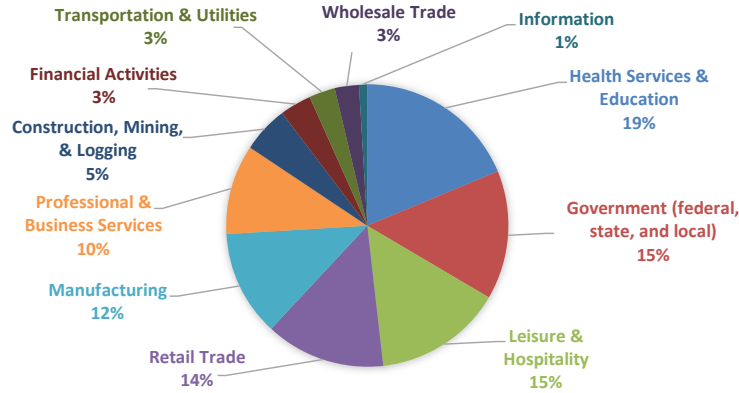




**Major Industry Employment Distribution Asheville MSA
October 2021**



	Monthly Data					
Unemployment Rate %	Oct 2020	Oct 2021**	Change	AVG Y-T-D 2020	AVG Y-T-D 2021	Change
Asheville City	7.2	3.2	-4.0	10.3	4.5	-5.8
Buncombe County	6.4	3.0	-3.4	8.9	4.2	-4.8
Haywood County	6.0	3.1	-2.9	8.0	4.2	-3.9
Henderson County	5.6	3.0	-2.6	7.4	4.0	-3.4
Madison County	5.7	3.1	-2.6	7.3	4.2	-3.1
Asheville Metro*	6.1	3.0	-3.1	8.4	4.1	-4.3
North Carolina	6.4	3.6	-2.8	7.7	4.6	-3.0
United States	6.6	4.3	-2.3	8.4	5.7	-2.7
Total Employment (Asheville Metro)	Oct 2020	Oct 2021**	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2020	AVG Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Total Employment (nonfarm)	186,100	190,900	2.6%	182,310	186,870	2.5%
Major Industry Employment (Asheville Metro)	Oct 2020	Oct 2021**	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2020	AVG Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Construction, Mining, & Logging	9,400	9,700	3.2%	9,340	9,620	3.0%
Manufacturing	20,800	22,000	5.8%	20,840	21,560	3.5%
Wholesale Trade	4,900	5,000	2.0%	4,960	4,950	-0.2%
Retail Trade	25,000	24,900	-0.4%	24,340	24,850	2.1%
Transportation & Utilities	5,400	5,500	1.9%	5,000	5,530	10.6%
Information	1,600	1,700	6.3%	1,730	1,670	-3.5%
Financial Activities	6,300	6,500	3.2%	6,250	6,360	1.8%
Professional & Business Services	18,200	18,700	2.7%	17,520	17,810	1.7%
Health Services & Education	35,700	34,000	-4.8%	35,160	34,540	-1.8%
Leisure & Hospitality	23,800	26,700	12.2%	22,920	25,370	10.7%
Government (federal, state, and local)	26,000	26,800	3.1%	25,260	25,370	0.4%
Residential Activity (Asheville Metro)	Oct 2020	Oct 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Closed Sales	939	809	-13.8%	6,841	7,750	13.3%
Average Price of Homes Sold	\$394,942	\$466,208	18.0%	\$367,963	\$444,958	20.9%
Median Price of Homes Sold	\$330,000	\$375,845	13.9%	\$310,000	\$360,000	16.1%
Days on Market Until Sale	55	31	-43.6%	74	39	-47.3%
Airport Activity	Oct 2020	Oct 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Total Passengers	78,416	171,476	118.7%	576,971	1,171,459	103.0%
Building Permits (Asheville Metro)	Oct 2020	Oct 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
New Residential Permits (total units)	274	285	4.0%	2767	2780	0.5%
Value of New Residential Permits	\$75,352,000	\$70,684,000	-6.2%	\$584,479,000	\$755,289,000	29.2%

	Last Available Data					
Tourism (Buncombe County)	Sep 2020	Sep 2021	% Change	Y-T-D 2020	Y-T-D 2021	% Change
Lodging Sales	\$36,323,991	\$53,014,937	46.0%	\$199,282,755	\$406,154,221	103.8%

*Asheville Metro Area is comprised of Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson and Madison counties. **Note: Oct 2021 Unemployment Rate and Employment numbers are preliminary.

Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Census Bureau, NC Dept of Commerce, Canopy MLS, Asheville Regional Airport, Asheville CVB.

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