

DavidsonWorks

JULY 2019

Career Center Activities

	Lexington Career Center Monthly Total	Thomasville Career Center Monthly Total	*YTD Totals
NCWorks Career Center Customer Visits	474	428	902
Intensive services, i.e. Job Search Assistance and Interview Assistance	375	311	686
Workshops/Job Clubs/ Resume Assistance	126	154	280
DavidsonWorks Business Contacts	33	32	65
Business Recruitment Events	16	9	25

*YTD Totals are for Program Year 2019, beginning July 1, 2019 and ending June 30, 2020



Career & Business Services



- ◆ Career Services staff are representing Davidson County on two statewide committees to improve processes in Career Centers across the state. One committee works to ensure staff in all offices are well trained in how to assist customers, and the other committee is working with staff from the Governor's office to improve reporting for the Finish Line Grants.
- ◆ Career Development Consultants presented WIOA scholarship and NCWorks Career Center information to 75-100 LPN and ADN nursing students at DCCC's Nursing Success Seminar this month. This is an excellent way of outreach to potential WIOA candidates in a high growth field.
- ◆ NCWorks Career Centers hosted 25 companies for recruitment events in July, an indicator businesses need to build their workforce. Around 125 job seekers attended the recruitment events, a good turn out in a tight labor market. Recruitment events are a good way for businesses to connect with multiple job candidates in a short span of time. Likewise, they provide job seekers with a one-stop shop for new opportunities. We anticipate recruitment events to remain steady through the fall as labor needs remain high.

Youth News



- ◆ After returning from a 4th of July week off, Get REAL students were introduced to a new computer program geared to help with the high school diploma and equivalency. Students are also now taking a different type of academic assessment used at Davidson County Community College. These changes will help students to gain the same skills, and reach the same benchmarks, as they would in traditional school programs, as well as help promote post-secondary opportunities.

WIOA Youth	<u>July Totals</u>
Number in Work Experience	16
Number in Secondary Education Training	5
Number of Students in HSE/AHS	39
Intensive Case Management	39

Adult & Dislocated Worker

Program Activities	July Totals
Work Experiences	4
Occupational Skills Training	92
Intensive and Training Enrollments	84
Core Career Services	102

Labor Market Information

As we begin a new program year in July, we will start sharing the Labor Market Overview each month. (You can find that report on the last page of this newsletter.) The Labor Market Overview is a report generated from the North Carolina Labor and Economic Analysis Division of NC Dept. of Commerce (NC LEAD). In that report you will find information such as: statewide, regional and local unemployment rates; top hiring employers in the County; and taxable retail sales. Although the report describes each value as information for “DavidsonWorks,” it is specific to Davidson County since we are a single-county WDB area. We hope you will find this information valuable and useful.

Also, over the next several months, we will share wage information about local occupational groups in Davidson County. Each month, we will highlight a different cluster; the below is for manufacturing positions.

Occupation	Entry-level wage	Average Wage	Experienced Wage
Production Occupations (General)	\$10.76	\$15.59	\$18.01
Production Worker Helpers	\$10.59	\$11.89	\$12.54
Machinists	\$12.48	\$18.40	\$21.36
Production Supervisors	\$18.88	\$27.91	\$32.42

Success Story of the Month

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Rachana, not her real name, came in for her RESEA appointment a couple months ago. She was on time, dressed appropriately and presented her work search as requested and complete.

She had been laid off from her assembly position at Leggett and Platt where she had worked for a few years. She seemed cheerful and positive when asked to share about herself.

Rachana's parents had brought her to the U.S. when she was only 5 years old from Cambodia 40 years ago; a time when her country was going through much unrest. Since then she has become a legal resident, married and raised three children. She entered the workforce only recently working with a couple staffing agencies and then getting hired directly by Leggett & Platt. Her English is good and her work ethic seems impressive but she had no resume and had some trouble with her interviewing skills. Working together we got her a decent resume and practiced with some common interview questions. These things appeared to make her more confident and relaxed. Since then Rachana has also received assistance from our Resource Room staff.

Speaking to her again a couple weeks ago she had not yet secured a job but called a few days later and joyfully expressed her excitement in being offered a position at a local manufacturing company. She wanted to thank all the staff at NCWorks for assisting her in completing online applications and providing interviewing tips. I feel confident she will do well.

Respectively Submitted

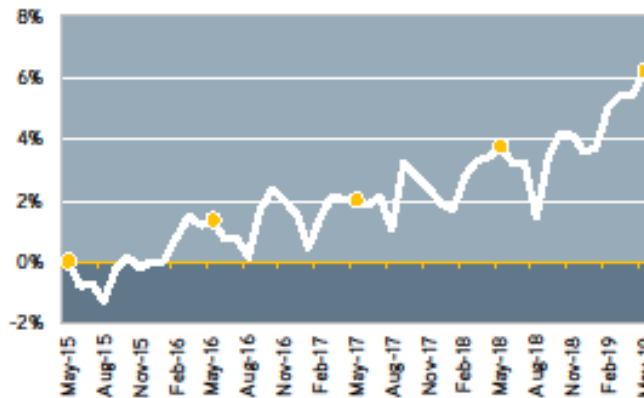
*Tim Byerly,
NCWorks Career Center, Lexington*

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Regional Labor Market Snapshot

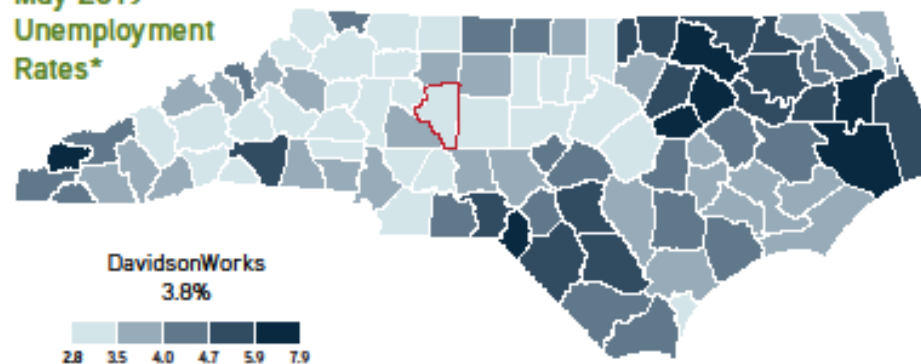
5-Year Percent Change in Number Employed*



DavidsonWorks Region

Source: LAUS, Labor & Economic Analysis, NC Dept. of Commerce

May 2019 Unemployment Rates*



Community Investment Report Top Announced Projects 2018 Annual Data

County	Company	Announced Jobs
Davidson	BMK GmbH	53

Who's Hiring

past 90 days from June 26, 2019

• Thomasville Medical Center	42
• County of Davidson	41
• Food Lion	28
• Novant Health	28

Source: The Conference Board Help Wanted Online

*May 2019 data are preliminary, previous month's data are revised while all other data have undergone annual revision. All data produced in this publication are generated by LEAD unless otherwise stated.

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What Jobs

past 90 days from June 26, 2019

• Registered Nurses	53
• Heavy & Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	44
• Combined Food Prep.	24
• First-Line Supervisors, Office & Admin.	23

Source: The Conference Board Help Wanted Online

Trending

UNEMPLOYMENT*

May 2019

DavidsonWorks Total = 3,138

	Current	Previous
Region	3.8%	3.4%
NC	4.0%	3.6%
US	3.4%	3.3%



REGIONAL EMPLOYMENT*

DavidsonWorks Total = 79,465

588 More People Working in May than previous month

1,867 More People Working than same period one year ago

METRO JOB GROWTH*

Winston-Salem Total = 273,600

2,700 More Jobs in May than previous month

5,000 More Jobs than same period one year ago

TAXABLE RETAIL SALES

DavidsonWorks Total = \$138,709,613

22.1% Higher

than same period one year ago

Source: NC Dept. of Revenue
Note: April 2019 data more current available at time of release.

ONLINE JOB ADS

672 Online Advertised Vacancies over past 90 days

81 Fewer Vacancies than same period one year ago

Source: The Conference Board Help-Wanted Online