

*May 2008*

## ***Announced Business Closings and Permanent Layoffs***

During May 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>
<b><i>AVERY</i></b>								
	Avery County Schools	NEWLAND	611110	School administration		Decreasing enrollment	5/21/2008	LY
<b><i>BUNCOMBE</i></b>								
	Brio Burrito	ASHEVILLE	722211	Restaurant		Underperformance	4/30/2008	CL
<b><i>BURKE</i></b>								
	Childers Market	MORGANTON	445110	Grocery store	4	Owner's decision	5/3/2008	CL
<b><i>CATAWBA</i></b>								
	Fred's	HICKORY	452990	Variety store		Not stated	5/1/2008	CL
	Fred's	CONOVER	452990	Variety store		Not stated	5/1/2008	CL
<b><i>CHEROKEE</i></b>								
	Coats North American	MARBLE	313113	Industrial thread	100	Relocation/Central America	10/31/2008	CL

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<b><i>CUMBERLAND</i></b>								
	CJ Woodmaster of Fayetteville	FAYETTEVILLE	442110	Furniture store		Bankruptcy	5/21/2008	CL
	Cape Fear Valley Health System	FAYETTEVILLE	622310	Hospital	24	Cost cuts	5/9/2008	LY
<b><i>DAVIE</i></b>								
	Jockey International, Inc.	COOLEEMEE	313111	Knitting plant	210	Facility problems	7/30/2008	CL
<b><i>DURHAM</i></b>								
	Trimeris	DURHAM	325412	Pharmaceuticals	30	Liquidation	5/9/2008	LY
	CJ Woodmaster	DURHAM	442110	Furniture store		Bankruptcy	5/7/2008	CL
	Starbucks Corp. (Crowe Building)	DURHAM	722213	Coffee shop	18	Property redevelopment	6/9/2008	CL
	BookDabbler	DURHAM	453310	Book store	2	Underperformance	5/24/2008	CL
	Visart Videos	DURHAM	532230	Video rentals		Owner's decision	5/18/2008	CL
<b><i>FORSYTH</i></b>								
	Sara Lee Corp.	WINSTON-SALEM	313312	Outlet store		Not stated	6/30/2008	CL
	Winston-Salem Journal	WINSTON-SALEM	511110	Newspaper publishing	3	Cost cuts	5/27/2008	LY
	Sportsman's Supply Co., Inc.	WINSTON-SALEM	423910	Sporting goods	8	Bankruptcy	4/29/2008	CL
	Wendy's	WINSTON-SALEM	722211	Restaurant		Owner's decision	5/9/2008	CL
	Arby's Restaurant	WINSTON-SALEM	722211	Restaurant		Storm damage	6/1/2008	CL
	Huggins Shoes & Repair	WINSTON-SALEM	811430	Shoe repair		Retirement	4/29/2008	CL
<b><i>FRANKLIN</i></b>								
	DenMark Construction	YOUNGSVILLE	236115	Building contractor	10	Financial difficulty	1/31/2008	LY
	Four Seasons Garden Center	YOUNGSVILLE	444220	Garden center	3	Bankruptcy	3/27/2008	CL
<b><i>GUILFORD</i></b>								
	RF Micro Devices, Inc.	GREENSBORO	334413	Microchips	200	Restructuring	5/6/2008	LY
	SAS Shoes	GREENSBORO	448210	Shoe store		Not stated	5/24/2008	CL
	Revival Grill	GREENSBORO	722110	Restaurant	18	Food costs	4/30/2008	CL
	Imperial Gourmet	GREENSBORO	722211	Restaurant	9	Retirement	5/8/2008	CL

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<b><i>HALIFAX</i></b>								
	Eddie's Place	ROANOKE RAPIDS	722410	Pool hall	2	Owner's decision	5/2/2008	CL
	Halifax County Schools	ROANOKE RAPIDS	611110	School administration	67	Budget cuts	5/5/2008	LY
<b><i>HARNETT</i></b>								
	Saab Barracuda LLC	LILLINGTON	313249	Camouflage netting	43	Restructuring	5/12/2008	LY
<b><i>LENOIR</i></b>								
	Thomas Furniture	KINSTON	442110	Furniture store		Retirement	8/13/2008	CL
<b><i>LINCOLN</i></b>								
	Rhodes-Corriher Implement Co.	LINCOLNTON	423820	Farm supplies	4	Retirement	4/14/2008	CL
<b><i>MECKLENBURG</i></b>								
	Charlotte Observer	CHARLOTTE	511110	Newspaper	13	Cost cuts	5/30/2008	LY
	Fred's (3 locations)	CHARLOTTE	452990	Variety store		Not stated	5/1/2008	CL
	Talley's Green Grocery, Inc.	CHARLOTTE	445110	Grocery store	20	Competition	5/9/2008	CL
	Table Restaurant & Bar	CHARLOTTE	722110	Restaurant	36	Slow sales/competition	5/20/2008	CL
	First Charter Corp.	CHARLOTTE	522110	Banking	10	Acquisition	6/6/2008	LY
	Wachovia Corp.	CHARLOTTE	522110	Investment banking		Economic conditions	6/27/2008	LY
	E*Trade Financial	CHARLOTTE	523930	Financial services	248	Cost cuts	7/18/2008	CL
	Bank of America Corp.	CHARLOTTE	523110	Cash-investment services	30	Relocation to Boston	9/30/2008	LY
	Dilworth Insurance Agency	CHARLOTTE	524210	Insurance agency	2	Legal problems	5/19/2008	CL
<b><i>MOORE</i></b>								
	Southern Straw, Inc.	ABERDEEN	424910	Farm supplies	2	Bankruptcy	5/30/2008	CL
<b><i>NASH</i></b>								
	Kentucky Fried Chicken	ROCKY MOUNT	722211	Restaurant		Demolish/Rebuild	5/4/2008	CL
<b><i>ONSLOW</i></b>								
	White Oak River Variety	BELGRADE	445120	Variety store	5	Storm damage	5/12/2008	CL
	Club Mickey's	JACKSONVILLE	722410	Nightclub		Court decision	5/12/2008	CL

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<b><i>ORANGE</i></b>								
	3Cups Coffee Shop	CHAPEL HILL	722213	Coffee shop		Owner's decision	6/1/2008	CL
	Paint the Earth	CHAPEL HILL	451120	Hobby shop	8	Not stated	6/15/2008	CL
	Performance Outdoor	CHAPEL HILL	519130	Not stated		Bankruptcy	5/28/2008	CL
<b><i>PERSON</i></b>								
	Little People's School	ROXBORO	624410	Daycare center		Owner's decision	5/23/2008	CL
<b><i>PITT</i></b>								
	The N&O Greenville Bureau	GREENVILLE	511110	News reporting		Retirement/Cost cuts	5/15/2008	CL
<b><i>ROBESON</i></b>								
	Eastside Medical Clinic PA	PEMBROKE	621111	Medical clinic	5	Lost license	12/13/2007	CL
	Lumbee Housing Rehabilitation	PEMBROKE	624229	Housing program	5	Funding cuts	6/2/2008	LY
<b><i>ROCKINGHAM</i></b>								
	The Sandwich Shop	EDEN	722211	Restaurant	1	Plumbing problems	5/7/2008	CL
<b><i>UNION</i></b>								
	Southern Farm Equipment, Inc.	UNIONVILLE	423820	Agricultural supplies	7	Fire	5/5/2008	CL

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<b>WAKE</b>								
	Custom Homes by Harry Krohn	RALEIGH	236115	Home builder	5	Bankruptcy	5/14/2008	CL
	Oram & McAlister	RALEIGH	236118	Not stated		Bankruptcy	5/28/2008	CL
	R.H. Donnelly	CARY	323115	Yellow pages publisher		Cost cuts	5/9/2008	LY
	MGC Journeys Ltd, LLC	RALEIGH	424480	Not stated	1	Bankruptcy	5/14/2008	CL
	Cherry Modern Design	RALEIGH	442299	Home furnishings		Not stated	5/3/2008	CL
	CJ Woodmaster of Cary	CARY	442110	Furniture store		Bankruptcy	5/21/2008	CL
	CJ Woodmaster of Raleigh, Inc.	RALEIGH	442110	Furniture store		Bankruptcy	5/30/2008	CL
	Red Palace	RALEIGH	722211	Restaurant	6	Not stated	5/3/2008	CL
	1705Prime Chophouse	RALEIGH	722110	Restaurant		Owner's decision	5/15/2008	CL
	Stonewood Tavern & Grill	RALEIGH	722110	Restaurant	56	Not stated	5/19/2008	CL
	South at North Hills	RALEIGH	722110	Restaurant	41	Property redevelopment	6/7/2008	CL
	McDonald's	WENDELL	722110	Restaurant		Demolish/Rebuild	6/22/2008	CL
	Dixie Belle's Bar-B-Q	APEX	722110	Restaurant		Relocation	6/30/2008	CL
	Genevieve's Closet	CARY	453310	Consignment shop		Underperformance	3/21/2008	CL
	SAS Institute, Inc.	CARY	511210	Software education	14	Restructuring	7/24/2008	LY
	In-Control	WAKE FOREST	811310	Material handling system		Bankruptcy	5/7/2008	CL
	Wendell Eye Center OD, PLLC	WENDELL	621320	Eye center	2	Not stated	5/15/2008	CL
	NanoLume, Inc.	CARY	541380	Testing lab	2	Bankruptcy	5/7/2008	CL
	Connexion Technologies	CARY	541330	Telecommunications	35	Cost cuts	5/21/2008	LY
	Ratas, Inc.	MORRISVILLE	484121	Not stated		Bankruptcy	5/14/2008	CL