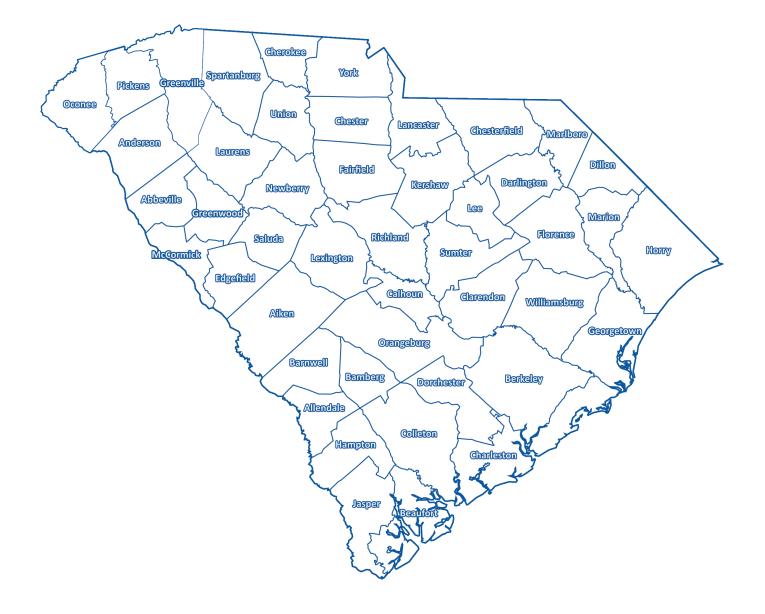
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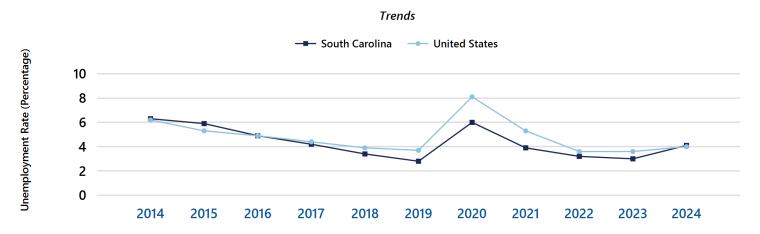
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# ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (UNADJUSTED)



South Carolina			United States			
Year	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2024	2,430,453	105,178	4.1%	161,346,000	6,761,000	4.0%
2023	2,401,212	74,248	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	2,330,548	77,339	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	2,272,940	92,676	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	2,201,090	140,613	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	2,263,682	64,405	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	2,206,821	76,542	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	2,168,104	94,845	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	2,145,584	110,199	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	2,108,786	132,281	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	2,063,369	138,475	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%

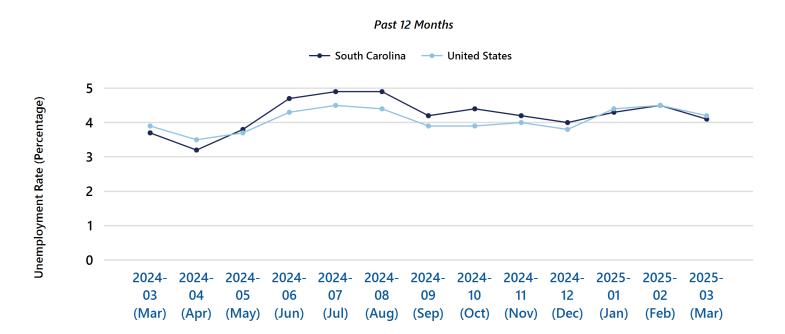
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### **MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (UNADJUSTED)**



South Carolina			United States			
Period	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
Mar 2025	2,458,426	104,563	4.1%	163,412,000	7,242,000	4.2%
Feb 2025	2,440,273	115,472	4.5%	162,544,000	7,572,000	4.5%
Jan 2025	2,420,805	107,482	4.3%	162,347,000	7,467,000	4.4%
Dec 2024	2,426,260	100,703	4.0%	161,294,000	6,452,000	3.8%
Nov 2024	2,421,422	107,471	4.2%	161,456,000	6,708,000	4.0%
Oct 2024	2,436,910	111,003	4.4%	161,938,000	6,631,000	3.9%
Sep 2024	2,434,060	106,608	4.2%	162,046,000	6,524,000	3.9%
Aug 2024	2,429,723	125,897	4.9%	161,348,000	7,415,000	4.4%
Jul 2024	2,448,241	126,872	4.9%	162,038,000	7,685,000	4.5%
Jun 2024	2,450,961	119,664	4.7%	161,774,000	7,233,000	4.3%
May 2024	2,435,683	97,187	3.8%	161,341,000	6,235,000	3.7%
Apr 2024	2,445,498	81,608	3.2%	161,590,000	5,894,000	3.5%
Mar 2024	2,435,393	93,136	3.7%	161,356,000	6,604,000	3.9%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

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#### **AREA JOB OPENINGS**

Period	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp Rate
March 2025	2,445,419	105,657	4.1%
February 2025	2,443,050	107,112	4.2%
January 2025	2,439,667	109,341	4.3%
December 2024	2,437,016	112,637	4.4%
November 2024	2,437,183	112,954	4.4%
October 2024	2,436,946	114,211	4.5%
September 2024	2,435,531	115,873	4.5%
August 2024	2,433,798	116,576	4.6%
July 2024	2,432,238	115,123	4.5%
June 2024	2,430,644	111,177	4.4%
May 2024	2,428,597	105,424	4.2%
April 2024	2,426,252	99,053	3.9%
March 2024	2,424,087	93,207	3.7%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce & The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® data series South Carolina Data is Seasonally Adjusted



### **EMPLOYERS BY SIZE OF ESTABLISHMENT**

Employees	SC Employers	SC Employment
0 to 4	135,755	137,019
5 to 9	18,215	120,075
10 to 19	12,221	165,539
20 to 49	8,702	264,469
50 to 99	3,065	211,571
100 to 249	1,936	297,110
250 to 499	635	217,545
500 to 999	301	206,822
1000 +	238	668,207

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

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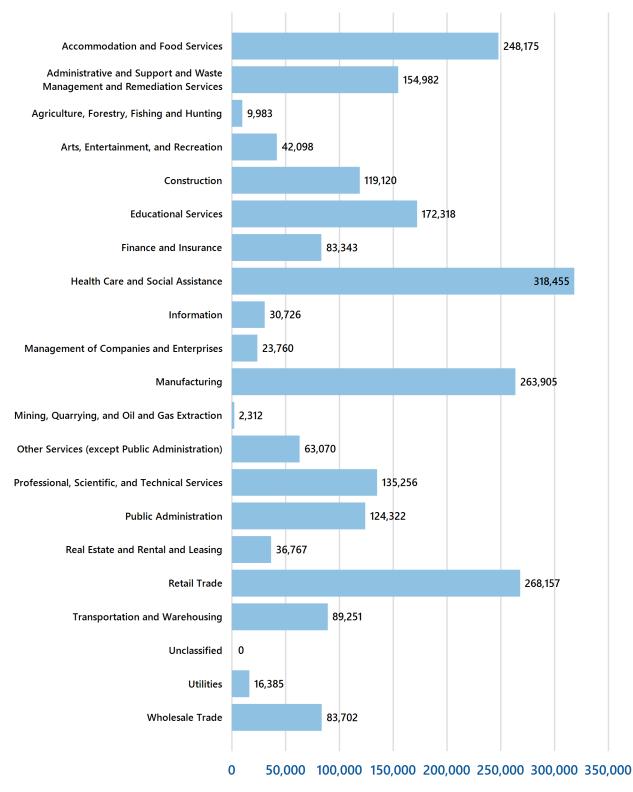
# **20 LARGEST EMPLOYERS**

Corporation Name
AMAZON COM SERVICES INC
BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOLS
BMW Manufacturing Co LLC
CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY
DEPT OF DEFENSE
FOOD LION LLC
Ingles Market Inc.
LOWE S HOME CENTERS LLC
MEDICAL UNIV OF SC HOSPITAL AUTHORI
MICHELIN NORTH AMERICA INC
Prisma Health
PRISMA HEALTH UNIVERSITY MEDICAL GR
Prisma Health Upstate
PUBLIX SUPER MARKET INC
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GREENVILLE COUNT
SPARTANBURG REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
US POSTAL SERVICE
Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce



#### **EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY**



Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)

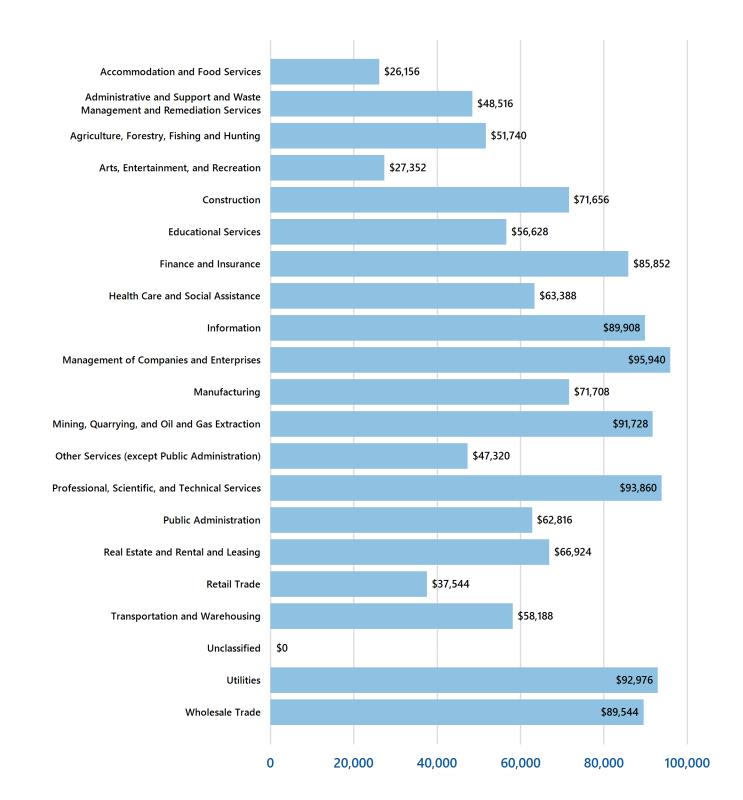
### **TOP 20 OCCUPATIONAL OPENINGS**

#### **South Carolina**

Occupation Name (Soc Code)	Job Openings
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	4602
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	3824
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	2842
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products (41-4012)	1843
Fast Food and Counter Workers (35-3023)	1719
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	1537
Food Service Managers (11-9051)	1291
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	1260
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand (53-7062)	1242
Managers, All Other (11-9199)	1211
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	1130
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive (43-6014)	1058
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners (37-2011)	1005
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	993
Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other (29-2099)	987
Nursing Assistants (31-1131)	965
Stockers and Order Fillers (53-7065)	943
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	921
Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)	911
Cashiers (41-2011)	880

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce & The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® data series

### **AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE BY INDUSTRY**



Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)

Labor Market

#### LABOR MARKET PROJECTIONS

Total Employment by Industry

State	2022	2032			
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total All Industries	2,352,883	2,614,627	261,744	11.12%	1.06%
Health Care and Social Assistance	268,891	315,565	46,674	17.36%	1.61%
Manufacturing	261,052	283,123	22,071	8.45%	0.81%
Retail Trade	259,475	288,538	29,063	11.20%	1.07%
Accommodation and Food Services	232,193	255,744	23,551	10.14%	0.97%
Educational Services	170,197	184,200	14,003	8.23%	0.79%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	162,830	180,897	18,067	11.10%	1.06%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	118,791	135,179	16,388	13.80%	1.30%
Construction	108,505	111,371	2,866	2.64%	0.26%
Other Services (except Government)	102,608	109,681	7,073	6.89%	0.67%
Transportation and Warehousing	83,196	107,240	24,044	28.90%	2.57%
Wholesale Trade	79,871	85,650	5,779	7.24%	0.70%
Finance and Insurance	78,850	91,156	12,306	15.61%	1.46%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	32,974	37,997	5,023	15.23%	1.43%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	32,538	36,093	3,555	10.93%	1.04%
Information	30,201	34,591	4,390	14.54%	1.37%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	24,851	34,562	9,711	39.08%	3.35%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	13,948	13,660	-288	-2.06%	-0.21%
Utilities	10,950	11,357	407	3.72%	0.37%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	2,044	2,359	315	15.41%	1.44%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce - Industry Projections

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