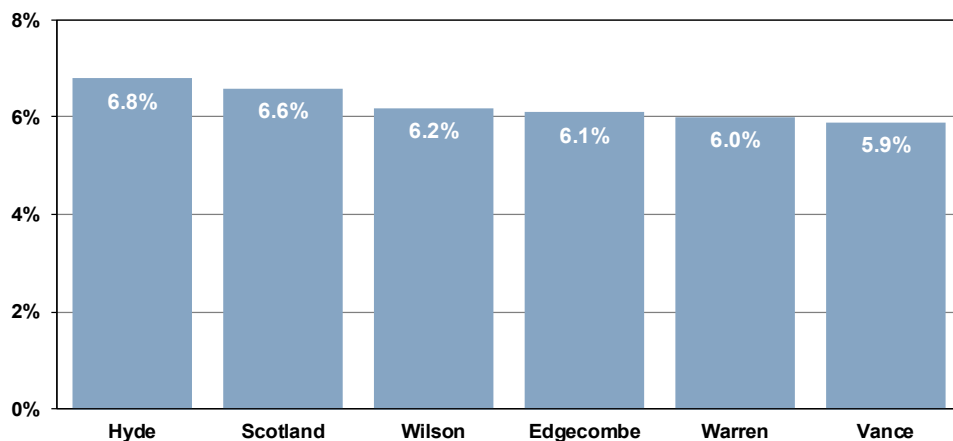


Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates

May 2019*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)



North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 4.0 percent in May. This increased 0.4 of a percentage point from April's revised rate, and increased 0.3 of a percentage point over the year.

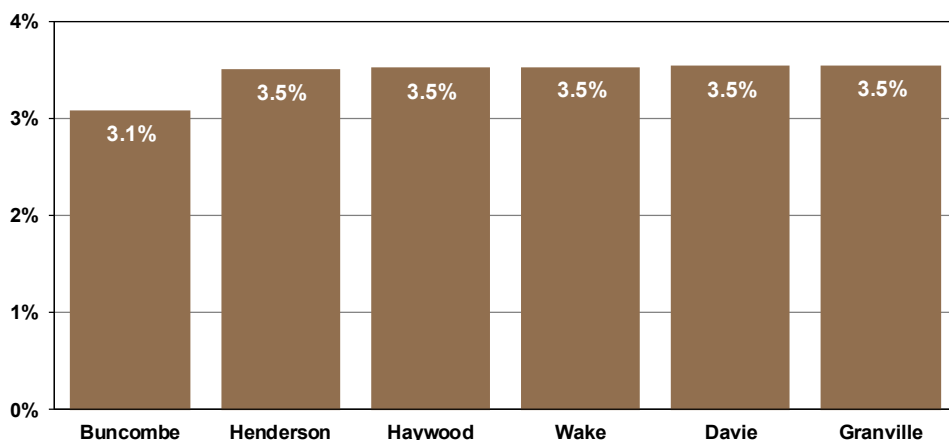
Over the month, the unemployment rate increased in 95 of North Carolina's 100 counties. Forty-six counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 4.0 percent rate.

Hyde County recorded May's highest unemployment rate at 6.8 percent, followed by Scotland at 6.6 percent, Wilson at 6.2 percent, and Edgecombe at 6.1 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 3.1 percent, followed by Henderson, Haywood, Wake, Davie & Granville at 3.5 percent.

Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates

May 2019*

(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

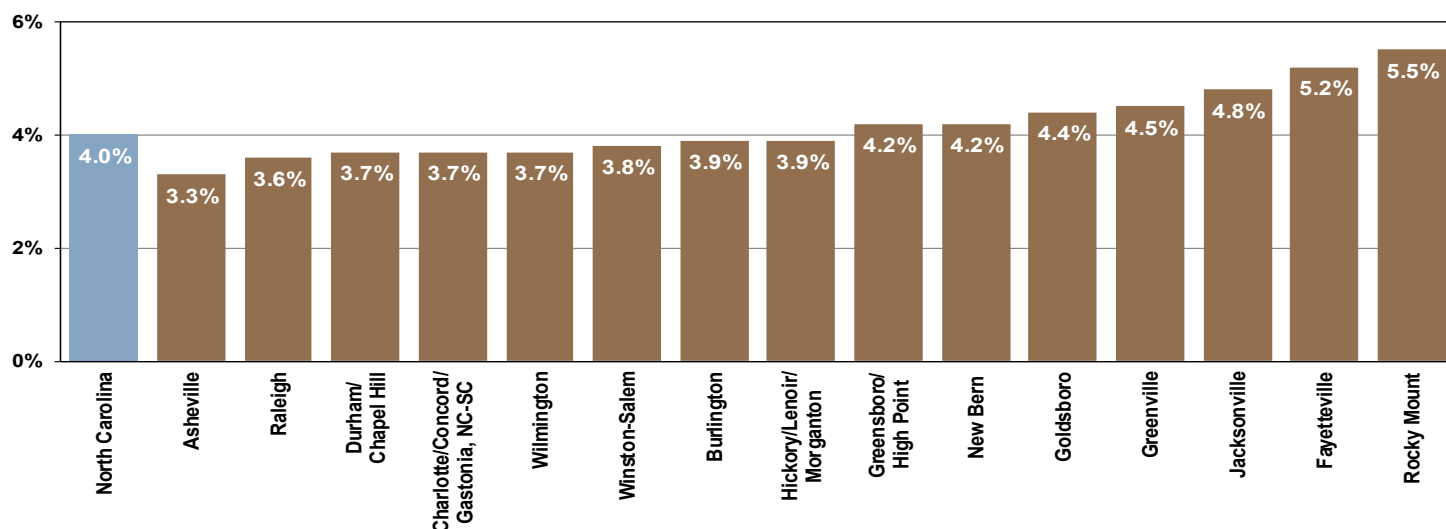


Unemployment rates increased in all of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in May at 5.5 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 5.2 percent, Jacksonville at 4.8 percent, and Greenville at 4.5 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 3.3 percent, followed by Raleigh at 3.6 percent.

Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates

May 2019*

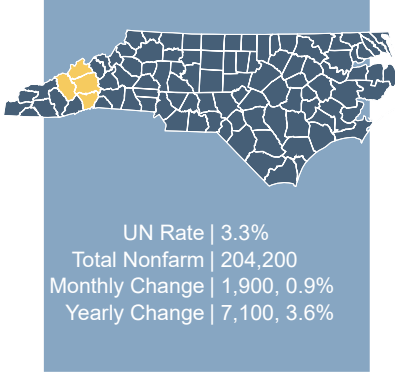
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North Carolina County Labor Market Conditions

Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



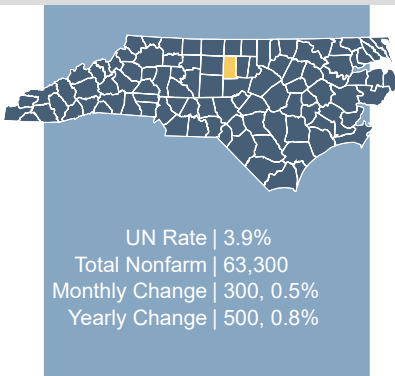
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.0%
Manufacturing	100 0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.5%
Education & Health Services	600 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	700 2.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	200 0.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	800 8.3%
Manufacturing	1,500 6.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,000 2.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	600 3.3%
Education & Health Services	2,700 7.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	300 3.6%
Government	200 0.8%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



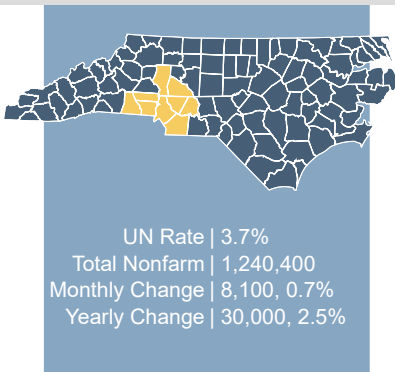
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-100 -5.3%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -1.9%
Education & Health Services	200 1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 2.4%
Other Services	-100 -4.8%
Government	200 2.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	100 1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -2.3%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 3.9%
Education & Health Services	300 2.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 2.4%
Other Services	-100 -4.8%
Government	100 1.4%

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



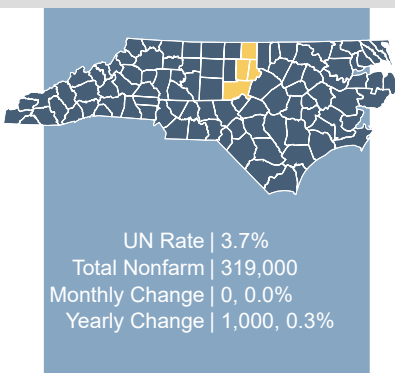
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,000 1.6%
Manufacturing	300 0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,400 0.6%
Information	100 0.3%
Financial Activities	800 0.8%
Professional & Business Services	-400 -0.2%
Education & Health Services	-400 -0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	5,100 3.5%
Other Services	100 0.2%
Government	100 0.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,900 -3.0%
Manufacturing	3,000 2.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	5,700 2.4%
Information	800 2.8%
Financial Activities	2,100 2.2%
Professional & Business Services	11,100 5.4%
Education & Health Services	4,400 3.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	5,300 3.7%
Other Services	1,400 3.4%
Government	-1,900 -1.2%

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



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.2%
Manufacturing	-100 -0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	200 1.3%
Professional & Business Services	-600 -1.3%
Education & Health Services	-300 -0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.3%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	300 0.4%

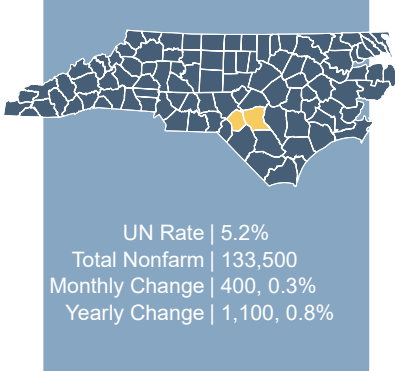
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.2%
Manufacturing	100 0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -1.1%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 0.7%
Professional & Business Services	800 1.8%
Education & Health Services	-900 -1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,000 3.5%
Other Services	-400 -3.6%
Government	600 0.9%

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Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



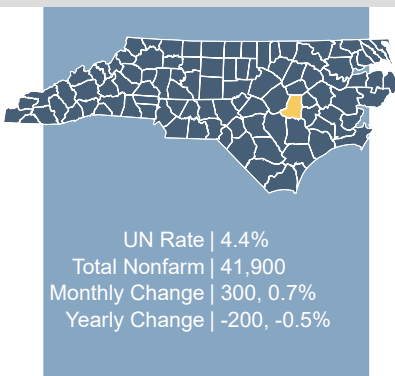
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.7%
Manufacturing	100	1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	100	9.1%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	1.2%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-100	-0.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	400	7.3%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-500	-2.1%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	700	6.1%
Education & Health Services	-400	-2.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	400	2.4%
Other Services	-100	-2.2%
Government	600	1.5%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



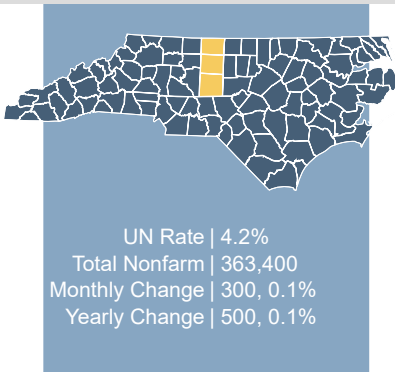
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Manufacturing	*	
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*	
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	*	
Education & Health Services	*	
Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Other Services	*	
Government	200	2.1%

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	2.1%

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



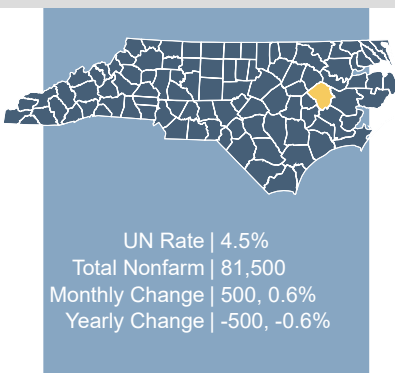
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.1%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	400	2.2%
Professional & Business Services	-1,000	-2.1%
Education & Health Services	-100	-0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	800	1.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	0.6%
Manufacturing	-100	-0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,100	2.8%
Information	-200	-4.4%
Financial Activities	100	0.5%
Professional & Business Services	-600	-1.3%
Education & Health Services	100	0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,100	-3.0%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	100	0.2%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 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	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	400	1.4%

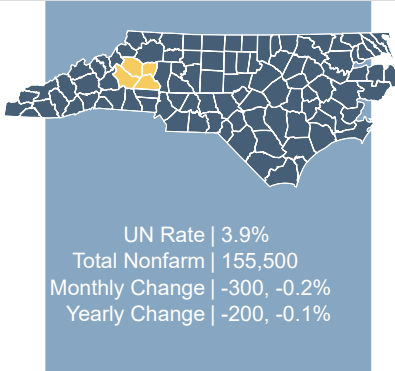
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	9.1%
Manufacturing	-100	-1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300	-2.5%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-400	-13.3%
Professional & Business Services	100	1.5%
Education & Health Services	-200	-2.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-2.1%
Other Services	-100	-4.4%
Government	400	1.4%

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



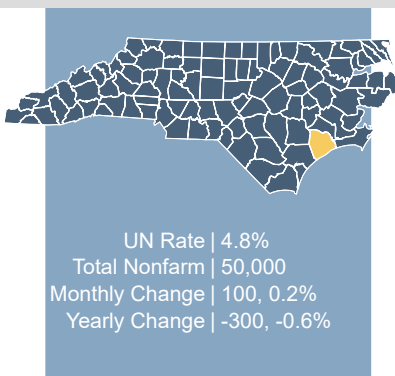
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.3%
Information	100 12.5%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.4%
Education & Health Services	100 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-300 -2.2%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	200 0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.3%
Manufacturing	900 2.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-300 -2.1%
Education & Health Services	200 1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,000 -6.9%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-100 -0.4%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



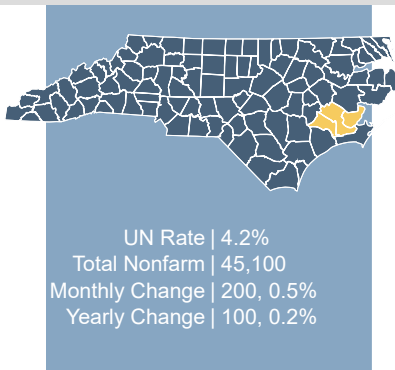
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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	0 0.0%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



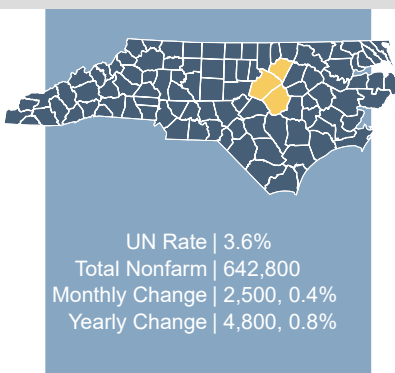
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	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	200 1.4%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 0.5%
Manufacturing	200 0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -0.3%
Information	200 0.9%
Financial Activities	-600 -1.8%
Professional & Business Services	500 0.4%
Education & Health Services	700 0.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,500 2.1%
Other Services	300 1.2%
Government	-200 -0.2%

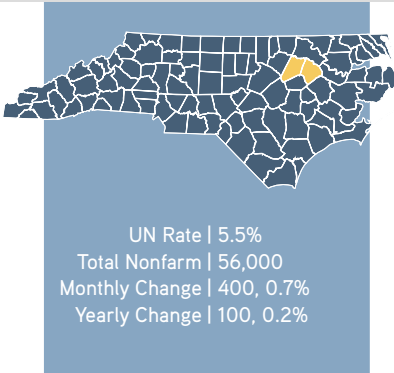
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 0.5%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,800 1.6%
Information	200 0.9%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	1,000 0.8%
Education & Health Services	600 0.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -0.3%
Other Services	300 1.2%
Government	900 0.9%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



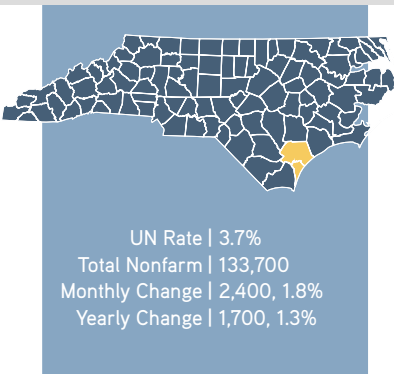
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.9%
Manufacturing	100 1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.9%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	-100 -1.9%
Education & Health Services	100 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 3.5%
Other Services	*
Government	100 0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.9%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.9%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	400 8.2%
Education & Health Services	100 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 3.5%
Other Services	*
Government	100 0.9%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



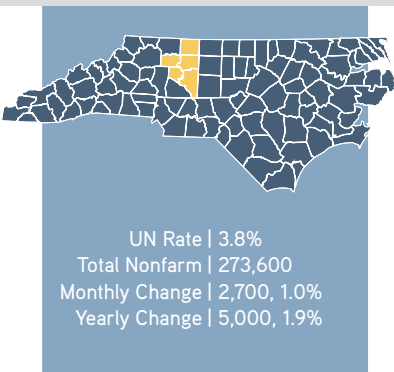
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 2.3%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 1.6%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.2%
Education & Health Services	100 0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	900 4.2%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	600 2.5%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	200 3.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.4%
Information	100 3.1%
Financial Activities	100 1.6%
Professional & Business Services	100 0.6%
Education & Health Services	-200 -1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,400 6.7%
Other Services	-200 -3.7%
Government	100 0.4%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | May 2019



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 1.8%
Manufacturing	200 0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 0.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 0.8%
Professional & Business Services	500 1.3%
Education & Health Services	600 1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	600 2.0%
Other Services	100 1.2%
Government	0 0.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	700 6.5%
Manufacturing	500 1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.2%
Information	-100 -5.3%
Financial Activities	-200 -1.5%
Professional & Business Services	1,300 3.6%
Education & Health Services	1,800 3.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,300 4.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-200 -0.6%

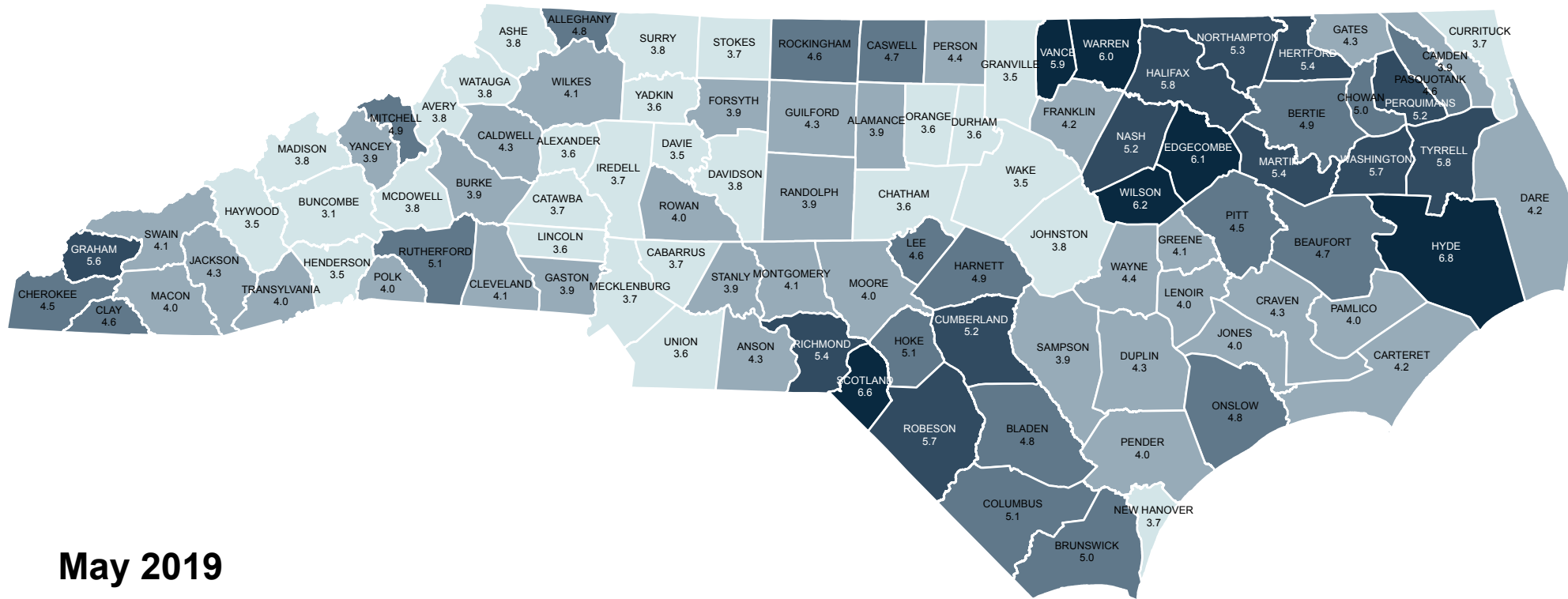
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Over the month, net industry employment increased in 13 of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 8,100, followed by Winston-Salem, 2,700; Raleigh, 2,500; Wilmington, 2,400; Asheville, 1,900; and Greenville, 500. Wilmington experienced the greatest percentage increase at 1.8 percent, followed by Winston-Salem, 1.0 percent; and Asheville, 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.

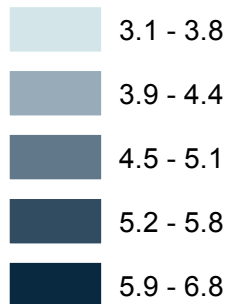
Over the year, employment increased in 11 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 30,000, followed by Asheville, 7,100; Winston-Salem, 5,000; Raleigh, 4,800; and Wilmington, 1,700. Asheville had the greatest percentage increase at 3.6 percent, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 2.5 percent; and Winston-Salem, 1.9 percent.

North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

May 2019



May 2019



- ^ 95 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- v 3 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
- = 2 Counties Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 4.0%
Not Seasonally Adjusted

Note: May 2019 data are preliminary.
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