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May Unemployment Rates Drop In 86 Counties Across North Carolina

RALEIGH — Unemployment rates decreased in 86 of North Carolina’s 100 counties in May, according to statistics released today by the state’s Employment Security Commission.

“A majority of North Carolina’s counties experienced a decline in their unemployment rates,” said ESC Chairman Lynn R. Holmes. “Some counties benefited from seasonal hiring, which is typical this time of the year. We continued to experience industry growth within our metropolitan statistical areas. In May, 11 of the state’s 14 metros had an increase in job growth. The ESC continues to respond to the needs of our customers at our 89 offices statewide.”

North Carolina had 47 counties that were at or below the state’s unadjusted unemployment rate of 9.9 percent. Rates decreased in 10 of the state’s Metropolitan Statistical Area, increased in one and remained the same in three.

The number of workers employed (not-seasonally adjusted) increased in May by 6,498 workers, to 4,096,669. The number of people unemployed decreased, by 9,079. The number of unemployed people in May was 450,647 workers, compared with 459,726 in April.

	<i>Counties With Rates 5% Or Below</i>	<i>Counties With Rates Between 5% & 10%</i>	<i>Counties With Rates 10% Or Above</i>
<i>May</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>46</i>	<i>53</i>
<i>April (Revised)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>63</i>

Currituck County had the state’s lowest unemployment rate in May, at 4.9 percent. Meanwhile, Scotland County had the highest unemployment rate, at 16 percent.

The five counties receiving the highest amount in regular unemployment insurance benefits in May were: Mecklenburg, \$21.8 million; Wake, \$17.2 million; Guilford, \$10.6 million; Forsyth, \$6.6 million; and Gaston, \$4.9 million. In May, \$194.5 million in regular UI benefits was paid to 176,980 individuals statewide, compared to \$189.3 million to 190,311 individuals in April.

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Unemployment rates in the metropolitan statistical areas for May were:

Asheville — 8.2 percent, down from 8.6 percent in April.

Burlington — 10.9 percent, down from 11.1 percent.

Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill NC-SC — 10.9 percent, down from 11.2 percent.

Durham-Chapel Hill — 7.3 percent, no change.

Fayetteville — 8.7 percent, up from 8.6 percent.

Goldsboro — 8.4 percent, down from 8.6 percent.

Greensboro-High Point — 10.6 percent, down from 10.8 percent.

Greenville — 9.7 percent, no change.

Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton — 13 percent, down from 13.4 percent.

Jacksonville — 7.5 percent, no change.

Raleigh-Cary — 8.2 percent, down from 8.4 percent.

Rocky Mount — 12.9 percent, down from 13.1 percent..

Wilmington — 9.4 percent, down from 9.8 percent.

Winston-Salem — 9.4 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 June will be released on Friday, July 16, 2010.*)

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

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES
Preliminary Statewide and County Data for
MAY 2010

County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
STATEWIDE	4,547,316	4,096,669	450,647	9.9	JOHNSTON	77,715	70,671	7,044	9.1
ALAMANCE	69,970	62,368	7,602	10.9	JONES	4,769	4,301	468	9.8
ALEXANDER	17,553	15,384	2,169	12.4	LEE	25,848	22,679	3,169	12.3
ALLEGHANY	4,847	4,391	456	9.4	LENOIR	27,281	24,402	2,879	10.6
ANSON	10,219	8,829	1,390	13.6	LINCOLN	37,781	33,199	4,582	12.1
ASHE	12,686	11,265	1,421	11.2	MCDOWELL	20,317	17,833	2,484	12.2
AVERY	9,512	8,731	781	8.2	MACON	16,295	14,762	1,533	9.4
BEAUFORT	21,133	18,893	2,240	10.6	MADISON	9,863	8,964	899	9.1
BERTIE	9,356	8,403	953	10.2	MARTIN	11,926	10,745	1,181	9.9
BLADEN	15,515	13,760	1,755	11.3	MECKLENBURG	462,756	414,832	47,924	10.4
BRUNSWICK	49,639	44,733	4,906	9.9	MITCHELL	7,132	6,398	734	10.3
BUNCOMBE	120,226	110,548	9,678	8.0	MONTGOMERY	10,729	9,436	1,293	12.1
BURKE	38,534	33,617	4,917	12.8	MOORE	36,731	33,455	3,276	8.9
CABARRUS	84,762	75,643	9,119	10.8	NASH	46,392	40,839	5,553	12.0
CALDWELL	37,199	31,963	5,236	14.1	NEW HANOVER	105,197	95,647	9,550	9.1
CAMDEN	4,472	4,172	300	6.7	NORTHAMPTON	8,755	7,883	872	10.0
CARTERET	33,962	31,429	2,533	7.5	ONSLow	67,472	62,383	5,089	7.5
CASWELL	10,708	9,508	1,200	11.2	ORANGE	69,558	65,366	4,192	6.0
CATAWBA	74,148	64,725	9,423	12.7	PAMLICO	5,489	4,981	508	9.3
CHATHAM	33,676	31,353	2,323	6.9	PASQUOTANK	17,909	16,242	1,667	9.3
CHEROKEE	10,000	8,692	1,308	13.1	PENDER	24,388	21,912	2,476	10.2
CHOWAN	6,524	5,887	637	9.8	PERQUIMANS	5,238	4,798	440	8.4
CLAY	4,699	4,241	458	9.7	PERSON	19,262	17,229	2,033	10.6
CLEVELAND	48,372	42,096	6,276	13.0	PITT	81,482	73,596	7,886	9.7
COLUMBUS	24,738	21,911	2,827	11.4	POLK	9,619	8,866	753	7.8
CRAVEN	42,823	38,747	4,076	9.5	RANDOLPH	73,048	65,686	7,362	10.1
CUMBERLAND	137,290	125,258	12,032	8.8	RICHMOND	20,221	17,674	2,547	12.6
CURRITUCK	12,491	11,885	606	4.9	ROBESON	56,288	49,772	6,516	11.6
DARE	22,934	21,108	1,826	8.0	ROCKINGHAM	44,019	38,482	5,537	12.6
DAVIDSON	76,462	67,399	9,063	11.9	ROWAN	71,530	63,103	8,427	11.8
DAVIE	20,942	18,779	2,163	10.3	RUTHERFORD	27,928	23,799	4,129	14.8
DUPLIN	25,218	23,164	2,054	8.1	SAMPSON	31,755	29,169	2,586	8.1
DURHAM	142,145	131,470	10,675	7.5	SCOTLAND	13,539	11,376	2,163	16.0
EDGECOMBE	24,304	20,711	3,593	14.8	STANLY	30,583	27,111	3,472	11.4
FORSYTH	175,451	159,271	16,180	9.2	STOKES	24,006	21,637	2,369	9.9
FRANKLIN	27,733	25,058	2,675	9.6	SURRY	33,632	29,898	3,734	11.1
GASTON	98,566	87,014	11,552	11.7	SWAIN	6,787	6,077	710	10.5
GATES	4,862	4,549	313	6.4	TRANSYLVANIA	13,581	12,433	1,148	8.5
GRAHAM	3,867	3,348	519	13.4	TYRRELL	2,231	2,013	218	9.8
GRANVILLE	25,958	23,357	2,601	10.0	UNION	94,170	85,351	8,819	9.4
GREENE	9,371	8,404	967	10.3	VANCE	19,597	17,264	2,333	11.9
GUILFORD	245,725	220,075	25,650	10.4	WAKE	455,375	419,096	36,279	8.0
HALIFAX	24,314	21,360	2,954	12.1	WARREN	7,987	7,069	918	11.5
HARNETT	47,878	42,888	4,990	10.4	WASHINGTON	6,482	5,774	708	10.9
HAYWOOD	27,343	24,907	2,436	8.9	WATAUGA	23,359	21,610	1,749	7.5
HENDERSON	48,696	44,777	3,919	8.0	WAYNE	53,419	48,912	4,507	8.4
HERTFORD	10,379	9,482	897	8.6	WILKES	30,564	26,698	3,866	12.6
HOKE	20,206	18,611	1,595	7.9	WILSON	40,248	35,252	4,996	12.4
HYDE	2,774	2,583	191	6.9	YADKIN	19,218	17,400	1,818	9.5
IREDELL	78,943	69,744	9,199	11.7	YANCEY	7,988	7,177	811	10.2
JACKSON	20,730	18,925	1,805	8.7					

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

Metropolitan Statistical Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ASHEVILLE	206,129	189,196	16,933	8.2
BURLINGTON	69,970	62,368	7,602	10.9
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-ROCK HILL, NC-SC	861,698	767,367	94,331	10.9
DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	264,642	245,419	19,223	7.3
FAYETTEVILLE	157,496	143,869	13,627	8.7
GOLDSBORO	53,419	48,912	4,507	8.4
GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT	362,792	324,243	38,549	10.6
GREENVILLE	90,853	82,000	8,853	9.7
HICKORY-LENOIR-MORGANTON	167,433	145,689	21,744	13.0
JACKSONVILLE	67,472	62,383	5,089	7.5
RALEIGH-CARY	560,823	514,825	45,998	8.2
ROCKY MOUNT	70,696	61,550	9,146	12.9
WILMINGTON	179,224	162,291	16,933	9.4
WINSTON-SALEM	239,617	217,087	22,530	9.4

Micropolitan Statistical Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ALBEMARLE	30,583	27,111	3,472	11.4
BOONE	23,359	21,610	1,749	7.5
BREVARD	13,581	12,433	1,148	8.5
DUNN	47,878	42,888	4,990	10.4
ELIZABETH CITY	27,619	25,212	2,407	8.7
FOREST CITY	27,928	23,799	4,129	14.8
HENDERSON	19,597	17,264	2,333	11.9
KILL DEVIL HILLS	22,934	21,108	1,826	8.0
KINSTON	27,281	24,402	2,879	10.6
LAURINBURG	13,539	11,376	2,163	16.0
LINCOLNTON	37,781	33,199	4,582	12.1
LUMBERTON	56,288	49,772	6,516	11.6
MOREHEAD CITY	33,962	31,429	2,533	7.5
MOUNT AIRY	33,632	29,898	3,734	11.1
NEW BERN	53,082	48,029	5,053	9.5
NORTH WILKESBORO	30,564	26,698	3,866	12.6
ROANOKE RAPIDS	33,069	29,243	3,826	11.6
ROCKINGHAM	20,221	17,674	2,547	12.6
SALISBURY	71,530	63,103	8,427	11.8
SANFORD	25,848	22,679	3,169	12.3
SHELBY	48,372	42,096	6,276	13.0
SOUTHERN PINES-PINEHURST	36,731	33,455	3,276	8.9
STATESVILLE-MOORESVILLE	78,943	69,744	9,199	11.7
THOMASVILLE-LEXINGTON	76,462	67,399	9,063	11.9
WASHINGTON	21,133	18,893	2,240	10.6
WILSON	40,248	35,252	4,996	12.4

Multicounty Small Labor Market Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
JACKSON-SWAIN	27,517	25,002	2,515	9.1

**COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**
*Preliminary Data for
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Combined Statistical Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ASHEVILLE-BREVARD	219,710	201,629	18,081	8.2
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-SALISBURY, NC-SC	1,174,429	1,040,953	133,476	11.4
GREENSBORO-WINSTON SALEM-HIGH POINT	782,473	700,995	81,478	10.4
LUMBERTON-LAURINBURG	69,827	61,148	8,679	12.4
RALEIGH-DURHAM-CARY	873,343	803,132	70,211	8.0

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NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGES

COUNTY	MAY 2010	APRIL 2010	CHANGE	COUNTY	MAY 2010	APRIL 2010	CHANGE
STATEWIDE	9.9	10.1	-0.2	JOHNSTON	9.1	9.3	-0.2
ALAMANCE	10.9	11.1	-0.2	JONES	9.8	10.6	-0.8
ALEXANDER	12.4	12.7	-0.3	LEE	12.3	12.4	-0.1
ALLEGHANY	9.4	10.6	-1.2	LENOIR	10.6	10.7	-0.1
ANSON	13.6	14.0	-0.4	LINCOLN	12.1	12.5	-0.4
ASHE	11.2	11.4	-0.2	MCDOWELL	12.2	12.7	-0.5
AVERY	8.2	9.1	-0.9	MACON	9.4	10.4	-1.0
BEAUFORT	10.6	10.8	-0.2	MADISON	9.1	9.4	-0.3
BERTIE	10.2	10.3	-0.1	MARTIN	9.9	10.0	-0.1
BLADEN	11.3	11.4	-0.1	MECKLENBURG	10.4	10.3	0.1
BRUNSWICK	9.9	10.3	-0.4	MITCHELL	10.3	10.8	-0.5
BUNCOMBE	8.0	8.3	-0.3	MONTGOMERY	12.1	12.0	0.1
BURKE	12.8	13.4	-0.6	MOORE	8.9	9.3	-0.4
CABARRUS	10.8	10.8	0.0	NASH	12.0	12.1	-0.1
CALDWELL	14.1	14.6	-0.5	NEW HANOVER	9.1	9.3	-0.2
CAMDEN	6.7	7.4	-0.7	NORTHAMPTON	10.0	10.2	-0.2
CARTERET	7.5	8.0	-0.5	ONSLow	7.5	7.5	0.0
CASWELL	11.2	11.6	-0.4	ORANGE	6.0	6.0	0.0
CATAWBA	12.7	12.9	-0.2	PAMLICO	9.3	9.4	-0.1
CHATHAM	6.9	7.2	-0.3	PASQUOTANK	9.3	9.2	0.1
CHEROKEE	13.1	13.7	-0.6	PENDER	10.2	10.6	-0.4
CHOWAN	9.8	10.2	-0.4	PERQUIMANS	8.4	9.3	-0.9
CLAY	9.7	10.4	-0.7	PERSON	10.6	10.6	0.0
CLEVELAND	13.0	13.3	-0.3	PITT	9.7	9.6	0.1
COLUMBUS	11.4	11.8	-0.4	POLK	7.8	8.4	-0.6
CRAVEN	9.5	9.8	-0.3	RANDOLPH	10.1	10.5	-0.4
CUMBERLAND	8.8	8.7	0.1	RICHMOND	12.6	13.0	-0.4
CURRITUCK	4.9	5.9	-1.0	ROBESON	11.6	11.6	0.0
DARE	8.0	9.5	-1.5	ROCKINGHAM	12.6	13.0	-0.4
DAVIDSON	11.9	12.1	-0.2	ROWAN	11.8	11.9	-0.1
DAVIE	10.3	10.6	-0.3	RUTHERFORD	14.8	15.2	-0.4
DUPLIN	8.1	8.6	-0.5	SAMPSON	8.1	8.4	-0.3
DURHAM	7.5	7.5	0.0	SCOTLAND	16.0	15.9	0.1
EDGECOMBE	14.8	14.9	-0.1	STANLY	11.4	11.8	-0.4
FORSYTH	9.2	9.3	-0.1	STOKES	9.9	10.2	-0.3
FRANKLIN	9.6	10.0	-0.4	SURRY	11.1	11.4	-0.3
GASTON	11.7	11.9	-0.2	SWAIN	10.5	11.9	-1.4
GATES	6.4	7.1	-0.7	TRANSYLVANIA	8.5	9.0	-0.5
GRAHAM	13.4	14.2	-0.8	TYRRELL	9.8	10.8	-1.0
GRANVILLE	10.0	10.1	-0.1	UNION	9.4	9.8	-0.4
GREENE	10.3	10.4	-0.1	VANCE	11.9	12.2	-0.3
GUILFORD	10.4	10.5	-0.1	WAKE	8.0	8.1	-0.1
HALIFAX	12.1	12.6	-0.5	WARREN	11.5	12.0	-0.5
HARNETT	10.4	10.6	-0.2	WASHINGTON	10.9	11.2	-0.3
HAYWOOD	8.9	9.4	-0.5	WATAUGA	7.5	7.8	-0.3
HENDERSON	8.0	8.5	-0.5	WAYNE	8.4	8.6	-0.2
HERTFORD	8.6	8.7	-0.1	WILKES	12.6	12.8	-0.2
HOKE	7.9	8.0	-0.1	WILSON	12.4	12.3	0.1
HYDE	6.9	8.1	-1.2	YADKIN	9.5	9.8	-0.3
IREDELL	11.7	12.1	-0.4	YANCEY	10.2	10.7	-0.5
JACKSON	8.7	8.7	0.0				

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NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

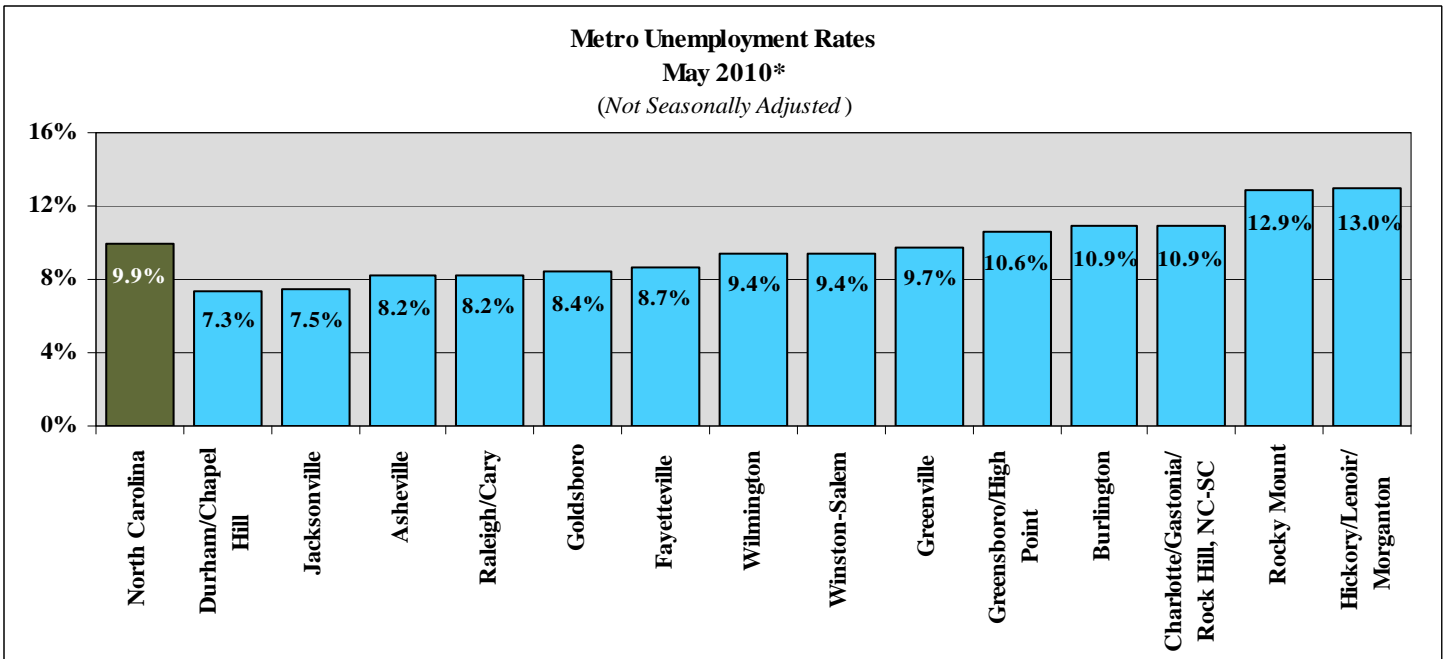
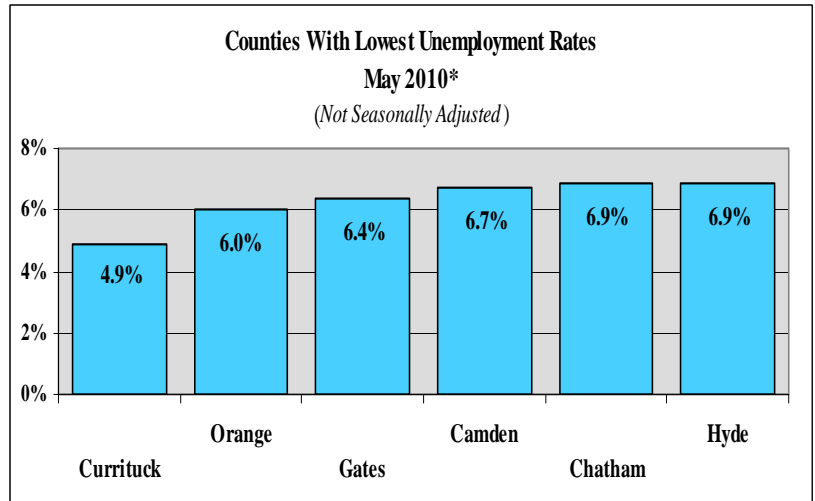
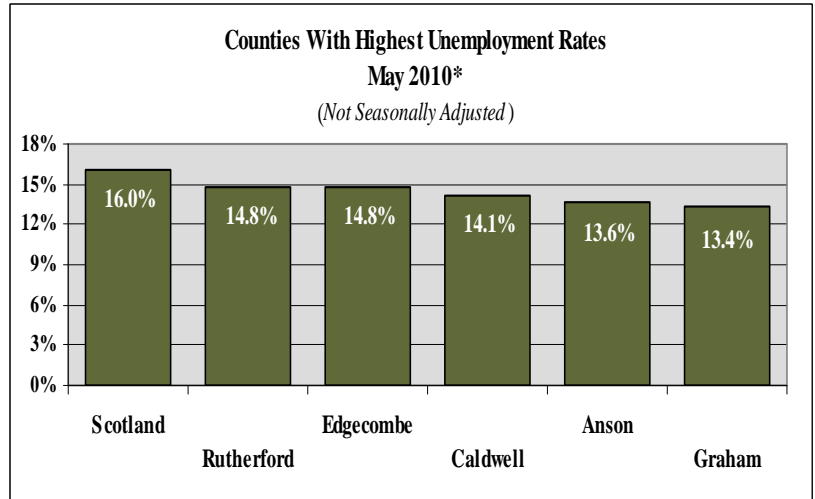
MAY 2010

North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 9.9 percent in May. This was a 0.2 of a percentage point decrease from April's revised rate of 10.1 percent, as well as a 1.0 percentage point drop over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate decreased in 86 counties, increased in seven and was unchanged in seven. Forty-seven counties had unemployment rates at or below the state's 9.9 percent rate.

Scotland County recorded May's highest unemployment rate at 16.0 percent, 0.1 of a percentage point higher than last month. Rutherford & Edgecombe counties tied for the second-highest rate at 14.8 percent. Currituck County had the lowest unemployment rate at 4.9 percent, followed by Orange, 6.0 percent; Gates, 6.4 percent; Camden, 6.7 percent; and, Chatham and Hyde, 6.9 percent.

Unemployment rates also decreased in 10 of the state's 14 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (Metros) over the previous month. The Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton Metro experienced the highest unemployment rate (13.0%), a 0.4 of a percentage point decrease. Rocky Mount had the second-highest rate at 12.9 percent, falling 0.2 of a percentage point. The Durham/Chapel Hill Metro had the lowest unemployment rate at 7.3 percent, remaining the same as the previous month. Jacksonville followed at 7.5 percent, also unchanged from the prior month.



*All May 2010 labor force data are preliminary.

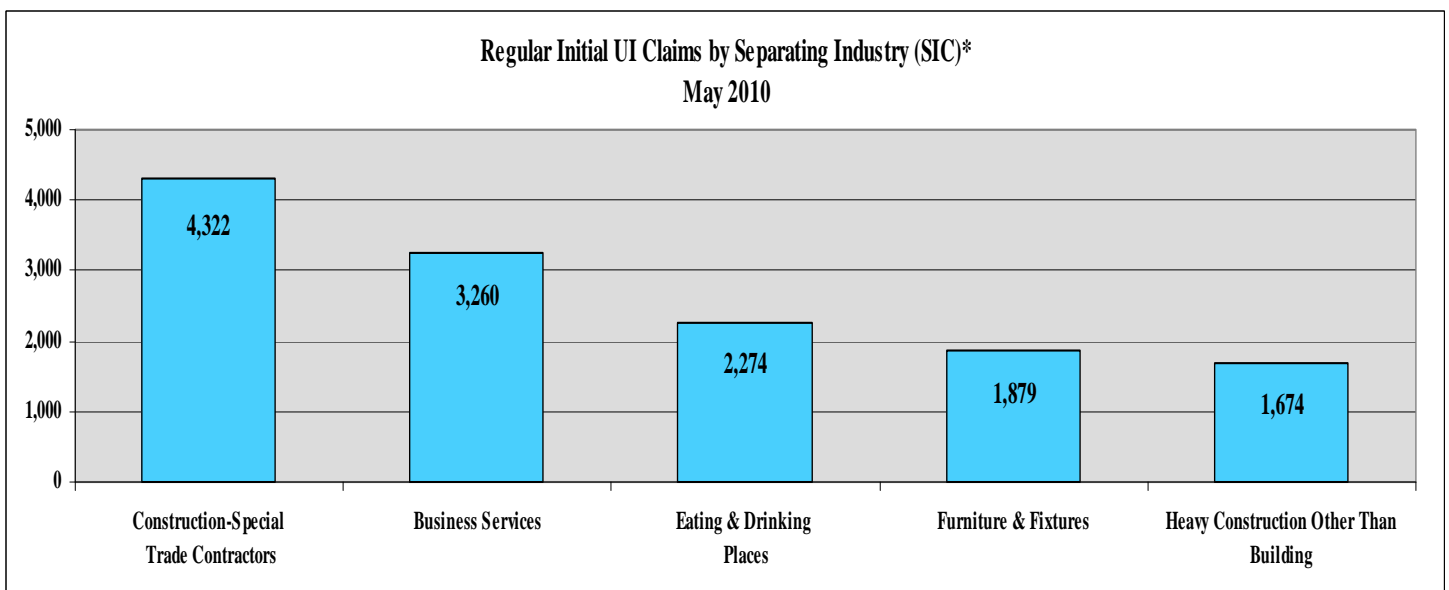
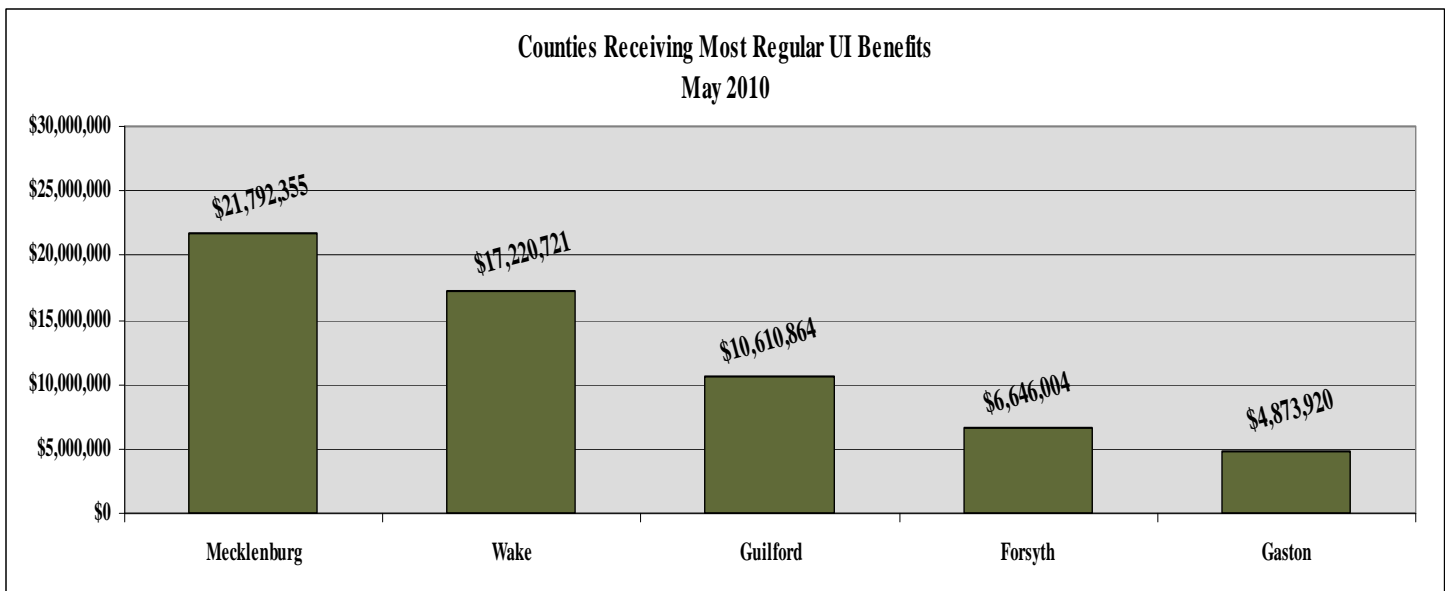
In May 2010, there were 56,007 Regular Unemployment Insurance (UI) Initial Claims filed in North Carolina. Counties with the largest number filed and benefits received are shown in the graphs.

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.

New Regular Initial Claims, totaling 32,238

for the month ending May 2010, decreased 2,853 from the prior month. Sixteen percent were Attached Initial Claims. During the same period a year ago, New Claims totaled 41,588, of which 22 percent were Attached. For the month ending May 2008, New Claims totaled 30,205, of which 27 percent were Attached Claims.

Regular Initial UI Claims, May 2010						
County	Transactions		Individuals			
	Initial Claims	Attached To Payroll	Female	African-American	White	45 Or Older
Mecklenburg	4,569	988	2,021	2,105	1,677	1,485
Wake	3,424	737	1,504	1,299	1,556	1,185
Guilford	2,968	1,288	1,247	1,417	1,086	1,102
Catawba	1,868	1,284	743	163	1,319	878
Forsyth	1,862	698	787	686	763	690



*Many Initial Claims were nonclassifiable by separating industry.

Asheville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(2,000)	1.2%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-1,800)	-1.1%	
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change		
	Government	800	2.8%	Government	1,000	3.6%	
	Leisure & Hospitality	600	2.7%	Leisure & Hospitality	500	2.2%	
	Total	Professional & Business Services	400	3.1%	Education & Health Services	500	1.7%
	Nonfarm	Mining, Logging & Construction	200	2.6%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Employment	Education & Health Services	100	0.3%	Other Services	-100	-1.4%
	May-10	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0	0.0%	Information	-100	-4.8%
		Information	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-700	-2.2%
	166,800	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Manufacturing	-800	-4.3%
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-900	-10.3%	
Rate = 8.2%	Manufacturing	-100	-0.6%	Professional & Business Services	-1,200	-8.2%	
Burlington Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(500)	0.9%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-1,100)	-1.9%	
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change		
	Government	300	3.9%	Professional & Business Services	200	3.3%	
	Financial Activities	100	5.9%	Government	200	2.6%	
	Total	Leisure & Hospitality	100	1.6%	Information	0	0.0%
	Nonfarm	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100	0.9%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Employment	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Other Services	0	0.0%
	May-10	Manufacturing	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-1.5%
		Information	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	-200	-1.9%
	56,200	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-10.7%
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-400	-3.6%	
Rate = 10.9%	Education & Health Services	-100	-1.0%	Manufacturing	-500	-5.7%	
Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(4,300)	0.5%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-3,600)	-0.4%	
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change		
	Government	2,400	2.0%	Government	5,000	4.2%	
	Education & Health Services	1,100	1.3%	Professional & Business Services	3,200	2.6%	
	Total	Mining, Logging & Construction	700	2.0%	Education & Health Services	2,300	2.8%
	Nonfarm	Financial Activities	400	0.6%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	900	0.5%
	Employment	Other Services	200	0.6%	Other Services	-300	-1.0%
	May-10	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200	0.1%	Information	-300	-1.4%
		Information	100	0.5%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,200	-1.3%
	812,600	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	-2,700	-3.8%
	Professional & Business Services	-100	-0.1%	Manufacturing	-3,100	-4.5%	
Rate = 10.9%	Manufacturing	-700	-1.1%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-7,400	-17.2%	
Durham/Chapel Hill Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-500)	-0.2%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-900)	-0.3%	
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change		
	Leisure & Hospitality	400	1.8%	Education & Health Services	2,200	4.0%	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	400	1.2%	Government	1,300	2.2%	
	Total	Other Services	200	1.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	500	2.3%
	Nonfarm	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	500	1.5%
	Employment	Information	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	May-10	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Other Services	0	0.0%
		Manufacturing	-100	-0.3%	Financial Activities	-500	-3.8%
	284,800	Education & Health Services	-300	-0.5%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,200	-14.1%
	Government	-500	-0.8%	Professional & Business Services	-1,600	-4.6%	
Rate = 7.3%	Professional & Business Services	-600	-1.8%	Manufacturing	-2,100	-5.8%	

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<i>Fayetteville Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-300) -0.2%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-300) -0.2%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	Leisure & Hospitality	400 2.9%	Professional & Business Services	300 2.3%
	Information	100 6.3%	Education & Health Services	300 1.9%
Total Nonfarm Employment	Professional & Business Services	100 0.8%	Leisure & Hospitality	200 1.4%
May-10	Education & Health Services	100 0.6%	Information	0 0.0%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100 -0.5%
	Manufacturing	0 0.0%	Manufacturing	-100 -1.0%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0 0.0%	Other Services	-100 -2.0%
130,300	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	-100 -2.2%
	Other Services	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-300 -5.4%
Rate = 8.7%	Government	-1,000 -2.5%	Government	-400 -1.0%

<i>Goldsboro Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(500) 1.2%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-1,400) -3.1%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	Government	200 1.7%	Government	-100 -0.8%
	Education & Health Services	*	Education & Health Services	*
Total Nonfarm Employment	Financial Activities	*	Financial Activities	*
May-10	Information	*	Information	*
	Leisure & Hospitality	*	Leisure & Hospitality	*
	Manufacturing	*	Manufacturing	*
	Mining, Logging & Construction	*	Mining, Logging & Construction	*
43,700	Other Services	*	Other Services	*
	Professional & Business Services	*	Professional & Business Services	*
Rate = 8.4%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*

<i>Greensboro/High Point Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(3,600) 1.1%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-2,100) -0.6%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	Leisure & Hospitality	900 3.0%	Government	3,300 7.1%
	Government	900 1.8%	Professional & Business Services	3,100 7.6%
Total Nonfarm Employment	Professional & Business Services	800 1.9%	Financial Activities	-200 -0.9%
May-10	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	800 1.2%	Other Services	-300 -2.0%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	100 0.7%	Information	-400 -6.9%
	Other Services	100 0.7%	Leisure & Hospitality	-500 -1.6%
	Financial Activities	100 0.5%	Education & Health Services	-1,200 -2.5%
342,800	Information	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,200 -8.1%
	Education & Health Services	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-1,500 -2.2%
Rate = 10.6%	Manufacturing	-100 -0.2%	Manufacturing	-3,200 -6.1%

<i>Greenville Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(500) 0.7%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(400) 0.5%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>
	Leisure & Hospitality	200 2.5%	Government	600 2.5%
	Government	200 0.8%	Professional & Business Services	400 7.4%
Total Nonfarm Employment	Professional & Business Services	100 1.8%	Education & Health Services	200 1.8%
May-10	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100 0.9%	Financial Activities	0 0.0%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	0 0.0%
	Information	0 0.0%	Other Services	0 0.0%
	Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200 -1.8%
75,600	Education & Health Services	0 0.0%	Manufacturing	-200 -3.3%
	Other Services	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200 -6.1%
Rate = 9.7%	Manufacturing	-100 -1.7%	Information	-200 -18.2%

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<i>Hickory/ Lenoir/ Morganton Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change		(900) 0.6%		Over-the-Year Employment Change		(-2,700) -1.8%	
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>			<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		
	Government	600	2.3%		Government	300	1.1%	
	Leisure & Hospitality	300	2.6%		Professional & Business Services	200	2.0%	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300	1.1%		Leisure & Hospitality	200	1.7%	
Total	Other Services	100	1.6%		Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0	0.0%	
Nonfarm	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%		Information	0	0.0%	
Employment	Information	0	0.0%		Other Services	0	0.0%	
May-10	Financial Activities	0	0.0%		Education & Health Services	-100	-0.5%	
143,500	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%		Financial Activities	-200	-5.7%	
	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%		Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-9.5%	
Rate = 13.0%	Manufacturing	-400	-1.1%		Manufacturing	-2,700	-7.1%	

<i>Jacksonville Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change		(300) 0.6%		Over-the-Year Employment Change		(1,600) 3.3%	
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>			<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		
	Government	300	2.0%		Government	400	2.7%	
	Education & Health Services	*			Education & Health Services	*		
Total	Financial Activities	*			Financial Activities	*		
Nonfarm	Information	*			Information	*		
Employment	Leisure & Hospitality	*			Leisure & Hospitality	*		
May-10	Manufacturing	*			Manufacturing	*		
49,700	Mining, Logging & Construction	*			Mining, Logging & Construction	*		
	Other Services	*			Other Services	*		
	Professional & Business Services	*			Professional & Business Services	*		
Rate = 7.5%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*			Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*		

<i>Raleigh/ Cary Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change		(4,600) 0.9%		Over-the-Year Employment Change		(-2,900) -0.6%	
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>			<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		
	Government	2,000	2.2%		Professional & Business Services	2,400	2.9%	
	Professional & Business Services	1,400	1.7%		Education & Health Services	1,500	2.4%	
Total	Leisure & Hospitality	1,000	2.0%		Other Services	700	2.8%	
Nonfarm	Other Services	400	1.6%		Government	400	0.4%	
Employment	Financial Activities	300	1.2%		Information	0	0.0%	
May-10	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300	0.3%		Leisure & Hospitality	-800	-1.6%	
500,600	Information	100	0.6%		Financial Activities	-800	-3.0%	
	Manufacturing	-100	-0.4%		Manufacturing	-1,400	-4.8%	
	Education & Health Services	-400	-0.6%		Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-1,500	-1.7%	
Rate = 8.2%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-1.5%		Mining, Logging & Construction	-3,400	-11.3%	

<i>Rocky Mount Metro</i>	Over-the-Month Employment Change		(-100) -0.2%		Over-the-Year Employment Change		(-500) -0.8%	
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>			<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		
	Government	500	4.3%		Government	300	2.5%	
	Leisure & Hospitality	100	2.0%		Professional & Business Services	200	4.0%	
Total	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%		Manufacturing	200	1.9%	
Nonfarm	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%		Education & Health Services	-100	-1.4%	
Employment	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%		Mining, Logging & Construction	-200	-7.7%	
May-10	Manufacturing	-100	-0.9%		Leisure & Hospitality	-300	-5.7%	
60,200	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200	-1.7%		Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-800	-6.5%	
	Financial Activities	*			Financial Activities	*		
	Information	*			Information	*		
Rate = 12.9%	Other Services	*			Other Services	*		

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Wilmington Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(2,600) 1.9%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-3,300) -2.3%
Total Nonfarm Employment May-10	139,600	Rate = 9.4%		
Industry	Change	Industry	Change	
Leisure & Hospitality	1,200 6.4%	Government	1,500 5.5%	
Government	800 2.9%	Education & Health Services	200 1.2%	
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300 1.1%	Information	0 0.0%	
Other Services	100 1.5%	Other Services	0 0.0%	
Mining, Logging & Construction	100 1.2%	Financial Activities	-200 -2.9%	
Professional & Business Services	100 0.7%	Manufacturing	-500 -6.0%	
Education & Health Services	100 0.6%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-800 -2.8%	
Information	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-900 -9.9%	
Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Professional & Business Services	-1,200 -8.1%	
Manufacturing	-100 -1.3%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,400 -6.6%	

Winston-Salem Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(1,800) 0.9%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(500) 0.2%
Total Nonfarm Employment May-10	209,100	Rate = 9.4%		
Industry	Change	Industry	Change	
Professional & Business Services	600 2.5%	Government	1,800 6.8%	
Government	600 2.2%	Professional & Business Services	700 2.9%	
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300 0.8%	Education & Health Services	700 1.5%	
Leisure & Hospitality	200 1.0%	Information	0 0.0%	
Education & Health Services	200 0.4%	Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -0.5%	
Other Services	100 1.1%	Other Services	-200 -2.1%	
Mining, Logging & Construction	0 0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-400 -1.1%	
Information	0 0.0%	Financial Activities	-400 -3.2%	
Financial Activities	0 0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-600 -7.4%	
Manufacturing	-200 -0.9%	Manufacturing	-1,000 -4.1%	

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Over the month, industry employment increased in 11 of 14 Metros. The Raleigh/Cary Metro had the largest net employment increase with 4,600, followed by Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill NC-SC with 4,300, and Greensboro/High Point, 3,600. The Wilmington Metro showed the greatest percentage increase at 1.9 percent. Over the year, employment fell in 11 of 14 Metros. Greenville (400), Winston-Salem (500), and Jacksonville (1,600) experienced increases. The Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill, NC-SC Metro experienced the largest net decrease at 3,600, while Goldsboro experienced the largest percentage decrease (3.1%).

