

COUNTY RECESSION DATA WATCH
Aug-18

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	-1.3	-544	-15.3%	9,763	14.0%
Alexander County	-2.8	-493	-45.9%	92	0.5%
Alleghany County	-1.4	-84	-31.5%	-456	-9.5%
Anson County	-2.9	-307	-38.9%	-114	-1.1%
Ashe County	-1.8	-244	-35.6%	-155	-1.2%
Avery County	-1.4	-131	-32.2%	-404	-4.9%
Beaufort County	-1.2	-335	-27.2%	-1,620	-7.6%
Bertie County	-0.8	-137	-25.7%	-1,170	-13.2%
Bladen County	-1.3	-303	-28.5%	-1,612	-10.2%
Brunswick County	-0.8	-54	-2.1%	6,525	13.8%
Buncombe County	-0.5	-45	-1.1%	17,628	14.8%
Burke County	-2.8	-1,076	-42.2%	878	2.2%
Cabarrus County	-1	-6	-0.2%	22,739	27.4%
Caldwell County	-2.9	-1,161	-45.2%	-1,246	-3.3%
Camden County	-1.1	-55	-24.7%	-103	-2.2%
Carteret County	-0.8	-236	-15.6%	523	1.6%
Caswell County	-2.3	-295	-40.9%	-1,104	-10.4%
Catawba County	-2.3	-1,650	-37.1%	2,875	3.8%
Chatham County	-0.7	-100	-7.8%	3,128	9.6%
Cherokee County	-2	-151	-23.3%	1,119	11.2%
Chowan County	-2.7	-269	-52.2%	-1,689	-23.7%
Clay County	0.3	-26	-12.6%	-869	-18.2%
Cleveland County	-2.1	-1,130	-36.9%	-2,068	-4.2%
Columbus County	-1.2	-448	-29.1%	-2,616	-10.6%
Craven County	-0.5	-222	-11.1%	-641	-1.5%
Cumberland County	-0.1	-371	-5.3%	-4,234	-3.3%
Currituck County	-1.3	-129	-22.1%	773	6.2%
Dare County	-4.5	-863	-53.4%	2,142	10.4%
Davidson County	-1.8	-1,392	-31.7%	1,147	1.5%
Davie County	-1.3	-284	-28.7%	-301	-1.5%
Duplin County	-0.2	-63	-5.7%	-397	-1.6%
Durham County	-0.4	524	9.7%	31,822	23.3%
Edgecombe County	-1.3	-504	-25.9%	-3,024	-12.5%
Forsyth County	-0.6	-614	-7.8%	10,259	5.9%
Franklin County	-0.7	-63	-4.9%	3,725	13.8%
Gaston County	-2	-1,497	-26.2%	11,896	12.1%
Gates County	-0.5	-9	-4.0%	344	7.0%
Graham County	-3.1	-237	-58.7%	-1,651	-35.1%
Granville County	-2.2	-370	-27.0%	5,282	21.0%
Greene County	-1	-93	-19.5%	131	1.4%
Guilford County	-0.6	-718	-6.2%	14,024	5.7%
Halifax County	-0.7	-454	-27.2%	-4,365	-18.1%
Harnett County	-0.2	117	4.9%	4,236	8.8%
Haywood County	-1.2	-295	-23.2%	1,533	5.6%
Henderson County	0	166	10.4%	5,185	10.8%

Hertford County	-0.4	-94	-16.3%	-1,105	-11.1%
Hoke County	0.2	63	6.7%	406	2.1%
Hyde County	-3.9	-117	-49.8%	-339	-13.4%
Iredell County	-1.5	-862	-21.7%	8,207	10.3%
Jackson County	0	-76	-8.8%	-1,880	-8.8%
Johnston County	-0.7	209	6.4%	20,710	27.5%
Jones County	-1.3	-71	-27.6%	-295	-6.2%
Lee County	-1.3	-363	-23.7%	-269	-1.0%
Lenoir County	-1.7	-457	-29.3%	162	0.6%
Lincoln County	-2	-663	-31.1%	3,260	8.3%
Macon County	-0.6	-134	-18.6%	-1,020	-6.2%
Madison County	-0.4	-35	-8.7%	71	0.7%
Martin County	-0.4	-175	-27.8%	-2,791	-23.3%
McDowell County	-2.5	-534	-42.8%	-352	-1.7%
Mecklenburg County	-1.1	323	1.5%	150,371	32.7%
Mitchell County	-3	-282	-51.4%	-1,388	-18.9%
Montgomery County	-2.5	-301	-38.7%	-126	-1.1%
Moore County	-0.8	-204	-11.6%	2,433	6.6%
Nash County	-0.4	-417	-15.9%	-4,407	-9.5%
New Hanover County	-0.6	-7	-0.2%	16,710	16.3%
Northampton County	-1.6	-222	-35.8%	-1,593	-17.6%
Onslow County	-0.4	-100	-3.5%	3,294	5.4%
Orange County	0.3	508	23.8%	10,031	14.8%
Pamlico County	-0.7	-43	-15.9%	-116	-2.1%
Pasquotank County	-0.7	-190	-19.2%	-1,316	-7.2%
Pender County	-0.8	-17	-1.5%	4,201	18.1%
Perquimans County	-0.4	-40	-14.1%	-371	-7.0%
Person County	-2.3	-435	-36.7%	-153	-0.8%
Pitt County	-0.6	-57	-1.4%	8,811	11.0%
Polk County	0	-22	-6.1%	-710	-7.4%
Randolph County	-1.4	-1,325	-34.1%	-7,103	-9.6%
Richmond County	-2.9	-818	-47.8%	-4,231	-20.6%
Robeson County	-0.5	-799	-21.7%	-8,925	-15.5%
Rockingham County	-1.6	-878	-32.9%	-3,324	-7.5%
Rowan County	-2.3	-1,836	-42.1%	-4,544	-6.4%
Rutherford County	-0.8	-577	-31.6%	-6,325	-20.9%
Sampson County	0	-197	-14.3%	-5,081	-15.2%
Scotland County	-2.5	-586	-40.7%	-2,940	-20.7%
Stanly County	-1.6	-516	-32.0%	-500	-1.6%
Stokes County	-1.1	-314	-28.3%	-1,925	-8.1%
Surry County	-2.6	-973	-44.2%	-1,649	-4.7%
Swain County	-5.1	-383	-59.9%	-326	-4.5%
Transylvania County	-0.1	34	6.6%	1,403	10.7%
Tyrrell County	-2.6	-78	-50.0%	-474	-21.9%
Union County	-0.7	299	7.7%	28,608	31.0%
Vance County	-1.6	-414	-29.6%	-2,018	-10.3%
Wake County	-0.2	4,054	25.7%	144,339	32.6%
Warren County	-0.8	-137	-26.0%	-1,318	-16.7%
Washington County	-0.8	-156	-36.9%	-1,793	-27.7%
Watauga County	-0.1	154	17.6%	4,971	20.4%
Wayne County	-0.3	-186	-7.4%	-841	-1.6%
Wilkes County	-1.6	-501	-30.6%	-478	-1.5%
Wilson County	0.4	-192	-8.0%	-5,963	-14.6%
Yadkin County	-0.5	-148	-19.1%	-1,344	-7.1%
Yancey County	-2.6	-228	-43.1%	-573	-7.2%

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.