



		Monthly Data		1		
Unemployment Rate %	Mar 2018	Mar 2019	Change	AVG Y-T-D 2018	AVG Y-T-D 2019	Change
Asheville City	3.2	3.2	0.0	3.5	3.3	-0.2
Buncombe County	3.1	3.2	0.1	3.4	3.3	-0.1
Haywood County	3.6	3.7	0.1	4.0	3.8	-0.2
Henderson County	3.4	3.5	0.1	3.7	3.6	-0.1
Madison County	3.9	3.8	-0.1	4.3	4.0	-0.3
sheville Metro*	3.3	3.3	0.0	3.5	3.4	-0.1
lorth Carolina	4.1	4.0	-0.1	4.3	4.2	-0.1
Jnited States	3.8	3.8	0.0	4.2	4.1	-0.1
otal Employment (Asheville Metro)	Mar 2018	Mar 2019	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2018	AVG Y-T-D 2019	% Change
otal Employment (nonfarm)	193,800	199,700	3.0%	192,200	197,700	2.9%
Major Industry Employment (Asheville Metro)	Mar 2018	Mar 2019	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2018	AVG Y-T-D 2019	% Change
Construction, Mining, & Logging	9,100	10,100	11.0%	8,933	10,000	11.9%
Manufacturing	21,800	23,200	6.4%	21,600	22,933	6.2%
Vholesale Trade	4,900	4,800	-2.0%	4,800	4,767	-0.7%
Retail Trade	26,500	26,800	1.1%	26,433	26,500	0.3%
ransportation & Utilities	4,700	5,000	6.4%	4,700	5,033	7.1%
nformation	1,900	2,000	5.3%	1,900	2,000	5.3%
inancial Activities	6,400	6,600	3.1%	6,367	6,600	3.7%
Professional & Business Services	17,800	18,500	3.9%	17,500	18,600	6.3%
lealth Services & Private Education	38,200	39,500	3.4%	38,033	38,800	2.0%
eisure and Hospitality	27,900	28,300	1.4%	27,567	27,867	1.1%
Sovernment (federal, state, and local)	26,200	26,300	0.4%	26,067	26,100	0.1%
Residental Activity (Asheville Metro)	Mar 2018	Mar 2019	% Change	Y-T-D 2018	Y-T-D 2019	% Change
Closed Sales	529	559	5.7%	1403	1381	-1.6%
verage Price of Homes Sold	\$311,059	\$330,871	6.4%	\$301,477	\$310,355	2.9%
ledian Price of Homes Sold	\$266,000	\$278,500	4.7%	\$260,000	\$266,000	2.3%
Pays on Market Until Sale	81	79	-2.5%	80	79	-1.3%
irport Activity	Mar 2018	Mar 2019	% Change	Y-T-D 2018	Y-T-D 2019	% Change
otal Passengers	76,565	121,801	59.1%	204,256	294,776	44.3%
uilding Permits (Asheville Metro)	Mar 2018	Mar 2019	% Change	Y-T-D 2018	Y-T-D 2019	% Change
lew Residential Permits (total units)	269	208	-22.7%	796	608	-23.6%
alue of New Residential Permits	\$51,676,700	\$47,083,000	-8.9%	\$153,532,700	\$138,448,000	-9.8%
		Last Available Data		1		
ourism (Buncombe County)	Feb 2018	Feb 2019	% Change	Y-T-D 2018	Y-T-D 2019	% Change

\$20,410,426

18.3%

\$34,510,458

 $Sources: Carolina\ Realtors,\ NC\ Dept\ of\ Commerce,\ US\ Bureau\ of\ Labor\ Statistics,\ Asheville\ Regional\ Airport,\ US\ Census\ Bureau.$

\$17,255,229

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Lodging Sales





9.1%

\$37,665,655

^{*}Asheville Metro Area is comprised of Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson and Madison counties.