

Quick Facts:

*Civilian Labor Force
North Carolina*

January 2008

Seasonally Adjusted

Employed – 4,325,582

Unemployed – 220,598

NC Unemployment Rates

January 2008

Seasonally Adjusted – 4.9

Not Seasonally Adjusted – 5.3

NC UI Average

Weekly Benefit

January 2008 – \$279.84

NC Maximum Weekly Benefit

Amount – \$476

Gender of Initial Claimants

In the Centralina WDB

January 2008

Male – 72%

Female – 28%

Age Ranges of Initial Claimants

In the Centralina WDB

January 2008

16-19 – 1%

20-24 – 9%

25-34 – 22%

35-44 – 28%

45-54 – 24%

55-64 – 13%

≥65 – 3%

Civilian Labor Force Estimates* *Not Seasonally Adjusted*

		January 2008	December 2007	January 2007
Anson	Labor Force	10,703	11,235	11,121
	Employed	9,898	10,473	10,357
	Unemployed	805	762	764
	Unemployment Rate	7.5	6.8	6.9
Cabarrus	Labor Force	81,619	82,416	81,509
	Employed	77,638	78,831	77,962
	Unemployed	3,981	3,585	3,547
	Unemployment Rate	4.9	4.3	4.4
Iredell	Labor Force	81,617	79,743	76,917
	Employed	77,450	76,001	73,400
	Unemployed	4,167	3,742	3,517
	Unemployment Rate	5.1	4.7	4.6
Lincoln	Labor Force	40,852	39,420	38,512
	Employed	38,527	37,392	36,528
	Unemployed	2,325	2,028	1,984
	Unemployment Rate	5.7	5.1	5.2
Rowan	Labor Force	72,012	70,673	69,939
	Employed	67,463	66,493	66,234
	Unemployed	4,549	4,180	3,705
	Unemployment Rate	6.3	5.9	5.3
Stanly	Labor Force	31,297	30,409	30,566
	Employed	29,691	28,853	28,999
	Unemployed	1,606	1,556	1,567
	Unemployment Rate	5.1	5.1	5.1
Union	Labor Force	89,852	87,811	86,816
	Employed	85,721	84,222	83,293
	Unemployed	4,131	3,589	3,523
	Unemployment Rate	4.6	4.1	4.1
Centralina	Labor Force	407,952	401,707	395,380
	Employed	386,388	382,265	376,773
	Unemployed	21,564	19,442	18,607
	Unemployment Rate	5.3	4.8	4.7
North Carolina	Labor Force	4,511,515	4,508,236	4,480,040
	Employed	4,272,693	4,296,326	4,257,028
	Unemployed	238,822	211,910	223,012
	Unemployment Rate	5.3	4.7	5.0

*2008 & 2007 state data are preliminary. 2008 statewide data are preliminary, while 2007 data are benchmarked.

Labor Market Information Update

Unemployment Insurance Claims, January 2008

	Initial Claims	Weeks Claimed	UI Benefits Paid	Individuals Receiving Checks
Anson	416	1,634	\$270,193	415
Cabarrus	1,991	7,633	\$1,629,005	1,956
Iredell	2,779	8,621	\$1,889,197	2,520
Lincoln	1,227	4,809	\$1,067,359	1,450
Rowan	3,314	9,034	\$2,015,389	2,967
Stanly	1,255	3,434	\$625,765	992
Union	1,767	7,196	\$1,555,725	1,734
Statewide	98,062	449,442	\$99,377,170	117,820

Source: ES-UI Reporting Unit, Labor Market Information Division

Duration of Unemployment Insurance Benefits For 12 Months Ending Jan. 31, 2008

Anson	Cabarrus	Iredell	Lincoln	Rowan	Stanly	Union	North Carolina
14.1	14.2	12.2	12.6	12.3	12.5	13.5	13.7

Note: Duration is the number of weeks compensated for the year divided by the number of first payments.

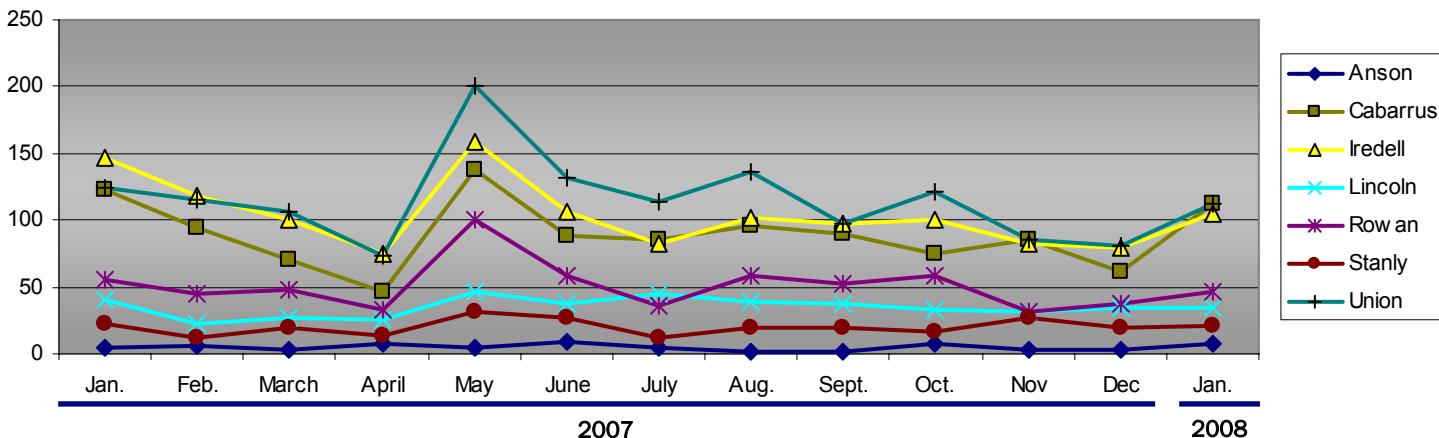
ESC Employment Service Registered Applicants, 7/1/2007–01/31/2008

	Anson	Cabarrus	Iredell	Lincoln	Rowan	Stanly	Union
Professional, Technical & Managerial	316	2,127	1,836	725	1,384	637	1,719
Clerical	336	1,703	1,534	739	1,576	635	1,261
Sales	87	561	550	234	516	184	507
Domestic Services	*	30	31	11	27	30	39
Other Services	666	1,479	1,345	625	2,040	796	964
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	67	98	122	41	115	54	80
Processing	272	355	295	116	337	220	282
Machine Trade	236	702	1,066	693	1,106	435	434
Benchwork	123	376	630	428	492	231	250
Structural Work	201	1,002	905	511	1,481	589	790
Motor Freight & Transportation	86	412	417	184	445	178	257
Packaging & Material Handling	314	970	1,264	553	1,299	418	541
Miscellaneous	17	68	82	31	62	26	85

Note: Active Applicants and Job Openings YTD for the period 7/01/07–06/30/08.

*Data of three or less is suppressed.

New Corporations, January 2007 – January 2008



Source: Department of the NC Secretary of State