

DEMOGRAPHICS

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Labor

Carteret County has enjoyed unemployment figures that have consistently been below both national and state levels.

The labor force is consistent without seasonal fluctuation.

As of 2009, 54% of the population had completed some type of higher education with nearly 29% having completed a graduate or professional degree.

Labor Force Figures 2009 - Jan. - June

	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Labor Force	31,522	31,342	31,726	32,451	32,977	33,894
Employment	29,644	29,590	30,073	31,025	31,421	32,276
Unemployment	1,878	1,752	1,653	1,426	1,556	1,618

Source: NC Employment Security Commission

Labor Force Figures 2009 - July - Dec.

	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Labor Force	34,576	33,734	33,054	32,618	32,332	32,212
Employment	32,847	32,044	31,387	30,797	30,156	2,573
Unemployment	1,729	1,690	1,667	1,821	2,176	2,573

Source: NC Employment Security Commission

LARGEST EMPLOYERS - MANUFACTURING -

NAME	EMPLOYEES
Bally Refrigerated Boxes	173
Atlantic Veneer	120
Veneer Technologies	106
Parker Marine Enterprises	65
Jarrett Bay Boatworks	78

Creative Outlet	100
SPX Air Treatment	68
Carteret Publishing	65
House of Silk Flowers	45
Frank Door Company	40
Gregory Poole Marine Power	36
NC Coast Communications	31
Jones Brothers Marine Manufactureing	28
Sea Striker	20
Shearline Boatworks	16

LARGEST EMPLOYERS - NON-MANUFACTURING -

Carteret County Public Schools	1115
Carteret General Hospital	1060
Wal-Mart	420
Carteret County	478
NC Dept. of Transportation (Includes Ferries)	494
Lowe's of Morehead City and Cape Carteret	268
US Coast Guard	273
Food Lion	195
NC Natural Resources & Community Dev.	346
Lowe's Foods	205
Carteret Community College	161
Henry's Tackle and Big Rock Sports	152
Town of Morehead City	163
Duke University Marine Lab	125
Time Warner Cable	70
Town of Emerald Isle	123
Bluewater GMAC (excludes sales agents)	107
Carteret Surgical Association	105
Belk	124
Snug Harbor on Nelson Bay	63
United States Post Office	98
Sanitary Restaurant	95
McDonalds	105
NOAA	90
Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc.	85
Carteret Craven Electric Cooperative	84
Dept. of Corrections	81
Harborview Nursing Home Service	63
Sheraton Resort at Atlantic Beach	80
Taylor Extended Care	75

Source: Employment Security Commission, 4th qtr. 2009.
 Note: employment figures include full-time and part-time workers

INDUSTRY GROUP WORKFORCE

%	Category	Workers	Avg. Weekly Wage
2%	Nat. Resources & Mining	81	\$445
6%	Construction	1,550	\$555
4%	Manufacturing	983	\$536
15%	Trade, Trans, Utilities	4,660	\$487
5%	Financial	1,012	\$718
8%	Professional & Business	2,086	\$581
22%	Education & Health	4,762	\$664
6%	Leisure & Hospitality	3,390	\$268
2%	Other Services	615	\$424
5%	Public Administration	1,651	\$648
1%	Information	345	\$589
2%	Federal Government	276	\$1,048
5%	State Government	1,025	\$675
17%	Local Government	3,562	\$687

Source: Employment Security Commission; 1st qtr. 2009

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

Month	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
January	6.4	6.0	5.2	5.3	6.0	9.9
February	6.1	6.2	5.2	4.9	5.6	10.4
March	5.5	5.3	4.5	4.3	5.2	9.5
April	4.3	4.3	3.8	3.7	4.4	8.0
May	4.2	4.3	3.9	3.8	4.7	8.0
June	4.4	4.4	3.8	3.9	4.8	7.8
July	4.0	4.3	3.9	3.8	5.0	7.5
August	3.7	3.8	3.6	3.4	5.0	7.3
September	3.4	3.8	3.5	3.5	5.0	7.6
October	4.0	3.9	3.6	3.7	5.6	8.3
November	4.9	4.5	4.3	3.9	6.7	8.8
December	5.5	4.8	4.6	4.4	8.0	9.7

Source: NC Employment Security Commission (Benchmarked in 2009)