

# Mitchell County

Reporting Quarter: 4th Quarter 2007

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## Demographics

Certified Population, July 2006	15,894	87
Population, 2000 Census	15,687	87
Population, 1990 Census	14,433	86
Percent population change, 1990-2000	8.7	82
Percent population change, NC, 1990-2000	21.3	

## County Rank



## Workforce & Education

Employment, Nov 2007	6,844	87
Unemployed, Nov 2007	431	84
Percent unemployed, Nov 2007	5.9	17
Percent unemployed, 2006	6.3	18
Percent unemployed, NC, Nov 2007	5.1	
Percent unemployed, NC, 2006	4.8	
Percent high school graduates or higher, 2000	68.6	79
Percent high school graduates or higher, NC, 2000	78.1	
Average SAT score (2400 scale), 2007	1,508	20
Average SAT score (2400 scale), NC, 2007	1,486	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher, 2000	12.2	62
Percent bachelor's degree or higher, NC, 2000	22.5	

## Taxes, Sales & Services

Property taxes/\$100 Value ('07-'08)	\$0.5200
Taxable sales (Mil \$, Sept 07)	\$12.4
Taxable sales (Mil \$, FY 06-07)	\$125.3
Pharmacist/10,000 Pop, 2006	8
Physician/10,000 Pop, 2006	18
RN/10,000 Pop, 2006	96
Dentist/10,000 Pop, 2006	4
Tier designation, 2008	1
Partnership Region	Advantage West
Licensed Child Care Facilities, Sept 07	17
Child Care Slots, Sept 07	424

## Income, Housing & Poverty

Average weekly wage per employee, 2nd Quarter 2007	\$536	64
Median household income, 2005	\$32,519	77
Per capita personal income, 2000	\$19,661	90
Per capita personal income, 2005	\$22,669	91
Per capita personal income, NC, 2006	\$32,234	
Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2000	\$70,425	74
Median value of owner-occupied housing units, NC, 2000	\$108,300	
Percent in poverty, 2005	16.7	42
Percent in poverty, NC, 2005	14.9	

Notes: Data are the latest available at the date the profile was prepared. Demographics are from U.S. Census. Workforce & Education are from NC Employment Security Commission, U.S. Census, and NC Dept. of Public Instruction respectively; county unemployment rates are seasonally unadjusted. Average wage are from ESC's "Insured Employment and Wages in NC for Private Industry by Sector (2 digit)" which is based on the Current Population Survey." Income, Housing & Poverty are from U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and the U.S. Census, respectively. Jobs and Investments are from NC Dept. of Commerce. Closings & Layoffs by effective date are from the NC Employment Security Commission. Employment & Wages are from NCESC's "Insured Employment and Wages in NC for Industry by Sector (2 digit)" series; missing data or \* indicates data not available or suppressed for confidentiality reasons. Taxes are from the NC Dept. of Revenue and prior to 7/05 represent gross sales but after are taxable sales. Medical data from the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research, UNC-Chapel Hill. \*\*County Ranking 1=highest.

## Announced Jobs & Investments

Jobs announced, 2006	0
Jobs announced, Thru Oct 12, 2007	125
Total investment announced, 2006	\$0
Total investment announced, Thru Oct 12, 2007	\$2,300,000

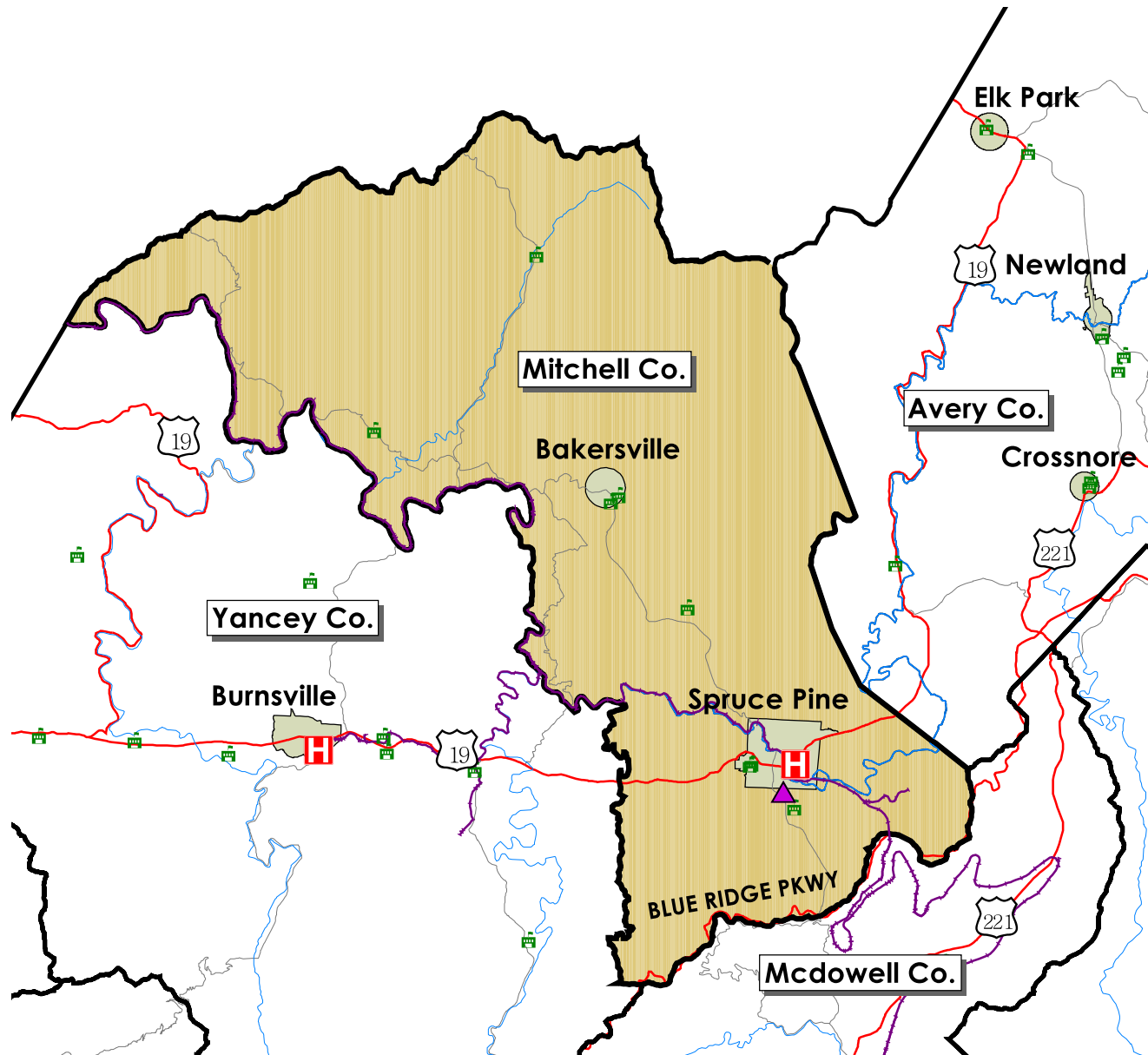
## Announced Closings & Layoffs

Number of affected establishments, 2006	3
Number of affected establishments, Thru Dec 2007	8
Job losses, 2006	340
Job losses, Thru Dec 2007	64

## Employment and Wages, by Sector (2nd Quarter 2007)

	Mitchell			North Carolina		
	Avg Emp	% Total	Avg Wkly Wage	Avg Emp	% Total	Avg Wkly Wage
Total All Industries	5,466	100.0	\$536	4,070,849	100.0	\$718
Total Government	1,233	22.6	\$554	678,349	16.7	\$754
Total Private Industry	4,233	77.4	\$531	3,392,501	83.3	\$711
Agriculture Forestry Fishing & Hunting	0	0.0	\$0	30,294	0.7	\$517
Mining	0	0.0	\$0	4,055	0.1	\$1,176
Utilities	17	0.3	\$1,344	13,939	0.3	\$1,378
Construction	403	7.4	\$488	255,709	6.0	\$729
Manufacturing	405	7.4	\$600	537,281	13.2	\$876
Wholesale Trade	132	2.4	\$574	182,823	4.5	\$1,021
Retail Trade	747	13.7	\$405	462,301	11.4	\$468
Transportation and Warehousing	208	3.8	\$687	115,772	2.8	\$721
Information	29	0.5	\$505	72,926	1.8	\$1,025
Finance and Insurance	138	2.5	\$558	152,965	3.8	\$1,183
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	43	0.8	\$257	54,786	1.3	\$673
Professional and Technical Services	79	1.4	\$490	182,439	4.5	\$1,082
Management of Companies and Enterprises	32	0.6	\$605	69,658	1.7	\$1,374
Administrative and Waste Services	119	2.2	\$474	243,995	6.0	\$505
Educational Services	117	2.1	\$327	57,097	1.4	\$711
Health Care and Social Assistance	863	15.8	\$587	434,459	10.7	\$688
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	105	1.9	\$198	53,965	1.3	\$551
Accommodation and Food Services	285	5.2	\$189	346,693	8.5	\$260
Other Services Ex. Public Admin	89	1.6	\$349	103,559	2.5	\$475
Public Administration				228,584	5.6	\$765
Unclassified	28	0.5	\$355	17,783	0.4	\$651

# Trends Profile Map Mitchell County



## Legend

- Public Schools
- Airports
- Hospitals
- Colleges and Universities
- Community Colleges
- Rail Lines
- Interstate highways
- US Highways
- State and County Highways
- Major Rivers and Streams
- Major Waterbodies
- Municipal Boundaries



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Employment Characteristics

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## Top Manufacturers (2nd Quarter 2007)

GENESIS FURNITURE INDUSTRIES INC  
 NEW BUCK CORPORATION  
 THE FELDSPAR CORP  
 UNITED STATES GYPSUM CO (A CORP)  
 MITCHELL WELDING INC  
 SPRUCE PINE MICA CO INC  
 SUPERIOR CONSTRUCTION & REPAIR INC  
 BUCHANAN GEMSTONE MINES INC  
 MAYLAND COURT  
 MITCHELL PALLET CO INC

## Employment Range

50-99  
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 Below 50  
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## Top Non-Manufacturing Employers (2nd Quarter 2007)

SPRUCE PINE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL  
 MITCHELL COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
 UNIMIN CORPORATION  
 WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC  
 MAYLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
 TOE RIVER HEALTH DISTRICT  
 MITCHELL COUNTY  
 SSC SPRUCE PINE OPERATING COMPANY  
 HIDDEN CREEK CONTRACTORS INC  
 CAROLINA HOME CARE SPECIALISTS INC

## Employment Range

250-499  
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 100-249  
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 100-249  
 50-99

## Industry

Education and Health Services  
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 Natural Resources and Mining  
 Trade, Transportation, and Utilities  
 Education and Health Services  
 Public Administration  
 Public Administration  
 Education and Health Services  
 Construction  
 Education and Health Services