

Program Focus Areas

Existing Business Activity ~ Business Recruitment ~ Product Development

Project Averages



71
 JOBS



38
 THOUSAND
 SQUARE FEET



11
 ACRES



\$18
 MILLION
 INVESTMENT

Project Activity Stats



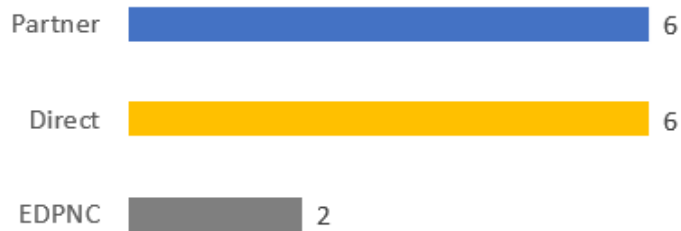
Active Projects



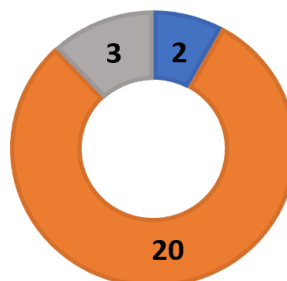
Projects Added

The EDC is engaged with 14 active projects which consists of 5 New and 9 Existing Businesses. There were 3 missed opportunities this month due to the building size and ceiling height requirements.

Projects by Source

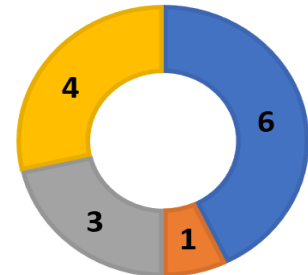


Projects by Location



■ Wilkesboro ■ County
 ■ North Wilkesboro

Projects by Type



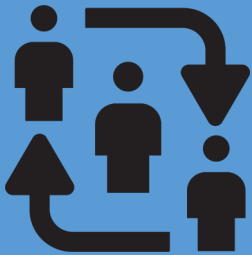
■ Manufacturing ■ Commercial
 ■ Distribution ■ Other

Existing Business Activity



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UNIQUE VISITS



11

FOLLOW UP VISITS



Samaritan's Purse Expanding in Wilkes

A Groundbreaking Ceremony was held on May 17th to announce the addition of a three-story, 47,000 sq. ft. office complex on Hwy 268 in North Wilkesboro that will house an additional 160 employees in Wilkes. Read more in the [Wilkes-Journal Patriot](#).

Meetings



19

PARTNER MEETINGS



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PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT



16

SOLUTIONS PROVIDED

Wilkes EDC Facilitated HR Committee Meeting at Tyson Foods

Wilkes EDC held a meeting with area human resources professionals in May to discuss workforce development opportunities in Wilkes. The meeting was held at Tyson Foods. The HR Committee will meet quarterly. To get involved, contact the Wilkes EDC.

April Unemployment Rate

3.6% ↓

Down from 4.2% in March. State April Rate is 3.6%.