Southwestern Commission Employment & Sector Trends 2021 Third Quarter

	2020 3Q	2020 4Q	2021 1Q	2021 2Q*	2021 3Q*	One Year Change	One Year Change (%)	Trend
Southwestern Commission Re	gion							
Total Employment	62,550	63,725	62,123	62,872	63,275	725	1.2%	
Top Sectors								
Leisure & Hospitality	13,249	12,997	12,114	13,013	13,284	35	0.3%	
Retail Trade	9,632	9,848	9,549	9,564	9,534	(98)	-1.0%	
Health Care	8,052	8,281	8,222	8,187	8,128	76	0.9%	
Government Public Admin	6,967	6,849	6,708	6,677	6,569	(398)	-5.7%	
Educational Services	6,118	6,946	6,848	6,943	6,485	367	6.0%	
Professional & Business Services	4,663	4,639	4,595	4,591	4,687	24	0.5%	
Cherokee County								
Total Employment	7,395	7,649	7,571	7,666	7,714	319	4.3%	
Top Sectors								
Retail Trade	1,421	1,442	1,416	1,418	1,414	(7)	-0.5%	
Health Care	1,238	1,371	1,337	1,331	1,322	84	6.8%	
Leisure & Hospitality	889	925	912	980	1,000	111	12.5%	
Manufacturing	578	588	609	617	627	49	8.4%	
Prof. Scientific & Tech Services	572	577	583	590	602	30	5.3%	
Government Public Admin	651	625	610	607	597	(54)	-8.2%	
Clay County								
Total Employment	1,965	2,012	1,954	1,978	1,990	25	1.3%	
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Haywood County

Total Employment	16,660	17,094	17,112	17,317	17,428	768	4.6%	
Top Sectors								
Retail Trade	3,071	3,233	3,160	3,165	3,155	84	2.7%	
Leisure & Hospitality	2,459	2,513	2,571	2,762	2,819	360	14.6%	
Manufacturing	2,478	2,539	2,583	2,617	2,658	180	7.3%	
Health Care	2,353	2,334	2,353	2,343	2,326	(27)	-1.1%	▼
Educational Services	1,249	1,450	1,440	1,460	1,364	115	9.2%	
Professional & Business Services	1,269	1,270	1,270	1,269	1,295	26	2.1%	

Jackson County

Total Employment	13,646	14,039	13,413	13,567	13,657	11	0.1%	
Top Sectors								
Educational Services	2,741	3,009	2,918	2,958	2,763	22	0.8%	
Leisure & Hospitality	2,632	2,625	2,344	2,518	2,570	(62)	-2.3%	
Health Care	2,023	2,068	2,076	2,067	2,052	29	1.4%	
Retail Trade	1,786	1,820	1,732	1,735	1,729	(57)	-3.2%	
Government Public Admin	1,339	1,288	1,259	1,253	1,233	(106)	-7.9%	
Professional & Business Services	858	862	792	791	808	(50)	-5.8%	

Macon County

Total Employment	11,042	11,311	10,851	10,988	11,056	14	0.1%	
Top Sectors								
Retail Trade	2,080	2,085	2,043	2,046	2,040	(40)	-1.9%	
Leisure & Hospitality	2,051	2,044	1,690	1,815	1,853	(198)	-9.6%	
Health Care	1,168	1,240	1,182	1,177	1,168	0	0.0%	
Construction	975	996	1,001	1,025	1,049	74	7.6%	
Prof. Scientific & Tech Services	903	938	962	973	994	91	10.1%	
Educational Services	737	905	904	916	856	119	16.1%	

Swain County

Total Employment	9,910	9,702	9,326	9,424	9,488	(422)	-4.3%	
Top Sectors								
Leisure & Hospitality	4,744	4,368	4,132	4,438	4,531	(213)	-4.5%	
Government Public Admin	2,385	2,409	2,387	2,376	2,338	(47)	-2.0%	
Health Care	828	834	839	835	829	1	0.2%	
Retail Trade	658	647	569	570	568	(90)	-13.7%	
Construction	235	258	301	308	315	80	34.2%	
Educational Services (public)	272	299	314	313	271	(1)	-0.6%	

Source: North Carolina Department of Commerce, US Bureau of Labor Statistics

*Forecasted based on a statewide industry-specific survey of businesses conducted by the US Bureau of Labor Statistics

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