



# News Release

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## Unemployment Rates Decrease In 82 Counties Across North Carolina In August

**RALEIGH** — Unemployment rates dropped in 82 of North Carolina’s 100 counties in August, according to statistics released today by the state’s Employment Security Commission. The rates increased in 10 counties and remained the same in 8.

“Unemployment rates continued to drop in most of the state’s 100 counties in August,” said ESC Chairman Lynn R. Holmes. “However, while the rates have lowered, current economic conditions continue to be a challenge for many communities across North Carolina as the unemployment rate remains at 10 percent or over in half of the state’s counties. Our staff across the state continues to provide assistance to those seeking unemployment benefits and those seeking employment opportunities.”

North Carolina had 47 counties that were at or below the state’s unadjusted unemployment rate of 9.8 percent. Rates decreased in all 14 of the state’s Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

The number of workers employed (not-seasonally adjusted) decreased in August by 23,241, to 4,068,606. The number of people unemployed decreased, by 13,368. The number of unemployed people in August was 441,326 workers, compared with 454,694 in July.

	<i>Counties With Rates 5% Or Below</i>	<i>Counties With Rates Between 5% &amp; 10%</i>	<i>Counties With Rates 10% Or Above</i>
<i>August</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>49</i>	<i>50</i>
<i>July (Revised)</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>44</i>	<i>55</i>

Currituck County had the state’s lowest unemployment rate in August, at 4.1 percent. Meanwhile, Scotland County had the highest unemployment rate, at 15.7 percent.

The five counties receiving the highest amount in regular unemployment insurance benefits in August were: Mecklenburg, \$17.2 million; Wake, \$13.9 million; Guilford, \$7.7 million; Forsyth, \$5.1 million; and Durham, \$3.6 million. In August, \$147.2 million in regular UI benefits was paid to 133,061 individuals statewide, compared to \$138.8 million to 145,255 individuals in July.

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Unemployment rates in the metropolitan statistical areas for August were:

*Asheville* — 8 percent, down from 8.1 percent in July.

*Burlington* — 10.6 percent, down from 10.9 percent.

*Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill NC-SC* — 11 percent, down from 11.3 percent.

*Durham-Chapel Hill* — 7.3 percent, down from 7.4 percent.

*Fayetteville* — 9 percent, down from 9.1 percent.

*Goldsboro* — 8.3 percent, down from 8.5 percent.

*Greensboro-High Point* — 10.4 percent, down from 10.7 percent.

*Greenville* — 9.8 percent, down from 10 percent.

*Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton* — 12.6 percent, down from 12.8 percent.

*Jacksonville* — 7.9 percent, down from 8 percent

*Raleigh-Cary* — 8.2 percent, down from 8.3 percent.

*Rocky Mount* — 12.7 percent, down from 13.1 percent..

*Wilmington* — 9.3 percent, down from 9.6 percent.

*Winston-Salem* — 9.3 percent, down from 9.5 percent.

*(Micropolitan statistical areas can be found on attached pages.)*

Not-seasonally adjusted unemployment rates show employment and unemployment conditions at the time the data were collected. The rates are not adjusted to remove seasonal fluctuations and generally are not used in determining the significance of economic trends.

**(Editor's Note: The state unemployment rate for September will be released on Friday, October 22., 2010.)**

*Per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistic's instructions, the ESC revises the previous month's data.*

## NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES

*Preliminary Statewide and County Data for  
AUGUST 2010*

County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
STATEWIDE	4,509,932	4,068,606	441,326	9.8	JOHNSTON	76,999	70,096	6,903	9.0
ALAMANCE	69,471	62,102	7,369	10.6	JONES	4,771	4,321	450	9.4
ALEXANDER	17,255	15,160	2,095	12.1	LEE	26,496	23,467	3,029	11.4
ALLEGHANY	4,773	4,316	457	9.6	LENOIR	27,165	24,378	2,787	10.3
ANSON	10,071	8,810	1,261	12.5	LINCOLN	37,083	32,661	4,422	11.9
ASHE	12,603	11,268	1,335	10.6	MCDOWELL	20,344	18,017	2,327	11.4
AVERY	9,346	8,616	730	7.8	MACON	16,106	14,674	1,432	8.9
BEAUFORT	20,796	18,607	2,189	10.5	MADISON	9,719	8,885	834	8.6
BERTIE	9,169	8,188	981	10.7	MARTIN	11,766	10,577	1,189	10.1
BLADEN	15,695	13,891	1,804	11.5	MECKLENBURG	462,531	413,945	48,586	10.5
BRUNSWICK	49,302	44,304	4,998	10.1	MITCHELL	7,131	6,423	708	9.9
BUNCOMBE	118,996	109,568	9,428	7.9	MONTGOMERY	10,542	9,259	1,283	12.2
BURKE	38,029	33,127	4,902	12.9	MOORE	36,357	33,137	3,220	8.9
CABARRUS	84,159	75,481	8,678	10.3	NASH	45,779	40,375	5,404	11.8
CALDWELL	36,163	31,497	4,666	12.9	NEW HANOVER	103,947	94,731	9,216	8.9
CAMDEN	4,454	4,143	311	7.0	NORTHAMPTON	8,691	7,697	994	11.4
CARTERET	34,364	31,921	2,443	7.1	ONSLow	64,973	59,817	5,156	7.9
CASWELL	10,485	9,291	1,194	11.4	ORANGE	70,097	65,618	4,479	6.4
CATAWBA	72,766	63,782	8,984	12.3	PAMLICO	5,546	5,005	541	9.8
CHATHAM	33,615	31,474	2,141	6.4	PASQUOTANK	17,744	16,128	1,616	9.1
CHEROKEE	9,850	8,570	1,280	13.0	PENDER	24,026	21,702	2,324	9.7
CHOWAN	6,432	5,792	640	10.0	PERQUIMANS	5,231	4,765	466	8.9
CLAY	4,686	4,230	456	9.7	PERSON	19,282	17,295	1,987	10.3
CLEVELAND	47,264	41,336	5,928	12.5	PITT	80,935	72,955	7,980	9.9
COLUMBUS	24,402	21,519	2,883	11.8	POLK	9,471	8,747	724	7.6
CRAVEN	42,948	38,928	4,020	9.4	RANDOLPH	72,084	65,161	6,923	9.6
CUMBERLAND	137,206	124,747	12,459	9.1	RICHMOND	20,075	17,514	2,561	12.8
CURRITUCK	12,451	11,935	516	4.1	ROBESON	56,192	49,544	6,648	11.8
DARE	24,794	23,248	1,546	6.2	ROCKINGHAM	43,088	38,174	4,914	11.4
DAVIDSON	75,377	66,765	8,612	11.4	ROWAN	68,686	60,685	8,001	11.6
DAVIE	20,558	18,711	1,847	9.0	RUTHERFORD	26,860	22,940	3,920	14.6
DUPLIN	24,829	22,808	2,021	8.1	SAMPSON	30,977	28,414	2,563	8.3
DURHAM	142,693	131,977	10,716	7.5	SCOTLAND	13,528	11,408	2,120	15.7
EDGECOMBE	23,937	20,476	3,461	14.5	STANLY	30,255	26,826	3,429	11.3
FORSYTH	175,214	158,691	16,523	9.4	STOKES	23,670	21,558	2,112	8.9
FRANKLIN	27,478	24,854	2,624	9.5	SURRY	33,110	29,504	3,606	10.9
GASTON	97,367	86,827	10,540	10.8	SWAIN	6,904	6,207	697	10.1
GATES	4,813	4,453	360	7.5	TRANSYLVANIA	13,427	12,313	1,114	8.3
GRAHAM	3,688	3,199	489	13.3	TYRRELL	2,288	2,089	199	8.7
GRANVILLE	25,659	23,118	2,541	9.9	UNION	93,482	85,169	8,313	8.9
GREENE	9,209	8,331	878	9.5	VANCE	19,274	16,929	2,345	12.2
GUILFORD	244,010	218,316	25,694	10.5	WAKE	451,606	415,686	35,920	8.0
HALIFAX	23,762	20,857	2,905	12.2	WARREN	7,774	6,895	879	11.3
HARNETT	47,510	42,601	4,909	10.3	WASHINGTON	6,412	5,705	707	11.0
HAYWOOD	26,970	24,686	2,284	8.5	WATAUGA	23,387	21,664	1,723	7.4
HENDERSON	48,074	44,380	3,694	7.7	WAYNE	52,761	48,357	4,404	8.3
HERTFORD	10,306	9,359	947	9.2	WILKES	29,873	26,119	3,754	12.6
HOKE	20,292	18,535	1,757	8.7	WILSON	39,986	35,098	4,888	12.2
HYDE	2,887	2,708	179	6.2	YADKIN	19,021	17,337	1,684	8.9
IREDELL	77,615	68,840	8,775	11.3	YANCEY	7,745	6,963	782	10.1
JACKSON	20,942	19,330	1,612	7.7					

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**METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS  
MULTICOUNTY SMALL LABOR MARKET AREA  
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**  
*Preliminary Data for  
AUGUST 2010*

<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
ASHEVILLE	203,758	187,519	16,239	8.0
BURLINGTON	69,471	62,102	7,369	10.6
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-ROCK HILL, NC-SC	860,759	766,013	94,746	11.0
DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	265,687	246,364	19,323	7.3
FAYETTEVILLE	157,498	143,282	14,216	9.0
GOLDSBORO	52,761	48,357	4,404	8.3
GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT	359,181	321,651	37,530	10.4
GREENVILLE	90,144	81,286	8,858	9.8
HICKORY-LENOIR-MORGANTON	164,213	143,566	20,647	12.6
JACKSONVILLE	64,973	59,817	5,156	7.9
RALEIGH-CARY	556,084	510,637	45,447	8.2
ROCKY MOUNT	69,716	60,851	8,865	12.7
WILMINGTON	177,275	160,737	16,538	9.3
WINSTON-SALEM	238,463	216,297	22,166	9.3

<b>Micropolitan Statistical Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
ALBEMARLE	30,255	26,826	3,429	11.3
BOONE	23,387	21,664	1,723	7.4
BREVARD	13,427	12,313	1,114	8.3
DUNN	47,510	42,601	4,909	10.3
ELIZABETH CITY	27,429	25,036	2,393	8.7
FOREST CITY	26,860	22,940	3,920	14.6
HENDERSON	19,274	16,929	2,345	12.2
KILL DEVIL HILLS	24,794	23,248	1,546	6.2
KINSTON	27,165	24,378	2,787	10.3
LAURINBURG	13,528	11,408	2,120	15.7
LINCOLNTON	37,083	32,661	4,422	11.9
LUMBERTON	56,192	49,544	6,648	11.8
MOREHEAD CITY	34,364	31,921	2,443	7.1
MOUNT AIRY	33,110	29,504	3,606	10.9
NEW BERN	53,264	48,253	5,011	9.4
NORTH WILKESBORO	29,873	26,119	3,754	12.6
ROANOKE RAPIDS	32,453	28,554	3,899	12.0
ROCKINGHAM	20,075	17,514	2,561	12.8
SALISBURY	68,686	60,685	8,001	11.6
SANFORD	26,496	23,467	3,029	11.4
SHELBY	47,264	41,336	5,928	12.5
SOUTHERN PINES-PINEHURST	36,357	33,137	3,220	8.9
STATESVILLE-MOORESVILLE	77,615	68,840	8,775	11.3
THOMASVILLE-LEXINGTON	75,377	66,765	8,612	11.4
WASHINGTON	20,796	18,607	2,189	10.5
WILSON	39,986	35,098	4,888	12.2

<b>Multicounty Small Labor Market Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
JACKSON-SWAIN	27,846	25,537	2,309	8.3

**COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS  
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**  
*Preliminary Data for  
AUGUST 2010*

<b>Combined Statistical Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
ASHEVILLE-BREVARD	217,185	199,832	17,353	8.0
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-SALISBURY, NC-SC	1,167,142	1,034,212	132,930	11.4
GREENSBORO-WINSTON SALEM-HIGH POINT	775,602	696,319	79,283	10.2
LUMBERTON-LAURINBURG	69,720	60,952	8,768	12.6
RALEIGH-DURHAM-CARY	869,281	799,602	69,679	8.0

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**NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGES**

<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>AUGUST 2010</b>	<b>JULY 2010</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>AUGUST 2010</b>	<b>JULY 2010</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>
STATEWIDE	9.8	10.0	-0.2	JOHNSTON	9.0	8.9	0.1
ALAMANCE	10.6	10.9	-0.3	JONES	9.4	9.2	0.2
ALEXANDER	12.1	13.2	-1.1	LEE	11.4	11.7	-0.3
ALLEGHANY	9.6	10.1	-0.5	LENOIR	10.3	10.6	-0.3
ANSON	12.5	12.9	-0.4	LINCOLN	11.9	12.2	-0.3
ASHE	10.6	10.9	-0.3	MCDOWELL	11.4	11.6	-0.2
AVERY	7.8	8.1	-0.3	MACON	8.9	9.1	-0.2
BEAUFORT	10.5	10.6	-0.1	MADISON	8.6	8.8	-0.2
BERTIE	10.7	10.7	0.0	MARTIN	10.1	10.3	-0.2
BLADEN	11.5	11.7	-0.2	MECKLENBURG	10.5	10.8	-0.3
BRUNSWICK	10.1	10.1	0.0	MITCHELL	9.9	10.2	-0.3
BUNCOMBE	7.9	8.1	-0.2	MONTGOMERY	12.2	12.6	-0.4
BURKE	12.9	13.0	-0.1	MOORE	8.9	8.9	0.0
CABARRUS	10.3	10.5	-0.2	NASH	11.8	12.2	-0.4
CALDWELL	12.9	12.8	0.1	NEW HANOVER	8.9	9.2	-0.3
CAMDEN	7.0	7.1	-0.1	NORTHAMPTON	11.4	11.6	-0.2
CARTERET	7.1	7.1	0.0	ONSLow	7.9	8.0	-0.1
CASWELL	11.4	11.6	-0.2	ORANGE	6.4	6.5	-0.1
CATAWBA	12.3	12.6	-0.3	PAMLICO	9.8	9.6	0.2
CHATHAM	6.4	6.7	-0.3	PASQUOTANK	9.1	9.3	-0.2
CHEROKEE	13.0	13.3	-0.3	PENDER	9.7	10.2	-0.5
CHOWAN	10.0	9.9	0.1	PERQUIMANS	8.9	8.6	0.3
CLAY	9.7	9.6	0.1	PERSON	10.3	10.2	0.1
CLEVELAND	12.5	12.9	-0.4	PITT	9.9	10.0	-0.1
COLUMBUS	11.8	11.9	-0.1	POLK	7.6	7.8	-0.2
CRAVEN	9.4	9.4	0.0	RANDOLPH	9.6	9.7	-0.1
CUMBERLAND	9.1	9.2	-0.1	RICHMOND	12.8	13.2	-0.4
CURRITUCK	4.1	4.6	-0.5	ROBESON	11.8	12.3	-0.5
DARE	6.2	6.3	-0.1	ROCKINGHAM	11.4	11.4	0.0
DAVIDSON	11.4	11.8	-0.4	ROWAN	11.6	11.9	-0.3
DAVIDSON	11.4	11.8	-0.4	RUTHERFORD	14.6	14.7	-0.1
DAVIE	9.0	9.4	-0.4	SAMPSON	8.3	8.4	-0.1
DUPLIN	8.1	8.6	-0.5	SCOTLAND	15.7	16.3	-0.6
DURHAM	7.5	7.7	-0.2	STANLY	11.3	11.5	-0.2
EDGECOMBE	14.5	14.8	-0.3	STOKES	8.9	9.0	-0.1
EDGECOMBE	14.5	14.8	-0.3	SURRY	10.9	11.1	-0.2
FORSYTH	9.4	9.6	-0.2	SWAIN	10.1	10.2	-0.1
FRANKLIN	9.5	9.5	0.0	TRANSYLVANIA	8.3	8.6	-0.3
GASTON	10.8	11.1	-0.3	TYRRELL	8.7	8.8	-0.1
GATES	7.5	7.6	-0.1	UNION	8.9	9.3	-0.4
GRAHAM	13.3	13.5	-0.2	VANCE	12.2	12.5	-0.3
GRANVILLE	9.9	10.1	-0.2	WAKE	8.0	8.1	-0.1
GREENE	9.5	10.1	-0.6	WARREN	11.3	11.9	-0.6
GUILFORD	10.5	10.9	-0.4	WASHINGTON	11.0	11.3	-0.3
HALIFAX	12.2	12.6	-0.4	WATAUGA	7.4	7.5	-0.1
HALIFAX	12.2	12.6	-0.4	WAYNE	8.3	8.5	-0.2
HARNETT	10.3	10.6	-0.3	WILKES	12.6	12.9	-0.3
HAYWOOD	8.5	8.6	-0.1	WILSON	12.2	12.6	-0.4
HENDERSON	7.7	7.8	-0.1	YADKIN	8.9	9.1	-0.2
HERTFORD	9.2	9.2	0.0	YANCEY	10.1	10.6	-0.5
HOKE	8.7	8.5	0.2				
HYDE	6.2	6.0	0.2				
IREDELL	11.3	11.5	-0.2				
JACKSON	7.7	7.9	-0.2				

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July 2010 data has been revised.

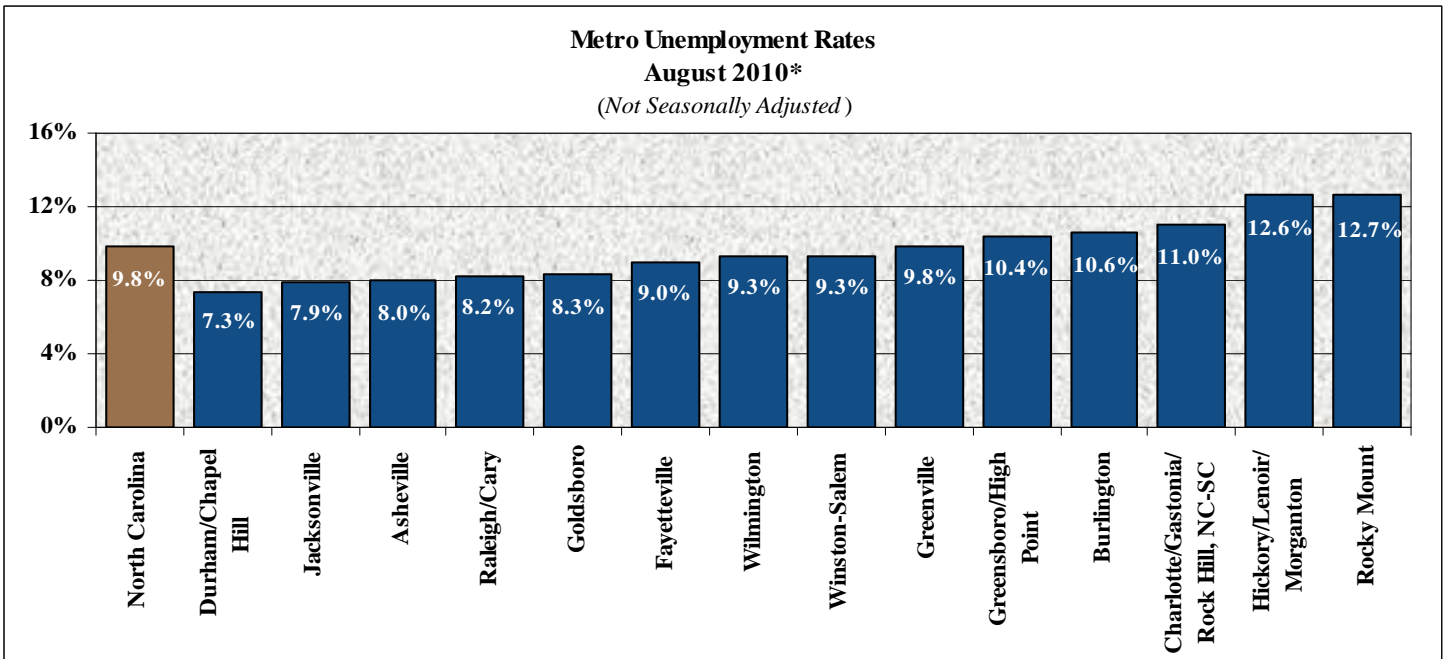
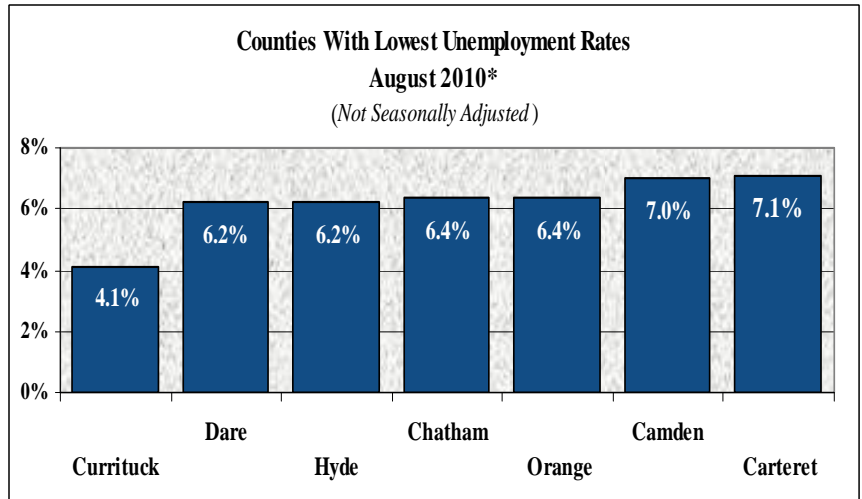
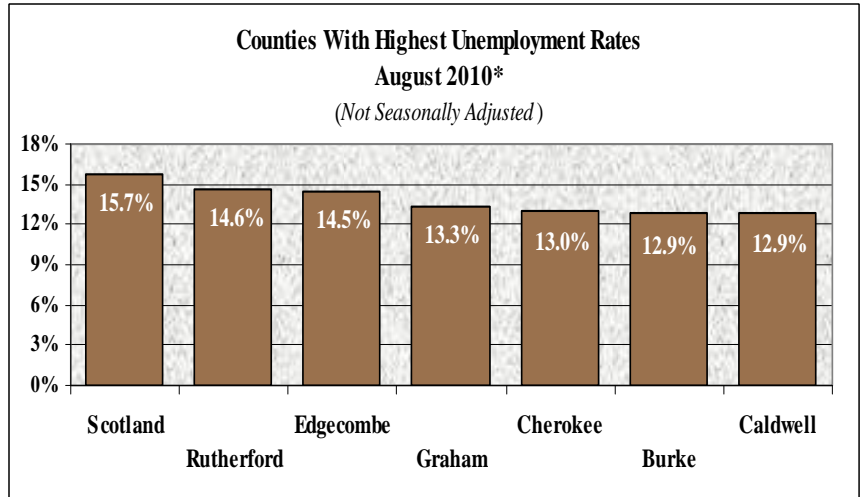
## NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS AUGUST 2010

North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 9.8 percent in August. This was a 0.2 of a percentage point decrease from July's revised rate of 10.0 percent, as well as a 1.1 percentage point drop over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in 82 counties, increased in 10, and was unchanged in eight. Forty-seven counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 9.8 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded August's highest unemployment rate at 15.7 percent, 0.6 of a percentage point lower than last month. Rutherford County had the second-highest rate at 14.6 percent. Currituck County had the lowest unemployment rate at 4.1 percent, followed by Dare and Hyde, 6.2 percent; Chatham and Orange, 6.4 percent; and Camden, 7.0 percent.

Unemployment rates also decreased in all 14 of the state's Metropolitan Statistical Areas (Metros) over the previous month. The Rocky Mount Metro had the highest unemployment rate in August at 12.7 percent. The Durham/Chapel Hill Metro had the lowest unemployment rate at 7.3 percent, which decreased 0.1 of a percentage point from the previous month. Jacksonville followed at 7.9 percent, declining 0.1 of a percentage point from the previous month.



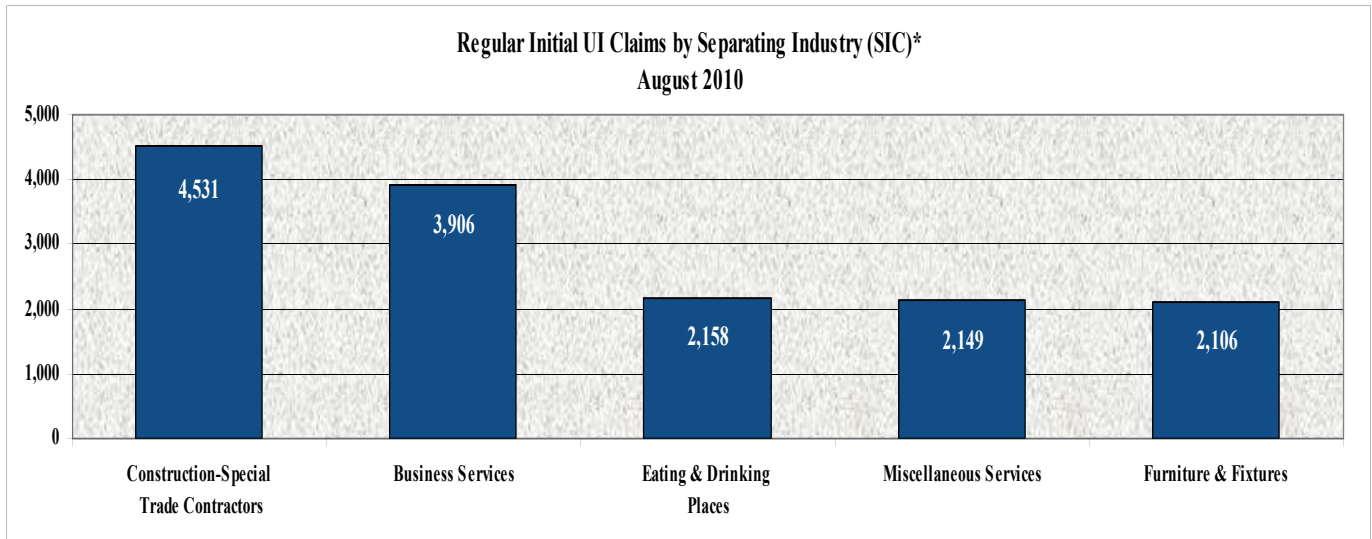
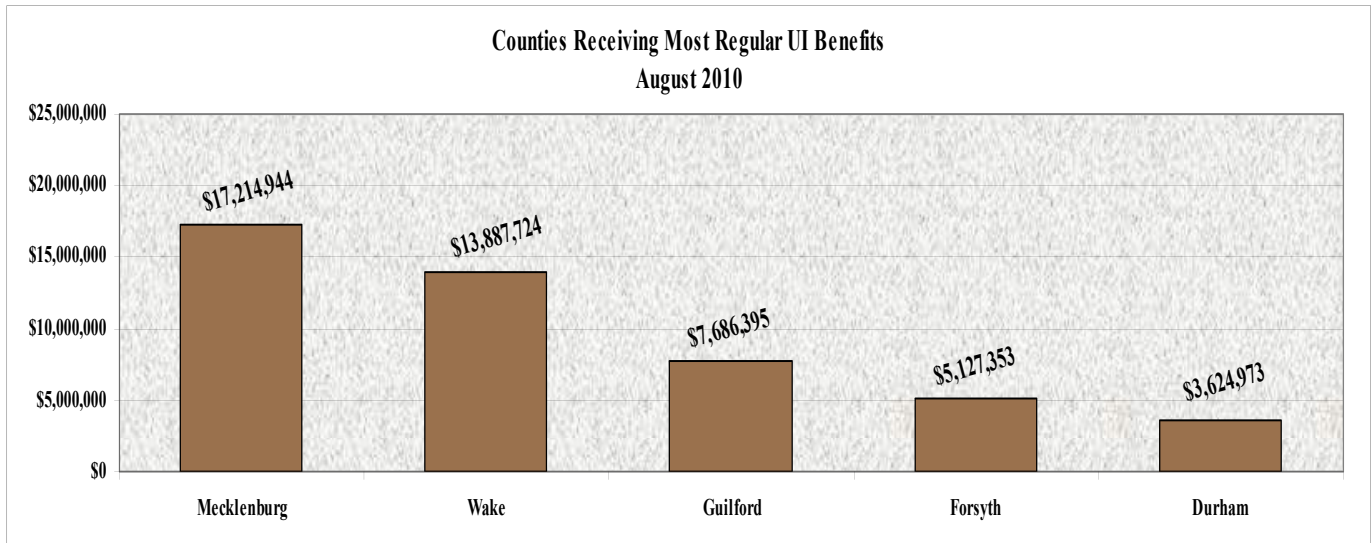
\*All August 2010 labor force data are preliminary.

In August 2010, there were 61,549 Regular Unemployment Insurance (UI) Initial Claims filed in North Carolina. Counties with the largest number of claims filed and benefits received are shown in the graphs.

Regular Initial UI Claims, August 2010						
County	Transactions		Individuals			
	Initial Claims	Attached To Payroll	Female	African-American	White	45 Or Older
Mecklenburg	5,137	653	2,297	2,387	1,956	1,650
Wake	3,655	811	1,579	1,318	1,753	1,344
Guilford	3,116	1,238	1,196	1,322	1,192	1,143
Catawba	2,063	1,387	753	176	1,506	889
Forsyth	2,042	640	842	789	902	772

Total Regular Initial Claims are based on the number of transactions; demographic data are counts of individuals. Not all race/ethnicity and age breakouts are presented, but are available upon request.

New Regular Initial Claims, totaling 37,953 for the month ending August 2010, decreased 1,953 from the prior month. Fourteen percent were Attached New Initial Claims. During the same period a year ago, New Claims totaled 40,142, of which 16 percent were Attached. For the month ending August 2008, New Claims totaled 40,504, of which 22 percent were Attached Claims.



\*Many Initial Claims were nonclassifiable by separating industry.

<b>Asheville Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(1,700)</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(300)</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		
	Government	1,200	4.8%	Government	1,500	6.1%	
	Education & Health Services	300	1.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	600	2.6%	
	<b>Total</b>	Professional & Business Services	200	1.5%	Education & Health Services	300	1.0%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200	0.7%	Financial Activities	100	1.8%
	<b>Employment</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	<b>Aug-10</b>	Manufacturing	0	0.0%	Other Services	-200	-2.7%
	<b>165,300</b>	Information	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-300	-1.0%
	<b>Rate = 8.0%</b>	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Manufacturing	-500	-2.7%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-0.4%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-500	-6.0%	
	Other Services	-100	-1.4%	Professional & Business Services	-700	-5.0%	
<b>Burlington Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(900)</b>	<b>1.6%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(0)</b>	<b>0.0%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		
	Government	1,000	15.4%	Professional & Business Services	300	4.9%	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Government	300	4.2%	
	<b>Total</b>	Manufacturing	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	200	2.0%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Information	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	<b>Employment</b>	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	<b>Aug-10</b>	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	Other Services	0	0.0%
	<b>55,900</b>	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-1.5%
	<b>Rate = 10.6%</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200	-1.8%
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200	-7.4%	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100	-0.9%	Manufacturing	-300	-3.5%	
<b>Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(23,900)</b>	<b>3.0%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(6,100)</b>	<b>0.8%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		
	Government	19,700	20.5%	Professional & Business Services	7,200	5.8%	
	Professional & Business Services	1,400	1.1%	Leisure & Hospitality	3,600	4.1%	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	1,000	0.6%	Government	2,600	2.3%	
	<b>Total</b>	Education & Health Services	700	0.9%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	600	0.4%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Manufacturing	500	0.8%	Information	500	2.4%
	<b>Employment</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	500	0.5%	Education & Health Services	400	0.5%
	<b>Aug-10</b>	Information	100	0.5%	Manufacturing	-200	-0.3%
	<b>811,500</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Other Services	-700	-2.2%
<b>Rate = 11.0%</b>	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	-1,500	-2.1%	
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-6,400	-15.1%	
<b>Durham/Chapel Hill Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(3,500)</b>	<b>1.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(5,800)</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>		
	Government	3,900	6.6%	Government	5,700	10.0%	
	Manufacturing	300	0.9%	Education & Health Services	2,600	4.8%	
	<b>Total</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Information	100	2.6%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Information	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.5%
	<b>Employment</b>	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0	0.0%
	<b>Aug-10</b>	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	Manufacturing	-200	-0.6%
	<b>286,400</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-0.5%	Other Services	-400	-1.9%
	<b>Rate = 7.3%</b>	Other Services	-100	-0.5%	Financial Activities	-400	-3.1%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200	-0.6%	Professional & Business Services	-700	-2.0%	
	Education & Health Services	-300	-0.5%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,000	-12.0%	

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<i>Fayetteville Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(1,900) 1.5%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(2,100) 1.6%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	1,600 4.5%	Government	1,100 3.0%
	Professional & Business Services	100 0.7%	Professional & Business Services	600 4.6%
<b>Total</b>	Education & Health Services	100 0.6%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	400 1.9%
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100 0.5%	Education & Health Services	300 1.9%
<b>Employment</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Information	100 6.3%
<b>Aug-10</b>	Manufacturing	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	0 0.0%
	Information	0 0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
<b>129,600</b>	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Manufacturing	-100 -1.0%
	Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%	Other Services	-100 -2.0%
<b>Rate = 9.0%</b>	Other Services	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -3.6%

<i>Goldsboro Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(600) 1.4%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-500) -1.1%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	400 3.8%	Government	-200 -1.8%
	Education & Health Services	*	Education & Health Services	*
<b>Total</b>	Financial Activities	*	Financial Activities	*
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Information	*	Information	*
<b>Employment</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	*	Leisure & Hospitality	*
<b>Aug-10</b>	Manufacturing	*	Manufacturing	*
	Mining, Logging & Construction	*	Mining, Logging & Construction	*
<b>43,100</b>	Other Services	*	Other Services	*
	Professional & Business Services	*	Professional & Business Services	*
<b>Rate = 8.3%</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*

<i>Greensboro/High Point Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(5,100) 1.5%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-300) -0.1%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	4,100 9.8%	Professional & Business Services	2,900 6.9%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	700 1.0%	Government	2,700 6.2%
<b>Total</b>	Professional & Business Services	300 0.7%	Financial Activities	100 0.5%
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Manufacturing	200 0.4%	Information	-100 -1.8%
<b>Employment</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.3%	Other Services	-300 -2.0%
<b>Aug-10</b>	Information	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-500 -0.7%
	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,000 -3.2%
<b>339,600</b>	Education & Health Services	-100 -0.2%	Education & Health Services	-1,100 -2.3%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -0.7%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,200 -8.2%
<b>Rate = 10.4%</b>	Other Services	-100 -0.7%	Manufacturing	-1,800 -3.5%

<i>Greenville Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(1,000) 1.4%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(900) 1.2%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	700 3.1%	Professional & Business Services	400 7.3%
	Manufacturing	100 1.7%	Government	400 1.7%
<b>Total</b>	Professional & Business Services	100 1.7%	Leisure & Hospitality	300 3.8%
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Education & Health Services	100 0.9%	Manufacturing	100 1.7%
<b>Employment</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Education & Health Services	100 0.9%
<b>Aug-10</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100 0.9%
	Information	0 0.0%	Other Services	0 0.0%
<b>74,800</b>	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	-100 -3.7%
	Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%	Information	-100 -10.0%
<b>Rate = 9.8%</b>	Other Services	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -8.8%

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<i>Hickory/ Lenoir/ Morganton Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(2,100) 1.5%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-400) -0.3%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	1,400 6.1%	Government	1,000 4.3%
	Leisure & Hospitality	400 3.6%	Professional & Business Services	200 2.0%
	Manufacturing	200 0.6%	Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.9%
<b>Total</b>	Professional & Business Services	100 1.0%	Information	0 0.0%
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	0 0.0%
<b>Employment</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0 0.0%	Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
<b>Aug-10</b>	Information	0 0.0%	Other Services	0 0.0%
<b>141,400</b>	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100 -0.4%
	Education & Health Services	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -7.3%
<b>Rate = 12.6%</b>	Other Services	0 0.0%	Manufacturing	-1,300 -3.5%

<i>Jacksonville Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(400) 0.8%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-300) -0.6%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	200 1.5%	Government	-500 -3.6%
	Education & Health Services	*	Education & Health Services	*
<b>Total</b>	Financial Activities	*	Financial Activities	*
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Information	*	Information	*
<b>Employment</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	*	Leisure & Hospitality	*
<b>Aug-10</b>	Manufacturing	*	Manufacturing	*
	Mining, Logging & Construction	*	Mining, Logging & Construction	*
<b>47,500</b>	Other Services	*	Other Services	*
	Professional & Business Services	*	Professional & Business Services	*
<b>Rate = 7.9%</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*

<i>Raleigh/ Cary Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(2,400) 0.5%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-900) -0.2%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	700 0.8%	Professional & Business Services	3,300 4.1%
	Education & Health Services	400 0.7%	Other Services	700 2.7%
<b>Total</b>	Professional & Business Services	400 0.5%	Education & Health Services	700 1.1%
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	400 0.5%	Information	400 2.4%
<b>Employment</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	200 0.7%	Government	-100 -0.1%
<b>Aug-10</b>	Information	100 0.6%	Financial Activities	-500 -1.9%
	Manufacturing	100 0.4%	Manufacturing	-700 -2.4%
<b>495,600</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.2%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-900 -1.0%
	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,200 -2.3%
<b>Rate = 8.2%</b>	Other Services	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-2,600 -8.8%

<i>Rocky Mount Metro</i>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(1,300) 2.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(0) 0.0%</b>
	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>	<b><u>Industry</u></b>	<b><u>Change</u></b>
	Government	800 7.8%	Manufacturing	300 2.9%
	Education & Health Services	100 1.4%	Professional & Business Services	200 3.9%
<b>Total</b>	Manufacturing	100 0.9%	Government	100 0.9%
<b>Nonfarm</b>	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Education & Health Services	0 0.0%
<b>Employment</b>	Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -2.0%
<b>Aug-10</b>	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100 -0.9%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -7.7%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -2.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-500 -4.1%
<b>59,500</b>	Financial Activities	*	Financial Activities	*
	Information	*	Information	*
<b>Rate = 12.7%</b>	Other Services	*	Other Services	*

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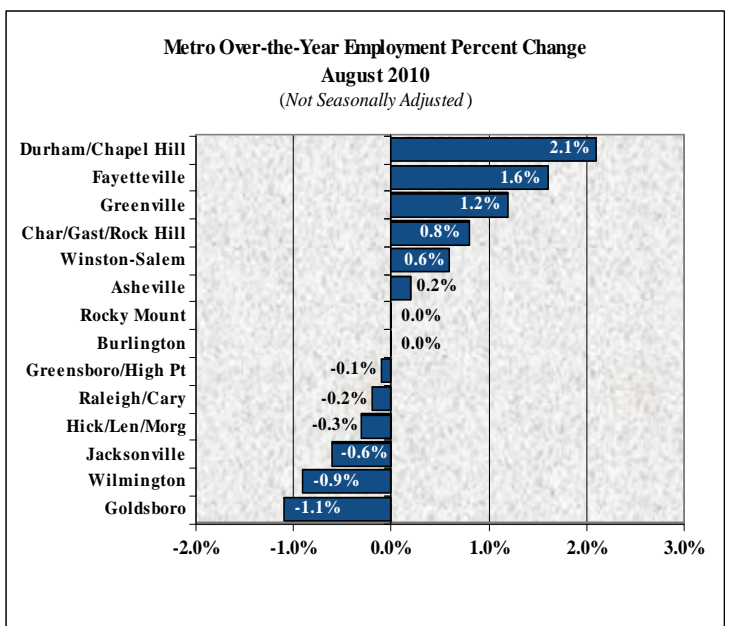
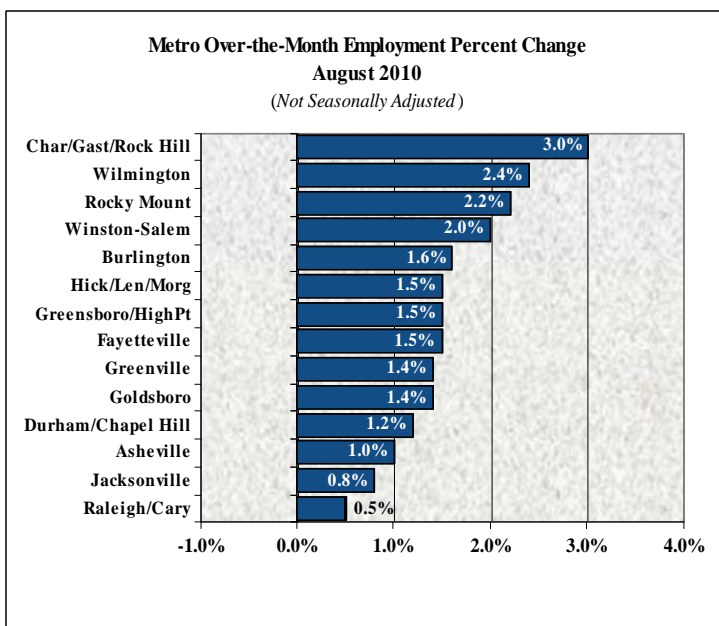
<b>Wilmington Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(3,300) 2.4%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-1,200) -0.9%</b>
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment Aug-10</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>138,200</b> <b>Rate = 9.3%</b>	Government	3,100 13.7%	Government	600 2.4%
	Leisure & Hospitality	300 1.5%	Education & Health Services	500 3.0%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.2%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300 1.1%
	Education & Health Services	100 0.6%	Information	0 0.0%
	Manufacturing	0 0.0%	Manufacturing	-100 -1.2%
	Information	0 0.0%	Other Services	-100 -1.5%
	Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%	Professional & Business Services	-200 -1.4%
	Other Services	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	-200 -2.9%
	Financial Activities	-100 -1.5%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-800 -8.9%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200 -0.7%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,200 -5.5%

<b>Winston-Salem Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(4,000) 2.0%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(1,300) 0.6%</b>
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment Aug-10</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
<b>208,500</b> <b>Rate = 9.3%</b>	Government	2,700 12.4%	Professional & Business Services	2,000 8.2%
	Professional & Business Services	600 2.3%	Government	500 2.1%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	500 1.4%	Education & Health Services	500 1.1%
	Leisure & Hospitality	100 0.5%	Leisure & Hospitality	400 2.0%
	Manufacturing	100 0.4%	Information	0 0.0%
	Education & Health Services	100 0.2%	Financial Activities	-200 -1.6%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Other Services	-200 -2.0%
	Information	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-300 -0.8%
	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-600 -7.3%
	Other Services	-100 -1.0%	Manufacturing	-800 -3.3%

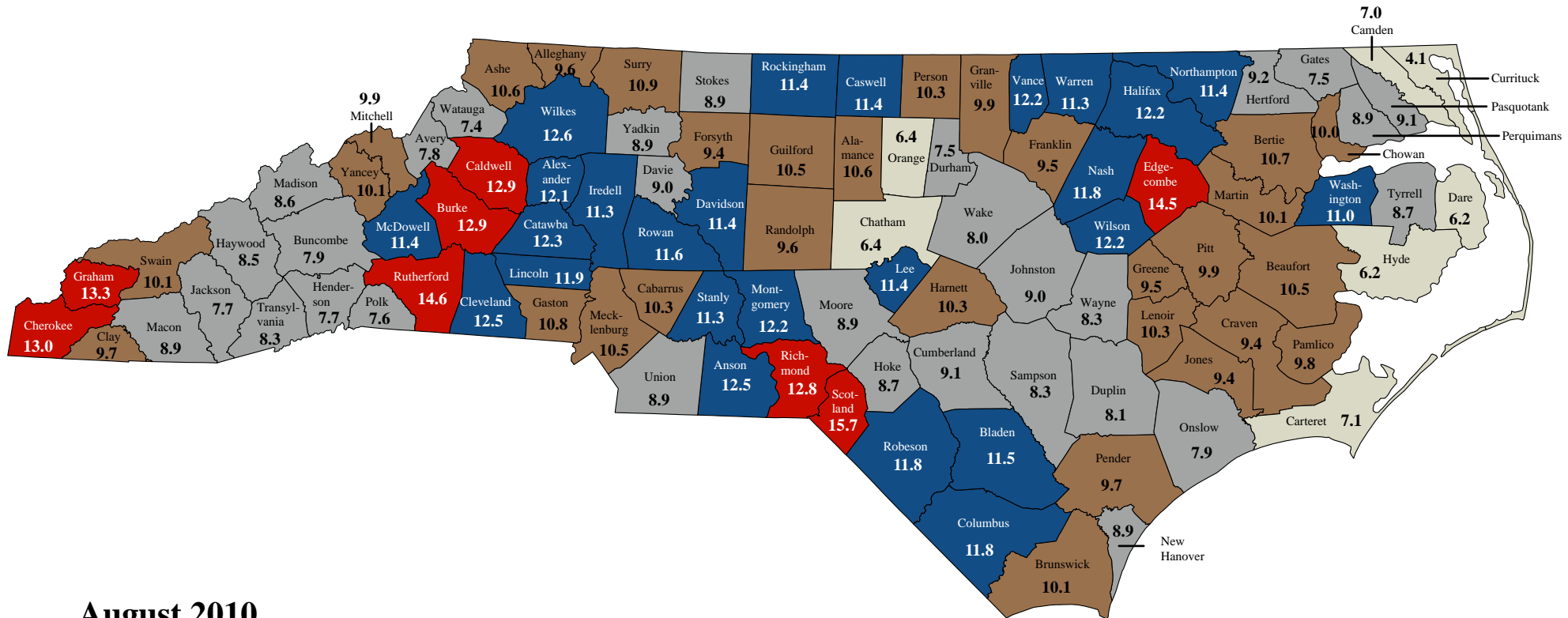
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Over the month, industry employment increased in all 14 Metros. The Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill NC-SC Metro had the largest net employment increase with 23,900, followed by Greensboro/High Point with 5,100, and Winston-Salem, 4,000. The Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill NC-SC Metro also showed the greatest percentage increase at 3.0 percent. Over the year, employment rose in six of 14 Metros. The Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill NC-SC Metro had the largest net employment increase with 6,100, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill with 5,800, and Fayetteville with 2,100. Durham/Chapel Hill had the greatest percentage increase at 2.1 percent.

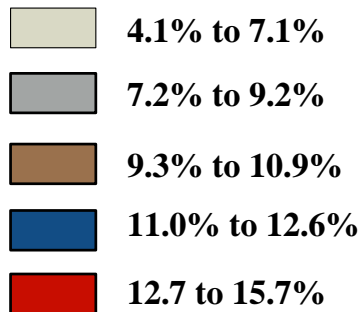


# North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

## August 2010



August 2010



- ▲ 10 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- ▼ 82 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
- ▬ 8 Counties Same as Previous Month

**North Carolina Rate 9.8%**  
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## UI Benefits Paid by County

### September 2009-August 2010

### Total All Programs

