TEACHERS AND STATE EMPLOYEES BY FUNCTION

For the Fiscal Years 2014-2023

	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
General government (1)	5,859	5,811	5,769	5,631	5,501
Primary and secondary education	153,595	156,512	156,712	156,693	155,755
Higher education:					
Universities	68,209	67,987	65,824	67,166	65,697
Community colleges	17,002	17,025	17,122	17,761	18,095
Health and human services	18,432	18,286	18,270	18,270	18,098
Economic development	2,083	2,280	2,236	2,554	2,141
Environment and natural resources (1)	4,493	4,295	4,222	4,157	4,140
Public safety, corrections and regulation	35,267	35,232	34,205	34,963	34,034
Transportation	11,421	11,423	11,624	11,669	11,666
Agriculture	2,128	2,127	2,136	2,159	2,088
Total	318,489	320,978	318,120	321,023	317,215

Source: North Carolina Office of State Budget and Management

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2018	2017	2016	2015	2014	
(2) 4,983	5,160	4,857	5,270	5.357	(1) Starting in fiscal year 2016, the Department of Natural and Cultural
151,263	153,236	154,079	153,165	157,205	Resources is included in the environment and natural resources function; whereas
64,028	63,345	62,194	62,152	61,720	in prior years it was included
18,028	18,021	18,129	18,471	18,588	with the general government function.
18,038	17,970	17,552	17,620	17,801	
2,136	2,340	3,365	2,893	3,003	(2) Counts for fiscal year end
4,128	4,112	4,148	3,471	3,566	2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2022 and 2022 are projected
34,089	34,009	33,966	33,558	33,635	2022 and 2023 are projected from prior year data.
12,141	12,578	12,591	12,758	13,309	
2,082	2,077	2,066	2,080	2,081	
310,916	312,848	312,947	311,438	316,265	