



# CAPITAL AREA

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD  
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## Labor Market Information Update

### April 2009

#### Area Quick Facts

#### Civilian Labor Force February 2009

Not Seasonally Adjusted

Johnston	77,397
Wake	446,310
Capital Area	523,707
North Carolina	4,556,354

#### North Carolina Unemployment Rate February 2009

Seasonally Adjusted	10.7
Not Seasonally Adjusted	11.3

#### North Carolina Unemployment Rate February 2008

Seasonally Adjusted	5.2
Not Seasonally Adjusted	5.4

#### Individuals Receiving Unemployment Insurance Checks

	Feb. 2009	Feb. 2008
Johnston	3,433	1,279
Wake	12,637	5,077
North Carolina	233,077	105,178

#### North Carolina Average Weekly Benefit Amount

February 2009	\$290.06
January 2009	\$272.57

#### Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

	February 2009	January 2009	December 2008	February 2008
Johnston	10.7	9.8	8.0	4.8
Wake	8.3	7.4	6.1	4.0
Capital Area	8.7	7.8	6.4	4.1
North Carolina	11.3	10.2	8.4	5.4

\*County Data: February 2009 is preliminary, January 2009 is revised, December 2008 is preliminary and February 2008 is revised. State Data: February 2009 is preliminary, January 2009 is revised and 2008 is benchmarked.

#### ESC Employment Service Registered Applicants\* 7/1/2008 - 02/28/2008

	Johnston	Wake
Professional, Technical & Managerial	2,574	16,577
Clerical	1,813	7,301
Sales	749	3,859
Domestic Services	65	176
Other Services	1,506	5,060
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	192	307
Processing	238	528
Machine Trade	661	1,420
Benchwork	546	998
Structural Work	1,605	3,658
Motor Freight & Transportation	486	1,485
Packaging & Material Handling	776	2,002
Miscellaneous	79	371

\*Active Applicants YTD for PY 7/1/08 - 6/30/09

#### New Corporations

	Feb. 2009	Feb. 2008
Johnston	52	79
Wake	1,190	1,501

Source: NC Department of the Secretary of State



#### Gender & Age Range of Individuals Filing Initial Claims\* February 2009

	Johnston	Wake	North Carolina
Male	69%	63%	65%
Female	31%	37%	35%
16-19	2%	1%	1%
20-24	7%	9%	8%
25-34	25%	27%	21%
35-44	29%	27%	26%
45-54	23%	22%	26%
55-64	13%	12%	15%
65 or Older	1%	2%	3%

\*Percentages are rounded.

## Insured Employment and Wages Per Employee

**3rd Qtr. 2008 - 3rd Qtr. 2007**

	Johnston				Wake			
	3rd Qtr. 2008		3rd Qtr. 2007		3rd Qtr. 2008		3rd Qtr. 2007	
	Emp.	Wage	Emp.	Wage	Emp.	Wage	Emp.	Wage
Federal Employment	223	\$835.00	212	\$833.00	5,296	\$1,149.00	5,034	\$1,183.00
State Government	1,139	\$727.00	1,114	\$698.00	39,448	\$974.00	39,304	\$922.00
Local Government	7,117	\$675.00	6,296	\$683.00	31,639	\$718.00	37,379	\$760.00
Private Industry	35,743	\$617.00	36,667	\$603.00	376,407	\$827.00	370,323	\$798.00
<b>Total All Industries</b>	<b>44,222</b>	<b>\$630.00</b>	<b>44,288</b>	<b>\$618.00</b>	<b>452,789</b>	<b>\$836.00</b>	<b>452,040</b>	<b>\$810.00</b>
Ag., Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	941	\$373.68	1,019	\$361.59	910	\$715.95	919	\$710.67
Mining	58	4663.78	70	\$735.86	572	\$2,016.34	605	\$2,073.69
Utilities	100	\$1,074.64	106	\$1,119.94	1,390	\$2,467.04	1,392	\$1,351.72
Construction	3,953	\$617.65	4,700	\$629.37	32,158	\$823.01	34,809	\$816.87
Manufacturing	6,702	\$1,014.04	6,732	\$998.96	23,735	\$1,113.98	23,200	\$1,071.02
Wholesale Trade	1,851	\$915.38	1,882	\$830.01	20,001	\$1,281.32	20,305	\$1,283.67
Retail Trade	6,350	\$410.83	6,257	\$420.14	51,087	\$507.51	50,506	\$519.78
Transportation & Warehousing	1,395	\$844.45	1,381	\$819.54	11,321	\$774.73	12,499	\$804.62
Information	379	\$592.60	446	\$474.19	16,617	\$1,330.43	16,344	\$1,224.72
Finance & Insurance	745	\$814.66	837	\$801.45	16,895	\$1,129.07	15,861	\$1,139.51
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	353	\$484.92	362	\$452.54	8,822	\$802.03	8,938	\$795.51
Professional & Technical Services	944	\$813.47	983	\$788.40	39,005	\$1,251.10	37,948	\$1,243.81
Management of Companies and Enterprises	186	\$843.15	173	\$825.72	9,986	\$1,247.40	10,514	\$1,233.23
Administrative & Waste Services	2,374	\$482.86	2,321	\$452.96	33,549	\$632.15	35,949	\$547.78
Educational	4,720	\$654.82	3,973	\$680.83	38,330	\$774.91	36,357	\$753.30
Healthcare & Social Assistance	4,859	\$649.53	4,817	\$622.96	45,952	\$847.98	44,748	\$807.10
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	385	\$188.44	432	\$183.13	7,760	\$295.73	7,373	\$322.93
Accommodation & Food	4,259	\$251.93	4,104	\$230.53	37,147	\$287.74	36,948	\$283.73
Other Services Ex. Public Admin.	1,098	\$446.45	1,142	\$431.32	15,617	\$558.41	15,310	\$542.90
Public Admin.	2,420	\$654.51	2,317	\$636.32	39,783	\$927.51	39,159	\$886.81

\* Data suppressed due to confidentiality

### Unemployment Insurance Claims

	February 2009	
	Total Initial Claims	Total Benefits Paid
Johnston	1,550	\$3,515,313
Wake	5,278	\$15,153,366
North Carolina	120,379	\$212,218,918

Source: ESUI Reporting Unit, Labor Market Information Division

### Duration of Benefits By County

**12-Month Period Ending**

	February 2009	February 2008
	Johnston	13.4
Wake	14.3	15.1

Duration is defined as the number of weeks compensated for the year divided by the number of first payments.

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