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SC Works Clemson Comprehensive Center East Park/Zoom
Tuesday, May 2, 2023
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- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Approval of the March 7, 2023, Minutes*
- III. Vanessa Cruell, Senior VR Counselor
- IV. Billy Hunter, One-Stop Manager
- V. WorkLink Data and Community Profile
- VI. Other Business
- VII. Adjourn

*requires a vote

The meeting may be attended in person at the Clemson Center or virtually. Zoom meeting information is listed above.

Next Priority Populations Committee Meeting, Tuesday, August 1, 2023

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
Priority Populations Committee Meeting Minutes
SC Works Clemson Comprehensive Center at East Park/Zoom
Tuesday, March 7, 2023
3:00 – 4:00 pm

Members Present

Lisa Gillespie Cynthia Sprinkle

Members Absent

Patrick Pruitt Edgar Brown Margaret Camp Billy Gibson

Staff Present

Windy Graham Jennifer Kelly

Guests Present

Billy Hunter Christina Roberts

I. Welcome and Introductions

Ms. Windy Graham welcomed everyone, and committee members gave introductions.

II. Approval of January 3, 2023, Minutes

The January 3, 2023, minutes were approved electronically through an email vote.

III. Committee Education – Department of Social Services

Ms. Christina Roberts, Upstate Transition Specialist for DSS, shared a presentation with committee members. Ms. Roberts works with the John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood. The Chafee program is tasked with assisting teenagers and young adults, ages 14-26, as they transition out of the foster care system. The DSS Chafee program provides services and funding for youth that relate to their future goals and independence. This funding covers academic assistance, transportation assistance, employment assistance, and housing assistance. The ETV program covers up to \$5,000 per year for college tuition and other costs for young adults up to their 26th birthday. Financial literacy workshops are available as well. Ms. Roberts provided her contact information to committee members.

Mr. Billy Hunter provided an update for the SC Works Centers. The Anderson SC Works Center, beginning March 13 will be open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. The center will no longer be closed for lunch. There is a temporary sign that has been placed on the outside of the Anderson center until a permanent sign is placed. WorkLink is assisting Frankische with a Rapid Response event for 170 employees. SC Works center surveys have recently become digital. Mr. Hunter stated approximately 2100 surveys have been sent, 280 read receipts, and 127 survey responses.

Ms. Windy Graham, staff to the WorkLink Board, referenced reports in the packet.

The targeted population WIOA data is found on pages 4-6 . Aggregate information is given for July 2022 to February 2023.

Beginning on page 7, Ms. Graham reviewed the SC Employment Situation from January 2023 that the SC Department of Employment and Workforce released.

The Community Profile was available in the packet, beginning on page 7. Ms. Graham stated that the Community Profile shows economic, demographic, industry, occupation, and education data for the Anderson, Oconee, and Pickens areas. The report can be revised to show individual counties and is updated approximately every 6 weeks. The economic outlook for January 2023 was included on page 18 of the packet. The South Carolina employment situation was located on page 22 of the packet.

WorkLink's unemployment rate is 2.7%, and the population of those with disabilities is higher nationwide at 7.1%. The percentage of our labor force with a disability is 24.1% (data from US Department of Labor).

IV. **Other Business**

Ms. Graham shared that the next committee meeting will be on May 2, 2023. Ms. Graham stated she would reach out to a potential speaker for the next meeting.

V. **Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Meredith Durham

Not attending school or Secondary School Dropout	<u>108</u> 45.96%	<u>108</u> 45.96%	<u>108</u> 45.96%	<u>94</u> 58.02%	<u>22</u> 46.81%	<u>8</u> 42.11%	<u>7</u> 38.89%	<u>\$15.86</u> 75.84%	<u>1</u> 14.29%	<u>12</u> 40.00%	<u>2</u> 15.38%	<u>0</u> 25.00%	<u>2</u> 25.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 25.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%
Not attending school; Secondary School Graduate or has a recognized equivalent	<u>118</u> 50.21%	<u>118</u> 50.21%	<u>118</u> 50.21%	<u>61</u> 37.65%	<u>24</u> 51.06%	<u>10</u> 52.63%	<u>10</u> 55.56%	<u>\$24.30</u> 116.21%	<u>6</u> 85.71%	<u>17</u> 56.67%	<u>10</u> 76.92%	<u>3</u> 100.00%	<u>6</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%
Veteran																
All Veterans	<u>6</u> 2.55%	<u>6</u> 2.55%	<u>6</u> 2.55%	<u>2</u> 1.23%	<u>1</u> 2.13%	<u>0</u> 5.56%	<u>1</u> 5.56%	<u>\$35.00</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%
Eligible Veteran Status	<u>6</u> 2.55%	<u>6</u> 2.55%	<u>6</u> 2.55%	<u>2</u> 1.23%	<u>1</u> 2.13%	<u>0</u> 5.56%	<u>1</u> 5.56%	<u>\$35.00</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%
Other Eligible Person/Veteran Spouse	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Campaign Veteran	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>2</u> 1.23%	<u>1</u> 2.13%	<u>0</u> 5.56%	<u>1</u> 5.56%	<u>\$35.00</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%
Disabled Veteran	<u>1</u> 0.43%	<u>1</u> 0.43%	<u>1</u> 0.43%	<u>1</u> 0.62%	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Transitioning Service Member	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Recently Separated Veteran	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>2</u> 1.23%	<u>1</u> 2.13%	<u>0</u> 5.56%	<u>1</u> 5.56%	<u>\$35.00</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%	<u>0</u> 167.39%
Active Duty Military Spouse	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Barriers																
Total With Significant Barriers to Employment	<u>214</u> 91.06%	<u>214</u> 91.06%	<u>214</u> 91.06%	<u>150</u> 92.59%	<u>38</u> 80.85%	<u>16</u> 84.21%	<u>14</u> 77.78%	<u>\$19.40</u> 92.76%	<u>7</u> 100.00%	<u>22</u> 73.33%	<u>11</u> 84.62%	<u>2</u> 66.67%	<u>6</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%	<u>6</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%
Individuals with Disability	<u>8</u> 3.40%	<u>8</u> 3.40%	<u>8</u> 3.40%	<u>6</u> 3.70%	<u>3</u> 6.38%	<u>1</u> 5.26%	<u>1</u> 5.56%	<u>\$18.00</u> 86.09%	<u>0</u> 86.09%	<u>1</u> 3.33%	<u>1</u> 7.69%	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Displaced Homemaker	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Underemployed	<u>86</u> 36.60%	<u>86</u> 36.60%	<u>86</u> 36.60%	<u>53</u> 32.72%	<u>17</u> 36.17%	<u>8</u> 42.11%	<u>9</u> 50.00%	<u>\$23.04</u> 110.17%	<u>6</u> 85.71%	<u>13</u> 43.33%	<u>7</u> 53.85%	<u>2</u> 66.67%	<u>6</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%	<u>6</u> 75.00%	<u>0</u> 75.00%
Dislocation Event	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>3</u> 1.28%	<u>2</u> 1.23%	<u>1</u> 2.13%	<u>0</u> 5.56%	<u>1</u> 5.56%	<u>\$21.84</u> 104.45%	<u>0</u> 104.45%	<u>1</u> 3.33%	<u>1</u> 7.69%	<u>1</u> 33.33%	<u>0</u> 33.33%	<u>0</u> 33.33%	<u>0</u> 33.33%	<u>0</u> 33.33%

Long-Term Unemployed	19	19	19	11	3	2	0	0	1	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	
	8.09%	8.09%	8.09%	6.79%	6.38%	10.53%			14.29%	6.67%	15.38%			12.50%	12.50%					
Public Assistance	19	19	19	15	5	1	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	12.34%	12.34%	12.34%	9.26%	10.64%	5.26%			13.33%	7.69%										
Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI)	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	0.85%	0.85%	0.85%																	
Supplemental Security Income (SSI)	5	5	5	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	2.13%	2.13%	2.13%	2.47%																
General Assistance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Living in the High Poverty Area	3	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
	1.28%	1.28%	1.28%	1.85%																
Free or Reduced Lunch	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Low Income	95	95	95	57	17	3	2	2	0	9	4	2	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	
	40.43%	40.43%	40.43%	35.19%	36.17%	15.79%	11.11%	117.17%	30.00%	30.77%	66.67%	12.50%	12.50%							
Green Training	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Target Group	Total Enrolled	New Enrolled	Received Career Services	Received Training/ Educ Svcs	Total Exited	With Credential	Empl at Exit	Avg Wage at Exit	Training Related at Exit	Emp Qtr 1	Emp Qtr 2	Emp Qtr 3	Emp Qtr 4	Training Related Qtr 1	Training Related Qtr 2	Training Related Qtr 3	Training Related Qtr 4			
Received Green Training	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	\$0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			

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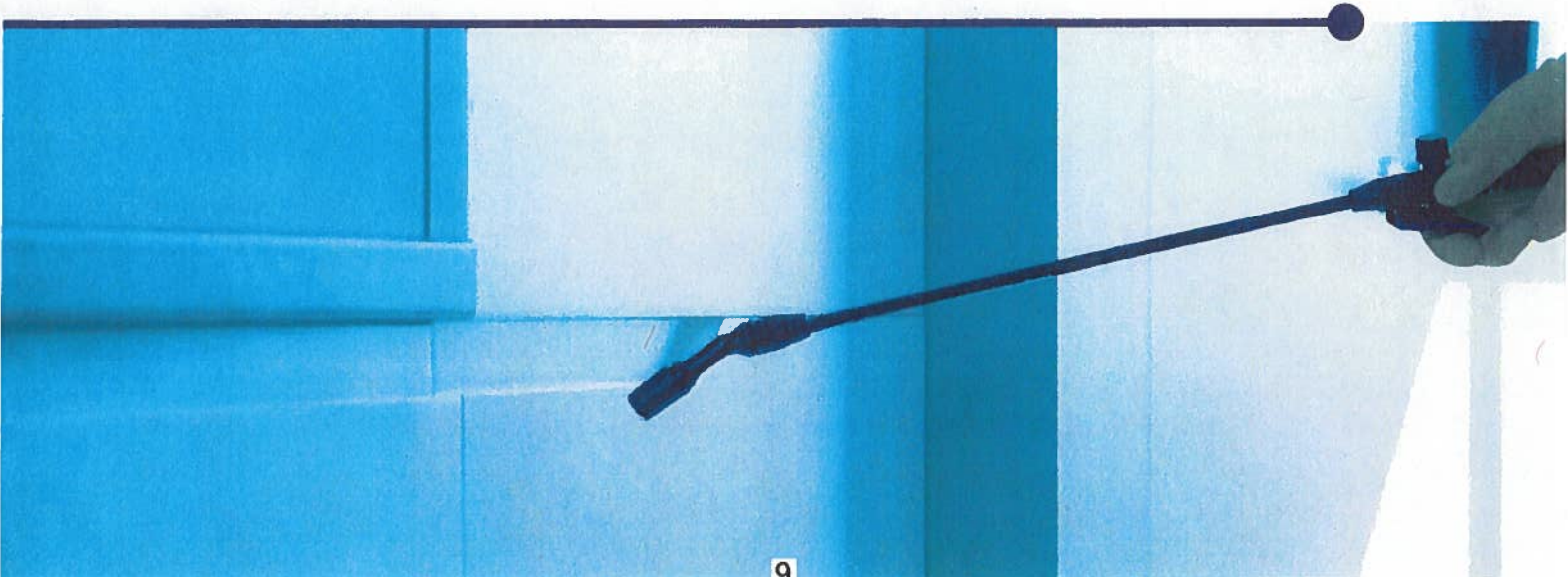
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NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome to the January/February 2023 issue of Trends! We now have labor force data for 21 municipalities in South Carolina on page 13. Can you tell which one was added?

On February 28, DEW put out a *press release* announcing the four new regional labor force analysts. These LMI staff, in addition to other duties, each have responsibility over data, analysis, and engagement in one of the state's four WIOA regions. Please feel free to get in touch with them directly if you have a stake in workforce development in their area.

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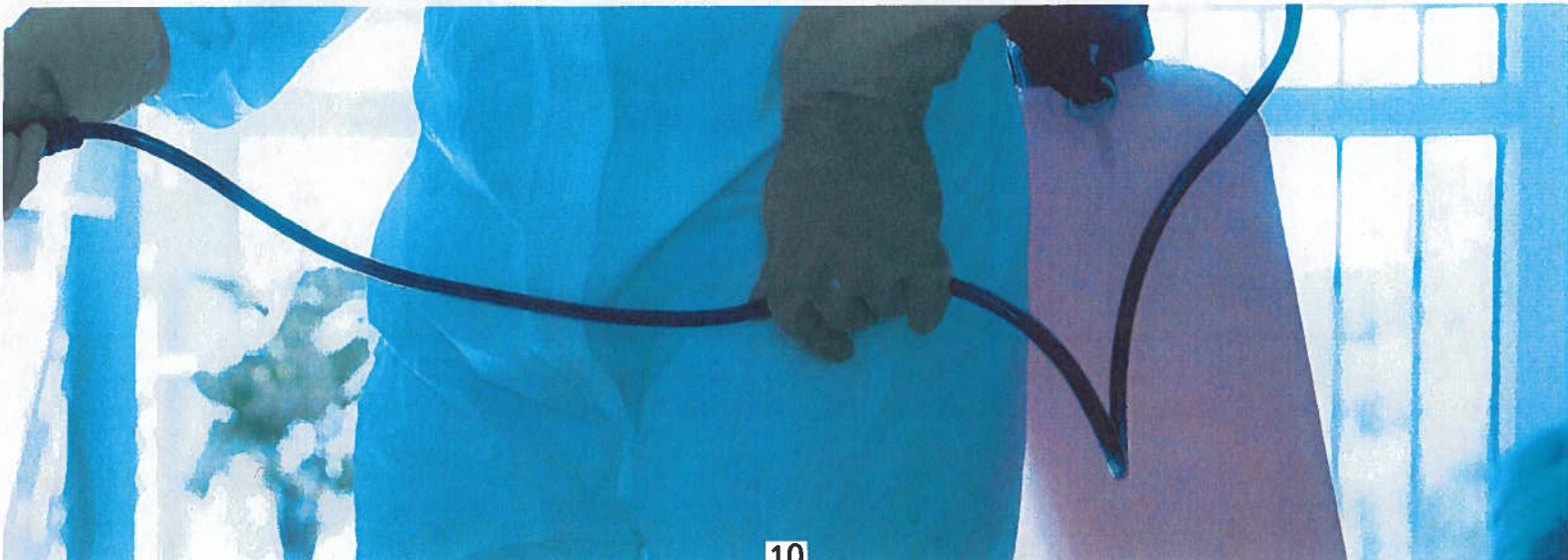
This month's featured article from Ashlyn is about our recently updated short-term employment projections. Last month, as required under the Workforce Information Grant that we administer, DEW prepared and submitted these figures by industry and occupation for the 2022-2024 window. While no one has a crystal ball, this represents where we expect the state's workforce, all else being equal, to be by the end of next year. Overall, it is expected that there will be nearly 600,000 job openings in that time, with a little less than 50,000 of those coming from new jobs being created in South Carolina. Read on for more details.

If you have any questions about our state's workforce, please don't hesitate to contact us at lmcustomerservice@dew.sc.gov. Thanks for reading.



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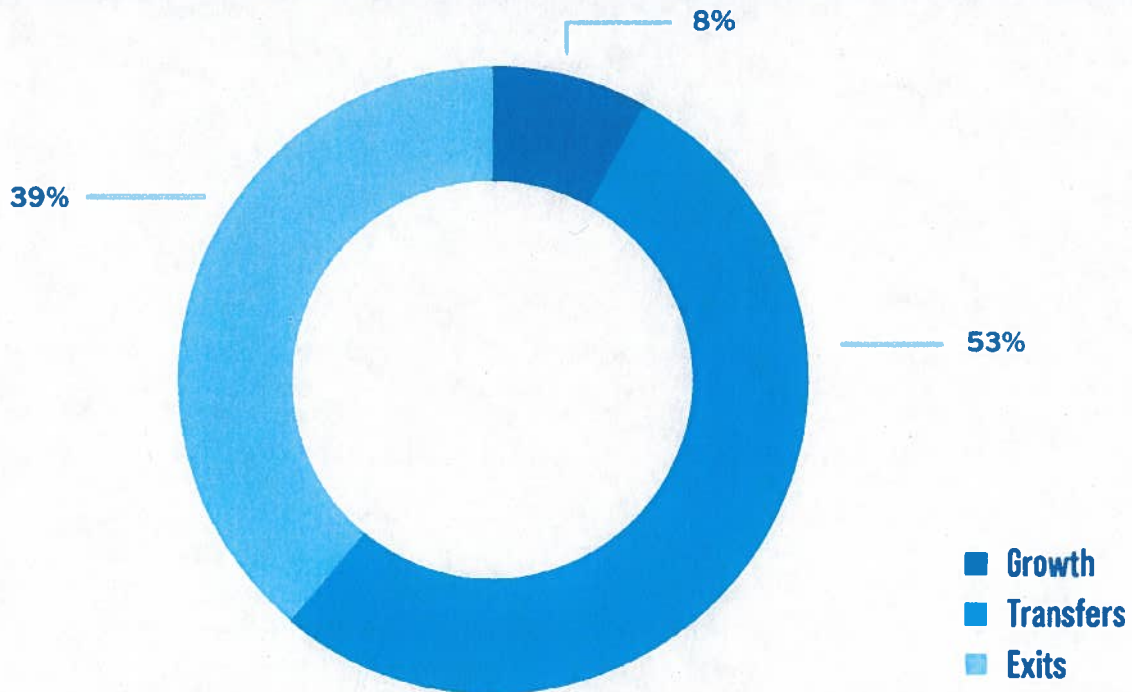
SOUTH CAROLINA SHORT-TERM EMPLOYMENT PROJECTIONS (2022-2024)

By Ashlyn Chastain – Workforce Insights Analyst

The Labor Market Information (LMI) Division of the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce is responsible for yearly short-term employment projections. These projections cover two years and estimate the distribution of employees by industry and occupation based on the jobs needed to staff a worksite. To comprehend this data, it's crucial to differentiate between numeric and percent changes. The former indicates an increase or decrease in job availability or employment, while the latter identifies the growth rate of industries and occupations over two years.

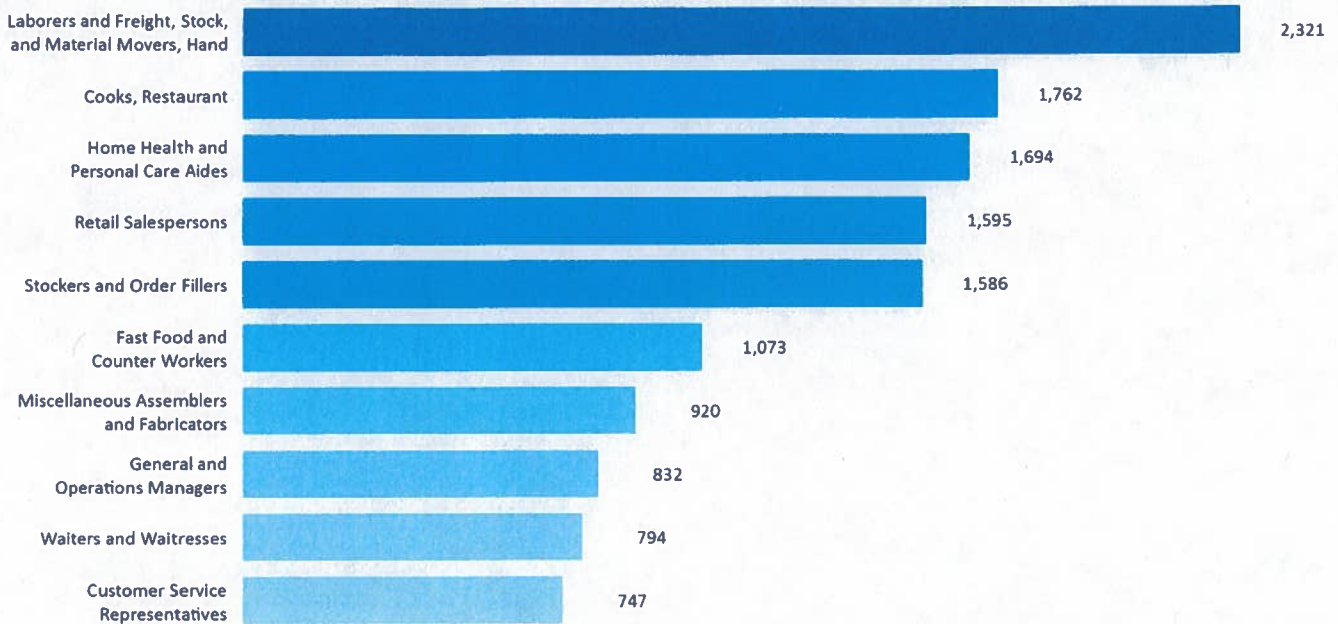
LMI also produces data identifying which occupations and industries are growing or shrinking the fastest and at what rates they are expected to have the highest employment gains. **Figure 1** shows projected annual job openings divided into three categories: openings due to industry growth, transfers between occupations, and exits from the labor force due to retirement or other reasons. Transfers account for more than half, exits for almost 40 percent, leaving eight percent (48,173) of openings due to the state's economic growth. However, openings due to exits may also be caused by people leaving their jobs to pursue other career options, while transfers usually represent workers transitioning to different occupations. Overall, South Carolina is expected to see 596,174 job openings through 2024.

FIGURE 1: PROJECTED JOB OPENINGS BY OPENING TYPE IN SOUTH CAROLINA (2022-2024)



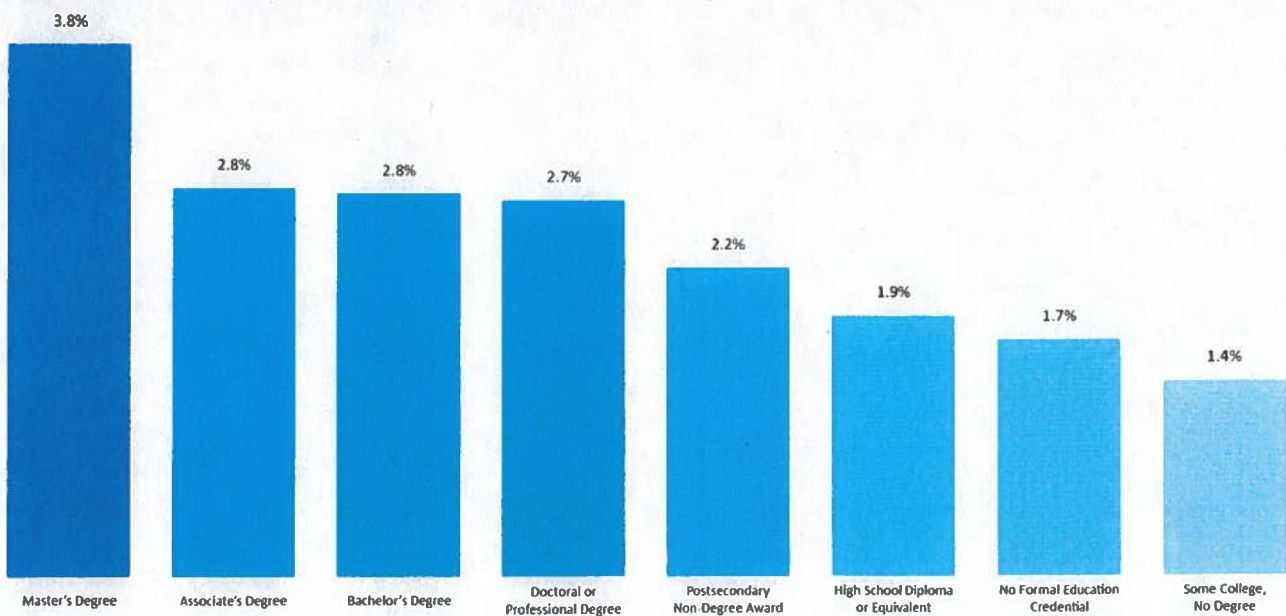
On the next page is **Figure 2**, which highlights the top ten occupations projected to have the largest employment gains from 2022 to 2024. More than half of these positions are expected to be in customer service, with a focus on the leisure and hospitality industry. This sector took a significant hit during the COVID-19 pandemic but is now showing signs of recovery, which is critical for the state's economy given the prevalence of tourism destinations throughout the state. There has also been an uptick in employment for registered nurses and home health care aides, which were also negatively affected by the pandemic.

FIGURE 2: LARGEST PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT GAINS BY OCCUPATION FOR SOUTH CAROLINA (2022-2024)



Occupational growth is influenced by several factors, and educational attainment plays a crucial role. Employers have raised their hiring requirements, making education even more important for jobseekers. In terms of growth, **Figure 3** shows that occupations requiring a doctoral or master’s degree are projected to experience the most growth, while those with no formal education, post-secondary non-degree award, associate degree, and bachelor’s degrees are expected to grow overall but not as much. Occupations that require some college, but no degree are projected to decline, including computer user support specialists, teaching assistants, actors, and bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks. Growth rates for each level of education were calculated by dividing the total rate of growth for all related occupations by the total number of occupations.

FIGURE 3: OCCUPATIONAL GROWTH BASED ON EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT FOR SOUTH CAROLINA (2022-2024)



The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) code is used to identify specific industries, and their future payroll estimates are available as well. The fastest projected annual growth for industries is based on sectors (2-digit) as a baseline, but industry sub-sectors (3-digit) are also analyzed for comparison. The health care and social assistance sector is expected to show the largest projected employment gains, reflecting a promising renewal.

Figure 4 highlights the sectors expected to experience the highest employment growth. The results suggest a positive shift in the health care and social assistance industry, as it showcases the largest gain by a significant margin.

FIGURE 4: LARGEST PROJECTED EMPLOYMENT GAINS BY INDUSTRY FOR SOUTH CAROLINA (2022-2024)

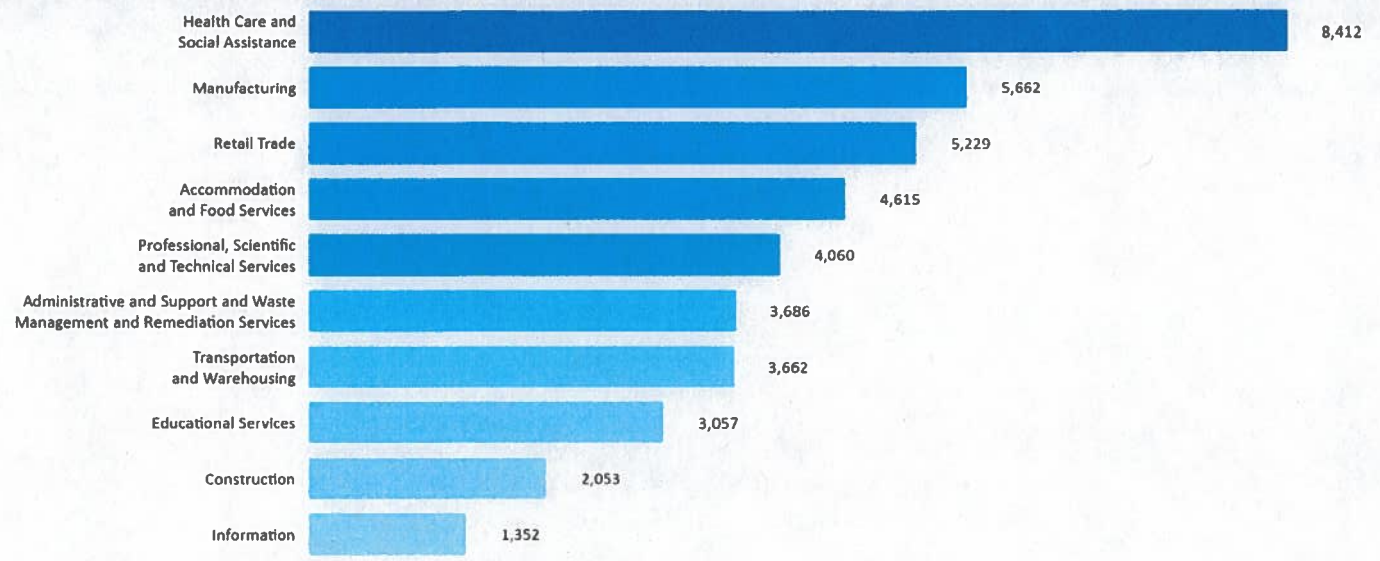
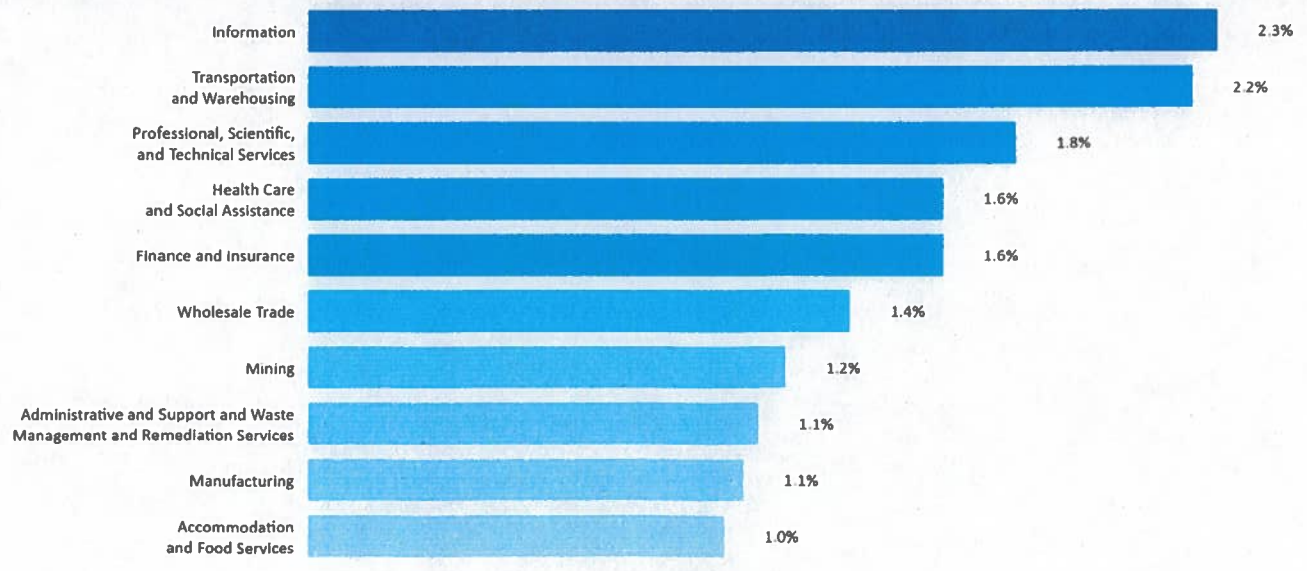


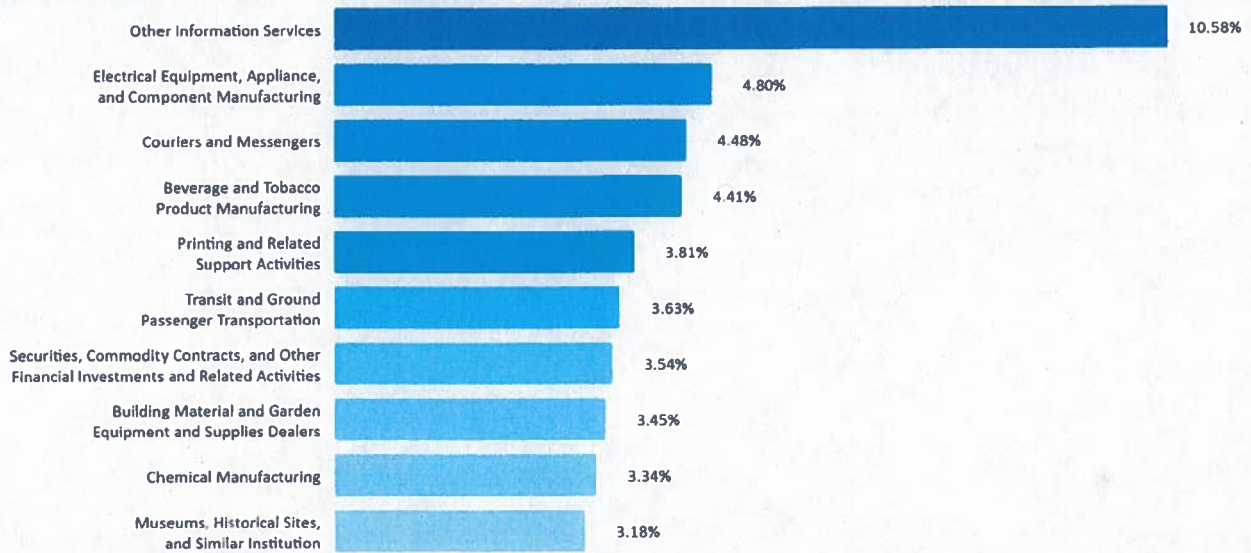
Figure 5 shows the same data but in relative terms, with the Information industry projected to experience the most growth. Transportation and Warehousing follow closely behind, with Health Care and Social Assistance falling in the middle of the pack.

FIGURE 5: FASTEST PROJECTED ANNUAL AVERAGE GROWTH BY SOUTH CAROLINA INDUSTRY SECTOR (2022-2024)



Finally, **Figure 6** shows that Other Information Services is projected to be the fastest-growing 3-digit sub-sector on a relative basis. It is important to note that these sub-sector industries are significantly smaller than others, which impacts the growth rate.

FIGURE 6: FASTEST PROJECTED ANNUAL AVERAGE GROWTH BY SOUTH CAROLINA INDUSTRY SUBSECTOR (2022-2024)



In summary, short-term projections indicate robust growth for South Carolina's economy and workforce, with payroll increases across most industries and occupations. More than 48,000 jobs are expected to be created between 2022 and 2024, highlighting the opportunities and challenges in developing a workforce to meet demands. Long-term projections will be available this summer for the 12 workforce development areas statewide. Access to LMI's projections dashboards and more information regarding this data can be found on our website under "Employment Projections."





SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (FEBRUARY 2023)

Household Survey¹ (Local Area Unemployment Statistics)

EMPLOYMENT: The seasonally adjusted, monthly survey of households estimated the number of South Carolinians working increased to 2,306,083.

- That is a significant increase of 7,303 people over the January 2023 estimate.
- That is an increase of 10,022 people over the February 2022 estimate.

UNEMPLOYMENT: The estimate of unemployed people increased to 76,090.

- That is an increase of 44 people from January's estimate and a decrease of 1,143 from the February 2022 estimate.
- The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged at 3.2 percent.
- Nationally, the unemployment rate increased from January's rate of 3.4 percent to 3.6 percent, according to the Current Population Survey.

LABOR FORCE: The state's estimated labor force (people working plus unemployed people looking for work) increased to 2,382,173.

- That is an increase of 7,347 people over the January estimate.
- That is an increase of 8,879 individuals over the February 2022 estimate.

Employer Survey² (Current Employment Statistics)

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated increase of 2,100 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,278,100.

- Industries that reported gains were Leisure and Hospitality (+1,900); Professional and Business Services (+1,800); and Government (+1,700).
- Financial Activities (-1,300); Education and Health Services (-600); Construction (-600); Manufacturing (-600); Other Services (-100); and Information (-100) industries declined.
- Trade, Transportation, and Utilities marked no change.

From February 2022 to February 2023, South Carolina's economy has picked up 53,900 seasonally adjusted, nonfarm jobs.

- Industries with strong growth were Education and Health Services (+13,800); Leisure and Hospitality (+10,600); Government (+8,400); Professional and Business Services (+6,600); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+4,300); Manufacturing (+2,400); Financial Activities (+2,100); Construction (+1,900); Information (+1,900); and Other Services (+1,700).



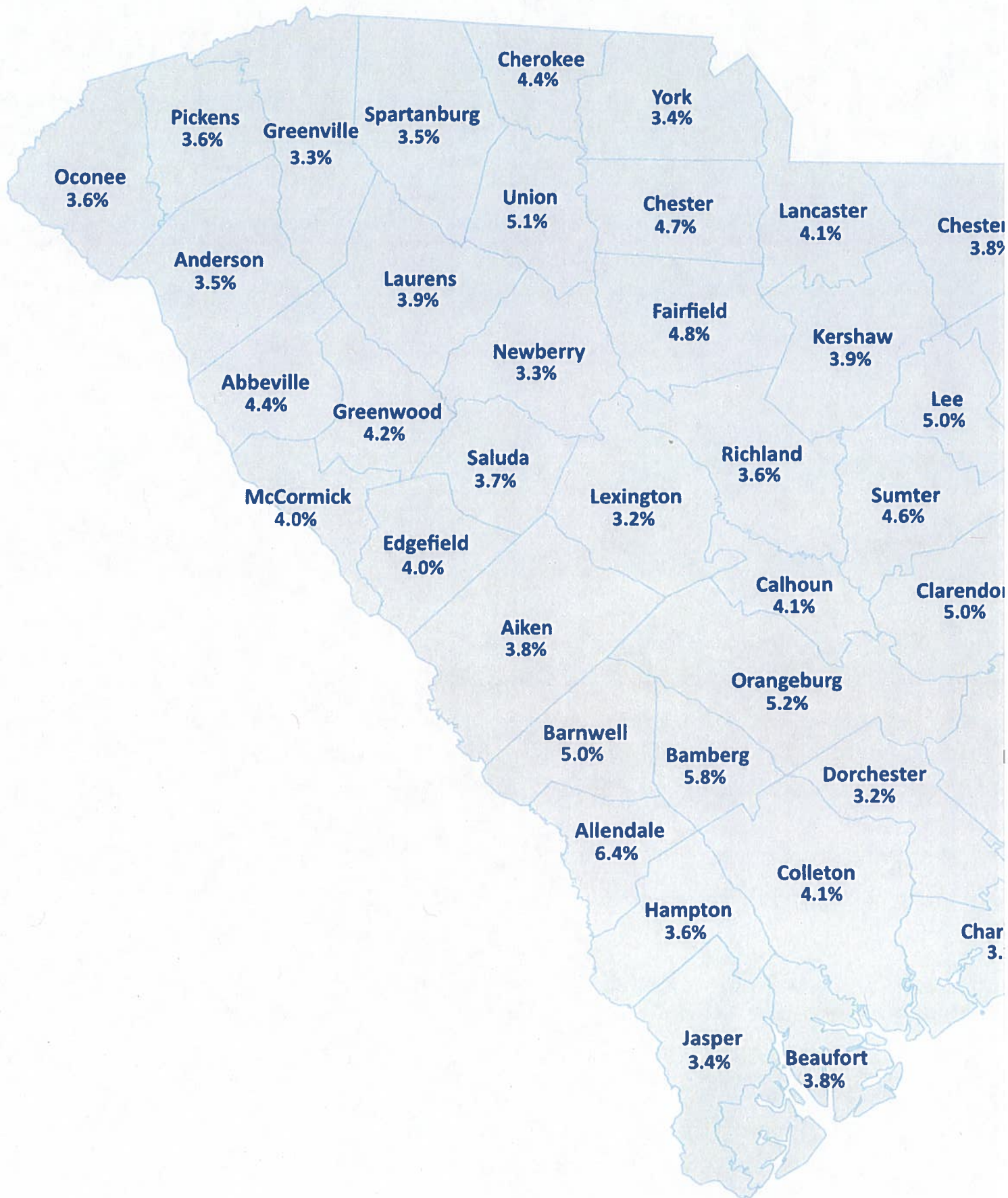
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED⁴)

Not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm payroll employment increased by 20,900 from January 2023 to February 2023 for a total of 2,263,600.

- Professional and Business Services (+9,800); Government (+7,100); Leisure and Hospitality (+4,900); Education and Health Services (+2,100); and Construction industries (+200) increased.
- Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (-1,400); Financial Activities (-900); Manufacturing (-800); and Other Services (-100) industries marked declines.
- The Mining and Logging and Information industries showed no change over the month.

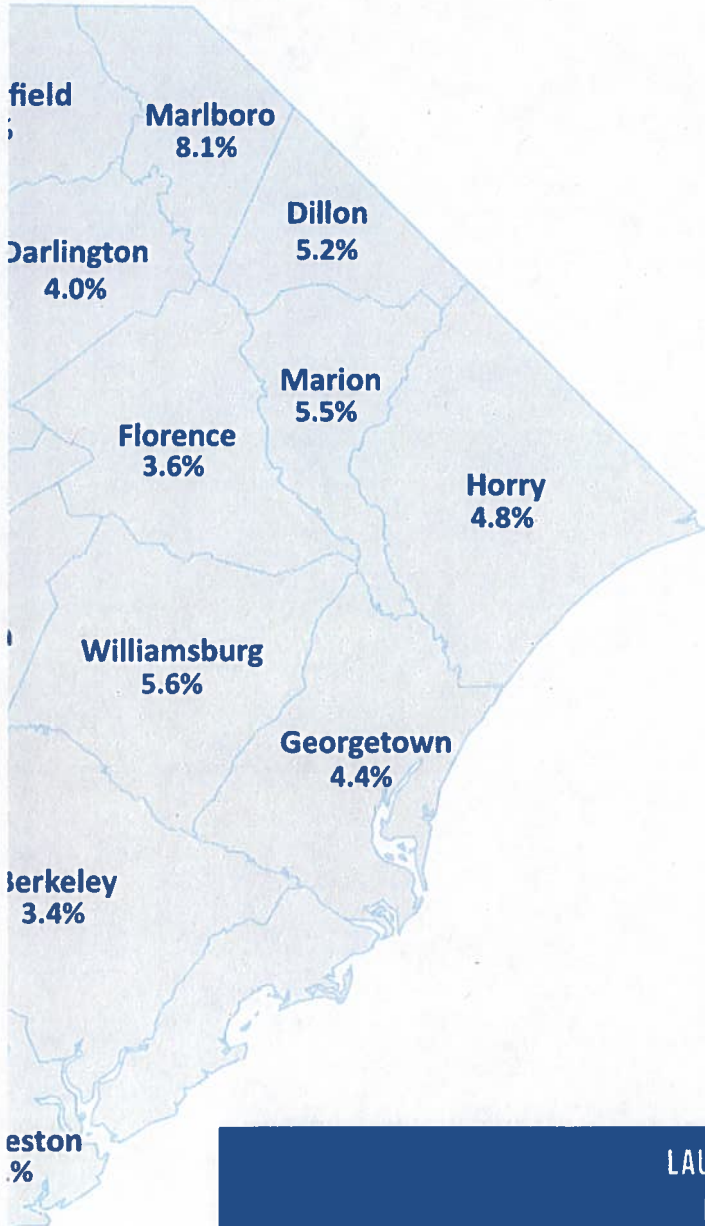
Since February 2022, not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm jobs were up 56,000 in South Carolina.

- Industries making strong annual gains were Educational and Health Services (+13,100); Professional and Business Services (+8,900); Government (+8,900); Leisure and Hospitality (+8,600); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+4,600); Construction (+3,400); Financial Activities (+3,000); Information (+2,200); Other Services (+1,700); Manufacturing (+1,400); and Mining and Logging (+200).



LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Unemployment Rate by County



LAUS EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)						
CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE					
	TOTAL	PERCENT OF POPULATION	EMPLOYMENT		UNEMPLOYMENT	
			TOTAL	PERCENT OF POPULATION	TOTAL	RATE (%)
4,261,899	2,382,173	55.9%	2,306,083	54.1%	76,090	3.2%

NOTE: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. Population data are not seasonally adjusted.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY COUNTY
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

AREA	FEBRUARY 2023					JANUARY 2023					FEBRUARY 2022				
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT				
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			
Abbeville County	↑	9,586	9,164	422	4.4%	9,477	9,074	403	4.3%	9,604	9,160	444	4.6%		
Aiken County	↑	73,007	70,232	2,775	3.8%	72,152	69,657	2,495	3.5%	74,512	71,714	2,798	3.8%		
Allendale County	↓	2,236	2,094	142	6.4%	2,207	2,059	148	6.7%	2,380	2,196	184	7.7%		
Anderson County	↑	93,203	89,945	3,258	3.5%	91,628	88,742	2,886	3.1%	92,301	88,886	3,415	3.7%		
Bamberg County	↓	4,560	4,297	263	5.8%	4,523	4,258	265	5.9%	4,692	4,352	340	7.2%		
Barnwell County	-	7,455	7,084	371	5.0%	7,390	7,024	366	5.0%	7,455	6,956	499	6.7%		
Beaufort County	↑	77,045	74,121	2,924	3.8%	76,146	73,668	2,478	3.3%	76,640	73,612	3,028	4.0%		
Berkeley County	↑	113,225	109,405	3,820	3.4%	110,833	107,337	3,496	3.2%	109,470	105,422	4,048	3.7%		
Calhoun County	↑	6,427	6,166	261	4.1%	6,357	6,110	247	3.9%	6,410	6,121	289	4.5%		
Charleston County	↑	222,309	215,337	6,972	3.1%	217,231	211,077	6,154	2.8%	214,861	207,198	7,663	3.6%		
Cherokee County	↓	24,452	23,372	1,080	4.4%	24,119	23,043	1,076	4.5%	24,873	23,649	1,224	4.9%		
Chester County	-	13,506	12,876	630	4.7%	13,360	12,733	627	4.7%	13,460	12,683	777	5.8%		
Chesterfield County	↑	21,163	20,355	808	3.8%	20,855	20,094	761	3.6%	21,560	20,563	997	4.6%		
Clarendon County	↑	11,845	11,248	597	5.0%	11,707	11,130	577	4.9%	12,025	11,412	613	5.1%		
Colleton County	↑	15,897	15,243	654	4.1%	15,661	15,049	612	3.9%	16,060	15,344	716	4.5%		
Darlington County	↑	30,034	28,840	1,194	4.0%	29,716	28,588	1,128	3.8%	29,637	28,299	1,338	4.5%		
Dillon County	↓	12,929	12,256	673	5.2%	12,823	12,135	688	5.4%	13,104	12,316	788	6.0%		
Dorchester County	↑	82,066	79,430	2,636	3.2%	80,232	77,908	2,324	2.9%	79,390	76,534	2,856	3.6%		
Edgefield County	↑	10,202	9,797	405	4.0%	10,035	9,678	357	3.6%	10,395	9,998	397	3.8%		
Fairfield County	↓	9,218	8,773	445	4.8%	9,163	8,707	456	5.0%	9,287	8,712	575	6.2%		
Florence County	↑	66,818	64,398	2,420	3.6%	66,220	63,915	2,305	3.5%	65,703	62,993	2,710	4.1%		
Georgetown County	↑	25,940	24,804	1,136	4.4%	25,502	24,457	1,045	4.1%	25,598	24,298	1,300	5.1%		
Greenville County	↑	264,989	256,277	8,712	3.3%	260,683	252,916	7,767	3.0%	262,398	253,236	9,162	3.5%		
Greenwood County	↑	30,044	28,775	1,269	4.2%	29,706	28,484	1,222	4.1%	30,208	28,845	1,363	4.5%		
Hampton County	↑	7,844	7,563	281	3.6%	7,755	7,488	267	3.4%	7,928	7,653	275	3.5%		
Horry County	↓	151,870	144,604	7,266	4.8%	149,570	142,164	7,406	5.0%	148,600	140,420	8,180	5.5%		
Jasper County	↑	13,262	12,808	454	3.4%	13,073	12,680	393	3.0%	13,123	12,636	487	3.7%		
Kershaw County	↑	29,509	28,365	1,144	3.9%	29,203	28,156	1,047	3.6%	29,315	28,160	1,155	3.9%		
Lancaster County	↑	44,184	42,394	1,790	4.1%	43,581	41,926	1,655	3.8%	43,745	41,698	2,047	4.7%		
Laurens County	↑	30,649	29,442	1,207	3.9%	30,062	29,017	1,045	3.5%	30,382	29,088	1,294	4.3%		
Lee County	↓	6,348	6,029	319	5.0%	6,323	5,984	339	5.4%	6,514	6,151	363	5.6%		
Lexington County	↑	151,993	147,166	4,827	3.2%	150,566	146,207	4,359	2.9%	150,965	145,967	4,998	3.3%		
Marion County	↓	12,591	11,898	693	5.5%	12,484	11,788	696	5.6%	12,724	11,864	860	6.8%		
Marlboro County	↓	8,065	7,415	650	8.1%	8,217	7,442	775	9.4%	8,709	7,934	775	8.9%		
McCormick County	↑	3,578	3,435	143	4.0%	3,531	3,401	130	3.7%	3,285	3,132	153	4.7%		
Newberry County	↑	19,270	18,626	644	3.3%	18,905	18,309	596	3.2%	19,195	18,531	664	3.5%		
Oconee County	↑	34,337	33,114	1,223	3.6%	33,856	32,725	1,131	3.3%	34,119	32,739	1,380	4.0%		
Orangeburg County	-	32,987	31,282	1,705	5.2%	32,536	30,831	1,705	5.2%	34,064	31,731	2,333	6.8%		
Pickens County	↑	59,102	56,990	2,112	3.6%	58,143	56,227	1,916	3.3%	58,431	56,262	2,169	3.7%		
Richland County	↑	198,203	191,040	7,163	3.6%	197,051	190,124	6,927	3.5%	197,519	189,551	7,968	4.0%		
Saluda County	↑	8,341	8,035	306	3.7%	8,155	7,896	259	3.2%	8,318	8,024	294	3.5%		
Spartanburg County	↑	156,570	151,083	5,487	3.5%	154,866	149,782	5,084	3.3%	158,232	152,153	6,079	3.8%		
Sumter County	-	42,295	40,339	1,956	4.6%	42,112	40,171	1,941	4.6%	42,442	40,471	1,971	4.6%		
Union County	↓	11,375	10,796	579	5.1%	11,283	10,698	585	5.2%	11,575	10,864	711	6.1%		
Williamsburg County	↓	10,674	10,080	594	5.6%	10,606	9,996	610	5.8%	10,829	10,171	658	6.1%		
York County	↑	150,141	144,985	5,156	3.4%	148,431	143,487	4,944	3.3%	148,373	142,481	5,892	4.0%		

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LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MSA (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

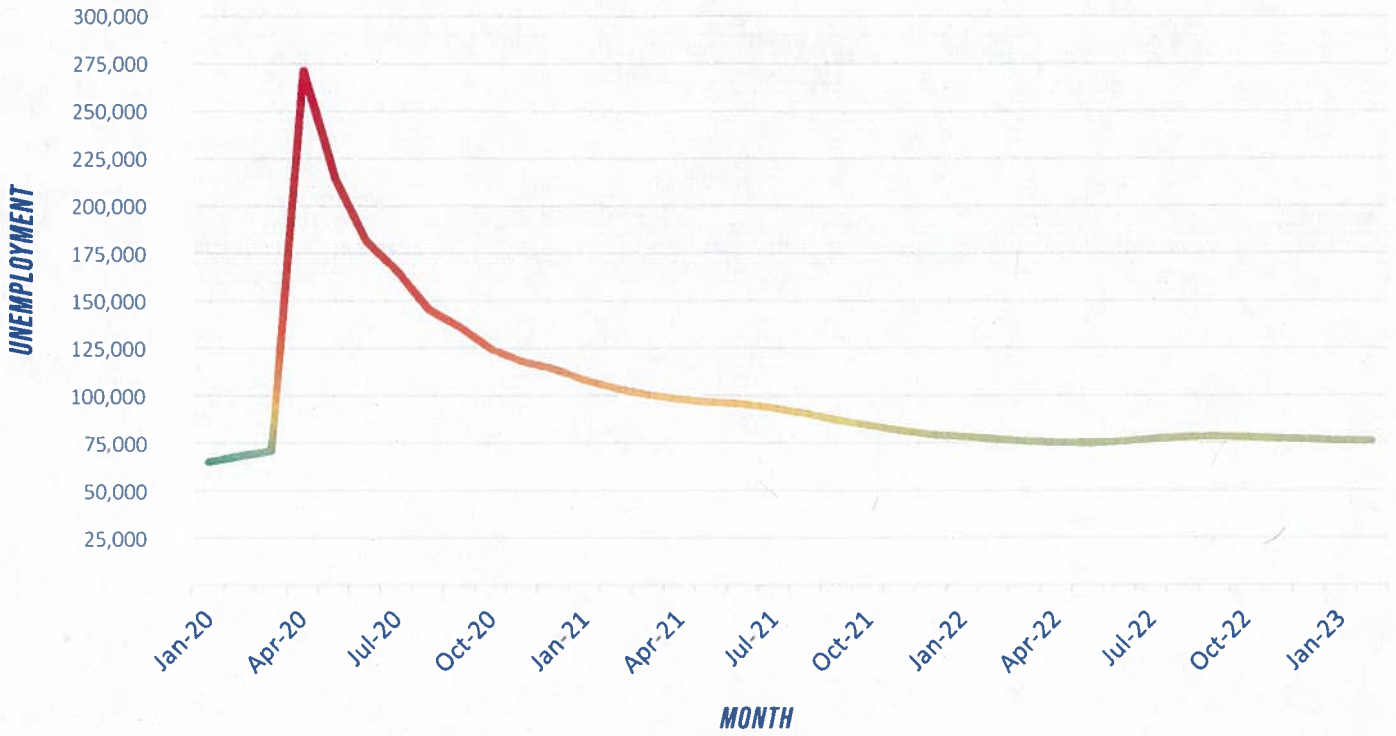
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA	FEBRUARY 2023					JANUARY 2023				FEBRUARY 2022			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)	
Charleston-North Charleston	↑	417,600	404,172	13,428	3.2%	408,296	396,322	11,974	2.9%	403,721	389,154	14,567	3.6%
Columbia	↑	403,691	389,545	14,146	3.5%	400,495	387,200	13,295	3.3%	401,814	386,535	15,279	3.8%
Florence	↑	96,852	93,238	3,614	3.7%	95,936	92,503	3,433	3.6%	95,340	91,292	4,048	4.2%
Greenville - Anderson-Mauldin	↑	447,943	432,654	15,289	3.4%	440,516	426,902	13,614	3.1%	443,512	427,472	16,040	3.6%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	↑	90,307	86,929	3,378	3.7%	89,219	86,348	2,871	3.2%	89,763	86,248	3,515	3.9%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	↓	208,570	198,512	10,058	4.8%	205,872	195,630	10,242	5.0%	202,735	191,806	10,929	5.4%
Spartanburg	↑	167,945	161,879	6,066	3.6%	166,149	160,480	5,669	3.4%	169,807	163,017	6,790	4.0%
Sumter	-	42,295	40,339	1,956	4.6%	42,112	40,171	1,941	4.6%	42,442	40,471	1,971	4.6%
Augusta-Richmond County, GA (SC portion)	↑	83,209	80,029	3,180	3.8%	82,187	79,335	2,852	3.5%	84,907	81,712	3,195	3.8%
Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC (SC portion)	↑	207,831	200,255	7,576	3.6%	205,372	198,146	7,226	3.5%	205,578	196,862	8,716	4.2%

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MUNICIPALITY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

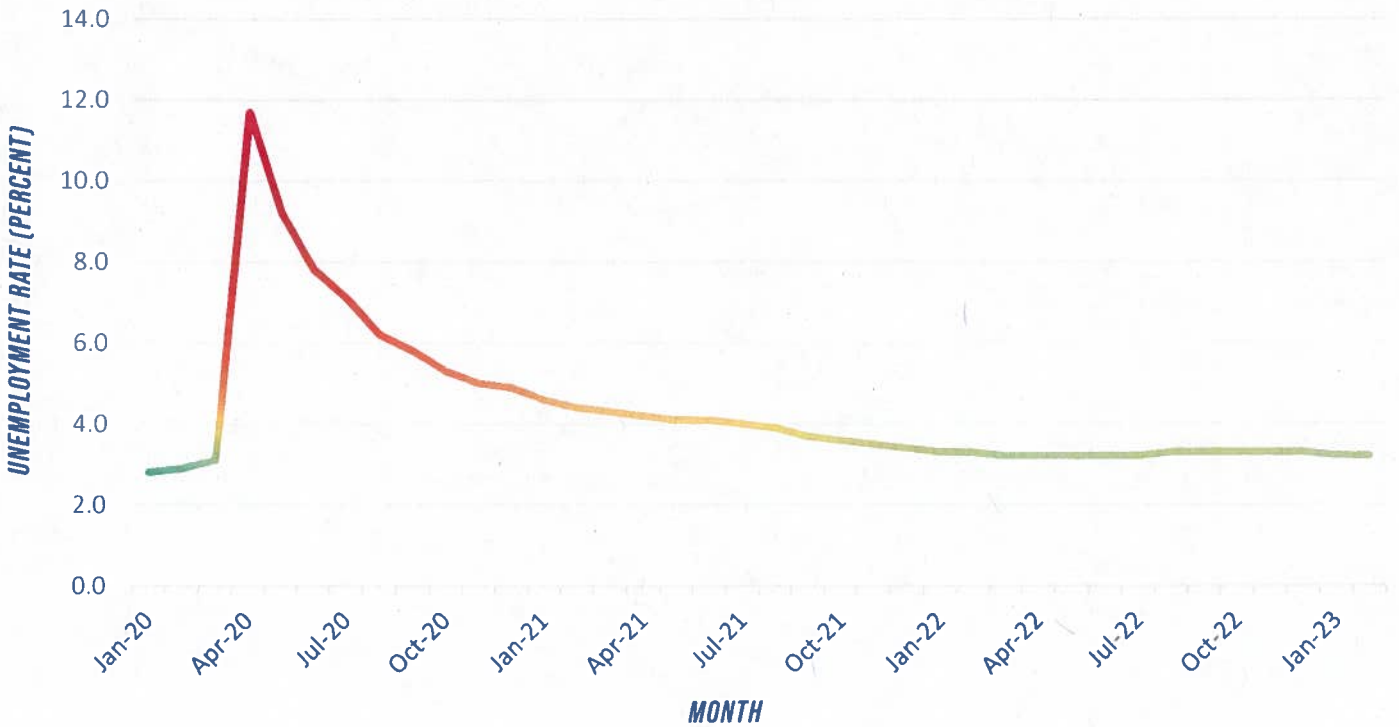
CITIES AND TOWNS ABOVE 25,000 POPULATION	FEBRUARY 2023					JANUARY 2023				FEBRUARY 2022			
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)	
Aiken	↑	12,821	12,285	536	4.2%	12,664	12,184	480	3.8%	13,088	12,544	544	4.2%
Anderson	↑	11,778	11,300	478	4.1%	11,593	11,149	444	3.8%	11,642	11,167	475	4.1%
Bluffton	↑	13,053	12,647	406	3.1%	12,937	12,569	368	2.8%	12,992	12,560	432	3.3%
Charleston	↑	78,534	75,972	2,562	3.3%	76,782	74,473	2,309	3.0%	75,758	73,108	2,650	3.5%
Columbia	↑	57,533	55,122	2,411	4.2%	57,214	54,857	2,357	4.1%	57,159	54,692	2,467	4.3%
Conway	↑	10,304	9,767	537	5.2%	10,106	9,602	504	5.0%	10,004	9,484	520	5.2%
Florence	↑	19,646	18,936	710	3.6%	19,464	18,794	670	3.4%	19,287	18,523	764	4.0%
Fort Mill	↑	13,463	13,071	392	2.9%	13,288	12,936	352	2.6%	-	-	-	0.0%
Goose Creek	↑	21,457	20,729	728	3.4%	21,038	20,337	701	3.3%	20,752	19,974	778	3.7%
Greenville	↑	37,947	36,695	1,252	3.3%	37,347	36,214	1,133	3.0%	37,594	36,260	1,334	3.5%
Greer	-	18,639	18,053	586	3.1%	18,401	17,835	566	3.1%	18,525	17,919	606	3.3%
Hanahan	↑	14,973	14,546	427	2.9%	14,618	14,272	346	2.4%	14,419	14,017	402	2.8%
Hilton Head Island	↑	17,292	16,674	618	3.6%	17,100	16,572	528	3.1%	17,182	16,559	623	3.6%
Mauldin	↑	14,071	13,615	456	3.2%	13,819	13,437	382	2.8%	13,896	13,454	442	3.2%
Mount Pleasant	↑	52,433	51,012	1,421	2.7%	51,200	50,003	1,197	2.3%	50,550	49,084	1,466	2.9%
Myrtle Beach	↓	15,874	15,011	863	5.4%	15,697	14,758	939	6.0%	15,579	14,577	1,002	6.4%
North Charleston	↑	58,598	56,653	1,945	3.3%	57,319	55,540	1,779	3.1%	56,848	54,529	2,319	4.1%
Rock Hill	-	40,610	39,100	1,510	3.7%	40,187	38,696	1,491	3.7%	40,273	38,425	1,848	4.6%
Spartanburg	↑	16,766	16,040	726	4.3%	16,605	15,901	704	4.2%	16,980	16,153	827	4.9%
Summerville	↑	26,369	25,496	873	3.3%	25,794	25,008	786	3.0%	25,441	24,566	875	3.4%
Sumter	↑	15,130	14,364	766	5.1%	15,058	14,304	754	5.0%	15,142	14,411	731	4.8%

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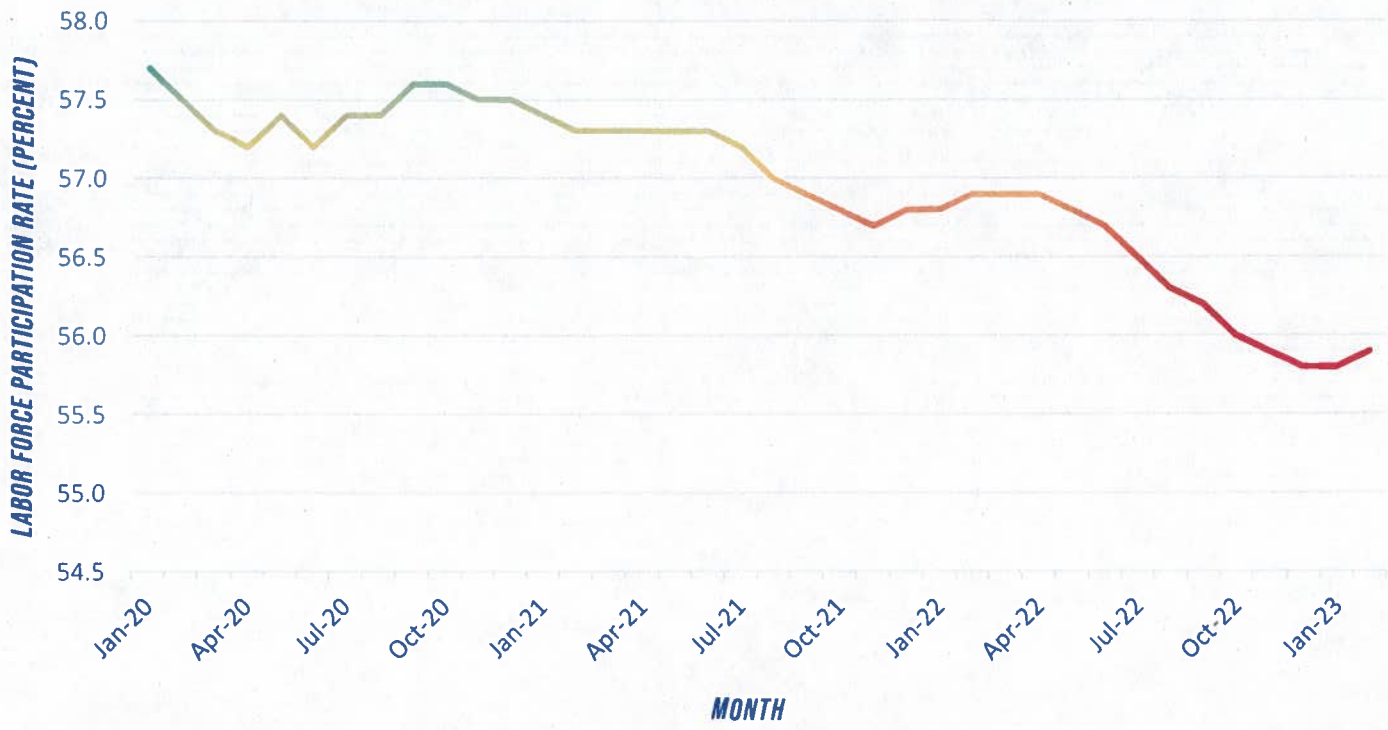
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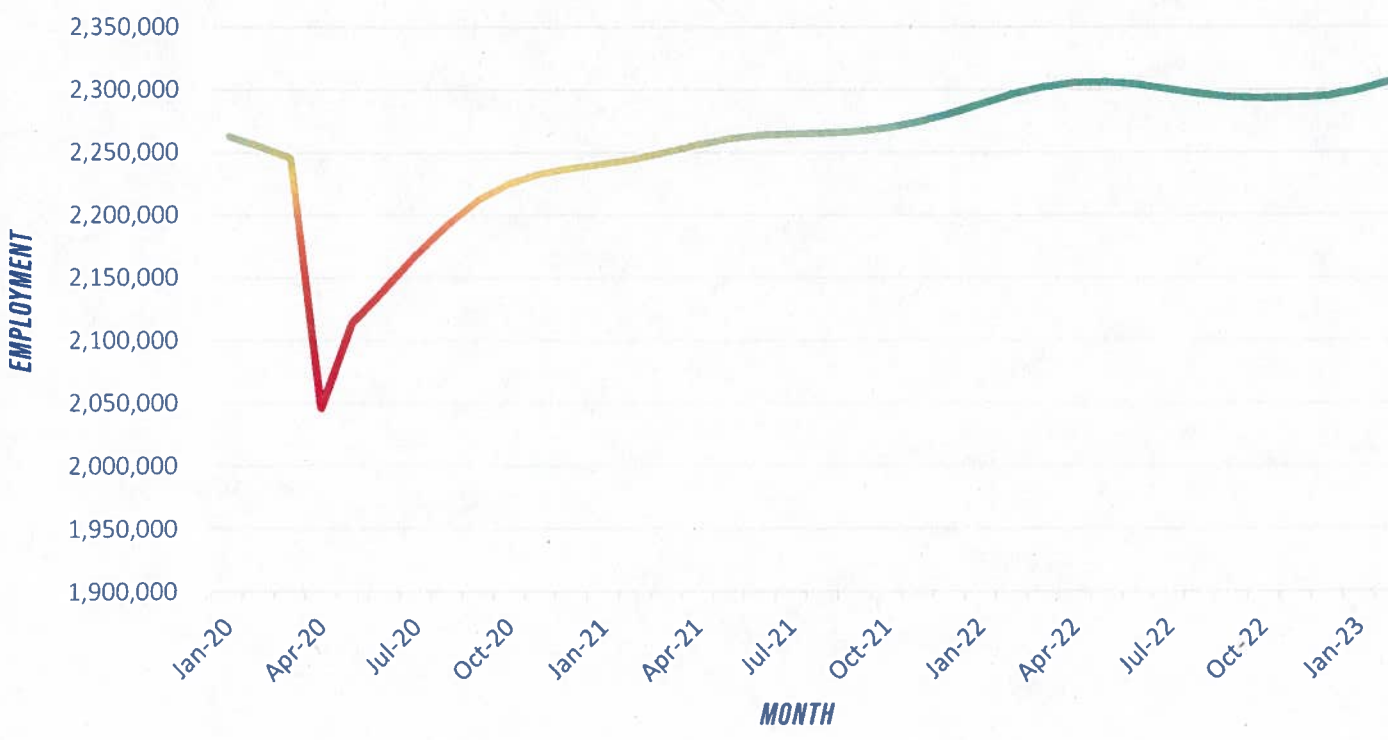
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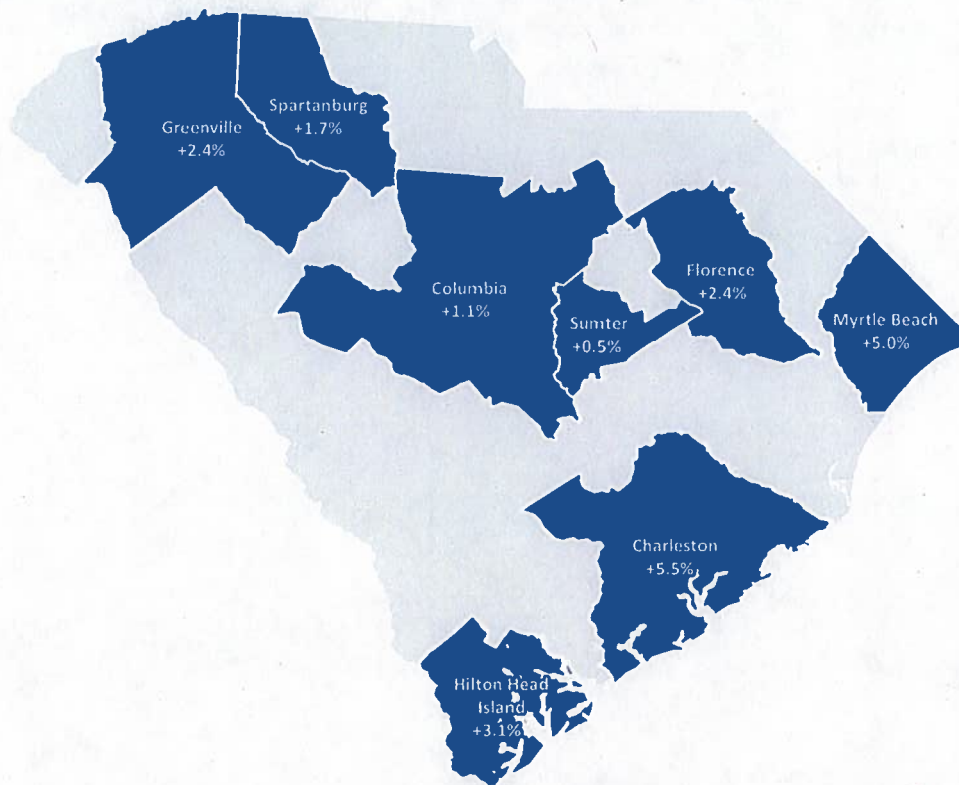


MONTHLY EMPLOYMENT SINCE JANUARY 2020



CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Seasonally Adjusted – Year-Over-Year Change



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA SEASONALLY ADJUSTED FEBRUARY 2023

AREA	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Statewide	2,278,100	2,276,000	2,224,200	2,100	0.1%	53,900	2.4%
Charleston-North Charleston	408,400	404,300	387,100	4,100	1.0%	21,300	5.5%
Columbia	414,800	416,600	410,400	-1,800	-0.4%	4,400	1.1%
Florence	94,800	94,400	92,600	400	0.4%	2,200	2.4%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	455,000	454,500	444,400	500	0.1%	10,600	2.4%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	87,300	87,500	84,700	-200	-0.2%	2,600	3.1%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	190,200	189,400	181,200	800	0.4%	9,000	5.0%
Spartanburg	169,600	169,300	166,700	300	0.2%	2,900	1.7%
Sumter	39,300	39,400	39,100	-100	-0.3%	200	0.5%

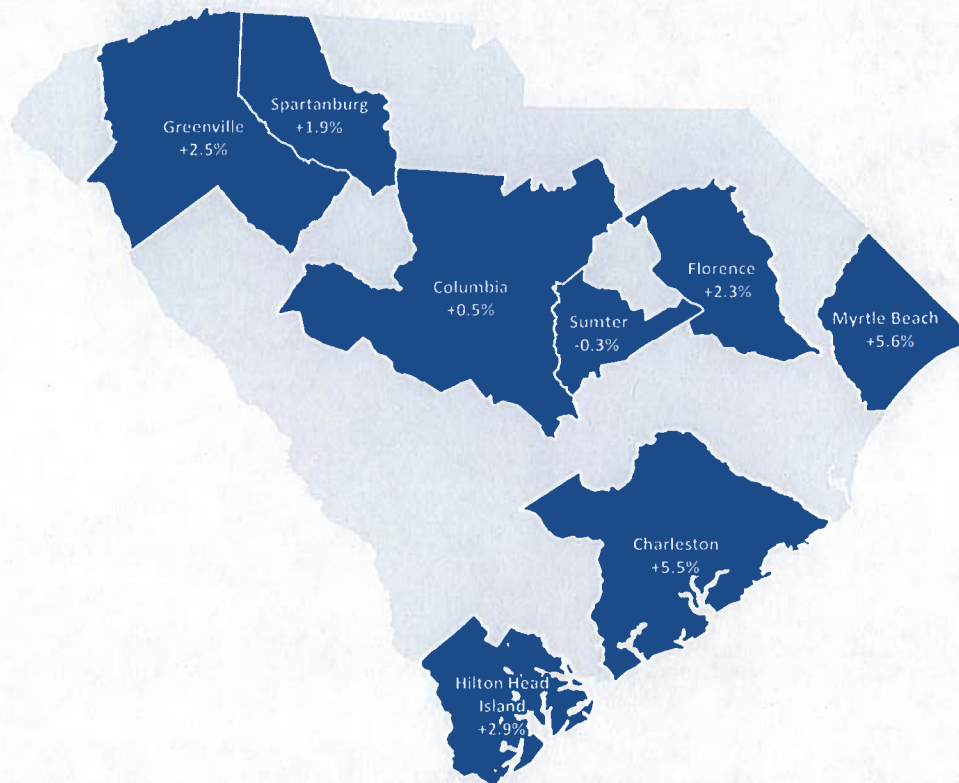
NOTE: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (IN THOUSANDS)
FEBRUARY 2023**

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,278.1	2,276.0	2,224.2	+2.1	0.1%	+53.9	+2.4%
Total Private	1,904.6	1,904.2	1,859.1	+0.4	0.0%	+45.5	+2.4%
Goods Producing	375.1	376.3	370.6	-1.2	-0.3%	+4.5	+1.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	113.8	114.4	111.7	-0.6	-0.5%	+2.1	+1.9%
Mining and Logging	4.5	4.5	4.3	0.0	0.0%	+0.2	+4.7%
Construction	109.3	109.9	107.4	-0.6	-0.5%	+1.9	+1.8%
Manufacturing	261.3	261.9	258.9	-0.6	-0.2%	+2.4	+0.9%
Durable Goods	156.1	156.3	153.9	-0.2	-0.1%	+2.2	+1.4%
Non-Durable Goods	105.2	105.6	105.0	-0.4	-0.4%	+0.2	+0.2%
Service-Providing	1,903.0	1,899.7	1,853.6	+3.3	0.2%	+49.4	+2.7%
Private Service Providing	1,529.5	1,527.9	1,488.5	+1.6	+0.1%	+41.0	+2.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	438.0	438.0	433.7	0.0	0.0%	+4.3	+1.0%
Wholesale Trade	79.4	80.1	78.8	-0.7	-0.9%	+0.6	+0.8%
Retail Trade	259.5	260.0	260.0	-0.5	-0.2%	-0.5	-0.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	99.1	97.9	94.9	+1.2	+1.2%	+4.2	+4.4%
Information	31.4	31.5	29.5	-0.1	-0.3%	+1.9	+6.4%
Financial Activities	117.2	118.5	115.1	-1.3	-1.1%	+2.1	+1.8%
Finance and Insurance	84.2	85.6	82.7	-1.4	-1.6%	+1.5	+1.8%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	33.0	32.9	32.4	+0.1	+0.3%	+0.6	+1.9%
Professional and Business Services	312.5	310.7	305.9	+1.8	+0.6%	+6.6	+2.2%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	120.3	120.6	114.3	-0.3	-0.2%	+6.0	+5.2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25.5	25.5	24.6	0.0	0.0%	+0.9	+3.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	166.7	164.6	167.0	+2.1	+1.3%	-0.3	-0.2%
Education and Health Services	274.8	275.4	261.0	-0.6	-0.2%	+13.8	+5.3%
Educational Services	47.1	46.7	43.8	+0.4	+0.9%	+3.3	+7.5%
Health Care Services	227.7	228.7	217.2	-1.0	-0.4%	+10.5	+4.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	273.2	271.3	262.6	+1.9	0.7%	+10.6	+4.0%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	36.4	35.7	32.2	+0.7	+2.0%	+4.2	+13.0%
Accommodation and Food Services	236.8	235.6	230.4	+1.2	+0.5%	+6.4	+2.8%
Other Services	82.4	82.5	80.7	-0.1	-0.1%	+1.7	+2.1%
Government	373.5	371.8	365.1	+1.7	+0.5%	+8.4	+2.3%
Federal Government	36.0	35.7	35.4	+0.3	0.8%	+0.6	+1.7%
State Government	108.1	107.5	106.4	+0.6	0.6%	+1.7	+1.6%
Local Government	229.4	228.6	223.3	+0.8	+0.3%	+6.1	+2.7%

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Not Seasonally Adjusted – Year-Over-Year Change



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

FEBRUARY 2023

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Statewide	2,263,600	2,242,700	2,207,600	+20,900	+0.9%	+56,000	+2.5%
Charleston-North Charleston	405,800	398,500	384,700	+7,300	+1.8%	+21,100	+5.5%
Columbia	413,800	412,400	411,600	+1,400	+0.3%	+2,200	+0.5%
Florence	94,300	93,800	92,200	+500	+0.5%	+2,100	+2.3%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	454,800	449,700	443,900	+5,100	+1.1%	+10,900	+2.5%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	85,300	85,300	82,900	0	0.0%	+2,400	+2.9%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	183,200	180,600	173,500	+2,600	+1.4%	+9,700	+5.6%
Spartanburg	169,100	168,000	165,900	+1,100	+0.7%	+3,200	+1.9%
Sumter	39,100	39,100	39,200	0	0.0%	-100	-0.3%

NOTE: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED FEBRUARY 2023

				JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,263,600	2,242,700	2,207,600	+20,900	+0.9%	+56,000	+2.5%
Total Private	1,888,000	1,874,200	1,840,900	+13,800	-0.7%	+47,100	+2.6%
Goods Producing	374,900	375,500	369,900	-600	-0.2%	+5,000	+1.4%
Mining, Logging and Construction	114,100	113,900	110,500	+200	+0.2%	+3,600	+3.3%
Mining and Logging	4,500	4,500	4,300	0	0.0%	+200	+4.7%
Construction	109,600	109,400	106,200	+200	+0.2%	+3,400	+3.2%
Construction of Buildings	26,900	26,700	25,600	+200	+0.7%	+1,300	+5.1%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	17,100	16,700	16,000	+400	+2.4%	+1,100	6.9%
Specialty Trade Contractors	65,600	66,000	64,600	-400	-0.6%	+1,000	+1.5%
Manufacturing	260,800	261,600	259,400	-800	-0.3%	+1,400	+0.5%
Durable Goods	156,100	156,000	154,100	+100	+0.1%	+2,000	+1.3%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	23,800	23,900	23,700	-100	-0.4%	+100	+0.4%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	50,500	49,900	48,700	+600	1.2%	+1,800	+3.7%
Non-Durable Goods	104,700	105,600	105,300	-900	-0.9%	-600	-0.6%
Textile Mills	12,300	12,500	12,800	-200	-1.6%	-500	-3.9%
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	25,800	26,000	25,000	-200	-0.8%	+800	+3.2%
Service-Providing	1,888,700	1,867,200	1,837,700	+21,500	+1.2%	+51,000	+2.8%
Private Service Providing	1,513,100	1,498,700	1,471,000	+14,400	+1.0%	+42,100	+2.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	434,500	435,900	429,900	-1,400	0.3%	+4,600	+1.1%
Wholesale Trade	78,300	79,300	78,600	-1,000	-1.3%	-300	-0.4%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	41,900	42,400	42,300	-500	-1.2%	-400	-0.9%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	21,900	22,400	22,200	-500	-2.2%	-300	-1.4%
Retail Trade	257,300	258,200	257,500	-900	-0.3%	-200	-0.1%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	33,600	33,400	33,100	+200	0.6%	+500	+1.5%
Food and Beverage Stores	53,300	53,000	50,400	+300	+0.6%	+2,900	+5.8%
Health and Personal Care Stores	59,200	59,200	59,000	0	0.0%	+200	+0.3%
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	16,300	16,200	16,200	+100	+0.6%	+100	+0.6%
General Merchandise Stores	17,700	18,100	16,600	-400	-2.2%	+1,100	+6.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	98,900	98,400	93,800	+500	+0.5%	+5,100	+5.4%
Utilities	11,300	11,300	10,800	0	0.0%	+500	+4.6%
Transportation and Warehousing	87,600	87,100	83,000	+500	+0.6%	+4,600	+5.5%
Information	31,300	31,300	29,100	0	0.0%	+2,200	+7.6%
Financial Activities	117,200	118,100	114,200	-900	-0.8%	+3,000	+2.6%
Finance and Insurance	84,800	86,000	82,800	-1,200	-1.4%	+2,000	+2.4%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities	37,600	38,100	38,000	-500	-1.3%	400	-1.1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	32,400	32,100	31,400	+300	0.9%	+1,000	+3.2%
Professional and Business Services	314,100	304,300	305,200	+9,800	+3.2%	+8,900	+2.9%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	121,500	120,400	115,800	+1,100	+0.9%	+5,700	+4.9%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	22,200	22,200	21,500	0	0.0%	+700	+3.3%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25,400	25,400	24,500	0	0.0%	+900	+3.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	167,200	158,500	164,900	+8,700	+5.5%	+2,300	+1.4%
Administrative and Support Services	155,200	146,700	153,300	+8,500	+5.8%	+1,900	+1.2%
Employment Services	74,000	65,500	74,100	+8,500	+13.0%	-100	-0.1%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	36,200	36,100	35,200	+100	+0.3%	+1,000	+2.8%
Education and Health Services	275,000	272,900	261,900	+2,100	+0.8%	+13,100	+5.0%
Educational Services	48,400	46,200	44,800	+2,200	+4.8%	+3,600	+8.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	226,600	226,700	217,100	-100	0.0%	+9,500	+4.4%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	108,400	108,300	104,900	+100	+0.1%	+3,500	+3.3%
Hospitals	38,100	38,100	35,700	0	0.0%	+2,400	+6.7%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	40,400	39,700	37,800	+700	+1.8%	+2,600	6.9%
Leisure and Hospitality	259,000	254,100	250,400	+4,900	+1.9%	+8,600	+3.4%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	34,300	33,000	29,100	+1,300	+3.9%	+5,200	+17.9%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	25,300	24,900	23,200	+400	1.6%	+2,100	+9.1%
Accommodation and Food Services	224,700	221,100	221,300	+3,600	+1.6%	+3,400	+1.5%
Accommodation	29,100	28,900	27,600	+200	+0.7%	+1,500	+5.4%
Food Services and Drinking Places	195,600	192,200	193,700	+3,400	+1.8%	+1,900	+1.0%
Other Services	82,000	82,100	80,300	-100	-0.1%	+1,700	+2.1%
Repair and Maintenance	23,300	23,300	22,500	0	0.0%	+800	+3.6%
Personal and Laundry Services	19,900	20,100	19,100	-200	-1.0%	+800	+4.2%
Government	375,600	368,500	366,700	+7,100	+1.9%	+8,900	+2.4%
Federal Government	36,100	35,700	35,300	+400	+1.1%	+800	+2.3%
State Government	110,700	104,800	107,500	+5,900	+5.6%	+3,200	+3.0%
State Government Educational Services	53,500	48,700	51,600	+4,800	+9.9%	+1,900	+3.7%
State Government Excluding Education	57,200	56,100	55,900	+1,100	2.0%	+1,300	+2.3%
Local Government	228,800	228,000	223,900	+800	+0.4%	+4,900	+2.2%
Local Government Educational Services	111,000	110,700	109,000	+300	+0.3%	+2,000	+1.8%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	117,800	117,300	114,900	+500	+0.4%	+2,900	+2.5%

TOTAL PRIVATE NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY MSA

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

AREA	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$1,077.98	\$1,095.97	\$1,030.10	-\$17.99	-1.6%	+\$47.88	+4.7%
Columbia	\$878.01	\$923.74	\$883.53	-\$45.73	-5.0%	-\$5.52	-0.6%
Florence	\$756.79	\$751.36	\$730.29	+\$5.43	+0.7%	+\$26.50	+3.6%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$1,104.56	\$1,123.56	\$977.20	-\$19.00	-1.7%	+\$127.36	+13.0%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$807.19	\$788.80	\$824.30	+\$18.39	+2.3%	-\$17.11	-2.1%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$826.33	\$859.49	\$790.88	-\$33.16	-3.9%	+\$35.45	+4.5%
Spartanburg	\$901.81	\$939.51	\$1,031.14	-\$37.70	-4.0%	-\$129.33	-12.5%
Sumter	\$717.74	\$706.60	\$699.05	+\$11.14	+1.6%	+\$18.69	+2.7%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

AREA	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	34.2	34.1	34.2	+0.1	+0.3%	0	0.0%
Columbia	33.9	34.2	33.8	-0.3	-0.9%	+0.1	+0.3%
Florence	32.3	32.4	33.0	-0.1	-0.3%	-0.7	-2.1%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	35.7	36.0	35.0	-0.3	-0.8%	+0.7	+2.0%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	30.3	29.4	31.9	+0.9	+3.1%	-1.6	-5.0%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	32.7	33.6	32.4	-0.9	-2.7%	+0.3	+0.9%
Spartanburg	33.7	34.9	36.8	-1.2	-3.4%	-3.1	-8.4%
Sumter	32.2	31.8	31.0	+0.4	+1.3%	+1.2	+3.9%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

AREA	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$31.52	\$32.14	\$30.12	-\$0.62	-1.9%	+\$1.40	+4.7%
Columbia	\$25.90	\$27.01	\$26.14	-\$1.11	-4.1%	-\$0.24	-0.9%
Florence	\$23.43	\$23.19	\$22.13	+\$0.24	+1.0%	+\$1.30	+5.9%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$30.94	\$31.21	\$27.92	-\$0.27	-0.9%	+\$3.02	+10.8%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$26.64	\$26.83	\$25.84	-\$0.19	-0.7%	+\$0.80	+3.1%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$25.27	\$25.58	\$24.41	-\$0.31	-1.2%	+\$0.86	+3.5%
Spartanburg	\$26.76	\$26.92	\$28.02	-\$0.16	-0.6%	-\$1.26	-4.5%
Sumter	\$22.29	\$22.22	\$22.55	+\$0.07	+0.3%	-\$0.26	-1.2%

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NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY INDUSTRY

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$990.25	\$1,010.59	\$937.08	-\$20.34	-2.0%	+\$53.17	+5.7%
Goods Producing	\$1,264.43	\$1,278.02	\$1,196.48	-\$13.59	-1.1%	+\$67.95	+5.7%
Construction	\$1,193.73	\$1,231.36	\$1,188.56	\$37.63	3.1%	+\$5.17	+0.4%
Manufacturing	\$1,294.39	\$1,301.44	\$1,205.28	-\$7.05	-0.5%	+\$89.11	+7.4%
Private Service Providing	\$923.34	\$943.54	\$872.05	-\$20.20	-2.1%	+\$51.29	+5.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$813.62	\$839.85	\$845.30	-\$26.23	-3.1%	-\$31.68	-3.8%
Financial Activities	\$1,211.21	\$1,289.96	\$1,157.33	\$78.75	6.1%	+\$53.88	+4.7%
Professional and Business Services	\$1,208.89	\$1,255.40	\$1,202.33	-\$46.51	-3.7%	+\$6.56	+0.6%
Education and Health Services	\$973.15	\$991.98	\$981.35	-\$18.83	-1.9%	-\$8.20	-0.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$459.54	\$443.94	\$405.37	+\$15.60	+3.5%	+\$54.17	+13.4%
Other Services	\$918.72	\$906.00	\$766.58	+\$12.72	+1.4%	+\$152.14	+19.9%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

INDUSTRY TITLE	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	34.6	34.8	34.2	-0.2	-0.6%	+0.4	+1.2%
Goods Producing	41.2	41.2	40.6	+0.0	+0.0%	+0.6	+1.5%
Construction	40.7	41.6	40.1	-0.9	-2.2%	+0.6	+1.5%
Manufacturing	41.5	40.9	40.5	+0.6	+1.5%	+1.0	+2.5%
Private Service Providing	33.0	33.2	32.6	-0.2	-0.6%	+0.4	+1.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	32.9	33.0	32.7	-0.1	-0.3%	+0.2	+0.6%
Financial Activities	38.5	39.4	37.6	-0.9	-2.3%	+0.9	+2.4%
Professional and Business Services	37.3	38.1	39.1	-0.8	-2.1%	-1.8	-4.6%
Education and Health Services	32.7	33.0	31.8	-0.3	-0.9%	+0.9	+2.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	24.8	24.5	25.1	+0.3	+1.2%	-0.3	-1.2%
Other Services	34.8	34.9	33.8	-0.1	-0.3%	+1.0	+3.0%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$28.62	\$29.04	\$27.40	-\$0.42	-1.5%	+\$1.22	+4.5%
Goods Producing	\$30.69	\$31.02	\$29.47	-\$0.33	-1.1%	+\$1.22	+4.1%
Construction	\$29.33	\$29.60	\$29.64	-\$0.27	-0.9%	-\$0.31	-1.1%
Manufacturing	\$31.19	\$31.82	\$29.76	-\$0.63	-2.0%	+\$1.43	+4.8%
Private Service Providing	\$27.98	\$28.42	\$26.75	-\$0.44	-1.6%	+\$1.23	+4.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$24.73	\$25.45	\$25.85	-\$0.72	-2.8%	-\$1.12	-4.3%
Financial Activities	\$31.46	\$32.74	\$30.78	-\$1.28	-3.9%	+\$0.68	+2.2%
Professional and Business Services	\$32.41	\$32.95	\$30.75	-\$0.54	-1.6%	+\$1.66	+5.4%
Education and Health Services	\$29.76	\$30.06	\$30.86	-\$0.30	-1.0%	-\$1.10	-3.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$18.53	\$18.12	\$16.15	+\$0.41	+2.3%	+\$2.38	+14.7%
Other Services	\$26.40	\$25.96	\$22.68	+\$0.44	+1.7%	+\$3.72	+16.4%

NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
CHARLESTON-NORTH CHARLESTON MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	405,800	398,500	384,700	+7,300	+1.8%	+21,100	+5.5%
Total Private	337,900	331,000	318,300	+6,900	+2.1%	+19,600	+6.2%
Goods Producing	52,900	52,300	50,700	+600	+1.2%	+2,200	+4.3%
Service-Providing	352,900	346,200	334,000	+6,700	+1.9%	+18,900	+5.7%
Private Service Providing	285,000	278,700	267,600	+6,300	+2.3%	+17,400	+6.5%
Mining, Logging and Construction	21,900	21,700	21,400	+200	+0.9%	+500	+2.3%
Manufacturing	31,000	30,600	29,300	+400	+1.3%	+1,700	+5.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	73,700	73,800	71,900	-100	-0.1%	+1,800	+2.5%
Wholesale Trade	12,000	12,200	11,700	-200	-1.6%	+300	+2.6%
Retail Trade	41,500	41,500	41,800	0	0%	-300	-0.7%
General Merchandise Stores	7,800	7,800	7,600	0	0%	+200	+2.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	20,200	20,100	18,400	+100	+0.5%	+1,800	+9.8%
Information	8,800	8,800	8,300	0	0%	+500	+6.0%
Financial Activities	19,600	19,600	17,300	0	0%	+2,300	+13.3%
Professional and Business Services	69,000	64,800	61,300	+4,200	+6.5%	+7,700	+12.6%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	31,200	28,500	27,100	+2,700	+9.5%	+4,100	+15.1%
Education and Health Services	48,100	47,600	44,800	+500	+1.1%	+3,300	+7.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	50,300	48,600	48,700	+1,700	+3.5%	+1,600	+3.3%
Accommodation and Food Services	44,000	42,900	43,100	+1,100	+2.6%	+900	+2.1%
Food Services and Drinking Places	36,100	35,100	35,700	+1,000	+2.9%	+400	+1.1%
Other Services	15,500	15,500	15,300	0	0%	+200	+1.3%
Government	67,900	67,500	66,400	+400	+0.6%	+1,500	+2.3%
Federal Government	11,600	11,500	11,600	+100	+0.9%	0	0%
State Government	28,100	28,000	27,100	+100	+0.4%	+1,000	+3.7%
Local Government	28,200	28,000	27,700	+200	+0.7%	+500	+1.8%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
COLUMBIA MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	413,800	412,400	411,600	+1,400	+0.3%	+2,200	+0.5%
Total Private	330,800	330,400	329,700	+400	+0.1%	+1,100	+0.3%
Goods Producing	48,500	48,400	51,000	+100	+0.2%	-2,500	-4.9%
Service-Providing	365,300	364,000	360,600	+1,300	+0.4%	+4,700	+1.3%
Private Service Providing	282,300	282,000	278,700	+300	+0.1%	+3,600	+1.3%
Mining, Logging and Construction	16,900	17,000	16,900	-100	-0.6%	0	0%
Manufacturing	31,600	31,400	34,100	+200	+0.6%	-2,500	-7.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	76,600	76,600	77,500	0	0%	-900	-1.2%
Wholesale Trade	15,900	16,000	15,800	-100	-0.6%	+100	+0.6%
Retail Trade	43,700	43,500	44,600	+200	+0.5%	-900	-2.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,000	17,100	17,100	-100	-0.6%	-100	-0.6%
Information	5,200	5,200	5,000	0	0%	+200	+4.0%
Financial Activities	35,900	36,000	34,700	-100	-0.3%	+1,200	+3.5%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	7,700	7,700	7,400	0	0%	+300	+4.1%
Professional and Business Services	57,500	57,000	56,800	+500	+0.9%	+700	+1.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	31,700	30,400	32,100	+1,300	+4.3%	-400	-1.3%
Education and Health Services	52,100	52,500	51,100	-400	-0.8%	+1,000	+2.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	37,900	37,600	36,800	+300	+0.8%	+1,100	+3.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	31,500	31,000	31,300	+500	+1.6%	+200	+0.6%
Other Services	17,100	17,100	16,800	0	0%	+300	+1.8%
Government	83,000	82,000	81,900	+1,000	+1.2%	+1,100	+1.3%
Federal Government	11,200	11,100	10,800	+100	+0.9%	+400	+3.7%
State Government	36,200	35,300	35,000	+900	+2.6%	+1,200	+3.4%
Local Government	35,600	35,600	36,100	0	0%	-500	-1.4%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
GREENVILLE-ANDERSON-MAULDIN MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	454,800	449,700	443,900	+5,100	+1.1%	+10,900	+2.5%
Total Private	391,400	387,000	382,500	+4,400	+1.1%	+8,900	+2.3%
Goods Producing	83,100	82,200	80,600	+900	+1.1%	+2,500	+3.1%
Service-Providing	371,700	367,500	363,300	+4,200	+1.1%	+8,400	+2.3%
Private Service Providing	308,300	304,800	301,900	+3,500	+1.2%	+6,400	+2.1%
Mining, Logging and Construction	22,000	21,700	20,400	+300	+1.4%	+1,600	+7.8%
Manufacturing	61,100	60,500	60,200	+600	+1.0%	+900	+1.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	82,000	82,200	81,200	-200	-0.2%	+800	+1.0%
Wholesale Trade	19,700	20,000	20,000	-300	-1.5%	-300	-1.5%
Retail Trade	47,200	47,000	46,900	+200	+0.4%	+300	+0.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	15,100	15,200	14,300	-100	-0.7%	+800	+5.6%
Information	7,300	7,300	6,800	0	0%	+500	+7.4%
Financial Activities	21,700	21,700	20,900	0	0%	+800	+3.8%
Professional and Business Services	75,500	73,300	77,300	+2,200	+3.0%	-1,800	-2.3%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	27,600	27,400	26,300	+200	+0.7%	+1,300	+4.9%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6,600	6,500	6,400	+100	+1.5%	+200	+3.1%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	41,300	39,400	44,600	+1,900	+4.8%	-3,300	-7.4%
Education and Health Services	58,900	58,200	55,800	+700	+1.2%	+3,100	+5.6%
Educational Services	12,500	11,900	11,700	+600	+5.0%	+800	+6.8%
Health Care and Social Assistance	46,400	46,300	44,100	+100	+0.2%	+2,300	+5.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	47,600	46,800	45,000	+800	+1.7%	+2,600	+5.8%
Other Services	15,300	15,300	14,900	0	0%	+400	+2.7%
Government	63,400	62,700	61,400	+700	+1.1%	+2,000	+3.3%
Federal Government	3,000	3,000	3,000	0	0%	0	0%
State Government	15,200	14,000	14,500	+1,200	+8.6%	+700	+4.8%
Local Government	45,200	45,700	43,900	-500	-1.1%	+1,300	+3.0%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
MYRTLE BEACH-CONWAY-NORTH MYRTLE BEACH MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	183,200	180,600	173,500	+2,600	+1.4%	+9,700	+5.6%
Total Private	158,400	156,100	149,800	+2,300	+1.5%	+8,600	+5.7%
Goods Producing	17,600	17,400	16,600	+200	+1.2%	+1,000	+6.0%
Service-Providing	165,600	163,200	156,900	+2,400	+1.5%	+8,700	+5.5%
Private Service Providing	140,800	138,700	133,200	+2,100	+1.5%	+7,600	+5.7%
Mining, Logging and Construction	12,200	12,000	11,400	+200	+1.7%	+800	+7.0%
Manufacturing	5,400	5,400	5,200	0	0%	+200	+3.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	39,900	40,200	39,600	-300	-0.8%	+300	+0.8%
Wholesale Trade	3,600	3,700	3,600	-100	-2.7%	0	0%
Retail Trade	31,100	31,200	31,200	-100	-0.3%	-100	-0.3%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	5,200	5,300	4,800	-100	-1.9%	+400	+8.3%
Information	2,900	2,900	2,400	0	0%	+500	+20.8%
Financial Activities	10,200	10,200	9,600	0	0%	+600	+6.3%
Professional and Business Services	18,400	18,000	17,200	+400	+2.2%	+1,200	+7.0%
Education and Health Services	21,600	21,300	20,100	+300	+1.4%	+1,500	+7.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	41,300	39,600	38,100	+1,700	+4.3%	+3,200	+8.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	35,600	33,800	32,400	+1,800	+5.3%	+3,200	+9.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	28,300	26,000	25,500	+2,300	+8.9%	+2,800	+11.0%
Other Services	6,500	6,500	6,200	0	0%	+300	+4.8%
Government	24,800	24,500	23,700	+300	+1.2%	+1,100	+4.6%
Federal Government	1,500	1,500	1,400	0	0%	+100	+7.1%
State Government	4,800	4,600	4,700	+200	+4.4%	+100	+2.1%
Local Government	18,500	18,400	17,600	+100	+0.5%	+900	+5.1%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
SPARTANBURG MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	169,100	168,000	165,900	+1,100	+0.7%	+3,200	+1.9%
Total Private	140,500	139,800	139,200	+700	+0.5%	+1,300	+0.9%
Goods Producing	45,700	45,700	44,800	0	0%	+900	+2.0%
Service-Providing	123,400	122,300	121,100	+1,100	+0.9%	+2,300	+1.9%
Private Service Providing	94,800	94,100	94,400	+700	+0.7%	+400	+0.4%
Mining, Logging and Construction	7,500	7,400	7,400	+100	+1.4%	+100	+1.4%
Manufacturing	38,200	38,300	37,400	-100	-0.3%	+800	+2.1%
Durable Goods	26,300	26,200	25,700	+100	+0.4%	+600	+2.3%
Non-Durable Goods	11,900	12,100	11,700	-200	-1.7%	+200	+1.7%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	36,600	36,400	37,100	+200	+0.6%	-500	-1.4%
Wholesale Trade	8,000	8,100	8,400	-100	-1.2%	-400	-4.8%
Retail Trade	16,900	16,600	16,700	+300	+1.8%	+200	+1.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	11,700	11,700	12,000	0	0%	-300	-2.5%
Information	900	900	700	0	0%	+200	+28.6%
Financial Activities	5,200	5,200	5,100	0	0%	+100	+2.0%
Professional and Business Services	16,900	16,500	17,200	+400	+2.4%	-300	-1.7%
Education and Health Services	15,600	15,500	15,300	+100	+0.7%	+300	+2.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	14,100	14,100	13,700	0	0%	+400	+2.9%
Other Services	5,500	5,500	5,300	0	0%	+200	+3.8%
Government	28,600	28,200	26,700	+400	+1.4%	+1,900	+7.1%
Federal Government	700	600	600	+100	+16.7%	+100	+16.7%
State Government	4,000	3,900	4,000	+100	+2.6%	0	0%
Local Government	23,900	23,700	22,100	+200	+0.8%	+1,800	+8.1%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
FLORENCE MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	94,300	93,800	92,200	+500	+0.5%	+2,100	+2.3%
Total Private	76,900	77,000	75,300	-100	-0.1%	+1,600	+2.1%
Goods Producing	14,900	15,200	14,700	-300	-2.0%	+200	+1.4%
Service-Providing	79,400	78,600	77,500	+800	+1.0%	+1,900	+2.5%
Private Service Providing	62,000	61,800	60,600	+200	+0.3%	+1,400	+2.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	20,700	21,000	20,100	-300	-1.4%	+600	+3.0%
Government	17,400	16,800	16,900	+600	+3.6%	+500	+3.0%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0%	0	0%
State Government	4,900	4,300	4,400	+600	+14.0%	+500	+11.4%
Local Government	11,800	11,800	11,800	0	0%	0	0%

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND-BLUFFTON-BEAUFORT MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	85,300	85,300	82,900	0	0%	+2,400	+2.9%
Total Private	73,700	73,900	71,400	-200	-0.3%	+2,300	+3.2%
Goods Producing	7,600	7,800	7,500	-200	-2.6%	+100	+1.3%
Service-Providing	77,700	77,500	75,400	+200	+0.3%	+2,300	+3.1%
Private Service Providing	66,100	66,100	63,900	0	0%	+2,200	+3.4%
Government	11,600	11,400	11,500	+200	+1.8%	+100	+0.9%

**SUMTER MSA
FEBRUARY 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	FEBRUARY 2023	JANUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022	JANUARY 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2023		FEBRUARY 2022 TO FEBRUARY 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	39,100	39,100	39,200	0	0%	-100	-0.3%
Total Private	33,300	33,400	33,000	-100	-0.3%	+300	+0.9%
Goods Producing	9,600	9,800	9,700	-200	-2.0%	-100	-1.0%
Service-Providing	29,500	29,300	29,500	+200	+0.7%	0	0%
Private Service Providing	23,700	23,600	23,300	+100	+0.4%	+400	+1.7%
Manufacturing	7,100	7,200	7,200	-100	-1.4%	-100	-1.4%
Government	5,800	5,700	6,200	+100	+1.8%	-400	-6.5%
Federal Government	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0%	-100	-7.7%
State Government	1,300	1,200	1,400	+100	+8.3%	-100	-7.1%
Local Government	3,300	3,300	3,500	0	0%	-200	-5.7%

LONG-RUN TRENDS

ANNUAL LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS DATA 1976-2022

YEAR	CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE (PERCENT)	EMPLOYMENT-POPULATION RATIO (PERCENT)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (PERCENT)
1976	2,007,417	64.7%	60.2%	1,299,241	1,207,662	91,579	7.0%
1977	2,061,250	64.4%	60.0%	1,327,423	1,237,495	89,928	6.8%
1978	2,117,667	64.1%	60.5%	1,356,921	1,281,597	75,324	5.6%
1979	2,169,417	63.4%	60.2%	1,375,201	1,306,773	68,428	5.0%
1980	2,221,250	62.8%	58.6%	1,395,675	1,301,796	93,879	6.7%
1981	2,266,583	63.2%	58.0%	1,432,219	1,314,907	117,312	8.2%
1982	2,307,333	64.2%	57.3%	1,482,373	1,322,883	159,490	10.8%
1983	2,341,083	63.2%	56.9%	1,479,137	1,333,162	145,975	9.9%
1984	2,378,500	62.9%	58.5%	1,495,188	1,391,286	103,902	6.9%
1985	2,426,500	63.8%	59.5%	1,548,924	1,443,612	105,312	6.8%
1986	2,455,333	64.9%	60.7%	1,592,306	1,491,069	101,237	6.4%
1987	2,495,333	65.4%	61.8%	1,631,897	1,542,170	89,727	5.5%
1988	2,533,000	65.6%	62.5%	1,660,533	1,583,928	76,605	4.6%
1989	2,566,000	66.0%	62.9%	1,693,438	1,615,009	78,429	4.6%
1990	2,611,843	66.5%	63.3%	1,737,831	1,652,949	84,882	4.9%
1991	2,663,759	66.3%	62.3%	1,767,123	1,659,196	107,927	6.1%
1992	2,699,745	66.7%	62.2%	1,799,677	1,678,803	120,874	6.7%
1993	2,739,480	66.7%	61.8%	1,826,650	1,693,483	133,167	7.3%
1994	2,775,049	66.4%	62.3%	1,841,428	1,727,714	113,714	6.2%
1995	2,813,952	66.2%	62.8%	1,864,221	1,768,540	95,681	5.1%
1996	2,851,104	66.2%	62.4%	1,886,064	1,779,221	106,843	5.7%
1997	2,897,839	66.3%	63.3%	1,920,244	1,834,337	85,907	4.5%
1998	2,945,825	65.9%	63.5%	1,940,846	1,870,270	70,576	3.6%
1999	2,989,560	65.5%	62.8%	1,958,598	1,877,345	81,253	4.1%
2000	3,027,367	64.9%	62.5%	1,965,481	1,892,559	72,922	3.7%
2001	3,064,191	63.4%	60.0%	1,941,956	1,839,246	102,710	5.3%
2002	3,098,739	63.1%	59.0%	1,954,548	1,828,735	125,813	6.4%
2003	3,133,915	63.8%	59.2%	1,999,485	1,855,599	143,886	7.2%
2004	3,178,645	64.3%	59.5%	2,043,864	1,891,722	152,142	7.4%
2005	3,234,049	64.0%	59.4%	2,071,111	1,919,644	151,467	7.3%
2006	3,305,437	65.0%	60.5%	2,148,698	2,001,245	147,453	6.9%
2007	3,374,548	63.9%	60.0%	2,155,198	2,024,493	130,705	6.1%
2008	3,439,974	62.8%	58.2%	2,160,084	2,002,903	157,181	7.3%
2009	3,490,448	62.1%	55.0%	2,166,737	1,919,307	247,430	11.4%
2010	3,564,619	61.0%	54.1%	2,174,535	1,928,442	246,093	11.3%
2011	3,612,048	60.5%	54.2%	2,185,171	1,957,493	227,678	10.4%
2012	3,655,515	59.9%	54.5%	2,190,203	1,992,957	197,246	9.0%
2013	3,704,281	59.3%	54.9%	2,197,876	2,034,404	163,472	7.4%
2014	3,759,002	59.1%	55.4%	2,222,426	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%
2015	3,822,409	59.3%	55.8%	2,267,837	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%
2016	3,888,005	58.8%	55.9%	2,286,054	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%
2017	3,897,645	58.0%	55.6%	2,261,766	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%
2018	3,948,448	57.8%	55.9%	2,282,022	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%
2019	4,002,601	58.1%	56.5%	2,324,500	2,259,807	64,693	2.8%
2020	4,062,556	57.5%	54.0%	2,335,026	2,195,171	139,855	6.0%
2021	4,124,126	57.1%	54.8%	2,353,968	2,261,060	92,908	3.9%
2022	4,204,317	56.5%	54.7%	2,374,975	2,297,927	77,048	3.2%

ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL
1939-2022

YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT
1939	310,100	1960	582,500	1981	1,196,500	2002	1,795,400
1940	328,600	1961	587,000	1982	1,162,300	2003	1,799,100
1941	387,500	1962	609,800	1983	1,189,000	2004	1,826,600
1942	416,500	1963	630,600	1984	1,262,500	2005	1,862,900
1943	428,500	1964	651,500	1985	1,296,200	2006	1,905,700
1944	408,600	1965	686,000	1986	1,338,000	2007	1,945,000
1945	396,000	1966	734,900	1987	1,392,200	2008	1,926,300
1946	411,600	1967	754,500	1988	1,449,000	2009	1,814,400
1947	436,200	1968	782,900	1989	1,499,700	2010	1,811,300
1948	456,400	1969	819,800	1990	1,527,600	2011	1,832,500
1949	443,100	1970	842,000	1991	1,497,300	2012	1,864,300
1950	461,400	1971	862,600	1992	1,511,800	2013	1,901,000
1951	505,800	1972	920,300	1993	1,553,000	2014	1,951,300
1952	544,300	1973	984,000	1994	1,592,000	2015	2,006,700
1953	543,900	1974	1,015,800	1995	1,636,300	2016	2,055,300
1954	519,700	1975	982,600	1996	1,669,400	2017	2,096,100
1955	533,000	1976	1,038,100	1997	1,718,800	2018	2,154,800
1956	542,900	1977	1,081,700	1998	1,779,800	2019	2,189,600
1957	545,000	1978	1,137,500	1999	1,826,300	2020	2,082,300
1958	545,900	1979	1,176,000	2000	1,854,000	2021	2,154,600
1959	566,900	1980	1,188,800	2001	1,814,800	2022	2,243,500

ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL
2007-2022

	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
2007	\$675.36	36.0	\$18.76
2008	\$669.28	35.6	\$18.80
2009	\$665.55	34.7	\$19.18
2010	\$692.17	34.8	\$19.89
2011	\$716.18	34.8	\$20.58
2012	\$705.16	35.1	\$20.09
2013	\$716.15	34.9	\$20.52
2014	\$726.23	34.5	\$21.05
2015	\$743.27	34.7	\$21.42
2016	\$762.80	34.5	\$22.11
2017	\$791.99	34.6	\$22.89
2018	\$829.36	34.6	\$23.97
2019	\$852.84	34.5	\$24.72
2020	\$888.31	34.1	\$26.05
2021	\$925.41	34.3	\$26.98
2022	\$972.90	34.5	\$28.20

TECHNICAL NOTES

1. **Household Survey:** Nationally, there is a monthly Current Population Survey of about 60,000 households conducted by the Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) to determine employment status of the civilian population. This information, along with other inputs, are used by DEW to operate the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program, which estimates the number of individuals employed and those not employed, but actively seeking employment for statewide and a variety of sub-state geographies.
2. **Employer Survey:** BLS conducts a monthly Current Employment Statistics survey of about 44,000 employers which yields national estimates of nonagricultural wage and salary employment, hours, and earnings by industry. This data is processed by DEW to generate comparable data for the state and its metropolitan statistical areas.
3. **Seasonally Adjusted:** Seasonal adjustment removes the effects of events that follow a regular pattern each year (i.e. tourist-related hiring and school closings in the summer). These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other nonseasonal movements in data over time.
4. **Not Seasonally Adjusted:** Effects of regular or seasonal patterns have not been removed from this data.

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (CES)	LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS)
Data is published by Industry	Data is published by County
Counts Jobs	Counts People
Utilizes an Establishment Survey	The Current Population Survey (CPS), which is a Household Survey , is used to calculate LAUS
Reference week is the Pay Period that includes the 12 th of the month	Reference week is the Calendar Week that includes the 12 th of the month
A job held by a person on unpaid leave during the reference week is not counted since they are not receiving pay	A person on unpaid leave is counted as employed because they will return to their job
Does not count self-employed workers	Does count self-employed workers
Does not include agricultural workers	Includes both agricultural and non-agricultural workers
Does not count unpaid family workers	Counts unpaid family workers if they worked at least 15 unpaid hours for a family business or family farm during the reference week
Workers on strike during the entire reference period are not counted	Workers on strike during the reference week are counted as employed in LAUS



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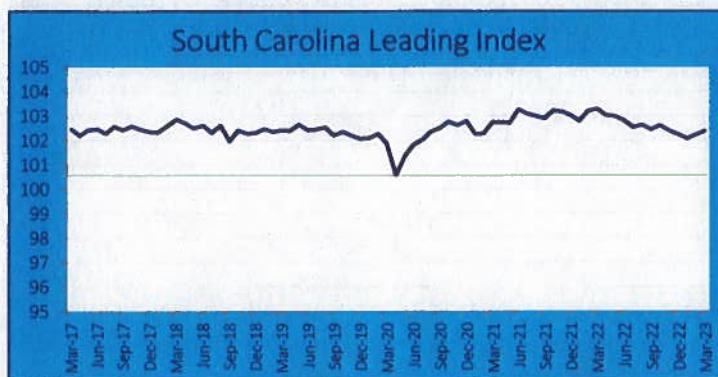
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ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

The South Carolina Leading Index (SCLI) rose in March to a value (following revisions) of 102.37.

SCLI metrics were mostly improved in March. Unemployment claims were 3.7 percent lower than in February. The number of issued housing permits rose 25.7 percent month-over-month while valuation for the permits rose 27.4 percent. Average weekly manufacturing hours were down 2.1 percent. The Dow Jones Composite Average was up 1.0 percent.



Source: S.C. Department of Commerce

The Conference Board's national Leading Economic Index decreased in March, following revisions, to 108.4. The Conference Board forecasts spreading economic weakness that culminates in a recession in mid-2023.

- Brandon Wilkerson

KEY S.C. INDICATORS

Income

+2.3% State Personal Income increased to \$290.7 billion in the 4th quarter of 2022.
U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

+0.4% Consumer Price Index Cost of goods and services in the South Region rose 0.4% in Mar.
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Real Estate

+6% Median Home Sales Price rose \$18,000 from the prior month to \$318,000 for March.
South Carolina Association of Realtors

+25.7% Residential Building Permits rose by 781 permits from the prior month to 3,820 in March.
U.S. Census Bureau

Employment

+0.5% Nonfarm Employment rose by 11,200 net non-seasonally adjusted jobs from the prior month.
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

+0.5% Labor Force increased by 11,040 to 2,393,147, seasonally adjusted, in March.
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

-0.8% Manufacturing Weekly Hours fell, following revisions, to 38.0 hours in March.
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

-1.5% Available Online Job Postings decreased by 1,500 positions in March to a seasonally adjusted 96,200 job postings.
The Conference Board Help Wanted Online Index

0.0% Unemployment Rate remained at 3.2 percent, seasonally adjusted, in March.
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

About S.C. Commerce's Research Team

The Research Team is a highly skilled, multidisciplinary group of professionals that collects, examines and disseminates data to support economic development in South Carolina. The team furnishes information to companies considering an investment in the state and produces rigorous analysis for stakeholders of all kinds.

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South Carolina Employment

Non-Seasonally Adjusted Wage and Salary Employment

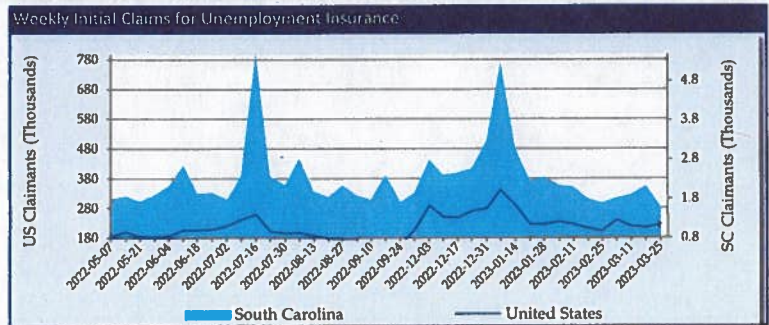
South Carolina's total non-seasonally adjusted nonfarm employment rose by 11,200 net jobs to 2,276,000 in March, which was 0.5 percent higher than February numbers and 4.1 percent higher than one year ago. Sectors reporting net job gains for the month included Leisure and Hospitality (9,000); Government (2,400); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (2,400); Manufacturing (1,200); Information (500); and Finance (400). Net job losses were reported in the Professional and Business Services (-4,200); Other Services (-300); and Educational and Health Services (-200) sectors. Construction and Natural Resources and Mining had no net change month-over-month. Compared to one year ago, the state economy added 90,500 net nonfarm jobs.

Industry Sector	March 2023 (Preliminary)	Previous Month	Previous Year	% Change Month Ago	% Change Year Ago
Goods Producing	376,500	375,300	365,600	0.32%	2.98%
Natural Resources and Mining	4,500	4,500	4,400	0.00%	2.27%
Construction	109,400	109,400	105,500	0.00%	3.70%
Manufacturing	262,600	261,400	255,700	0.46%	2.70%
Service Providing	1,899,500	1,889,500	1,819,900	0.53%	4.37%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	437,500	435,100	427,000	0.55%	2.46%
Information	31,800	31,300	28,000	1.60%	13.57%
Finance	118,500	118,100	111,900	0.34%	5.90%
Professional and Business Services	308,800	313,000	299,800	-1.34%	3.00%
Educational and Health Services	275,300	275,500	253,600	-0.07%	8.56%
Leisure and Hospitality	267,900	258,900	249,600	3.48%	7.33%
Other Services	81,700	82,000	79,400	-0.37%	2.90%
Total Private	1,898,000	1,889,200	1,814,900	0.47%	4.58%
Government	378,000	375,600	370,600	0.64%	2.00%
Total Nonfarm	2,276,000	2,264,800	2,185,500	0.49%	4.14%

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Weekly Unemployment Claims

The average number of initial reported claims for unemployment insurance in the state decreased in March. The average for the month was 1,854 weekly initial claims, down 3.7 percent month-over-month.



Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Average Hourly Earnings

These charts present the average hourly earnings of all employees in private industry, based on a monthly national survey of businesses. The data are not seasonally adjusted.



Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

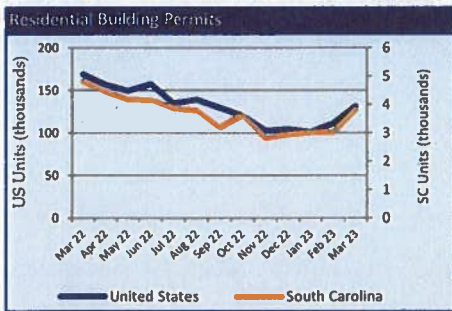
Real Estate & Business Activity

In March, the number of building permits issued in South Carolina for new residential construction rose 25.7 percent to 3,820. This figure was down 20.9 percent from one year ago. Valuation for the permits rose 27.4 percent month-over-month and was 13.6 percent lower than one year ago. Total closings were up 42.9 percent compared to February, while the median sales price was up 6.0 percent. Total closings rose in all of the six MSAs, with Spartanburg reporting the strongest gain (66.6 percent). Median sales price also rose across the six MSAs, with Columbia reporting the steepest increase at 4.3 percent.

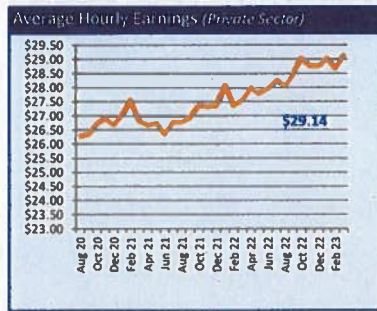
	Month	Current	Previous Year	% Change Year Ago	Current YTD	Prior YTD	% Change YTD
Closings	March	8,237	10,397	-20.8%	19,064	25,665	-25.7%
Median Sales Price*	March	\$318.0	\$308.0	3.2%	\$311.0	\$299.0	4.0%
Residential Building Permits - Total	March	3,820	4,829	-20.9%	9,877	12,754	-22.6%
Residential Building Permits - Valuation*	March	\$986,894	\$1,142,546	-13.6%	\$2,500,736	\$3,078,226	-18.8%

* Thousands of US dollars. Source: S.C. Association of Realtors, U.S. Census

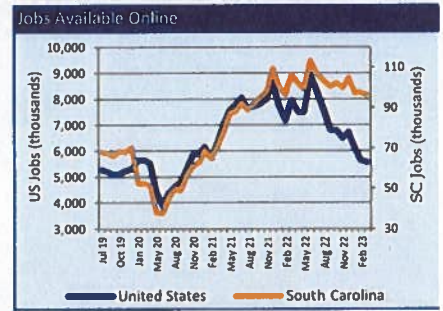
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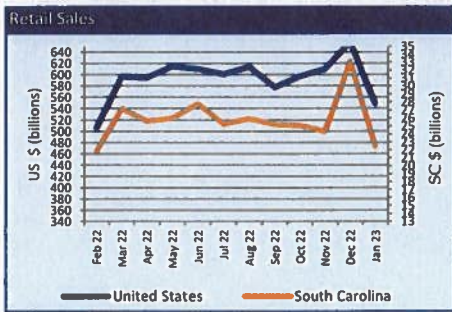
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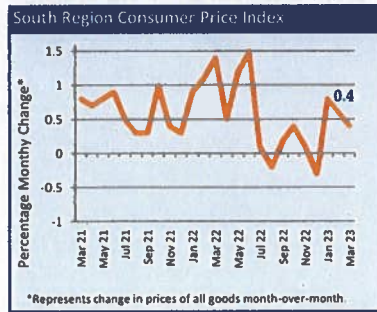
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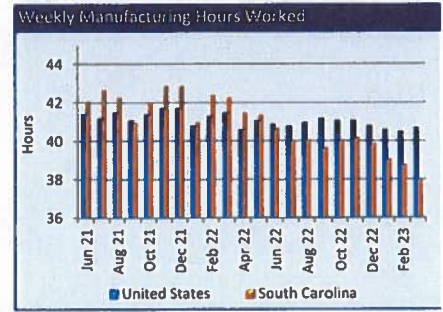
Source: The Conference Board Help Wanted Online Index



Source: South Carolina Department of Revenue

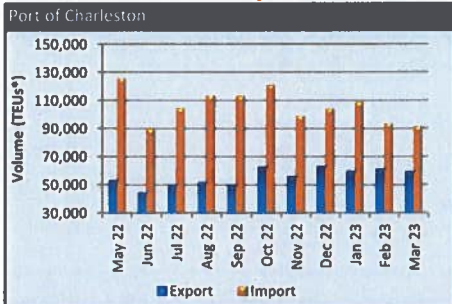


*Represents change in prices of all goods month-over-month. Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

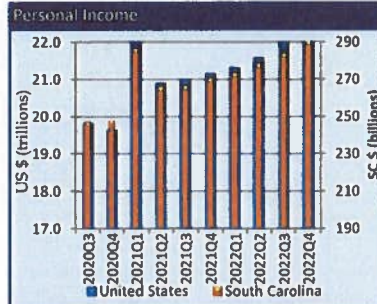


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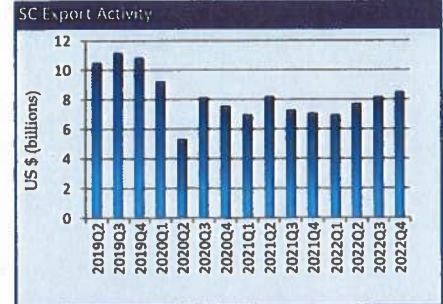
Income and Output



*Twenty-Foot Equivalent Units. Source: SC Ports Authority



Source: U.S. Census



Source: Foreign Trade Division, U.S. Census

Regional Updates

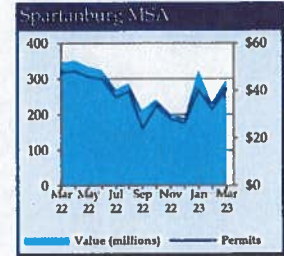
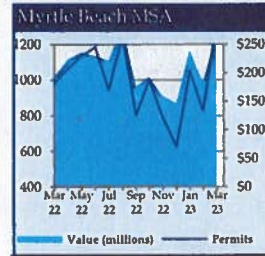
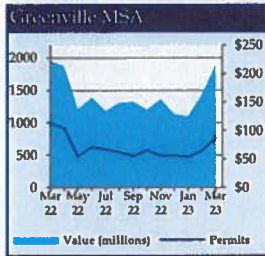
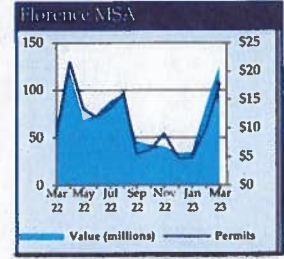
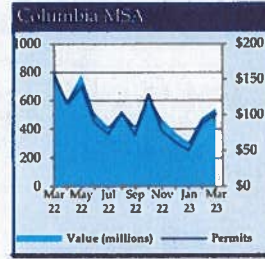
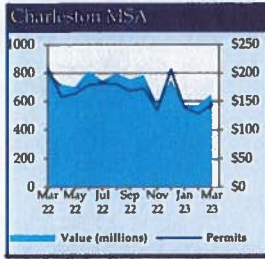
The South Carolina Regional Update provides a snapshot of the most recent economic figures for the six largest Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSAs) in the state.

Home Sales

MSA	Indicator	Mar 22	Mar 23
Charleston	Sales Volume	2,313	1,720
	Median Price (000's)	\$378	\$390
Columbia	Sales Volume	1,385	1,132
	Median Price (000's)	\$255	\$265
Florence	Sales Volume	301	213
	Median Price (000's)	\$206	\$208
Greenville	Sales Volume	1,545	1,427
	Median Price (000's)	\$295	\$300
Myrtle Beach	Sales Volume	2,047	1,567
	Median Price (000's)	\$295	\$315
Spartanburg	Sales Volume	518	543
	Median Price (000's)	\$257	\$274
South Carolina	Sales Volume	10,397	8,237
	Median Price (000's)	\$308.0	\$318.0

Source: S.C. Association of Realtors.

Building Permits



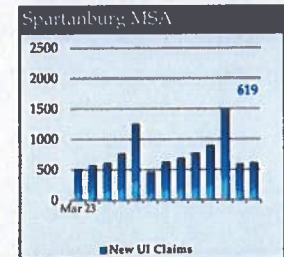
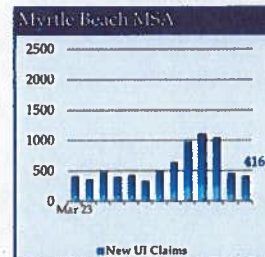
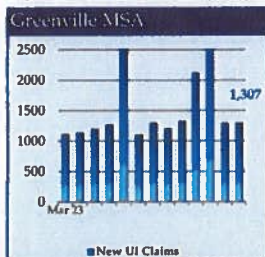
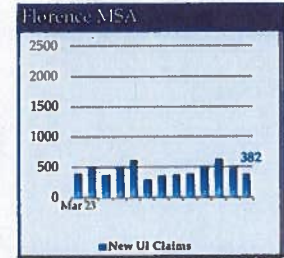
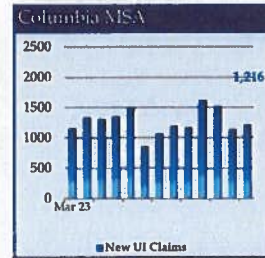
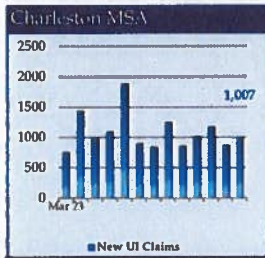
Source: U.S. Census

Employment

MSA	Indicator	Feb 23	Mar 23
Charleston	Employment (000's)	403.5	408.9
	Unemployment Rate	3.2	2.9
Columbia	Employment (000's)	390.1	393.0
	Unemployment Rate	3.5	3.2
Florence	Employment (000's)	93.0	94.3
	Unemployment Rate	3.7	3.4
Greenville	Employment (000's)	433.0	435.9
	Unemployment Rate	3.4	3.1
Myrtle Beach	Employment (000's)	198.5	203.3
	Unemployment Rate	4.8	4.3
Spartanburg	Employment (000's)	162.1	163.6
	Unemployment Rate	3.6	3.3
South Carolina	Employment (000's)	2,306.1	2,316.7
	Unemployment Rate	3.2	3.2

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics (unadjusted MSA figures)

Unemployment Insurance Claims



Source: SCDOC analysis of SCDEIV data

Change in Manufacturing Employment, March 2022 to March 2023



Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, April 2023, figures are based on preliminary data

Quick Facts March 2023

South Carolina:

Population: 5,282,634

Labor Force: 2,393,147

Employed: 2,316,712

Unemployed: 76,435

Unemployment Rate: 3.2% (Seasonally Adjusted) (The Unemployment Rate Is Unchanged Compared to February 2023 Rate Of: 3.2%)

Anderson:

Population: 187,126

Labor Force: 93,464

Employed: 90,634

Unemployed: 2,830

Unemployment Rate: 3.0% (The Unemployment Rate Is Lower Compared to February 2023 Rate Of: 3.5%)

Oconee:

Population: 74,273

Labor Force: 34,533

Employed: 33,455

Unemployed: 1,078

Unemployment Rate: 3.1% (The Unemployment Rate Is Lower Compared to February 2023 Rate Of: 3.5%)

Pickens:

Population: 119,224

Labor Force: 59,313

Employed: 57,392

Unemployed: 1,921

Unemployment Rate: 3.2% (The Unemployment Rate Is Lower Compared to February 2023 Rate Of: 3.6%)

[Community Profiles \(sc.gov\)](https://www.sc.gov/CommunityProfiles)

Disability Statistics

March 2023 Disability Employment Statistics Ages 16 years and over:

Labor Force Participation Rate

- People with disabilities: 23.9%
- People without disabilities: 68.1%

Unemployment Rate

- People with disabilities: 8.2%
- People without disabilities: 3.4%

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