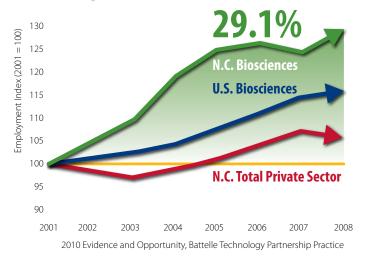
\$64 Billion and Growing

N.C. Tops U.S. Growth Rate



With 58,495 jobs at 538 companies, we know that biotech is making a big impact on the state. We asked Battelle to quantify that impact. They found that our bioscience industry and its ripple effects create:

- \$64.6 billion in annual economic activity
- \$1.92 billion in state and local taxes each year
- 226,823 total jobs
- \$75,470 average salary
- 29.1 percent growth, 2001–2008
 - Double the national growth rate
 - Five times the state's overall private sector growth

Get a look behind the numbers at *ncbiotech.org/battelle*.

One Job, One Story



Reginald Holt was a sales manager in 2004, making decent money to take care of his family. His work hours, however, didn't leave him much time to enjoy his family.

The North Carolina native heard about the biomanufacturing jobs

coming to the state at Wyeth, Merck, GSK and other new plants for pharmaceutical companies.

"I figured these jobs would go to people from out of state. I said I've got to be part of this." A career fair at the Biotechnology Center gave him that opportunity.

Reggie took classes in the Industrial Pharmaceutical Technology program at Wake Tech. His associate's degree led to a scholarship to North Carolina Central University, a bachelor's degree, and a job offer from Merck. Now he trains Merck employees in vaccine manufacturing techniques.

"Six years ago, nobody would look at me like a scientist. I was a construction worker. I was a salesperson.

"But the human being is not like a book that can be read from cover to cover. A person can do whatever they aspire to do."

That includes spending more time with his family.

Hear more from Reggie and a dozen of the state's other 58,000+ life-science employees at www.biojobsfornc.org.

