



Unemployment Rate %	Monthly Data			AVG Y-T-D 2021	AVG Y-T-D 2022	Change
	Sep 2021	Sep 2022	Change			
Asheville City	3.5	2.7	-0.8	5.0	3.0	-2.0
Buncombe County	3.3	2.6	-0.7	4.6	3.0	-1.6
Haywood County	3.5	2.7	-0.8	4.6	3.1	-1.5
Henderson County	3.3	2.8	-0.5	4.4	3.0	-1.4
Madison County	3.5	3.0	-0.5	4.7	3.3	-1.4
Asheville Metro*	3.4	2.7	-0.7	4.6	3.0	-1.6
North Carolina	4.1	3.3	-0.8	5.2	3.7	-1.5
United States	4.6	3.3	-1.3	5.8	3.7	-2.1

Total Employment (Asheville Metro)	Sep 2021	Sep 2022	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2021	AVG Y-T-D 2022	% Change
Total Employment (nonfarm)	193,800	202,300	4.4%	191,200	199,200	4.2%

Major Industry Employment (Asheville Metro)	Sep 2021	Sep 2022	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2021	AVG Y-T-D 2022	% Change
Construction, Mining, & Logging	10,000	11,000	10.0%	9,800	10,500	7.1%
Manufacturing	22,100	22,700	2.7%	21,700	22,500	3.7%
Wholesale Trade	5,100	5,300	3.9%	5,100	5,300	3.9%
Retail Trade	25,100	26,600	6.0%	25,400	26,200	3.1%
Transportation & Warehousing	5,500	5,600	1.8%	5,400	5,500	1.9%
Information	1,900	1,900	0.0%	1,800	1,900	5.6%
Financial Activities	6,800	6,900	1.5%	6,600	6,800	3.0%
Professional & Business Services	19,200	22,000	14.6%	19,400	21,200	9.3%
Health Services & Education	36,100	36,200	0.3%	36,000	36,800	2.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	27,400	28,600	4.4%	26,200	28,000	6.9%
Other Services	9,000	9,400	4.4%	8,900	9,200	3.4%
Government (federal, state, and local)	25,600	26,100	2.0%	24,800	25,300	2.0%

Average Hourly Wages (Total Private)	Sep 2021	Sep 2022	% Change	AVG Y-T-D 2021	AVG Y-T-D 2022	% Change
Asheville Metro	\$27.16	\$27.52	1.3%	\$26.62	\$27.14	2.0%
North Carolina	\$28.49	\$30.32	6.4%	\$27.73	\$29.71	7.1%
United States	\$30.88	\$32.40	4.9%	\$30.38	\$31.99	5.3%

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<p>Median Price of Homes Sold</p> <p>\$429,550</p> <p>▲ \$54,650 from Sep 2021</p>	<p>DOM Until Home Sale</p> <p>26 Days</p> <p>▲ 3 Days from Sep 2021</p>	<p>Median Rent Estimate (2 BR)</p> <p>\$1,335</p> <p>▲ \$111 from Sep 2021</p>	<p>Airport Passenger Traffic</p> <p>156,600</p> <p>Total Passengers</p> <p>▲ 24,578 from Sep 2021</p>
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Monthly Data						
Residential Activity (Asheville Metro)	Sep 2021	Sep 2022	% Change	Y-T-D 2021	Y-T-D 2022	% Change
Closed Sales	863	742	-14.0%	6,947	6,253	-10.0%
Average Price of Homes Sold	\$466,475	\$539,240	15.6%	\$442,623	\$502,985	13.6%
Median Price of Homes Sold	\$374,900	\$429,550	14.6%	\$360,000	\$415,000	15.3%
Days on Market Until Sale	23	26	13.0%	36	26	-27.8%
Median Rent Estimate (2 BR apartment)	\$1,224	\$1,335	9.1%	\$1,081	\$1,279	18.3%
Airport Activity	Sep 2021	Sep 2022	% Change	Y-T-D 2021	Y-T-D 2022	% Change
Total Passengers	132,022	156,600	18.6%	999,983	1,325,591	32.6%
Building Permits (Asheville Metro)	Sep 2021	Sep 2022	% Change	Y-T-D 2021	Y-T-D 2022	% Change
New Residential Permits (total units)	287	288	0.3%	2,598	2,733	5.2%
Value of New Residential Permits	\$68,535,000	\$70,411,000	2.7%	\$697,776,000	\$851,912,000	22.1%
Last Available Data						
Tourism (Buncombe County)	Aug 2021	Aug 2022	% Change	Y-T-D 2021	Y-T-D 2022	% Change
Lodging Sales	\$54,302,310	\$54,539,069	0.4%	\$354,433,956	\$403,428,245	43.8%

*Asheville Metro Area is comprised of Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson and Madison counties. Note: Sep 2022 unemployment rate, employment, and wage numbers are preliminary. Sources: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, US Census Bureau, NC Dept of Commerce, Canopy MLS, Apartmentlist.com, Asheville Regional Airport, Asheville CVB. Supported by Western Carolina University and compiled by Riverbird Research. For more information, contact us at riverbirdresearch.com.

