

LABOR MARKET OVERVIEW



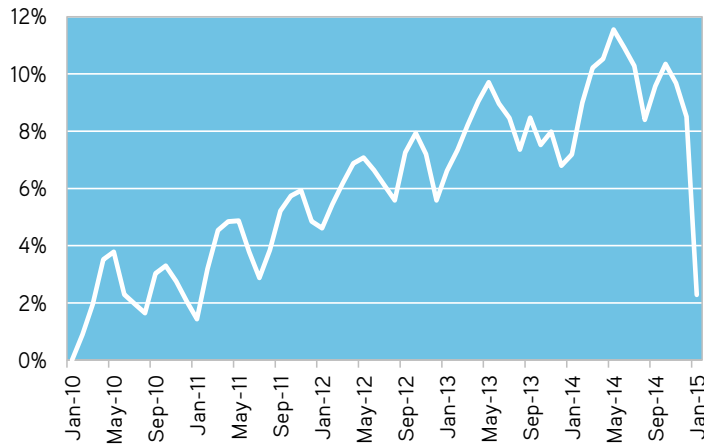
Region C Workforce Development Board

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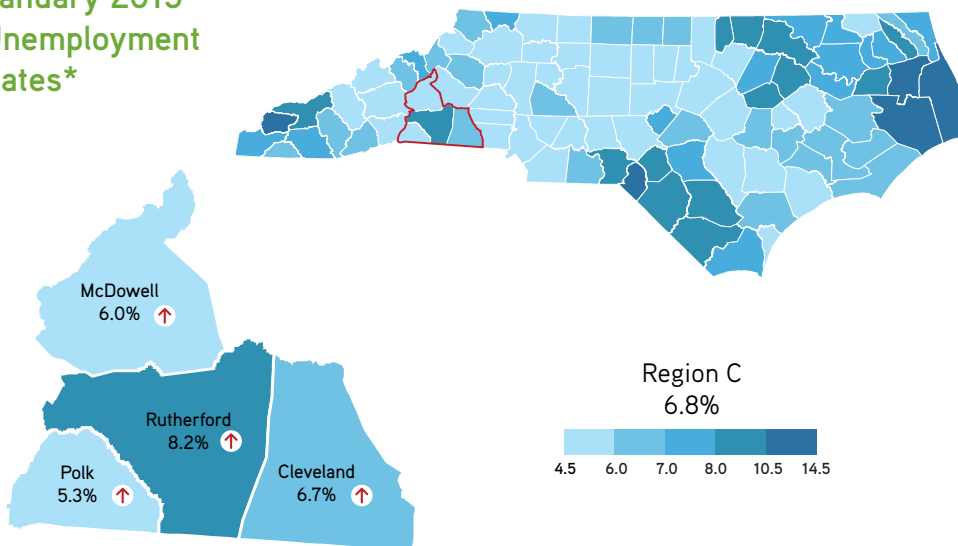
Regional Labor Market Snapshot

5-Year
Percent Change
in Employment*

Region C



January 2015
Unemployment
Rates*



Trending

UNEMPLOYMENT*

January 2015
Region C Total = 6,630

Region C	6.8%
North Carolina	5.9%
United States	6.1%

REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT*

Region C Total = 91,303

5,556 Fewer People Working
in January than previous month

4,378 Fewer People Working
than same period one year ago

CLAIMS-TAKING ACTIVITY

Initial Claims Total = 660

9% Decrease in Claims
in January over previous month

Benefits Paid Total = \$584,491

3% Decrease in Claims
in January over previous month

Duration of Claims Down 2% to 12.8
in January over previous month

**INDIVIDUALS RECEIVING
BENEFITS**

Region C Total = 879

14% Increase in Claimants
in January over previous month

AVAILABLE JOBS

2,096 Jobs Posted Online
over past 90 days

339 More Job Openings
than same period one year ago

Source: The Conference Board Help Wanted Online

Community Investment Report Top Announced Projects 2014 Annual Data

County	Company	Announced Jobs
Rutherford	Ameridial, Inc.	100
Rutherford	Team Air, Inc.	70
Rutherford	Bonita Packaging Products, Inc	50
Cleveland	Kings Mountain Energy Center	30
McDowell	XO Steel	30
Cleveland	Sugar Hill Custom Upholstery	25
Rutherford	Alliance Precision Plastics Inc.	18
Rutherford	Family Preservation Services of NC, Inc.	13
Cleveland	Cleveland Yutaka Corporation	10

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Civilian Labor Force Estimates*

		January 2015	December 2014	November 2014	January 2014
Cleveland	Labor Force	44,890	48,451	49,223	49,371
	Employed	41,883	45,832	46,360	45,672
	Unemployed	3,007	2,619	2,863	3,699
	Rate	6.7	5.4	5.8	7.5
McDowell	Labor Force	20,439	19,598	19,811	19,626
	Employed	19,212	18,537	18,673	18,089
	Unemployed	1,227	1,061	1,138	1,537
	Rate	6.0	5.4	5.7	7.8
Polk	Labor Force	8,344	9,091	9,209	9,495
	Employed	7,903	8,740	8,839	9,035
	Unemployed	441	351	370	460
	Rate	5.3	3.9	4.0	4.8
Rutherford	Labor Force	24,360	25,507	25,842	25,283
	Employed	22,361	23,750	24,034	22,885
	Unemployed	1,999	1,757	1,808	2,398
	Rate	8.2	6.9	7.0	9.5

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Initial Claims

	January 2015	January 2014
Cleveland	321	376
McDowell	127	156
Polk	24	27
Rutherford	188	271

Duration of Benefits

	January 2015	January 2014
Cleveland	13.0	16.9
McDowell	13.8	14.9
Polk	13.8	17.2
Rutherford	12.0	16.9

Individuals Receiving Benefits

	January 2015	January 2014
Cleveland	419	696
McDowell	140	275
Polk	29	54
Rutherford	291	401

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