North Carolina's October County and Area Employment Figures Released

RALEIGH —Unemployment rates (not seasonally adjusted) increased in 86 of North Carolina's counties in October and remained the same in 14. Hyde County had the highest unemployment rate at 8.8 percent, while Buncombe County had the lowest at 2.7 percent. Fourteen of the state's metro areas experienced rate increases and one remained the same. Among the metro areas, Rocky Mount at 4.9 percent had the highest rate and Asheville had the lowest rate at 2.8 percent. The October not seasonally adjusted statewide rate was 3.6 percent.

	Counties With Rates 5% or Below	Counties With Rates Between 5% and 10%	Counties With Rates 10% or Above
October	89	11	0
September (Revised)	92	8	0

When compared to the same month last year, not seasonally adjusted unemployment rates increased in 54 counties, decreased in 24, and remained the same in 22. Four of the state's metro areas experienced rate increases over the year, seven decreased, and four remained the same.

The number of workers employed statewide (not seasonally adjusted) increased in October by 24,205 to 4,967,970, while those unemployed increased by 6,774 to 185,142. Since October 2018, the number of workers employed statewide increased 141,652, while those unemployed increased 4,053.

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 estimates.

The next unemployment update is scheduled for Friday, December 20, 2019 when the state unemployment rate for November 2019 will be released.

These data can be accessed on the Commerce website at https://d4.nccommerce.com/

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
Preliminary Statewide and County Data for
October 2019

County	Labor Force	Unemployed	Rate	County	Labor Force	Unemployed	Rate
STATEWIDE	5,153,112	185,142	3.6				
ALAMANCE	83,283	2,877	3.5	JOHNSTON	99,945	3,358	3.4
ALEXANDER	18,360	582	3.2	JONES	4,373	163	3.7
ALLEGHANY	4,446	203	4.6	LEE	26,520	1,093	4.1
ANSON	10,611	441	4.2	LENOIR	28,323	1,024	3.6
ASHE	13,103	413	3.2	LINCOLN	44,557	1,461	3.3
AVERY	7,660	251	3.3	MCDOWELL	21,204	910	4.3
BEAUFORT	19,625	845	4.3	MACON	16,104	537	3.3
BERTIE	7,728	348	4.5	MADISON	10,743	355	3.3
BLADEN	14,603	673	4.6	MARTIN	8,992	425	4.7
BRUNSWICK	55,679	2,569	4.6	MECKLENBURG	638,634	21,603	3.4
BUNCOMBE	147,963	4,027	2.7	MITCHELL	6,032	260	4.3
BURKE	41,448	1,456	3.5	MONTGOMERY	11,722	458	3.9
CABARRUS	111,268	3,724	3.3	MOORE	43,126	1,545	3.6
CALDWELL	37,405	1,411	3.8	NASH	43,882	2,001	4.6
CAMDEN	4,612	163	3.5	NEW HANOVER	127,054	4,013	3.2
CARTERET	31,866	1,167	3.7	NORTHAMPTON	7,887	391	5.0
CASWELL	10,000	430	4.3	ONSLOW	64,865	2,867	4.4
CATAWBA	80,506	2,735	3.4	ORANGE	80,092	2,445	3.1
CHATHAM	35,606	1,141	3.2	PAMLICO	5,393	188	3.5
CHEROKEE	11,304	454	4.0	PASQUOTANK	16,949	718	4.2
CHOWAN	5,590	237	4.2	PENDER	29,534	1,064	3.6
CLAY	4,199	172	4.1	PERQUIMANS	5,009	239	4.8
CLEVELAND	49,870	1,891	3.8	PERSON	18,743	752	4.0
COLUMBUS	22,831	1,084	4.7	PITT	91,701	3,629	4.0
CRAVEN	42,180	1,573	3.7	POLK	9,367	334	3.6
CUMBERLAND	130,639	6,256	4.8	RANDOLPH	68,269	2,390	3.5
CURRITUCK	13,821	454	3.3	RICHMOND	16,819	879	5.2
DARE	20,088	697	3.5	ROBESON	50,936	2,607	5.1
DAVIDSON	83,469	2,912	3.5	ROCKINGHAM	41,520	1,705	4.1
DAVIE	21,266	671	3.2	ROWAN	68,620	2,531	3.7
DUPLIN	25,145	940	3.7	RUTHERFORD	25,721	1,189	4.6
DURHAM	172,257	5,505	3.2	SAMPSON	29,472	1,067	3.6
EDGECOMBE	21,810	1,208	5.5	SCOTLAND	11,738	755	6.4
FORSYTH	193,658	6,694	3.5	STANLY	33,233	1,120	3.4
FRANKLIN	31,903	1,186	3.7	STOKES	22,658	757	3.3
GASTON	114,405	4,091	3.6	SURRY	34,815	1,251	3.6
GATES	5,353	203	3.8	SWAIN	6,751	243	3.6
GRAHAM	3,240	155	4.8	TRANSYLVANIA	15,068	518	3.4
GRANVILLE	30,388	953	3.1	TYRRELL	1,442	77	5.3
GREENE	9,477	337	3.6	UNION	126,405	3,987	3.2
GUILFORD	267,850	10,198	3.8	VANCE	17,938	984	5.5
HALIFAX	20,977	1,187	5.7	WAKE	609,563	18,758	3.1
HARNETT	54,560	2,280	4.2	WARREN	6,692	365	5.5
HAYWOOD	31,222	934	3.0	WASHINGTON	4,442	241	5.4
HENDERSON	57,723	1,740	3.0	WATAUGA	30,428	936	3.1
HERTFORD	9,315	437	4.7	WAYNE	53,103	2,074	3.9
HOKE	20,322	972	4.8	WILKES	29,656	1,158	3.9
HYDE	2,141	188	8.8	WILSON	34,801	1,933	5.6
IREDELL	91,836	3,103	3.4	YADKIN	18,428	583	3.2
JACKSON	20,348	730	3.6	YANCEY	8,881	298	3.4

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NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY MONTHLY AND YEARLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGES

County	October 2019	September 2019	October 2018	OTM Change	OTY Change	County	October 2019	September 2019	October 2018	OTM Change	OTY Change
STATEWIDE	3.6	3.5	3.6	0.1	0.0						
ALAMANCE	3.5	3.4	3.3	0.1	0.2	JOHNSTON	3.4	3.3	3.4	0.1	0.0
ALEXANDER	3.2	3.0	2.9	0.2	0.3	JONES	3.7	3.4	4.6	0.3	-0.9
ALLEGHANY	4.6	4.1	3.8	0.5	0.8	LEE	4.1	4.1	4.1	0.0	0.0
ANSON	4.2	4.1	4.3	0.1	-0.1	LENOIR	3.6	3.5	3.9	0.1	-0.3
ASHE	3.2	3.1	3.1	0.1	0.1	LINCOLN	3.3	3.1	3.1	0.2	0.2
AVERY	3.3	3.1	3.1	0.2	0.2	MCDOWELL	4.3	3.6	3.0	0.7	1.3
BEAUFORT	4.3	4.2	4.3	0.1	0.0	MACON	3.3	3.3	3.4	0.0	-0.1
BERTIE	4.5	4.4	4.3	0.1	0.2	MADISON	3.3	3.3	3.2	0.0	0.1
BLADEN	4.6	4.4	5.1	0.2	-0.5	MARTIN	4.7	4.7	4.6	0.0	0.1
BRUNSWICK	4.6	4.5	5.1	0.1	-0.5	MECKLENBURG	3.4	3.3	3.4	0.1	0.0
BUNCOMBE	2.7	2.6	2.7	0.1	0.0	MITCHELL	4.3	4.1	3.8	0.2	0.5
BURKE	3.5	3.4	3.3	0.1	0.2	MONTGOMERY	3.9	3.7	3.7	0.2	0.2
CABARRUS	3.3	3.3	3.3	0.0	0.0	MOORE	3.6	3.4	3.5	0.2	0.1
CALDWELL	3.8	3.7	3.5	0.1	0.3	NASH	4.6	4.5	4.5	0.1	0.1
CAMDEN	3.5	3.2	3.6	0.3	-0.1	NEW HANOVER	3.2	3.1	3.8	0.1	-0.6
CARTERET	3.7	3.5	5.2	0.2	-1.5	NORTHAMPTON	5.0	4.9	4.3	0.1	0.7
CASWELL	4.3	4.1	3.9	0.2	0.4	ONSLOW	4.4	4.1	5.0	0.3	-0.6
CATAWBA	3.4	3.3	3.2	0.1	0.2	ORANGE	3.1	2.9	3.0	0.2	0.1
CHATHAM	3.2	3.0	3.1	0.2	0.1	PAMLICO	3.5	3.4	4.1	0.1	-0.6
CHEROKEE	4.0	4.0	3.9	0.0	0.1	PASQUOTANK	4.2	4.0	4.3	0.2	-0.1
CHOWAN	4.2	4.2	4.1	0.0	0.1	PENDER	3.6	3.4	4.5	0.2	-0.9
CLAY	4.1	4.1	3.9	0.0	0.2	PERQUIMANS	4.8	4.5	4.5	0.3	0.3
CLEVELAND	3.8	3.8	3.6	0.0	0.2	PERSON	4.0	3.9	3.8	0.1	0.2
COLUMBUS	4.7	4.6	4.9	0.1	-0.2	PITT	4.0	3.9	3.9	0.1	0.1
CRAVEN	3.7	3.6	4.4	0.1	-0.7	POLK	3.6	3.4	3.5	0.2	0.1
CUMBERLAND	4.8	4.6	4.8	0.2	0.0	RANDOLPH	3.5	3.4	3.4	0.1	0.1
CURRITUCK	3.3	3.2	3.1	0.1	0.2	RICHMOND	5.2	4.9	5.0	0.3	0.2
DARE	3.5	3.3	3.5	0.2	0.0	ROBESON	5.1	5.0	5.9	0.1	-0.8
DAVIDSON	3.5	3.3	3.4	0.2	0.1	ROCKINGHAM	4.1	4.0	4.1	0.1	0.0
DAVIE	3.2	3.1	3.2	0.1	0.0	ROWAN	3.7	3.6	3.6	0.1	0.1
DUPLIN	3.7	3.6	4.4	0.1	-0.7	RUTHERFORD	4.6	4.5	4.6	0.1	0.0
DURHAM	3.2	3.1	3.2	0.1	0.0	SAMPSON	3.6	3.4	3.7	0.2	-0.1
EDGECOMBE	5.5	5.5	6.0	0.0	-0.5	SCOTLAND	6.4	6.1	7.0	0.3	-0.6
FORSYTH	3.5	3.4	3.5	0.1	0.0	STANLY	3.4	3.3	3.3	0.1	0.1
FRANKLIN	3.7	3.6	3.7	0.1	0.0	STOKES	3.3	3.2	3.3	0.1	0.0
GASTON	3.6	3.5	3.5	0.1	0.1	SURRY	3.6	3.4	3.2	0.2	0.4
GATES	3.8	3.7	3.9	0.1	-0.1	SWAIN	3.6	3.5	3.2	0.1	0.4
GRAHAM	4.8	4.7	4.6	0.1	0.2	TRANSYLVANIA	3.4	3.2	3.4	0.2	0.0
GRANVILLE	3.1	3.1	3.1	0.0	0.0	TYRRELL	5.3	4.8	5.2	0.5	0.1
GREENE	3.6	3.4	3.5	0.2	0.1	UNION	3.2	3.1	3.1	0.1	0.1
GUILFORD	3.8	3.7	3.7	0.1	0.1	VANCE	5.5	5.4	5.2	0.1	0.3
HALIFAX	5.7	5.4	5.5	0.3	0.2	WAKE	3.1	3.0	3.1	0.1	0.0
HARNETT	4.2	4.1	4.3	0.1	-0.1	WARREN	5.5	5.3	5.4	0.2	0.1
HAYWOOD	3.0	2.9	3.0	0.1	0.0	WASHINGTON	5.4	5.2	5.5	0.2	-0.1
HENDERSON	3.0	2.9	3.0	0.1	0.0	WATAUGA	3.1	3.1	3.0	0.0	0.1
HERTFORD	4.7	4.7	4.5	0.0	0.2	WAYNE	3.9	3.7	4.0	0.2	-0.1
HOKE	4.8	4.6	4.8	0.2	0.0	WILKES	3.9	3.7	3.4	0.2	0.5
HYDE	8.8	5.4	5.6	3.4	3.2	WILSON	5.6	5.6	5.6	0.0	0.0
IREDELL	3.4	3.3	3.2	0.1	0.2	YADKIN	3.2	3.0	3.1	0.2	0.1
JACKSON	3.6	3.4	3.5	0.2	0.1	YANCEY	3.4	3.3	3.3	0.1	0.1

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METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
Preliminary Data for
October 2019

Metropolitan Statistical Area	Labor Force	Unemployed	Rate
ASHEVILLE	247,651	7,056	2.8
BURLINGTON	83,283	2,877	3.5
CHARLOTTE-CONCORD-GASTONIA	1,390,702	44,840	3.2
DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	306,698	9,843	3.2
FAYETTEVILLE	150,961	7,228	4.8
GOLDSBORO	53,103	2,074	3.9
GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT	377,639	14,293	3.8
GREENVILLE	91,701	3,629	4.0
HICKORY-LENOIR-MORGANTON	177,719	6,184	3.5
JACKSONVILLE	64,865	2,867	4.4
NEW BERN	51,946	1,924	3.7
RALEIGH	741,411	23,302	3.1
ROCKY MOUNT	65,692	3,209	4.9
WILMINGTON	156,588	5,077	3.2
WINSTON-SALEM	339,479	11,617	3.4

Micropolitan Statistical Area	Labor Force	Unemployed	Rate
ALBEMARLE	33,233	1,120	3.4
BOONE	30,428	936	3.1
BREVARD	15,068	518	3.4
CULLOWHEE	20,348	730	3.6
DUNN	54,560	2,280	4.2
ELIZABETH CITY	26,570	1,120	4.2
FOREST CITY	25,721	1,189	4.6
HENDERSON	17,938	984	5.5
KILL DEVIL HILLS	21,530	774	3.6
KINSTON	28,323	1,024	3.6
LAURINBURG	11,738	755	6.4
LUMBERTON	50,936	2,607	5.1
MARION	21,204	910	4.3
MOREHEAD CITY	31,866	1,167	3.7
MOUNT AIRY	34,815	1,251	3.6
NORTH WILKESBORO	29,656	1,158	3.9
OXFORD	30,388	953	3.1
PINEHURST-SOUTHERN PINES	43,126	1,545	3.6
ROANOKE RAPIDS	28,864	1,578	5.5
ROCKINGHAM	16,819	879	5.2
SANFORD	26,520	1,093	4.1
SHELBY	49,870	1,891	3.8
WASHINGTON	19,625	845	4.3
WILSON	34,801	1,933	5.6

COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
Preliminary Data for
October 2019

Combined Statistical Area	Labor Force	Unemployed	Rate
ASHEVILLE-BREVARD	262,719	7,574	2.9
CHARLOTTE-CONCORD	1,473,805	47,851	3.2
FAYETTEVILLE-LUMBERTON-LAURINBURG	213,635	10,590	5.0
GREENSBORO-WINSTON-SALEM-HIGH POINT	835,216	30,038	3.6
GREENVILLE-WASHINGTON	111,326	4,474	4.0
HICKORY-LENOIR	198,923	7,094	3.6
NEW BERN-MOREHEAD CITY	83,812	3,091	3.7
RALEIGH-DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	1,177,515	38,455	3.3
ROCKY MOUNT-WILSON-ROANOKE RAPIDS	129,357	6,720	5.2

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METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS
MULTICOUNTY SMALL LABOR MARKET AREA
MONTHLY AND YEARLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGES

Metropolitan Statistical Area	October 2019	September 2019	October 2018	OTM Change	OTY Change
ASHEVILLE	2.8	2.7	2.8	0.1	0.0
BURLINGTON	3.5	3.4	3.3	0.1	0.2
CHARLOTTE-CONCORD-GASTONIA	3.2	3.1	3.3	0.1	-0.1
DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	3.2	3.1	3.2	0.1	0.0
FAYETTEVILLE	4.8	4.6	4.8	0.2	0.0
GOLDSBORO	3.9	3.7	4.0	0.2	-0.1
GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT	3.8	3.7	3.7	0.1	0.1
GREENVILLE	4.0	3.9	3.9	0.1	0.1
HICKORY-LENOIR-MORGANTON	3.5	3.4	3.3	0.1	0.2
JACKSONVILLE	4.4	4.1	5.0	0.3	-0.6
NEW BERN	3.7	3.6	4.4	0.1	-0.7
RALEIGH	3.1	3.1	3.2	0.0	-0.1
ROCKY MOUNT	4.9	4.8	5.0	0.1	-0.1
WILMINGTON	3.2	3.1	3.9	0.1	-0.7
WINSTON-SALEM	3.4	3.3	3.4	0.1	0.0

Micropolitan Statistical Area	October 2019	September 2019	October 2018	OTM Change	OTY Change
ALBEMARLE	3.4	3.3	3.3	0.1	0.1
BOONE	3.1	3.1	3.0	0.0	0.1
BREVARD	3.4	3.2	3.4	0.2	0.0
CULLOWHEE	3.6	3.4	3.5	0.2	0.1
DUNN	4.2	4.1	4.3	0.1	-0.1
ELIZABETH CITY	4.2	4.0	4.2	0.2	0.0
FOREST CITY	4.6	4.5	4.6	0.1	0.0
HENDERSON	5.5	5.4	5.2	0.1	0.3
KILL DEVIL HILLS	3.6	3.4	3.7	0.2	-0.1
KINSTON	3.6	3.5	3.9	0.1	-0.3
LAURINBURG	6.4	6.1	7.0	0.3	-0.6
LUMBERTON	5.1	5.0	5.9	0.1	-0.8
MARION	4.3	3.6	3.0	0.7	1.3
MOREHEAD CITY	3.7	3.5	5.2	0.2	-1.5
MOUNT AIRY	3.6	3.4	3.2	0.2	0.4
NORTH WILKESBORO	3.9	3.7	3.4	0.2	0.5
OXFORD	3.1	3.1	3.1	0.0	0.0
PINEHURST-SOUTHERN PINES	3.6	3.4	3.5	0.2	0.1
ROANOKE RAPIDS	5.5	5.3	5.2	0.2	0.3
ROCKINGHAM	5.2	4.9	5.0	0.3	0.2
SANFORD	4.1	4.1	4.1	0.0	0.0
SHELBY	3.8	3.8	3.6	0.0	0.2
WASHINGTON	4.3	4.2	4.3	0.1	0.0
WILSON	5.6	5.6	5.6	0.0	0.0

COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS
MONTHLY AND YEARLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGES

Combined Statistical Area	October 2019	September 2019	October 2018	OTM Change	OTY Change
ASHEVILLE-BREVARD	2.9	2.8	2.9	0.1	0.0
CHARLOTTE-CONCORD	3.2	3.1	3.3	0.1	-0.1
FAYETTEVILLE-LUMBERTON-LAURINBURG	5.0	4.8	5.2	0.2	-0.2
GREENSBORO-WINSTON-SALEM-HIGH POINT	3.6	3.5	3.5	0.1	0.1
GREENVILLE-WASHINGTON	4.0	3.9	4.0	0.1	0.0
HICKORY-LENOIR	3.6	3.4	3.2	0.2	0.4
NEW BERN-MOREHEAD CITY	3.7	3.6	4.7	0.1	-1.0
RALEIGH-DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	3.3	3.2	3.3	0.1	0.0
ROCKY MOUNT-WILSON-ROANOKE RAPIDS	5.2	5.1	5.2	0.1	0.0

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NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY RANKINGS
Preliminary Data for October 2019

County	Labor Force	Unemployed	Rate	Rank	County	Labor Force	Unemployed	Rate	Rank
BUNCOMBE	147,963	4,027	2.7%	1	JONES	4,373	163	3.7%	51
HAYWOOD	31,222	934	3.0%	2	CRAVEN	42,180	1,573	3.7%	52
HENDERSON	57,723	1,740	3.0%	3	DUPLIN	25,145	940	3.7%	53
ORANGE	80,092	2,445	3.1%	4	CALDWELL	37,405	1,411	3.8%	54
WATAUGA	30,428	936	3.1%	5	CLEVELAND	49,870	1,891	3.8%	55
WAKE	609,563	18,758	3.1%	6	GATES	5,353	203	3.8%	56
GRANVILLE	30,388	953	3.1%	7	GUILFORD	267,850	10,198	3.8%	57
ASHE	13,103	413	3.2%	8	WILKES	29,656	1,158	3.9%	58
UNION	126,405	3,987	3.2%	9	WAYNE	53,103	2,074	3.9%	59
DAVIE	21,266	671	3.2%	10	MONTGOMERY	11,722	458	3.9%	60
NEW HANOVER	127,054	4,013	3.2%	11	PITT	91,701	3,629	4.0%	61
YADKIN	18,428	583	3.2%	12	PERSON	18,743	752	4.0%	62
ALEXANDER	18,360	582	3.2%	13	CHEROKEE	11,304	454	4.0%	63
DURHAM	172,257	5,505	3.2%	14	CLAY	4,199	172	4.1%	64
CHATHAM	35,606	1,141	3.2%	15	ROCKINGHAM	41,520	1,705	4.1%	65
AVERY	7,660	251	3.3%	16	LEE	26,520	1,093	4.1%	66
LINCOLN	44,557	1,461	3.3%	17	ANSON	10,611	441	4.2%	67
CURRITUCK	13,821	454	3.3%	18	HARNETT	54,560	2,280	4.2%	68
MADISON	10,743	355	3.3%	19	PASQUOTANK	16,949	718	4.2%	69
MACON	16,104	537	3.3%	20	CHOWAN	5,590	237	4.2%	70
STOKES	22,658	757	3.3%	21	MCDOWELL	21,204	910	4.3%	71
CABARRUS	111,268	3,724	3.3%	22	CASWELL	10,000	430	4.3%	72
YANCEY	8,881	298	3.4%	23	BEAUFORT	19,625	845	4.3%	73
JOHNSTON	99,945	3,358	3.4%	24	MITCHELL	6,032	260	4.3%	74
STANLY	33,233	1,120	3.4%	25	ONSLOW	64,865	2,867	4.4%	75
IREDELL	91,836	3,103	3.4%	26	BERTIE	7,728	348	4.5%	76
MECKLENBURG	638,634	21,603	3.4%	27	NASH	43,882	2,001	4.6%	77
CATAWBA	80,506	2,735	3.4%	28	ALLEGHANY	4,446	203	4.6%	78
TRANSYLVANIA	15,068	518	3.4%	29	BLADEN	14,603	673	4.6%	79
ALAMANCE	83,283	2,877	3.5%	30	BRUNSWICK	55,679	2,569	4.6%	80
FORSYTH	193,658	6,694	3.5%	31	RUTHERFORD	25,721	1,189	4.6%	81
DARE	20,088	697	3.5%	32	HERTFORD	9,315	437	4.7%	82
PAMLICO	5,393	188	3.5%	33	MARTIN	8,992	425	4.7%	83
DAVIDSON	83,469	2,912	3.5%	34	COLUMBUS	22,831	1,084	4.7%	84
RANDOLPH	68,269	2,390	3.5%	35	PERQUIMANS	5,009	239	4.8%	85
BURKE	41,448	1,456	3.5%	36	HOKE	20,322	972	4.8%	86
CAMDEN	4,612	163	3.5%	37	GRAHAM	3,240	155	4.8%	87
GREENE	9,477	337	3.6%	38	CUMBERLAND	130,639	6,256	4.8%	88
POLK	9,367	334	3.6%	39	NORTHAMPTON	7,887	391	5.0%	89
GASTON	114,405	4,091	3.6%	40	ROBESON	50,936	2,607	5.1%	90
MOORE	43,126	1,545	3.6%	41	RICHMOND	16,819	879	5.2%	91
JACKSON	20,348	730	3.6%	42	TYRRELL	1,442	77	5.3%	92
SURRY	34,815	1,251	3.6%	43	WASHINGTON	4,442	241	5.4%	93
SWAIN	6,751	243	3.6%	44	WARREN	6,692	365	5.5%	94
PENDER	29,534	1,064	3.6%	45	VANCE	17,938	984	5.5%	95
LENOIR	28,323	1,024	3.6%	46	EDGECOMBE	21,810	1,208	5.5%	96
SAMPSON	29,472	1,067	3.6%	47	WILSON	34,801	1,933	5.6%	97
CARTERET	31,866	1,167	3.7%	48	HALIFAX	20,977	1,187	5.7%	98
ROWAN	68,620	2,531	3.7%	49	SCOTLAND	11,738	755	6.4%	99
FRANKLIN	31,903	1,186	3.7%	50	HYDE	2,141	188	8.8%	100

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Estimates subject to monthly and annual revisions.

Accessing Data

The data presented in this press release, as well as historical data, can be accessed from NC Commerce's Demand Driven Data Delivery ("D4") system: https://d4.nccommerce.com/LausSelection.aspx

Technical Notes

This release presents labor force and unemployment estimates from the Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS) program. The LAUS program is a federal-state cooperative endeavor.

Labor force and unemployment--from the LAUS program

       Definitions. The labor force and unemployment estimates are based on the same concepts and definitions as those used for the official national estimates obtained from the Current Population Survey (CPS), a sample survey of households that is conducted for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) by the U.S. Census Bureau. The LAUS program measures employment and unemployment on a place-of-residence basis. The universe for each is the civilian noninstitutional population 16 years of age and over. Employed persons are those who did any work at all for pay or profit in the reference week (the week including the 12th of the month) or worked 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or farm, plus those not working who had a job from which they were temporarily absent, whether or not paid, for such reasons as bad weather, labor-management dispute, illness, or vacation. Unemployed persons are those who were not employed during the reference week (based on the definition above), had actively looked for a job sometime in the 4-week period ending with the reference week, and were currently available for work; persons on lay-off expecting recall need not be looking for work to be counted as unemployed. The labor force is the sum of employed and unemployed persons. The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed as a percent of the labor force.

       Method of estimation. Statewide estimates are produced using an estimation algorithm administered by the BLS. This method, which underwent substantial enhancement at the beginning of 2015, utilizes data from several sources, including the CPS, Current Employment Statistics (CES), and state unemployment insurance (UI) programs. Substate estimates are produced using the "LAUS Handbook Method", which is also based on data from several sources. Each month, census division estimates are controlled to national totals, and state estimates are then controlled to their respective division totals. Substate estimates are controlled to their respective state totals. For more information about LAUS estimation procedures, see the BLS website at www.bls.gov/lau/laumthd.htm

       Revisions. Labor force and unemployment data for the previous month reflect adjustments made in each subsequent month, while data for prior years reflect adjustments made at the end of each year. The monthly revisions incorporate updated model inputs, while the annually revised estimates reflect updated population data from the U.S. Census Bureau, any revisions in the other data sources, and model reestimation.

       Area definitions. The substate area data published in this release reflect the delineations that were issued by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget on April 10, 2018. A detailed list of the geographic definitions is available online at www.bls.gov/lau/lausmsa.htm.

<u>Reliability of the estimates</u>

The estimates presented in this release are based on sample surveys, administrative data, and modeling and, thus, are subject to sampling and other types of errors. Sampling error is a measure of sampling variability--that is, variation that occurs by chance because a sample rather than the entire population is surveyed. Survey data also are subject to nonsampling errors, such as those which can be introduced into the data collection and processing operations. Estimates not directly derived from sample surveys are subject to additional errors resulting from the specific estimation processes used.

Model-based error measures for seasonally adjusted and not seasonally adjusted data and for over-the-month and over-the-year changes to LAUS statewide estimates are available online at www.bls.gov/lau/lastderr.htm.
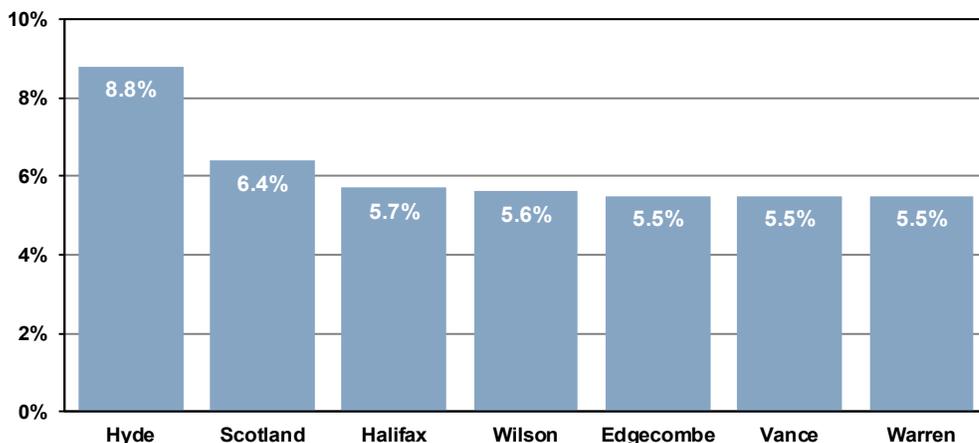
Release Dates

The next unemployment update is scheduled for Friday, December 20, 2019 when the state unemployment rate for November 2019 will be released.

The complete 2019 data release schedule can be accessed at:

https://www.nccommerce.com/documents/release-dates-unemployment-rates

Counties With Highest Unemployment Rates
October 2019*
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

County	Rate
Hyde	8.8%
Scotland	6.4%
Halifax	5.7%
Wilson	5.6%
Edgecombe	5.5%
Vance	5.5%
Warren	5.5%

Counties With Lowest Unemployment Rates
October 2019*
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

County	Rate
Buncombe	2.7%
Haywood	3.0%
Henderson	3.0%
Orange	3.1%
Watauga	3.1%
Wake	3.1%
Granville	3.1%

Metropolitan Statistical Areas' Unemployment Rates
October 2019*
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)

Area	Rate
North Carolina	3.6%
Asheville	2.8%
Raleigh	3.1%
Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC	3.2%
Durham/Chapel Hill	3.2%
Wilmington	3.2%
Winston-Salem	3.4%
Burlington	3.5%
Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton	3.5%
New Bern	3.7%
Greensboro/High Point	3.8%
Goldsboro	3.9%
Greenville	4.0%
Jacksonville	4.4%
Fayetteville	4.8%
Rocky Mount	4.9%

North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 3.6 percent in October. This increased 0.1 of a percentage point from September's revised rate, and remained unchanged over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in 86 of North Carolina's 100 counties. Forty-seven counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 3.6 percent rate.
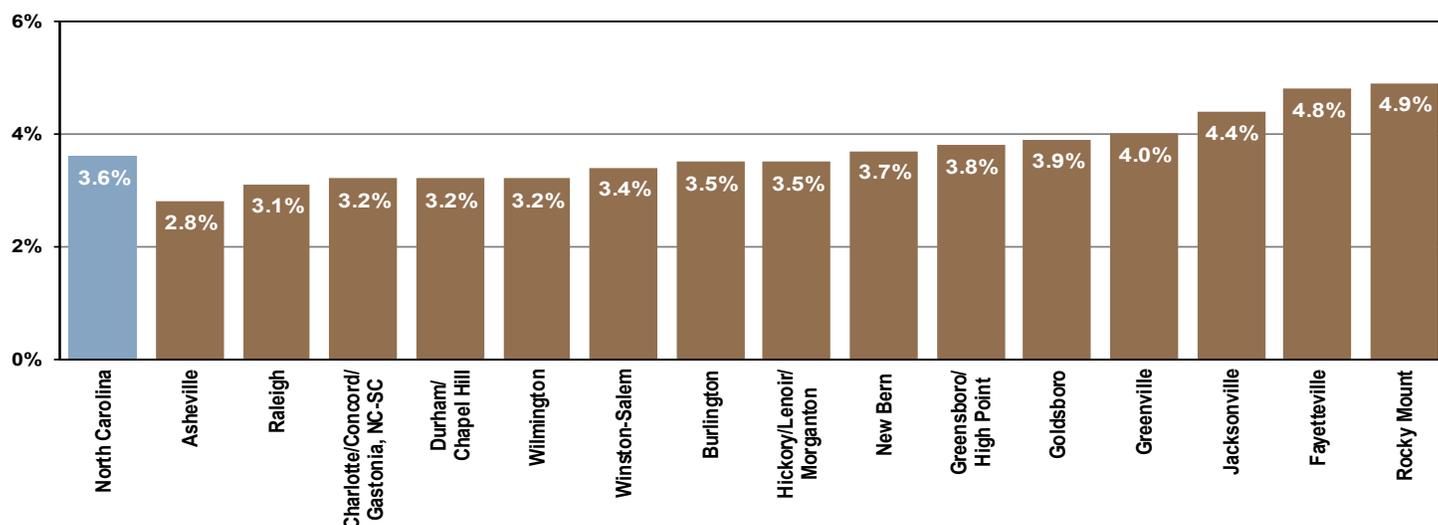
Hyde County recorded October's highest unemployment rate at 8.8 percent, followed by Scotland at 6.4 percent. Buncombe County had the lowest unemployment rate at 2.7 percent, followed by Haywood & Henderson at 3.0 percent.

Unemployment rates increased in 14 of the state's 15 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) over the month. The Rocky Mount MSA had the highest unemployment rate in October at 4.9 percent, followed by Fayetteville at 4.8 percent, Jacksonville at 4.4 percent, and Greenville at 4.0 percent. Asheville reported the month's lowest unemployment rate at 2.8 percent.
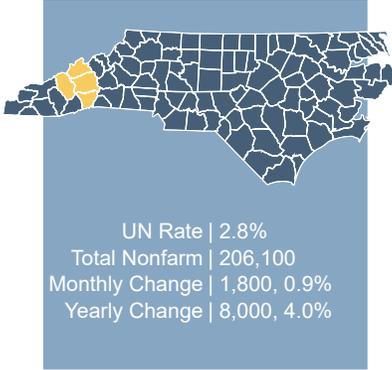
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Asheville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019

UN Rate | 2.8%
Total Nonfarm | 206,100
Monthly Change | 1,800, 0.9%
Yearly Change | 8,000, 4.0%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-0.9%
Manufacturing	-300	-1.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200	-0.5%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	1.5%
Professional & Business Services	300	1.6%
Education & Health Services	500	1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	700	2.4%
Other Services	100	1.2%
Government	700	2.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	600	6.0%
Manufacturing	900	4.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,000	5.6%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	200	3.0%
Professional & Business Services	200	1.1%
Education & Health Services	2,300	6.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,200	4.1%
Other Services	300	3.5%
Government	300	1.1%

Burlington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
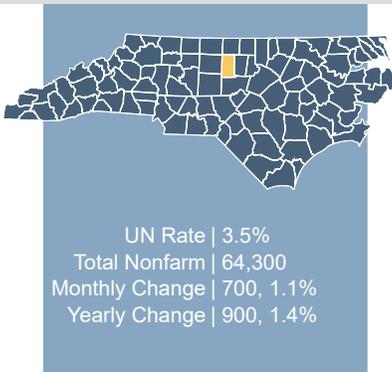
UN Rate | 3.5%
Total Nonfarm | 64,300
Monthly Change | 700, 1.1%
Yearly Change | 900, 1.4%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	0	0.0%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100	1.9%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	2.4%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	300	4.3%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200	-1.5%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	400	3.1%
Leisure & Hospitality	400	4.9%
Other Services	100	4.8%
Government	100	1.4%

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

UN Rate | 3.2%
Total Nonfarm | 1,249,100
Monthly Change | 8,100, 0.7%
Yearly Change | 27,900, 2.3%
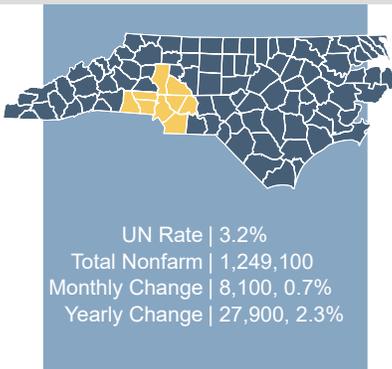
Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	300	0.5%
Manufacturing	-400	-0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,000	0.8%
Information	100	0.3%
Financial Activities	1,100	1.1%
Professional & Business Services	300	0.1%
Education & Health Services	1,100	0.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,900	1.3%
Other Services	-800	-1.9%
Government	2,500	1.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-2,200	-3.4%
Manufacturing	800	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	5,200	2.1%
Information	900	3.1%
Financial Activities	4,400	4.6%
Professional & Business Services	6,600	3.1%
Education & Health Services	4,600	3.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	6,900	4.9%
Other Services	900	2.2%
Government	-200	-0.1%

Durham/Chapel Hill MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
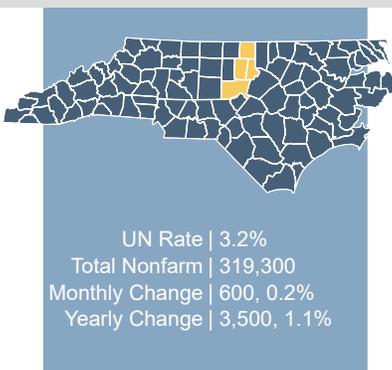
UN Rate | 3.2%
Total Nonfarm | 319,300
Monthly Change | 600, 0.2%
Yearly Change | 3,500, 1.1%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	-100	-0.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.3%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	0.7%
Professional & Business Services	-600	-1.3%
Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-400	-1.4%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	1,500	2.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	1.1%
Manufacturing	200	0.7%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	800	2.2%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	400	2.7%
Professional & Business Services	-800	-1.8%
Education & Health Services	-200	-0.3%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,600	5.8%
Other Services	-100	-0.9%
Government	1,500	2.2%

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North Carolina **County Labor Market Conditions**

Fayetteville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
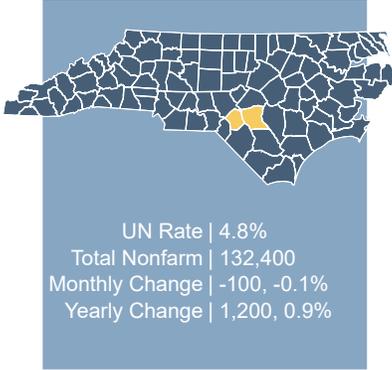
UN Rate | 4.8%
Total Nonfarm | 132,400
Monthly Change | -100, -0.1%
Yearly Change | 1,200, 0.9%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-200	-0.8%
Information	-100	-8.3%
Financial Activities	100	2.6%
Professional & Business Services	-100	-0.8%
Education & Health Services	100	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-0.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.5%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	100	1.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.4%
Information	-100	-8.3%
Financial Activities	100	2.6%
Professional & Business Services	300	2.6%
Education & Health Services	300	2.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	300	0.7%

Goldsboro MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
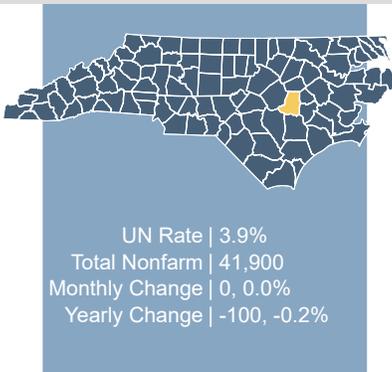
UN Rate | 3.9%
Total Nonfarm | 41,900
Monthly Change | 0, 0.0%
Yearly Change | -100, -0.2%

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	0	0.0%

Greensboro/High Point MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
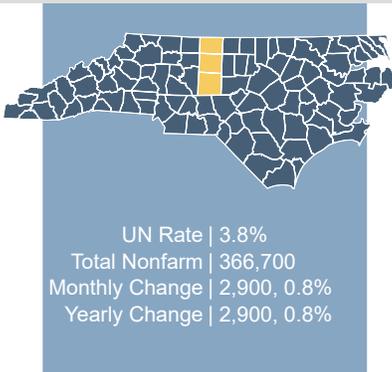
UN Rate | 3.8%
Total Nonfarm | 366,700
Monthly Change | 2,900, 0.8%
Yearly Change | 2,900, 0.8%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	0.6%
Manufacturing	100	0.2%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	400	0.5%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	0.6%
Professional & Business Services	-500	-1.1%
Education & Health Services	600	1.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,300	3.6%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	800	1.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	0.6%
Manufacturing	500	0.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	3,100	4.1%
Information	-100	-2.2%
Financial Activities	-200	-1.1%
Professional & Business Services	-2,400	-4.9%
Education & Health Services	700	1.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,000	2.8%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	200	0.4%

Greenville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
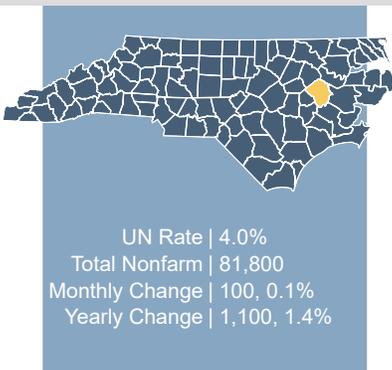
UN Rate | 4.0%
Total Nonfarm | 81,800
Monthly Change | 100, 0.1%
Yearly Change | 1,100, 1.4%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

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

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	5.7%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	500	4.4%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	-200	-7.1%
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	300	3.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-2.2%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	500	1.8%

*Data not collected for these industrial sectors. Note: All data are Not Seasonally Adjusted. All October 2019 data are preliminary.

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

UN Rate | 3.5%
Total Nonfarm | 156,000
Monthly Change | 900, 0.6%
Yearly Change | -300, -0.2%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-2.2%
Manufacturing	200	0.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	0.7%
Information	-100	-11.1%
Financial Activities	0	0.0%
Professional & Business Services	100	0.7%
Education & Health Services	100	0.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.8%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	400	1.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	800	1.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	500	1.7%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	3.2%
Professional & Business Services	-600	-4.1%
Education & Health Services	200	1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	-1,100	-7.8%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	-200	-0.9%

Jacksonville MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019

UN Rate | 4.4%
Total Nonfarm | 49,300
Monthly Change | 0, 0.0%
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	-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	-300	-2.1%

New Bern MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019

UN Rate | 3.7%
Total Nonfarm | 45,000
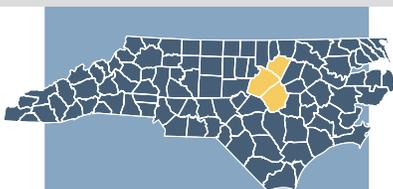Monthly Change | 0, 0.0%
Yearly Change | 400, 0.9%

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	1.4%

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%

Raleigh MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019

UN Rate | 3.1%
Total Nonfarm | 656,200
Monthly Change | 4,400, 0.7%
Yearly Change | 20,700, 3.3%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-0.2%
Manufacturing	100	0.3%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-100	-0.1%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	700	2.1%
Professional & Business Services	800	0.6%
Education & Health Services	-600	-0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	1,800	2.5%
Other Services	300	1.2%
Government	1,500	1.5%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	1,100	2.7%
Manufacturing	400	1.1%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	3,200	2.9%
Information	700	3.2%
Financial Activities	800	2.4%
Professional & Business Services	5,000	4.1%
Education & Health Services	3,800	4.9%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,700	5.3%
Other Services	500	2.0%
Government	1,500	1.5%

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Rocky Mount MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
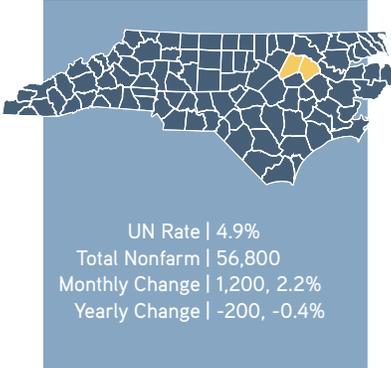
UN Rate | 4.9%
Total Nonfarm | 56,800
Monthly Change | 1,200, 2.2%
Yearly Change | -200, -0.4%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	700	7.4%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.9%
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	100	1.5%
Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
Other Services	*	
Government	300	2.8%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-3.7%
Manufacturing	-200	-1.9%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	1.7%
Information	*	
Financial Activities	*	
Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%
Education & Health Services	300	4.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	200	3.6%
Other Services	*	
Government	0	0.0%

Wilmington MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
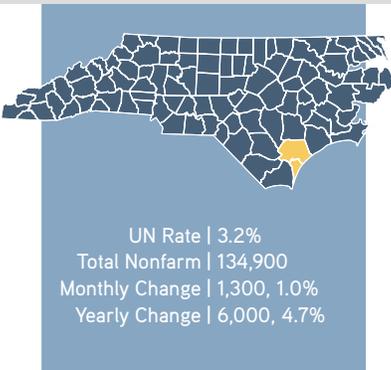
UN Rate | 3.2%
Total Nonfarm | 134,900
Monthly Change | 1,300, 1.0%
Yearly Change | 6,000, 4.7%

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	500	3.1%
Education & Health Services	100	0.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	300	1.3%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	400	1.7%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	200	2.4%
Manufacturing	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	700	2.9%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	200	3.2%
Professional & Business Services	900	5.6%
Education & Health Services	400	2.7%
Leisure & Hospitality	3,000	15.0%
Other Services	200	3.9%
Government	400	1.7%

Winston-Salem MSA | Total Nonfarm Employment | October 2019
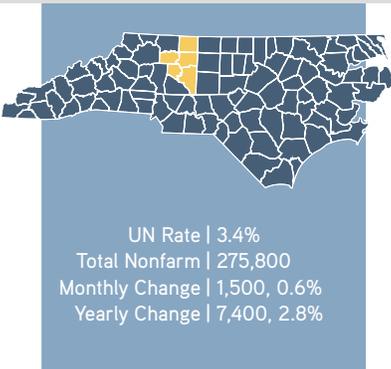
UN Rate | 3.4%
Total Nonfarm | 275,800
Monthly Change | 1,500, 0.6%
Yearly Change | 7,400, 2.8%

Over-the-Month Employment Change

Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100	0.9%
Manufacturing	-200	-0.6%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	100	0.2%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	100	0.8%
Professional & Business Services	400	1.0%
Education & Health Services	-100	-0.2%
Leisure & Hospitality	400	1.3%
Other Services	0	0.0%
Government	700	2.2%

Over-the-Year Employment Change

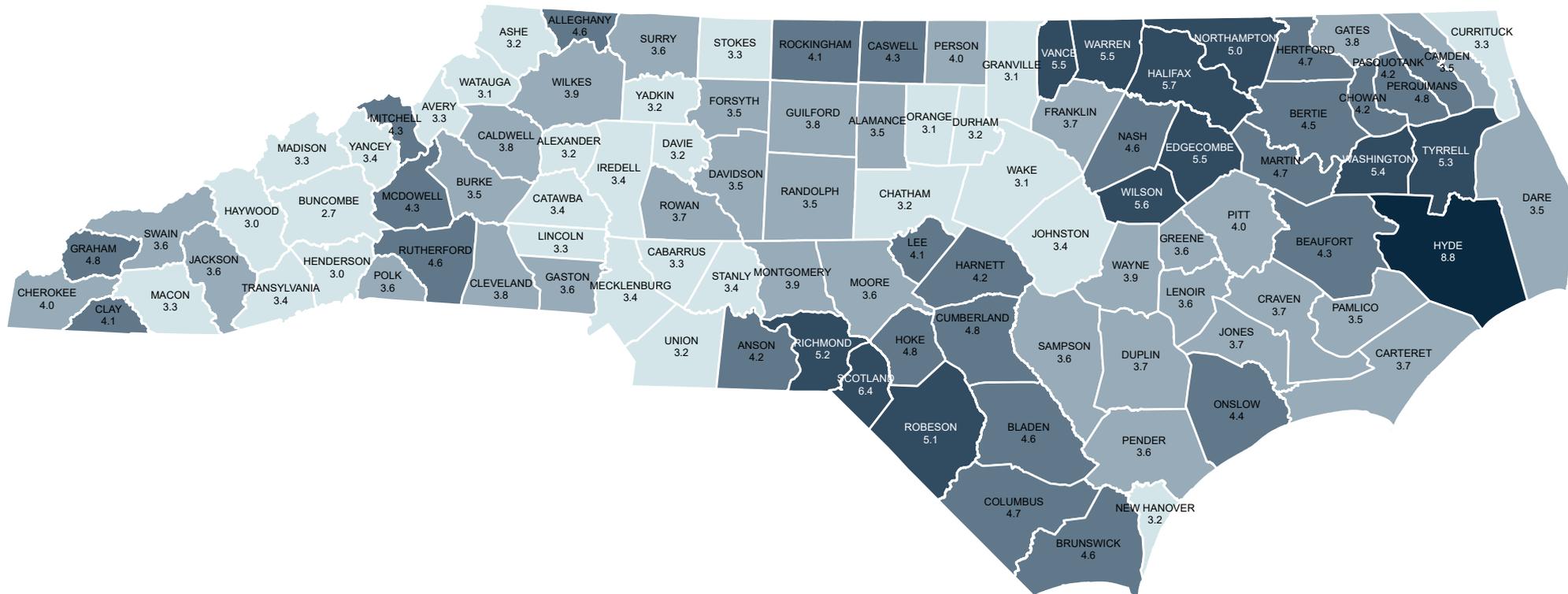| Industry	Change	
Mining, Logging & Construction	500	4.6%
Manufacturing	500	1.5%
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	200	0.4%
Information	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	200	1.5%
Professional & Business Services	1,900	5.1%
Education & Health Services	1,900	3.4%
Leisure & Hospitality	2,200	7.7%
Other Services	100	1.2%
Government	-100	-0.3%

Note: All data are Not Seasonally Adjusted. All October 2019 data are preliminary.

Over the month, net industry employment increased in eleven of North Carolina's 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase with 8,100, followed by Raleigh, 4,400; and Greensboro/High Point, 2,900. Rocky Mount experienced the greatest percentage increase at 2.2 percent, followed by Burlington, 1.1 percent; and Wilmington, 1.0 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.

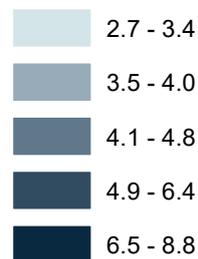Over the year, employment increased in 12 of 15 MSAs. Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC had the largest net employment increase at 27,900, followed by Raleigh, 20,700; Asheville, 8,000; Winston-Salem; 7,400; and Wilmington, 6,000. Wilmington had the greatest percentage increase at 4.7 percent, followed by Asheville, 4.0 percent; Raleigh, 3.3 percent; Winston-Salem, 2.8 percent; and Charlotte/Concord/Gastonia, NC-SC, 2.3 percent.

North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County
October 2019

ALLEGHANY 4.6
ASHE 3.2
SURRY 3.6
STOKES 3.3
ROCKINGHAM 4.1
CASWELL 4.3
PERSON 4.0
GRANVILLE 3.1
VANCE 5.5
WARREN 5.5
NORTHAMPTON 5.0
GATES 3.8
CURRITUCK 3.3
HERTFORD 4.7
PASQUOTANK 4.2
CAMDEN 3.5
WATAUGA 3.1
WILKES 3.9
YADKIN 3.2
FORSYTH 3.5
GUILFORD 3.8
ALAMANCE 3.5
ORANGE 3.1
DURHAM 3.2
FRANKLIN 3.7
HALIFAX 5.7
CHOWAN 4.2
PERQUIMANS 4.8
AVERY 3.3
MITCHELL 4.3
MADISON 3.3
YANCEY 3.4
CALDWELL 3.8
ALEXANDER 3.2
DAVIE 3.2
NASH 4.6
EDGECOMBE 5.5
BERTIE 4.5
WASHINGTON 5.4
TYRRELL 5.3
IREDELL 3.4
DAVIDSON 3.5
WAKE 3.1
MARTIN 4.7
BURKE 3.5
HAYWOOD 3.0
BUNCOMBE 2.7
MCDOWELL 4.3
CATAWBA 3.4
ROWAN 3.7
RANDOLPH 3.5
CHATHAM 3.2
WILSON 5.6
PITT 4.0
BEAUFORT 4.3
DARE 3.5
HYDE 8.8
GRAHAM 4.8
SWAIN 3.6
JACKSON 3.6
HENDERSON 3.0
RUTHERFORD 4.6
LINCOLN 3.3
CABARRUS 3.3
JOHNSTON 3.4
GREENE 3.6
POLK 3.6
CLEVELAND 3.8
GASTON 3.6
STANLY 3.4
MONTGOMERY 3.9
LEE 4.1
HARNETT 4.2
WAYNE 3.9
LENOIR 3.6
CRAVEN 3.7
PAMLICO 3.5
CHEROKEE 4.0
MACON 3.3
TRANSYLVANIA 3.4
MECKLENBURG 3.4
MOORE 3.6
CUMBERLAND 4.8
CLAY 4.1
UNION 3.2
ANSON 4.2
RICHMOND 5.2
HOKE 4.8
SAMPSON 3.6
DUPLIN 3.7
JONES 3.7
CARTERET 3.7
SCOTLAND 6.4
ROBESON 5.1
BLADEN 4.6
PENDER 3.6
ONSLOW 4.4
COLUMBUS 4.7
NEW HANOVER 3.2
BRUNSWICK 4.6

October 2019

Legend	Range
	2.7 - 3.4
	3.5 - 4.0
	4.1 - 4.8
	4.9 - 6.4
	6.5 - 8.8

∧ 86   Counties Higher Than Previous Month
∨ 0   Counties Lower Than Previous Month
= 14   Counties Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 3.6%
Not Seasonally Adjusted