

LOWCOUNTRY



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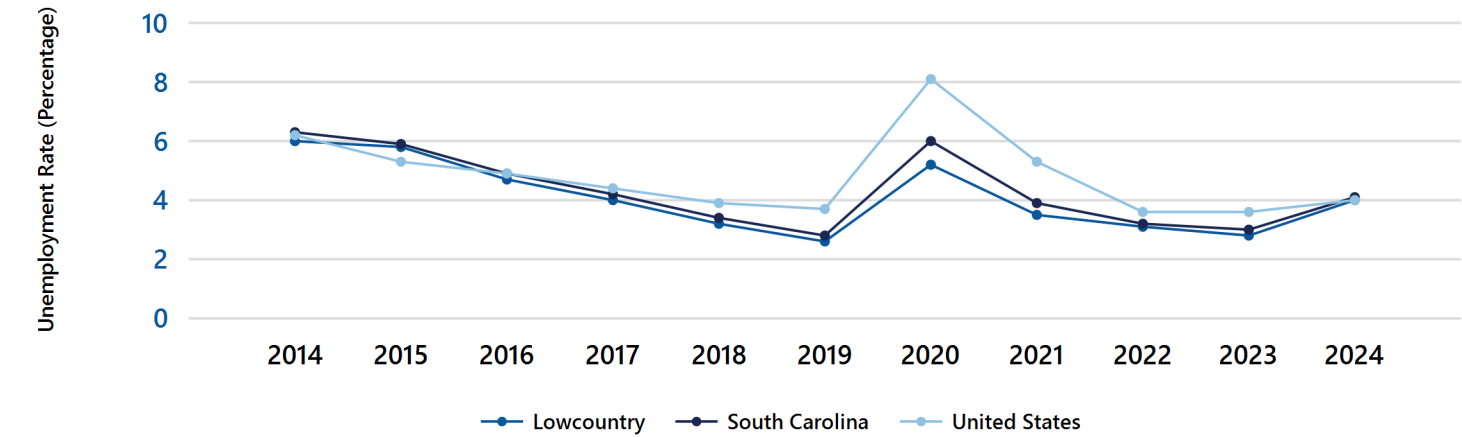
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ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (UNADJUSTED)



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SOUTH CAROLINA

UNITED STATES

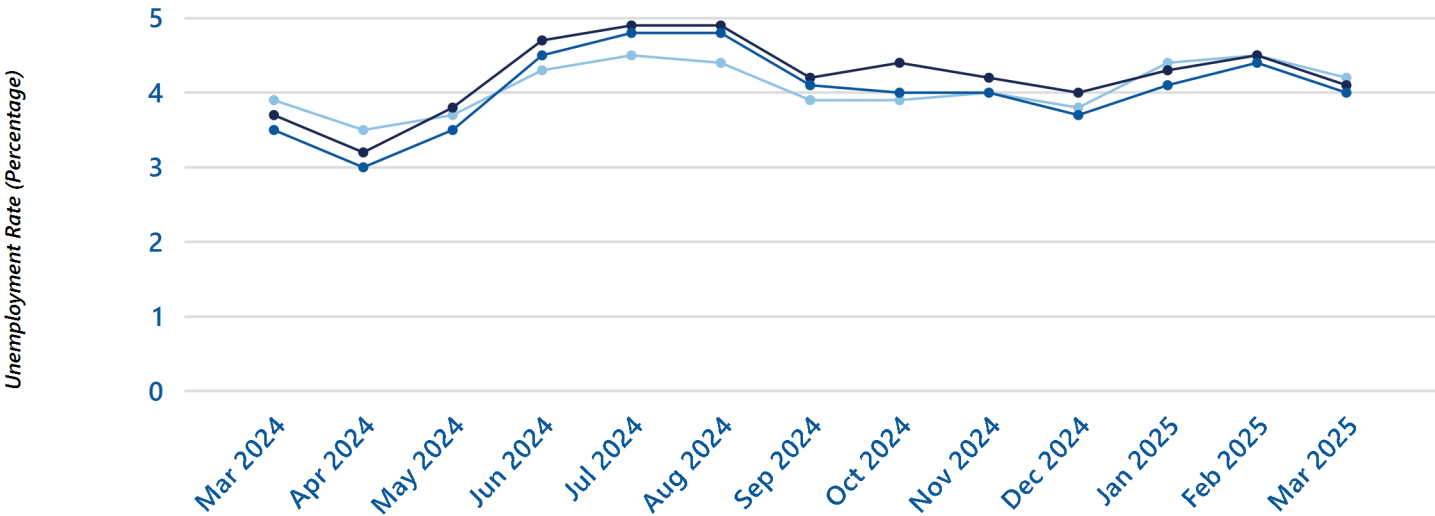
Year	Employment	Unemp.	Rate	Employment	Unemp.	Rate	Employment	Unemp.	Rate
2024	117,228	4,837	4.0%	2,430,453	105,178	4.1%	161,346,000	6,761,000	4.0%
2023	115,918	3,348	2.8%	2,401,212	74,248	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	111,910	3,551	3.1%	2,330,548	77,339	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	110,212	3,986	3.5%	2,272,940	92,676	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	107,078	5,915	5.2%	2,201,090	140,613	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	111,030	2,939	2.6%	2,263,682	64,405	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	108,248	3,547	3.2%	2,206,821	76,542	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	105,224	4,364	4.0%	2,168,104	94,845	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	103,390	5,123	4.7%	2,145,584	110,199	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	100,949	6,245	5.8%	2,108,786	132,281	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	98,547	6,279	6.0%	2,063,369	138,475	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (UNADJUSTED)

Past 13 Months

United States South Carolina Lowcountry



Period	LOWCOUNTRY	SOUTH CAROLINA	UNITED STATES
Mar 2025	4.0%	4.1%	4.2%
Feb 2025	4.4%	4.5%	4.5%
Jan 2025	4.1%	4.3%	4.4%
Dec 2024	3.7%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	4.0%	4.2%	4.0%
Oct 2024	4.0%	4.4%	3.9%
Sep 2024	4.1%	4.2%	3.9%
Aug 2024	4.8%	4.9%	4.4%
Jul 2024	4.8%	4.9%	4.5%
Jun 2024	4.5%	4.7%	4.3%
May 2024	3.5%	3.8%	3.7%
Apr 2024	3.0%	3.2%	3.5%
Mar 2024	3.5%	3.7%	3.9%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

AREA JOB OPENINGS

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SOUTH CAROLINA

Period	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate
Mar 2025	117,772	4,879	4.0%	2,445,419	105,657	4.1%
Feb 2025	117,389	5,427	4.4%	2,443,050	107,112	4.2%
Jan 2025	115,707	4,967	4.1%	2,439,667	109,341	4.3%
Dec 2024	116,092	4,515	3.7%	2,437,016	112,637	4.4%
Nov 2024	116,157	4,788	4.0%	2,437,183	112,954	4.4%
Oct 2024	117,958	4,853	4.0%	2,436,946	114,211	4.5%
Sep 2024	117,559	4,986	4.1%	2,435,531	115,873	4.5%
Aug 2024	118,502	5,945	4.8%	2,433,798	116,576	4.6%
Jul 2024	120,573	6,117	4.8%	2,432,238	115,123	4.5%
Jun 2024	119,872	5,701	4.5%	2,430,644	111,177	4.4%
May 2024	118,253	4,346	3.5%	2,428,597	105,424	4.2%
Apr 2024	117,799	3,665	3.0%	2,426,252	99,053	3.9%
Mar 2024	116,702	4,268	3.5%	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	Lowcountry	South Carolina
0 to 4	7,599	147,311
5 to 9	1,448	24,044
10 to 19	982	17,672
20 to 49	668	13,002
50 to 99	221	5,015
100 to 249	113	3,069
250 to 499	30	912
500 to 999	7	417
1000 +	0	307

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

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EMPLOYMENT BY SIZE OF ESTABLISHMENT

Employees	Lowcountry	South Carolina
0 to 4	8,336	150,934
5 to 9	9,741	160,035
10 to 19	13,316	240,440
20 to 49	19,825	395,156
50 to 99	15,233	346,437
100 to 249	16,930	467,356
250 to 499	10,355	311,369
500 to 999	4,517	284,827
1000 +	0	821,778

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce

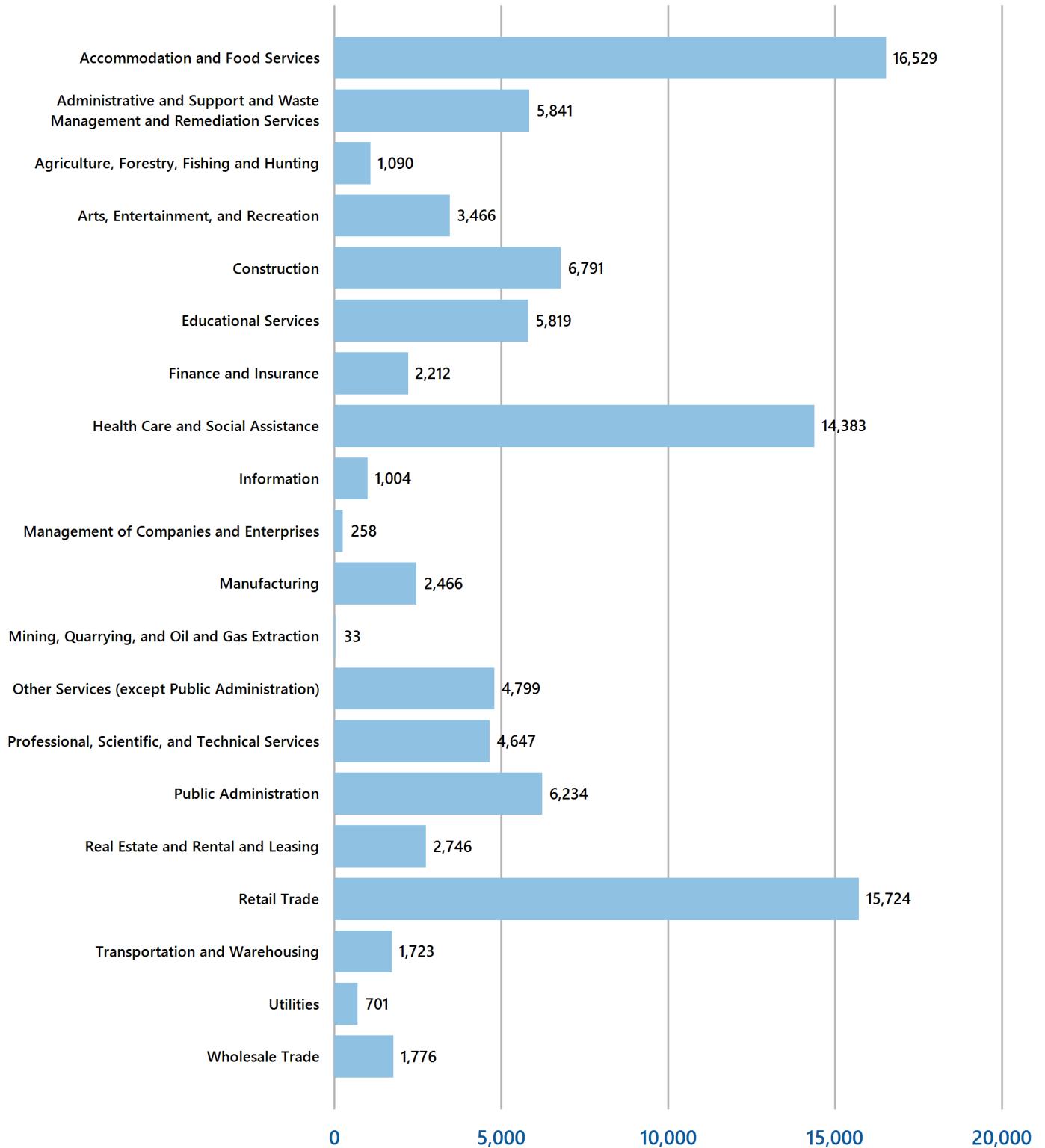
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20 LARGEST EMPLOYERS

BEAUFORT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BEAUFORT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
CHARLES LEA CENTER LEASING COMPANY
COLLETON COUNTY GOVERNMENT
COLLETON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
COUNTY OF BEAUFORT
DEPT OF DEFENSE
FOOD LION LLC
GREGORY M PARKER INC
Hampton County School District
MARINE CORPS COMMUNITY SERVICES
PALMETTO BLUFF INVESTMENTS LLC
PUBLIX SUPER MARKET INC
SEA PINES RESORT LLC
SELECT EMPLOYMENT SERVICES INC
SITEL OPERATING CORPORATION
TG ADMINISTRATION LLC
THE KROGER CO
VENTURE INIC OF BEAUFORT
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)

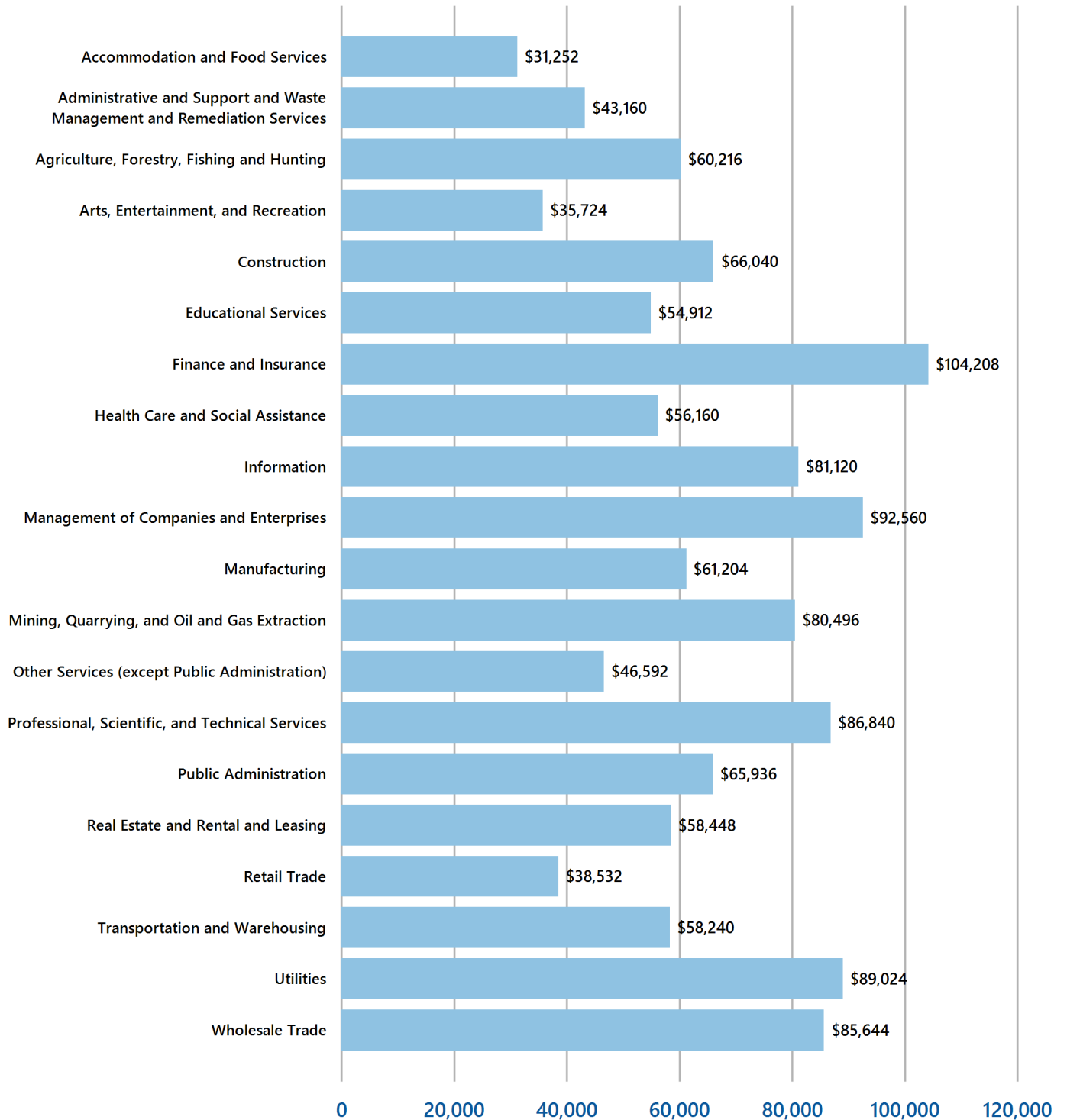
TOP 20 OCCUPATIONAL OPENINGS

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OCCUPATION NAME (SOC CODE)

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 PROJECTIONS

Total Employment by Industry

LOWCOUNTRY	2022	2032	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment			
Total All Industries	105,682	115,702	10,020	9.48%	0.91%
Accommodation and Food Services	15,479	16,236	757	4.89%	0.48%
Retail Trade	15,140	16,865	1,725	11.39%	1.08%
Health Care and Social Assistance	12,369	14,666	2,297	18.57%	1.72%
Construction	7,157	7,304	147	2.05%	0.20%
Other Services (except Government)	6,633	7,090	457	6.89%	0.67%
Educational Services	6,406	6,933	527	8.23%	0.79%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation	6,058	6,731	673	11.11%	1.06%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4,971	5,657	686	13.80%	1.30%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	3,254	3,522	268	8.24%	0.79%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	2,600	2,940	340	13.08%	1.24%
Finance and Insurance	2,395	2,803	408	17.04%	1.59%
Manufacturing	2,343	2,430	87	3.71%	0.37%
Wholesale Trade	1,887	2,025	138	7.31%	0.71%
Transportation and Warehousing	1,294	1,445	151	11.67%	1.11%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	754	1,048	294	38.99%	3.35%
Information	745	853	108	14.50%	1.36%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	731	725	-6	-0.82%	-0.08%
Utilities	428	444	16	3.74%	0.37%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	18	20	2	11.11%	1.06%

Source: SC Department of Employment & Workforce - Industry Projections