

EASTERN CAROLINA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, INC.

Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2024

ECWDB Holds its Annual Banquet

The Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Board, Inc. (ECWDB) held its annual banquet the evening of Wednesday, November 13, 2024, at the Flame Banquet Hall in New Bern, NC. Board and Consortium members gathered as well as NCWorks Service Providers to celebrate the hard work and success of everyone involved.

During the banquet awards were given to participants who have participated in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) program. Those recognized included John Johnson for his perseverance and sacrifice in receiving his CDL license and finding a job after living in a homeless facility. Raytheon Bell is a young adult who took courses through Craven Community College - VOLT Center and successfully completed a work experience (WEX). He is currently employed where he participated in the WEX. Joshua Addeman who used the WIOA program to start his path to a career in law enforcement. *continued on page 2...*

ECWDB | September 2024 Data*

MONTHLY TRENDS

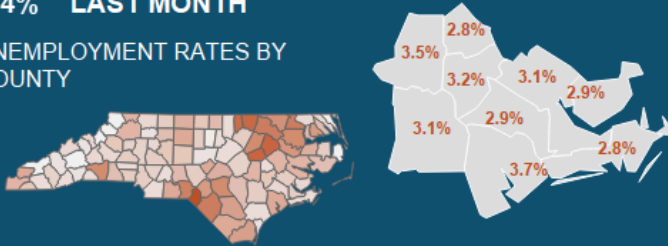
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Unemployed Individuals **8,877**

3.3%

4.4% LAST MONTH

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES BY COUNTY



North Carolina 3.8%
United States 4.1%

Employed Individuals **260,536**

Labor Force
269,413

1,514

CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

-132

CHANGE IN EMPLOYMENT FROM ONE YEAR AGO

NUMBER OF EMPLOYED OVER LAST 5 YEARS



past 90 days from October 19, 2024

WHO'S HIRING

• UNC Health Care System	258
• CarolinaEast Health System	231
• Wayne County Public Schools	217
• AutoZone, Inc.	129
• Butterball, LLC	129
• McDonald's Corporation	128
• Onslow County School District	123
• Carteret Health Care	122

WHAT JOBS

• Registered Nurses	195
• Retail Salespersons	171
• Physical Therapists	101
• Fast Food and Counter Workers	100
• First-Line Supervisors of Food Prep and Servers	98
• Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses	91
• Physicians, All Other	90
• Customer Service Representatives	88

METRO JOBS

Goldsboro MSA

0
CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

Industry Detail

Jacksonville MSA

300
CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

Industry Detail

New Bern MSA

200
CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

Industry Detail

TAXABLE RETAIL SALES

\$985,971,018

2.0% CHANGE FROM ONE YEAR AGO

JOB OPENINGS

10,760

32 CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS MONTH

*September 2024 data is preliminary. Taxable Retail Sales data reflect August 2024 and Job Openings data reflect August 2024.

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Another young adult was Shawn Fuller who obtained his GED and then used WIOA to complete Emergency Medical Technician training. JaMyria Skinner successfully completed her training in the Dental Assistant program. She then completed and was hired by the company she did her WEX with. Taylor and Jordan, a pair of sisters, both overcame barriers and used WIOA to become RN's. Taylor is working full time, and Jordan works part time while continuing her education to become a Family Nurse Practitioner. These are just a few of the outstanding participants who have participated in the WIOA program.

A special thank you goes out to the Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Consortium, Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Board and Youth Council members for their countless hours of volunteer work, and dedication to further the Workforce Development in the Eastern Carolina local area. Another thank you to the NCWorks Career Centers and Service Providers for their hard work and dedication in meeting the employment and training needs of the residents in our nine-county region. Thanks also to Lisa Harvey, Maureen Bell, and Heather Gallo for organizing the event and for the Eastern Carolina Workforce Development Professionals Association for the Gift Basket Auction Fundraiser. Music for the evening was by Sam Lewis of Big Sam and Company.



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