



# News Release

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## Little Change In November Unemployment Rates Across North Carolina’s 100 Counties

*Tier 3 Implementation Sending Additional Millions To Assist Jobless*

**RALEIGH** — Unemployment rates increased in 60 of North Carolina’s 100 counties in November, according to statistics released today by the state’s Employment Security Commission. Rates decreased in 31 counties, and remained the same in nine.

But, action by the ESC last week provided millions of dollars in benefits under the U.S. Department of Labor’s latest extension of unemployment benefits.

“Many of the state’s counties experienced a small change in their unemployment rates,” said ESC Chairman Moses Carey Jr. “We continue to assist job seekers and those customers looking to apply for unemployment insurance. Help has arrived in the form of another extension of benefits and we have begun paying out those funds to eligible participants.”

North Carolina had 44 counties which were at or below the state’s unadjusted unemployment rate of 10.7 percent. Rates increased in six of the state’s Metropolitan Statistical Areas, decreased in three and remained the same in five.

Total county employment (not-seasonally adjusted) decreased in November by 11,430 workers, to 4,048,200. Not-seasonally adjusted unemployment increased, by 965 workers. The unemployment total in November was 483,425 workers, compared with 482,460 in October.

	<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>November</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>32</i>	<i>68</i>
<i>October (Revised)</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>36</i>	<i>64</i>

Orange County had the state’s lowest unemployment rate in November, at 6.3 percent. Meanwhile, Edgecombe County had the highest unemployment rate, at 16.6 percent.

The five counties receiving the highest amount in regular unemployment insurance benefits in November were: Mecklenburg, \$24.3 million; Wake, \$19.2 million; Guilford, \$11.2 million; Forsyth, \$7.1 million; and Gaston, \$6.4 million. In November, \$218.1 million in regular UI benefits was paid to 205,202 individuals statewide, compared with \$192.4 million to 196,561 individuals in October.

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Unemployment rates in the metropolitan statistical areas for November were:

*Asheville* — 8.6 percent, up from 8.5 percent in October.

*Burlington* — 11.9 percent, up from 11.8 percent.

*Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord NC-SC* — 11.8 percent, down from 12 percent.

*Durham-Chapel Hill* — 7.6 percent, no change.

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

*Goldsboro* — 9 percent, up from 8.7 percent.

*Greensboro-High Point* — 11.2 percent, down from 11.3 percent.

*Greenville* — 9.9 percent, no change.

*Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton* — 14.4 percent, down from 14.5 percent.

*Jacksonville* — 8.2 percent, up from 8.0 percent.

*Raleigh-Cary* — 8.6 percent, no change.

*Rocky Mount* — 13.6 percent, no change.

*Wilmington* — 10.2 percent, up from 9.8 percent.

*Winston-Salem* — 9.8 percent, no change.

*(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. The 2009 benchmark monthly and annual averages for N.C. counties are available on the ESC's website: [www.ncesc.com](http://www.ncesc.com), under "Labor Market Information."

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

*Per the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics instructions, the ESC is now revising the 2009 previous months data.*

**NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**  
*Preliminary Statewide and County Data for*  
**NOVEMBER 2009**

County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
STATEWIDE	4,531,625	4,048,200	483,425	10.7					
ALAMANCE	71,163	62,730	8,433	11.9	JOHNSTON	78,100	70,584	7,516	9.6
ALEXANDER	18,020	15,527	2,493	13.8	JONES	4,805	4,287	518	10.8
ALLEGHANY	4,675	4,133	542	11.6	LEE	25,802	22,297	3,505	13.6
ANSON	10,543	8,970	1,573	14.9	LENOIR	27,075	23,893	3,182	11.8
ASHE	12,749	11,273	1,476	11.6	LINCOLN	38,690	33,403	5,287	13.7
AVERY	8,806	7,973	833	9.5	MCDOWELL	20,512	17,448	3,064	14.9
BEAUFORT	21,129	18,726	2,403	11.4	MACON	16,217	14,492	1,725	10.6
BERTIE	9,107	8,157	950	10.4	MADISON	9,878	8,938	940	9.5
BLADEN	15,354	13,495	1,859	12.1	MARTIN	12,404	11,100	1,304	10.5
BRUNSWICK	48,988	43,363	5,625	11.5	MECKLENBURG	460,563	409,720	50,843	11.0
BUNCOMBE	119,632	109,781	9,851	8.2	MITCHELL	7,269	6,413	856	11.8
BURKE	39,467	33,912	5,555	14.1	MONTGOMERY	10,895	9,467	1,428	13.1
CABARRUS	84,086	74,240	9,846	11.7	MOORE	36,632	33,055	3,577	9.8
CALDWELL	38,195	32,137	6,058	15.9	NASH	46,528	40,937	5,591	12.0
CAMDEN	4,526	4,170	356	7.9	NEW HANOVER	105,314	95,349	9,965	9.5
CARTERET	32,280	29,426	2,854	8.8	NORTHAMPTON	8,821	7,824	997	11.3
CASWELL	10,898	9,566	1,332	12.2	ONCLOW	61,821	56,762	5,059	8.2
CATAWBA	75,520	64,977	10,543	14.0	ORANGE	68,972	64,658	4,314	6.3
CHATHAM	33,260	30,755	2,505	7.5	PAMLICO	5,553	4,989	564	10.2
CHEROKEE	10,283	8,742	1,541	15.0	PASQUOTANK	18,087	16,333	1,754	9.7
CHOWAN	6,593	5,822	771	11.7	PENDER	24,086	21,462	2,624	10.9
CLAY	4,689	4,137	552	11.8	PERQUIMANS	5,313	4,757	556	10.5
CLEVELAND	48,804	41,583	7,221	14.8	PERSON	19,373	17,308	2,065	10.7
COLUMBUS	24,617	21,443	3,174	12.9	PITT	80,206	72,282	7,924	9.9
CRAVEN	42,982	38,520	4,462	10.4	POLK	9,535	8,711	824	8.6
CUMBERLAND	133,402	121,090	12,312	9.2	RANDOLPH	74,144	65,674	8,470	11.4
CURRITUCK	12,765	11,874	891	7.0	RICHMOND	20,052	17,315	2,737	13.6
DARE	18,903	16,727	2,176	11.5	ROBESON	57,270	50,529	6,741	11.8
DAVIDSON	76,491	66,525	9,966	13.0	ROCKINGHAM	44,167	38,819	5,348	12.1
DAVIE	20,950	18,692	2,258	10.8	ROWAN	71,210	61,875	9,335	13.1
DUPLIN	24,872	22,616	2,256	9.1	RUTHERFORD	28,885	24,245	4,640	16.1
DURHAM	140,318	129,235	11,083	7.9	SAMPSON	31,793	29,087	2,706	8.5
EDGECOMBE	25,059	20,910	4,149	16.6	SCOTLAND	13,908	11,609	2,299	16.5
FORSYTH	175,283	158,321	16,962	9.7	STANLY	30,082	26,293	3,789	12.6
FRANKLIN	28,095	25,227	2,868	10.2	STOKES	24,203	21,732	2,471	10.2
GASTON	99,902	86,495	13,407	13.4	SURRY	33,628	29,513	4,115	12.2
GATES	4,863	4,532	331	6.8	SWAIN	6,927	6,118	809	11.7
GRAHAM	3,891	3,276	615	15.8	TRANSYLVANIA	13,134	11,892	1,242	9.5
GRANVILLE	25,634	22,932	2,702	10.5	TYRRELL	2,252	2,007	245	10.9
GREENE	9,305	8,361	944	10.1	UNION	92,339	82,734	9,605	10.4
GUILFORD	245,664	218,721	26,943	11.0	VANCE	19,352	16,737	2,615	13.5
HALIFAX	24,165	20,877	3,288	13.6	WAKE	455,404	417,730	37,674	8.3
HARNETT	47,774	42,483	5,291	11.1	WARREN	7,918	6,907	1,011	12.8
HAYWOOD	27,527	24,911	2,616	9.5	WASHINGTON	6,445	5,653	792	12.3
HENDERSON	48,504	44,230	4,274	8.8	WATAUGA	23,501	21,757	1,744	7.4
HERTFORD	10,067	9,137	930	9.2	WAYNE	52,626	47,899	4,727	9.0
HOKE	19,607	17,937	1,670	8.5	WILKES	30,385	26,392	3,993	13.1
HYDE	2,569	2,342	227	8.8	WILSON	40,196	35,342	4,854	12.1
IREDELL	79,777	69,739	10,038	12.6	YADKIN	19,298	17,442	1,856	9.6
JACKSON	20,588	18,877	1,711	8.3	YANCEY	7,705	6,800	905	11.7

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**METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS  
MULTICOUNTY SMALL LABOR MARKET AREA  
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**  
*Preliminary Data for  
NOVEMBER 2009*

<b>Metropolitan Statistical Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
ASHEVILLE	205,542	187,861	17,681	8.6
BURLINGTON	71,163	62,730	8,433	11.9
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-CONCORD NC-SC	855,091	754,251	100,840	11.8
DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	261,923	241,956	19,967	7.6
FAYETTEVILLE	153,009	139,027	13,982	9.1
GOLDSBORO	52,626	47,899	4,727	9.0
GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT	363,977	323,215	40,762	11.2
GREENVILLE	89,511	80,643	8,868	9.9
HICKORY-LENOIR-MORGANTON	171,202	146,553	24,649	14.4
JACKSONVILLE	61,821	56,762	5,059	8.2
RALEIGH-CARY	561,599	513,541	48,058	8.6
ROCKY MOUNT	71,587	61,847	9,740	13.6
WILMINGTON	178,388	160,174	18,214	10.2
WINSTON-SALEM	239,734	216,187	23,547	9.8

<b>Micropolitan Statistical Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
ALBEMARLE	30,082	26,293	3,789	12.6
BOONE	23,501	21,757	1,744	7.4
BREVARD	13,134	11,892	1,242	9.5
DUNN	47,774	42,483	5,291	11.1
ELIZABETH CITY	27,927	25,261	2,666	9.5
FOREST CITY	28,885	24,245	4,640	16.1
HENDERSON	19,352	16,737	2,615	13.5
KILL DEVIL HILLS	18,903	16,727	2,176	11.5
KINSTON	27,075	23,893	3,182	11.8
LAURINBURG	13,908	11,609	2,299	16.5
LINCOLNTON	38,690	33,403	5,287	13.7
LUMBERTON	57,270	50,529	6,741	11.8
MOREHEAD CITY	32,280	29,426	2,854	8.8
MOUNT AIRY	33,628	29,513	4,115	12.2
NEW BERN	53,340	47,796	5,544	10.4
NORTH WILKESBORO	30,385	26,392	3,993	13.1
ROANOKE RAPIDS	32,986	28,701	4,285	13.0
ROCKINGHAM	20,052	17,315	2,737	13.6
SALISBURY	71,210	61,875	9,335	13.1
SANFORD	25,802	22,297	3,505	13.6
SHELBY	48,804	41,583	7,221	14.8
SOUTHERN PINES-PINEHURST	36,632	33,055	3,577	9.8
STATESVILLE-MOORESVILLE	79,777	69,739	10,038	12.6
THOMASVILLE-LEXINGTON	76,491	66,525	9,966	13.0
WASHINGTON	21,129	18,726	2,403	11.4
WILSON	40,196	35,342	4,854	12.1

<b>Multicounty Small Labor Market Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
JACKSON-SWAIN	27,515	24,995	2,520	9.2

**COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS  
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES**  
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<b>Combined Statistical Area</b>	<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Unemployment</b>	<b>Rate</b>
ASHEVILLE-BREVARD	218,676	199,753	18,923	8.7
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-SALISBURY, NC-SC	1,168,292	1,023,182	145,110	12.4
GREENSBORO-WINSTON SALEM-HIGH POINT	784,993	698,170	86,823	11.1
LUMBERTON-LAURINBURG	71,178	62,138	9,040	12.7
RALEIGH-DURHAM-CARY	871,296	797,980	73,316	8.4

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**NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGES**

<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 2009</b>	<b>OCTOBER 2009</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>	<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 2009</b>	<b>OCTOBER 2009</b>	<b>CHANGE</b>
STATEWIDE	10.7	10.6	0.1	JOHNSTON	9.6	9.5	0.1
ALAMANCE	11.9	11.8	0.1	JONES	10.8	10.5	0.3
ALEXANDER	13.8	14.0	-0.2	LEE	13.6	13.4	0.2
ALLEGHANY	11.6	10.8	0.8	LENOIR	11.8	11.6	0.2
ANSON	14.9	15.5	-0.6	LINCOLN	13.7	13.8	-0.1
ASHE	11.6	11.7	-0.1	MCDOWELL	14.9	14.5	0.4
AVERY	9.5	8.3	1.2	MACON	10.6	10.2	0.4
BEAUFORT	11.4	11.1	0.3	MADISON	9.5	9.3	0.2
BERTIE	10.4	10.5	-0.1	MARTIN	10.5	10.5	0.0
BLADEN	12.1	12.2	-0.1	MECKLENBURG	11.0	11.1	-0.1
BRUNSWICK	11.5	10.6	0.9	MITCHELL	11.8	11.5	0.3
BUNCOMBE	8.2	8.3	-0.1	MONTGOMERY	13.1	13.1	0.0
BURKE	14.1	13.9	0.2	MOORE	9.8	9.6	0.2
CABARRUS	11.7	11.6	0.1	NASH	12.0	11.8	0.2
CALDWELL	15.9	16.0	-0.1	NEW HANOVER	9.5	9.2	0.3
CAMDEN	7.9	7.5	0.4	NORTHAMPTON	11.3	10.8	0.5
CARTERET	8.8	8.3	0.5	ONSLOW	8.2	8.0	0.2
CASWELL	12.2	12.3	-0.1	ORANGE	6.3	6.2	0.1
CATAWBA	14.0	14.2	-0.2	PAMLICO	10.2	9.9	0.3
CHATHAM	7.5	7.5	0.0	PASQUOTANK	9.7	9.3	0.4
CHEROKEE	15.0	14.7	0.3	PENDER	10.9	11.0	-0.1
CHOWAN	11.7	11.7	0.0	PERQUIMANS	10.5	10.2	0.3
CLAY	11.8	11.5	0.3	PERSON	10.7	10.2	0.5
CLEVELAND	14.8	15.1	-0.3	PITT	9.9	9.9	0.0
COLUMBUS	12.9	12.6	0.3	POLK	8.6	8.8	-0.2
CRAVEN	10.4	10.3	0.1	RANDOLPH	11.4	11.2	0.2
CUMBERLAND	9.2	9.1	0.1	RICHMOND	13.6	14.2	-0.6
CURRITUCK	7.0	5.9	1.1	ROBESON	11.8	11.8	0.0
DARE	11.5	8.6	2.9	ROCKINGHAM	12.1	11.7	0.4
DAVIDSON	13.0	13.1	-0.1	ROWAN	13.1	13.2	-0.1
DAVIE	10.8	11.3	-0.5	RUTHERFORD	16.1	16.5	-0.4
DUPLIN	9.1	9.0	0.1	SAMPSON	8.5	8.6	-0.1
DURHAM	7.9	8.0	-0.1	SCOTLAND	16.5	17.2	-0.7
EDGECOMBE	16.6	16.9	-0.3	STANLY	12.6	12.7	-0.1
FORSYTH	9.7	9.6	0.1	STOKES	10.2	10.3	-0.1
FRANKLIN	10.2	9.6	0.6	SURRY	12.2	12.4	-0.2
GASTON	13.4	13.3	0.1	SWAIN	11.7	10.1	1.6
GATES	6.8	6.6	0.2	TRANSYLVANIA	9.5	9.0	0.5
GRAHAM	15.8	15.6	0.2	TYRRELL	10.9	9.7	1.2
GRANVILLE	10.5	10.3	0.2	UNION	10.4	10.2	0.2
GREENE	10.1	10.0	0.1	VANCE	13.5	13.6	-0.1
GUILFORD	11.0	11.2	-0.2	WAKE	8.3	8.3	0.0
HALIFAX	13.6	13.5	0.1	WARREN	12.8	12.9	-0.1
HARNETT	11.1	10.9	0.2	WASHINGTON	12.3	11.8	0.5
HAYWOOD	9.5	8.9	0.6	WATAUGA	7.4	7.0	0.4
HENDERSON	8.8	8.8	0.0	WAYNE	9.0	8.7	0.3
HERTFORD	9.2	9.1	0.1	WILKES	13.1	13.4	-0.3
HOKE	8.5	8.3	0.2	WILSON	12.1	12.1	0.0
HYDE	8.8	6.1	2.7	YADKIN	9.6	9.4	0.2
IREDELL	12.6	12.7	-0.1	YANCEY	11.7	11.3	0.4
JACKSON	8.3	8.2	0.1				

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# NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

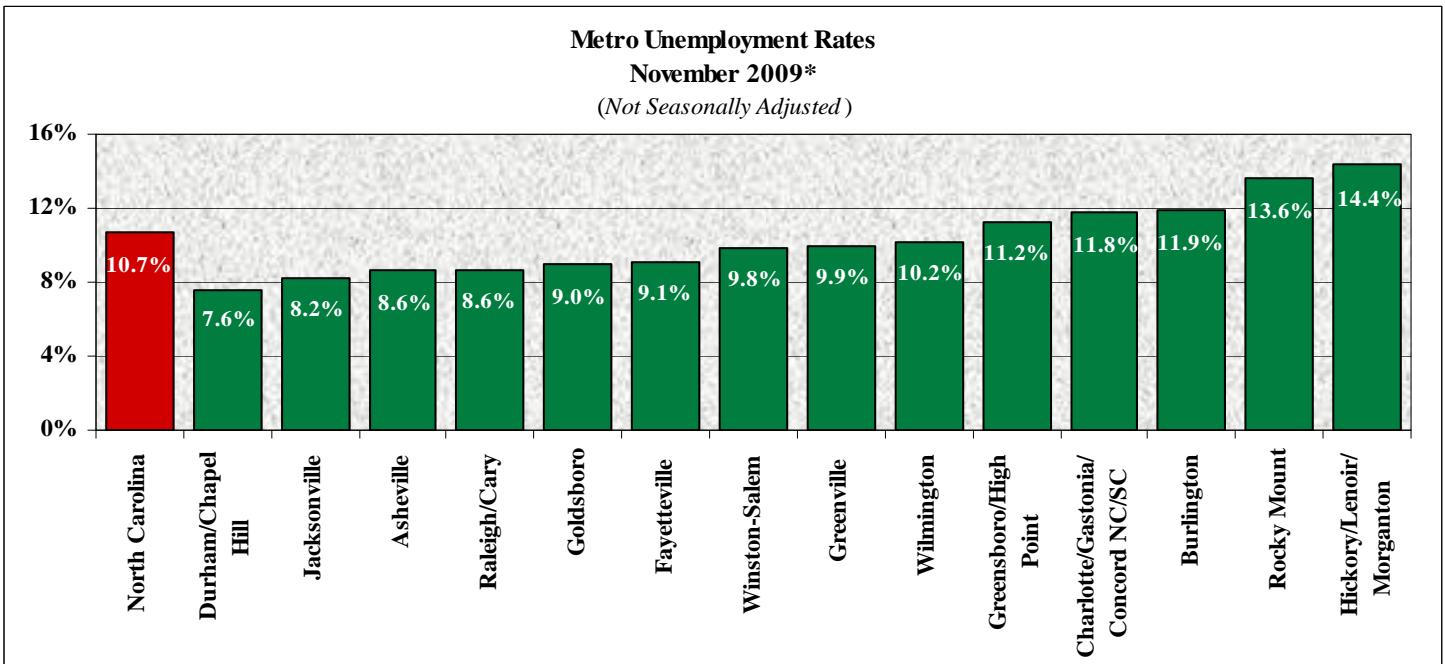
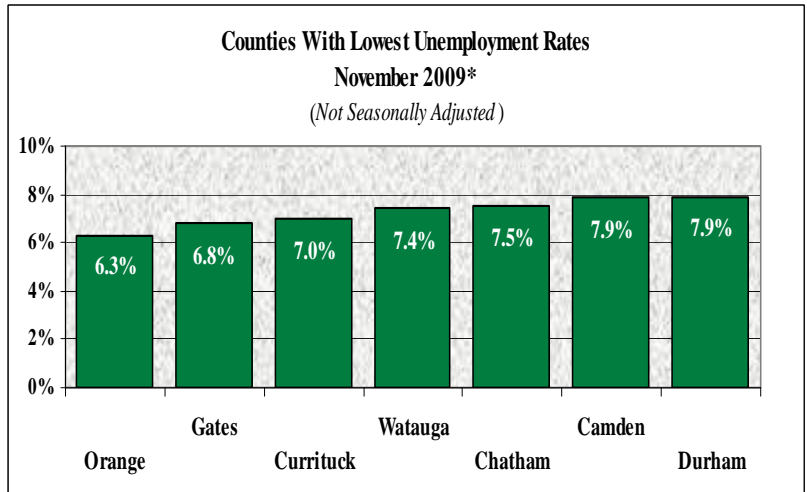
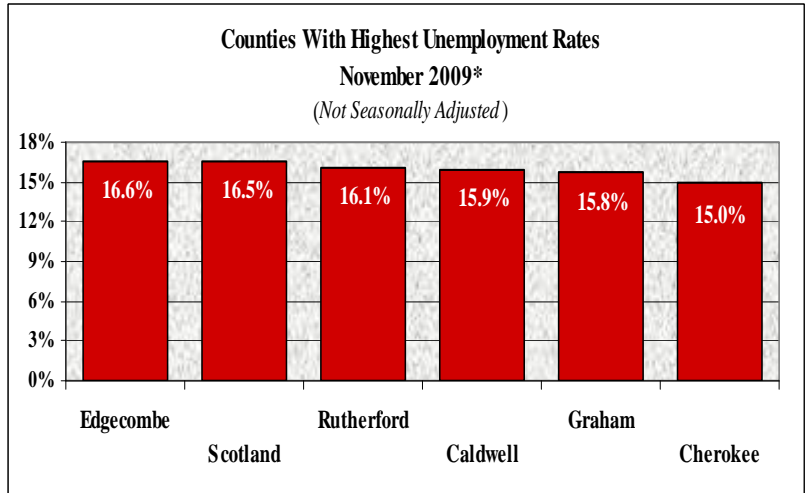
## NOVEMBER 2009

North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 10.7 percent in November. This was a 0.1 of a percentage point increase from October's rate of 10.6 percent, as well as a 3.0 percentage point gain over the year.

Over the month, the unemployment rate increased in 60 counties, decreased in 31 and was unchanged in nine. Forty-four counties had unemployment rates less than the state's 10.7 percent rate.

Edgecombe County experienced November's highest unemployment rate at 16.6 percent, 0.3 of a percentage point lower than last month. Scotland County had the second-highest rate at 16.5 percent. Orange County had the lowest unemployment rate at 6.3 percent, followed by Gates, 6.8 percent; Currituck, 7.0 percent; Watauga, 7.4 percent; and Chatham, 7.5 percent.

Unemployment rates increased in six of the state's 14 Metropolitan Statistical Areas (Metros). The Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton Metro experienced the highest unemployment rate (14.4%), a 0.1 of a percentage point decrease over the previous month. Rocky Mount had the second-highest rate at 13.6 percent, remaining the same as the previous month. The Durham/Chapel Hill Metro had the lowest unemployment rate at 7.6 percent, also remaining the same as the previous month. Jacksonville followed at 8.2 percent.



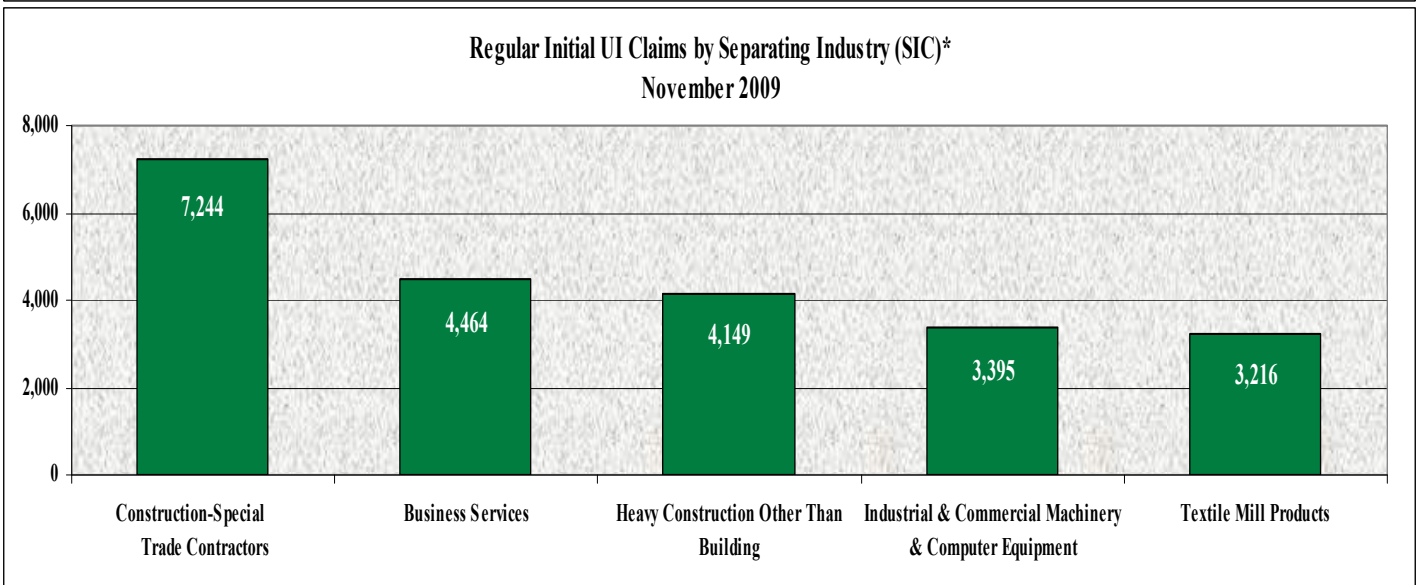
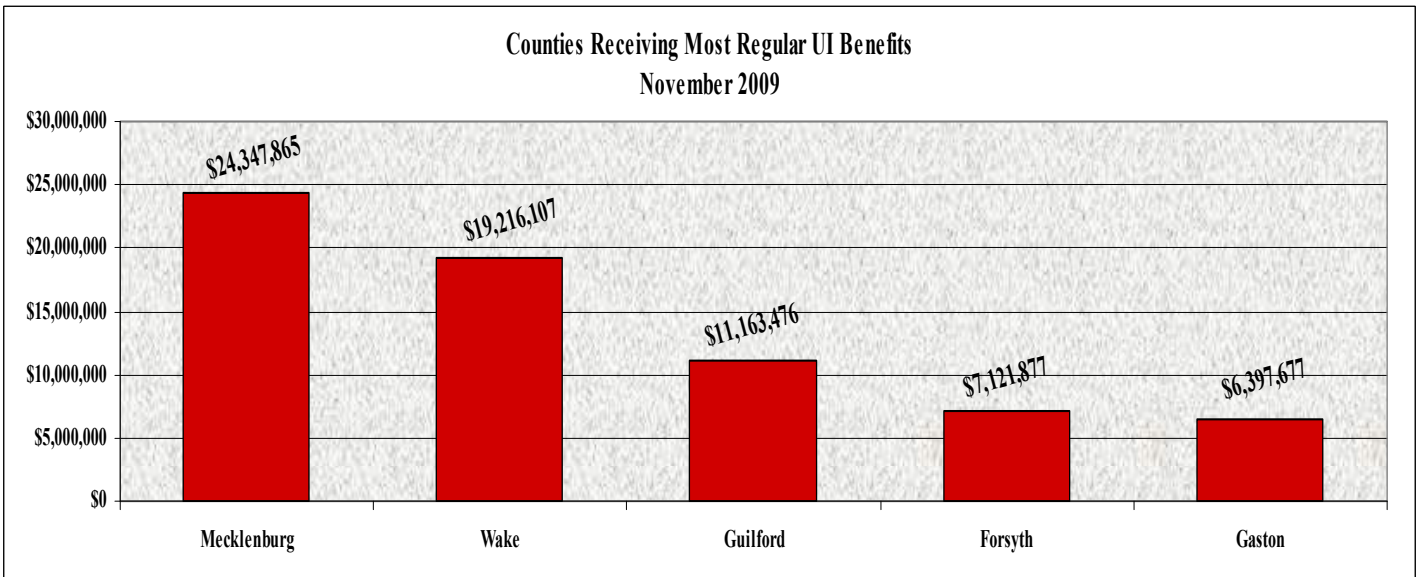
\*All November 2009 labor force data are preliminary.

In November 2009, there were 88,938 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 44,479 for the month ending November 2009, increased 4,694 from the prior month. Twenty-three percent of these were Attached Initial Claims. During the same period a year ago, Initial Claims totaled 49,775, of which 28 percent were Attached. For the month ending November 2007, Initial Claims totaled 32,998 of which 35 percent were Attached Claims.

Regular Initial UI Claims, November 2009						
County	Transactions		Individuals			
	Initial Claims	Attached To Payroll	Female	African-American	White	45 Or Older
<b>Mecklenburg</b>	5,710	1,365	2,152	2,456	2,234	1,887
<b>Wake</b>	4,810	1,767	1,604	1,591	2,250	1,681
<b>Guilford</b>	4,316	2,300	1,335	1,683	1,591	1,664
<b>Catawba</b>	3,187	2,465	979	209	2,191	1,391
<b>Forsyth</b>	2,897	1,441	874	950	1,223	1,000



\*Many Initial Claims were nonclassifiable by separating industry.

<b>Asheville Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(100) 0.1%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-6,500) -3.7%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Government	200 0.7%	Education & Health Services	700 2.3%	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200 0.6%	Financial Activities	-300 -5.1%	
	<b>Total</b>	Professional & Business Services	100 0.7%	Government	-400 -1.4%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Education & Health Services	100 0.3%	Other Services	-400 -5.2%
	<b>Employment</b>	Manufacturing	-100 -0.6%	Leisure & Hospitality	-700 -3.1%
	<b>Nov-09</b>	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-100 -1.1%	Professional & Business Services	-1,000 -6.6%
	<b>168,400</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	-300 -1.4%	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-1,400 -13.3%
	<b>Rate = 8.6%</b>			Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-1,500 -4.5%
			Manufacturing	-1,500 -7.7%	

<b>Burlington Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(-100) -0.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-2,300) -3.8%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Education & Health Services	100 1.0%	Education & Health Services	200 2.0%	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100 0.9%	Government	100 1.3%	
	<b>Total</b>	Manufacturing	-100 -1.1%	Professional & Business Services	-100 -1.5%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.6%	Other Services	-100 -6.3%
	<b>Employment</b>	Financial Activities	-100 -5.6%	Information	-100 -16.7%
	<b>Nov-09</b>			Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -3.2%
	<b>57,800</b>			Financial Activities	-200 -10.5%
	<b>Rate = 11.9%</b>			Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-400 -3.5%
			Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-500 -15.2%	
			Manufacturing	-1,000 -9.8%	

<b>Charlotte/Gastonia/Concord Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(100) 0.0%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-37,500) -4.4%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	2,300 1.4%	Government	4,200 3.4%	
	Professional & Business Services	1,300 1.0%	Education & Health Services	500 0.6%	
	Government	700 0.6%	Information	-1,000 -4.8%	
	<b>Total</b>	Information	100 0.5%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,300 -1.6%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Financial Activities	-100 -0.1%	Other Services	-2,600 -7.2%
	<b>Employment</b>	Other Services	-100 -0.3%	Professional & Business Services	-4,900 -3.7%
	<b>Nov-09</b>	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-400 -1.0%	Financial Activities	-5,000 -6.8%
	<b>813,900</b>	Manufacturing	-500 -0.7%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-9,000 -5.1%
<b>Rate = 11.8%</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	-3,200 -3.9%	Manufacturing	-9,000 -11.5%	
			Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-9,400 -18.7%	

<b>Durham/Chapel Hill Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(400) 0.1%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-9,200) -3.1%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	400 1.2%	Government	1,700 2.9%	
	Government	400 0.7%	Education & Health Services	900 1.6%	
	<b>Total</b>	Education & Health Services	300 0.5%	Information	-200 -5.0%
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	Manufacturing	-100 -0.3%	Leisure & Hospitality	-400 -1.9%
	<b>Employment</b>	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-100 -1.2%	Financial Activities	-700 -5.2%
	<b>Nov-09</b>	Other Services	-200 -1.1%	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-1,200 -12.4%
	<b>285,100</b>	Leisure & Hospitality	-300 -1.4%	Other Services	-1,400 -7.2%
	<b>Rate = 7.6%</b>			Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-1,600 -4.7%
			Professional & Business Services	-2,600 -7.3%	
			Manufacturing	-3,700 -9.3%	

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<b>Fayetteville Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(-300) -0.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-2,900) -2.2%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200 0.9%	Government	1,700 4.4%	
	Education & Health Services	100 0.6%	Education & Health Services	200 1.3%	
	Other Services	-100 -2.0%	Other Services	-100 -2.0%	
	<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>-100 -2.3%</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>-100 -4.8%</b>
	<b>Nov-09</b>	<b>Government</b>	<b>-200 -0.5%</b>	<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>-200 -4.4%</b>
		<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>-200 -1.5%</b>	<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>-400 -3.0%</b>
				<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>-400 -3.1%</b>
	<b>127,800</b>			<b>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</b>	<b>-800 -14.0%</b>
<b>Rate = 9.1%</b>			<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-1,000 -9.9%</b>	
			<b>Trade, Transp. &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>-1,800 -7.8%</b>	

<b>Goldsboro Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(-100) -0.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-1,500) -3.3%</b>
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
	Government	-100 -0.8%	Government	-200 -1.7%
	Education & Health Services	*	Education & Health Services	*
	Financial Activities	*	Financial Activities	*
	Information	*	Information	*
	Leisure & Hospitality	*	Leisure & Hospitality	*
	Manufacturing	*	Manufacturing	*
	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	*	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	*
	Other Services	*	Other Services	*
Professional & Business Services	*	Professional & Business Services	*	
Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	

<b>Greensboro/High Point Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(100) 0.0%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-15,800) -4.3%</b>
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
	Government	400 0.8%	Government	900 1.9%
	Financial Activities	300 1.4%	Education & Health Services	800 1.7%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300 0.4%	Financial Activities	-600 -2.7%
	Education & Health Services	200 0.4%	Information	-600 -10.0%
	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	100 0.7%	Other Services	-700 -4.7%
	Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.2%	Professional & Business Services	-2,400 -5.2%
	Other Services	-100 -0.7%	Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-3,100 -17.7%
	Manufacturing	-200 -0.4%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-4,100 -5.6%
Leisure & Hospitality	-800 -2.5%	Manufacturing	-6,000 -10.2%	

<b>Greenville Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(-300) -0.4%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-2,600) -3.3%</b>
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
	Government	100 0.4%	Government	200 0.8%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-100 -1.3%	Education & Health Services	100 0.9%
	Manufacturing	-100 -1.6%	Other Services	-100 -3.7%
	Professional & Business Services	-100 -1.7%	Financial Activities	-100 -4.0%
	Financial Activities	-100 -4.0%	Information	-100 -9.1%
			Professional & Business Services	-200 -3.3%
			Leisure & Hospitality	-300 -3.7%
			Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-600 -5.2%
		Nat. Resources, Mining & Const.	-700 -18.4%	
		Manufacturing	-800 -11.8%	

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<b>Hickory/ Lenoir/ Morganton Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(400) 0.3%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-9,700) -6.2%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Professional & Business Services	200 2.0%	Education & Health Services	300 1.6%	
	Leisure & Hospitality	200 1.8%	Other Services	-100 -1.6%	
	Government	200 0.8%	Information	-100 -10.0%	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Education &amp; Health Services</b>	<b>100 0.5%</b>	<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>-300 -2.6%</b>
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-300 -0.8%</b>	<b>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</b>	<b>-500 -10.2%</b>
	<b>Employment</b>			<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>-1,000 -8.8%</b>
	<b>Nov-09</b>			<b>Trade, Transp. &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>-1,100 -3.9%</b>
	<b>147,000</b>			<b>Government</b>	<b>-1,100 -4.2%</b>
			<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-5,800 -13.1%</b>	
<b>Rate = 14.4%</b>					

<b>Jacksonville Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(100) 0.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-2,500) -5.2%</b>
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
	Government	-100 -0.8%	Government	-1,700 -11.9%
	<i>Education &amp; Health Services</i>	*	<i>Education &amp; Health Services</i>	*
	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*
	<i>Information</i>	*	<i>Information</i>	*
	<i>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</i>	*	<i>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</i>	*
	<i>Manufacturing</i>	*	<i>Manufacturing</i>	*
	<i>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</i>	*	<i>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</i>	*
	<i>Other Services</i>	*	<i>Other Services</i>	*
<i>Professional &amp; Business Services</i>	*	<i>Professional &amp; Business Services</i>	*	
<i>Trade, Transp. &amp; Util.</i>	*	<i>Trade, Transp. &amp; Util.</i>	*	
<b>Total</b>				
<b>Nonfarm</b>				
<b>Employment</b>				
<b>Nov-09</b>				
<b>45,700</b>				
<b>Rate = 8.2%</b>				

<b>Raleigh/ Cary Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(1,100) 0.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-11,200) -2.2%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Education & Health Services	1,000 1.6%	Education & Health Services	2,700 4.6%	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300 0.3%	Government	1,800 1.9%	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Other Services</b>	<b>200 0.7%</b>	<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>200 0.7%</b>
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>200 0.4%</b>	<b>Other Services</b>	<b>-100 -0.4%</b>
	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>100 0.4%</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>-400 -2.4%</b>
	<b>Nov-09</b>	<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>-200 -0.2%</b>	<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>-1,100 -1.3%</b>
	<b>509,100</b>	<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-200 -0.7%</b>	<b>Trade, Transp. &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>-2,400 -2.6%</b>
		<b>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</b>	<b>-300 -1.1%</b>	<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-3,100 -9.7%</b>
			<b>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</b>	<b>-8,800 -24.0%</b>	
<b>Rate = 8.6%</b>					

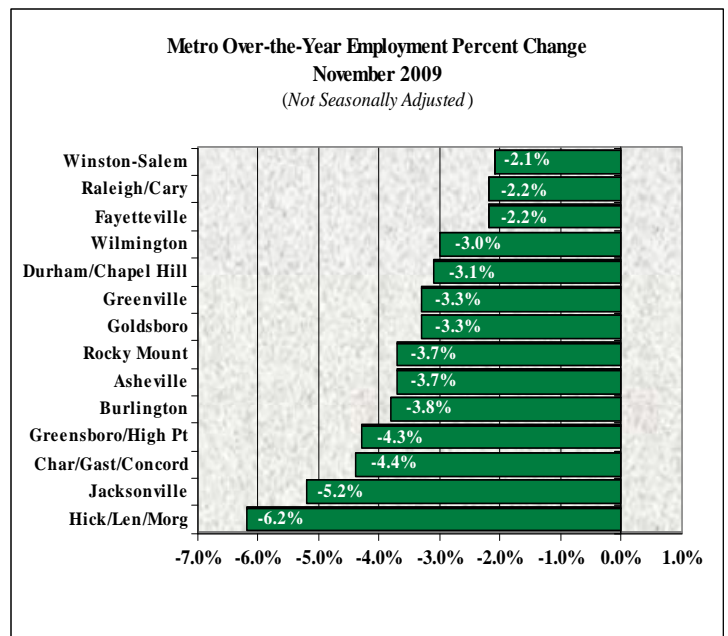
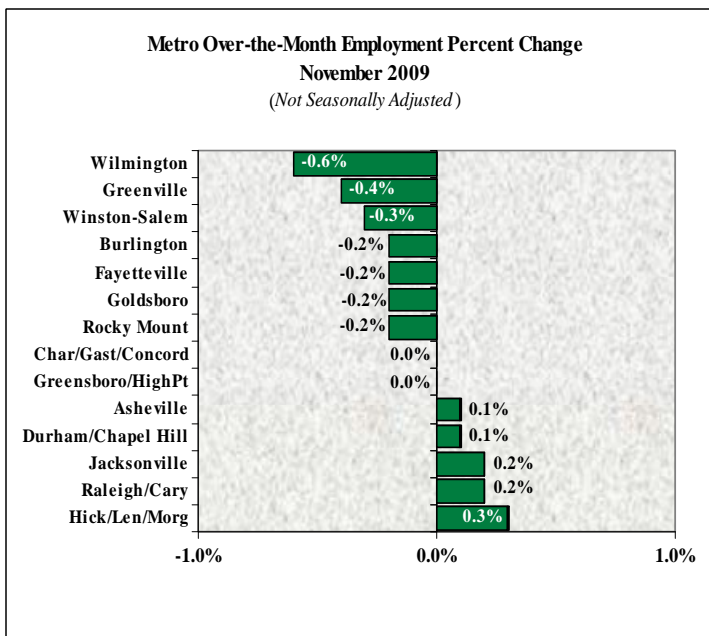
<b>Rocky Mount Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(-100) -0.2%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-2,400) -3.7%</b>	
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300 2.0%	Education & Health Services	100 1.4%	
	Education & Health Services	100 1.4%	Leisure & Hospitality	-200 -4.0%	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-100 -1.1%</b>	<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>-300 -5.4%</b>
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>-100 -2.0%</b>	<b>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</b>	<b>-500 -17.2%</b>
	<b>Employment</b>	<b>Government</b>	<b>-300 -2.5%</b>	<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-1,000 -10.1%</b>
	<b>Nov-09</b>	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*	<i>Financial Activities</i>	*
		<i>Information</i>	*	<i>Information</i>	*
		<i>Other Services</i>	*	<i>Other Services</i>	*
<b>Rate = 13.6%</b>					

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<b>Wilmington Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(-900) -0.6%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-4,400) -3.0%</b>
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300 1.1%	Education & Health Services	600 3.7%
	Professional & Business Services	-100 -0.7%	Professional & Business Services	300 2.1%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>-100 -1.1%</b>	<b>Government</b>	<b>100 0.4%</b>
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	<b>-100 -1.4%</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>-100 -3.2%</b>
	<b>Employment</b>	<b>-100 -1.5%</b>	<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>-200 -2.9%</b>
	<b>Nov-09</b>	<b>-200 -0.7%</b>	<b>Other Services</b>	<b>-300 -4.3%</b>
	<b>140,400</b>	<b>-600 -3.0%</b>	<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-600 -6.5%</b>
	<b>Rate = 10.2%</b>		<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>-1,000 -4.9%</b>
		<b>Trade, Transp. &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>-1,300 -4.3%</b>	
		<b>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</b>	<b>-1,900 -18.1%</b>	
<b>Winston-Salem Metro</b>	<b>Over-the-Month Employment Change</b>	<b>(-600) -0.3%</b>	<b>Over-the-Year Employment Change</b>	<b>(-4,600) -2.1%</b>
	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>	<b>Industry</b>	<b>Change</b>
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	400 1.1%	Education & Health Services	1,900 4.2%
	Government	-100 -0.4%	Government	1,100 4.2%
	<b>Total</b>	<b>-100 -0.4%</b>	<b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>	<b>200 1.0%</b>
	<b>Nonfarm</b>	<b>-100 -0.8%</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>-200 -9.5%</b>
	<b>Employment</b>	<b>-100 -1.5%</b>	<b>Other Services</b>	<b>-300 -3.1%</b>
	<b>Nov-09</b>	<b>-400 -1.6%</b>	<b>Financial Activities</b>	<b>-400 -3.0%</b>
	<b>212,000</b>		<b>Nat. Resources, Mining &amp; Const.</b>	<b>-1,200 -12.5%</b>
	<b>Rate = 9.8%</b>		<b>Professional &amp; Business Services</b>	<b>-1,300 -5.1%</b>
		<b>Trade, Transp. &amp; Utilities</b>	<b>-1,800 -4.7%</b>	
		<b>Manufacturing</b>	<b>-2,600 -9.6%</b>	

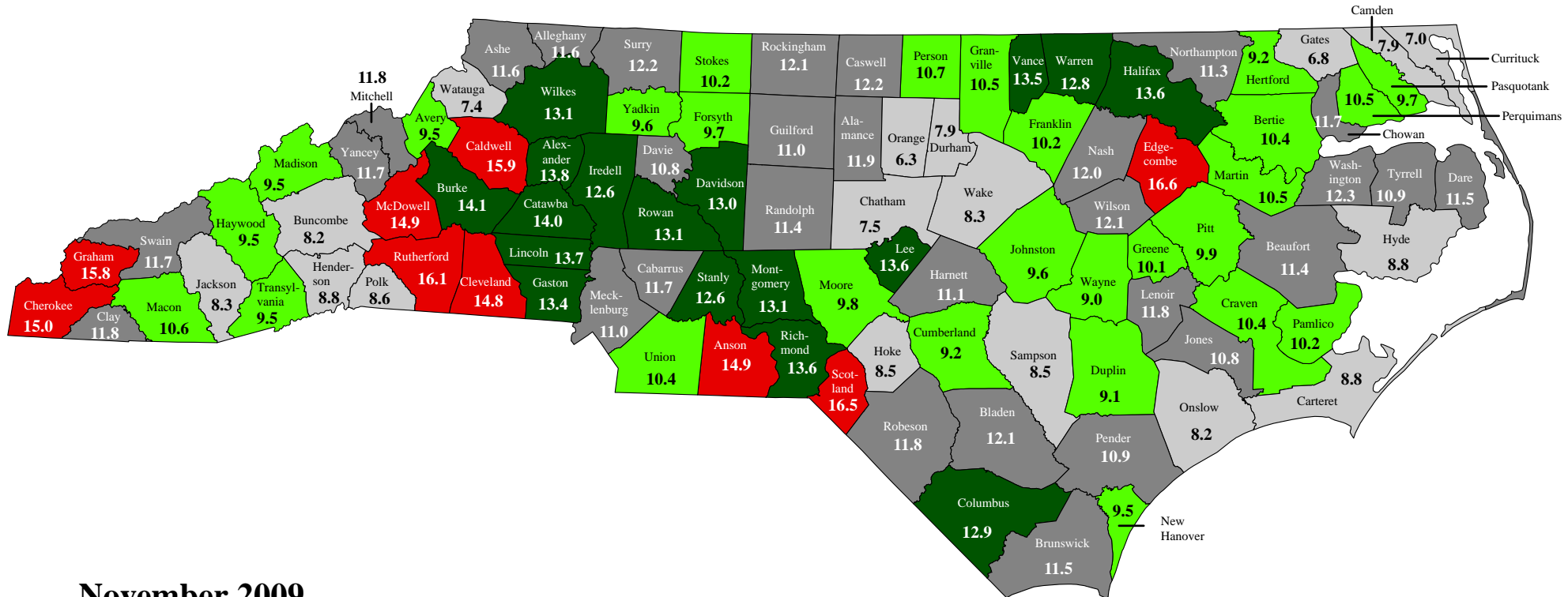
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Over the month, industry employment increased in seven of 14 Metros. The Raleigh/Cary Metro had the largest net employment increase with 1,100, followed by Durham/Chapel Hill and Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton with 400 each. Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton also showed the greatest percentage increase at 0.3 percent. Over the year, employment fell in all 14 Metros. The Charlotte/Gastonia/Concord Metro experienced the largest net decrease at 37,500, while Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton experienced the largest percentage decrease (6.2%).

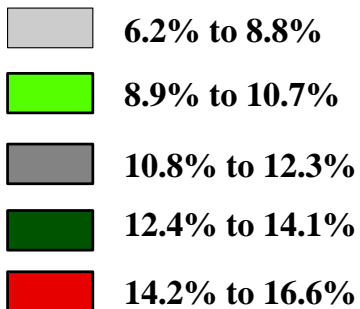


# North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

## November 2009



### November 2009



- ▲ 60 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- ▼ 31 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
- ▬ 9 Counties Same as Previous Month

**North Carolina Rate 10.7%**  
**Not Seasonally Adjusted**

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## UI Benefits Paid by County

### December 2008-November 2009

#### Total All Programs

