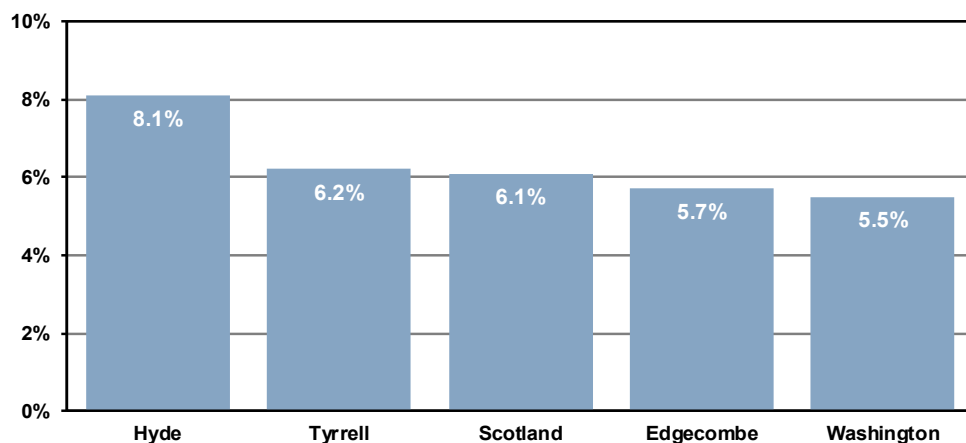


Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates

April 2019*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 3.6 percent in April. This decreased 0.5 of a percentage point from March's revised rate, and remained unchanged over the year.

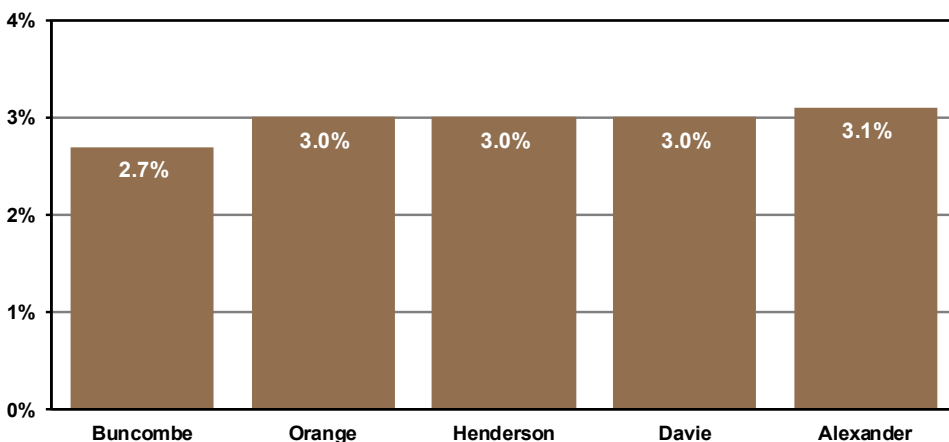
Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in all of North Carolina's 100 counties. Forty-eight counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 3.6 percent rate.

Hyde County recorded April's highest unemployment rate at 8.1 percent, followed by Tyrrell at 6.2 percent, Scotland at 6.1 percent, and Edgecombe at 5.7 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 2.7 percent, followed by Orange, Henderson & Davie at 3.0 percent.

Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates

April 2019*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

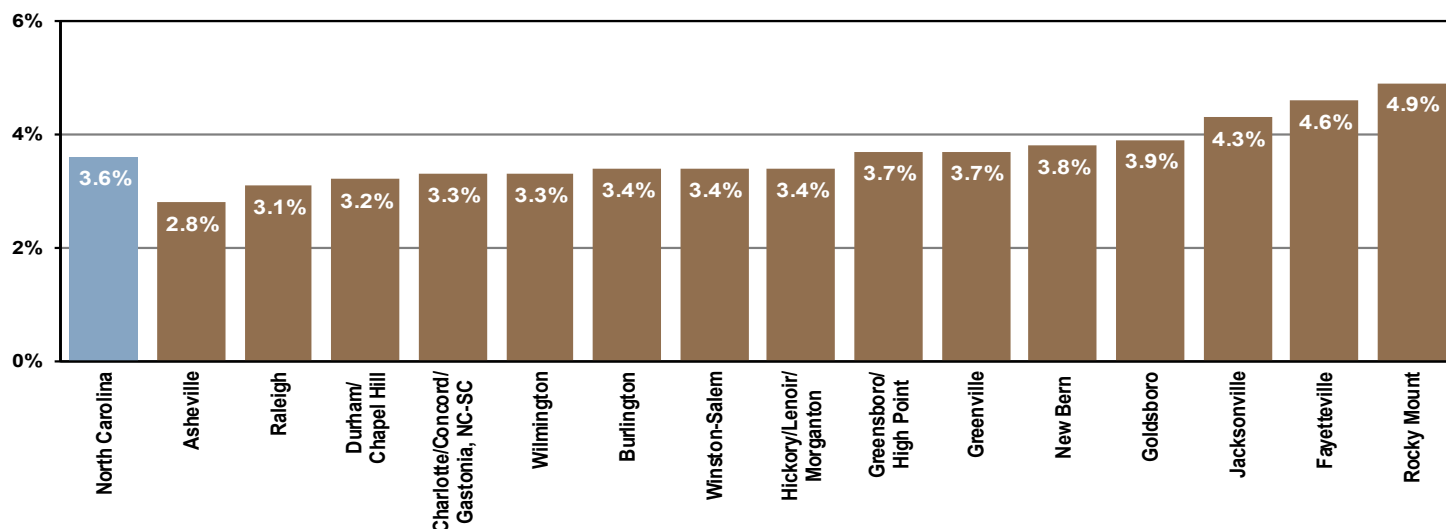


Unemployment rates decreased in all of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in April at 4.9 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 4.6 percent, Jacksonville at 4.3 percent, and Goldsboro at 3.9 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 2.8 percent, followed by Raleigh at 3.1 percent.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates

April 2019*

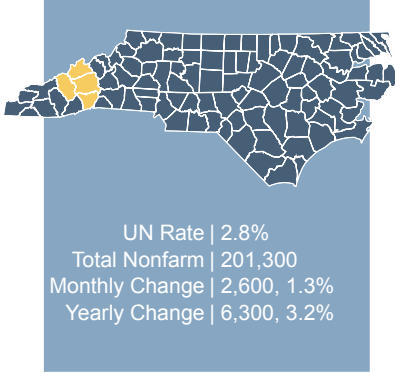
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Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



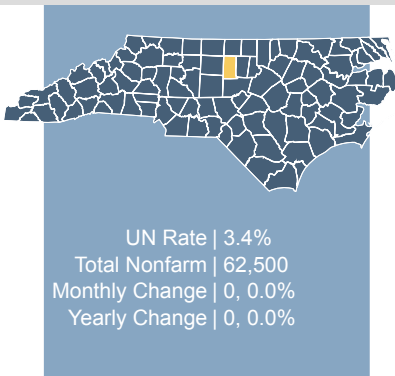
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 2.0%
Manufacturing	100 0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 1.1%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	400 2.2%
Education & Health Services	100 0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,400 5.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	0 0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,000 10.8%
Manufacturing	1,600 7.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	900 2.5%
Information	100 5.3%
Financial Activities	100 1.5%
Professional & Business Services	800 4.4%
Education & Health Services	1,000 2.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	400 1.4%
Other Services	300 3.6%
Government	100 0.4%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



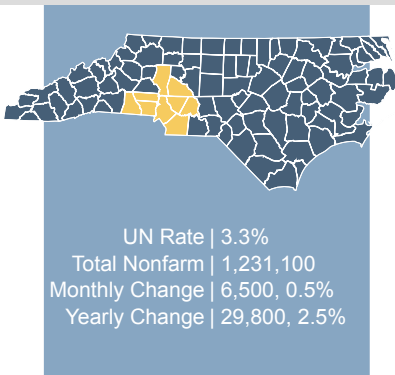
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.6%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 5.6%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -1.9%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.2%
Other Services	-100 -4.8%
Government	0 0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -3.1%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100 2.0%
Education & Health Services	300 2.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.2%
Other Services	-100 -4.8%
Government	0 0.0%

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



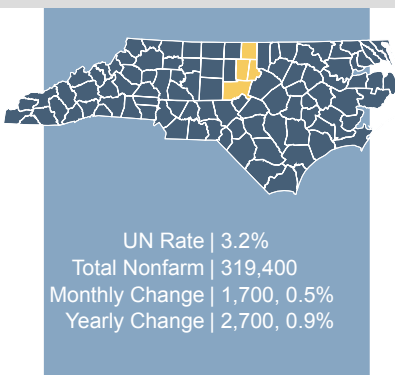
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-900 -1.4%
Manufacturing	-600 -0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	700 0.3%
Information	-100 -0.3%
Financial Activities	-500 -0.5%
Professional & Business Services	5,300 2.5%
Education & Health Services	1,300 1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,500 1.1%
Other Services	-500 -1.2%
Government	300 0.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-2,600 -4.1%
Manufacturing	2,700 2.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	5,500 2.3%
Information	800 2.8%
Financial Activities	1,500 1.6%
Professional & Business Services	11,900 5.8%
Education & Health Services	5,200 4.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	4,900 3.5%
Other Services	1,600 3.9%
Government	-1,700 -1.1%

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



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.2%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-400 -0.9%
Education & Health Services	700 1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,100 3.9%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	100 0.2%

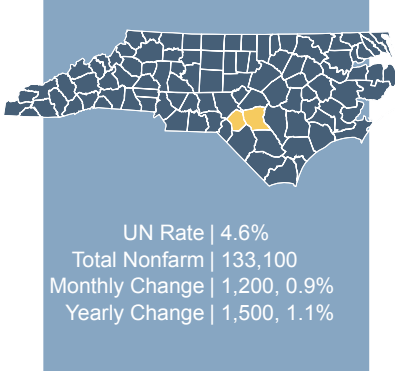
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 2.3%
Manufacturing	300 1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -0.5%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -0.7%
Professional & Business Services	1,900 4.3%
Education & Health Services	-200 -0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,300 4.6%
Other Services	-300 -2.7%
Government	-200 -0.3%

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Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



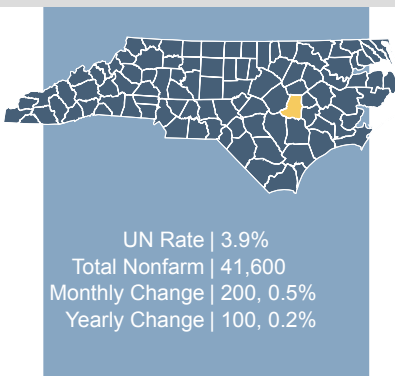
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200 0.9%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.7%
Education & Health Services	100 0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	400 2.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	300 0.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	500 9.4%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.4%
Information	-100 -8.3%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.7%
Education & Health Services	-400 -2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	600 3.6%
Other Services	-100 -2.2%
Government	900 2.2%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



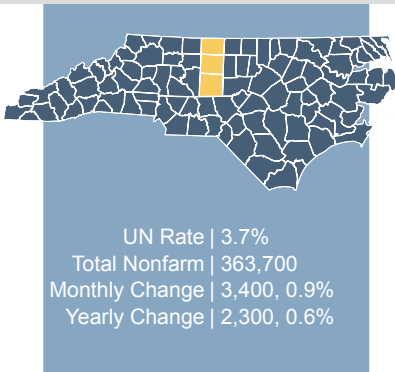
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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	100 1.1%

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



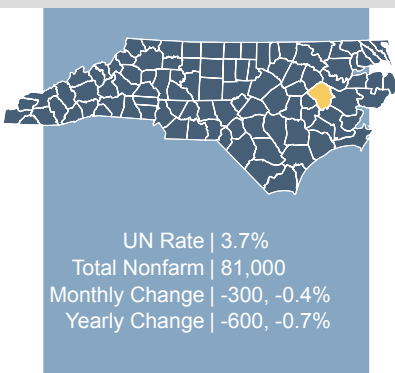
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 0.6%
Manufacturing	100 0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,200 1.6%
Information	-100 -2.2%
Financial Activities	-200 -1.1%
Professional & Business Services	1,400 3.0%
Education & Health Services	200 0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 0.6%
Other Services	100 0.8%
Government	400 0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 1.3%
Manufacturing	-200 -0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,400 3.2%
Information	-200 -4.4%
Financial Activities	100 0.6%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	300 0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-400 -1.1%
Other Services	100 0.8%
Government	0 0.0%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -3.7%
Professional & Business Services	100 1.5%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.1%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-300 -1.1%

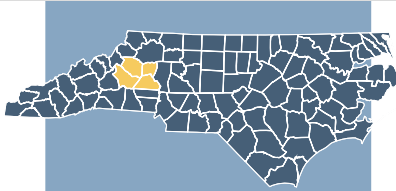
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	300 9.1%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -1.7%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-400 -13.3%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	-300 -3.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-300 -3.1%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	400 1.4%

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



UN Rate | 3.4%
 Total Nonfarm | 155,900
 Monthly Change | 900, 0.6%
 Yearly Change | 1,500, 1.0%

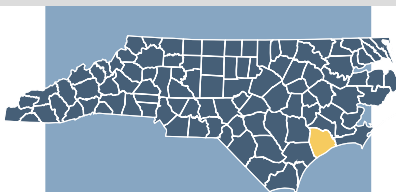
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.3%
Manufacturing	-100 -0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	500 1.7%
Information	-100 -11.1%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	300 2.2%
Education & Health Services	100 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	100 0.4%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 4.8%
Manufacturing	1,000 2.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 1.0%
Information	-100 -11.1%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	200 1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -1.4%
Other Services	100 2.2%
Government	0 0.0%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



UN Rate | 4.3%
 Total Nonfarm | 49,900
 Monthly Change | 300, 0.6%
 Yearly Change | -300, -0.6%

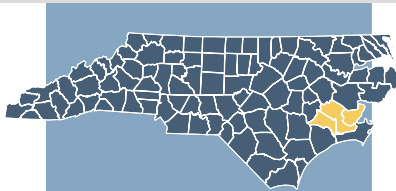
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



UN Rate | 3.8%
 Total Nonfarm | 44,900
 Monthly Change | 300, 0.7%
 Yearly Change | 200, 0.5%

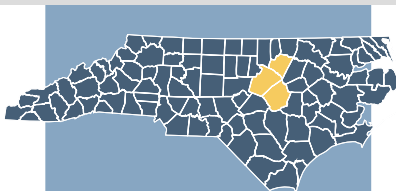
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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	200 1.4%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



UN Rate | 3.1%
 Total Nonfarm | 640,300
 Monthly Change | 4,400, 0.7%
 Yearly Change | 7,600, 1.2%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	300 0.8%
Manufacturing	-100 -0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,200 2.0%
Information	100 0.5%
Financial Activities	400 1.2%
Professional & Business Services	800 0.7%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	700 1.0%
Other Services	100 0.4%
Government	0 0.0%

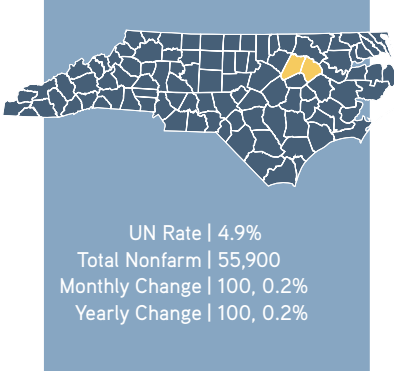
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	700 1.8%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,900 2.6%
Information	300 1.4%
Financial Activities	700 2.1%
Professional & Business Services	1,200 1.0%
Education & Health Services	100 0.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	800 1.1%
Other Services	200 0.8%
Government	700 0.7%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



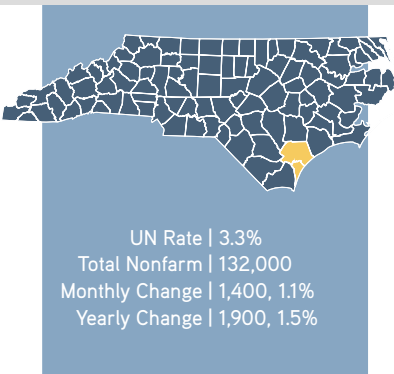
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-300 -3.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.9%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	100 1.9%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.8%
Other Services	*
Government	0 0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200 1.7%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	300 5.9%
Education & Health Services	100 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.8%
Other Services	*
Government	0 0.0%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



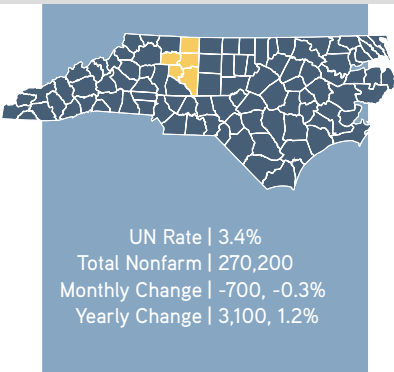
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	100 1.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 1.6%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.2%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	800 3.8%
Other Services	100 2.0%
Government	0 0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -2.3%
Manufacturing	400 7.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	200 6.5%
Financial Activities	100 1.6%
Professional & Business Services	300 1.9%
Education & Health Services	-200 -1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,400 6.9%
Other Services	-200 -3.7%
Government	100 0.4%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | April 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-200 -0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.2%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	300 0.8%
Education & Health Services	-900 -1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	0 0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	600 5.7%
Manufacturing	100 0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -0.4%
Information	-100 -5.3%
Financial Activities	-200 -1.5%
Professional & Business Services	900 2.5%
Education & Health Services	1,000 1.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,200 4.2%
Other Services	-100 -1.2%
Government	-100 -0.3%

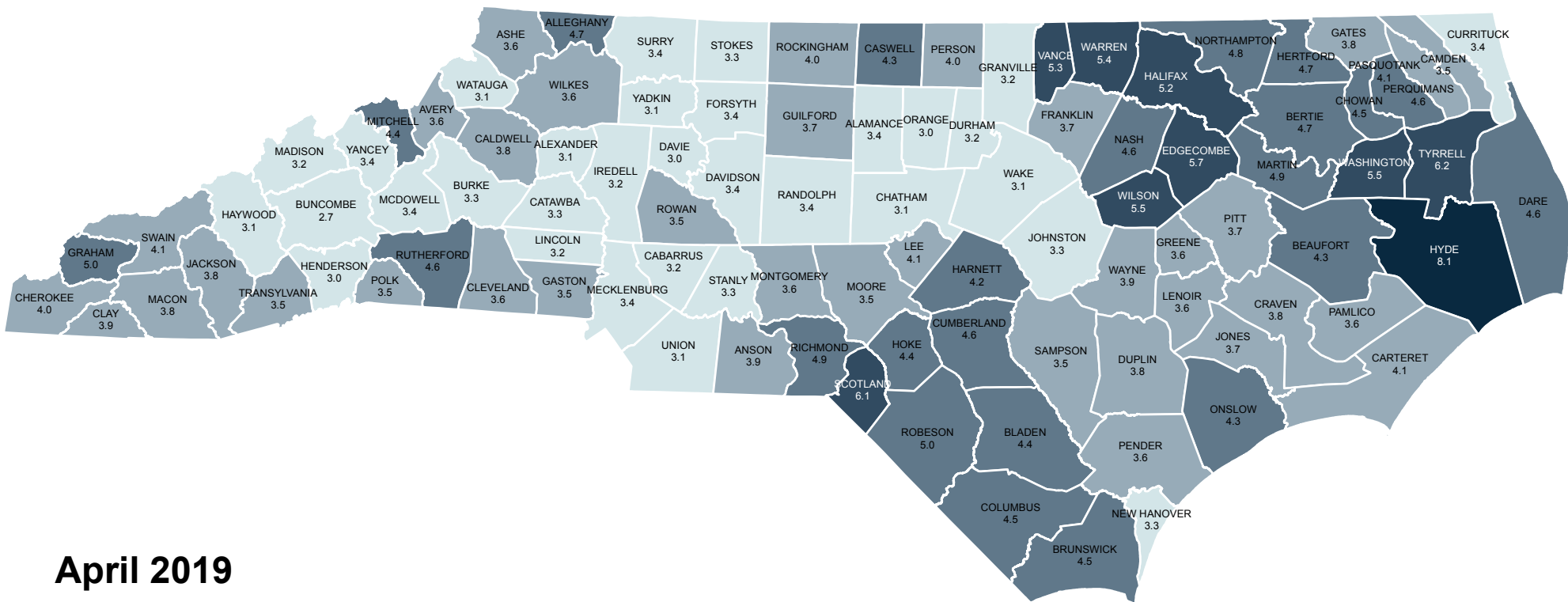
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Over the month, net industry employment increased in 12 of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 6,500, followed by Raleigh, 4,400; Greensboro/High Point, 3,400; Asheville, 2,600; Durham/Chapel Hill, 1,700; Wilmington, 1,400; and Fayetteville, 1,200. Asheville experienced the greatest percentage increase at 1.3 percent, followed by Wilmington, 1.1 percent; Greensboro/High Point, 0.9 percent; and Fayetteville, 0.9 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.

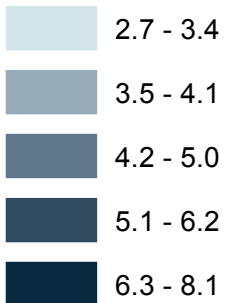
Over the year, employment increased in 12 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 29,800, followed by Raleigh, 7,600; Asheville, 6,300; Winston-Salem, 3,100; and Durham-Chapel Hill, 2,700. Asheville had the greatest percentage increase at 3.2 percent, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 2.5 percent; and Wilmington, 1.5 percent.

North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

April 2019



April 2019



^ 0 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
 v 100 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
 = 0 Counties Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 3.6%
 Not Seasonally Adjusted

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