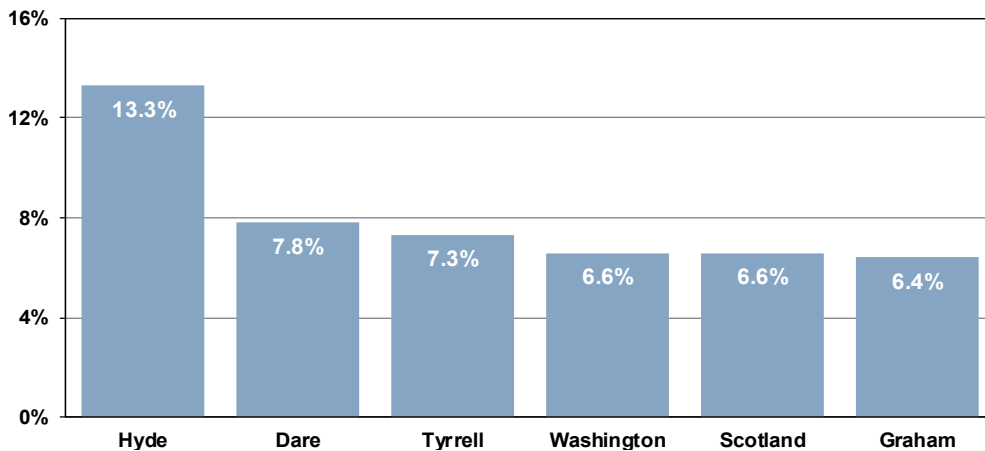


Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates February 2020* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

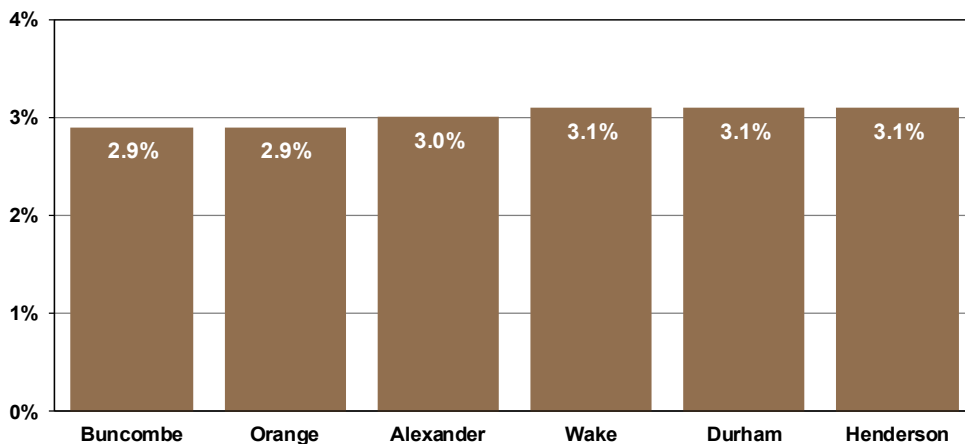


North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 3.7 percent in February. This decreased 0.4 of a percentage point from January's revised rate, and fell 0.5 of a percentage point over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in all of North Carolina's 100 counties. Forty counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 3.7 percent rate.

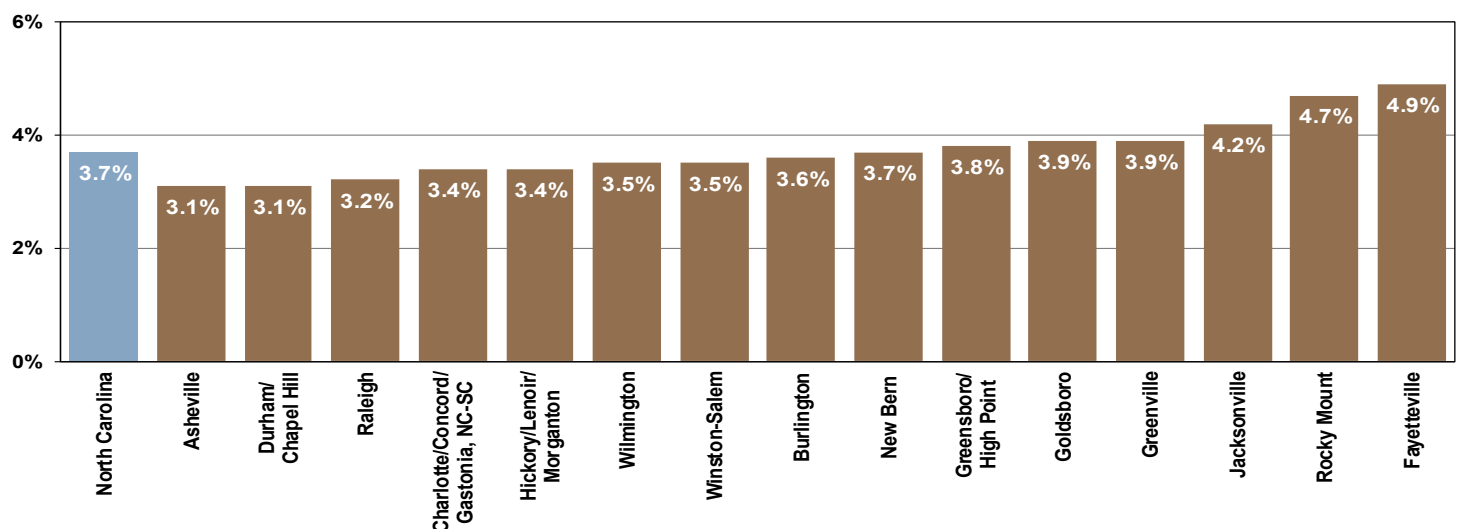
Hyde County recorded February's highest unemployment rate at 13.3 percent, followed by Dare at 7.8 percent. Buncombe and Orange County had the lowest unemployment rate at 2.9 percent, followed by Alexander at 3.0 percent.

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



Unemployment rates decreased in all of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Fayetteville MSA had the highest unemployment rate in February at 4.9 percent, followed by Rocky Mount at 4.7 percent, and Jacksonville at 4.2 percent. Asheville and Durham/Chapel Hill reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 3.1 percent, followed by Raleigh at 3.2 percent.

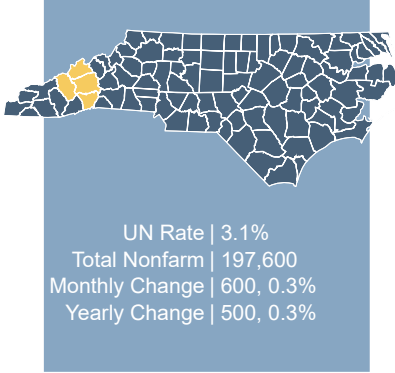
Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates February 2020* (Not Seasonally Adjusted)



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Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



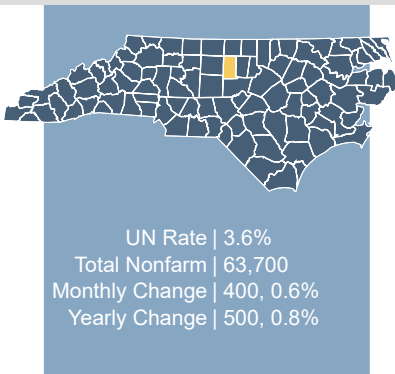
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.1%
Education & Health Services	600 1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-600 -2.1%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	300 1.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-600 -1.6%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	200 3.1%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.1%
Education & Health Services	-200 -0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 1.1%
Other Services	500 5.7%
Government	500 1.9%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



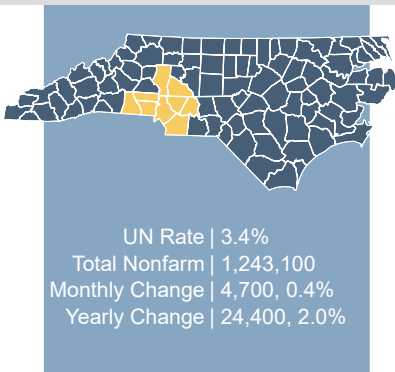
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 3.1%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -1.6%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	200 1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	100 4.6%
Government	200 2.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 6.5%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-500 -3.8%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 5.3%
Professional & Business Services	200 4.1%
Education & Health Services	200 1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 2.5%
Other Services	100 4.6%
Government	0 0.0%

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



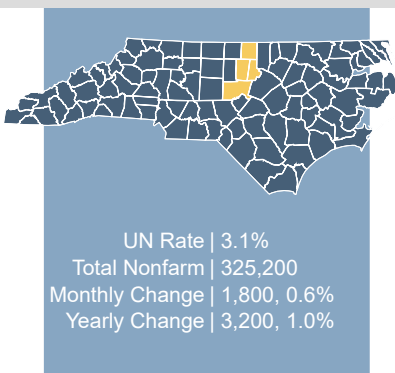
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	500 0.7%
Manufacturing	300 0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,500 -0.6%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	200 0.2%
Professional & Business Services	600 0.3%
Education & Health Services	2,100 1.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,700 1.2%
Other Services	-200 -0.5%
Government	1,000 0.6%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	2,800 4.2%
Manufacturing	1,000 0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,800 1.1%
Information	-200 -0.8%
Financial Activities	4,800 4.8%
Professional & Business Services	3,100 1.5%
Education & Health Services	700 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	6,200 4.5%
Other Services	700 1.7%
Government	2,500 1.6%

Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.1%
Manufacturing	100 0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-400 -1.0%
Information	100 2.0%
Financial Activities	100 0.7%
Professional & Business Services	800 1.8%
Education & Health Services	200 0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.4%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	700 1.0%

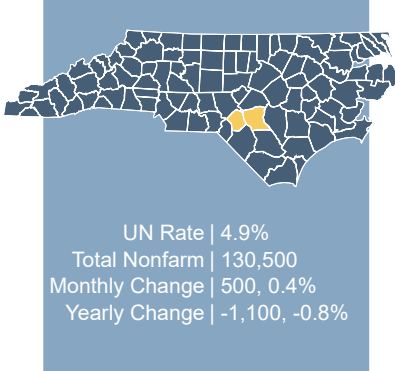
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	800 9.1%
Manufacturing	200 0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400 1.0%
Information	300 6.4%
Financial Activities	100 0.7%
Professional & Business Services	200 0.4%
Education & Health Services	1,100 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-400 -1.4%
Other Services	200 1.8%
Government	300 0.4%

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Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



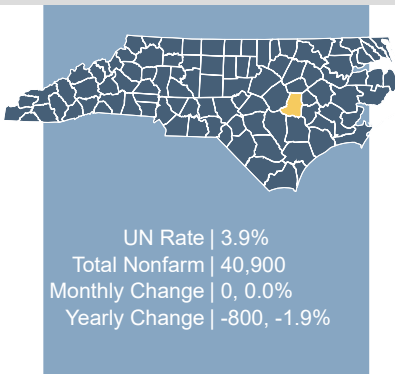
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100 -0.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.9%
Education & Health Services	200 1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 1.8%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	300 0.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -3.3%
Manufacturing	200 2.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-1,000 -4.2%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 2.6%
Professional & Business Services	-900 -8.0%
Education & Health Services	-100 -0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	600 3.7%
Other Services	200 4.4%
Government	0 0.0%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



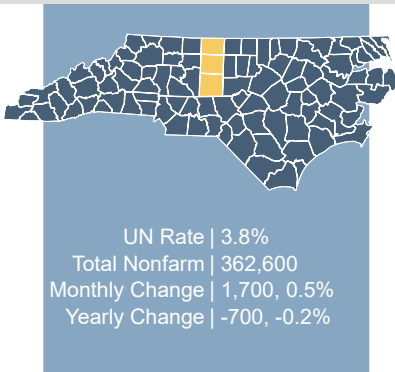
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	*
Manufacturing	*
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	*
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	*
Education & Health Services	*
Leisure & Hospitality	*
Other Services	*
Government	0 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 | February 2020



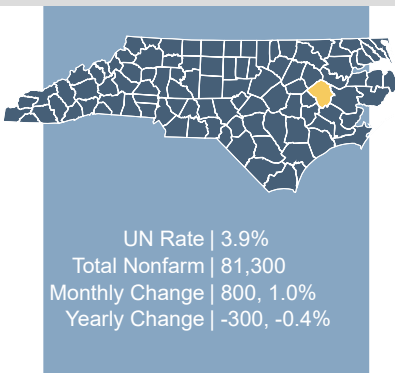
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 1.3%
Manufacturing	200 0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -0.4%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 0.5%
Professional & Business Services	200 0.4%
Education & Health Services	200 0.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	500 1.4%
Other Services	100 0.8%
Government	500 1.1%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -0.6%
Manufacturing	-500 -0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.1%
Information	100 2.2%
Financial Activities	300 1.6%
Professional & Business Services	-1,800 -3.7%
Education & Health Services	600 1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	700 1.9%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	-100 -0.2%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.9%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100 1.7%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	300 3.2%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	400 1.4%

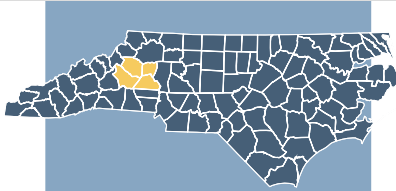
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 5.6%
Manufacturing	100 1.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 2.6%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	-200 -7.7%
Professional & Business Services	-800 -11.6%
Education & Health Services	-100 -1.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	300 1.1%

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Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



UN Rate | 3.4%
 Total Nonfarm | 155,700
 Monthly Change | 700, 0.5%
 Yearly Change | 800, 0.5%

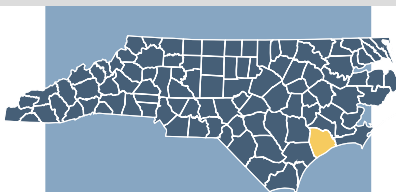
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-100 -0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	0 0.0%
Professional & Business Services	200 1.5%
Education & Health Services	100 0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 1.4%
Other Services	100 2.2%
Government	200 0.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 1.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 3.1%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.7%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	400 2.9%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	100 0.4%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



UN Rate | 4.2%
 Total Nonfarm | 50,800
 Monthly Change | 400, 0.8%
 Yearly Change | 900, 1.8%

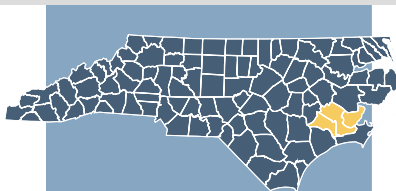
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



UN Rate | 3.7%
 Total Nonfarm | 44,900
 Monthly Change | 200, 0.5%
 Yearly Change | 100, 0.2%

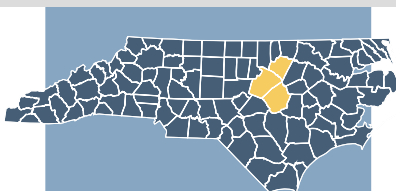
Over-the-Month Employment Change

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 | February 2020



UN Rate | 3.2%
 Total Nonfarm | 658,300
 Monthly Change | 6,600, 1.0%
 Yearly Change | 16,100, 2.5%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 0.2%
Manufacturing	100 0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	300 0.3%
Information	100 0.4%
Financial Activities	600 1.7%
Professional & Business Services	1,900 1.5%
Education & Health Services	1,200 1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	600 0.8%
Other Services	200 0.8%
Government	1,500 1.5%

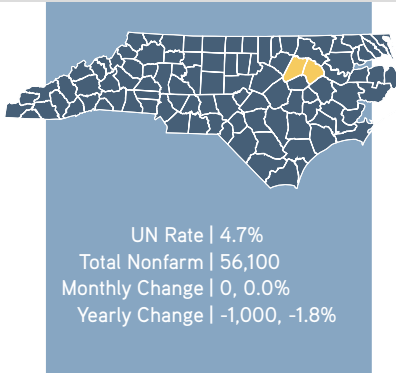
Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	800 2.0%
Manufacturing	-500 -1.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	1,100 1.0%
Information	200 0.9%
Financial Activities	2,100 6.3%
Professional & Business Services	5,300 4.4%
Education & Health Services	1,300 1.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,700 5.2%
Other Services	600 2.4%
Government	1,500 1.5%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



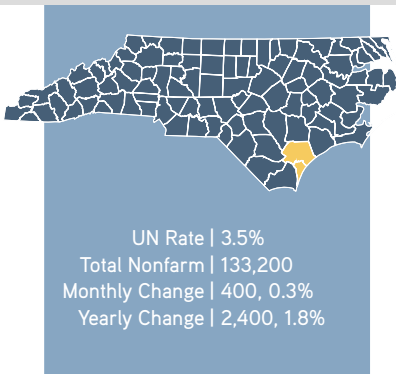
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -1.7%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%
Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
Other Services	*
Government	200 1.9%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%
Manufacturing	-400 -3.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -1.7%
Information	*
Financial Activities	*
Professional & Business Services	-200 -4.0%
Education & Health Services	-100 -1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.8%
Other Services	*
Government	-200 -1.8%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



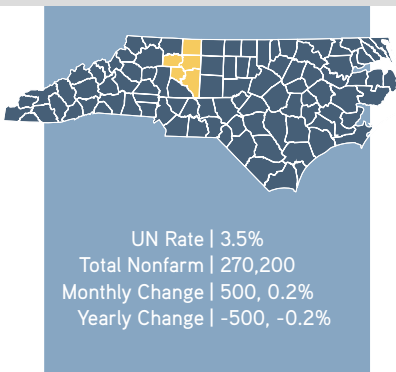
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.1%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0 0.0%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 1.6%
Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.6%
Education & Health Services	100 0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -1.0%
Other Services	0 0.0%
Government	400 1.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 2.2%
Manufacturing	-100 -1.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100 0.4%
Information	-200 -6.1%
Financial Activities	400 6.7%
Professional & Business Services	500 3.1%
Education & Health Services	100 0.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	800 4.2%
Other Services	300 5.6%
Government	300 1.2%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | February 2020



Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	200 1.7%
Manufacturing	100 0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-300 -0.6%
Information	0 0.0%
Financial Activities	100 0.7%
Professional & Business Services	500 1.4%
Education & Health Services	-700 -1.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	200 0.7%
Other Services	100 1.1%
Government	300 1.0%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change
Mining, Logging & Construction	700 6.3%
Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200 -0.4%
Information	-100 -5.3%
Financial Activities	300 2.2%
Professional & Business Services	-1,400 -3.7%
Education & Health Services	-800 -1.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	800 2.8%
Other Services	300 3.4%
Government	-100 -0.3%

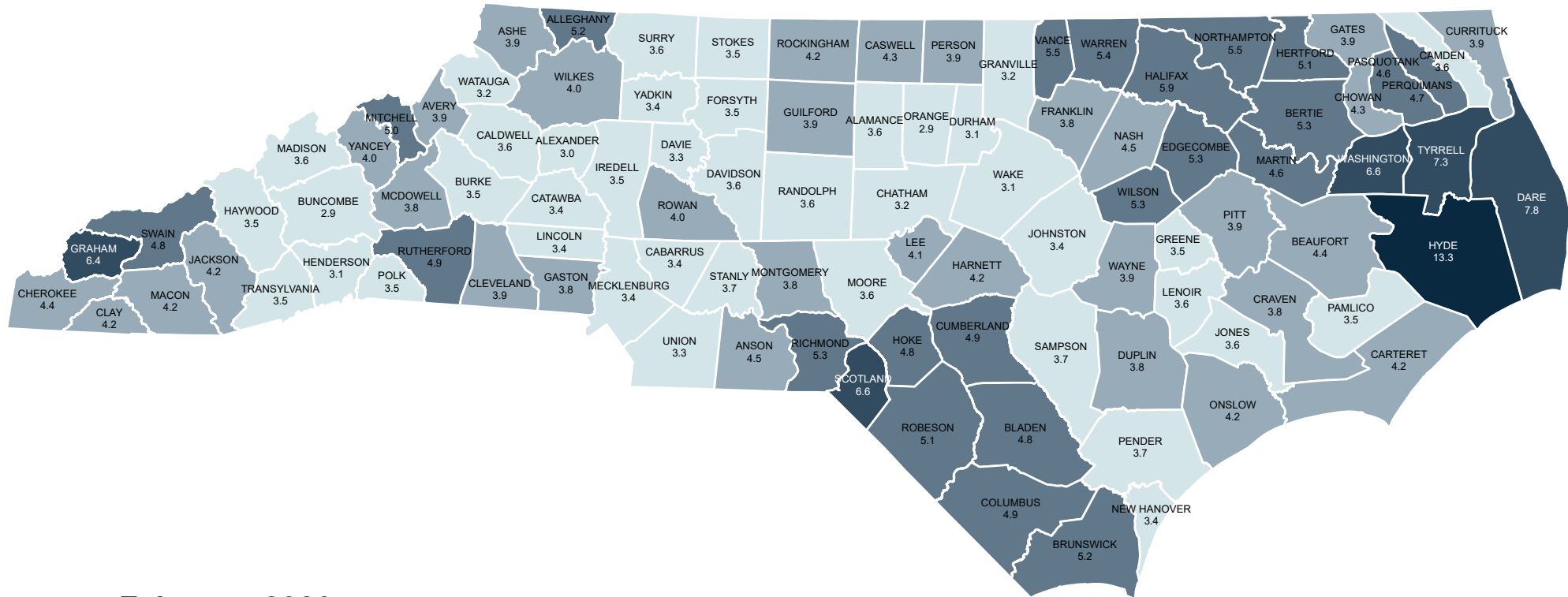
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Over the month, net industry employment increased in 13 of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Raleigh had the largest net employment decrease with 6,600, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 4,700; Durham/Chapel Hill, 1,800; Greensboro/High Point, 1,700; Greenville, 800; Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton, 700; Asheville, 600; Fayetteville, 500; Winston-Salem, 500; Burlington, 400; Jacksonville, 400; Wilmington, 400; and New Bern, 200. Raleigh and Greenville had the greatest percentage increase at 1.0 percent, followed by Jacksonville, 0.8%, Burlington and Durham/Chapel Hill, 0.6%. 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.

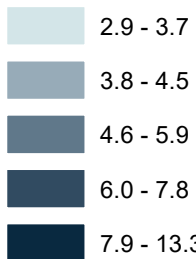
Over the year, employment increased in nine of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 24,400, followed by Raleigh, 16,100; Durham/Chapel Hill, 3,200; and Wilmington; 2,400. Raleigh had the greatest percentage increase at 2.5 percent, followed by Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 2.0 percent; Wilmington and Jacksonville, 1.8 percent; and Durham/Chapel Hill, 1.0 percent.

North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

February 2020



February 2020



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

North Carolina Rate 3.7%
Not Seasonally Adjusted