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July Unemployment Rates Drop In 86 Counties Across North Carolina

RALEIGH — Unemployment rates decreased in 86 of North Carolina's 100 counties in July, according to statistics released today by the state's Employment Security Commission. The rates increased in six counties and remained the same in 8.

"Unemployment rates dropped in the majority of the state's 100 counties in July," said ESC Chairman Lynn R. Holes. "However, over half of our counties had unemployment rates over 10 percent. Local communities continue to be challenged by the current economic conditions. Our staff across the state continues to provide assistance to those seeking unemployment benefits and those seeking employment opportunities."

North Carolina had 46 counties that were at or below the state's unadjusted unemployment rate of 9.9 percent. Rates decreased in all 14 of the state's Metropolitan Statistical Areas.

The number of workers employed (not-seasonally adjusted) increased in July by 5,508 workers, to 4,092,068. The number of people unemployed decreased, by 13,654. The number of unemployed people in July was 449,402 workers, compared with 463,056 in June.

	<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>July</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>45</i>	<i>54</i>
<i>June (Revised)</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>37</i>	<i>62</i>

Currituck County had the state's lowest unemployment rate in July, at 4.5 percent. Meanwhile, Scotland County had the highest unemployment rate, at 16.2 percent.

The five counties receiving the highest amount in regular unemployment insurance benefits in July were: Mecklenburg, \$16.0 million; Wake, \$12.8 million; Guilford, \$7.4 million; Forsyth, \$4.8 million; and Durham, \$3.4 million. In July, \$138.8 million in regular UI benefits was paid to 145,255 individuals statewide, compared to \$164.6 million to 158,493 individuals in June.

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Unemployment rates in the metropolitan statistical areas for July were:

Asheville — 8 percent, down from 8.5 percent in June.

Burlington — 10.8 percent, down from 11.2 percent.

Charlotte-Gastonia-Rock Hill NC-SC — 11.2 percent, down from 11.4 percent.

Durham-Chapel Hill — 7.3 percent, down from 7.6 percent.

Fayetteville — 9 percent, down from 9.1 percent.

Goldsboro — 8.4 percent, down from 8.8 percent.

Greensboro-High Point — 10.6 percent, down from 10.9 percent.

Greenville — 9.9 percent, down from 10.1 percent.

Hickory-Lenoir-Morganton — 12.7 percent, down from 13.1 percent.

Jacksonville — 8 percent, down from 8.1 percent

Raleigh-Cary — 8.2 percent, down from 8.5 percent.

Rocky Mount — 12.8 percent, down from 13.2 percent..

Wilmington — 9.5 percent, down from 9.8 percent.

Winston-Salem — 9.4 percent, down from 9.7 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 August will be released on Friday, September 17, 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
JULY 2010*

County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
STATEWIDE	4,541,470	4,092,068	449,402	9.9	JOHNSTON	78,398	71,522	6,876	8.8
ALAMANCE	69,950	62,394	7,556	10.8	JONES	4,844	4,401	443	9.1
ALEXANDER	17,549	15,247	2,302	13.1	LEE	26,695	23,600	3,095	11.6
ALLEGHANY	4,694	4,222	472	10.1	LENOIR	27,186	24,332	2,854	10.5
ANSON	10,009	8,743	1,266	12.6	LINCOLN	37,069	32,597	4,472	12.1
ASHE	12,274	10,937	1,337	10.9	MCDOWELL	20,784	18,385	2,399	11.5
AVERY	9,450	8,692	758	8.0	MACON	16,365	14,890	1,475	9.0
BEAUFORT	20,887	18,683	2,204	10.6	MADISON	9,841	8,980	861	8.7
BERTIE	9,278	8,292	986	10.6	MARTIN	11,833	10,626	1,207	10.2
BLADEN	15,810	13,975	1,835	11.6	MECKLENBURG	459,864	410,789	49,075	10.7
BRUNSWICK	49,184	44,211	4,973	10.1	MITCHELL	7,058	6,346	712	10.1
BUNCOMBE	120,375	110,746	9,629	8.0	MONTGOMERY	10,353	9,064	1,289	12.5
BURKE	38,277	33,317	4,960	13.0	MOORE	36,697	33,451	3,246	8.8
CABARRUS	83,612	74,906	8,706	10.4	NASH	46,657	41,075	5,582	12.0
CALDWELL	36,304	31,677	4,627	12.7	NEW HANOVER	103,920	94,532	9,388	9.0
CAMDEN	4,507	4,190	317	7.0	NORTHAMPTON	8,649	7,652	997	11.5
CARTERET	35,029	32,552	2,477	7.1	ONslow	65,738	60,501	5,237	8.0
CASWELL	10,531	9,315	1,216	11.5	ORANGE	70,943	66,362	4,581	6.5
CATAWBA	73,349	64,147	9,202	12.5	PAMLICO	5,610	5,098	512	9.1
CHATHAM	34,043	31,831	2,212	6.5	PASQUOTANK	17,971	16,312	1,659	9.2
CHEROKEE	10,035	8,700	1,335	13.3	PENDER	24,103	21,656	2,447	10.2
CHOWAN	6,574	5,931	643	9.8	PERQUIMANS	5,272	4,819	453	8.6
CLAY	4,716	4,265	451	9.6	PERSON	19,449	17,491	1,958	10.1
CLEVELAND	47,674	41,571	6,103	12.8	PITT	81,600	73,566	8,034	9.8
COLUMBUS	24,648	21,723	2,925	11.9	POLK	9,528	8,790	738	7.7
CRAVEN	43,740	39,651	4,089	9.3	RANDOLPH	72,644	65,606	7,038	9.7
CUMBERLAND	138,215	125,640	12,575	9.1	RICHMOND	20,508	17,820	2,688	13.1
CURRITUCK	12,744	12,167	577	4.5	ROBESON	56,307	49,424	6,883	12.2
DARE	25,357	23,768	1,589	6.3	ROCKINGHAM	43,347	38,435	4,912	11.3
DAVIDSON	75,684	66,801	8,883	11.7	ROWAN	68,521	60,419	8,102	11.8
DAVIE	20,663	18,733	1,930	9.3	RUTHERFORD	27,163	23,200	3,963	14.6
DUPLIN	24,344	22,275	2,069	8.5	SAMPSON	31,078	28,484	2,594	8.3
DURHAM	144,389	133,473	10,916	7.6	SCOTLAND	13,569	11,377	2,192	16.2
EDGECOMBE	24,371	20,831	3,540	14.5	STANLY	30,292	26,831	3,461	11.4
FORSYTH	175,504	158,877	16,627	9.5	STOKES	23,722	21,584	2,138	9.0
FRANKLIN	28,013	25,360	2,653	9.5	SURRY	33,474	29,774	3,700	11.1
GASTON	96,884	86,166	10,718	11.1	SWAIN	7,018	6,297	721	10.3
GATES	4,790	4,428	362	7.6	TRANSYLVANIA	13,652	12,491	1,161	8.5
GRAHAM	3,759	3,256	503	13.4	TYRRELL	2,271	2,071	200	8.8
GRANVILLE	25,893	23,294	2,599	10.0	UNION	93,055	84,519	8,536	9.2
GREENE	9,346	8,401	945	10.1	VANCE	19,107	16,742	2,365	12.4
GUILFORD	246,400	219,808	26,592	10.8	WAKE	460,896	424,142	36,754	8.0
HALIFAX	23,680	20,732	2,948	12.4	WARREN	7,737	6,837	900	11.6
HARNETT	47,895	42,882	5,013	10.5	WASHINGTON	6,431	5,708	723	11.2
HAYWOOD	27,272	24,951	2,321	8.5	WATAUGA	23,806	22,038	1,768	7.4
HENDERSON	48,610	44,857	3,753	7.7	WAYNE	53,360	48,866	4,494	8.4
HERTFORD	10,427	9,471	956	9.2	WILKES	29,889	26,082	3,807	12.7
HOKE	20,367	18,668	1,699	8.3	WILSON	40,398	35,371	5,027	12.4
HYDE	2,981	2,803	178	6.0	YADKIN	19,099	17,357	1,742	9.1
IREDELL	78,724	69,780	8,944	11.4	YANCEY	7,603	6,803	800	10.5
JACKSON	21,287	19,611	1,676	7.9					

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METROPOLITAN AND MICROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS
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Metropolitan Statistical Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ASHEVILLE	206,099	189,535	16,564	8.0
BURLINGTON	69,950	62,394	7,556	10.8
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-ROCK HILL, NC-SC	854,952	759,164	95,788	11.2
DURHAM-CHAPEL HILL	268,824	249,157	19,667	7.3
FAYETTEVILLE	158,582	144,308	14,274	9.0
GOLDSBORO	53,360	48,866	4,494	8.4
GREENSBORO-HIGH POINT	362,392	323,850	38,542	10.6
GREENVILLE	90,946	81,967	8,979	9.9
HICKORY-LENOIR-MORGANTON	165,478	144,387	21,091	12.7
JACKSONVILLE	65,738	60,501	5,237	8.0
RALEIGH-CARY	567,307	521,024	46,283	8.2
ROCKY MOUNT	71,028	61,906	9,122	12.8
WILMINGTON	177,207	160,399	16,808	9.5
WINSTON-SALEM	238,988	216,551	22,437	9.4

Micropolitan Statistical Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ALBEMARLE	30,292	26,831	3,461	11.4
BOONE	23,806	22,038	1,768	7.4
BREVARD	13,652	12,491	1,161	8.5
DUNN	47,895	42,882	5,013	10.5
ELIZABETH CITY	27,749	25,321	2,428	8.7
FOREST CITY	27,163	23,200	3,963	14.6
HENDERSON	19,107	16,742	2,365	12.4
KILL DEVIL HILLS	25,357	23,768	1,589	6.3
KINSTON	27,186	24,332	2,854	10.5
LAURINBURG	13,569	11,377	2,192	16.2
LINCOLNTON	37,069	32,597	4,472	12.1
LUMBERTON	56,307	49,424	6,883	12.2
MOREHEAD CITY	35,029	32,552	2,477	7.1
MOUNT AIRY	33,474	29,774	3,700	11.1
NEW BERN	54,194	49,150	5,044	9.3
NORTH WILKESBORO	29,889	26,082	3,807	12.7
ROANOKE RAPIDS	32,329	28,384	3,945	12.2
ROCKINGHAM	20,508	17,820	2,688	13.1
SALISBURY	68,521	60,419	8,102	11.8
SANFORD	26,695	23,600	3,095	11.6
SHELBY	47,674	41,571	6,103	12.8
SOUTHERN PINES-PINEHURST	36,697	33,451	3,246	8.8
STATESVILLE-MOORESVILLE	78,724	69,780	8,944	11.4
THOMASVILLE-LEXINGTON	75,684	66,801	8,883	11.7
WASHINGTON	20,887	18,683	2,204	10.6
WILSON	40,398	35,371	5,027	12.4

Multicounty Small Labor Market Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
JACKSON-SWAIN	28,305	25,908	2,397	8.5

COMBINED STATISTICAL AREAS
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Combined Statistical Area	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
ASHEVILLE-BREVARD	219,751	202,026	17,725	8.1
CHARLOTTE-GASTONIA-SALISBURY, NC-SC	1,162,248	1,027,867	134,381	11.6
GREENSBORO-WINSTON SALEM-HIGH POINT	780,488	699,370	81,118	10.4
LUMBERTON-LAURINBURG	69,876	60,801	9,075	13.0
RALEIGH-DURHAM-CARY	884,026	813,063	70,963	8.0

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NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE CHANGES

COUNTY	JULY 2010	JUNE 2010	CHANGE	COUNTY	JULY 2010	JUNE 2010	CHANGE
STATEWIDE	9.9	10.2	-0.3	JOHNSTON	8.8	9.3	-0.5
ALAMANCE	10.8	11.2	-0.4	JONES	9.1	10.0	-0.9
ALEXANDER	13.1	13.2	-0.1	LEE	11.6	12.5	-0.9
ALLEGHANY	10.1	10.0	0.1	LENOIR	10.5	10.7	-0.2
ANSON	12.6	13.4	-0.8	LINCOLN	12.1	12.4	-0.3
ASHE	10.9	11.0	-0.1	MCDOWELL	11.5	12.3	-0.8
AVERY	8.0	8.1	-0.1	MACON	9.0	9.3	-0.3
BEAUFORT	10.6	10.8	-0.2	MADISON	8.7	10.0	-1.3
BERTIE	10.6	10.7	-0.1	MARTIN	10.2	10.5	-0.3
BLADEN	11.6	11.9	-0.3	MECKLENBURG	10.7	10.7	0.0
BRUNSWICK	10.1	10.3	-0.2	MITCHELL	10.1	10.5	-0.4
BUNCOMBE	8.0	8.3	-0.3	MONTGOMERY	12.5	12.5	0.0
BURKE	13.0	13.1	-0.1	MOORE	8.8	9.1	-0.3
CABARRUS	10.4	10.8	-0.4	NASH	12.0	12.2	-0.2
CALDWELL	12.7	13.4	-0.7	NEW HANOVER	9.0	9.4	-0.4
CAMDEN	7.0	7.1	-0.1	NORTHAMPTON	11.5	11.2	0.3
CARTERET	7.1	7.5	-0.4	ONSLOW	8.0	8.1	-0.1
CASWELL	11.5	11.9	-0.4	ORANGE	6.5	6.6	-0.1
CATAWBA	12.5	13.0	-0.5	PAMLICO	9.1	10.0	-0.9
CHATHAM	6.5	7.1	-0.6	PASQUOTANK	9.2	9.5	-0.3
CHEROKEE	13.3	13.3	0.0	PENDER	10.2	10.2	0.0
CHOWAN	9.8	10.3	-0.5	PERQUIMANS	8.6	8.8	-0.2
CLAY	9.6	10.0	-0.4	PERSON	10.1	10.5	-0.4
CLEVELAND	12.8	13.2	-0.4	PITT	9.8	10.1	-0.3
COLUMBUS	11.9	11.9	0.0	POLK	7.7	8.1	-0.4
CRAVEN	9.3	9.8	-0.5	RANDOLPH	9.7	10.0	-0.3
CUMBERLAND	9.1	9.1	0.0	RICHMOND	13.1	13.0	0.1
CURRITUCK	4.5	4.9	-0.4	ROBESON	12.2	12.2	0.0
DARE	6.3	6.9	-0.6	ROCKINGHAM	11.3	12.2	-0.9
DAVIDSON	11.7	12.1	-0.4	ROWAN	11.8	11.8	0.0
DAVIE	9.3	10.3	-1.0	RUTHERFORD	14.6	14.8	-0.2
DUPLIN	8.5	8.6	-0.1	SAMPSON	8.3	8.5	-0.2
DURHAM	7.6	7.8	-0.2	SCOTLAND	16.2	16.4	-0.2
EDGECOMBE	14.5	15.1	-0.6	STANLY	11.4	11.6	-0.2
FORSYTH	9.5	9.6	-0.1	STOKES	9.0	10.0	-1.0
FRANKLIN	9.5	9.9	-0.4	SURRY	11.1	11.4	-0.3
GASTON	11.1	11.6	-0.5	SWAIN	10.3	9.9	0.4
GATES	7.6	7.7	-0.1	TRANSYLVANIA	8.5	8.6	-0.1
GRAHAM	13.4	12.8	0.6	TYRRELL	8.8	9.4	-0.6
GRANVILLE	10.0	10.3	-0.3	UNION	9.2	9.5	-0.3
GREENE	10.1	10.5	-0.4	VANCE	12.4	12.3	0.1
GUILFORD	10.8	11.0	-0.2	WAKE	8.0	8.3	-0.3
HALIFAX	12.4	12.6	-0.2	WARREN	11.6	11.7	-0.1
HARNETT	10.5	10.8	-0.3	WASHINGTON	11.2	11.3	-0.1
HAYWOOD	8.5	8.9	-0.4	WATAUGA	7.4	7.6	-0.2
HENDERSON	7.7	8.2	-0.5	WAYNE	8.4	8.8	-0.4
HERTFORD	9.2	9.6	-0.4	WILKES	12.7	12.9	-0.2
HOKE	8.3	8.8	-0.5	WILSON	12.4	12.8	-0.4
HYDE	6.0	6.4	-0.4	YADKIN	9.1	9.2	-0.1
IREDELL	11.4	11.7	-0.3	YANCEY	10.5	10.7	-0.2
JACKSON	7.9	8.6	-0.7				

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June 2010 data has been revised.

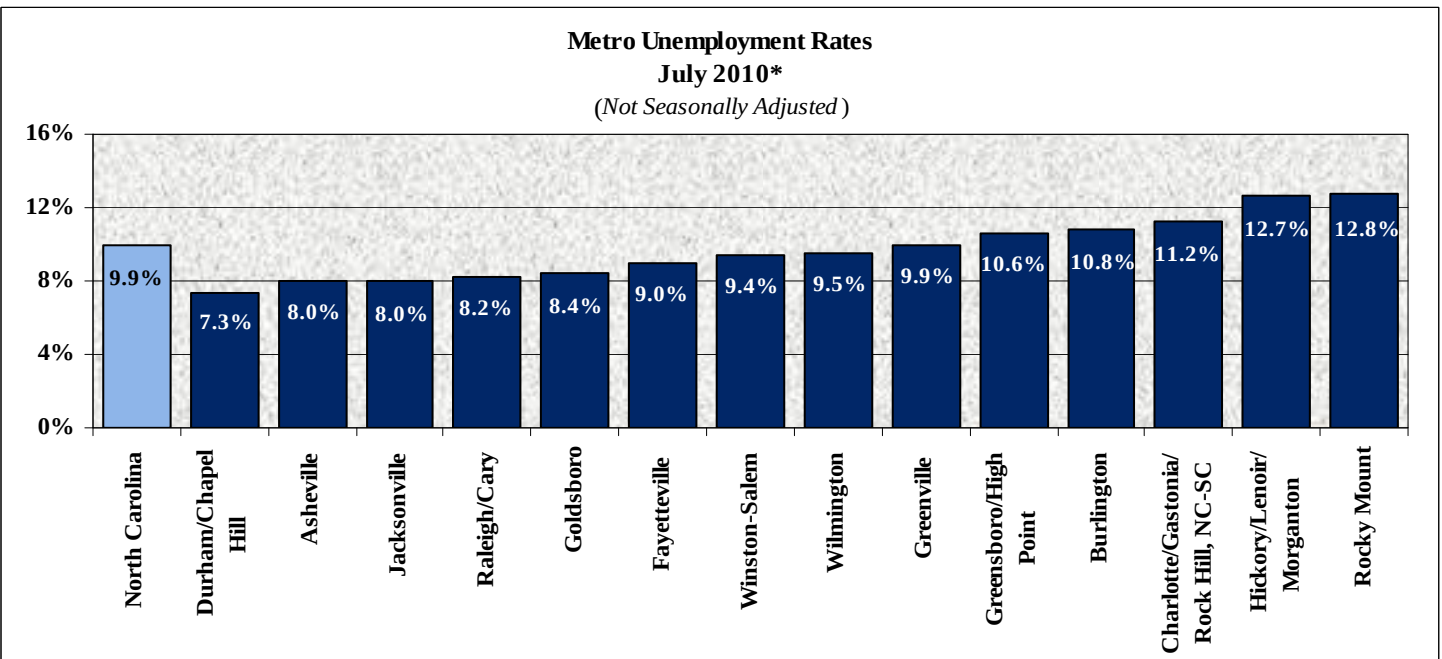
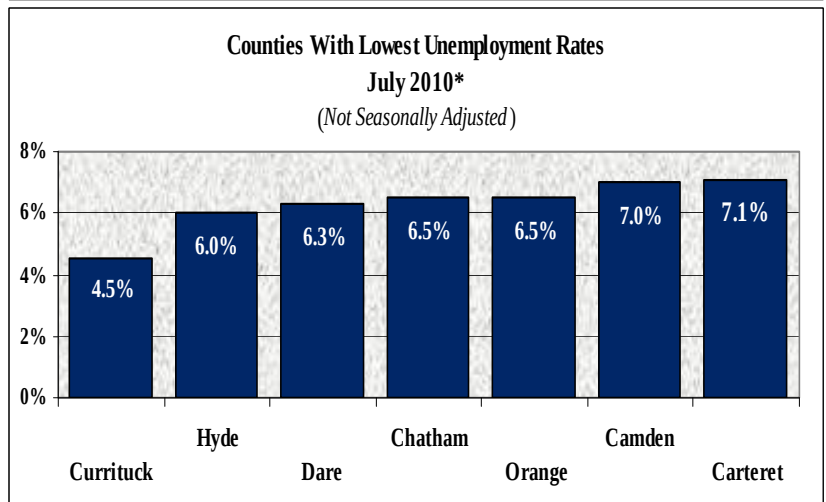
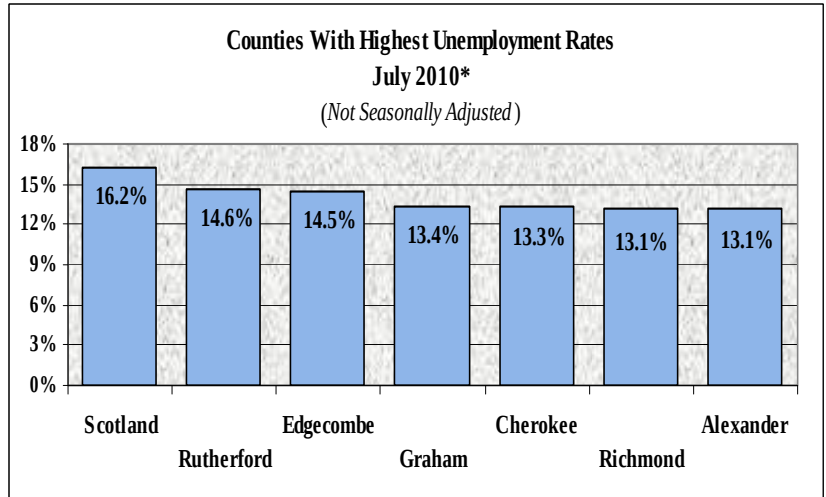
NORTH CAROLINA COUNTY LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS JULY 2010

North Carolina's statewide unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) was 9.9 percent in July. This was a 0.3 of a percentage point decrease from June's revised rate of 10.2 percent, as well as a 1.2 percentage point drop over the year.

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

Scotland County recorded July's highest unemployment rate at 16.2 percent, 0.2 of a percentage point lower than last month. Rutherford County had the second-highest rate at 14.6 percent. Currituck County had the lowest unemployment rate at 4.5 percent, followed by Hyde, 6.0 percent; Dare, 6.3 percent; Chatham and Orange, 6.5 percent; and, Camden, 7.0 percent.

Unemployment rates also decreased in all 14 of the state's Metropolitan Statistical Areas (Metros) over the previous month. The Rocky Mount Metro had the highest unemployment rate in July at 12.8 percent. The Durham/Chapel Hill Metro had the lowest unemployment rate at 7.3 percent, which decreased 0.3 of a percentage point from the previous month. Asheville and Jacksonville followed at 8.0 percent. Asheville decreased by 0.5 of a percentage point, while Jacksonville declined by 0.1 from the prior month.



*All July 2010 labor force data are preliminary.

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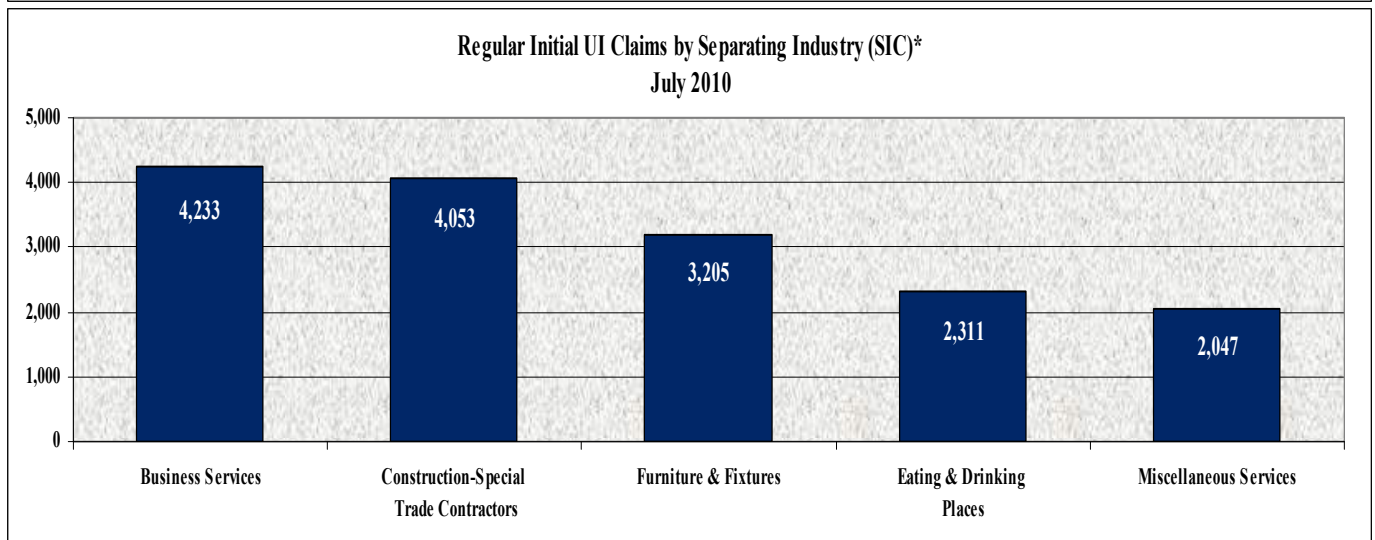
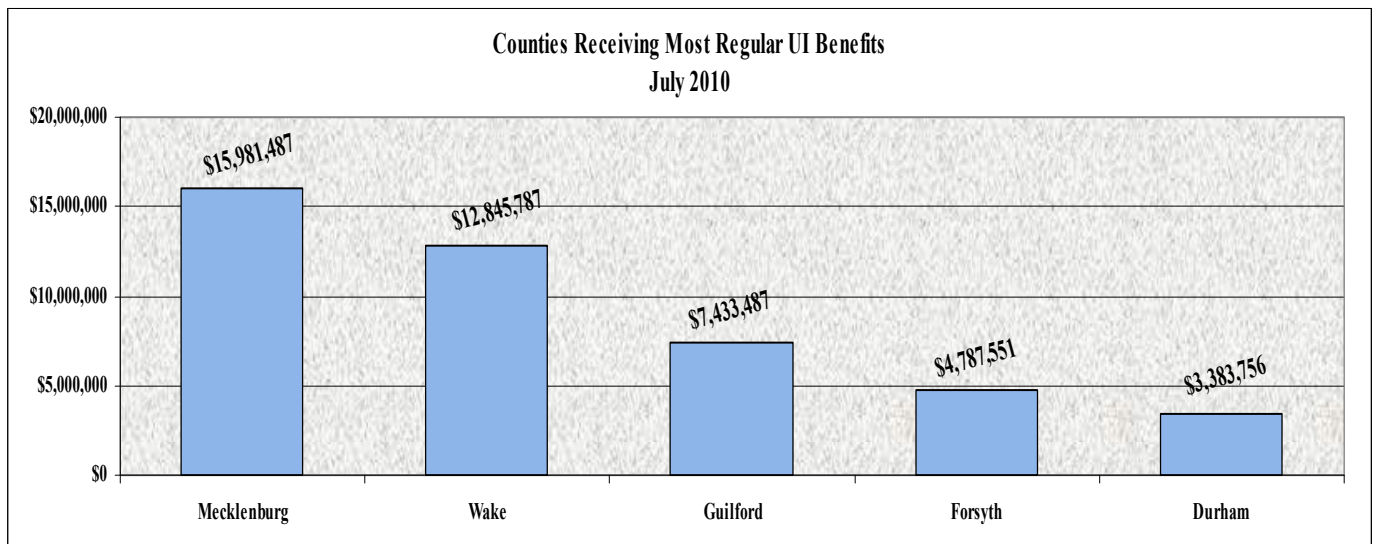
LMI Division/ESC

In July 2010, there were 64,963 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.

Regular Initial UI Claims, July 2010						
	Transactions		Individuals			
County	Initial Claims	Attached To Payroll	Female	African-American	White	45 Or Older
Mecklenburg	4,972	858	2,365	2,342	1,829	1,730
Wake	3,725	714	1,680	1,391	1,763	1,343
Guilford	3,228	1,447	1,323	1,397	1,227	1,183
Catawba	2,483	1,843	961	176	1,832	1,149
Forsyth	1,922	743	765	681	824	699

New Regular Initial Claims, totaling 39,906 for the month ending July 2010, increased 3,838 from the prior month. Twenty-three percent were Attached New Initial Claims. During the same period a year ago, New Claims totaled 48,578, of which 25 percent were Attached. For the month ending July 2008, New Claims totaled 54,997, of which 20 percent were Attached Claims.



*Many Initial Claims were nonclassifiable by separating industry.

Note: Initial Claims refer to regular UI Program.

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Asheville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change (-3,400) -2.0%			Over-the-Year Employment Change (-1,700) -1.0%		
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Professional & Business Services	300	2.3%	Government	1,400	6.0%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	300	1.0%
	Information	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	100	0.4%
	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Education & Health Services	-100	-0.3%	Other Services	-300	-3.9%
	Manufacturing	-100	-0.6%	Manufacturing	-600	-3.3%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.3%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-600	-7.2%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10	Other Services	-100	-1.3%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-800	-2.5%
163,400	Government	-3,300	-11.7%	Professional & Business Services	-1,200	-8.3%
Rate = 8.0%						
Burlington Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change (-900) -1.6%			Over-the-Year Employment Change (0) 0.0%		
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Professional & Business Services	500	8.5%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0	0.0%	Government	200	3.2%
	Information	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	100	1.0%
	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	Other Services	0	0.0%
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100	-0.9%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10	Manufacturing	-100	-1.2%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-10.7%
54,800	Government	-800	-11.0%	Manufacturing	-400	-4.7%
Rate = 10.8%						
Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change (-23,600) -2.9%			Over-the-Year Employment Change (400) 0.1%		
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Financial Activities	1,000	1.5%	Professional & Business Services	5,100	4.1%
	Information	0	0.0%	Government	2,800	3.0%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200	-0.6%	Leisure & Hospitality	2,600	2.9%
	Education & Health Services	-400	-0.5%	Education & Health Services	300	0.4%
	Manufacturing	-400	-0.6%	Information	200	0.9%
	Other Services	-400	-1.3%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-100	-0.1%
	Professional & Business Services	-800	-0.6%	Other Services	-600	-1.9%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-1,000	-0.6%	Manufacturing	-1,100	-1.6%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,700	-1.8%	Financial Activities	-1,800	-2.6%
786,500	Government	-19,700	-17.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-7,000	-16.3%
Rate = 11.2%						
Durham/Chapel Hill Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change (-5,700) -2.0%			Over-the-Year Employment Change (5,900) 2.1%		
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Professional & Business Services	100	0.3%	Government	5,300	9.9%
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100	0.3%	Education & Health Services	2,900	5.3%
	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	800	3.8%
	Manufacturing	-100	-0.3%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100	0.3%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.4%	Information	0	0.0%
	Information	-100	-2.6%	Other Services	-200	-1.0%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-0.9%	Professional & Business Services	-400	-1.2%
	Other Services	-200	-1.0%	Financial Activities	-500	-3.8%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10	Education & Health Services	-500	-0.9%	Manufacturing	-900	-2.6%
283,000	Government	-4,700	-7.4%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,200	-14.1%
Rate = 7.3%						

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Fayetteville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-3,900)	-3.0%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,800)	1.4%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200	0.9%	Government	1,000	2.9%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Professional & Business Services	600	4.7%
Total	Information	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	400	2.6%
Nonfarm	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Information	100	6.3%
Employment	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100	0.5%
Jul-10	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%
127,800	Professional & Business Services	-100	-0.7%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.9%
	Manufacturing	-100	-1.0%	Other Services	-100	-2.0%
Rate = 9.0%	Government	-3,900	-9.8%	Manufacturing	-200	-2.0%

Goldsboro Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-500)	-1.2%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-500)	-1.2%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Government	-700	-6.2%	Government	-100	-0.9%
	Education & Health Services	*		Education & Health Services	*	
Total	Financial Activities	*		Financial Activities	*	
Nonfarm	Information	*		Information	*	
Employment	Leisure & Hospitality	*		Leisure & Hospitality	*	
Jul-10	Manufacturing	*		Manufacturing	*	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	*		Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
42,600	Other Services	*		Other Services	*	
	Professional & Business Services	*		Professional & Business Services	*	
Rate = 8.4%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*		Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	

Greensboro/High Point Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-6,600)	-1.9%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-800)	-0.2%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Professional & Business Services	400	0.9%	Professional & Business Services	4,000	9.7%
	Financial Activities	200	0.9%	Government	2,100	5.3%
Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	200	0.3%	Financial Activities	100	0.5%
Nonfarm	Education & Health Services	100	0.2%	Information	-100	-1.8%
Employment	Information	0	0.0%	Other Services	-300	-2.0%
Jul-10	Other Services	-100	-0.7%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-900	-1.3%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200	-1.5%	Education & Health Services	-1,000	-2.1%
334,600	Manufacturing	-400	-0.8%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-1,200	-8.2%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-600	-1.9%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,300	-4.1%
Rate = 10.6%	Government	-6,200	-13.0%	Manufacturing	-2,200	-4.3%

Greenville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-1,600)	-2.1%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(1,400)	1.9%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Government	600	2.7%
	Manufacturing	0	0.0%	Professional & Business Services	500	9.4%
Total	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	400	5.2%
Nonfarm	Information	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	100	0.9%
Employment	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100	0.9%
Jul-10	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	Manufacturing	0	0.0%
	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
73,900	Other Services	0	0.0%	Other Services	0	0.0%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-1.2%	Information	-100	-10.0%
Rate = 9.9%	Government	-1,500	-6.1%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-200	-6.1%

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Hickory/ Lenoir/ Morganton Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-3,300)	-2.3%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-1,700)	-1.2%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Financial Activities	100	3.0%	Government	600	2.7%
	Information	0	0.0%	Professional & Business Services	200	2.0%
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Financial Activities	0	0.0%
	Manufacturing	-100	-0.3%	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
	Education & Health Services	-100	-0.5%	Other Services	0	0.0%
	Professional & Business Services	-100	-1.0%	Information	-100	-10.0%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-2.6%	Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-1.8%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10 138,900	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-200	-0.8%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-300	-1.1%
Rate = 12.7%	Leisure & Hospitality	-200	-1.8%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-9.5%
	Government	-2,600	-10.4%	Manufacturing	-1,500	-4.0%

Jacksonville Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-1,600)	-3.3%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-400)	-0.8%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Government	-1,100	-7.7%	Government	-200	-1.5%
	Education & Health Services	*		Education & Health Services	*	
	Financial Activities	*		Financial Activities	*	
	Information	*		Information	*	
	Leisure & Hospitality	*		Leisure & Hospitality	*	
	Manufacturing	*		Manufacturing	*	
	Mining, Logging & Construction	*		Mining, Logging & Construction	*	
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10 47,000	Other Services	*		Other Services	*	
Rate = 8.0%	Professional & Business Services	*		Professional & Business Services	*	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*		Trade, Transp. & Utilities	*	

Raleigh/ Cary Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-3,100)	-0.6%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(100)	0.0%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300	0.3%	Professional & Business Services	2,900	3.6%
	Financial Activities	200	0.8%	Education & Health Services	1,900	3.2%
	Other Services	100	0.4%	Government	1,300	1.5%
	Information	0	0.0%	Other Services	700	2.7%
	Professional & Business Services	-100	-0.1%	Information	100	0.6%
	Education & Health Services	-100	-0.2%	Financial Activities	-500	-1.9%
	Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-0.2%	Manufacturing	-800	-2.8%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10 495,000	Manufacturing	-100	-0.4%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-900	-1.0%
Rate = 8.2%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-400	-1.5%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,000	-1.9%
	Government	-2,900	-3.2%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-3,600	-12.0%

Rocky Mount Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-1,000)	-1.7%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(900)	1.5%
	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>		<u>Industry</u>	<u>Change</u>	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	100	0.9%	Manufacturing	700	7.1%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	0	0.0%	Professional & Business Services	300	6.0%
	Manufacturing	0	0.0%	Government	200	2.0%
	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%
	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	-100	-1.9%
	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-300	-11.1%
	Government	-1,200	-10.5%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-400	-3.3%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10 59,100	Financial Activities	*		Financial Activities	*	
Rate = 12.8%	Information	*		Information	*	
	Other Services	*		Other Services	*	

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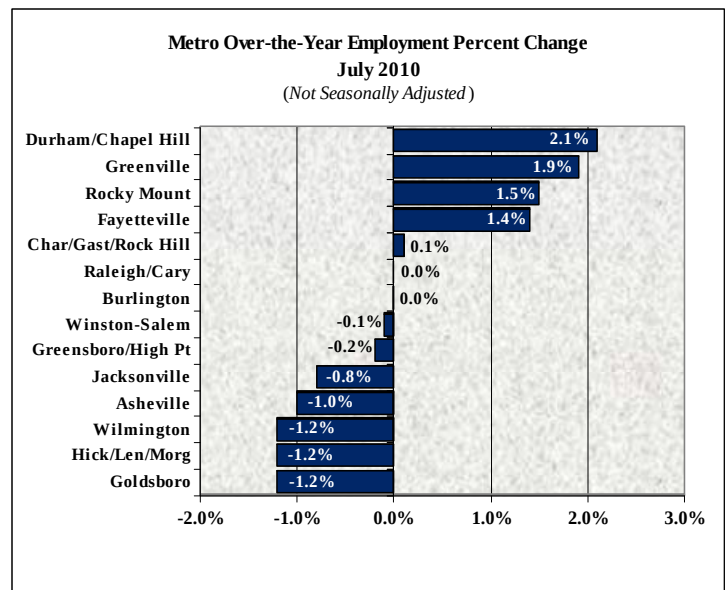
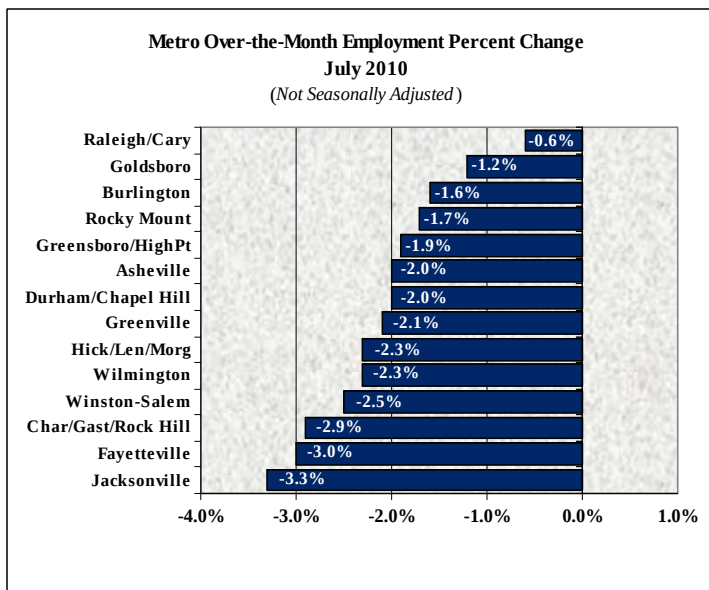
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Wilmington Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-3,200)	-2.3%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-1,600)	-1.2%
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change	
	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	300	1.1%	Government	1,100	5.1%
	Manufacturing	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	400	2.4%
	Information	0	0.0%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	400	1.4%
	Financial Activities	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Education & Health Services	0	0.0%	Other Services	-100	-1.5%
	Leisure & Hospitality	0	0.0%	Manufacturing	-200	-2.4%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.2%	Financial Activities	-200	-2.9%
	Other Services	-100	-1.5%	Professional & Business Services	-300	-2.1%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10	Professional & Business Services	-200	-1.4%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-900	-10.0%
134,900	Government	-3,100	-12.1%	Leisure & Hospitality	-1,800	-8.2%
Rate = 9.5%						

Winston-Salem Metro	Over-the-Month Employment Change	(-5,300)	-2.5%	Over-the-Year Employment Change	(-200)	-0.1%
	Industry	Change		Industry	Change	
	Leisure & Hospitality	300	1.5%	Professional & Business Services	1,600	6.6%
	Financial Activities	100	0.8%	Government	700	3.3%
	Manufacturing	0	0.0%	Leisure & Hospitality	400	2.0%
	Information	0	0.0%	Information	0	0.0%
	Professional & Business Services	0	0.0%	Education & Health Services	-100	-0.2%
	Other Services	0	0.0%	Other Services	-100	-1.0%
	Mining, Logging & Construction	-100	-1.3%	Financial Activities	-300	-2.4%
	Education & Health Services	-300	-0.7%	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-700	-1.9%
Total Nonfarm Employment Jul-10	Trade, Transp. & Utilities	-300	-0.8%	Mining, Logging & Construction	-700	-8.5%
203,900	Government	-5,000	-18.7%	Manufacturing	-1,000	-4.1%
Rate = 9.4%						

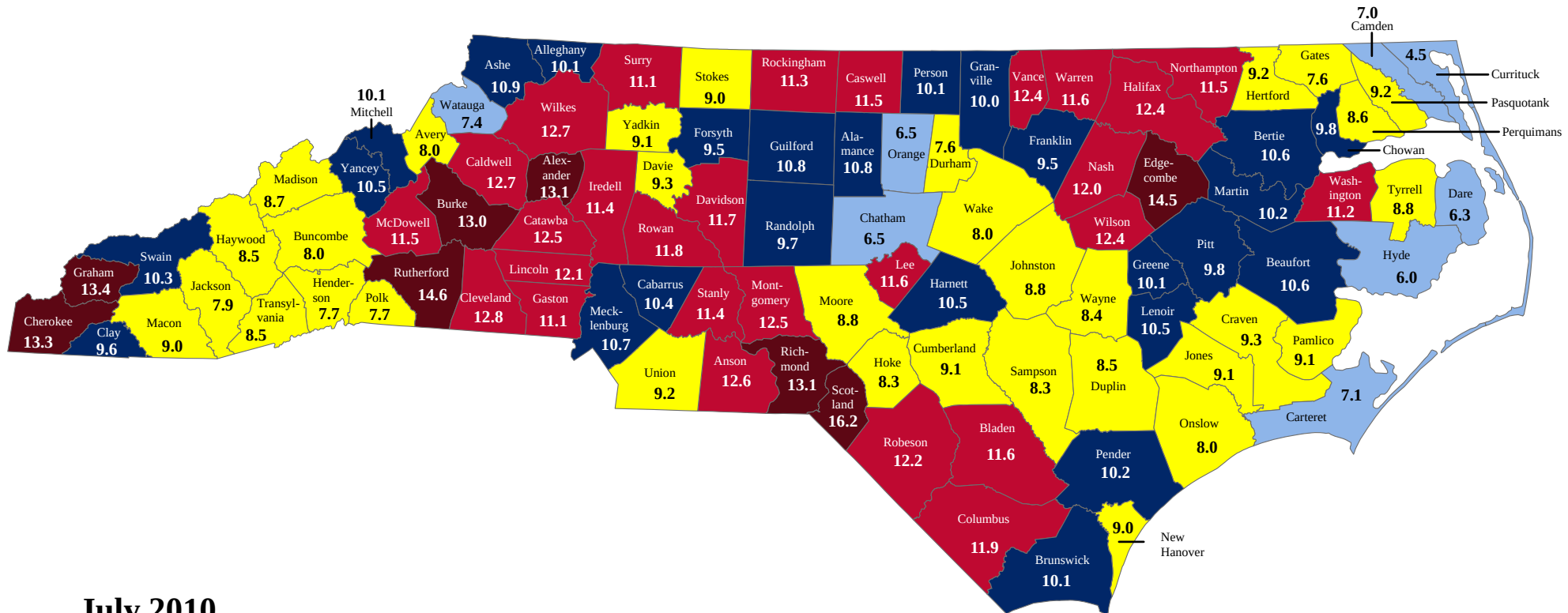
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Over the month, industry employment decreased in all 14 Metros. The Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill NC-SC Metro had the largest net employment decrease with 23,600, followed by Greensboro/High Point with 6,600, and Durham/Chapel Hill, 5,700. The Jacksonville Metro showed the greatest percentage decrease at 3.3 percent. Over the year, employment rose in six of 14 Metros. The Durham/Chapel Hill Metro had the largest net employment increase with 5,900, followed by Fayetteville with 1,800, and Greenville with 1,400. Durham/Chapel Hill had the greatest percentage increase at 2.1 percent. The Asheville and Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton Metros experienced the largest net decrease at 1,700, while the Goldsboro, Hickory/Lenoir/Morganton and Wilmington Metros experienced the largest percentage decrease (1.2%).

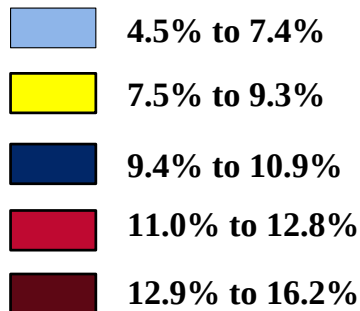


North Carolina Unemployment Rates by County

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- ^ 6 Counties Higher Than Previous Month
- ✓ 86 Counties Lower Than Previous Month
- = 8 Counties Same as Previous Month

North Carolina Rate 9.9%
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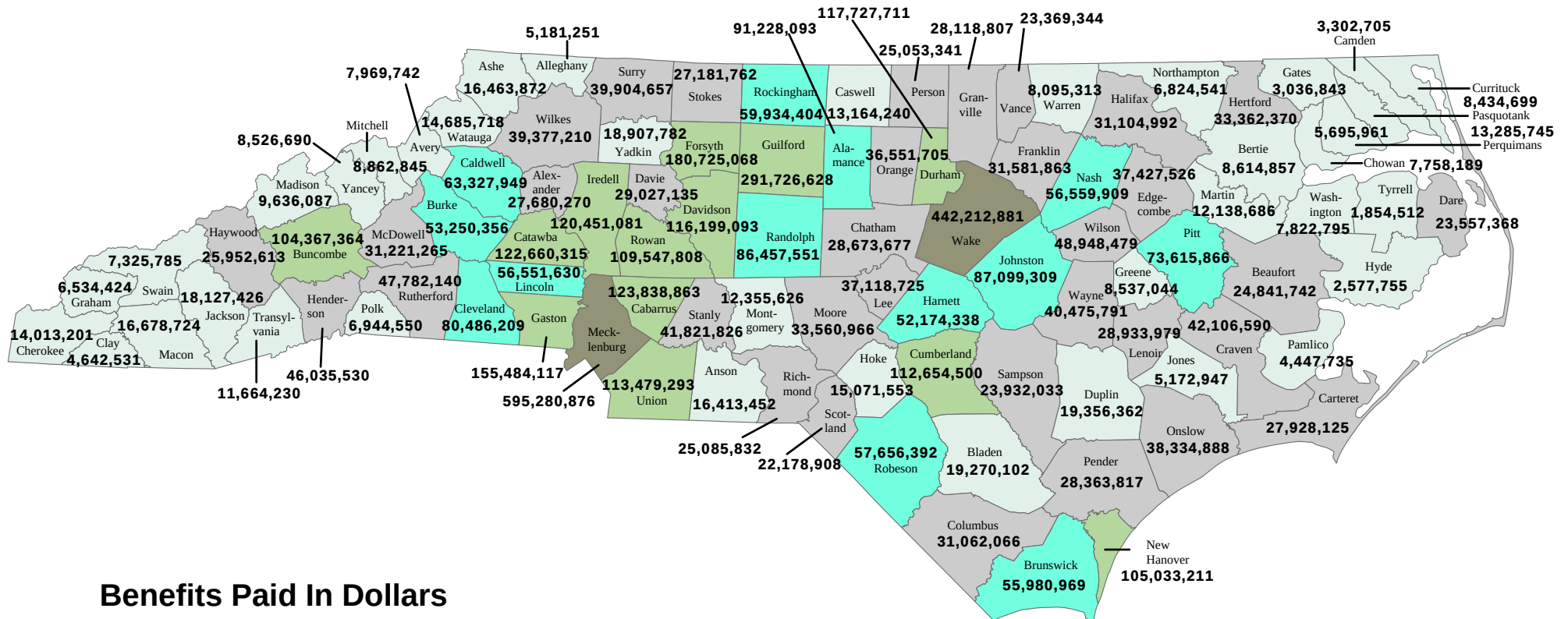
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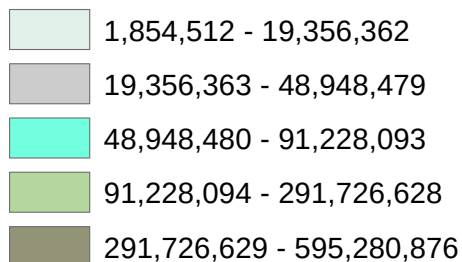
UI Benefits Paid by County

August 2009-July 2010

Total All Programs



Benefits Paid In Dollars



Statewide \$5,440,214,554

Note: All programs include Regular Unemployment Insurance (UI), Emergency Unemployment Compensation Tier I (EUCI), Emergency Unemployment Compensation Tier II (EUCII), Emergency Unemployment Compensation Tier III (EUCIII), Emergency Unemployment Compensation Tier IV (EUCIV), Extended Benefits (EB) and Federal Additional Compensation (FAC).
County data does not sum to statewide total.

Source: Employment Security Commission of North Carolina (ESC), Information Systems (IS)

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