

## N.C. LATINO / HISPANIC WORKFORCE

*Review the following statistics on the Latino / Hispanic Labor Force in North Carolina*

**Hispanic population in NC:** 506,206 (Official 2004 Census figures)  
600,913 (Kenan Institute estimate based on difficulty counting undocumented residents)

**Hispanics employed in:**

- Construction 42.2%
- Wholesale and trade 11.5%
- Manufacturing 10.7%
- Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting 9.2%
- Professional and business services 8.3%
- Leisure and hospitality 5.7%
- Education and health services 4.4%
- Other \_\_\_\_\_ (To be determined by students)

**Top 5 occupations for NC Hispanics by gender, 2005**

**Male Hispanics workers in NC**

- Construction laborers 51,931 male workers in NC
- Painters, construction and maintenance 21,400
- Miscellaneous agricultural workers 15,998
- Roofers 13,900
- Carpenters 13,120

**Female Hispanic works in NC**

- Maids and household cleaners 7,986 female Hispanic workers in NC
- Janitors and building cleaners 4,825
- Butchers and other meat, poultry, and fish processing workers 4,748
- Cashiers 4,112
- Retail salespersons 3,800

**Source:** *The Economic Impact of the Hispanic Population on the State of North Carolina*. Authors: John D. Kasarda and James H. Johnson of the Frank Hawkins Kenan Institute of Private Enterprise at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The full report can be found at [www.kenaninstitute.unc.edu](http://www.kenaninstitute.unc.edu)