

COUNTY RECESSION DATA WATCH
Jan-19

Area Name	Unemployment Rate Percentage Point Change from Pre-Recession	Number Change in Unemployed	Percent Change in Unemployed	Number Change in Labor Force	Percent Change in Labor Force
Alamance County	-0.8	-83	-2.3%	10,583	15.2%
Alexander County	-2.3	-393	-36.6%	187	1.0%
Alleghany County	0.2	-24	-9.0%	-646	-13.4%
Anson County	-2.3	-242	-30.6%	39	0.4%
Ashe County	-0.5	-73	-10.6%	-205	-1.6%
Avery County	-0.5	-76	-18.7%	-803	-9.8%
Beaufort County	-0.4	-182	-14.8%	-1,662	-7.8%
Bertie County	-0.4	-98	-18.4%	-1,069	-12.1%
Bladen County	-0.7	-196	-18.4%	-1,278	-8.1%
Brunswick County	1	756	28.9%	4,117	8.7%
Buncombe County	-0.2	587	13.8%	21,043	17.6%
Burke County	-2.3	-868	-34.0%	1,383	3.5%
Cabarrus County	-0.5	652	17.1%	24,650	29.7%
Caldwell County	-2	-793	-30.9%	-567	-1.5%
Camden County	-0.2	-9	-4.0%	-4	-0.1%
Carteret County	1.2	258	17.0%	-2,219	-6.9%
Caswell County	-1.6	-213	-29.5%	-795	-7.5%
Catawba County	-1.9	-1,227	-27.6%	4,168	5.5%
Chatham County	-0.1	61	4.7%	2,249	6.9%
Cherokee County	-1	-35	-5.4%	1,096	10.9%
Chowan County	-1.6	-201	-39.0%	-1,516	-21.3%
Clay County	1.2	16	7.8%	-729	-15.3%
Cleveland County	-1.7	-893	-29.2%	-1,213	-2.5%
Columbus County	0	-186	-12.1%	-2,843	-11.6%
Craven County	0.3	74	3.7%	-1,062	-2.5%
Cumberland County	0.5	651	9.3%	-436	-0.3%
Currituck County	-0.1	43	7.4%	1,064	8.5%
Dare County	1.1	-136	-8.4%	-3,954	-19.1%
Davidson County	-1.4	-981	-22.3%	2,588	3.3%
Davie County	-0.9	-180	-18.2%	219	1.1%
Duplin County	0.5	129	11.7%	58	0.2%
Durham County	0.1	1,277	23.7%	31,564	23.1%
Edgecombe County	-1.1	-423	-21.7%	-2,389	-9.9%
Forsyth County	-0.3	249	3.2%	15,145	8.8%
Franklin County	0	156	12.2%	3,688	13.6%
Gaston County	-1.4	-855	-15.0%	12,608	12.9%
Gates County	0.2	26	11.5%	365	7.4%
Graham County	-1.4	-186	-46.0%	-1,655	-35.2%
Granville County	-1.6	-191	-13.9%	5,057	20.1%
Greene County	-0.9	-74	-15.5%	269	2.9%
Guilford County	-0.1	631	5.4%	16,389	6.7%
Halifax County	-0.2	-317	-19.0%	-3,978	-16.5%
Harnett County	0.4	439	18.3%	4,474	9.3%
Haywood County	-0.7	-104	-8.2%	2,336	8.5%
Henderson County	0.5	468	29.3%	6,976	14.5%

Hertford County	0.4	-14	-2.4%	-854	-8.5%
Hoke County	0.8	216	22.9%	1,001	5.2%
Hyde County	4	4	1.7%	-734	-28.9%
Iredell County	-0.9	-341	-8.6%	8,951	11.2%
Jackson County	1.3	125	14.5%	-2,593	-12.2%
Johnston County	-0.1	811	24.9%	21,053	27.9%
Jones County	-0.6	-45	-17.5%	-385	-8.1%
Lee County	-0.5	-141	-9.2%	137	0.5%
Lenoir County	-1.3	-330	-21.2%	79	0.3%
Lincoln County	-1.4	-428	-20.1%	3,589	9.1%
Macon County	0.6	13	1.8%	-1,590	-9.7%
Madison County	0.1	24	6.0%	460	4.7%
Martin County	0.5	-98	-15.6%	-2,774	-23.1%
McDowell County	-1.6	-361	-28.9%	-508	-2.4%
Mecklenburg County	-0.6	3,430	15.4%	157,348	34.2%
Mitchell County	-1.5	-197	-35.9%	-1,457	-19.8%
Montgomery County	-2.3	-266	-34.2%	-50	-0.4%
Moore County	-0.5	43	2.4%	4,540	12.3%
Nash County	-0.2	-256	-9.7%	-2,725	-5.9%
New Hanover County	0.1	932	21.5%	18,220	17.7%
Northampton County	-0.7	-143	-23.1%	-1,398	-15.5%
Onslow County	0.8	682	24.1%	3,405	5.6%
Orange County	0.7	828	38.8%	10,284	15.2%
Pamlico County	-0.3	-25	-9.3%	-190	-3.4%
Pasquotank County	0.4	1	0.1%	-1,271	-7.0%
Pender County	0	244	21.9%	5,048	21.7%
Perquimans County	0.9	29	10.2%	-258	-4.9%
Person County	-1.5	-300	-25.3%	-370	-2.0%
Pitt County	-0.3	263	6.6%	9,692	12.1%
Polk County	0.6	32	8.8%	-670	-7.0%
Randolph County	-0.8	-942	-24.3%	-7,130	-9.6%
Richmond County	-2.2	-694	-40.5%	-4,063	-19.8%
Robeson County	0.2	-438	-11.9%	-8,015	-14.0%
Rockingham County	-1	-621	-23.3%	-3,475	-7.9%
Rowan County	-1.6	-1,347	-30.9%	-4,560	-6.4%
Rutherford County	-0.1	-374	-20.5%	-5,681	-18.7%
Sampson County	0.4	-73	-5.3%	-4,228	-12.6%
Scotland County	-2	-516	-35.9%	-2,824	-19.8%
Stanly County	-1	-345	-21.4%	-513	-1.7%
Stokes County	-0.5	-193	-17.4%	-1,759	-7.4%
Surry County	-2	-759	-34.5%	-1,050	-3.0%
Swain County	-3	-264	-41.3%	-832	-11.4%
Transylvania County	0.7	132	25.7%	864	6.6%
Tyrrell County	2	-41	-26.3%	-907	-41.9%
Union County	-0.2	973	25.0%	30,223	32.8%
Vance County	-0.6	-243	-17.3%	-2,080	-10.6%
Wake County	0.2	6,756	42.8%	142,582	32.2%
Warren County	-0.3	-108	-20.5%	-1,372	-17.4%
Washington County	0.9	-90	-21.3%	-1,963	-30.4%
Watauga County	0.5	298	34.0%	3,999	16.4%
Wayne County	0.1	63	2.5%	2	0.0%
Wilkes County	-0.8	-280	-17.1%	-1,021	-3.3%
Wilson County	0.5	-153	-6.4%	-5,900	-14.5%
Yadkin County	-0.1	-58	-7.5%	-942	-5.0%
Yancey County	-2.1	-158	-29.9%	176	2.2%

Sources: Unemployment rate, labor force, unemployed, employed from Local Area Unemployment Survey, NC Labor Market Analysis Division, NC Department of Commerce. Current readings compared to December 2007 data.