

NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

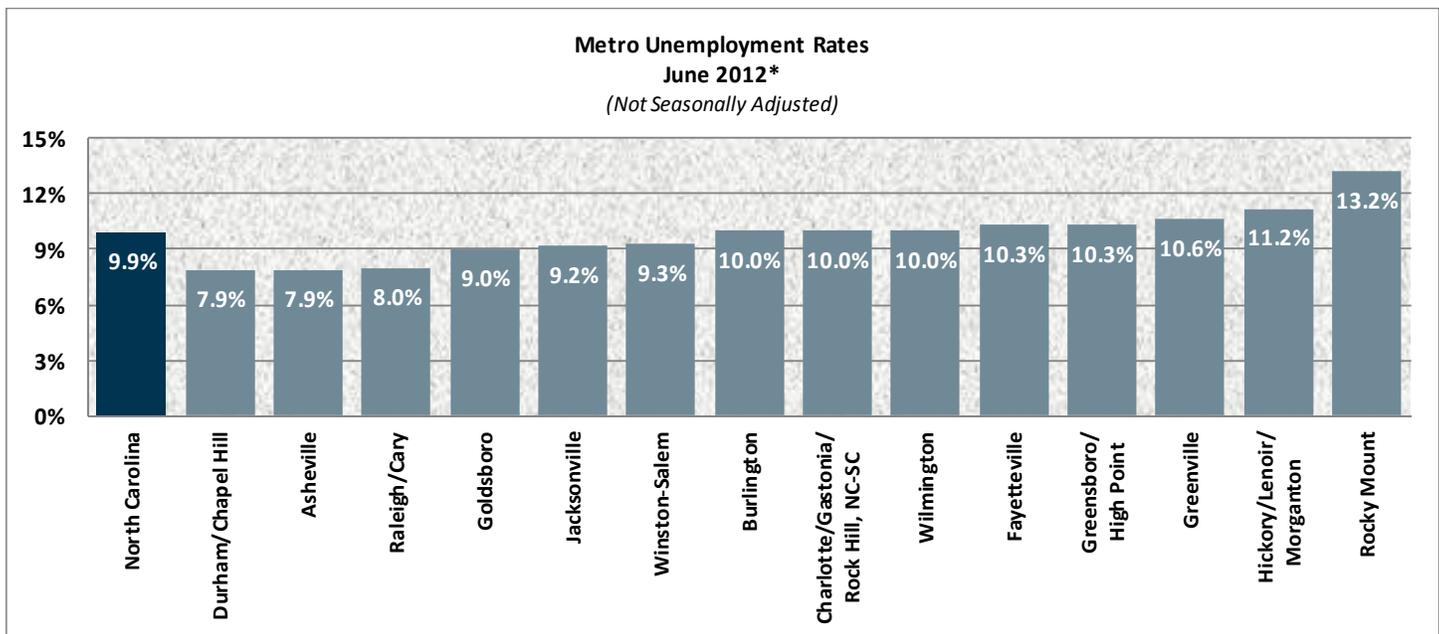
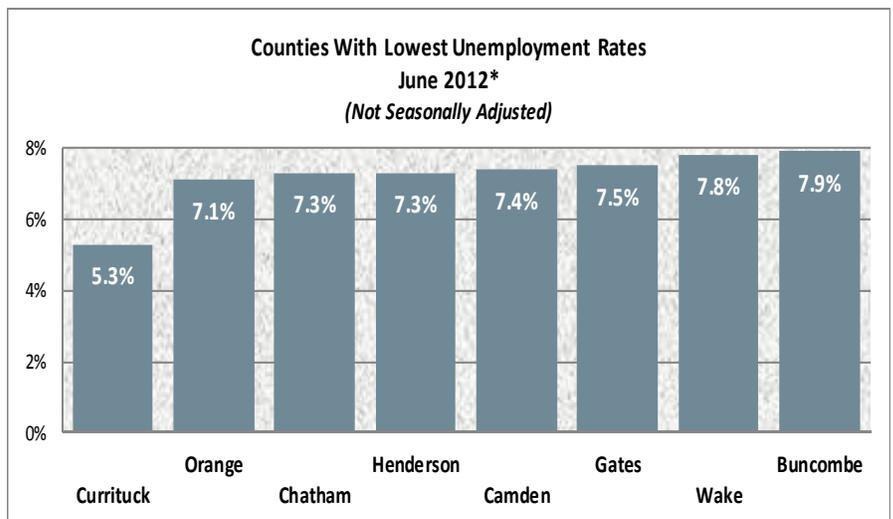
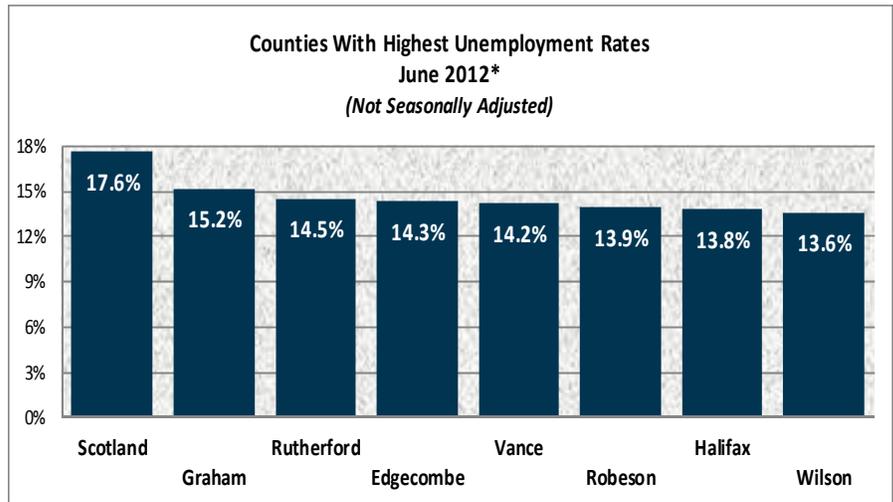
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North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 9.9 percent in June. This was a 0.4 of a percentage-point increase from May's revised rate of 9.5 percent, and a 1.0 percentage-point decrease over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate increased in 84 counties, decreased in 11 and remained the same in five. Thirty-nine counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 9.9 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded June's highest unemployment rate at 17.6 percent, 0.6 of a percentage point higher than last month. Graham County had the second-highest rate at 15.2 percent. Currituck County had the lowest unemployment rate at 5.3 percent, followed by Orange, 7.1 percent; and Chatham & Henderson, 7.3 percent.

The unemployment rates increased in all 14 of the state's Metropolitan Statistical Areas (Metros). The Rocky Mount Metro had the highest unemployment rate in June at 13.2 percent. The Asheville & Durham/Chapel Hill Metros reported the month's lowest unemployment rates at 7.9 percent, which increased 0.3 of a percentage point for Asheville and 0.5 of a percentage point for Durham/Chapel Hill. Raleigh/Cary followed at 8.0 percent.



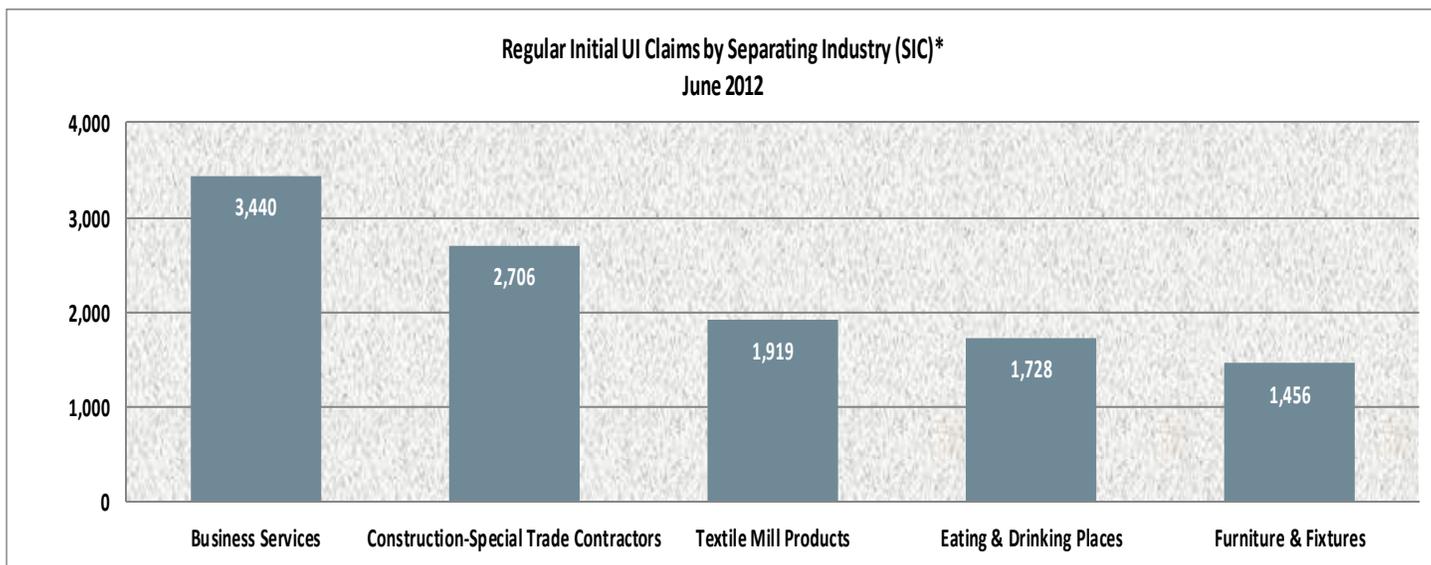
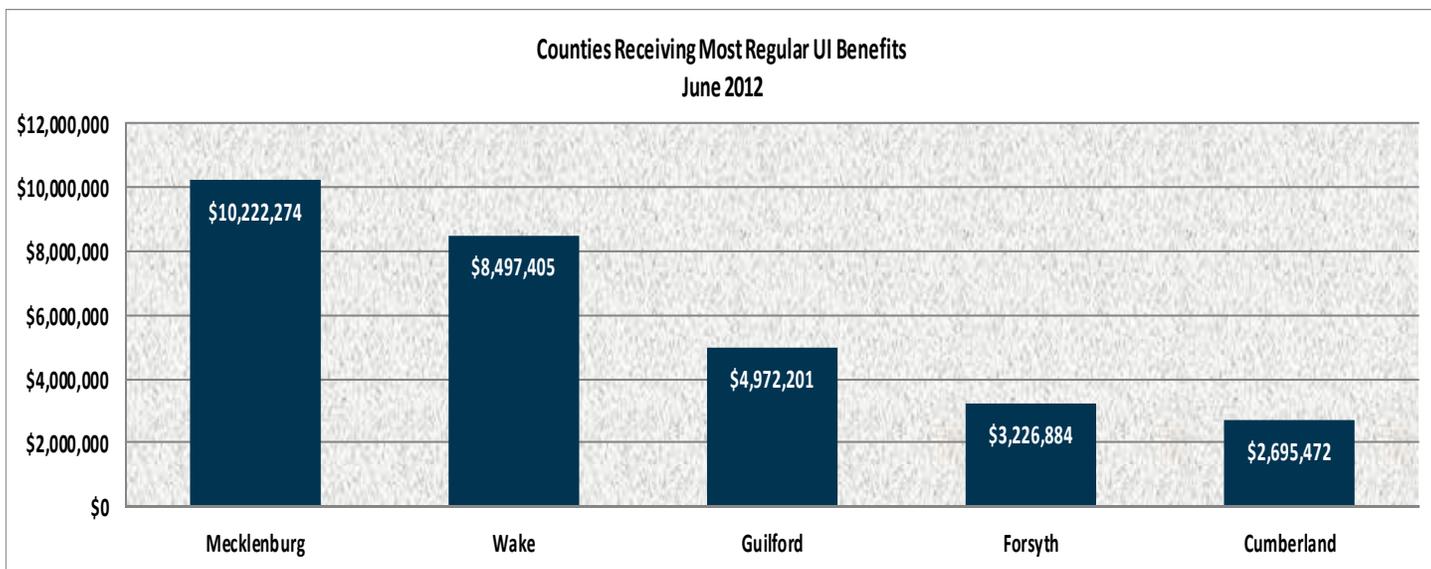
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In June 2012, there were 46,512 Regular Unemployment Insurance (UI) Initial Claims filed in North Carolina. Counties with the largest number of claims filed and benefits received are shown in the graphs.

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.

Regular Initial UI Claims, June 2012						
County	Transactions		Individuals			
	Initial Claims	Attached To Payroll	Female	African-American	White	45 Or Older
Mecklenburg	3,851	568	1,922	2,000	1,316	1,268
Wake	2,929	502	1,443	1,232	1,280	1,143
Guilford	2,696	1,118	1,199	1,352	897	1,068
Forsyth	1,477	475	632	610	671	596
Cumberland	1,356	208	683	751	420	446

New Regular Initial Claims, totaling 29,079 for the month ending June 2012, decreased 2,143 from the prior month. Thirteen percent were Attached New Initial Claims. During the same period a year ago, New Claims totaled 35,687, of which 14 percent were Attached. For the month ending June 2010, New Claims totaled 36,068, of which 14 percent were Attached Claims.



*Many Initial Claims were nonclassifiable by separating industry.

Asheville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-600)	-0.3%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,400)	0.8%
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.3%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200	-2.6%
	Manufacturing	-300	-1.6%	Manufacturing	0	0.0%
	Total	300	1.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100	-0.3%
	Nonfarm	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Employment	100	1.7%	Financial Activities	100	1.7%
	Jun-12	600	3.7%	Professional & Business Services	1,100	7.0%
	171,700	-500	-1.5%	Education & Health Services	1,400	4.5%
	Rate = 7.9	400	1.8%	Leisure & Hospitality	-400	-1.7%
	200	2.7%	Other Services	0	0.0%	
	-1,300	-4.6%	Government	-500	-1.8%	
Burlington Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-200)	-0.3%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(800)	1.4%
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-3.8%
	Manufacturing	100	1.2%	Manufacturing	100	1.2%
	Total	-100	-0.9%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100	0.9%
	Nonfarm	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Employment	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Jun-12	100	1.5%	Professional & Business Services	100	1.5%
	58,000	-100	-1.0%	Education & Health Services	200	2.1%
	Rate = 10.0	300	4.3%	Leisure & Hospitality	300	4.3%
	0	0.0%	Other Services	-100	-4.3%	
	-500	-6.6%	Government	200	2.9%	
Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill, NC-SC Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-3,600)	-0.4%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(10,900)	1.3%
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	300	0.8%	Mining, Logging & Construction	900	2.4%
	Manufacturing	600	0.9%	Manufacturing	1,500	2.2%
	Total	2,300	1.3%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	5,100	3.0%
	Nonfarm	200	0.9%	Information	100	0.5%
	Employment	700	1.0%	Financial Activities	1,800	2.5%
	Jun-12	1,200	0.8%	Professional & Business Services	4,200	3.0%
	838,600	-1,200	-1.4%	Education & Health Services	1,500	1.8%
	Rate = 10.0	800	0.9%	Leisure & Hospitality	-4,300	-4.6%
	1,500	4.7%	Other Services	1,300	4.1%	
	-10,000	-8.3%	Government	-1,200	-1.1%	
Durham/Chapel Hill Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-3,500)	-1.3%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,800)	0.7%
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-5.3%
	Manufacturing	-100	-0.3%	Manufacturing	700	2.1%
	Total	-300	-0.9%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200	-0.6%
	Nonfarm	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Employment	200	1.6%	Financial Activities	400	3.2%
	Jun-12	-400	-1.1%	Professional & Business Services	-200	-0.6%
	275,500	-100	-0.2%	Education & Health Services	700	1.1%
	Rate = 7.9	200	0.9%	Leisure & Hospitality	500	2.2%
	100	1.0%	Other Services	100	1.0%	
	-3,100	-5.5%	Government	200	0.4%	

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Fayetteville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(700) 0.5%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,300) 1.0%	
	Industry	Change	Industry	Change	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -1.8%	
	Manufacturing	0 0.0%	Manufacturing	-100 -1.1%	
	Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200 1.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-1,200 -5.4%
	Nonfarm	Information	0 0.0%	Information	0 0.0%
	Employment	Financial Activities	100 2.3%	Financial Activities	100 2.3%
	Jun-12	Professional & Business Services	200 1.4%	Professional & Business Services	300 2.2%
	132,500	Education & Health Services	-100 -0.6%	Education & Health Services	300 2.0%
	Rate = 10.3	Leisure & Hospitality	200 1.4%	Leisure & Hospitality	300 2.1%
	Other Services	100 1.9%	Other Services	100 1.9%	
	Government	0 0.0%	Government	1,600 4.0%	
Goldsboro Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-100) -0.2%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,000) 2.3%	
	Industry	Change	Industry	Change	
	<i>Mining, Logging & Construction</i>	*	<i>Mining, Logging & Construction</i>	*	
	<i>Manufacturing</i>	*	<i>Manufacturing</i>	*	
	Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*
	Nonfarm	Information	*	Information	*
	Employment	Financial Activities	*	Financial Activities	*
	Jun-12	Professional & Business Services	*	Professional & Business Services	*
	44,100	Education & Health Services	*	Education & Health Services	*
	Rate = 9.0	Leisure & Hospitality	*	Leisure & Hospitality	*
	Other Services	*	Other Services	*	
	Government	-200 -1.9%	Government	700 7.1%	
Greensboro/High Point Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(400) 0.1%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(7,500) 2.2%	
	Industry	Change	Industry	Change	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	200 1.4%	Mining, Logging & Construction	500 3.5%	
	Manufacturing	500 0.9%	Manufacturing	2,700 5.2%	
	Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200 0.3%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	600 0.9%
	Nonfarm	Information	100 1.9%	Information	0 0.0%
	Employment	Financial Activities	200 1.0%	Financial Activities	-100 -0.5%
	Jun-12	Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%	Professional & Business Services	600 1.3%
	349,500	Education & Health Services	-500 -1.1%	Education & Health Services	-100 -0.2%
	Rate = 10.3	Leisure & Hospitality	300 0.9%	Leisure & Hospitality	500 1.6%
	Other Services	200 1.5%	Other Services	100 0.7%	
	Government	-800 -1.8%	Government	2,700 6.5%	
Greenville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-1,600) -2.1%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(0) 0.0%	
	Industry	Change	Industry	Change	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -3.6%	
	Manufacturing	100 1.5%	Manufacturing	100 1.5%	
	Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200 -1.8%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100 -0.9%
	Nonfarm	Information	0 0.0%	Information	0 0.0%
	Employment	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	100 3.7%
	Jun-12	Professional & Business Services	0 0.0%	Professional & Business Services	100 1.5%
	74,600	Education & Health Services	-200 -1.9%	Education & Health Services	-200 -1.9%
	Rate = 10.6	Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.2%	Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.2%
	Other Services	0 0.0%	Other Services	-100 -4.0%	
	Government	-1,400 -5.7%	Government	100 0.4%	

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<i>Hickory/ Lenoir/ Morganton Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(0) 0.0%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,300) 0.9%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	Mining, Logging & Construction	100 2.8%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -2.6%
	Manufacturing	400 1.1%	Manufacturing	100 0.3%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0 0.0%
Total	Information	0 0.0%	Information	0 0.0%
Nonfarm	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	100 2.9%
Employment	Professional & Business Services	200 1.6%	Professional & Business Services	400 3.3%
Jun-12	Education & Health Services	-100 -0.5%	Education & Health Services	200 1.1%
144,600	Leisure & Hospitality	500 4.1%	Leisure & Hospitality	900 7.6%
	Other Services	100 2.0%	Other Services	0 0.0%
Rate = 11.2	Government	-1,200 -4.9%	Government	-300 -1.3%

<i>Jacksonville Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-800) -1.6%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(800) 1.7%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	<i>Mining, Logging & Construction</i>	*	<i>Mining, Logging & Construction</i>	*
	<i>Manufacturing</i>	*	<i>Manufacturing</i>	*
Total	<i>Trade, Transp. & Utilities</i>	*	<i>Trade, Transp. & Utilities</i>	*
Nonfarm	<i>Information</i>	*	<i>Information</i>	*
Employment	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*
Jun-12	<i>Professional & Business Services</i>	*	<i>Professional & Business Services</i>	*
	<i>Education & Health Services</i>	*	<i>Education & Health Services</i>	*
48,200	<i>Leisure & Hospitality</i>	*	<i>Leisure & Hospitality</i>	*
	<i>Other Services</i>	*	<i>Other Services</i>	*
Rate = 9.2	Government	-900 -6.0%	Government	-100 -0.7%

<i>Raleigh/ Cary Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(6,400) 1.2%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(16,500) 3.2%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	Mining, Logging & Construction	500 1.8%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -1.0%
	Manufacturing	500 1.8%	Manufacturing	700 2.5%
Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	4,700 5.2%
Nonfarm	Information	300 1.7%	Information	400 2.3%
Employment	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	400 1.5%
Jun-12	Professional & Business Services	2,200 2.3%	Professional & Business Services	4,800 5.3%
	Education & Health Services	-600 -0.9%	Education & Health Services	3,700 5.9%
525,800	Leisure & Hospitality	4,200 7.7%	Leisure & Hospitality	4,400 8.1%
	Other Services	200 0.9%	Other Services	300 1.3%
Rate = 8.0	Government	-900 -1.0%	Government	-2,600 -3.0%

<i>Rocky Mount Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-1,000) -1.7%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(700) 1.2%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100 -4.2%
	Manufacturing	0 0.0%	Manufacturing	0 0.0%
Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	800 7.0%
Nonfarm	<i>Information</i>	*	<i>Information</i>	*
Employment	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*
Jun-12	Professional & Business Services	100 1.7%	Professional & Business Services	200 3.4%
	Education & Health Services	0 0.0%	Education & Health Services	100 1.5%
59,100	Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.9%	Leisure & Hospitality	100 1.9%
	<i>Other Services</i>	*	<i>Other Services</i>	*
Rate = 13.2	Government	-900 -7.7%	Government	-100 -0.9%

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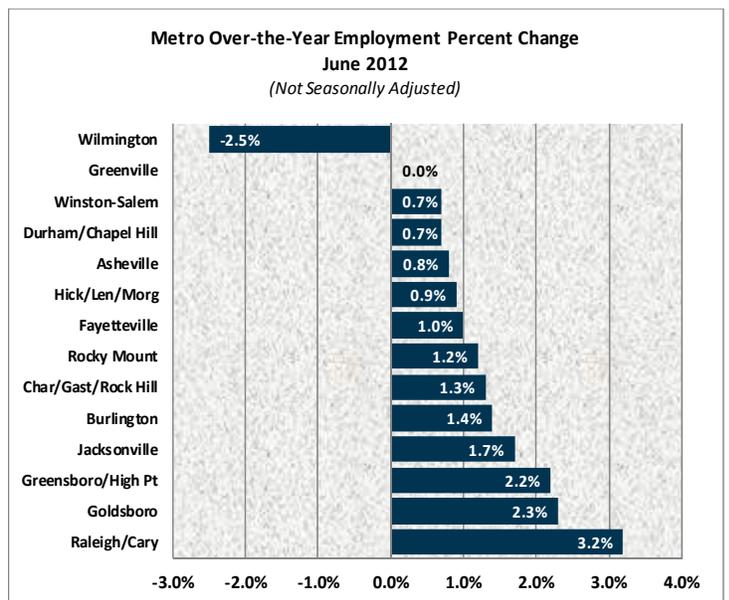
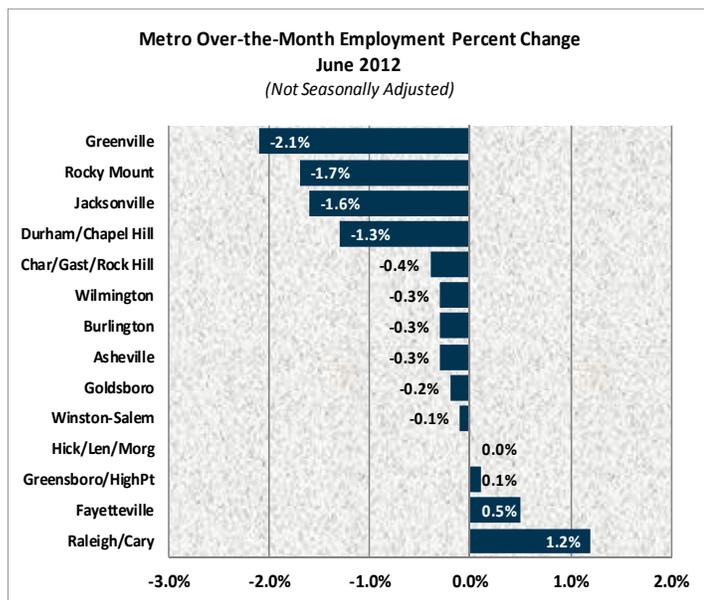
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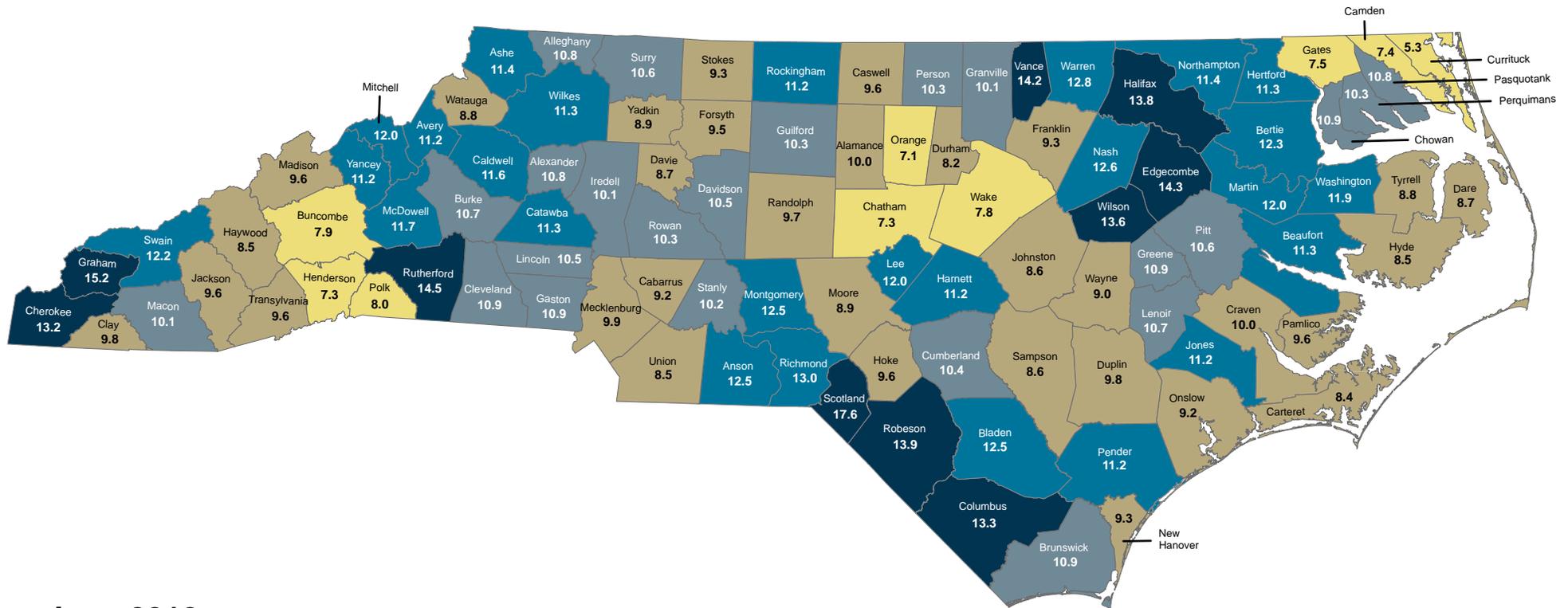
Wilmington Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-400)	-0.3%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-3,500)	-2.5%
	Industry	Change	Industry	Change		
	Mining, Logging & Construction	300	4.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-2,000	-20.4%
	Manufacturing	200	2.9%	Manufacturing	-500	-6.6%
	Total Nonfarm Employment Jun-12	200	0.7%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-700	-2.5%
	Information	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Financial Activities	200	3.1%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Professional & Business Services	-100	-0.7%	Professional & Business Services	-300	-2.0%
	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	400	2.3%
	135,600	Leisure & Hospitality	1,200	5.8%	Leisure & Hospitality	-100
Rate = 10.0	Other Services	0	0.0%	Other Services	-200	-3.6%
	Government	-2,400	-9.2%	Government	-100	-0.4%
Winston-Salem Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-200)	-0.1%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,400)	0.7%
	Industry	Change	Industry	Change		
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	300	3.9%
	Manufacturing	-400	-1.9%	Manufacturing	-1,300	-5.8%
	Total Nonfarm Employment Jun-12	400	1.1%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	1,800	4.9%
	Information	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Financial Activities	100	0.8%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Professional & Business Services	100	0.4%	Professional & Business Services	600	2.4%
	Education & Health Services	-100	-0.2%	Education & Health Services	-600	-1.4%
	206,300	Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.5%	Leisure & Hospitality	500
Rate = 9.3	Other Services	200	2.4%	Other Services	-100	-1.2%
	Government	-600	-2.3%	Government	200	0.8%

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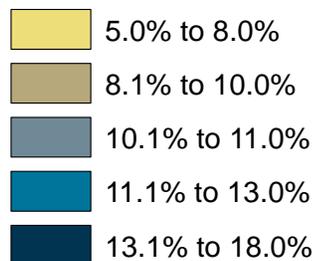
Over the month, net industry employment decreased in 10 of 14 Metros. The Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill NC-SC Metro had the largest net employment decrease with 3,600, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill with 3,500. Greenville experienced the greatest percentage decrease at 2.1 percent. It is important to note that employment estimates are subject to large seasonal patterns; therefore, it is advisable to focus on the over-the-year changes in the not seasonally adjusted series. Over the year, employment rose in 12 of 14 Metros. The Raleigh/Cary Metro had the largest net employment increase with 16,500, followed by Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill NC-SC with 10,900; Greensboro/High Point, 7,500; and Durham/Chapel Hill, 1,800. Raleigh/Cary had the greatest percentage increase at 3.2 percent.



North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County June 2012



June 2012



- ▲ 84 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- ▼ 11 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
- ▬ 5 Counties Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 9.9%
Not Seasonally Adjusted

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