

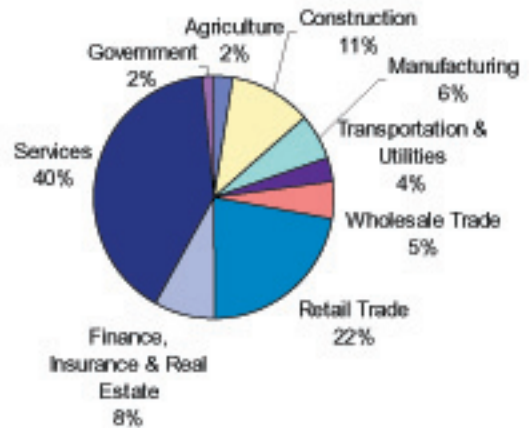


Buncombe County Businesses

Business Type	Number of Business Establishments
Agricultural/Forestry	227
Mining	8
Construction	1,027
Manufacturing	573
Transportation/Public Works	325
Wholesale Trade	467
Retail Trade	2,023
Financial/Insurance/Real Estate	763
Services	3,774
Public Administration	143
Total	9,330

Source: Dun & Bradstreet MarketPlace, Oct-Dec 2000

Buncombe County Business by Sector



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Buncombe County Annual Employment 1999

	Average Employment	% of Total
Agriculture & Mining	1,021	1.0%
Construction	6,398	6.1%
Manufacturing	17,392	16.5%
Transportation/ Public Utilities	4,490	4.3%
Wholesale Trade	4,856	4.6%
Retail Trade	21,778	20.7%
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3,511	3.3%
Services	31,126	29.6%
Government	14,611	13.9%
TOTAL:	105,183	100%

Source: North Carolina Employment Security Commission

Buncombe County Employment Base

