North Carolina

Who has the good jobs? BA vs. non-BA

866,000 workers with good jobs have at least a BA



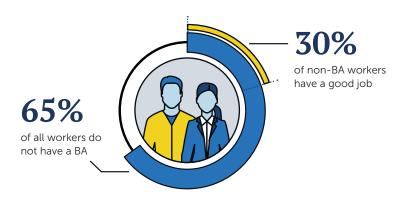
724,000 workers without a BA have good jobs

\$53,000



Median earnings of non-BA workers with good jobs in 2015

How big is the non-BA workforce?



non-BA good jobs

Earnings distribution of



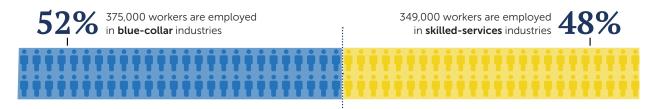
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Change in number of non-BA good jobs 1991-2015

Between 1991 and 2015 North Carolina lost 6,000 blue-collar non-BA good jobs, but gained 196,000 skilled-services good jobs for workers without BAs.



Non-BA good jobs in blue-collar vs. skilled-services industries



Source: Georgetown University Center on Education and the Workforce analysis of Bureau of the Census, American Community Survey microdata 2013-2015, US Census Bureau and Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey (CPS) March Supplement data, 1992-2016. Note: Figures in charts and tables may not sum due to rounding.

	Number of	Workers with	Median	Median earnings of
Educational attainment	workers	good jobs	earnings	workers with good jobs
Non-BA Workers				
Less than high school	304,000	39,000	\$20,000	\$51,000
High school graduate	851,000	222,000	\$27,000	\$52,000
Some college	843,000	287,000	\$30,000	\$54,000
Associate's degree	400,000	176,000	\$35,000	\$55,000
All non-BA workers	2,397,000	724,000	\$28,000	\$53,000
BA+ Workers				
Bachelor's or higher	1,303,000	866,000	\$51,000	\$70,000
All workers	3,700,000	1,590,000	\$34,000	\$60,000

NON-BA GOOD JOBS

Top five industries							
Industry	Number of non- BA good jobs	Share of non-BA good jobs	Share of non-BA workers with good jobs	Median earnings			
Manufacturing	140,000	19%	36%	\$54,000			
Health services	97,000	14%	28%	\$51,000			
Information, financial activities, and real estate	71,000	10%	46%	\$57,000			
Retail trade	66,000	9%	22%	\$52,000			
Construction	66,000	9%	32%	\$52,000			

Top five occupations				
Occupation	Number of non- BA good jobs	Share of non-BA good jobs	Share of non-BA workers with good jobs	Median earnings
Management	103,000	14%	61%	\$65,000
Office and administrative support	85,000	12%	24%	\$50,000
Production	76,000	11%	27%	\$52,000
Sales and related	72,000	10%	30%	\$56,000
Healthcare practitioners and technical	62,000	9%	55%	\$53,000

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