

March 2009

Announced Business Closings and Permanent Layoffs

During March 2009, 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.

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<i>ALAMANCE</i>								
	Honda Power Equipment	SWEPSONVILLE	333112	Lawn care products	200	Economic conditions	6/1/2008	LY
	American Eagle Outfitters	BURLINGTON	448140	Casual clothing		Relocation to Alamance King	3/9/2009	CL
	Gold's Gym	GRAHAM	713940	Fitness center		Not stated	3/9/2009	CL
	Palmer-Leigh Small World	HAW RIVER	624410	Day care center		License suspension	3/10/2009	CL
<i>BLADEN</i>								
	Bladen Composites LLC	BLADENBORO	441222	Boat building	20	Economic conditions	3/9/2009	CL
<i>BUNCOMBE</i>								
	Gusmos Mojo Café	ASHEVILLE	722110	Restaurant		Renovation/New concept	3/25/2009	CL
	Cherie's Hallmark (Tunnel Road)	ASHEVILLE	453220	Giftshop		Not stated	3/7/2009	CL
	Richmond Hill Inn LLC	ASHEVILLE	721191	Historical hotel	93	Fire	3/19/2009	CL
<i>BURKE</i>								
	U.S. Mechanical Inc.	CONNELLY SPRINGS	333415	Contractor	5	Financial difficulty	3/6/2009	LY
	Groucho's Deli	MORGANTON	722211	Restaurant	3	Owner's decision	3/24/2009	CL
	Myra's Little Italy	MORGANTON	722110	Restaurant		Fire	3/26/2009	CL

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<i>CABARRUS</i>								
	KV Pharmaceutical Co./Ther-RX Corp.	CONCORD	424210	Pharmaceutical sales	7	Downsizing	3/6/2009	LY
<i>CALDWELL</i>								
	Homegrown Radio 104.5 FM	GRANITE FALLS	515112	Radio station		License problem	3/16/2009	CL
<i>CARTERET</i>								
	Boaters World	ATLANTIC BEACH	451110	Sporting goods	24	Bankruptcy	6/2/2009	CL
<i>CATAWBA</i>								
	Corning Cable Systems LLC	HICKORY	335921	Fiber optic cable	208	Economic conditions	12/31/2009	CL
	Catawba County	HICKORY	921140	County government	26	Economic conditions	3/13/2009	LY
<i>CHEROKEE</i>								
	Team Industries Andrews Inc.	ANDREWS	333618	Engine equipment	51	Declining demand	3/2/2009	LY
<i>CHOWAN</i>								
	Chowan County	EDENTON	921140	County government	12	Budget cuts	4/1/2009	LY
<i>COLUMBUS</i>								
	Georgia-Pacific	WHITEVILLE	321113	Veneer line	22	Industry downturn	5/29/2009	LY
<i>CRAVEN</i>								
	Fairfield Harbour	NEW BERN	813990	Golfing/Boating community	16	Amenities staff cuts	3/16/2009	LY
	Trent Performance	NEW BERN	999999	Not stated		Bankruptcy	2/26/2009	CL
<i>CUMBERLAND</i>								
	Fayetteville Publishing Co.	FAYETTEVILLE	511110	Newspaper publishing	9	Economic conditions	3/25/2009	LY
	BabyWear Ltd.	FAYETTEVILLE	448120	Maternity shop		Owner's decision	3/31/2009	CL
	The Rug Merchant	FAYETTEVILLE	442210	Rugs		Owner's decision	3/31/2009	CL
<i>CURRITUCK</i>								
	Hall Honda	MOYOCK	441110	Car dealership	24	Relocation/Elizabeth City	2/16/2009	CL

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DAVIDSON								
	Smurfit-Stone Container Corp.	LEXINGTON	322211	Corrugated containers	78	Bankruptcy	5/9/2009	CL
	NewBridge Bank	TYRO	522110	Branch bank		Streamlining	6/26/2009	CL
DAVIE								
	Ingersoll Rand	MOCKSVILLE	333912	Compressors	75	Economic conditions	3/31/2009	LY
DURHAM								
	GlaxoSmithKline	RTP	424210	Customer response center		Restructuring	3/25/2009	LY
	IBM Corporation	RTP	334119	Computers	334	Resource action	5/26/2009	LY
	AW North Carolina	DURHAM	336350	Transmissions	500	Economic conditions	3/20/2009	LY
	Durham Bulls	DURHAM	711211	Pro baseball team		Cost cuts	3/18/2009	LY
	Duke Corporate Education	DURHAM	611310	Leadership training	11	Economic conditions	1/1/2009	LY
EDGECOMBE								
	Spray Tech of Tarboro	TARBORO	238311	Drywall contractor	7	Bankruptcy	3/18/2009	CL
FORSYTH								
	Winston-Salem Journal	WINSTON-SALEM	511110	Newspaper	13	Cost cuts	3/30/2009	LY
	Dell Inc.	WINSTON-SALEM	334111	Computers	115	Shift elimination (Contract)	11/1/2008	LY
	Tyco Electronics (Reidsville Road)	WINSTON-SALEM	335931	Electronic connectors		Economic conditions	3/5/2009	LY
	Dell Inc.	WINSTON-SALEM	334111	Computers	150	Cost cuts	3/11/2009	LY
	Allen Tate Co., Inc.	CLEMMONS	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc.	KERNERSVILLE	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	Winston-Salem/Forsyth County	WINSTON-SALEM	611110	School administration	25	Cost cuts/Realignment	4/1/2009	LY
GASTON								
	Freightliner of Gastonia LLC (Daimler)	GASTONIA	336399	Components	86	Economic conditions	5/8/2009	LY
	Northern Tool + Equipment	GASTONIA	444130	Hardware store	15	Not stated	3/28/2009	CL
	Beneficial (Franklin Square)	GASTONIA	522292	Consumer lending	6	Nationwide shutdown	4/1/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc.	BELMONT	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL

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<i>GUILFORD</i>								
	Tyco Electronics (Burgess Road)	GREENSBORO	335931	Electronic connectors		Economic conditions	3/5/2009	LY
	Tyco Electronics (Pegg Road)	GREENSBORO	335931	Electronic connectors		Economic conditions	3/5/2009	LY
	Tyco Electronics (Piedmont Triad)	GREENSBORO	551114	Electronic connectors		Economic conditions	3/5/2009	LY
	Furniture Transport Group	HIGH POINT	484121	Freight trucking	22	Declining demand	3/30/2009	LY
	Lowes Home Centers Inc.	STOKESDALE	444110	Lighting distribution center	14	Reorganization	8/7/2009	CL
	Lowes Home Centers Inc.	STOKESDALE	444110	Lighting distribution center	5	Reorganization	9/18/2009	CL
	Lowes Home Centers Inc.	STOKESDALE	444110	Lighting distribution center	38	Reorganization	10/16/2009	CL
	Lowes Home Centers Inc.	STOKESDALE	444110	Lighting distribution center	1	Reorganization	11/27/2009	CL
	Lowes Home Centers Inc.	STOKESDALE	444110	Lighting distribution center	20	Reorganization	12/11/2009	CL
	Lowes Home Centers Inc.	STOKESDALE	444110	Lighting distribution center	3	Reorganization	12/31/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc. (Stoney Creek)	WHITSETT	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	Center for Creative Leadership	GREENSBORO	611430	Leadership training	70	Cost cuts	3/6/2009	LY
	UNC-Greensboro	GREENSBORO	611630	University		Budget cuts	3/31/2009	LY
	Inspire Skin & Body Inc.	GREENSBORO	812199	Spa	2	Economic conditions	3/13/2009	CL
	Guilford County	GREENSBORO	921140	County government	29	Budget cuts	12/31/2009	LY
<i>HALIFAX</i>								
	City of Roanoke Rapids	ROANOKE RAPIDS	921140	City government	10	Budget cuts	3/6/2009	LY
<i>HARNETT</i>								
	Edwards Brothers Inc.	LILLINGTON	511130	Publishing	5	Slow sales	3/5/2009	LY
	Energy Conversion System (ECS)	DUNN	335991	Motor components	165	Economic conditions	5/25/2009	CL
	Pentair Water-Pool	ERWIN	333319	Pool/Spa distributor		Consolidation/Sanford	8/31/2009	CL
	Branch Banking & Trust (Denim Dr.)	ERWIN	522110	Branch bank		Consolidation/New building	9/30/2009	CL
	Branch Banking & Trust (W.	DUNN	522110	Branch bank		Consolidation/New building	9/30/2009	CL
	Tri-County Community Health	DUNN	621498	Health-care provider	3	Economic conditions	4/10/2009	CL
	Town of Coats	COATS	921140	Town government	1	Budget cuts	3/13/2009	LY
<i>HENDERSON</i>								
	Grove Street Café LLC	HENDERSONVILLE	722110	Restaurant	5	Owner's decision	3/6/2009	CL
	Diane's Hallmark (Blue Ridge Mall)	HENDERSONVILLE	453220	Giftshop	8	Retirement	3/31/2009	CL

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<i>HERTFORD</i>								
	Chowan University	MURFREESBORO	611310	University	6	Cost cuts	3/12/2009	LY
<i>IREDELL</i>								
	Boaters World	MOORESVILLE	441122	Boating goods	9	Bankruptcy	6/2/2009	CL
	Iredell Public Library	STATESVILLE	921140	Library administration	15	Budget cuts/Part-time staffers	6/1/2009	LY
<i>JACKSON</i>								
	T & S Hardwoods, Inc.	SYLVA	321113	Sawmill	60	Declining demand	5/8/2009	LY
	T & S Hardwoods, Inc.	SYLVA	321113	Sawmill	15	Declining demand	7/1/2009	LY
	Melton-Riddle Funeral Home	SYLVA	812210	Funeral home	2	Lost license	3/16/2009	CL
<i>JOHNSTON</i>								
	Anchor Inc.	SELMA	236115	Homebuilder	2	Bankruptcy	3/4/2009	CL
	Circle of Love Childcare & Learning	CLAYTON	624410	Day care center	6	Fire	3/10/2009	CL
<i>LEE</i>								
	Lee County	SANFORD	921140	County government	38	Budget cuts	3/6/2009	LY
<i>LENOIR</i>								
	La Grange Police Department	LA GRANGE	921140	Police department		Contract with Sheriffs Office	7/1/2009	CL
<i>LINCOLN</i>								
	The Lake Norman Times	DENVER	511110	Newspaper	8	Unprofitable	4/15/2009	CL

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MECKLENBURG								
	Lauth Property Group Inc.	CHARLOTTE	236220	Real estate development	15	Economic conditions	3/16/2009	LY
	Carolina Paperboard (Caraustar)	CHARLOTTE	322130	Recycled cardboard	111	Economic conditions	5/17/2009	CL
	Charlotte Observer	CHARLOTTE	511110	Newspaper	82	Ad sales decline	3/23/2009	LY
	Alveolus Inc.	CHARLOTTE	561330	Medical stents	13	Acquisition/Utah	6/1/2009	CL
	Charlotte Area Transit System	CHARLOTTE	485210	Mass transit administration	42	Funding decline	4/25/2009	LY
	KV Pharmaceutical Co./Ther-RX Corp.	HUNTERSVILLE	424210	Pharmaceutical sales	9	Downsizing	3/6/2009	LY
	Boaters World	PINEVILLE	441222	Boating goods	10	Bankruptcy	6/2/2009	CL
	S&K Menswear (University Place)	CHARLOTTE	448110	Clothing store	6	Bankruptcy	3/13/2009	CL
	Lola's	CHARLOTTE	722110	Restaurant		Not stated	2/1/2009	CL
	Therapy Marketplace & Café	CHARLOTTE	722110	Restaurant	10	Renovation	2/19/2009	CL
	Harper's Blue Ribbon BBQ	CHARLOTTE	722110	Restaurant	55	Economic conditions	4/1/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc. (Blakeney)	CHARLOTTE	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc. (Carmel Road)	CHARLOTTE	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc. (Highland Creek)	CHARLOTTE	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc. (Mtn. Island Lake)	CHARLOTTE	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	AMN Healthcare Inc. (dba Nurse Rx)	HUNTERSVILLE	561320	Travel nurse staffing	60	Restructuring	4/30/2009	CL
	Arts & Science Council	CHARLOTTE	813319	Cultural fund-raising	8	Budget cuts	3/19/2009	LY
	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	CHARLOTTE	611110	CMS HR department	13	Budget cuts	3/4/2009	LY
	CSB School of Broadcasting	CHARLOTTE	611430	Broadcasting school	4	Bankruptcy	3/4/2009	CL
	Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools	CHARLOTTE	611110	CMS Administration	82	Budget cuts	3/31/2009	LY
MOORE								
	Silvestry Chevrolet, Inc.	PINEHURST	441110	Car dealership	13	Bankruptcy	3/25/2009	CL
	Abbott Insurance Group	WEST END	524210	Insurance agency		Not stated	2/1/2009	CL

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<i>NASH</i>								
	Cummins Rocky Mount Engine	WHITAKERS	333618	Diesel engines	390	Declining demand/Recession	3/16/2009	LY
	Dean Gray's Ladies Fashions	ROCKY MOUNT	448190	Women's clothing		Retirement	3/2/2009	CL
	Sister's Family Restaurant	ROCKY MOUNT	722110	Restaurant	17	Retirement	2/28/2009	CL
	Java Motts	ROCKY MOUNT	722213	Coffee shop		Not stated	3/2/2009	CL
	A Frayed Knot	ROCKY MOUNT	451130	Sewing products	5	Owner's decision	3/2/2009	CL
	Dollar Star (Golden East)	ROCKY MOUNT	452990	Variety store		Economic conditions	3/13/2009	CL
	Positive Image Salon	ROCKY MOUNT	812112	Salon		Slow sales	3/16/2009	CL
<i>NEW HANOVER</i>								
	BASF (Care Chemicals Division)	WILMINGTON	325411	Vitamin mfg.	33	High materials cost	3/31/2009	CL
	Boaters World	WILMINGTON	441222	Boating goods	11	Bankruptcy	6/2/2009	CL
	Port City Health Club	WILMINGTON	713940	Health club	8	Not stated	4/1/2009	CL
	New Hanover County	WILMINGTON	921140	County government	27	Economic conditions	3/17/2009	LY
<i>PITT</i>								
	Boaters World	WINTERVILLE	441222	Boating goods	8	Bankruptcy	6/2/2009	CL
<i>ROBESON</i>								
	REX Audio Video and Appliance	LUMBERTON	443112	Electronics/Appliances		Acquisition/Appliance Direct	3/25/2009	CL
<i>ROCKINGHAM</i>								
	Madison Dry Goods Co., Inc.	MADISON	452990	Country store	2	Owner's decision	6/1/2009	CL
<i>ROWAN</i>								
	Freightliner of Cleveland LLC	CLEVELAND	336120	Truck mfg.	400	Economic conditions	5/8/2009	LY
	Freightliner of Cleveland LLC	CLEVELAND	336120	Truck mfg.	809	Reduction in work hours	5/8/2009	LY
<i>RUTHERFORD</i>								
	All American Homes of NC, LLC	RUTHERFORDTON	236115	Housing mfg.	97	Slow sales/Economic conditions	3/6/2009	CL
	Cinema IV (Carmike Cinema Inc.)	FOREST CITY	512131	Movie theater	7	Expired lease	3/19/2009	CL
	Hillcrest Rest Home Inc.	FOREST CITY	623110	Rest home	24	Financial difficulty	2/23/2009	CL
	The Master's Academy	FOREST CITY	624410	Private school	17	Not stated	6/1/2009	CL

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SCOTLAND								
	QualPak, LLC	LAURINBURG	325611	Hand sanitizer	73	Slow sales	12/31/2009	CL
STATEWIDE								
	S.T. Wooten	STATEWIDE	237310	Road construction	200	Economic conditions	10/1/2008	LY
	Shelba D. Johnson Trucking	STATEWIDE	484121	Freight trucking	60	Declining demand	8/31/2008	LY
	Dominion Healthcare Services, Inc.	STATEWIDE	623210	Mental health provider	170	Not stated	3/5/2009	CL
SURRY								
	Bassett Furniture Industries Inc.	MOUNT AIRY	337122	Distribution center		Cost cuts	3/1/2009	CL
	United Plastics Corp.	MOUNT AIRY	325991	Plastic products	14	Auto industry downturn	3/6/2009	LY
	Wolf's Lair (Black Wolf Vineyards)	DOBSON	722110	Restaurant	12	Owner's decision	12/31/2008	CL
	Golden Living Center	MOUNT AIRY	623110	Nursing home	113	Facility repairs	2/27/2009	LY
TRANSYLVANIA								
	Brevard Academy	BREVARD	611110	Charter school	5	Realignment	7/31/2009	LY
UNION								
	Bloomsburg Mills, Inc.	MONROE	313311	Textiles	87	Import competition	5/31/2009	CL
VANCE								
	Power Equipment Plus	HENDERSON	444130	Hardware/Power equipment	18	Economic conditions	3/20/2009	CL
	Uptown Rose	HENDERSON	722110	Restaurant	13	Not stated	3/13/2009	CL

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WAKE								
	Vardis Homes Inc.	APEX	236115	Homebuilder	2	Bankruptcy	3/10/2009	CL
	Anderson Homes (Vanguard)	CARY	236115	Homebuilder	53	Housing slump	3/16/2009	LY
	Blue Bay Builders, Inc.	RALEIGH	236115	Homebuilder	2	Bankruptcy	3/24/2009	CL
	News & Observer	RALEIGH	511110	Newspaper	78	Cost cuts	3/16/2009	LY
	The Body Shop	WAKE FOREST	446120	Cosmetics	18	Reorganization	3/16/2009	LY
	Shipman Technologies Inc.	MORRISVILLE	333319	Contract mfg. services	20	Relocation/Durham	3/17/2009	CL
	Capitol Broadcasting Co.	RALEIGH	515120	Media broadcasting (online)		Cost cuts	3/18/2009	LY
	WNCN-TV Channel 17	RALEIGH	515120	TV station	29	Weak ad sales	3/30/2009	LY
	KV Pharmaceutical Co./Ther-RX Corp.	RALEIGH	424210	Pharmaceutical sales	11	Downsizing	3/6/2009	LY
	Smurfit-Stone Container Corp.	RALEIGH	322211	Corrugated containers	36	Bankruptcy	6/1/2009	CL
	Alan Branson Automotive	CARY	811111	Auto repair		Bankruptcy	2/28/2009	CL
	Boaters World	RALEIGH	441222	Boating goods	9	Bankruptcy	6/2/2009	CL
	Masterloom's	RALEIGH	442210	Rugs		Not stated	3/15/2009	CL
	McDonald's (Saltbox Village)	CARY	722211	Restaurant		Demolish/Rebuild	2/28/2009	CL
	Applebee's (Six Forks Road)	RALEIGH	722110	Restaurant	39	Owner's decision	3/20/2009	CL
	K&S Cafeteria (Six Forks Station)	RALEIGH	722212	Restaurant	54	Slow sales	3/31/2009	CL
	Allen Tate Co., Inc.	GARNER	531210	Real estate		Consolidation	3/17/2009	CL
	Aspen Spa Properties	CARY	713940	Health club	11	Bankruptcy	3/24/2009	CL
	North Carolina State University	RALEIGH	611310	University	31	Budget cuts	7/1/2009	LY
WATAUGA								
	Library Pub and Restaurant	BOONE	722210	Restaurant	36	Fire	3/12/2009	CL