



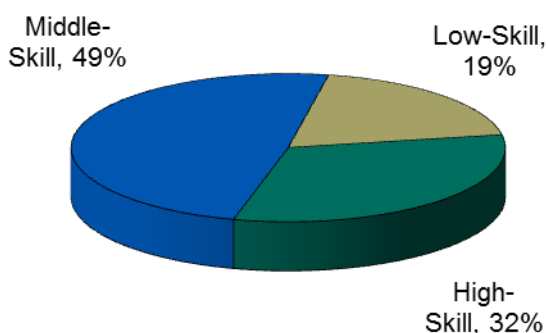
# North Carolina

## Growing North Carolina's Economy by Investing in the Forgotten Middle

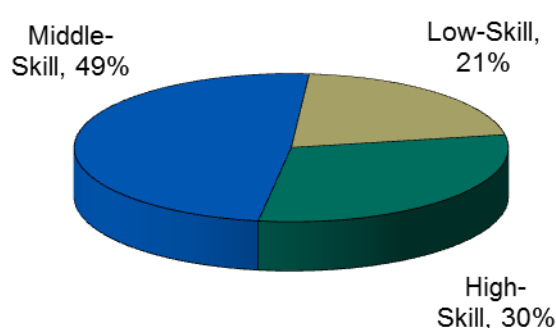
Middle-skill jobs, which require more than high-school, but not a four-year degree, make up the largest part of America's and North Carolina's labor market. All too often, key industries in North Carolina are unable to find enough sufficiently trained workers to fill these jobs.

### Demand for Middle-Skill Jobs is Strong, Will Remain Strong in North Carolina

North Carolina Jobs by Skill Level, 2008



North Carolina Jobs by Skill Level, 2018

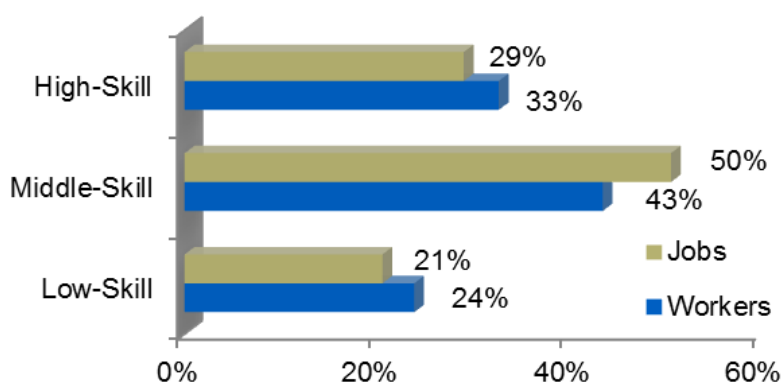


Source: North Carolina Employment Security Commission

### North Carolina's Skills Mismatch: A Middle-Skills Gap

In 2009, about 50 percent of North Carolina's jobs were in middle-skill occupations. But only 43 percent of the state's workers likely have the appropriate training for these jobs.

North Carolina Jobs and Workers by Skill Level, 2009



Sources: U.S. Department of Labor and U.S. Bureau of the Census