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North Carolina: People, Places, & Progress

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Instructions: Read the section and complete each item with words from the passages in this section.

1. The _____ of the big three industries gave way steadily in the last decades of the century.
2. In the midst of the _____ of the old forms of industry, new _____ opportunities came to the state.
3. North Carolina continued to make more _____ than any other state and to grow most of the _____ needed for those cigarettes. Because _____ Americans smoked, however, the size of the tobacco industry _____.
4. The size of the tobacco _____ (the permits needed to grow tobacco for the price-supported market) was cut in half.
5. _____ went into decline during this period as well.
6. _____ Mills became Burlington Industries but actually operated fewer _____. When cotton made a comeback in the 1980s, Burlington suffered a decline because there was less demand for _____ fabrics.
7. _____ continued to do well until the 1990s. Then, a new _____ center for showing furniture opened in Las Vegas, Nevada.
8. Newer companies enjoyed great _____ in the state during the 1980s and 1990s.
9. _____ was part of the great economic success of the Research Triangle Park (RTP), which dated to the 1950s. More than fifty _____ businesses located there.

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10. _____ also made people across the nation pay attention to North Carolina.
11. A merger of _____ in Charlotte, Asheville, and Greensboro resulted in North Carolina _____ (NCNB) during the 1960s.
12. When the federal government loosened the restrictions on _____ banking (where a bank can have branches in other states), NCNB was well prepared for the idea.
13. In 1991, NCNB changed its name to _____. After it merged with the giant _____ of San Francisco, it took the name of the bank it bought.
14. _____ has made North Carolina internationally important.
15. The most _____ growth of a North Carolina industry was stock car _____. _____ (National Association of Stock Car Auto Racing) had started after World War II.
16. By the 1960s, some of the best-known _____ came from North Carolina.
17. NASCAR went through a _____ in the 1980s. The original sport of _____ workers and small garage shops gave way to a _____ following of people from all types of backgrounds.