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New and Expanding Report

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Summary Information from 1/1/2024 to 12/31/2024

28	2,441	\$2,427,450,000	10	18
Total Companies	Total Jobs	Total Investment	New Companies	Expanding Companies

Alcami Corporation

<u>Industry</u>	<u>New/Expanding</u>	<u>New Jobs</u>	<u>Investment</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>
Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals	Expanding	0	\$0	01/26/2024

Notes

Alcami Corporation announced the opening of its new 65,000 ft² state-of-the-art Pharma Storage and Services operations facility in Garner, North Carolina close to the Research Triangle Park biotech and pharma hub. The new central North Carolina facility, now accepting client pallets for ambient/controlled room temperature storage, adds to the company's network of GMP storage facilities across North America. <https://www.pharmoutsourcing.com/1315-News/610489-Alcami-Opens-New-Advanced-Pharma-Storage-and-Services-Facility-in-Central-North-Carolina/>

Gallo Mechanical

<u>Industry</u>	<u>New/Expanding</u>	<u>New Jobs</u>	<u>Investment</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>
Skilled Trades/Construction	Expanding	35	\$5,000,000	02/05/2024

Notes

Gallo Mechanical, a commercial construction and services company based in New Orleans, is relocating from its 8,400-square-foot space into a 14,500-square-foot building in West Raleigh near the N.C. State Fairgrounds. The company acquired the building at 600 Germantown Road in January for \$5 million, according to Wake County deed records.

CopaAirlines

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Other: Airline, Aviation, Commercial Airline	New	0	\$0	02/05/2024

Notes

RDU will make traveling from the Research Triangle region to Central and South America and the Caribbean easier with direct flights to Tocumen International Airport (PTY) in Panama City, Panama on Copa Airlines. Copa will become RDU's 18th airline and Panama City will be its 10th international destination when service begins in June.

Siemens Energy

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Cleantech, Smart Grid, Solar/Renewable Energy, Other: Engineering	Expanding	284	\$0	02/13/2024

Notes

While most of the more than 550 jobs Siemens Energy announced for North Carolina on Tuesday are going to Charlotte, some of the highest-paid and most technical positions may be headed for Raleigh. That's because nearly 84 jobs coming to Raleigh as part of the deal are primarily in engineering, which often come with higher paychecks. The company will also expand its existing grid technology engineering operations in Wake County. All of the jobs are high-paying, with minimum wages of more than \$87,000, according to what the company told the state about its plans for both Mecklenburg and Wake counties. For Siemens Energy in Raleigh, that means both jobs and real estate, as the company is in the final stages of negotiating a move that will double its space here. The plan is to double its real estate footprint by moving from the current location on Capital Boulevard near Interstate 540 to a new, yet-to-be-finalized spot closer to I-440.

<https://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/news/2024/02/13/siemens-energy-raleigh-jobs-hiring-engineering.html>

WakeMed Health & Hospitals

<u>Industry</u>	<u>New/Expanding</u>	<u>New Jobs</u>	<u>Investment</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>
Healthcare	Expanding	0	\$157,800,000	02/21/2024

Notes

WakeMed has secured approval to add hospital beds to facilities in Wake County, beating out competing proposals from Duke Health and UNC Health. State regulators in late January approved WakeMed's applications to add the beds to existing facilities in Cary and north Raleigh. Meanwhile, regulators denied the proposals put forth by Duke Health and UNC Health. The approval means WakeMed can move forward in developing a 121,000-square-foot patient tower at WakeMed North Hospital on Falls of Neuse Road. The 5-story tower would include 35 acute care beds and 15 observation beds. The Raleigh-based health system estimates a total projected capital cost of about \$157.8 million.

Brooks Pierce

<u>Industry</u>	<u>New/Expanding</u>	<u>New Jobs</u>	<u>Investment</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>
Other: Law Offices, Attorney	Expanding	0	\$0	04/05/2024

Notes

Brooks Pierce is pleased to announce that it has expanded its Raleigh office with the addition of 5,915 square feet of space on the 18th floor of the Wells Fargo Capitol Center at 150 Fayetteville, bringing the law firm's total Raleigh footprint to 43,047 square feet. <https://nclawyersweekly.com/2024/04/05/brooks-pierce-firm-completes-raleigh-office-expansion/>

Iceotope Technologies Limited

<u>Industry</u>	<u>New/Expanding</u>	<u>New Jobs</u>	<u>Investment</u>	<u>Date Submitted</u>
Software/IT	Expanding	0	\$0	04/08/2024

Notes

A British technology firm confirms it's picked North Carolina for its new U.S. headquarters. Iceotope Technologies, which creates cooling solutions for data centers, plans to open its first U.S. office in Research Triangle Park off Davis Drive. Nathan Blom, chief commercial officer, said the short list came down to Austin, Phoenix and the Triangle. North Carolina was an easy decision, he said. <https://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/news/2024/04/09/data-centers-cooling-tech-iceotope-rtp-offices.html>

FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Advanced Manufacturing, Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals , Life Sciences, Other	Expanding	680	\$1,200,000,000	04/11/2024

Notes

FUJIFILM Diosynth Biotechnologies North Carolina, Inc. will expand its biopharmaceutical manufacturing facility (by 425,500 sf) in Wake County, adding 680 jobs and investing \$1.2 billion in the Town of Holly Springs. Positions at the facility will include engineers, scientists, manufacturing personnel, and other support positions. Salaries will vary by position; however, the average annual wage is \$109,923, exceeding the Wake County average of \$74,866. These new jobs could create a potential payroll impact of more than \$74.4 million for the region each year. Partnering with the North Carolina Department of Commerce and the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina on this project were the North Carolina General Assembly, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, the North Carolina Department of Transportation, the North Carolina Community College System, Wake Technical Community College, the North Carolina Biotechnology Center, North Carolina State University, the North Carolina Japan Center, Dominion Energy, Duke Energy, the Capital Area Workforce Development Board, the Wake County Board of Commissioners, the Town of Holly Springs, and Wake County Economic Development, a program of the Raleigh Chamber. <https://governor.nc.gov/news/press-releases/2024/04/11/fujifilm-diosynth-biotechnologies-expands-holly-springs-facility-create-one-largest-end-end-cell>

IXL Learning, Inc.

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Software/IT, Other: Education Technology	Expanding	0	\$0	04/25/2024

Notes

Education technology pioneer IXL Learning has expanded its East Coast headquarters by 22,309 square feet at Perimeter Park in Morrisville, N.C. The company now fully occupies the 90,089-square-foot office building at 1600 Perimeter Park Drive.

Ricoh

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Other: Commercial Printing Services	Expanding	0	\$1,800,000	04/30/2024

Notes

Japanese firm Ricoh cut the ribbon on its new Manufacturing Center of Excellence in Raleigh Tuesday, a move that will likely mean local technology jobs. The Tokyo-based firm, which moved into North Carolina State University's Centennial Campus four months ago, is partnering with the university to develop new 3D printing technologies and applications at the center. The new hub, a \$1.8 million investment, is located in the Keystone Science Center building. Woodson said it's one of the first partnerships on the campus in the additive manufacturing arena.

Solvias

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals , Other: R&D, CRO, Pharmaceutical Manufacturing	New	170	\$0	05/06/2024

Notes

Solvias announced today that it is expanding its global network of laboratory testing centers with a new biotech site in Research Triangle Park, N.C. It is the company's latest investment to expand its analytical testing services supporting life science organizations with the growing number of cell and gene therapies (CGTs) and biologics in use and under development. The 50,000-square-foot facility, expected to be completed in 2025 and bring 170+ jobs to the Raleigh-Durham area, will serve as Solvias' North American hub for large molecule analytical services. It will offer critical cell-based potency assays, advanced Next-Gen Sequencing (NGS) capabilities, and related testing services supporting multiple biologic modalities. <https://news.solvias.com/solvias-to-build-biologics-and-cell-gene-therapy-testing-center-in-research-triangle-park>

J.T International

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Agriculture, Headquarters, Other: Tobacco Wholesalers, Shared Services	New	100	\$0	05/09/2024

Notes

A tobacco company is moving its U.S. headquarters from New Jersey to North Carolina, a move intended to bring more than 100 new office jobs to Raleigh. JTI is planning to open an administrative headquarters later this year in Kane Realty's new One North Hills Tower at the North Hills Main District. The company expects to open its 17,846-square-foot office on the sixth floor of the Raleigh building this fall. The company already lists open positions for the Triangle on its website. The company is a subsidiary of the JTI Group of Companies headquartered in Switzerland and sells tobacco products under brand names that include LD, Wave, Wings and Export A. JTI has been headquartered in Teaneck, New Jersey. The company plans to open the Raleigh office later this year. JTI, which stands for Japan Tobacco International, already employs more than 250 people in the U.S. <https://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/news/2024/05/09/jti-tobacco-headquarters-raleigh-north-hills.html>

Collaborations Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals	Expanding	0	\$0	05/17/2024

Notes

Earlier this year, CPI identified a new office space in the Venture IV building on Centennial Campus, which was suitable for the needs of its growing AI software development team as well as its business and operations teams. CPI recently signed a multi-year lease for the new space, owned by Lincoln Property Group and located at 1730 Varsity Drive, Raleigh, NC. The new office features 2,700 square feet of open work space, a separate conference room, 3 meeting rooms, a server room, and a kitchen area. <https://www.counton2.com/business/press-releases/ein-presswire/712525085/collaborations-pharmaceuticals-inc-opens-new-raleigh-office/>

dnata

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Other: Aviation Travel Services, Logistics	New	25	\$2,000,000	06/20/2024

Notes

"dnata, a leading global air and travel services provider, announced the launch of operations at Raleigh-Durham International Airport, USA. It now provides ground handling services at 28 airports in the country, says an official release. "" dnata's expansion into Raleigh-Durham represents an investment of \$2 million and will create over 25 new, local jobs with the company. The inaugural customer is Lufthansa, Germany's flag carrier, which operates a five-weekly service between the North Carolina airport and Frankfurt with an Airbus A330-300 aircraft.""

<https://www.stattimes.com/aviation/dnata-launches-operations-in-raleigh-durham-invests-2mn-1352433?infinitescroll=1>

Kitchen Cabinet Distributors

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Manufacturing, Other: Kitchen and Bath Cabinetry	Expanding	100	\$0	07/17/2024

Notes

Kitchen Cabinet Distributors (KCD), one of the nation's largest and fastest-growing distributors of kitchen and bath cabinetry, announced today the relocation and expansion of its corporate headquarters to a new building in Raleigh, NC. The purpose-built 195,000 sq. ft. office and distribution center features state-of-the-art facilities and will add capacity to accommodate KCD's continued growth in the region. <https://www.morningstar.com/news/globe-newswire/9179441/kitchen-cabinet-distributors-announces-opening-of-new-headquarters-distribution-center-in-raleigh-nc-august-2024>

Alcami Corporation

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals	Expanding	0	\$0	07/24/2024

Notes

Alcami Corporation ("Alcami"), a leading contract development and manufacturing organization (CDMO), has significantly expanded the cold, stability, and custom storage options at its new 65,000 ft2 state-of-the-art pharma storage facility in Garner. With a prime location near the Research Triangle Park (RTP) biotech and pharma hub, the best-in-class facility offers diverse, customizable, scalable, long-term storage conditions for temperature-sensitive vaccines, biopharma therapies, cell banks, tissues, pharmaceutical compounds, raw materials, components and medical devices. <https://www.biospace.com/alcami-unveils-new-conditions-and-services-at-state-of-the-art-pharma-storage-facility-in-garner>

Jewelers Mutual® Group

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Financial Services, Professional Services, Other: Jewelry Insurance	New	200	\$5,850,000	08/13/2024

Notes

Jewelers Mutual® Group, a Wisconsin jewelry insurance company plans to add 200 high-paying jobs and investment \$5.85 million in Raleigh as part of a new innovation hub. The company is expected to take 31,000 SF of office space in One North Hills Tower. The jobs — primarily engineering and technical positions — are expected to pay an average annual salary of about \$169,600. Partnering with the North Carolina Department of Commerce and the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina on this project were the North Carolina General Assembly, the North Carolina Community College System, N.C. Commerce's Division of Workforce Solutions, Wake County, the City of Raleigh, Wake Technical Community College, North Carolina State University, Capital Area Workforce Development and Raleigh Economic Development and Wake County Economic Development, programs of the Raleigh Chamber. <https://www.commerce.nc.gov/news/press-releases/2024/08/13/governor-cooper-announces-200-new-jobs-jewelers-mutualr-group-expands-wake-county>

Driivz

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Advanced Transportation/Electric Vehicles, Headquarters, Manufacturing, Software/IT	New	0	\$0	08/29/2024

Notes

An Israeli EV company whose technology is used by Shell, Circle K and Volvo has quietly tapped Raleigh for its U.S. headquarters. Driivz develops smart EV charging and energy management software. Oren Halevi, chief product officer, will join the local office as Driivz builds out its footprint. The firm already has local ties, as it's part of the Vontier Corporation (NYSE: VNT) portfolio. The Raleigh operation will be located at 5438 Wade Park Blvd, where Vontier is headquartered. <https://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/news/2024/08/29/ev-firm-driivz-raleigh-headquarters.html>

Parexel

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals , Headquarters, Other: CRO	New	0	\$0	09/03/2024

Notes

A global pharmaceutical company is relocating its headquarters to North Hills in Raleigh. Parexel, a clinical research organization, signed a lease for 61,076 square feet of office space in the almost-complete Tower 5 in the North Hills Innovation District. The company will move from its current headquarters in Durham. <https://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/news/2024/09/03/parexel-headquarters-north-hills-raleigh-office.html>

Siemens

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Advanced Manufacturing, Advanced Manufacturing	Expanding	200	\$36,000,000	09/26/2024

Notes

Siemens has made a \$36 million investment in renovations and upgrades at its Wendell, North Carolina Electrification and Automation U.S. headquarters. The investment has bolstered facility and production capabilities and includes an interactive Customer Experience Center, workforce training Power Academy classrooms, a conference center, and future on-site microgrid. The facility has already created over 250 new jobs over the past year, with plans to hire more than 200 additional employees over the next four years.

Burns & McDonnell

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Advanced Manufacturing, Headquarters, Solar/Renewable Energy	New	0	\$0	10/03/2024

Notes

Burns & McDonnell, a global engineering, construction and architecture firm, has expanded its office footprint to 17,000 square feet at Fenton, a 92-acre mixed-use development in the Raleigh suburb of Cary. Matt Winters and Ashley Ingram of JLL represented Burns & McDonnell in the lease transaction, nearly doubling the tenant's square footage. <https://rebusinessonline.com/burns-mcdonnell-expands-office-footprint-at-fenton-in-cary-north-carolina/>

Weatherby Healthcare, Inc.

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Healthcare, Other: Healthcare Staffing	New	148	\$7,000,000	10/08/2024

Notes

Weatherby Healthcare, a CHG Company, announced today that it plans to invest more than \$7 million and create 148 new jobs in Raleigh. With this expansion, the company adds a new business unit to its North Carolina presence, while retaining 374 employees in the market.

Weatherby Healthcare is an industry leader in locum staffing solutions, helping medical facilities to fill staffing gaps and cover difficult-to-fill specialties.

“We're thrilled to be making the move to Raleigh. We look forward to providing high-paying jobs and the best in workplace culture to Wake County residents,” said Luke Woodyard, president of Weatherby Healthcare. “We're thankful for the opportunity to partner with both the city and county to make this transition a reality, and we look forward to joining this dynamic and engaging business community.”<https://www.wake.gov/news/weatherby-healthcare-create-148-new-jobs-invest-7m-raleigh>

Synoligo Biotechnologies Inc.

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals	Expanding	0	\$0	10/29/2024

Notes

Synoligo Biotechnologies Inc., a Contract Research and Development Organization (CRDO) based in Research Triangle Park, announced the expansion of its production capabilities with the addition of a new 5,000 square foot facility dedicated to high-throughput custom oligonucleotide synthesis. This expansion marks a significant milestone in Synoligo's rapid growth since its founding in 2022, enhancing its service capacity for both the therapeutic and diagnostic sectors. <https://www.morningstar.com/news/pr-newswire/20241029cl42665/synoligo-biotechnologies-unveils-new-facility-to-enhance-oligonucleotide-synthesis-capacity>

Lucid Software

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Software/IT	Expanding	59	\$0	11/21/2024

Notes

A software company is expanding in Downtown Raleigh — both with jobs and office space. Lucid Software plans to relocate its East Coast hub from the WeWork coworking space at the One Glenwood building to Smoky Hollow. Lucid is moving into 9,000 square feet at 421 N. Harrington, a 9-story, 225,000-square-foot Class A office building in the Kane Realty development. <https://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/inno/stories/news/2024/11/20/lucid-software-raleigh-jobs-hiring-smoky-hollow.html>

LYNK Capital

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Real Estate, Other: Mortgage Lender	Expanding	0	\$0	12/03/2024

Notes

LYNK Capital, a private lender specializing in loans for real estate investors, is excited to announce the relocation of its office in Raleigh, North Carolina. The move to a larger facility reflects the company’s continued growth and commitment to providing industry-leading financing solutions for real estate investment projects. https://www.einnews.com/pr_news/765661904/lynk-capital-expands-to-new-office-space-in-raleigh-to-support-growth

Amgen

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Advanced Manufacturing, Interactive Digital Media/Gaming, Other: Life Sciences	Expanding	370	\$1,000,000,000	12/06/2024

Notes

"Amgen Inc., the pioneering biotechnology company, will expand its biologics manufacturing operation in Holly Springs, creating 370 additional jobs. The company intends to invest \$1 billion in Wake County.

""North Carolina’s reputation as one of the world’s leading centers for biotechnology soars even higher with today’s decision by Amgen,” said Governor Cooper. “North Carolina offers everything an innovative biotech company needs to succeed, especially our highly trained, dedicated and diverse workforce which is fine-tuned to the needs of this critical industry.” <https://www.commerce.nc.gov/news/press-releases/2024/12/05/governor-cooper-announces-amgen-will-expand-wake-county-and-create-370-jobs>"

Live Switch

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Headquarters, Software/IT	Expanding	70	\$12,000,000	12/20/2024

Notes

A tech firm that counts Adobe and the NBA among its clients has bought a building in downtown Apex to be its new headquarters. LiveSwitch, a video communications company now based in Holly Springs, moves to Apex Jan. 1, according to its CEO. The company has been operating out of a small farm house converted into office space off Raleigh Street. It's moving to the new 3-story Highline building, with more than 30,000 square feet of space, on Salem Street in downtown Apex, which it bought for \$12 million. The additional space will support new hires for the startup.
<https://www.bizjournals.com/triangle/news/2024/12/20/liveswitch-apex-office-building-highline-hq-space.html>

Heron Therapeutics

Industry	New/Expanding	New Jobs	Investment	Date Submitted
Biotechnology/Pharmaceuticals , Headquarters, Life Sciences	New	0	\$0	12/23/2024

Notes

Heron Therapeutics, Inc. (Nasdaq: HRTX) ("Heron" or the "Company"), a commercial-stage biotechnology company, announced today the relocation of the Company's headquarters from San Diego, California to Cary, North Carolina, effective January 1, 2025. A majority of Heron's Management Team and corporate employees work from the Cary office, which is near the Research Triangle Park ("RTP"), one of the most prominent high-tech research and development parks in the United States. The growing biotech community in Cary and its surrounding areas provides ample space for growth and expansion.
<https://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/heron-therapeutics-announces-corporate-headquarters-relocation-to-cary-north-carolina-302338528.html>

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