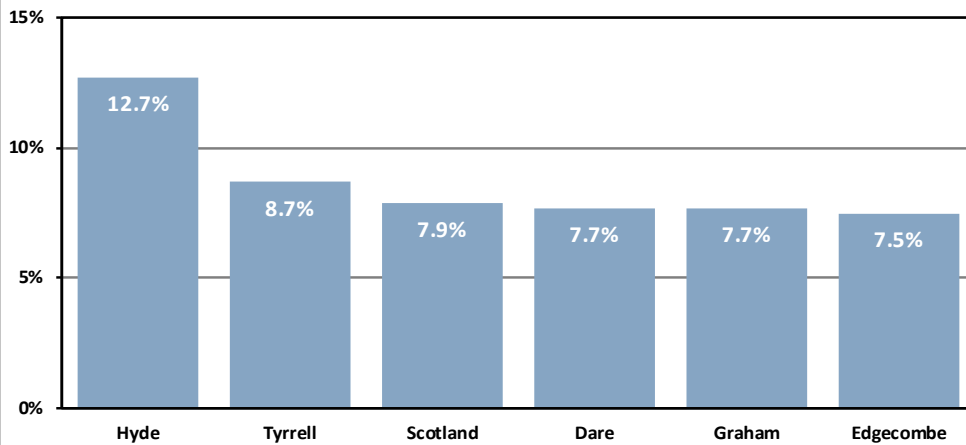
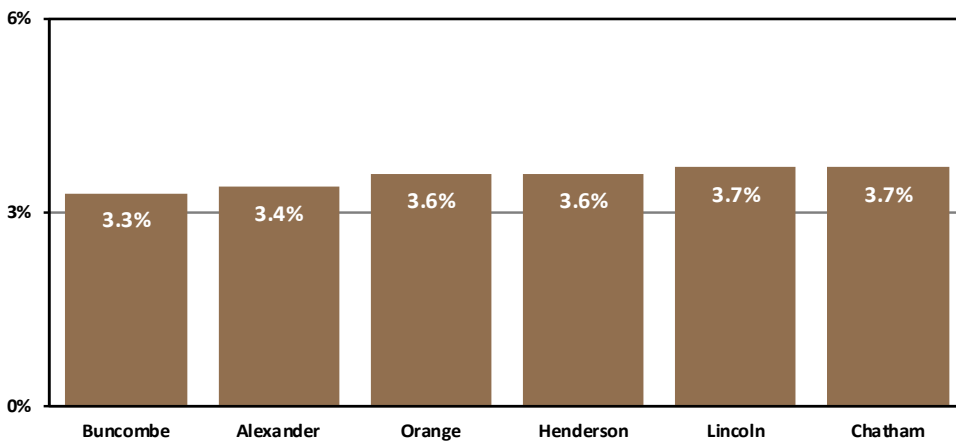


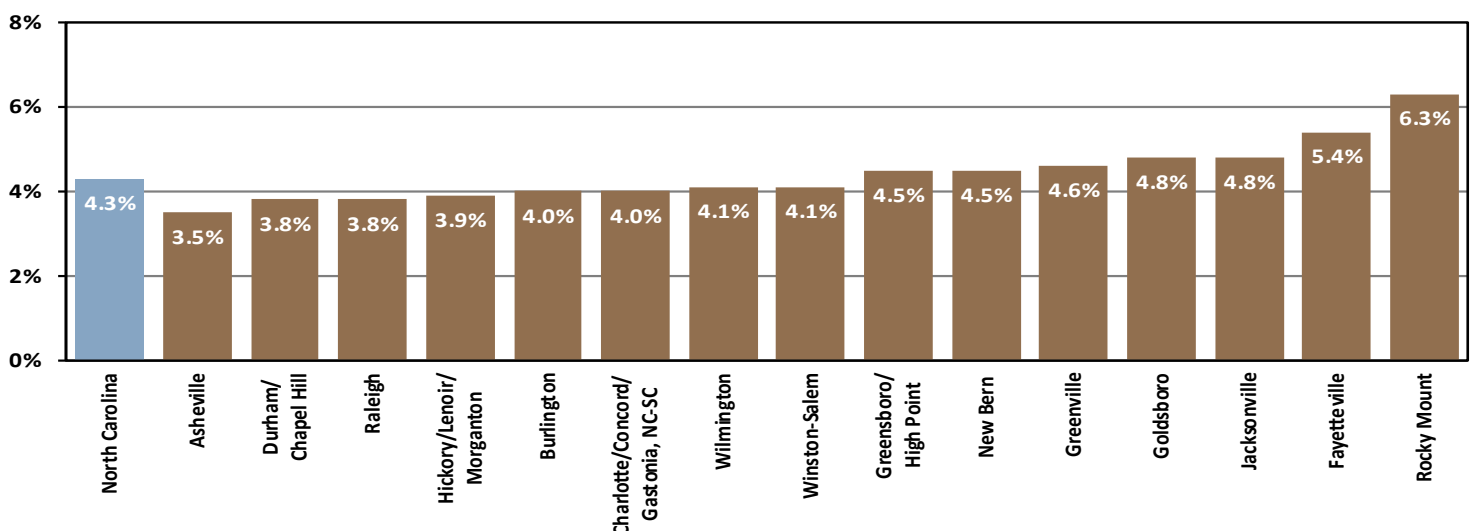
Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates March 2018* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates March 2018* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates March 2018* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 4.3 percent in March. This decreased 0.3 of a percentage point from February's revised rate, while falling 0.2 of a percentage point over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in all 100 counties. Forty-two counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 4.3 percent rate.

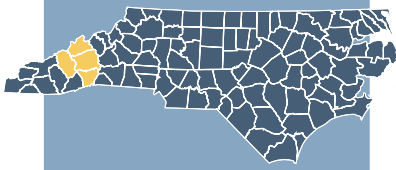
Hyde County recorded March's highest unemployment rate at 12.7 percent, followed by Tyrrell at 8.7 percent, Scotland at 7.9 percent, and Dare & Graham at 7.7 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 3.3 percent, followed by Alexander at 3.4 percent, and Orange & Henderson at 3.6 percent.

Unemployment rates decreased in all of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in March at 6.3 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 5.4 percent, and Goldsboro & Jacksonville at 4.8 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 3.5 percent, followed by Raleigh & Durham/Chapel Hill at 3.8 percent.

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Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

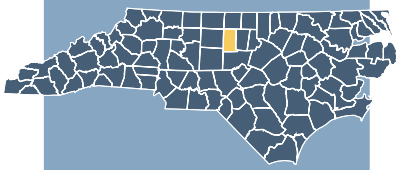


UN Rate | 3.5%
 Total Nonfarm | 191,800
 Monthly Change | (1,000) 0.5%
 Yearly Change | (3,200) 1.7%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.2%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	0.8%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	-300	-0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	700	2.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	3.6%
Manufacturing	600	2.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	600	1.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	1.6%
Professional & Business Services	600	3.5%
Education & Health Services	300	0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	0.7%
Other Services	100	1.3%
Government	400	1.5%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

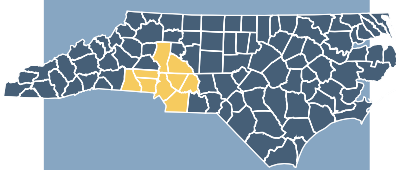


UN Rate | 4.0%
 Total Nonfarm | 61,500
 Monthly Change | (400) 0.7%
 Yearly Change | (100) 0.2%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	3.9%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100	2.0%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	1.3%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	100	1.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	-100	-20.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200	4.1%
Education & Health Services	-100	-0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	100	5.0%
Government	0	0.0%

Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

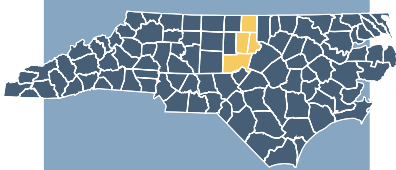


UN Rate | 4.0%
 Total Nonfarm | 1,202,400
 Monthly Change | (11,800) 1.0%
 Yearly Change | (34,800) 3.0%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	800	1.3%
Manufacturing	100	0.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,900	1.2%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-100	-0.1%
Professional & Business Services	2,400	1.2%
Education & Health Services	900	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,500	2.6%
Other Services	400	1.0%
Government	900	0.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,000	3.3%
Manufacturing	600	0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	6,900	2.9%
Information	700	2.5%
Financial Activities	2,400	2.7%
Professional & Business Services	1,900	1.0%
Education & Health Services	4,900	4.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	5,500	4.2%
Other Services	1,700	4.3%
Government	8,200	5.3%

Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018



UN Rate | 3.8%
 Total Nonfarm | 313,700
 Monthly Change | (3,000) 1.0%
 Yearly Change | (5,300) 1.7%

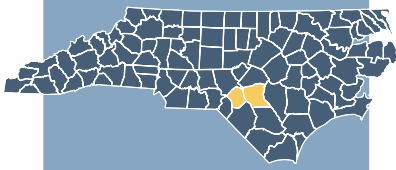
Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.3%
Manufacturing	100	0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	700	1.9%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	300	0.7%
Education & Health Services	500	0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,200	4.4%
Other Services	100	0.9%
Government	0	0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.3%
Manufacturing	100	0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,800	5.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	0.7%
Professional & Business Services	500	1.2%
Education & Health Services	-900	-1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,600	5.9%
Other Services	100	0.9%
Government	1,900	2.8%

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Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

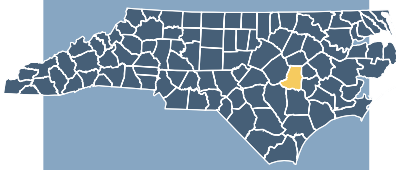


UN Rate | 5.4%
 Total Nonfarm | 130,700
 Monthly Change | (1,200) 0.9%
 Yearly Change | (600) 0.5%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	1.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	700	3.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	2.6%
Professional & Business Services	-200	-1.6%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	1.3%
Other Services	100	2.2%
Government	200	0.5%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	4.4%
Manufacturing	100	1.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	0.9%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	2.6%
Professional & Business Services	-400	-3.2%
Education & Health Services	-100	-0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-0.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	600	1.5%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

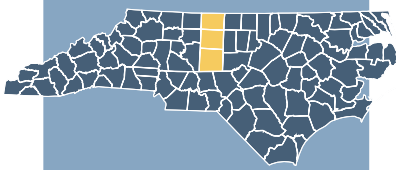


UN Rate | 4.8%
 Total Nonfarm | 41,600
 Monthly Change | (100) 0.2%
 Yearly Change | (-200) -0.5%

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	0.0%

Over-the-Year 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	0.0%

Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

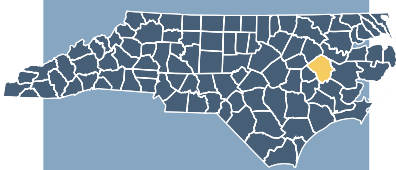


UN Rate | 4.5%
 Total Nonfarm | 360,400
 Monthly Change | (900) 0.3%
 Yearly Change | (2,900) 0.8%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	2.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	-500	-1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	900	2.6%
Other Services	100	0.8%
Government	100	0.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	2.0%
Manufacturing	100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,000	2.8%
Information	-100	-2.1%
Financial Activities	-300	-1.7%
Professional & Business Services	1,800	3.7%
Education & Health Services	-900	-1.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	-300	-0.9%
Other Services	-100	-0.8%
Government	400	0.9%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018



UN Rate | 4.6%
 Total Nonfarm | 80,400
 Monthly Change | (600) 0.8%
 Yearly Change | (800) 1.0%

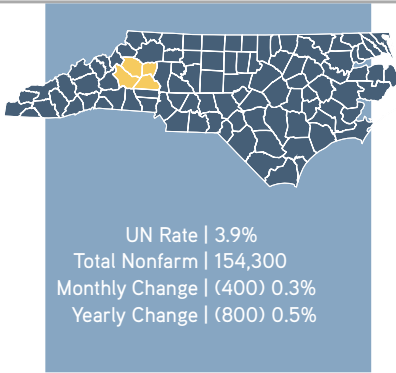
Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	3.2%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.9%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	100	1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	1.1%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	6.7%
Manufacturing	200	3.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300	2.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100	1.5%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-2.1%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.7%

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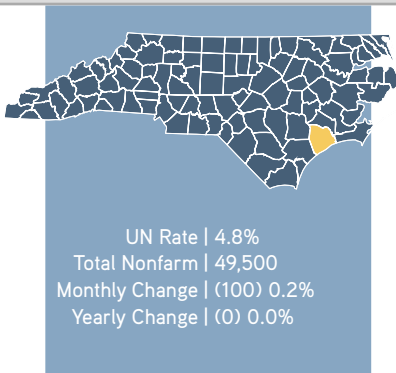
Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018



Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-300	-2.0%
Education & Health Services	100	0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	1.5%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	7.9%
Manufacturing	300	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	900	3.1%
Information	-100	-11.1%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-200	-1.4%
Education & Health Services	200	1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-500	-3.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-100	-0.4%

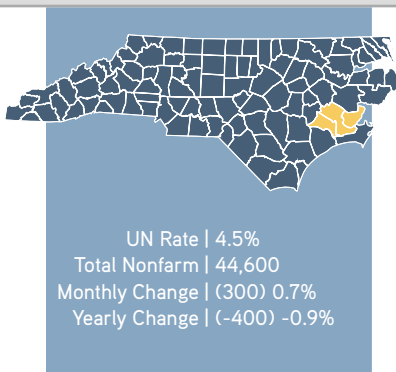
Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018



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	-100	-0.7%

Over-the-Year 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	100	0.7%

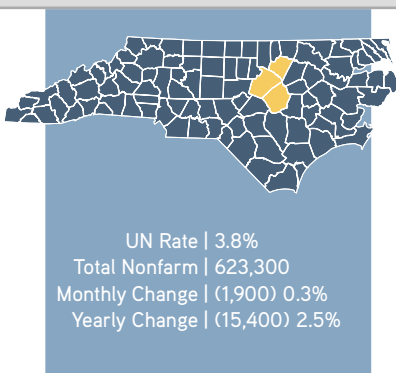
New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018



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	100	0.7%

Over-the-Year 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	0.0%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018



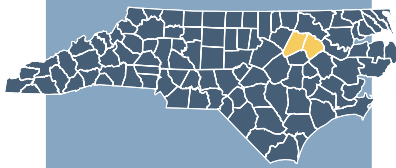
Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	0.8%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	600	0.5%
Information	100	0.4%
Financial Activities	-300	-0.9%
Professional & Business Services	-400	-0.3%
Education & Health Services	500	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	900	1.3%
Other Services	300	1.3%
Government	-100	-0.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,700	7.3%
Manufacturing	400	1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	3,300	3.1%
Information	1,200	5.6%
Financial Activities	1,300	4.2%
Professional & Business Services	5,100	4.6%
Education & Health Services	200	0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	1,200	1.2%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

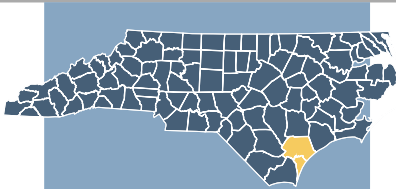


UN Rate | 6.3%
 Total Nonfarm | 55,600
 Monthly Change | (100) 0.2%
 Yearly Change | (-900) -1.6%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	-300	-3.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	1.7%
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	1.9%
Other Services	*	
Government	100	0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	-200	-2.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	500	4.4%
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	-300	-5.9%
Education & Health Services	-100	-1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-300	-5.2%
Other Services	*	
Government	-100	-0.9%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018

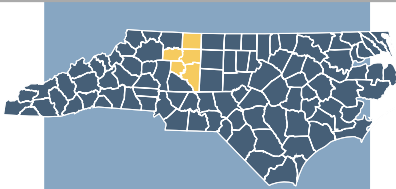


UN Rate | 4.1%
 Total Nonfarm | 125,700
 Monthly Change | (1,500) 1.2%
 Yearly Change | (1,600) 1.3%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	1.7%
Professional & Business Services	200	1.3%
Education & Health Services	100	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,000	5.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	100	0.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.4%
Manufacturing	-300	-5.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	700	2.9%
Information	-200	-6.3%
Financial Activities	300	5.3%
Professional & Business Services	300	1.9%
Education & Health Services	200	1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	100	2.0%
Government	400	1.7%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | March 2018



UN Rate | 4.1%
 Total Nonfarm | 264,700
 Monthly Change | (500) 0.2%
 Yearly Change | (2,000) 0.8%

Over-the-Month Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.0%
Manufacturing	-500	-1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	0.8%
Professional & Business Services	200	0.6%
Education & Health Services	100	0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.4%
Other Services	100	1.2%
Government	300	0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change		
Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	1.9%
Manufacturing	-300	-0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200	-0.4%
Information	-100	-5.6%
Financial Activities	300	2.3%
Professional & Business Services	-1,000	-2.8%
Education & Health Services	2,100	4.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	800	2.9%
Other Services	200	2.4%
Government	0	0.0%

Note: All data are Not Seasonally Adjusted. All March 2018 data are preliminary.

Over the month, net industry employment increased in all 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 11,800, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill, 3,000; Raleigh, 1,900; Wilmington, 1,500; and Fayetteville, 1,200. Wilmington experienced the greatest percentage increase at 1.2 percent, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC & Durham/Chapel Hill, 1.0 percent; and Fayetteville, 0.9 of a percentage point. 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 11 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 34,800, followed by Raleigh, 15,400; Durham/Chapel Hill, 5,300; Asheville, 3,200 and Greensboro/High Point, 2,900. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the greatest percentage increase at 3.0 percent, followed by Raleigh, 2.5 percent; and Durham/Chapel Hill & Asheville, 1.7 percent.

