



SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF  
**Employment and Workforce**

# **Labor Market Information & Resources for College and Career Counselors**

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# WHAT IS LABOR MARKET INFORMATION?

- Labor market information (LMI) consists of data, statistics, and analysis related to employment and the workforce including:
  - labor supply and demand
  - industry employment and wages
  - occupational employment and wages
  - labor force and unemployment figures
  - employment projections
  - labor force demographics
- All material produced by the LMI Division is publicly available on our NEW website at [lmi.sc.gov](http://lmi.sc.gov).




## WHAT DOES THE LMI DIVISION DO?

- **LMI operates five programs funded by the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL):**
  - **Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)**
    - Monthly employment/unemployment of people
  - **Current Employment Statistics (CES)**
    - Monthly employment by industry
  - **Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW)**
    - Quarterly employment and wages by industry
  - **Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (OEWS)**
    - Annual employment and wages by occupation
  - **State and local industry and occupational employment projections (EP)**
- **Additionally, LMI receives a Workforce Information Grant (WIG), which requires:**
  - Training, Analysis, and Answering Data Queries
- **Increasingly, LMI will be tasked with labor market research and analytics in service of the Statewide Education and Workforce Development Act and other initiatives.**




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Welcome to South Carolina's Labor Market Information website, your one-stop shop for the most current, most relevant data and analysis on the state's workers, industries, and economy.


We work with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and the U.S. Census Bureau, making us the official source for this information throughout South Carolina. The labor force research conducted by our department gives insight to employers and jobseekers alike to make informed workforce-related decisions.


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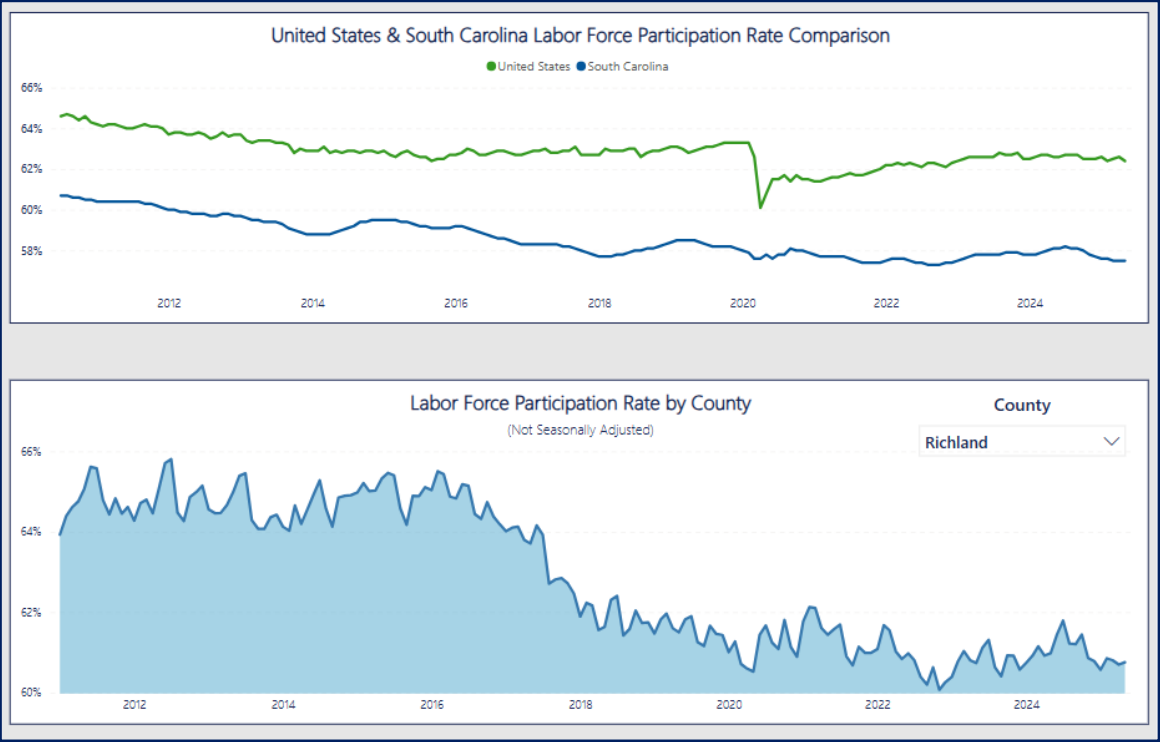
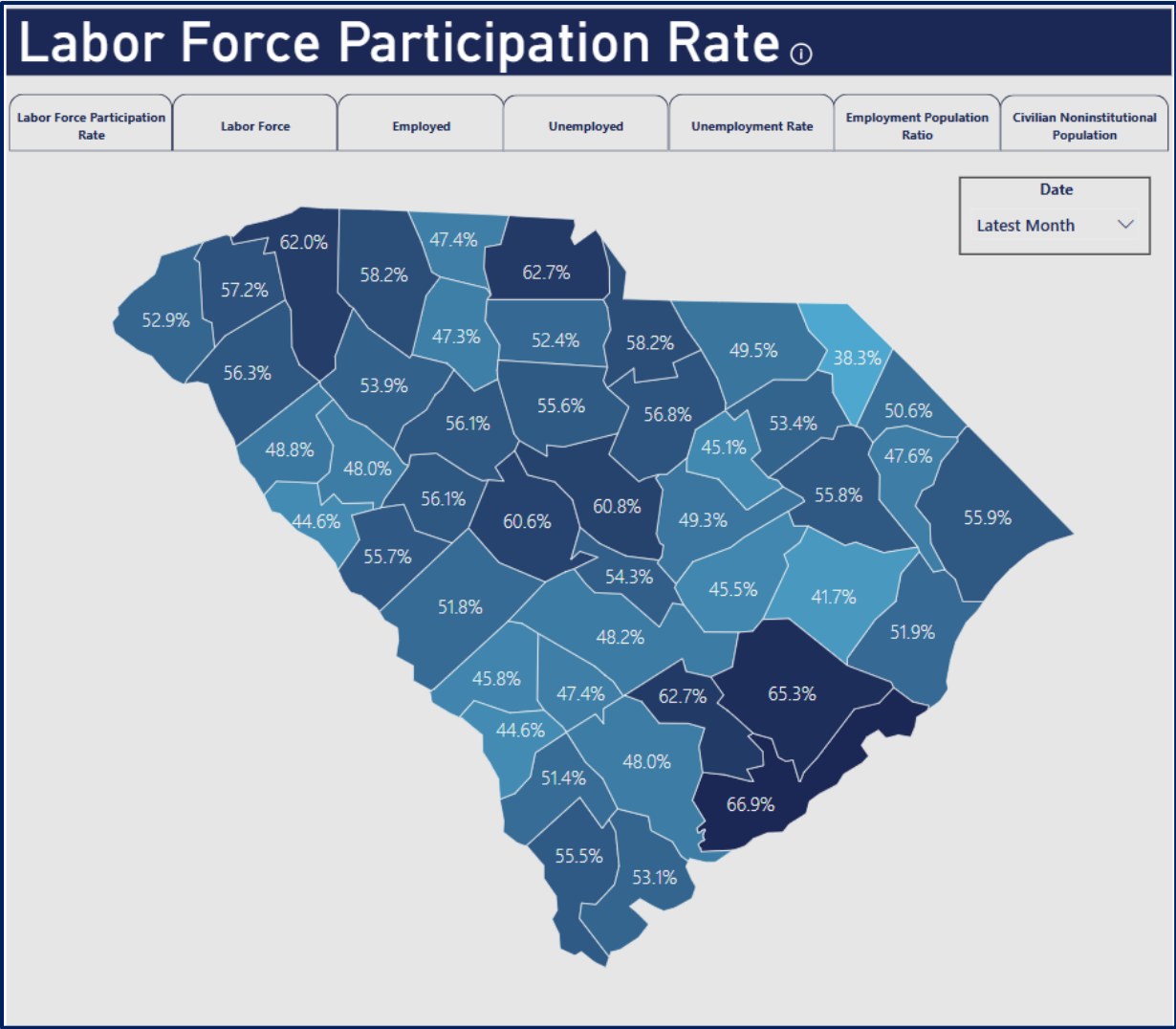
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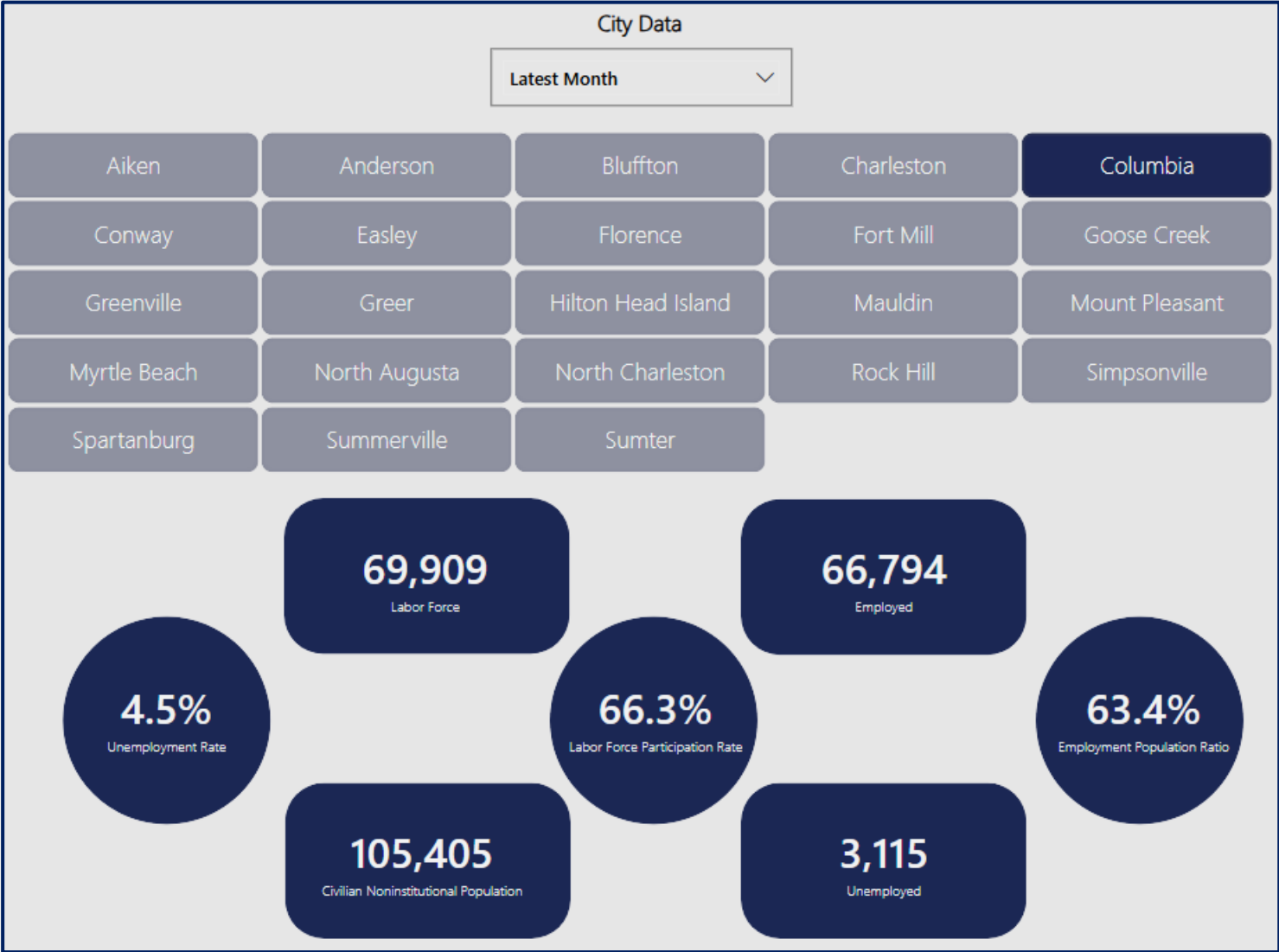
The April monthly estimates of employment and unemployment for the state, its metropolitan areas, workforce development areas, counties, and larger cities and towns are key indicators of local economic conditions.



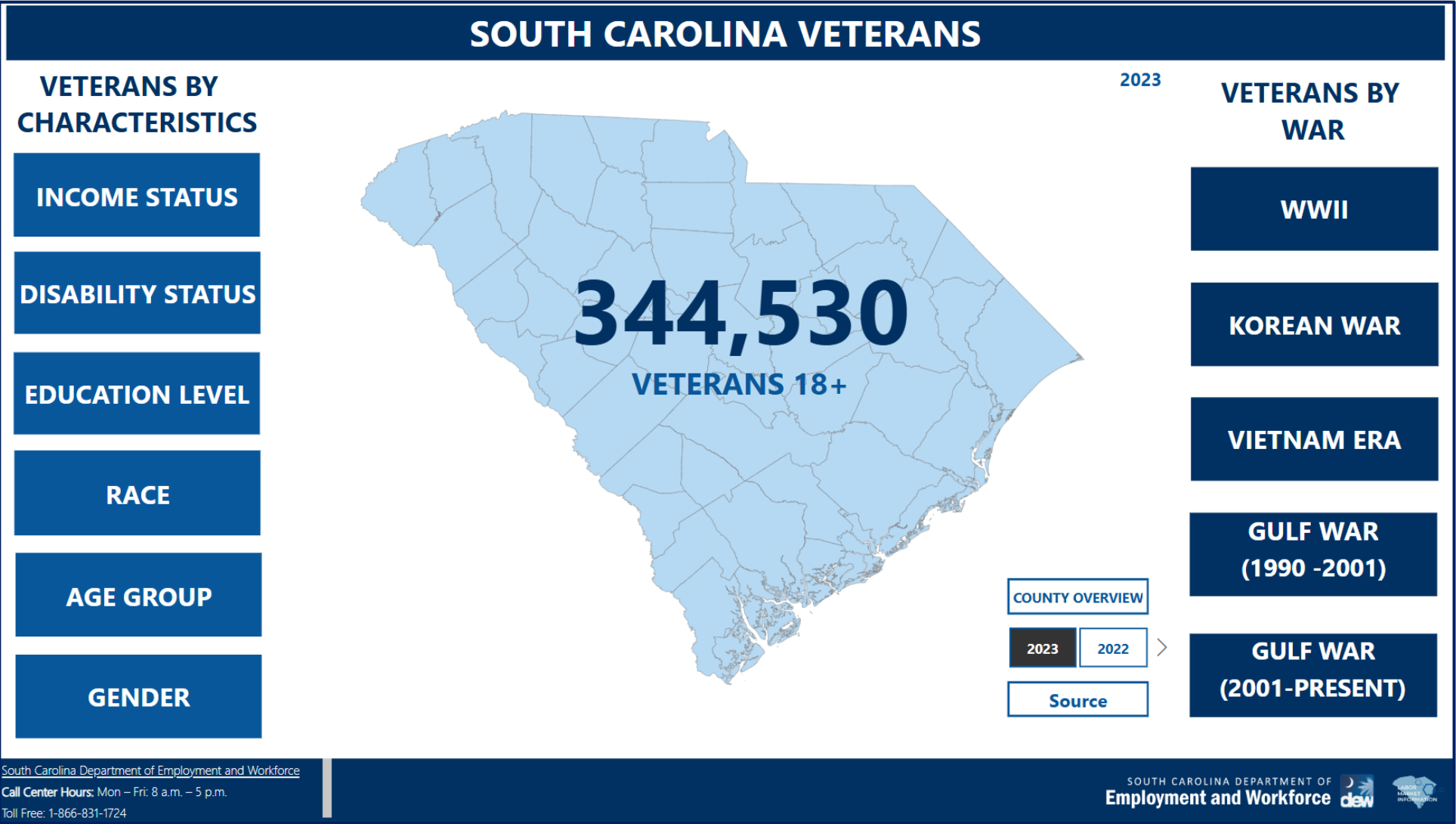




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Occupation Profile

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Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers

Description: what do they do?

Use hand-welding, flame-cutting, hand-soldering, or brazing equipment to weld or join metal components or to fill holes, indentations, or seams of fabricated metal products.

Also known as:

Assembly Line Brazers, Brazers, Fabrication Welders, MIG Welders (Metal Inert Gas Welders), Maintenance Welders, Solderers, TIG Welders (Tungsten Inert Gas Welders), Welders, Welder Fitters, Wire

Outlook: will there be jobs?

Below Average

New job opportunities are **less likely** in the future.

Find job openings

Typical wages

Hourly Wages

Annual wages for Welders, Cutters, Solderers, and Brazers in South Carolina

Career video

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Projected employment

South Carolina	United States
8,950 2022 Employment	454,500 2023 Employment
9,800 2032 Employment	463,800 2033 Employment
10% Percent change	2% Percent change
990 Annual projected job openings	45,800 Annual projected job openings

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\$38,300

\$43,090

\$49,120

\$56,700

\$66,160

10% 25% Median 75% 90%

GRAPH CHART TABLE

See more wages

Certifications: show your skills

Let employers know you have the skills to do well at this job.

Earning a **certification** can help you:

Get a job

Get a promotion

Find certifications

Education and experience: to get started

People starting in this career usually have:

High school diploma or equivalent

No work experience

1 to 12 months on-the-job training

Programs that can prepare you:

Welding Engineering Technology/Technician

Welding Technology/Welder

Typical education

How much education do most people in this career have?

Education level	Percent of workers in this field
Doctoral or professional degree	0%
Master's degree	0%



# OTHER RESOURCES: O\*NET ONLINE.ORG

**O\*NET OnLine**

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Occupation Keyword Search

dental assistant

Examples: 25-1011.00, dental assistant

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## Soft Skills Custom List

Many employers value workers with soft skills—interpersonal and thinking skills needed to interact successfully with people and to perform efficiently and effectively in the workplace.

Select the skills you have, or plan to work on developing, then click **Go**. Click on the [?](#) icon to learn more about each skill.

### Social Skills

☒ **Coordination** [?](#)

Adjusting actions in relation to others' actions.

☒ **Instructing** [?](#)

Teaching others how to do something.

☐ **Negotiation** [?](#)

Bringing others together and trying to reconcile differences.

☐ **Persuasion** [?](#)

Persuading others to change their minds or behavior.

☒ **Service Orientation** [?](#)

Actively looking for ways to help people.

☐ **Social Perceptiveness** [?](#)

Being aware of others' reactions and understanding why they react as they do.

### Thinking Skills

☒ **Active Learning** [?](#)

Understanding the implications of new information for both current and future problem-solving and decision-making.

☒ **Active Listening** [?](#)

Giving full attention to what other people are saying, taking time to understand the points being made, asking questions as appropriate, and not interrupting at inappropriate times.

☐ **Complex Problem Solving** [?](#)

Identifying complex problems and reviewing related information to develop and evaluate options and implement solutions.

☒ **Critical Thinking** [?](#)

Using logic and reasoning to identify the strengths and weaknesses of alternative solutions, conclusions, or approaches to problems.

☒ **Judgment and Decision Making** [?](#)

Considering the relative costs and benefits of potential actions to choose the most appropriate one.

☐ **Learning Strategies** [?](#)

Selecting and using training/instructional methods and procedures appropriate for the situation when learning or teaching new things.

☐ **Monitoring** [?](#)

Monitoring/Assessing performance of yourself, other individuals, or organizations to make improvements or take corrective action.

☒ **Time Management** [?](#)

Managing one's own time and the time of others.

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## Soft Skills Custom List

My list has 1 soft skill

### Occupations with related skills

Save Table: [XLSX](#) [CSV](#)

243 occupations shown

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Skills Covered	My Matches	Job Zone	Code	Occupation
100% <div></div>	1	3	27-2031.00	<a href="#">Dancers</a> <b>Bright Outlook</b>
100% <div></div>	1	3	47-2022.00	<a href="#">Stonemasons</a>
100% <div></div>	1	2	27-2021.00	<a href="#">Athletes and Sports Competitors</a>
100% <div></div>	1	2	47-2031.00	<a href="#">Carpenters</a>
100% <div></div>	1	2	47-3016.00	<a href="#">Helpers--Roofers</a>
100% <div></div>	1	2	47-4051.00	<a href="#">Highway Maintenance Workers</a>
100% <div></div>	1	2	49-9095.00	<a href="#">Manufactured Building and Mobile Home Installers</a>
100% <div></div>	1	2	49-9044.00	<a href="#">Millwrights</a>
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100% <div></div>	1	2	47-2181.00	<a href="#">Roofers</a>
100% <div></div>	1	2	47-4091.00	<a href="#">Segmental Pavers</a>
50% <div></div>	1	3	27-4031.00	<a href="#">Camera Operators, Television, Video, and Film</a>
50% <div></div>	1	3	33-2022.00	<a href="#">Forest Fire Inspectors and Prevention Specialists</a>



# OTHER RESOURCES: FINDYOURFUTURE.SC.GOV

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# What are the most critical occupations to our state's current and future workforce needs? And how do we define them?

- Based on 4 criteria:
  - current demand
  - projected growth
  - viability
  - retention
- Highlight where the current and/or future needs outweigh the supply of available workers



## CAREER CLUSTERS

**AGRICULTURE, FOOD & NATURAL RESOURCES**

**ARCHITECTURE & CONSTRUCTION**

**ARTS, AUDIO/VIDEO TECHNOLOGY & COMMUNICATION**

**BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION**

**EDUCATION & TRAINING**

**FINANCE**

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**HEALTH SCIENCE**

**HOSPITALITY & TOURISM**

**HUMAN SERVICES**

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**LAW, PUBLIC SAFETY, CORRECTIONS & SECURITY**

**MANUFACTURING**

**MARKETING**

**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, &  
MATHEMATICS**

**TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION & LOGISTICS**



## HUMAN SERVICES

**SUBSTANCE ABUSE, BEHAVIORAL DISORDER, & MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELORS**

**CHILD, FAMILY, & SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS**

**SOCIAL AND HUMAN SERVICE ASSISTANTS**

**PERSONAL SERVICE MANAGERS**

**PERSONAL CARE AIDES**

**MASSAGE THERAPISTS**

**CLERGY**

**EXERCISE TRAINERS & GROUP FITNESS INSTRUCTORS**

**COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS**



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## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

**SOFTWARE DEVELOPERS**

**COMPUTER SYSTEMS ANALYSTS**

**NETWORK & COMPUTER SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATORS**

**SOFTWARE QUALITY ASSURANCE ANALYSTS & TESTERS**

**WEB DEVELOPERS**

**MARKET RESEARCH ANALYSTS & MARKETING SPECIALISTS**

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