

## Quick Facts:

### Civilian Labor Force North Carolina

May 2008

Seasonally Adjusted

Employed – 4,293,785

Unemployed – 265,776

### NC Unemployment Rates

May 2008

Seasonally Adjusted – 5.8

Not Seasonally Adjusted – 5.8

### NC UI Average

Weekly Benefit

May 2008 – \$274.23

### NC Maximum Weekly Benefit

Amount – \$476

### Gender of Initial Claimants

In the Centralina WDB

May 2008

Male – 66%

Female – 34%

### Age Ranges of Initial Claimants

In the Centralina WDB

May 2008

16-19 – 1%

20-24 – 7%

25-34 – 21%

35-44 – 28%

45-54 – 26%

55-64 – 15%

≥65 – 2%

## Civilian Labor Force Estimates\* *Not Seasonally Adjusted*

		May 2008	April 2008	May 2007
<b>Anson</b>	Labor Force	10,805	10,731	10,799
	Employed	9,991	10,002	10,022
	Unemployed	814	729	777
	Unemployment Rate	7.5	6.8	7.2
<b>Cabarrus</b>	Labor Force	82,741	82,230	82,234
	Employed	78,370	78,458	78,610
	Unemployed	4,371	3,772	3,624
	Unemployment Rate	5.3	4.6	4.4
<b>Iredell</b>	Labor Force	82,147	81,767	81,892
	Employed	77,718	77,783	78,012
	Unemployed	4,429	3,984	3,880
	Unemployment Rate	5.4	4.9	4.7
<b>Lincoln</b>	Labor Force	41,706	41,625	40,351
	Employed	39,161	39,301	38,469
	Unemployed	2,545	2,324	1,882
	Unemployment Rate	6.1	5.6	4.7
<b>Rowan</b>	Labor Force	69,810	69,463	71,320
	Employed	65,677	65,818	66,181
	Unemployed	4,133	3,645	5,139
	Unemployment Rate	5.9	5.2	7.2
<b>Stanly</b>	Labor Force	31,454	31,181	31,374
	Employed	29,636	29,645	29,866
	Unemployed	1,818	1,536	1,508
	Unemployment Rate	5.8	4.9	4.8
<b>Union</b>	Labor Force	91,246	90,771	90,140
	Employed	86,530	86,628	86,795
	Unemployed	4,716	4,143	3,345
	Unemployment Rate	5.2	4.6	3.7
<b>Centralina</b>	Labor Force	409,909	407,768	408,110
	Employed	387,083	387,635	387,955
	Unemployed	22,826	20,133	20,155
	Unemployment Rate	5.6	4.9	4.9
<b>North Carolina</b>	Labor Force	4,559,768	4,532,994	4,520,250
	Employed	4,297,533	4,300,452	4,312,805
	Unemployed	262,235	232,542	207,445
	Unemployment Rate	5.8	5.1	4.6

\*May 2008 data are preliminary, while April 2008 data are revised. 2007 data are benchmarked.

# Labor Market Information Update

## Unemployment Insurance Claims, May 2008

	Initial Claims	Weeks Claimed	UI Benefits Paid	Individuals Receiving Checks
Anson	201	1,246	\$189,596	332
Cabarrus	803	6,066	\$1,456,706	1,622
Iredell	1,230	6,712	\$1,574,441	1,964
Lincoln	693	3,815	\$820,588	1,064
Rowan	1,937	6,298	\$1,409,277	2,033
Stanly	661	2,681	\$573,552	792
Union	754	6,255	\$1,476,403	1,465
Statewide	55,433	369,348	\$89,461,735	98,102

Source: ES-UI Reporting Unit, Labor Market Information Division

## Duration of Unemployment Insurance Benefits For 12 Months Ending May 31, 2008

Anson	Cabarrus	Iredell	Lincoln	Rowan	Stanly	Union	North Carolina
14.4	15.0	13.9	12.8	16.2	12.7	13.9	14.1

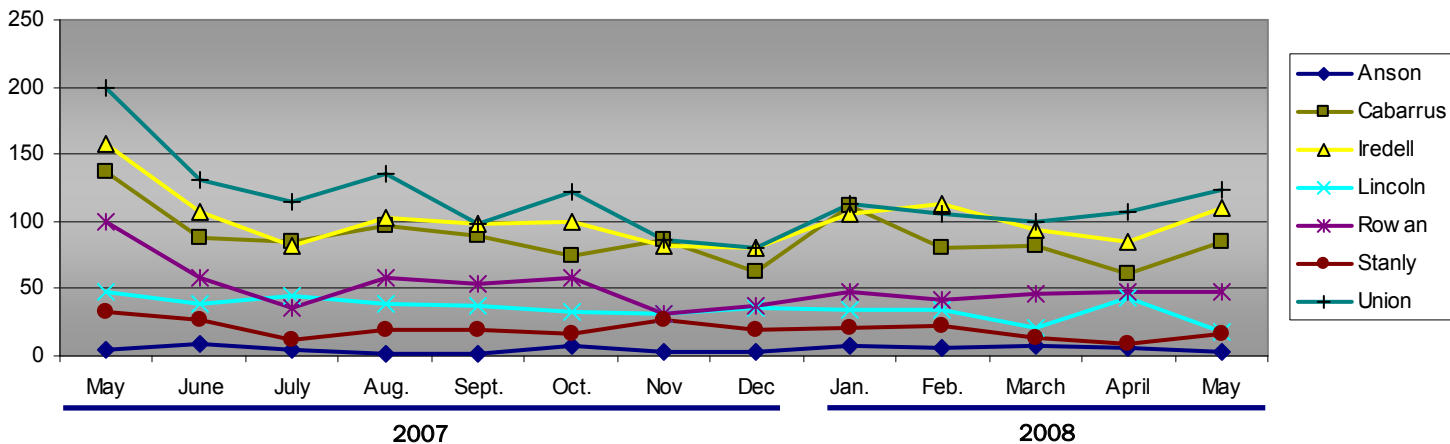
Note: Duration is the number of weeks compensated for the year divided by the number of first payments.

## ESC Employment Service Registered Applicants, 7/1/2007–05/31/2008

	Anson	Cabarrus	Iredell	Lincoln	Rowan	Stanly	Union
Professional, Technical & Managerial	408	2,678	2,331	924	1,701	798	2,215
Clerical	407	2,132	1,918	902	1,935	785	1,619
Sales	118	721	701	292	619	235	676
Domestic Services	5	42	46	16	40	34	49
Other Services	811	1,823	1,776	766	2,481	973	1,202
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishery	89	128	164	52	140	75	102
Processing	342	459	380	137	411	256	362
Machine Trade	275	870	1,325	849	1,313	522	558
Benchwork	151	441	771	511	579	292	319
Structural Work	251	1,322	1,162	655	1,785	756	1,029
Motor Freight & Transportation	118	537	520	242	542	215	328
Packaging & Material Handling	382	1,221	1,573	683	1,559	502	646
Miscellaneous	24	86	110	41	80	39	119

Note: Active Applicants and Job Openings YTD for the period 7/01/07–06/30/08.

## New Corporations, May 2007 – May 2008



Source: Department of the NC Secretary of State