

February 2008

Announced Business Closings and Permanent Layoffs

During February 2008, the following business closings and permanent layoffs were announced. These data are derived from a statewide survey of newspaper accounts of closings and layoffs, and from information supplied to the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina by the employing units experiencing the closings and layoffs. **THE DATA ARE NOT COMPREHENSIVE AND DO NOT MEET THE LABOR MARKET INFORMATION DIVISION STANDARDS FOR ACCURACY.** Staff in the Employment Security Commission neither analyze nor evaluate the accuracy of these reports.

*Note: For "#Affected", if blank = Unknown. The "# Affected" CANNOT BE USED FOR A COUNT for all workers experiencing layoffs in North Carolina during the stated period. "# Affected" represents only those workers experiencing layoffs AS REPORTED by the above-stated sources.

<i>COUNTY</i>	<i>COMPANY</i>	<i>CITY</i>	<i>NAICS</i>	<i>PRODUCT</i>	<i># AFFECTED*</i>	<i>REASON</i>	<i>EFFECTIVE DATE</i>	<i>CL/LY</i>
<i>BUNCOMBE</i>								
	Ritz Restaurant LLC	ASHEVILLE	722110	Restaurant	5	Property redevelopment	2/14/2008	CL
<i>BURKE</i>								
	WCIS 760 AM	MORGANTON	515112	Radio station		Fire	2/1/2008	CL
<i>CATAWBA</i>								
	Rudisill's Frame Shop	HICKORY	337215	Furniture frames	14	Fire	2/16/2008	CL
<i>CHATHAM</i>								
	Caring Family Network	SILER CITY	624110	Mental health services		Rates dispute	2/29/2008	CL
<i>CRAVEN</i>								
	Smithfield's Chicken 'N Bar-B-Q	NEW BERN	722211	Restaurant	40	Renovation	2/10/2008	CL

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<i>CUMBERLAND</i>								
	The Vineyard Intimate Dining	FAYETTEVILLE	722110	Restaurant		Not stated	2/26/2008	CL
	Classy Basket	FAYETTEVILLE	453220	Gift shop		Expired lease	2/9/2008	CL
	The Photo Center	FAYETTEVILLE	812922	Camera shop		Liquidation	2/23/2008	CL
<i>DAVIDSON</i>								
	Lexington Abrasive Belts, Inc.	LEXINGTON	327910	Abrasives		Acquisition	2/29/2008	CL
	Furniture Makers Supply Co.	LEXINGTON	423840	Industrial supplies	8	Acquisition	2/29/2008	CL
	NewBridge Bank	THOMASVILLE	522110	Banking		Underperformance	5/1/2008	CL
<i>DURHAM</i>								
	Bull City Western	DURHAM	448140	Family clothing store	1	Slow sales	2/29/2008	CL
	Dell Kiosk (Streets at Southpoint)	DURHAM	443120	Computer sales		Not stated	2/8/2008	CL
	Martyn's Sea and Stream	DURHAM	451110	Fishing equipment	2	Drought	2/5/2008	LY
	David Michael Jewelers	DURHAM	448310	Jewelry store	3	Retirement	4/1/2008	CL
	Enviro-Services, Inc.	DURHAM	812310	Dry cleaners/Laundromat		Bankruptcy	2/7/2008	CL
	Motricity, Inc.	DURHAM	541519	Technology	250	Acquisition	11/30/2008	LY
	GlaxoSmithKline	RTP	621511	Pharmaceuticals		Restructuring	2/14/2008	LY
<i>FORSYTH</i>								
	Dell Kiosk (Hanes Mall)	WINSTON-SALEM	443120	Computer sales		Not stated	2/8/2008	CL
	Ham's Restaurants (Stratford)	WINSTON-SALEM	722110	Restaurant	49	Slow sales	2/14/2008	CL
	Center Grove Christian Academy	CLEMMONS	611110	School		Financial difficulty	6/1/2008	CL
<i>FRANKLIN</i>								
	Louisburg College	LOUISBURG	611210	Junior college	7	Budget cuts	2/8/2008	LY
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<i>GUILFORD</i>								
	Gap Kids (Four Seasons Town Centre)	GREENSBORO	448130	Children's clothes		Not stated	2/24/2008	CL
	Dell Kiosk (Four Seasons)	GREENSBORO	443120	Computer sales		Not stated	2/8/2008	CL
	Wachovia Bank (2 locations)	GREENSBORO	522110	Banking		Consolidation	4/23/2008	CL
	Liberty Property Trust	HIGH POINT	237210	Regional headquarters		Relocation to Charlotte	2/15/2008	CL
	Sun Microsystems	GREENSBORO	541519	Software	1	Economic conditions	11/26/2007	LY
	City of Greensboro	GREENSBORO	921140	City government	49	Cost cuts	6/30/2008	LY
<i>HARNETT</i>								
	Sierra Pre-Filled (AM2PAT)	ANGIER	339112	Medical equipment	40	Product recall	2/8/2008	CL
<i>HAYWOOD</i>								
	Wheels Through Time	MAGGIE VALLEY	712110	Museum		Relocation	2/25/2008	CL
<i>HENDERSON</i>								
	Woodfield Inn	FLAT ROCK	721191	Hotel	14	Bankruptcy/Sale	1/31/2008	CL
<i>IREDELL</i>								
	Mooresville Human Serv. Center (Insight)	MOORESVILLE	621420	Substance abuse treatment	10	Reimbursement issues	3/28/2008	CL
	Statesville Human Serv. Center (Insight)	STATESVILLE	621420	Substance abuse treatment	9	Reimbursement issues	3/28/2008	CL
<i>JOHNSTON</i>								
	Mule City Grill	BENSON	722110	Restaurant	1	Fire	2/23/2008	CL
<i>LEE</i>								
	Carolina Trace	SANFORD	713910	Clubhouse	61	Fire	1/31/2008	CL
<i>LINCOLN</i>								
	Bosch Tools	LINCOLNTON	332213	Tool mfg.	230	Import competition	12/31/2008	CL

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MECKLENBURG								
	Beazer Homes USA, Inc.	CHARLOTTE	236115	Home builder	18	Industry downturn	2/1/2008	CL
	Continental Tire North America, Inc.	CHARLOTTE	326211	Tire mfg.	300	Relocation to SC	1/1/2009	CL
	First Charter Corp.	CHARLOTTE	522110	Banking	28	Acquisition/Consolidation	4/15/2008	LY
	GMAC LLC	CHARLOTTE	522220	Auto finance	70	Restructuring	12/31/2008	CL
	Sun Microsystems	CHARLOTTE	541519	Software	3	Economic conditions	11/26/2007	LY
ORANGE								
	Somerhill Gallery	CHAPEL HILL	442299	Art gallery		Lost lease	3/31/2008	CL
	Schoolkids Records	CHAPEL HILL	451220	Record store		Underperformance	3/31/2008	CL
	Caring Family Network	CHAPEL HILL	624110	Mental health services		Rates dispute	2/29/2008	CL
PERSON								
	Caring Family Network	ROXBORO	624110	Mental health services		Rates dispute	2/29/2008	CL
ROCKINGHAM								
	WhiteRidge Plastics	REIDSVILLE	326199	Plastics mfg.	60	Documentation problems	2/22/2008	LY
	NewBridge Bank (Draper)	EDEN	522110	Banking		Underperformance	5/1/2008	CL
	NewBridge Bank (Ruffin)	REIDSVILLE	522110	Banking		Underperformance	5/1/2008	CL
	Annie Penn Hospital	REIDSVILLE	622110	Neonatal care		Staff shortage	6/30/2008	CL
SAMPSON								
	24 Auto	ROSEBORO	488410	Auto service		Bankruptcy	2/21/2008	CL
STANLY								
	304 Pontiac Pointe Ristorante	ALBEMARLE	722110	Restaurant	28	Owner's decision	2/20/2008	CL
SURRY								
	Perry Manufacturing Company	MOUNT AIRY	315239	Casual apparel	149	Foreign competition	4/1/2008	LY
	Mount Airy Human Serv. Center (Insight)	MOUNT AIRY	621420	Substance abuse treatment	8	Reimbursement issues	3/28/2008	CL

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WAKE								
	J.S. Coley Landscaping	KNIGHTDALE	561730	Landscaping	4	Drought	12/20/2007	LY
	Four Seasons Landscaping & Triangle Installation Service	RALEIGH	561730	Landscaping	18	Drought	2/6/2008	LY
	The Grape at Cameron Village	RALEIGH	238292	Gutter installation	1	Drought	2/5/2008	LY
	Dell Kiosk (Crabtree)	RALEIGH	445310	Wine store	20	Not stated	2/20/2008	CL
	Dell Kiosk (Triangle Town Center)	RALEIGH	443120	Computer sales		Not stated	2/8/2008	CL
	Rock-Ola Café (Mission Valley)	RALEIGH	443120	Computer sales		Not stated	2/8/2008	CL
	JK's Restaurant (North Hills)	RALEIGH	722110	Restaurant	46	Not stated	2/5/2008	CL
	Luggage & Leather, Inc.	RALEIGH	722110	Restaurant		Property redevelopment	2/23/2008	CL
	Sun Microsystems	RALEIGH	448320	Gift shop	6	Competition	4/30/2008	CL
	Sun Microsystems	CARY	541519	Software	5	Economic conditions	11/26/2007	LY
	Sun Microsystems	CARY	541519	Software	1	Economic conditions	3/31/2008	LY
	GlaxoSmithKline	ZEBULON	621511	Pharmaceuticals	70	Cost cuts	5/1/2008	LY
	Silver State Helicopters	RALEIGH	611512	Flight training		Bankruptcy	2/4/2008	CL
	Maverick Marketing	RALEIGH	541613	Marketing		Bankruptcy	2/7/2008	CL
WARREN								
	Warren County Farmers Market	WARRENTON	445230	Fruits and vegetables		Owner's decision	2/28/2008	CL
WATAUGA								
	Sims Furniture	BOONE	442110	Furniture store	12	Expired lease	3/31/2008	CL
WILKES								
	Tyson Foods Inc.	WILKESBORO	311999	Cooked-foods	410	Unprofitable	4/1/2008	CL
WILSON								
	Wilson Auto & Loan	WILSON	441120	Car dealer	10	Bankruptcy	2/28/2008	CL
	New Opportunities, Inc.	WILSON	611110	Alternative school	12	Not stated	2/22/2008	CL
YADKIN								
	Yadkinville Human Serv. Center (Insight)	YADKINVILLE	621420	Substance abuse treatment	7	Reimbursement issues	3/28/2008	CL