other Services -3,000 -31.9% Government -700 -2.6%

#### **Over-the-Year Employment Change**

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Industry	Cha	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	-600	-5.9%
Manufacturing	-1,800	-8.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-3,800	-10.4%
Information	-500	-26.3%
Financial Activities	-100	-1.5%
Professional & Business Services	-2,200	-11.7%
Education & Health Services	-5,700	-15.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-18,700	-63.2%
Other Services	-2,700	-29.7%
Government	-300	-1.1%

#### Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-9.1%
Manufacturing	-2,600	-28.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-600	-4.7%
Information	-100	-25.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-900	-17.7%
Education & Health Services	-1,300	-10.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-4,500	-51.7%
Other Services	-500	-22.7%
Government	-400	-5.5%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-9.1%
Manufacturing	-2,700	-29.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-900	-6.8%
Information	-100	-25.0%
Financial Activities	100	5.3%
Professional & Business Services	-900	-17.7%
Education & Health Services	-1,000	-7.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	-4,000	-48.8%
Other Services	-500	-22.7%

-300

-4.2%

Government

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

Leisure & Hospitality

Other Services

Government



UN Rate | 12.7% Total Nonfarm | 1,067,500 Ionthly Change | -171,300, -13.8% Yearly Change | -162,200, -13.2%

#### Industry Change -3,400 Mining, Logging & Construction -4.8% Manufacturing -10,700 -9.6% -21.800 -8.8% Trade, Transportation & Utilities -2,300 -9.4% Information **Financial Activities** -2,000 -1.9% -16,700 -8.0% Professional & Business Services **Education & Health Services** -20,500 -15.9%

-79,500 -57.3%

-7,600 -18.5%

-6,800 -4.3%

**Over-the-Month Employment Change** 

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-0.6%
Manufacturing	-9,700	-8.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-19,500	-7.9%
Information	-1,800	-7.5%
Financial Activities	3,200	3.2%
Professional & Business Services	-18,200	-8.6%
Education & Health Services	-20,200	-15.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	-82,500	-58.2%
Other Services	-8,500	-20.2%
Government	-4,600	-2.9%

### Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020

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	UN Rate   9.5%	
	Total Nonfarm   287,800	
	Monthly Change   -36,300, -11.2%	
	Yearly Change   -34,900, -10.8%	

Over-the-Month Employment Change

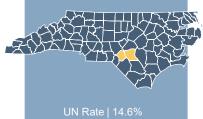
Change	
-500	-5.3%
-3,500	-12.5%
-3,700	-9.3%
-500	-10.0%
-500	-3.2%
-3,500	-7.7%
-5,100	-7.0%
-13,700	-51.5%
-2,800	-24.1%
-2,500	-3.6%
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#### **Over-the-Year Employment Change**

Industry	Cha	nge
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	-3,300	-11.8%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-2,600	-6.7%
Information	-200	-4.3%
Financial Activities	-200	-1.3%
Professional & Business Services	-2,700	-6.0%
Education & Health Services	-5,500	-7.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-15,800	-55.1%
Other Services	-2,600	-22.8%
Government	-2,000	-2.9%

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#### Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



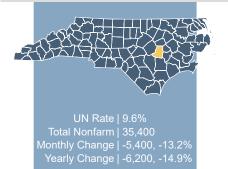
#### **Over-the-Month Employment Change**

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Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-6.9%	
Manufacturing	-800	-9.1%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-2,000	-8.7%	
Information	-100	-9.1%	
Financial Activities	-300	-7.7%	
Professional & Business Services	-1,200	-11.2%	
Education & Health Services	-2,300	-14.7%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-7,700	-46.7%	
Other Services	-1,300	-27.7%	
Government	-1,000	-2.5%	

#### **Over-the-Year Employment Change**

Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	-800	-12.9%	
Manufacturing	-600	-7.0%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-2,700	-11.4%	
Information	-100	-9.1%	
Financial Activities	-300	-7.7%	
Professional & Business Services	-1,800	-15.9%	
Education & Health Services	-2,400	-15.3%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-8,200	-48.2%	
Other Services	-1,200	-26.1%	
Government	-1,200	-2.9%	

#### Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Char	ige
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information		
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	-200	-2.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Char	ige
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing		
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information		
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services		
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	-200	-2.2%

#### Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



Total Nonfarm | 299,700 Monthly Change | -62,200, -17.2

#### **Over-the-Month Employment Change**

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-900	-5.7%
Manufacturing	-17,500	-33.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-5,300	-6.9%
Information	-300	-6.5%
Financial Activities	-500	-2.6%
Professional & Business Services	-7,200	-15.0%
Education & Health Services	-6,600	-12.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	-19,400	-54.3%
Other Services	-3,000	-24.2%
Government	-1,500	-3.4%

#### **Over-the-Year Employment Change** Industry Change Mining, Logging & Construction -1,000 -6.3% Manufacturing -18,300 -34.1% -5.400 -7.0% Trade, Transportation & Utilities Information -300 -6.5% **Financial Activities** 0.0% 0 Professional & Business Services -7,800 -16.0% **Education & Health Services** -7,600 -14.5% Leisure & Hospitality -21,800 -57.2% Other Services -3,000 -24.2% Government -1,900 -4.2%

#### Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020

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	Total Nonfarm   72,100	Ed
	Monthly Change   -9,300, -11.4%	Le
	Yearly Change   -9,600, -11.8%	Ot
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Over-the-Month Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-7.7%	
Manufacturing	-500	-7.7%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,000	-8.4%	
Information	-100	-14.3%	
Financial Activities	0	0.0%	
Professional & Business Services	-400	-6.6%	
Education & Health Services	-900	-9.8%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-4,800	-50.5%	
Other Services	-500	-22.7%	
Government	-800	-2.8%	

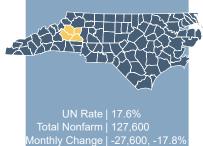
Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	
Manufacturing	-500	-7.7%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-700	-6.0%	
Information	-100	-14.3%	
Financial Activities	-100	-4.0%	
Professional & Business Services	-1,200	-17.4%	
Education & Health Services	-1,200	-12.6%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-5,100	-52.0%	
Other Services	-500	-22.7%	
Government	-200	-0.7%	

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#### Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



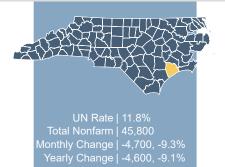
Industry Change Mining, Logging & Construction -300 -6.7% Manufacturing -10,700 -25.5% Trade, Transportation & Utilities -2,500 -8.4% 0.0% Information **Financial Activities** -200 -6.1% Professional & Business Services -1,600 -11.8% **Education & Health Services** -2,600 -13.5% -7,700 -54.2% Leisure & Hospitality Other Services -1,200 -26.1%

**Over-the-Month Employment Change** 

#### **Over-the-Year Employment Change**

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-8.7%
Manufacturing	-10,600	-25.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-2,400	-8.1%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-100	-3.1%
Professional & Business Services	-2,400	-16.7%
Education & Health Services	-2,700	-14.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-8,100	-55.5%
Other Services	-1,200	-26.1%
Government	-800	-3.5%

#### Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 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 0.7%

-800 -3.5%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Chan	ge	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*		
Manufacturing			
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*		
Information	*		
Financial Activities	*		
Professional & Business Services	*		
Education & Health Services	*		
Leisure & Hospitality	*		
Other Services	*		
Government	200	1.4%	

#### New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



Total Nonfarm | 41,500 Monthly Change | -3,300, -7.4%

#### 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	-400 -2.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change			
Industry	Chan	ige	
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 | April 2020

	Over-the-Month Employment Cha	ange
	Industry	(
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-2,4
	Manufacturing	-4,
	Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-10,7
	Information	-1,6
	Financial Activities	-1,3
UN Rate   11.0%	Professional & Business Services	-9,5
Total Nonfarm   556,900	Education & Health Services	-9,9
Monthly Change   -98,300, -15.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	-44,8
Yearly Change   -89,700, -13.9%	Other Services	-7,2
	Government	-6,8

#### **Over-the-Year Employment Change**

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Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,200	-3.0%
Manufacturing	-5,000	-13.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-9,800	-8.9%
Information	-1,300	-5.8%
Financial Activities	200	0.6%
Professional & Business Services	-4,600	-3.8%
Education & Health Services	-10,500	-12.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	-44,700	-61.4%
Other Services	-6,800	-26.5%
Government	-6,000	-6.0%

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-3.7%

#### Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



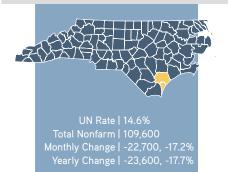
UN Rate | 12.6% Total Nonfarm | 49,800 Monthly Change | -5,800, -10.4% Yearly Change | -6,300, -11.2%

Over-the-Month Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-10.7%	
Manufacturing	-1,800	-19.8%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-600	-5.2%	
Information			
Financial Activities	*		
Professional & Business Services	-300	-6.3%	
Education & Health Services	-1,700	-25.0%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-2,900	-52.7%	
Other Services	*		
Government	-700	-6.4%	

#### Over-the-Year Employment Change

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Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-10.7%
Manufacturing	-2,200	-23.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-600	-5.2%
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	-400	-8.2%
Education & Health Services	-1,700	-25.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-3,200	-55.2%
Other Services	*	
Government	-600	-5.6%

#### Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change			
Industry	Change		
Mining, Logging & Construction	-700	-7.5%	
Manufacturing	-600	-10.3%	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,400	-5.6%	
Information	-200	-6.5%	
Financial Activities	-800	-12.5%	
Professional & Business Services	-1,300	-7.8%	
Education & Health Services	-2,100	-13.3%	
Leisure & Hospitality	-13,400	-68.0%	
Other Services	-1,500	-26.3%	
Government	-700	-2.8%	

Over-the-Year Employment Change					
Industry	Change				
Mining, Logging & Construction	-600	-6.5%			
Manufacturing	-800	-13.3%			
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-2,100	-8.1%			
Information	-300	-9.4%			
Financial Activities	-600	-9.7%			
Professional & Business Services	-1,200	-7.3%			
Education & Health Services	-2,100	-13.3%			
Leisure & Hospitality	-14,200	-69.3%			
Other Services	-1,300	-23.6%			
Government	-400	-1 6%			

#### Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2020

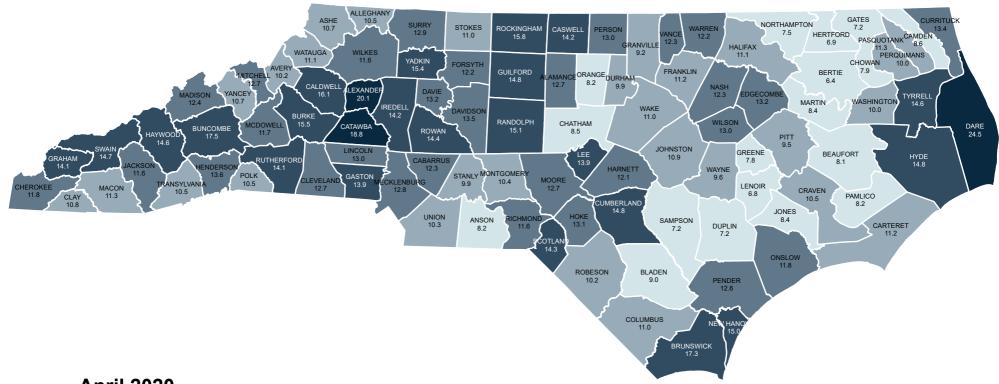
	Over-the-Month Employment Change		Over-the-Year Employment Change	
	Industry	Change	Industry	Change
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,300 -11.1%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-800 -7.1%
	Manufacturing	-3,000 -9.1%	Manufacturing	-3,300 -9.9%
	Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-4,200 -8.8%	Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-4,300 -9.0%
	Information	0 0.0%	Information	-100 -5.3%
UN Rate   12.7% Total Nonfarm   234,300 Monthly Change   -35,000, -13.0% Yearly Change   -38,000, -14.0%	Financial Activities	-400 -2.9%	Financial Activities	-200 -1.5%
	Professional & Business Services	-6,000 -16.5%	Professional & Business Services	-7,300 -19.4%
	Education & Health Services	-4,900 -8.8%	Education & Health Services	-5,500 -9.8%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-12,000 -42.9%	Leisure & Hospitality	-13,500 -45.8%
	Other Services	-2,200 -24.2%	Other Services	-1,900 -21.6%
	Government	-1,000 -3.1%	Government	-1,100 -3.4%

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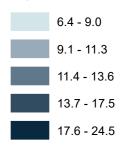
Over the month, net industry employment decreased in all of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment decrease with 171,300, followed by Raleigh, 98,300; Greensboro/High Point, 62,200; Durham/Chapel Hill, 36,300; Winston-Salem, 35,000; Asheville, 34,400; and Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton, 27,600. Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton had the greatest percentage decrease at 17.8 percent, followed by Asheville, 17.5%, Burlington, 17.5%, Greensboro/High Point, 17.2%, and Wilmington, 17.2%. 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 as well. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment decrease at 162,200, followed by Raleigh, 89,700; Greensboro/High Point, 67,100; and Winston-Salem; 38,000. Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton had the greatest percentage decrease at 18.4 percent, followed by Asheville, 18.3 percent; Greensboro/High Point, 18.3 percent; and Wilmington, 17.7 percent.

# North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County April 2020



## April 2020



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- ^ 100 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- V 0 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
  - 0 Counties Same as Previous Month

## North Carolina Rate12.5% Not Seasonally Adjusted