Commuting Pattern and Regional Economies



It's no longer about county lines!



It's about finding business and industry solutions in a regional economy.

Vision East

- Eight (8) workforce development boards joined together to become known as Vision East.
 - Northeastern
 - Region Q
 - Turning Point
 - Eastern Carolina
 - Mid Carolina
 - Cumberland
 - Lumber River
 - Cape Fear
- Working together to develop strategies to meet the economic and workforce development needs of the 42 county area.

Vision East

- 42 Counties
- 3 Economic Development Regions
 - Northeast
 - Eastern
 - Southeast Partnership
- Strong infrastructure
 - Major highways, regional airports, freight and passenger rail systems and the deep water ports of Morehead City and Wilmington.
 - Shoreline of North Carolina
 - Provides opportunity for various types of employment in support of tourism.
- A diverse base of employers
 - Concentration of military installations which provide a solid foundation for Vision East's future success
- 14 Community Colleges
- 13 Universities & Private Colleges

Vision East Commuting Patterns

 The majority of Vision East workers stay within the area for work

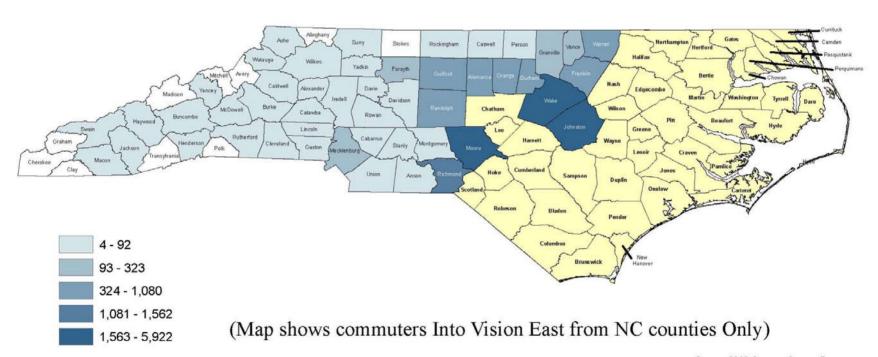
 79,240 workers commute out of Vision East to work

Average commute time is 25.9 minutes

Workers Commuting into Vision East



- * A total of 36,225 workers commute into Vision East.
- * A total of 4,868 or 13.5 percent of commuters are commuting from South Carolina.
- * A total of 2,960 or 8.2 percent of commuters are commuting from Virginia.

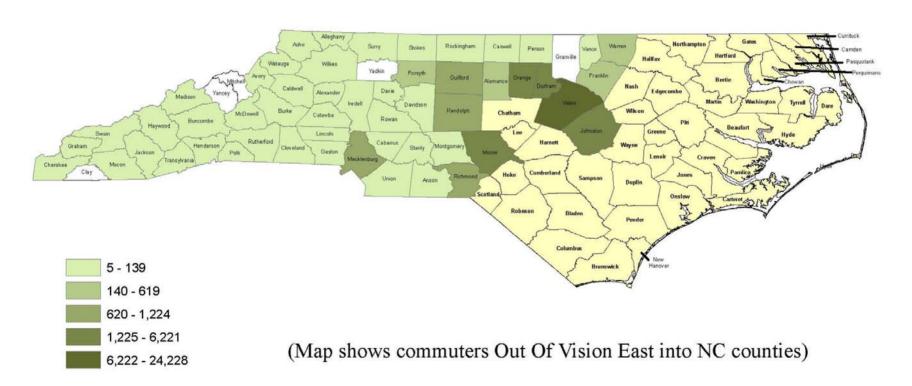


Source: 2000 Census; Census Bureau

Workers Commuting out of Vision East

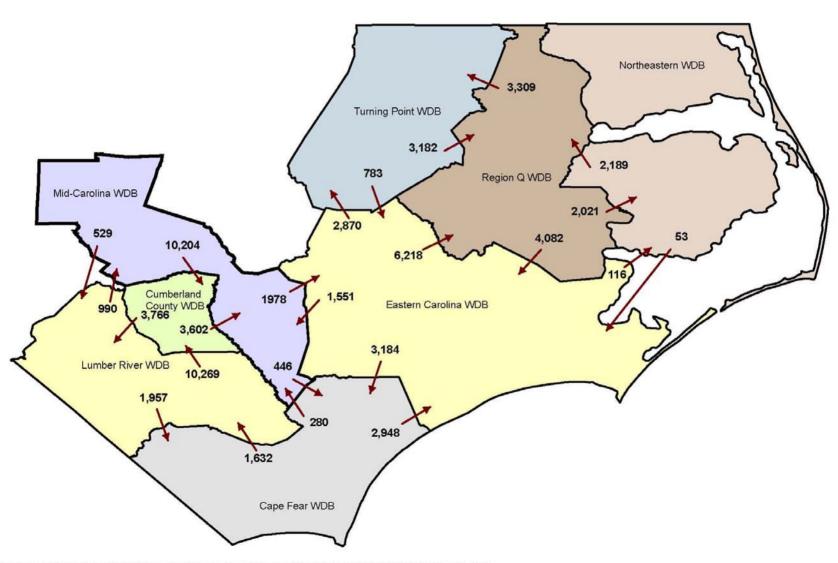


- * A total of 79,240 workers commute out of Vision East.
- * A total of 6,122 or 7.7 percent of commuters are commuting to South Carolina.
- * A total of 12,721 or 16 percent of commuters are commuting to Virginia.



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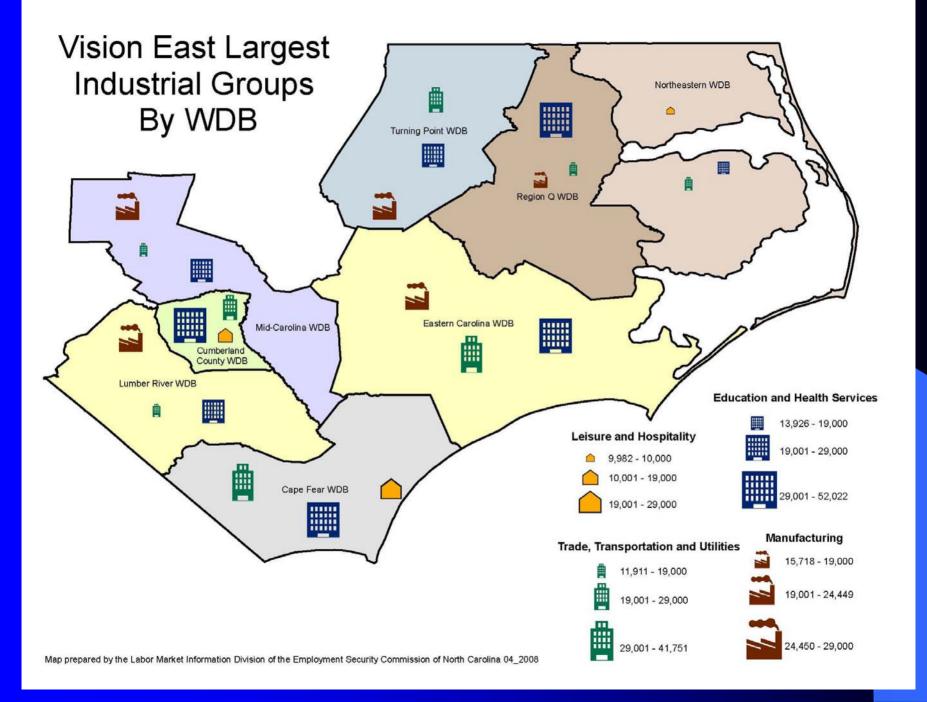
Vision East Workforce Development Board Commuting Patterns



Map prepared by the Labor Market Information Division of the Employment Security Commission of North Carolina 04_2008

Existing Industrial Structure

- Predominant Industries
 - **42 % Educational and Health Services**
 - 32 % Trade, Transportation & Utilities
 - 18 % Manufacturing
 - 8 % Leisure and Hospitality
- Top 25 largest Employers are concentrated in 4 Industrial Groups
 - Educational and Health Services
 - Public Administration
 - Trade, Transportation and Utilities
 - Manufacturing



Vision East Unemployment, Business Closures and Layoffs

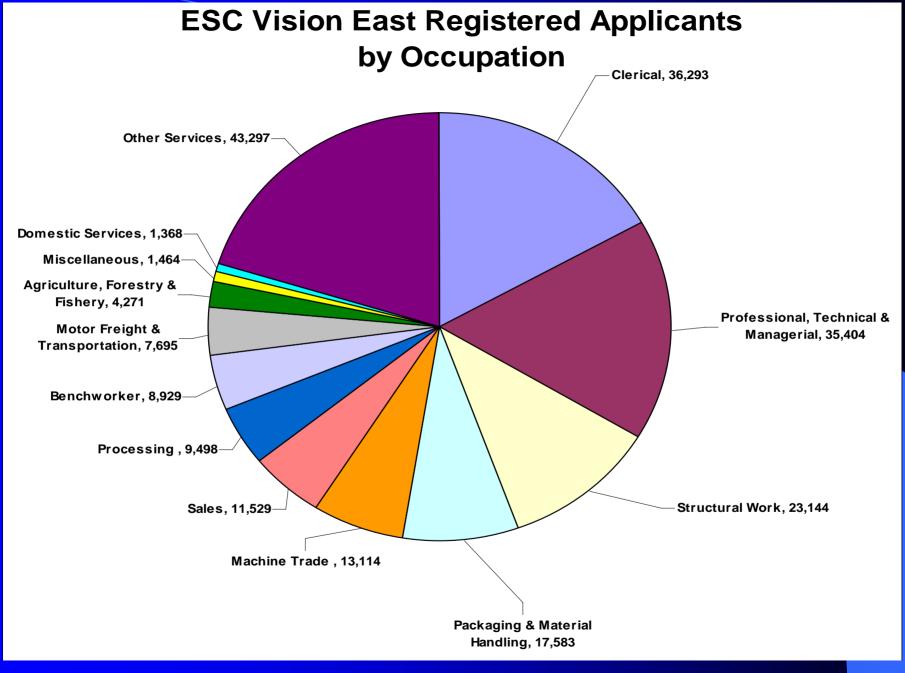
- 2001
 - North Carolina's average unemployment rate 5.6%
 - Vision East's average unemployment rate 6.5%
 - The area experienced several business closings and layoffs
 - These events were due to foreign competition, consolidation, financial difficulties and corporate restructuring
 - Vision East's manufacturing industries were impacted the most
 - Major events included: Corning Inc., DuPont Company and Alamac Knits
- **2006**
 - North Carolina's average unemployment rate 4.7%
 - Vision East's average unemployment rate 5.2%
 - The area experienced fewer layoffs and closings
 - However, the Manufacturing Industry still experienced several events
 - Major events included: Black & Decker, Collins & Aikman, and VF
 Jeanswear

Vision East Registered Applicants

- In March of 2008 there were 118,401 individuals within Vision East who were registered for work with the Employment Security Commission
 - Demographic Characteristics
 - Age

•	<22 years	9%
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- 22-44 years 59%
- 45+ years 32%
- Gender
 - Female 49%
 - Male 51%
- Race
 - Black 50%
 - White 41%



Vision East Registered Applicants

Work Experience

– Females

 Majority with Work Experience in Clerical and Other Service Occupations (including housekeepers, janitors food and beverage preparation workers, barbers and cosmetology workers)

– Males

 Majority with Work Experience in Structural Worker Occupations, Packaging and Material Handling Occupations and Machine Trade Occupations

Industrial Projections

- The industrial composition across the 8 Workforce Development Boards have both communalities and differences
- In 2004, the WDB's varied across several industry groups
 - Manufacturing, (Northeastern WDB 5.4%; Lumber River WDB 27.3%)
 - Health Care and Social Assistance (Northeastern WDB 7.8%; Region Q 17.5%)
 - Accommodation and Food Services (Lumber River WDB 6.0% Northeastern WDB 12.7%
 - Government (Mid-Carolina 6.3%; Eastern Carolina 14.6%)
- By 2014
 - Vision East is projected to add over 152,000 jobs over its 2004 industry employment levels
 - Significant growth is projected in Health Care and Social Assistance (31.5%)
 - Manufacturing is projected to decrease in all WDB's.
 - However, Manufacturing employment is projected to remain a significant industry in several of the WDB's
 - Mid Carolina 25%; Lumber River 22.2%; Turning Point 17.5% and Region Q 12.4%)

Vision East Occupational Projections (Annual)

Occupational Groups	New Jobs	% of New Jobs	Replacement Jobs	Predicted Need	% of Total Needed	Number of Occupations
Food Preparation &Serving Related	2,000	13.7	3,410	5,410	15.3	18
Sales & Related	1,630	11.1	3,520	5,150	14.6	21
Office & Administrative Support	1,220	8.3	2,890	4,110	11.7	54
Education, Training, & Library	1,560	10.6	1,210	2,760	7.8	60
Transportation & Material Moving	900	6.1	1,430	2,330	6.6	45
Production	410	2.8	1,790	2,200	6.2	142
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	1,250	8.5	660	1,910	5.4	52
Healthcare Support	1,160	7.9	440	1,600	4.5	15
Management	650	4.4	840	1,490	4.2	34
Installation, Maintenance, & Repair	490	3.3	890	1,380	3.9	51
Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	720	4.9	610	1,330	3.8	10
Construction & Extraction	560	3.8	780	1,340	3.8	54
Personal Care & Service	570	3.9	510	1,080	3.1	34
Protective Service	230	1.6	660	890	2.5	21
Community & Social Services	380	2.6	300	680	1.9	17
Business & Financial Operations	330	2.3	310	640	1.8	31
Computer and Mathematical	340	2.3	120	460	1.3	15
Legal	140	1.0	30	170	0.5	9
Farming, Fishing, & Forestry	40	0.3	100	140	0.4	16
Life, Physical, & Social Science	30	0.2	70	100	0.3	43
Architecture & Engineering	20	0.1	50	70	0.2	35
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, & Media	20	0.1	0	20	0.1	41

Vision East Workforce Development Board Approved Training Programs

- The 8 Workforce Development Boards have approved over 2,500 instructional programs.
- The program areas with the largest number of approvals include
 - Computer Information Sciences and Support Services
 - Computer networking and telecommunications
 - Computer Analysis
 - Business, Management, Marketing and Related Support Services
 - Executive Assistants and Secretarial
 - Office Management and Supervision
 - Health Profession and Related Clinical Sciences
 - Pharmacy Technicians and Assistants
 - Dental Assistants
 - Physical Therapy Assistants
 - Precision Production
 - Welding
 - Machine Shop Technology
 - Mechanic and Repair Technologies/technicians
 - Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technicians

How Does All This Relate to Your Grant?

- Identifying High Growth Industries
- Focus on Occupations and Career Ladder Opportunity
- Connecting to Local Board
- Knowledge of Workforce Area
- Understanding the Regional Economy
- Meeting Grant Performance Requirement
- Demographic and Workforce/Occupational Trends
 - Policies suggestions to help provide solutions to industry identified problems