

MAJOR PRIVATE EMPLOYERS IN NORTH CAROLINA

Table 9

The State's largest major private employers, ranked in order according to first quarter 2003 preliminary employment averages, are listed:

2003 Rank	Employer	Type of Business
1	Wal-Mart Stores, Inc.	Discount store chain
2	Food Lion, Inc.	Supermarket chain
3	Duke University	Private university, medical center
4	First Union National Bank	Banking and financial services
5	IBM Corporation	Computers, telecommunications
6	Harris Teeter, Inc.	Supermarket chain
7	Lowes Home Centers, Inc.	Hardware chain
8	US Airways, Inc	Airline
9	Sara Lee Corporation	Hosiery, baked goods, apparel
10	United Parcel Service, Inc	Delivery services
11	Branch Banking & Trust Co	Banking and financial services
12	Bank of America, NA	Banking and financial services
13	Belk, Inc.	Department store chain
14	K-Mart Corporation	Discount store chain
15	North Carolina Baptist Hospitals	Medical services
16	Duke Energy Corporation	Utility - electrical
17	Lowes Food Stores, Inc	Supermarket chain
18	GlaxoSmithKline	Pharmaceuticals
19	R J Reynolds Tobacco Corporation	Tobacco
20	Moses H Cone Memorial Hospital	Medical services
21	Sears Roebuck and Company	Department store chain
22	Broyhill Furniture Industries, Inc.	Furniture manufacturing
23	Smithfield Packing Co.	Meat packing
24	Memorial Mission Hospital, Inc	Medical services
25	Bell South Telecommunications, Inc	Telecommunications

Source: North Carolina Employment Security Commission