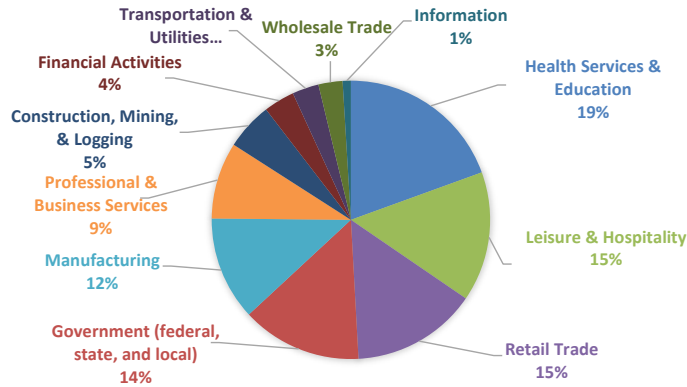


**Major Industry Employment Distribution Asheville MSA
July 2021**



Monthly Data						
Unemployment Rate %	Jul 2020	Jul 2021	Change	AVG Y-T-D 2020	AVG Y-T-D 2021	Change
Asheville City	12.3	4.4	-7.9	11.2	4.9	-6.3
Buncombe County	10.7	4.0	-6.7	9.7	4.5	-5.2
Haywood County	9.3	4.1	-5.2	8.7	4.5	-4.2
Henderson County	8.3	4.0	-4.3	8.0	4.2	-3.7
Madison County	8.5	4.3	-4.2	7.8	4.5	-3.3
Asheville Metro*	9.9	4.0	-5.9	9.1	4.4	-4.7
North Carolina	9.3	4.6	-4.7	8.0	4.9	-3.1
United States	10.5	5.7	-4.8	8.8	6.1	-2.7
Total Employment (Asheville Metro)	Jul 2020	Jul 2021**	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2020	AVG Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Total Employment (nonfarm)	175,500	185,800	5.9%	181,686	186,057	2.4%
Major Industry Employment (Asheville Metro)	Jul 2020	Jul 2021**	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2020	AVG Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Construction, Mining, & Logging	9,300	9,700	4.3%	9,343	9,557	2.3%
Manufacturing	20,500	21,700	5.9%	20,957	21,414	2.2%
Wholesale Trade	4,800	5,000	4.2%	4,986	4,929	-1.1%
Retail Trade	24,400	24,900	2.0%	24,186	24,943	3.1%
Transportation & Utilities	5,000	5,500	10.0%	4,886	5,529	13.2%
Information	1,600	1,600	0.0%	1,786	1,671	-6.4%
Financial Activities	6,300	6,500	3.2%	6,214	6,314	1.6%
Professional & Business Services	17,100	17,200	0.6%	17,429	17,786	2.0%
Health Services & Education	34,400	34,600	0.6%	35,157	34,800	-1.0%
Leisure & Hospitality	22,500	27,300	21.3%	22,557	24,686	9.4%
Government (federal, state, and local)	20,700	22,300	7.7%	25,200	25,229	0.1%
Residential Activity (Asheville Metro)	Jul 2020	Jul 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Closed Sales	905	823	-9.1%	4,170	5,238	25.6%
Average Price of Homes Sold	\$358,414	\$436,411	21.8%	\$345,938	\$435,263	25.8%
Median Price of Homes Sold	\$310,000	\$370,000	19.4%	\$298,000	\$355,000	19.1%
Days on Market Until Sale	62	26	-58.1%	66	40	-39.4%
Airport Activity	Jul 2020	Jul 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Total Passengers	53,309	182,470	242.3%	393,230	726,384	84.7%
Building Permits (Asheville Metro)	Jul 2020	Jul 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
New Residential Permits (total units)	254	274	7.9%	1655	2021	22.1%
Value of New Residential Permits	\$62,920,000	\$66,822,000	6.2%	\$371,178,000	\$543,254,000	46.4%
Last Available Data						
Tourism (Buncombe County)	Jun 2020	Jun 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Lodging Sales	\$21,909,885	\$56,425,903	157.5%	\$94,020,803	\$189,361,212	101.4%

*Asheville Metro Area is comprised of Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson and Madison counties. **Note: Jul 2021 Employment data are preliminary.
Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Census Bureau, NC Dept of Commerce, Carolina Realtors, Asheville Regional Airport, Asheville CVB.
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