

Average Private Sector Wages



2020 Tier One		2020 Tier Two		2020 Tier Three	
County	Average Private Sector Wage	County	Average Private Sector Wage	County	Average Private Sector Wage
Anson	\$34,125	Alamance	\$41,611	Brunswick	\$39,253
Beaufort	\$38,008	Alexander	\$32,779	Buncombe	\$43,134
Bertie	\$30,994	Alleghany	\$31,465	Cabarrus	\$38,892
Bladen	\$34,856	Ashe	\$34,960	Chatham	\$37,603
Caldwell	\$40,124	Avery	\$31,700	Currituck	\$34,583
Caswell	\$36,427	Burke	\$36,801	Davie	\$37,253
Chowan	\$35,615	Camden	\$35,078	Durham	\$71,756
Cleveland	\$40,019	Carteret	\$33,002	Haywood	\$36,674
Columbus	\$34,675	Catawba	\$43,133	Henderson	\$39,512
Cumberland	\$37,686	Cherokee	\$32,400	Iredell	\$49,696
Duplin	\$35,585	Clay	\$31,206	Johnston	\$40,734
Edgecombe	\$35,732	Craven	\$39,166	Lincoln	\$40,985
Graham	\$35,024	Dare	\$31,628	Mecklenburg	\$68,070
Greene	\$31,960	Davidson	\$40,499	Moore	\$39,889
Halifax	\$32,853	Forsyth	\$52,050	New Hanover	\$44,620
Hertford	\$38,812	Franklin	\$44,244	Orange	\$48,362
Hyde	\$30,790	Gaston	\$41,739	Pender	\$33,978
Jones	\$33,512	Gates	\$34,220	Union	\$44,989
Lenoir	\$38,241	Granville	\$40,831	Wake	\$62,395
Martin	\$30,577	Guilford	\$49,002	Watauga	\$33,134
Mitchell	\$39,792	Harnett	\$34,242		
Nash	\$40,806	Hoke	\$32,422	North Carolina	\$51,758
Northampton	\$39,376	Jackson	\$33,008		
Onslow	\$30,859	Lee	\$41,784		
Pasquotank	\$35,805	Macon	\$33,744		
Perquimans	\$34,509	Madison	\$34,465		
Pitt	\$41,008	McDowell	\$36,753		
Richmond	\$34,438	Montgomery	\$37,675		
Robeson	\$33,454	Pamlico	\$28,441		
Rockingham	\$35,146	Person	\$42,249		
Rutherford	\$35,976	Polk	\$32,077		
Sampson	\$36,995	Randolph	\$36,622		
Scotland	\$36,308	Rowan	\$43,883		
Swain	\$27,760	Stanly	\$34,211		
Tyrrell	\$30,502	Stokes	\$31,792		
Vance	\$35,727	Surry	\$37,222		
Warren	\$29,130	Transylvania	\$34,018		
Washington	\$44,720	Yadkin	\$36,129		
Wayne	\$37,063	Yancey	\$36,466		
Wilkes	\$36,535				
Wilson	\$45,705				

Source: Calculated by the NC Dept. of Commerce, Labor & Economic Analysis Division. For programmatic purposes, these annualized average wages have been calculated using the most recent four quarters of available Quarterly Census of Employment and Wage (QCEW) data as of **January 2020 (2018 Q3 through 2019 Q2)**.