

North Carolina Employment Situation Summary

National Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 5,875,000 jobs have been created nationwide, an average of 588,000 created each month.
- In the month of November, the latest for which national data are available, 210,000 jobs were created, and the unemployment rate dropped to 4.2%, outperforming expectations and reaching a new pandemic-era low.
- The unemployment rate went down for adult men (4.0%), adult women (4.0%), white workers (3.7%), Asian workers (3.8%), Hispanic workers (5.2%) and Black workers (6.7%).

State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 116,300 jobs have been created in North Carolina.
- In the month of November, the latest for which state-level data are available, 3,500 jobs were created in North Carolina.

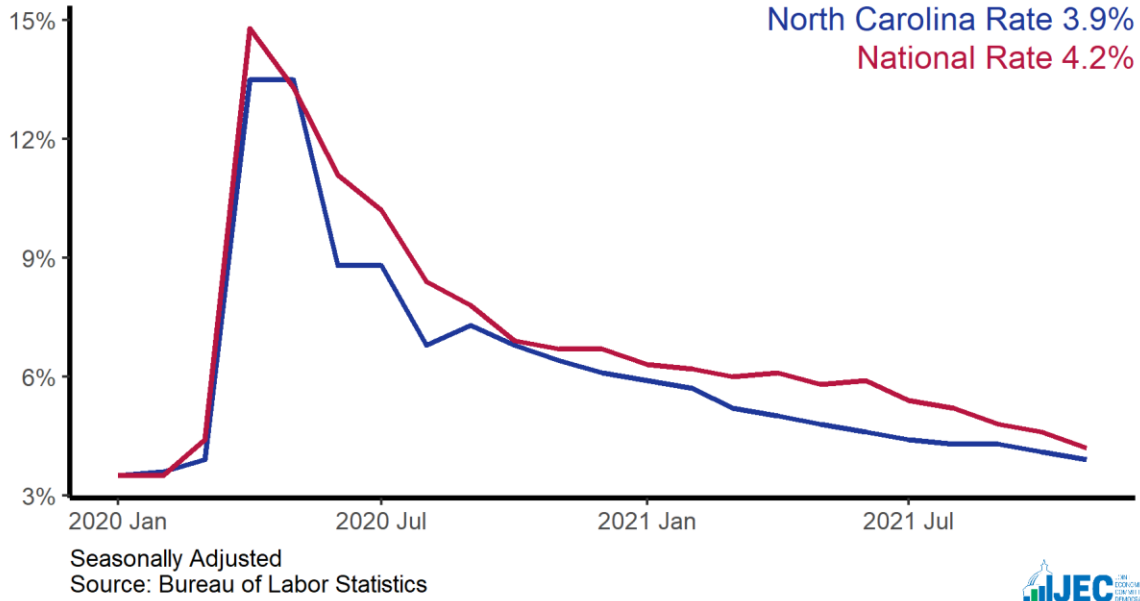
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in November	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January
Total Nonfarm, North Carolina	3,500	88%	116,300
Professional and Business Services, North Carolina	5,000	144%	24,800
Leisure and Hospitality, North Carolina	2,400	80%	40,200
Manufacturing, North Carolina	1,700	99%	19,000
Education and Health Services, North Carolina	1,300	49%	1,100
Government, North Carolina	-1,300	29%	5,100
Construction, North Carolina	-1,900	147%	9,200
Retail Trade, North Carolina	-5,400	98%	-1,400

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: Positive change reflects net job creation. "Recovered" refers to the share of jobs recovered since the pandemic low point as a share of jobs lost during the pandemic. Jobs lost during the pandemic are measured as the difference between the number of jobs in the industry in February 2020 and the number at the "low point" of the pandemic--the month with the fewest people employed in a given industry. The month of the low point varies by industry.

North Carolina Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



North Carolina Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands

