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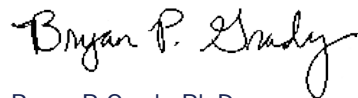
Which metro area has more workers, Charleston or Columbia? It depends...

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If you own or manage a business, we would really encourage you to take the [Palmetto Business Barometer](#) survey, which is operated by the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce in partnership with DEW. If we're going to have a sense of what conditions employers are experiencing, we'll need more than anecdotes. And despite all the doom and gloom, the average business in South Carolina is doing pretty well; on a one-to-ten scale, they rate current conditions at a seven. Once the Chamber collects the data, the LMI team produces the graphics that explain it. We'd love to make this product even better in 2024, so if you have any ideas, let us know!

Taylor Hendrix from the LMI team gives us our featured article on the South Carolina Economic Analysis Report, which we're required to produce annually under the terms of our federal funding. It is a thick stack of data not for the faint of heart, but we touch on a few things outside the usual workforce data fare, including data on exports by South Carolina businesses and the newly available Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes data for our state from the U.S. Census Bureau. Be sure to give it a read, and if you're interested in the full report, you can check it out [here](#).

As always, if you have any questions about employment and workforce data, we're here to help! Please don't hesitate to contact us at lmicustomerservice@dew.sc.gov.



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AN OVERVIEW OF THE 2023 ECONOMIC ANALYSIS REPORT

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What is the Economic Analysis Report?

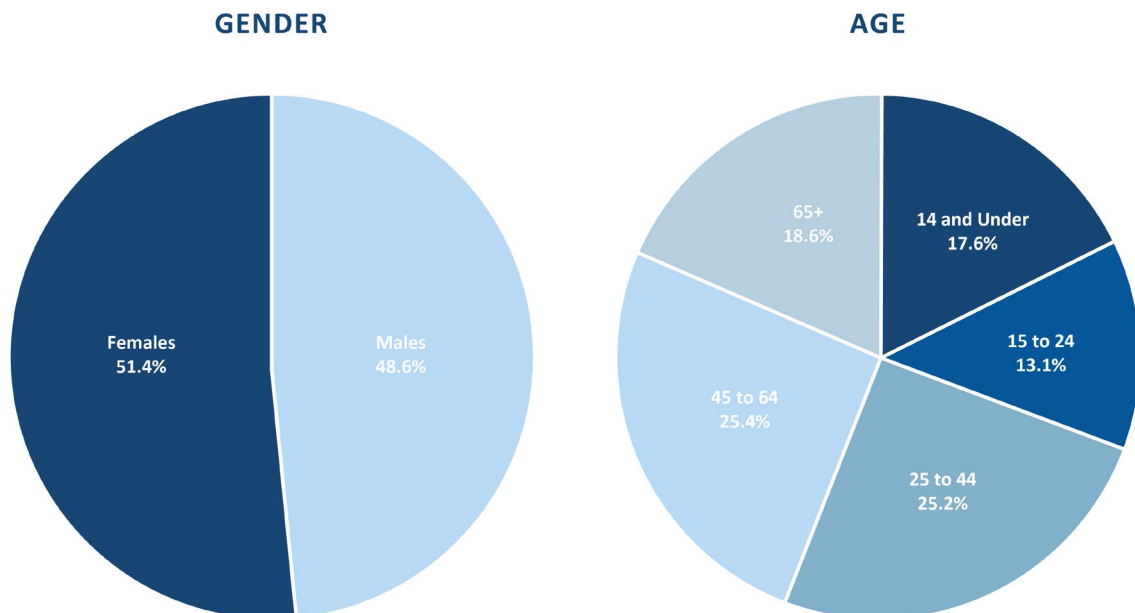
The South Carolina Economic Analysis Report presents an overview of key metrics used in examining South Carolina's economy and workforce. The Labor Market Information Division of the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce (DEW) compiles and publishes numerous data series on the state of the workforce, including but not limited to, population and labor force trends, industry and occupation employment and wages, educational standings, and gross domestic product and trade information. This important data was assembled using various sources, such as the Census Bureau and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Below is a synopsis of some of the findings in the finalized report.

Summation of Findings

Population Trends

In correspondence with our growing economy, the state's population continues to increase. By 2021, the percentage of the population graduating high school and those obtaining at least a Bachelor's degree increased to 89.6 percent and 31.5 percent, respectively. The veterans' share of the population decreased over the 2017-2021 period from 9.3 percent to 8.7 percent, as did the disabled population over the same period, from 14.8 percent to 14.2 percent.

The female population in South Carolina is slightly higher than the male population, with females making up 51.4 percent and males comprising 48.6 percent. The median age range in the state is 40.2 years old. White residents make up 63.6 percent, or 3.3 million. The smallest population is the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander racial group, consisting of a little more than 2,100 people.

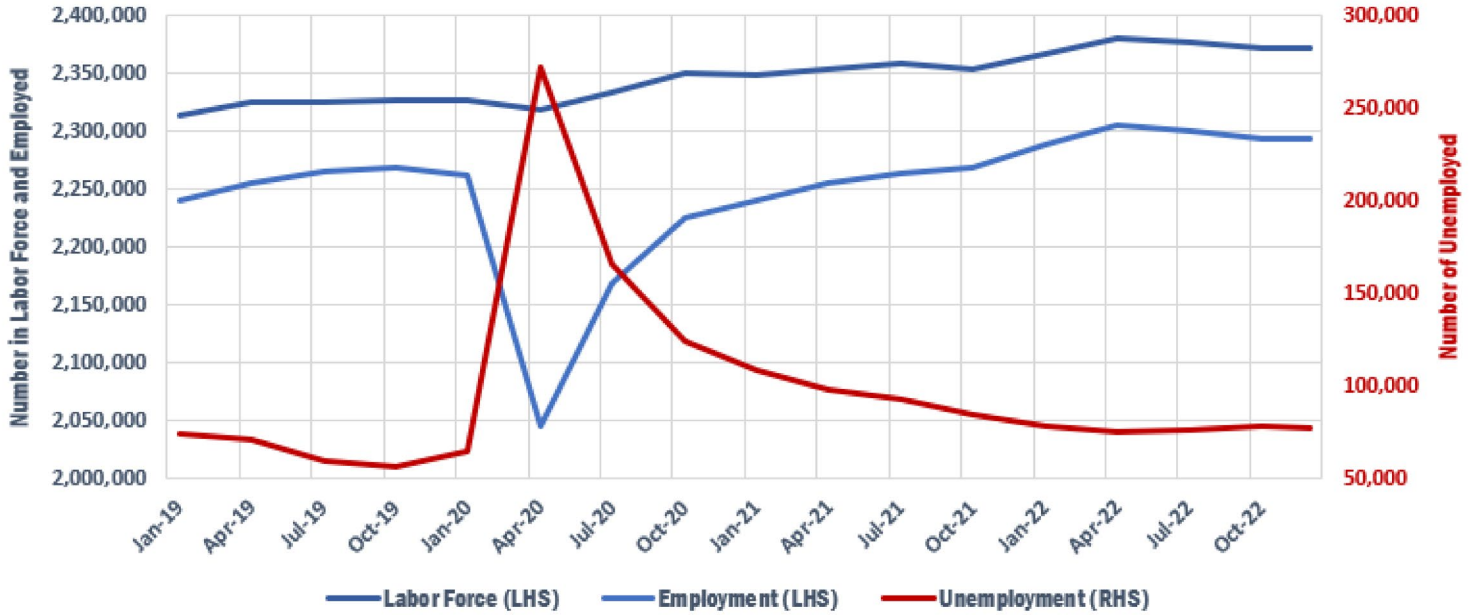


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 ACS 1-Year Estimate

The labor force is composed of 2.365 million people out of a civilian noninstitutional population totaling 4.204 million, resulting in a labor force participation rate of 56.3 percent. In terms of educational attainment, over 39 percent of the employed workforce held a Bachelor's degree or higher.

Labor Force Trends

The labor force has grown by over 57,000 people from 2019-2022, reaching 2.371 million by December 2022. Employment has risen over time, climbing by 54,000 people to 2.294 million people in December 2022, a 2.4 percent increase from January 2019. Over the four-year period, unemployment has increased slightly from 74,297 in January 2019 to 77,159 in December 2022. The peak unemployment during the period was 271,601 people in April 2020, with the low being 56,580 in September 2019. See the chart below for a visual representation of the labor force ebb and flow.



Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

Industry Employment and Wages

South Carolina had more than 166,000 business establishments in 2021, with 2.192 million jobs held, paying an average weekly wage of \$1,079. The Accommodation and Food Services industry grew the most in average weekly wages from the previous year at 13.7 percent, while the Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation industry grew the most in average employment at 25.4 percent. For emerging industries, the Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation industry has the highest percent change (23.1 percent) from 2020 to 2030, reflecting a positive future for growth. Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation is a close second, with a 22.1 percent growth from 2020 to 2030.

Occupation Employment and Wages

South Carolina had more than 2.152 million wage and salary jobs in occupations in 2022, with an average hourly wage of \$24.35. Office and Administrative Support and Sales and Related Occupations had the highest number of jobs in 2022, followed by Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations and Transportation and Material Moving Occupations, respectively. Registered Nurses and Retail Salespersons were the top two most requested positions in advertised job postings in 2022.

Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes (PSEO)

Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes (PSEO), data provides information on earnings and employment outcomes for college and university graduates by degree level, degree major, and post-secondary institution. These statistics are generated by matching university transcript data with a national database of jobs and are made possible through data-sharing partnerships between universities, university systems, State Departments of Education, State Labor Market Information offices, and the U.S. Census Bureau¹.

¹U.S Census Bureau, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics: Post-Secondary Employment Outcomes (PSEO), https://lehd.ces.census.gov/data/pseo_experimental.html

The table below shows the median earnings by PSEO and year, with a clear pattern of growth across time for all awards. The Doctoral – Research/Studies award level has the highest entry level wages at just under \$70K. The highest wages are reported at Year 10 for the Doctoral – Professional Practice award level.

TABLE 1

AWARD LEVEL	YEAR 1	YEAR 5	YEAR 10
Certificate <1 Year	\$29,601	\$38,221	\$43,162
Certificate 1-2 Years	\$31,217	\$39,816	\$45,829
Certificate 2-4 Years	\$25,968	\$35,535	\$40,930
Associates	\$36,589	\$43,780	\$49,680
Bachelor's	\$34,823	\$48,783	\$59,746
Master's	\$50,385	\$61,081	\$69,966
Doctoral – Professional Practice	\$60,236	\$101,519	\$116,043
Doctoral – Research/Studies	\$69,966	\$87,624	\$97,832
Total Average	\$37,271	\$48,918	\$57,678

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

The Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) codes aid in measuring educational pathways and program completions activity among graduates for PSEO data. There are a total of 54 CIP codes that encompass all industries within the workforce. The CIP code with the most employment overall is the Library Science program with 1,647 graduates, followed by the Engineering program with 1,118 graduates. Rounding out the top three is the Education program with 867 graduates. See the data table for more information.

TABLE 2

CIP CODE	CIP LABEL	YEAR 1 EMPLOYED	YEAR 5 EMPLOYED	YEAR 10 EMPLOYED	TOTAL
25	Library Science	633	612	402	1,647
14	Engineering	412	405	301	1,118
15	Education	359	308	200	867
51	Health Professions and Related Programs	326	326	212	864
52	Business, Management, Marketing, and Related Support Services	346	317	191	854

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Gross Domestic Product & Foreign Trade

South Carolina's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) was \$295.8 billion in 2022. The growth rate from the previous year, in real inflation-adjusted dollars, was 2.4 percent. The top industry by value in 2022 was Finance, Insurance, Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing; second highest by value was Manufacturing. The Information industry grew the most in terms of real dollars from 2021 to 2022, followed by Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services within the Professional and Business Services industry.

The state's total exports in 2022 were valued at \$31.4 billion dollars, amounting to 11 percent of the state's GDP. As shown in **Table 3**, Transportation Equipment, the top export commodity, represented 45.5 percent of the total export value, followed by Chemicals at 13.1 percent, and Plastics and Rubber Products at 8.4 percent.

TABLE 3

INDUSTRY	2022 (IN BILLIONS)	% OF TOTAL
Grand Total	\$31,461	100%
Transportation Equipment	\$14,302	45.5%
Chemicals	\$4,128	13.1%
Plastics & Rubber Products	\$2,642	8.4%
Machinery, Except Electrical	\$1,947	6.2%
Computer & Electronic Products	\$1,219	3.9%
Fabricated Metal Products, Nesoi	\$1,213	3.9%
Electrical Equipment, Appliances and Components	\$1,134	3.6%
Paper	\$997	3.2%
Food & Kindred Products	\$828	2.6%
Textiles & Fabrics	\$689	2.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, USA Trade

Nesoi stands for "Not elsewhere specified or included," accounting for commodities without closely matching industry categories.

Canada is the state's top export partner with \$4.4 billion in trade in 2022. Germany, China, and Mexico are leading partners as well. Foreign exports increased by almost 4 percent from 2020-2022. South Korea, as a state trade partner, had the largest percent change in the time period 2020-2022 at 60.9 percent, followed by Brazil at 55.6 percent, and Mexico at 30.9 percent. Over that period, the only countries in the top 10 with a decrease in exports from the state are Japan at -35.3 percent and China at -4.9 percent.

Conclusion

The state of the workforce has been, and will continue to be, a hot topic among employers and their workers, policymakers, educators, and even students. To aid in helping people get a handle on the workforce, the South Carolina Economic Analysis Report is made publicly available on several certified websites, including our own **DEW website**. This report is an invaluable resource that depicts hard data as well as projected data, which could help South Carolina residents obtain a better understanding of where the workforce is headed and the know-how that will prepare them for those changes. To view the entire report, click the **Economic Analysis Report Quicklink** button on the LMI website, SCWorkforceInfo.com.



SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (AUGUST 2023)

Household Survey¹ (Local Area Unemployment Statistics)

EMPLOYMENT: The seasonally adjusted, monthly survey of households estimated the number of South Carolinians working increased to 2,382,362.

- That is a significant increase of 11,380 people over the July 2023 estimate.
- That is a significant increase of 85,952 people over the August 2022 estimate.

UNEMPLOYMENT: The estimate of unemployed people decreased to 73,032.

- That is a significant decrease of 4,039 people from July's estimate and a decrease of 5,058 from the August 2022 estimate.
- The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 3.0 percent from July's estimate of 3.1 percent.
- Nationally, the unemployment rate increased to 3.8 percent from July's rate of 3.5 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 2,455,394.

- That is an increase of 7,341 people over the July estimate.
- That is a significant increase of 80,894 individuals over the August 2022 estimate.

Employer Survey² (Current Employment Statistics)

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated decrease of 3,700 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,303,100.

- Industries reporting gains were Construction (+2,600); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+800); and Education and Health Services (+500).
- Government (-1,900); Manufacturing (-1,800); Professional and Business Services (-1,700); Financial Activities (-900); Other Services (-800); Leisure and Hospitality (-400); and Information (-200) industries declined.

From August 2022 to August 2023, South Carolina's economy has picked up 46,300 seasonally adjusted, nonfarm jobs.

- Industries making strong growth were Education and Health Services (+12,700); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+9,800); Leisure and Hospitality (+9,300); Government (+7,100); Construction (+4,100); Financial Activities (+3,000); Information (+1,300); Professional and Business Services (+1,100); Other Services (+200).
- Manufacturing declined (-2,400).



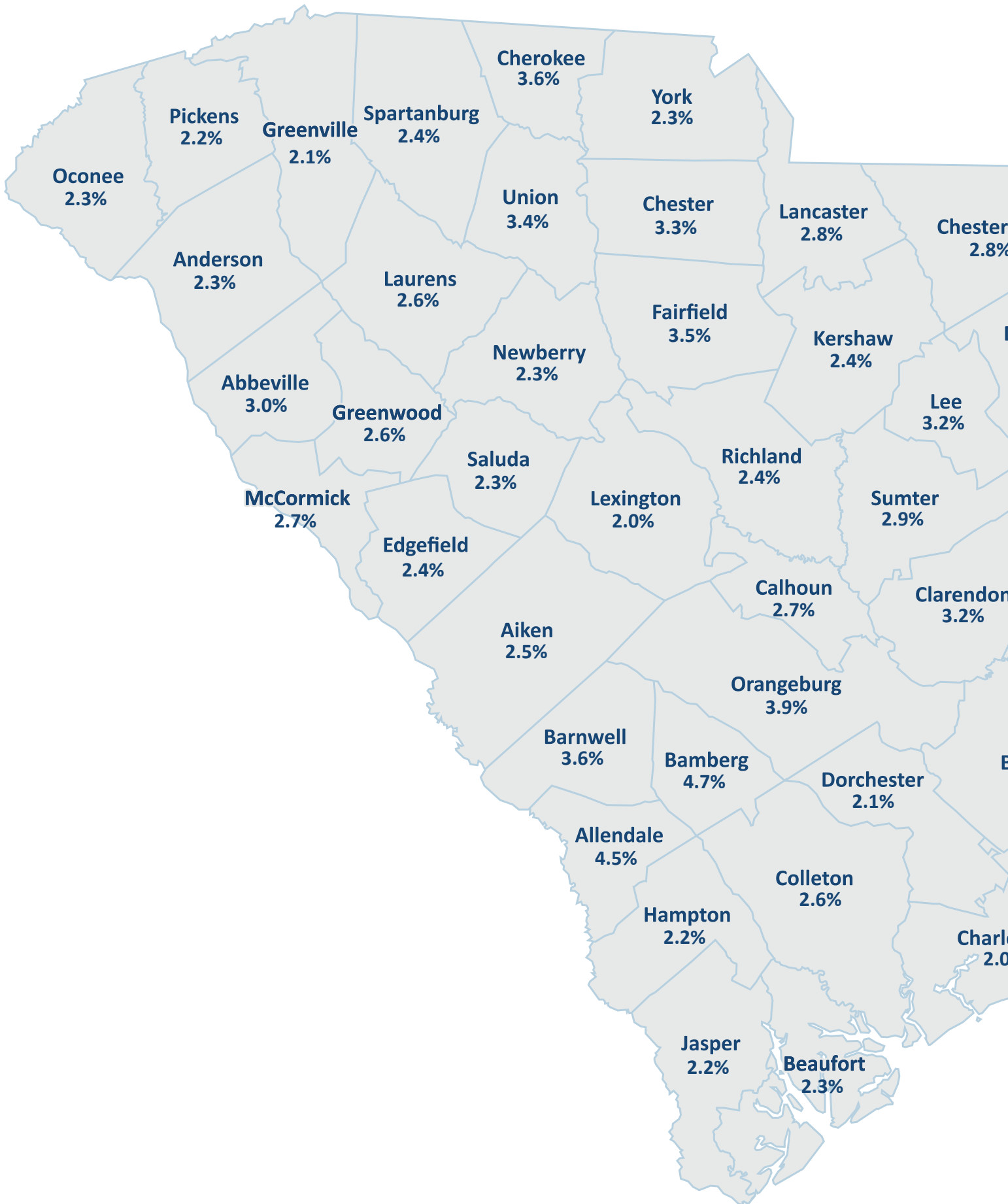
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED⁴)

Not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm payroll employment decreased by 3,700 from July 2023 to August 2023 for a total of 2,306,600.

- Education and Health Services (+2,500); Construction (+2,400); Government (+1,200); Professional and Business Services (+500); and Mining and Logging (+100) industries increased over the month.
- Leisure and Hospitality (-4,600); Manufacturing (-2,500); Financial Activities (-1,600); Other Services (-800); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (-500); and Information (-400) industries marked declines.

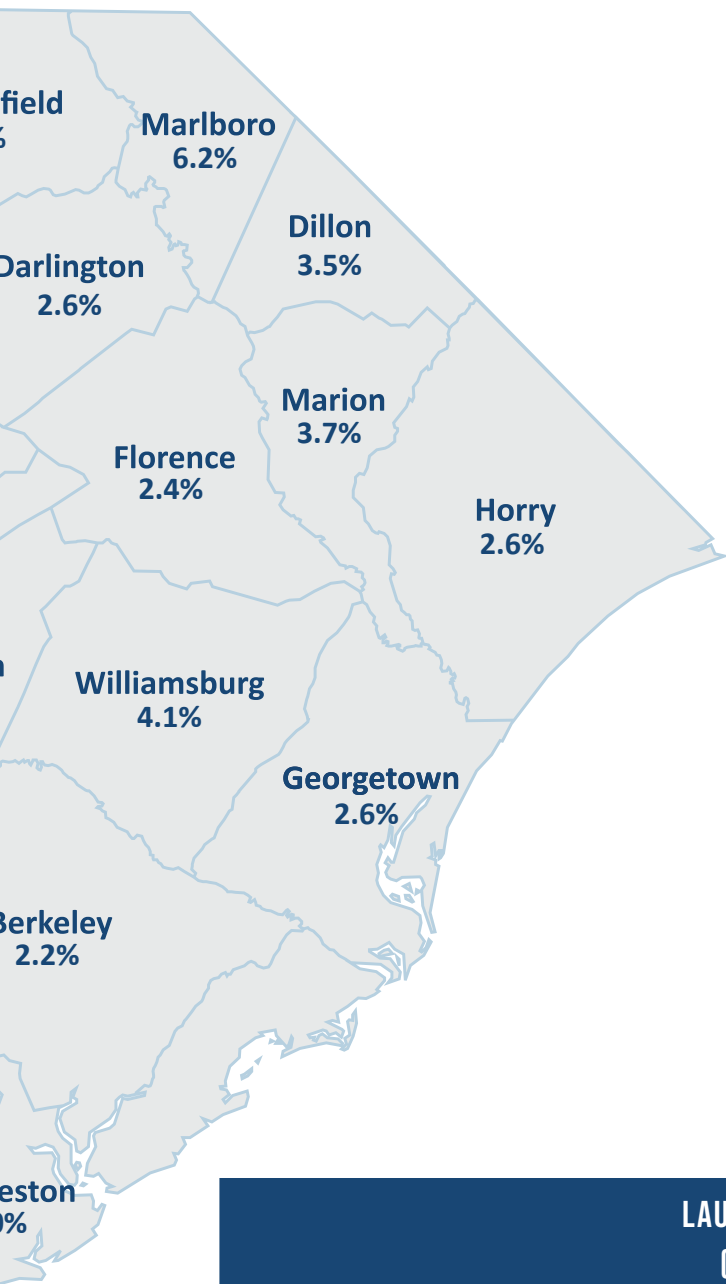
Since August 2022, not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm jobs were up 50,400 in South Carolina.

- Industries making strong annual gains were Educational and Health Services (+13,700); Leisure and Hospitality (+11,900); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+10,800); Government (+5,800); Construction (+4,500); Financial Activities (+3,000); Information (+900); Professional and Business Services (+900); Other Services (+800); and Mining and Logging (+100).
- The Manufacturing industry declined (-2,000).



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 (%)
4,309,027	2,455,394	57.0%	2,382,362	55.3%	73,032	3.0%

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	AUGUST 2023					JULY 2023					AUGUST 2022				
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT				
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			
Abbeville County	↓	9,519	9,238	281	3.0%	9,411	8,988	423	4.5%	9,431	9,003	428	4.5%		
Aiken County	↓	73,886	72,062	1,824	2.5%	75,353	72,681	2,672	3.5%	72,951	70,468	2,483	3.4%		
Allendale County	↓	2,293	2,190	103	4.5%	2,333	2,189	144	6.2%	2,246	2,118	128	5.7%		
Anderson County	↓	94,199	92,055	2,144	2.3%	95,322	92,106	3,216	3.4%	91,507	88,380	3,127	3.4%		
Bamberg County	↓	4,594	4,376	218	4.7%	4,611	4,280	331	7.2%	4,535	4,269	266	5.9%		
Barnwell County	↓	7,711	7,432	279	3.6%	7,843	7,468	375	4.8%	7,518	7,146	372	4.9%		
Beaufort County	↓	80,191	78,319	1,872	2.3%	81,732	78,931	2,801	3.4%	77,703	75,025	2,678	3.4%		
Berkeley County	↓	116,725	114,166	2,559	2.2%	119,166	115,442	3,724	3.1%	110,452	106,879	3,573	3.2%		
Calhoun County	↓	6,555	6,376	179	2.7%	6,656	6,393	263	4.0%	6,382	6,135	247	3.9%		
Charleston County	↓	228,826	224,145	4,681	2.0%	233,584	226,950	6,634	2.8%	216,516	209,989	6,527	3.0%		
Cherokee County	↓	23,171	22,332	839	3.6%	22,996	21,666	1,330	5.8%	23,894	22,828	1,066	4.5%		
Chester County	↓	13,961	13,501	460	3.3%	14,164	13,485	679	4.8%	13,351	12,728	623	4.7%		
Chesterfield County	↓	21,541	20,930	611	2.8%	21,919	21,032	887	4.0%	21,217	20,376	841	4.0%		
Clarendon County	↓	12,194	11,798	396	3.2%	11,944	11,372	572	4.8%	11,945	11,400	545	4.6%		
Colleton County	↓	16,362	15,942	420	2.6%	16,749	16,105	644	3.8%	15,715	15,114	601	3.8%		
Darlington County	↓	30,876	30,059	817	2.6%	31,385	30,130	1,255	4.0%	29,851	28,709	1,142	3.8%		
Dillon County	↓	13,390	12,924	466	3.5%	13,121	12,413	708	5.4%	12,896	12,277	619	4.8%		
Dorchester County	↓	84,635	82,877	1,758	2.1%	86,405	83,820	2,585	3.0%	80,065	77,600	2,465	3.1%		
Edgefield County	↓	10,332	10,087	245	2.4%	10,562	10,191	371	3.5%	10,221	9,864	357	3.5%		
Fairfield County	↓	9,395	9,067	328	3.5%	9,547	9,080	467	4.9%	9,209	8,722	487	5.3%		
Florence County	↓	68,401	66,759	1,642	2.4%	69,428	66,960	2,468	3.6%	66,139	63,743	2,396	3.6%		
Georgetown County	↓	27,646	26,933	713	2.6%	28,201	27,190	1,011	3.6%	26,598	25,530	1,068	4.0%		
Greenville County	↓	267,937	262,203	5,734	2.1%	270,726	262,312	8,414	3.1%	259,627	251,724	7,903	3.0%		
Greenwood County	↓	29,906	29,124	782	2.6%	29,471	28,296	1,175	4.0%	29,587	28,389	1,198	4.0%		
Hampton County	↓	8,083	7,904	179	2.2%	8,077	7,781	296	3.7%	7,959	7,715	244	3.1%		
Horry County	↓	160,871	156,720	4,151	2.6%	164,328	158,395	5,933	3.6%	154,849	148,711	6,138	4.0%		
Jasper County	↓	13,724	13,420	304	2.2%	14,043	13,583	460	3.3%	13,316	12,862	454	3.4%		
Kershaw County	↓	30,021	29,301	720	2.4%	30,417	29,345	1,072	3.5%	29,266	28,187	1,079	3.7%		
Lancaster County	↓	45,624	44,350	1,274	2.8%	46,087	44,327	1,760	3.8%	43,529	41,820	1,709	3.9%		
Laurens County	↓	30,954	30,146	808	2.6%	31,354	30,186	1,168	3.7%	30,032	28,948	1,084	3.6%		
Lee County	↓	6,568	6,359	209	3.2%	6,655	6,371	284	4.3%	6,396	6,070	326	5.1%		
Lexington County	↓	154,831	151,740	3,091	2.0%	156,571	151,953	4,618	2.9%	150,332	145,946	4,386	2.9%		
Marion County	↓	12,831	12,359	472	3.7%	13,004	12,293	711	5.5%	12,759	12,110	649	5.1%		
Marlboro County	↓	7,427	6,970	457	6.2%	7,466	6,825	641	8.6%	8,152	7,603	549	6.7%		
McCormick County	↓	3,386	3,294	92	2.7%	3,394	3,272	122	3.6%	3,537	3,381	156	4.4%		
Newberry County	↓	19,403	18,957	446	2.3%	19,599	18,933	666	3.4%	18,989	18,444	545	2.9%		
Oconee County	↓	36,121	35,287	834	2.3%	35,846	34,613	1,233	3.4%	34,289	33,084	1,205	3.5%		
Orangeburg County	↓	33,434	32,134	1,300	3.9%	33,305	31,383	1,922	5.8%	32,697	30,982	1,715	5.2%		
Pickens County	↓	59,577	58,245	1,332	2.2%	60,407	58,304	2,103	3.5%	57,797	55,920	1,877	3.2%		
Richland County	↓	201,762	196,856	4,906	2.4%	204,216	196,911	7,305	3.6%	196,423	189,292	7,131	3.6%		
Saluda County	↓	8,624	8,426	198	2.3%	8,753	8,464	289	3.3%	8,379	8,119	260	3.1%		
Spartanburg County	↓	159,084	155,236	3,848	2.4%	160,917	155,177	5,740	3.6%	153,286	147,979	5,307	3.5%		
Sumter County	↓	42,816	41,559	1,257	2.9%	43,590	41,778	1,812	4.2%	41,532	39,793	1,739	4.2%		
Union County	↓	11,483	11,087	396	3.4%	11,642	11,087	555	4.8%	11,166	10,569	597	5.3%		
Williamsburg County	↓	10,570	10,138	432	4.1%	10,796	10,167	629	5.8%	10,864	10,276	588	5.4%		
York County	↓	154,989	151,428	3,561	2.3%	156,537	151,339	5,198	3.3%	147,868	142,758	5,110	3.5%		

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 Substate estimates are not seasonally adjusted and may diverge from state-level figures.

↑ Unemployment Rate Up
 ↓ Unemployment Rate Down
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LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MSA (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

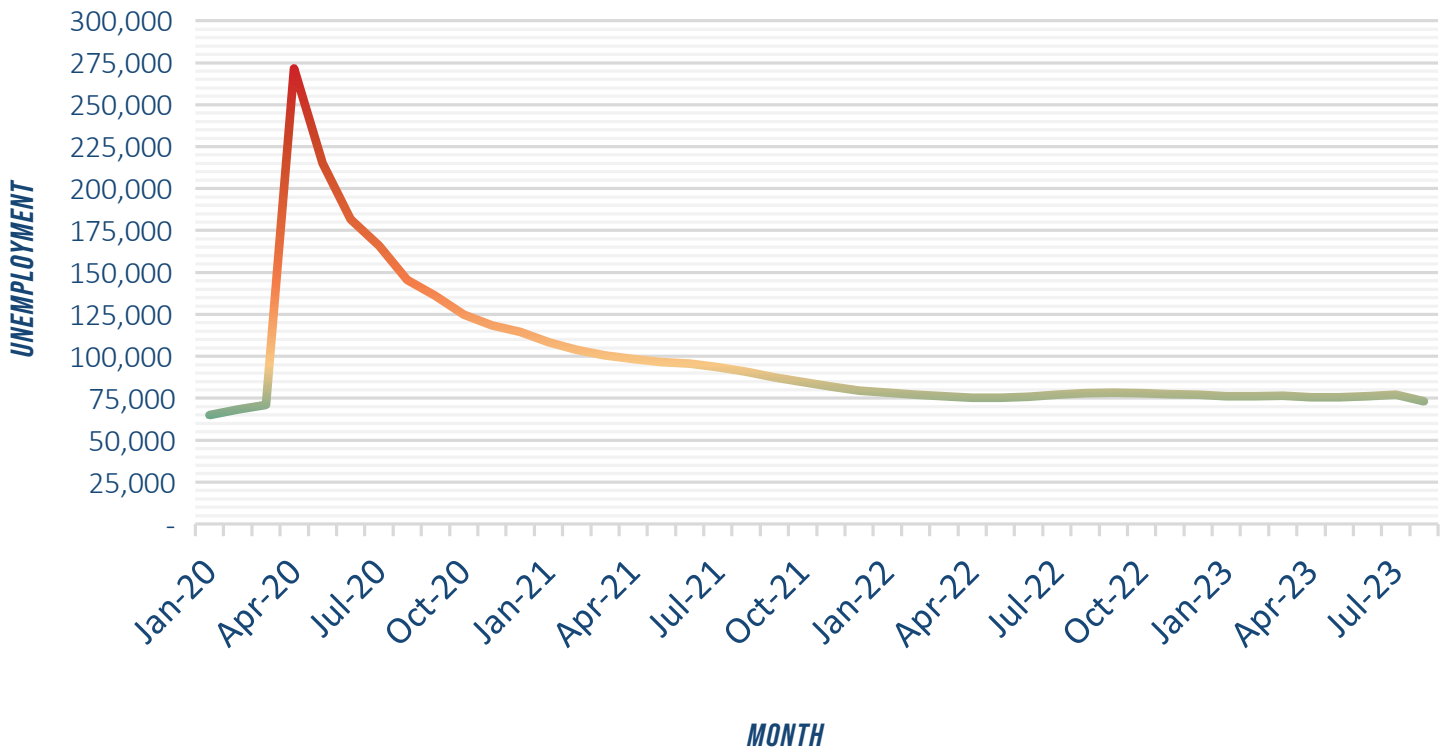
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA	AUGUST 2023					JULY 2023					AUGUST 2022				
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT				
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			
Charleston-North Charleston	↓	430,186	421,188	8,998	2.1%	439,155	426,212	12,943	2.9%	407,033	394,468	12,565	3.1%		
Columbia	↓	411,188	401,766	9,422	2.3%	416,160	402,146	14,014	3.4%	399,991	386,401	13,590	3.4%		
Florence	↓	99,277	96,818	2,459	2.5%	100,813	97,090	3,723	3.7%	95,990	92,452	3,538	3.7%		
Greenville - Anderson-Mauldin	↓	452,667	442,649	10,018	2.2%	457,809	442,908	14,901	3.3%	438,963	424,972	13,991	3.2%		
Hilton Head Island- Bluffton-Beaufort	↓	93,915	91,739	2,176	2.3%	95,775	92,514	3,261	3.4%	91,019	87,887	3,132	3.4%		
Myrtle Beach- Conway-North Myrtle Beach	↓	221,102	214,461	6,641	3.0%	225,619	217,250	8,369	3.7%	213,835	204,741	9,094	4.3%		
Spartanburg	↓	170,567	166,323	4,244	2.5%	172,559	166,264	6,295	3.6%	164,452	158,548	5,904	3.6%		
Sumter	↓	42,816	41,559	1,257	2.9%	43,590	41,778	1,812	4.2%	41,532	39,793	1,739	4.2%		
Augusta-Richmond County, GA (SC portion)	↓	84,218	82,149	2,069	2.5%	85,915	82,872	3,043	3.5%	83,172	80,332	2,840	3.4%		
Charlotte-Con- cord-Gastonia, NC (SC portion)	↓	214,574	209,279	5,295	2.5%	216,788	209,151	7,637	3.5%	204,748	197,306	7,442	3.6%		

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MUNICIPALITY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

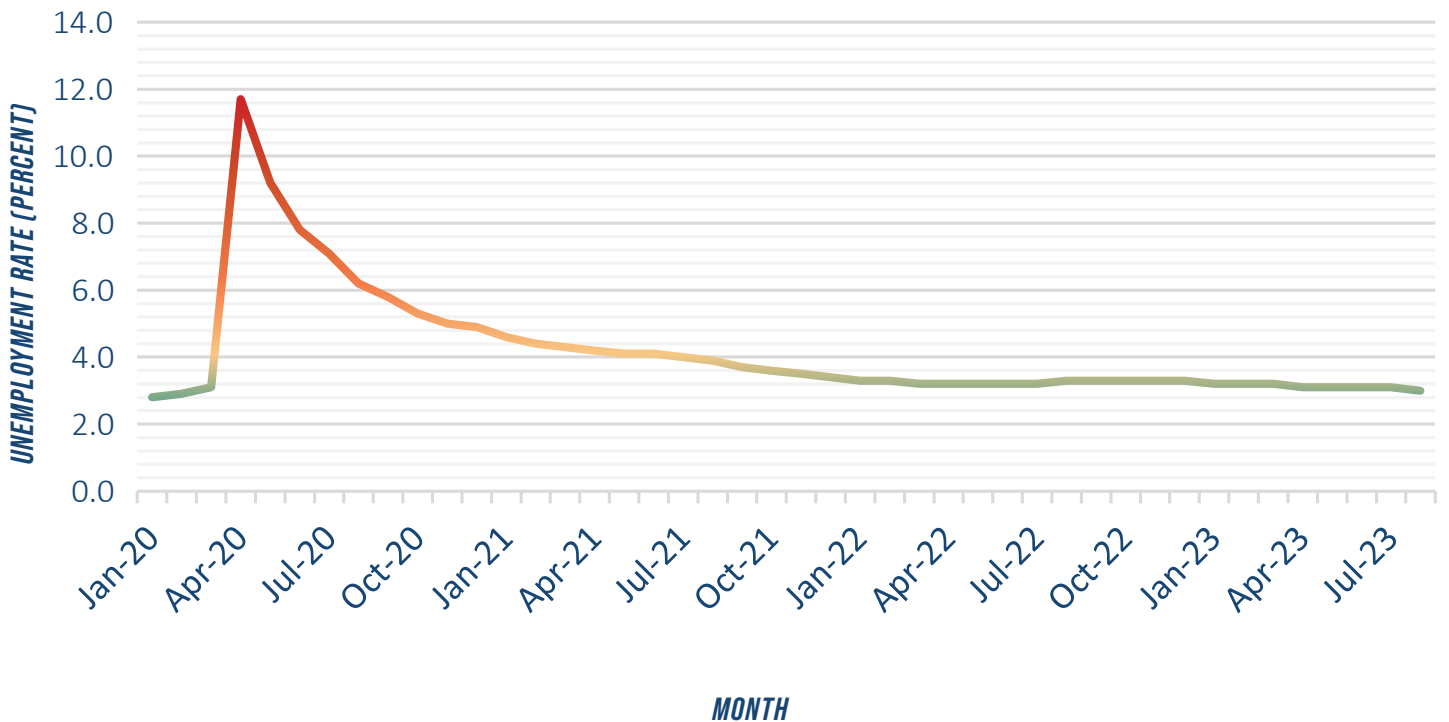
CITIES AND TOWNS ABOVE 25,000 POPULATION	AUGUST 2023					JULY 2023					AUGUST 2022				
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT				
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			
Aiken	↓	12,957	12,605	352	2.7%	13,232	12,713	519	3.9%	12,794	12,326	468	3.7%		
Anderson	↓	11,881	11,566	315	2.7%	12,073	11,572	501	4.1%	11,539	11,104	435	3.8%		
Bluffton	↓	13,641	13,363	278	2.0%	13,863	13,467	396	2.9%	13,180	12,801	379	2.9%		
Charleston	↓	80,837	79,093	1,744	2.2%	82,523	80,076	2,447	3.0%	76,290	74,094	2,196	2.9%		
Columbia	↓	58,399	56,800	1,599	2.7%	59,347	56,816	2,531	4.3%	56,910	54,617	2,293	4.0%		
Conway	↓	10,912	10,585	327	3.0%	11,265	10,698	567	5.0%	10,554	10,044	510	4.8%		
Florence	↓	20,151	19,631	520	2.6%	20,465	19,690	775	3.8%	19,503	18,744	759	3.9%		
Fort Mill	↓	13,917	13,652	265	1.9%	14,032	13,644	388	2.8%	13,259	12,870	389	2.9%		
Goose Creek	↓	22,123	21,631	492	2.2%	22,624	21,873	751	3.3%	20,962	20,250	712	3.4%		
Greenville	↓	38,333	37,544	789	2.1%	38,778	37,559	1,219	3.1%	37,194	36,043	1,151	3.1%		
Greer	↓	18,896	18,489	407	2.2%	19,060	18,493	567	3.0%	18,230	17,719	511	2.8%		
Hanahan	↓	15,429	15,179	250	1.6%	15,704	15,349	355	2.3%	14,589	14,211	378	2.6%		
Hilton Head Island	↓	17,971	17,618	353	2.0%	18,269	17,756	513	2.8%	17,358	16,877	481	2.8%		
Mauldin	↓	14,218	13,930	288	2.0%	14,355	13,936	419	2.9%	13,740	13,373	367	2.7%		
Mount Pleasant	↓	53,974	53,099	875	1.6%	55,040	53,763	1,277	2.3%	51,016	49,745	1,271	2.5%		
Myrtle Beach	↓	16,658	16,269	389	2.3%	16,999	16,443	556	3.3%	16,018	15,437	581	3.6%		
North Charleston	↓	60,405	59,003	1,402	2.3%	61,723	59,726	1,997	3.2%	57,259	55,269	1,990	3.5%		
Rock Hill	↓	41,987	40,837	1,150	2.7%	42,524	40,813	1,711	4.0%	40,121	38,499	1,622	4.0%		
Spartanburg	↓	17,004	16,481	523	3.1%	17,216	16,474	742	4.3%	16,414	15,710	704	4.3%		
Summerville	↓	27,187	26,600	587	2.2%	27,743	26,904	839	3.0%	25,738	24,907	831	3.2%		
Sumter	↓	15,280	14,799	481	3.1%	15,561	14,877	684	4.4%	14,832	14,170	662	4.5%		

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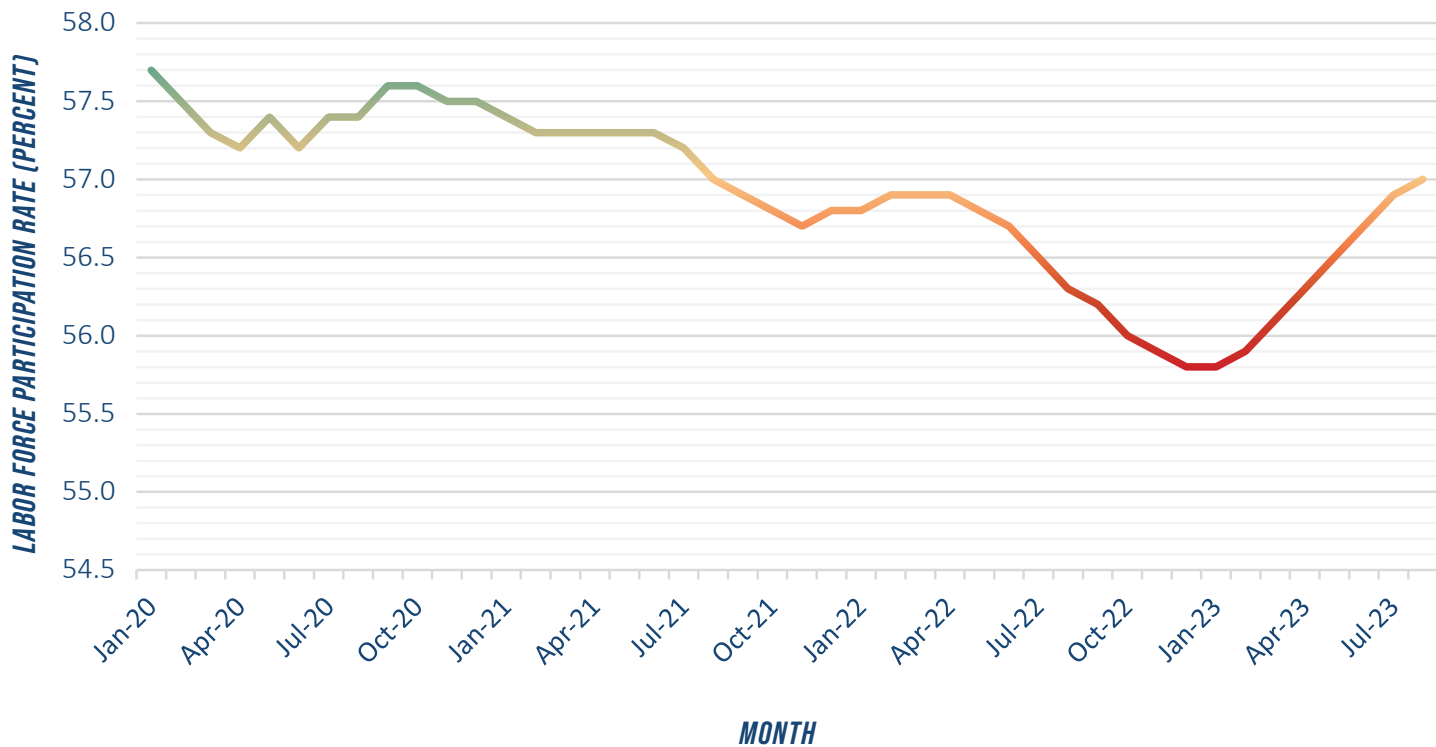
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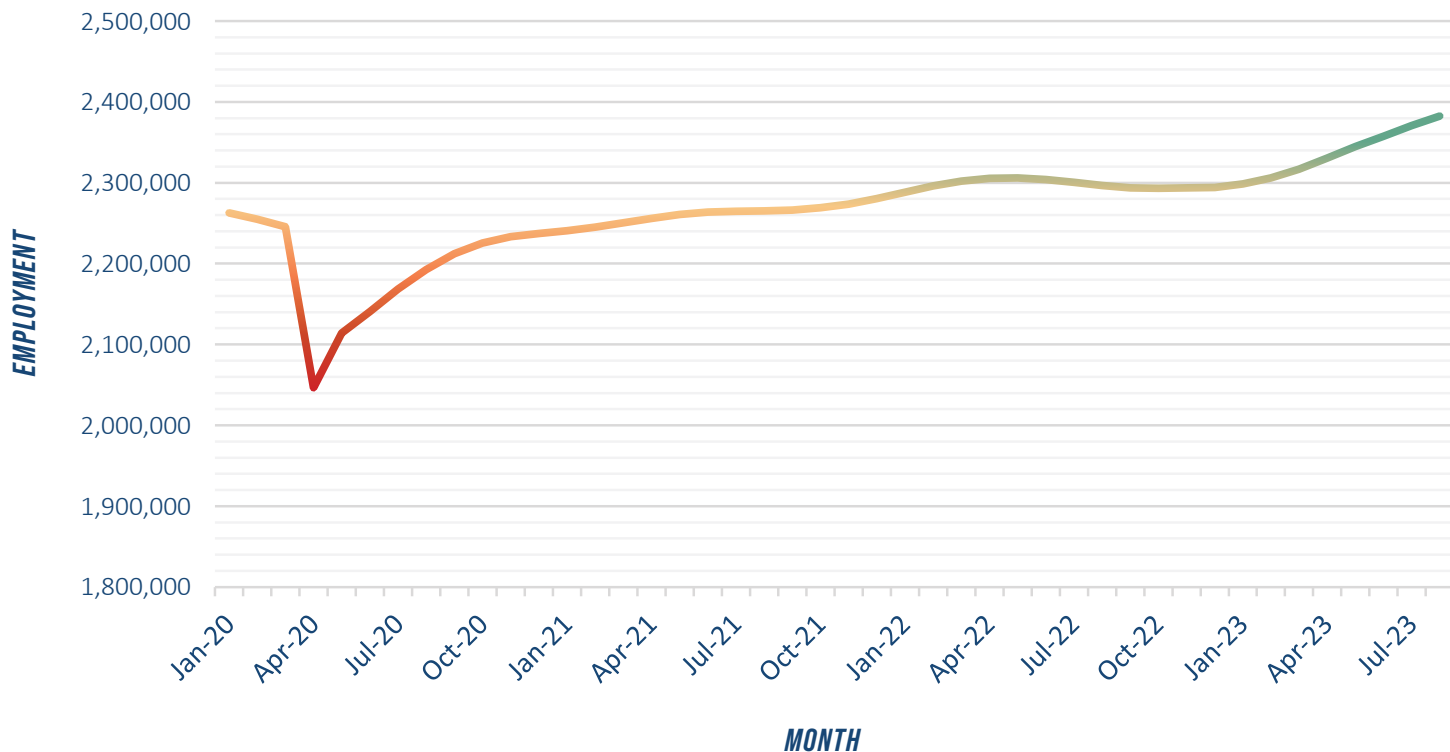
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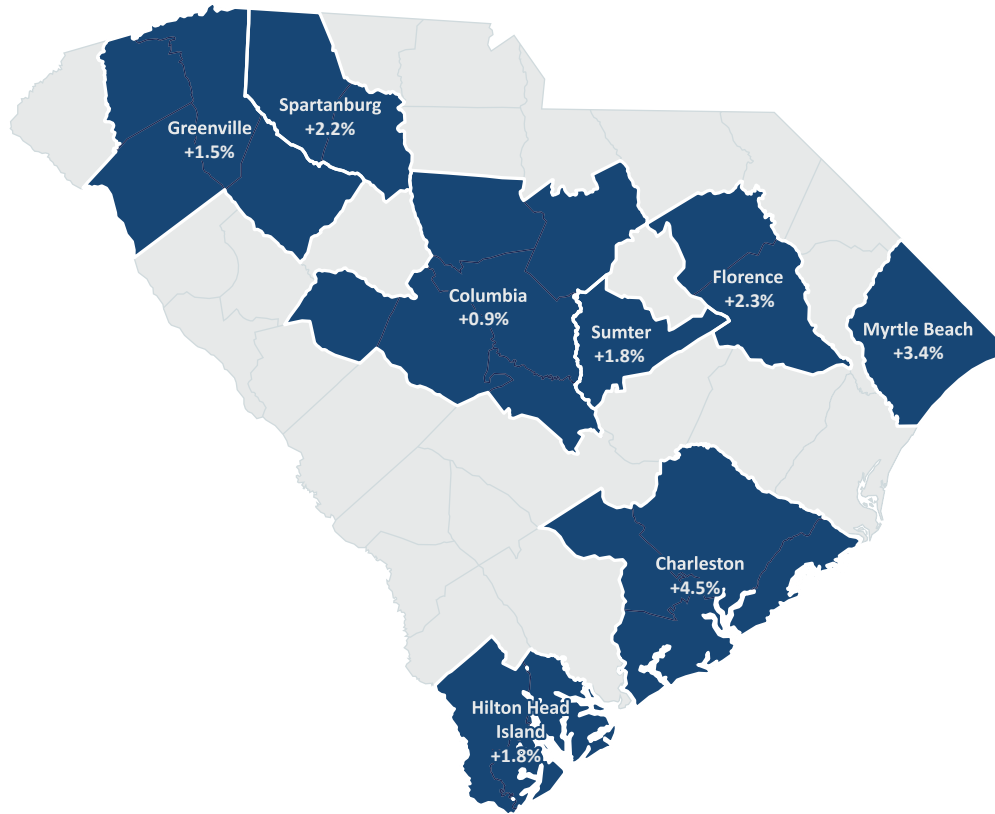


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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Seasonally Adjusted – Year-Over-Year Change



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AUGUST 2023

AREA	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Statewide	2,303,100	2,306,800	2,256,800	-3,700	-0.2%	+46,300	+2.1%
Charleston-North Charleston	416,300	418,100	398,200	-1,800	-0.4%	+18,100	+4.5%
Columbia	420,800	420,400	417,100	+400	+0.1%	+3,700	+0.9%
Florence	96,300	96,400	94,100	-100	-0.1%	+2,200	+2.3%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	459,500	459,300	452,900	+200	0.0%	+6,600	+1.5%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	87,200	87,000	85,700	+200	+0.2%	+1,500	+1.8%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	191,900	191,100	185,600	+800	+0.4%	+6,300	+3.4%
Spartanburg	171,200	171,600	167,500	-400	-0.2%	+3,700	+2.2%
Sumter	39,900	39,700	39,200	+200	+0.5%	+700	+1.8%

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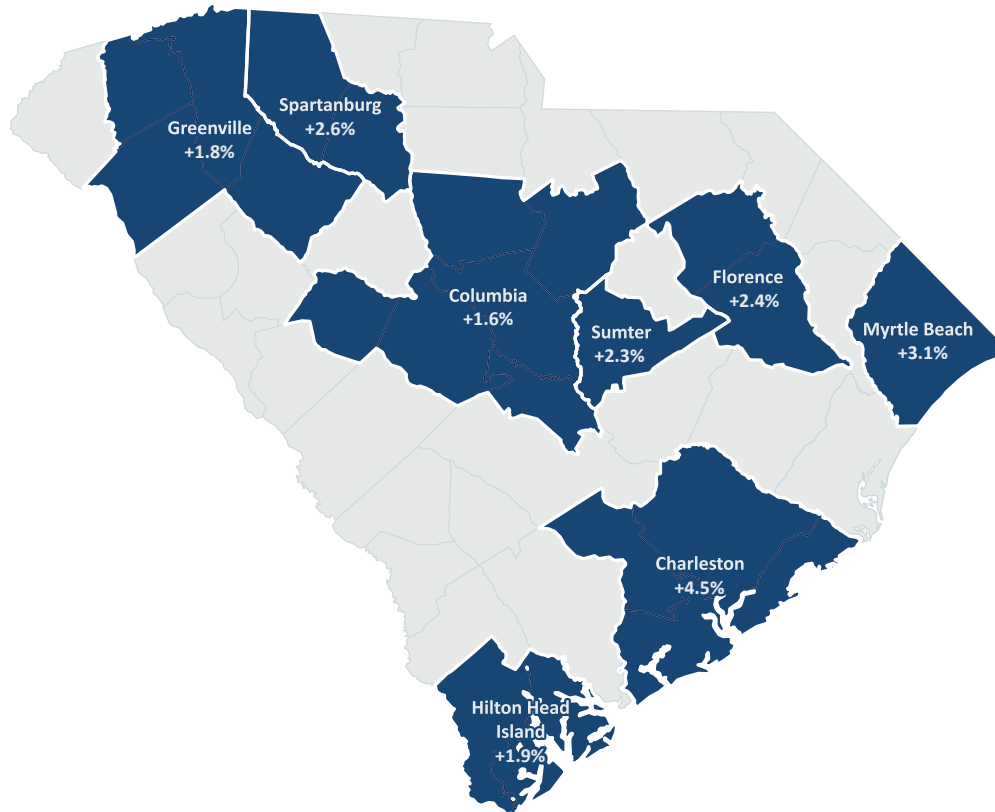
NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (IN THOUSANDS)

AUGUST 2023

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,303.1	2,306.8	2,256.8	-3.7	-0.2%	+46.3	+2.1%
Total Private	1,929.8	1,931.6	1,890.6	-1.8	-0.1%	+39.2	+2.1%
Goods Producing	378.6	377.7	376.8	+0.9	+0.2%	+1.8	+0.5%
Mining, Logging and Construction	118.0	115.3	113.8	+2.7	+2.3%	+4.2	+3.7%
Mining and Logging	4.6	4.5	4.5	+0.1	+2.2%	+0.1	+2.2%
Construction	113.4	110.8	109.3	+2.6	+2.3%	+4.1	+3.8%
Manufacturing	260.6	262.4	263.0	-1.8	-0.7%	-2.4	-0.9%
Durable Goods	157.9	158.6	158.2	-0.7	-0.4%	-0.3	-0.2%
Non-Durable Goods	102.7	103.8	104.8	-1.1	-1.1%	-2.1	-2.0%
Service-Providing	1,924.5	1,929.1	1,880.0	-4.6	-0.2%	+44.5	+2.4%
Private Service Providing	1,551.2	1,553.9	1,513.8	-2.7	-0.2%	+37.4	+2.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	445.0	444.2	435.2	+0.8	+0.2%	+9.8	+2.3%
Wholesale Trade	80.2	80.2	80.1	0.0	0.0%	+0.1	+0.1%
Retail Trade	264.4	263.8	260.7	+0.6	+0.2%	+3.7	+1.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	100.4	100.2	94.4	+0.2	+0.2%	+6.0	+6.4%
Information	31.9	32.1	30.6	-0.2	-0.6%	+1.3	+4.2%
Financial Activities	121.6	122.5	118.6	-0.9	-0.7%	+3.0	+2.5%
Finance and Insurance	86.2	87.0	85.3	-0.8	-0.9%	+0.9	+1.1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	35.4	35.5	33.3	-0.1	-0.3%	+2.1	+6.3%
Professional and Business Services	312.9	314.6	311.8	-1.7	-0.5%	+1.1	+0.4%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	121.2	121.4	120.4	-0.2	-0.2%	+0.8	+0.7%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25.9	25.8	25.5	+0.1	+0.4%	+0.4	+1.6%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	165.8	167.4	165.9	-1.6	-1.0%	-0.1	-0.1%
Education and Health Services	281.5	281.0	268.8	+0.5	+0.2%	+12.7	+4.7%
Educational Services	46.0	45.9	45.3	+0.1	+0.2%	+0.7	+1.5%
Health Care Services	235.5	235.1	223.5	+0.4	+0.2%	+12.0	+5.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	275.6	276.0	266.3	-0.4	-0.1%	+9.3	+3.5%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	38.3	38.1	32.8	+0.2	+0.5%	+5.5	+16.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	237.3	237.9	233.5	-0.6	-0.3%	+3.8	+1.6%
Other Services	82.7	83.5	82.5	-0.8	-1.0%	+0.2	+0.2%
Government	373.3	375.2	366.2	-1.9	-0.5%	+7.1	+1.9%
Federal Government	37.2	37.0	35.2	+0.2	+0.5%	+2.0	+5.7%
State Government	109.0	109.2	107.8	-0.2	-0.2%	+1.2	+1.1%
Local Government	227.1	229.0	223.2	-1.9	-0.8%	+3.9	+1.7%

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Not Seasonally Adjusted – Year-Over-Year Change



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AUGUST 2023

AREA	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Statewide	2,306,600	2,310,300	2,256,200	-3,700	-0.2%	+50,400	+2.2%
Charleston-North Charleston	416,800	420,300	398,800	-3,500	-0.8%	+18,000	+4.5%
Columbia	419,000	418,000	412,600	+1,000	+0.2%	+6,400	+1.6%
Florence	96,300	96,200	94,000	+100	+0.1%	+2,300	+2.4%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	458,200	456,200	450,200	+2,000	+0.4%	+8,000	+1.8%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	89,000	89,200	87,300	-200	-0.2%	+1,700	+1.9%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	196,300	197,300	190,400	-1,000	-0.5%	+5,900	+3.1%
Spartanburg	170,800	170,100	166,500	+700	+0.4%	+4,300	+2.6%
Sumter	39,700	39,700	38,800	0	0.0%	+900	+2.3%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AUGUST 2023

				JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,306,600	2,310,300	2,256,200	-3,700	-0.2%	+50,400	+2.2%
Total Private	1,942,500	1,947,400	1,897,900	-4,900	-0.3%	+44,600	+2.3%
Goods Producing	380,300	380,300	377,700	0	0.0%	+2,600	+0.7%
Mining, Logging and Construction	118,800	116,300	114,200	+2,500	+2.1%	+4,600	+4.0%
Mining and Logging	4,600	4,500	4,500	+100	+2.2%	+100	+2.2%
Construction	114,200	111,800	109,700	+2,400	+2.1%	+4,500	+4.1%
Construction of Buildings	27,300	26,700	26,800	+600	+2.2%	+500	+1.9%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	18,100	17,600	17,000	+500	+2.8%	+1,100	+6.5%
Specialty Trade Contractors	68,800	67,500	65,900	+1,300	+1.9%	+2,900	+4.4%
Manufacturing	261,500	264,000	263,500	-2,500	-0.9%	-2,000	-0.8%
Durable Goods	158,900	159,900	158,700	-1,000	-0.6%	+200	+0.1%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	23,900	23,900	24,200	0	0.0%	-300	-1.2%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	51,300	51,400	50,300	-100	-0.2%	+1,000	+2.0%
Non-Durable Goods	102,600	104,100	104,800	-1,500	-1.4%	-2,200	-2.1%
Textile Mills	11,900	12,100	12,600	-200	-1.7%	-700	-5.6%
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	25,200	25,700	25,600	-500	-1.9%	-400	-1.6%
Service-Providing	1,926,300	1,930,000	1,878,500	-3,700	-0.2%	+47,800	+2.5%
Private Service Providing	1,562,200	1,567,100	1,520,200	-4,900	-0.3%	+42,000	+2.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	444,100	444,600	433,300	-500	-0.1%	+10,800	+2.5%
Wholesale Trade	80,600	81,200	80,400	-600	-0.7%	+200	+0.2%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	43,600	43,500	43,000	+100	+0.2%	+600	+1.4%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	22,500	22,700	22,700	-200	-0.9%	-200	-0.9%
Retail Trade	264,000	264,400	259,700	-400	-0.2%	+4,300	+1.7%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	34,600	34,700	33,900	-100	-0.3%	+700	+2.1%
Food and Beverage Stores	53,500	53,700	52,100	-200	-0.4%	+1,400	+2.7%
Health and Personal Care Stores	15,800	15,800	15,900	0	0.0%	-100	-0.6%
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	18,000	18,000	17,800	0	0.0%	+200	+1.1%
General Merchandise Stores	60,800	61,700	59,100	-900	-1.5%	+1,700	+2.9%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	99,500	99,000	93,200	+500	+0.5%	+6,300	+6.8%
Utilities	11,700	11,700	11,000	0	0.0%	+700	+6.4%
Transportation and Warehousing	87,800	87,300	82,200	+500	+0.6%	+5,600	+6.8%
Information	31,900	32,300	31,000	-400	-1.2%	+900	+2.9%
Financial Activities	122,300	123,900	119,300	-1,600	-1.3%	+3,000	+2.5%
Finance and Insurance	86,600	87,300	85,100	-700	-0.8%	+1,500	+1.8%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities	38,200	38,400	38,100	-200	-0.5%	+100	+0.3%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	35,700	36,600	34,200	-900	-2.5%	+1,500	+4.4%
Professional and Business Services	311,000	310,500	310,100	+500	+0.2%	+900	+0.3%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	120,700	121,500	120,100	-800	-0.7%	+600	+0.5%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	23,400	23,500	22,100	-100	-0.4%	+1,300	+5.9%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	26,000	25,900	25,500	+100	+0.4%	+500	+2.0%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	164,300	163,100	164,500	+1,200	+0.7%	-200	-0.1%
Administrative and Support Services	152,000	150,700	152,500	+1,300	+0.9%	-500	-0.3%
Employment Services	67,500	66,900	70,500	+600	+0.9%	-3,000	-4.3%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	38,500	38,000	37,900	+500	+1.3%	+600	+1.6%
Education and Health Services	281,300	278,800	267,600	+2,500	+0.9%	+13,700	+5.1%
Educational Services	44,100	42,900	44,100	+1,200	+2.8%	0	0.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	237,200	235,900	223,500	+1,300	+0.6%	+13,700	+6.1%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	114,100	112,200	108,000	+1,900	+1.7%	+6,100	+5.6%
Hospitals	39,800	39,500	37,600	+300	+0.8%	+2,200	+5.9%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	43,500	42,800	38,500	+700	+1.6%	+5,000	+13.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	288,100	292,700	276,200	-4,600	-1.6%	+11,900	+4.3%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	40,500	41,400	35,100	-900	-2.2%	+5,400	+15.4%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	30,000	30,500	27,300	-500	-1.6%	+2,700	+9.9%
Accommodation and Food Services	247,600	251,300	241,100	-3,700	-1.5%	+6,500	+2.7%
Accommodation	34,400	34,800	33,000	-400	-1.1%	+1,400	+4.2%
Food Services and Drinking Places	213,200	216,500	208,100	-3,300	-1.5%	+5,100	+2.5%
Other Services	83,500	84,300	82,700	-800	-0.9%	+800	+1.0%
Repair and Maintenance	23,900	23,800	23,100	+100	+0.4%	+800	+3.5%
Personal and Laundry Services	20,600	20,800	20,200	-200	-1.0%	+400	+2.0%
Government	364,100	362,900	358,300	+1,200	+0.3%	+5,800	+1.6%
Federal Government	37,000	37,100	35,100	-100	-0.3%	+1,900	+5.4%
State Government	103,600	103,300	103,200	+300	+0.3%	+400	+0.4%
State Government Educational Services	45,400	45,400	46,900	0	0.0%	-1,500	-3.2%
State Government Excluding Education	58,200	57,900	56,300	+300	+0.5%	+1,900	+3.4%
Local Government	223,500	222,500	220,000	+1,000	+0.4%	+3,500	+1.6%
Local Government Educational Services	102,400	100,600	102,400	+1,800	+1.8%	0	0.0%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	121,100	121,900	117,600	-800	-0.7%	+3,500	+3.0%

TOTAL PRIVATE NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY MSA

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

AREA	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$1,103.98	\$1,097.52	\$1,100.75	+\$6.46	+0.6%	+\$3.23	+0.3%
Columbia	\$955.98	\$967.30	\$888.42	-\$11.32	-1.2%	+\$67.56	+7.6%
Florence	\$757.36	\$774.19	\$759.94	-\$16.83	-2.2%	-\$2.58	-0.3%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$1,087.45	\$1,102.42	\$1,046.42	-\$14.97	-1.4%	+\$41.03	+3.9%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$802.03	\$817.85	\$820.19	-\$15.82	-1.9%	-\$18.16	-2.2%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$850.50	\$865.52	\$836.65	-\$15.02	-1.7%	+\$13.85	+1.7%
Spartanburg	\$931.19	\$928.62	\$966.18	+\$2.57	+0.3%	-\$34.99	-3.6%
Sumter	\$773.26	\$784.80	\$739.69	-\$11.54	-1.5%	+\$33.57	+4.5%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

AREA	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	34.2	34.0	34.1	+0.2	+0.6%	+0.1	+0.3%
Columbia	33.9	34.0	34.0	-0.1	-0.3%	-0.1	-0.3%
Florence	32.9	33.5	33.7	-0.6	-1.8%	-0.8	-2.4%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	34.1	34.7	35.4	-0.6	-1.7%	-1.3	-3.7%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	30.6	30.7	30.4	-0.1	-0.3%	+0.2	+0.7%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	32.8	33.2	33.9	-0.4	-1.2%	-1.1	-3.2%
Spartanburg	33.8	33.0	35.6	+0.8	+2.4%	-1.8	-5.1%
Sumter	32.3	32.7	32.4	-0.4	-1.2%	-0.1	-0.3%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

AREA	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$32.28	\$32.28	\$32.28	\$0.00	0.0%	\$0.00	0.0%
Columbia	\$28.20	\$28.45	\$26.13	-\$0.25	-0.9%	+\$2.07	+7.9%
Florence	\$23.02	\$23.11	\$22.55	-\$0.09	-0.4%	+\$0.47	+2.1%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$31.89	\$31.77	\$29.56	+\$0.12	+0.4%	+\$2.33	+7.9%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$26.21	\$26.64	\$26.98	-\$0.43	-1.6%	-\$0.77	-2.9%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$25.93	\$26.07	\$24.68	-\$0.14	-0.5%	+\$1.25	+5.1%
Spartanburg	\$27.55	\$28.14	\$27.14	-\$0.59	-2.1%	+\$0.41	+1.5%
Sumter	\$23.94	\$24.00	\$22.83	-\$0.06	-0.2%	+\$1.11	+4.9%

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NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY INDUSTRY

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$1,004.59	\$1,014.37	\$979.29	-\$9.78	-1.0%	+\$25.30	+2.6%
Goods Producing	\$1,291.22	\$1,298.28	\$1,274.29	-\$7.06	-0.5%	+\$16.93	+1.3%
Construction	\$1,199.66	\$1,216.80	\$1,275.63	-\$17.14	-1.4%	-\$75.97	-6.0%
Manufacturing	\$1,324.90	\$1,324.04	\$1,270.10	+\$0.86	+0.1%	+\$54.80	+4.3%
Private Service Providing	\$936.53	\$947.19	\$906.43	-\$10.66	-1.1%	+\$30.10	+3.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$846.36	\$855.14	\$813.62	-\$8.78	-1.0%	+\$32.74	+4.0%
Financial Activities	\$1,202.29	\$1,175.39	\$1,184.78	+\$26.90	+2.3%	+\$17.51	+1.5%
Professional and Business Services	\$1,243.18	\$1,277.61	\$1,216.34	-\$34.43	-2.7%	+\$26.84	+2.2%
Education and Health Services	\$1,027.95	\$1,032.85	\$1,007.76	-\$4.90	-0.5%	+\$20.19	+2.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$488.96	\$489.15	\$447.02	-\$0.19	0.0%	+\$41.94	+9.4%
Other Services	\$984.12	\$984.93	\$816.35	-\$0.81	-0.1%	+\$167.77	+20.6%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	34.1	34.2	34.9	-0.1	-0.3%	-0.8	-2.3%
Goods Producing	40.1	39.8	41.4	+0.3	+0.8%	-1.3	-3.1%
Construction	41.8	41.8	42.1	0.0	0.0%	-0.3	-0.7%
Manufacturing	40.1	39.5	40.8	+0.6	+1.5%	-0.7	-1.7%
Private Service Providing	32.7	32.9	33.3	-0.2	-0.6%	-0.6	-1.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33.4	33.3	32.9	+0.1	+0.3%	+0.5	+1.5%
Financial Activities	35.9	36.8	37.6	-0.9	-2.4%	-1.7	-4.5%
Professional and Business Services	37.4	37.0	39.3	+0.4	+1.1%	-1.9	-4.8%
Education and Health Services	32.8	33.2	32.3	-0.4	-1.2%	+0.5	+1.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	25.6	26.2	25.5	-0.6	-2.3%	+0.1	+0.4%
Other Services	33.9	33.8	34.1	+0.1	+0.3%	-0.2	-0.6%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$29.46	\$29.66	\$28.06	-\$0.20	-0.7%	+\$1.40	+5.0%
Goods Producing	\$32.20	\$32.62	\$30.78	-\$0.42	-1.3%	+\$1.42	+4.6%
Construction	\$28.70	\$29.11	\$30.30	-\$0.41	-1.4%	-\$1.60	-5.3%
Manufacturing	\$33.04	\$33.52	\$31.13	-\$0.48	-1.4%	+\$1.91	+6.1%
Private Service Providing	\$28.64	\$28.79	\$27.22	-\$0.15	-0.5%	+\$1.42	+5.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$25.34	\$25.68	\$24.73	-\$0.34	-1.3%	+\$0.61	+2.5%
Financial Activities	\$33.49	\$31.94	\$31.51	+\$1.55	+4.9%	+\$1.98	+6.3%
Professional and Business Services	\$33.24	\$34.53	\$30.95	-\$1.29	-3.7%	+\$2.29	+7.4%
Education and Health Services	\$31.34	\$31.11	\$31.20	+\$0.23	+0.7%	+\$0.14	+0.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$19.10	\$18.67	\$17.53	+\$0.43	+2.3%	+\$1.57	+9.0%
Other Services	\$29.03	\$29.14	\$23.94	-\$0.11	-0.4%	+\$5.09	+21.3%

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

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	416,800	420,300	398,800	-3,500	-0.8%	+18,000	+4.5%
Total Private	348,900	352,700	332,500	-3,800	-1.1%	+16,400	+4.9%
Goods Producing	55,200	55,000	52,400	+200	+0.4%	+2,800	+5.3%
Service-Providing	361,600	365,300	346,400	-3,700	-1.0%	+15,200	+4.4%
Private Service Providing	293,700	297,700	280,100	-4,000	-1.3%	+13,600	+4.9%
Mining, Logging and Construction	23,100	23,000	21,800	+100	+0.4%	+1,300	+6.0%
Manufacturing	32,100	32,000	30,600	+100	+0.3%	+1,500	+4.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	75,700	75,800	73,600	-100	-0.1%	+2,100	+2.9%
Wholesale Trade	12,400	12,400	12,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	42,400	42,600	42,400	-200	-0.5%	0	0.0%
General Merchandise Stores	8,100	8,300	7,700	-200	-2.4%	+400	+5.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	20,900	20,800	18,800	+100	+0.5%	+2,100	+11.2%
Information	9,200	9,400	8,500	-200	-2.1%	+700	+8.2%
Financial Activities	18,800	19,800	19,300	-1,000	-5.1%	-500	-2.6%
Professional and Business Services	68,800	69,500	63,800	-700	-1.0%	+5,000	+7.8%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	30,100	30,200	28,300	-100	-0.3%	+1,800	+6.4%
Education and Health Services	49,000	49,200	46,100	-200	-0.4%	+2,900	+6.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	56,200	57,900	53,100	-1,700	-2.9%	+3,100	+5.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	49,700	50,800	46,700	-1,100	-2.2%	+3,000	+6.4%
Food Services and Drinking Places	41,000	41,900	38,300	-900	-2.1%	+2,700	+7.0%
Other Services	16,000	16,100	15,700	-100	-0.6%	+300	+1.9%
Government	67,900	67,600	66,300	+300	+0.4%	+1,600	+2.4%
Federal Government	11,800	11,700	11,400	+100	+0.9%	+400	+3.5%
State Government	28,100	27,900	27,100	+200	+0.7%	+1,000	+3.7%
Local Government	28,000	28,000	27,800	0	0.0%	+200	+0.7%

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

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	419,000	418,000	412,600	+1,000	+0.2%	+6,400	+1.6%
Total Private	337,900	336,600	332,600	+1,300	+0.4%	+5,300	+1.6%
Goods Producing	49,300	49,700	49,000	-400	-0.8%	+300	+0.6%
Service-Providing	369,700	368,300	363,600	+1,400	+0.4%	+6,100	+1.7%
Private Service Providing	288,600	286,900	283,600	+1,700	+0.6%	+5,000	+1.8%
Mining, Logging and Construction	17,000	17,100	17,100	-100	-0.6%	-100	-0.6%
Manufacturing	32,300	32,600	31,900	-300	-0.9%	+400	+1.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	76,700	76,800	76,600	-100	-0.1%	+100	+0.1%
Wholesale Trade	16,200	16,300	16,200	-100	-0.6%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	43,400	43,500	44,200	-100	-0.2%	-800	-1.8%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,100	17,000	16,200	+100	+0.6%	+900	+5.6%
Information	5,400	5,500	5,100	-100	-1.8%	+300	+5.9%
Financial Activities	36,700	36,600	35,600	+100	+0.3%	+1,100	+3.1%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	7,700	7,700	7,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	57,900	56,800	57,500	+1,100	+1.9%	+400	+0.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	31,100	30,600	31,900	+500	+1.6%	-800	-2.5%
Education and Health Services	53,900	53,200	52,600	+700	+1.3%	+1,300	+2.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	40,400	40,300	39,000	+100	+0.2%	+1,400	+3.6%
Food Services and Drinking Places	33,800	33,600	32,300	+200	+0.6%	+1,500	+4.6%
Other Services	17,600	17,700	17,200	-100	-0.6%	+400	+2.3%
Government	81,100	81,400	80,000	-300	-0.4%	+1,100	+1.4%
Federal Government	11,500	11,500	11,000	0	0.0%	+500	+4.5%
State Government	34,300	34,500	33,600	-200	-0.6%	+700	+2.1%
Local Government	35,300	35,400	35,400	-100	-0.3%	-100	-0.3%

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

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	458,200	456,200	450,200	+2,000	+0.4%	+8,000	+1.8%
Total Private	399,900	397,700	390,100	+2,200	+0.6%	+9,800	+2.5%
Goods Producing	82,600	82,400	83,200	+200	+0.2%	-600	-0.7%
Service-Providing	375,600	373,800	367,000	+1,800	+0.5%	+8,600	+2.3%
Private Service Providing	317,300	315,300	306,900	+2,000	+0.6%	+10,400	+3.4%
Mining, Logging and Construction	22,800	22,200	21,400	+600	+2.7%	+1,400	+6.5%
Manufacturing	59,800	60,200	61,800	-400	-0.7%	-2,000	-3.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	84,600	84,800	81,700	-200	-0.2%	+2,900	+3.5%
Wholesale Trade	20,300	20,300	20,500	0	0.0%	-200	-1.0%
Retail Trade	48,600	49,000	46,700	-400	-0.8%	+1,900	+4.1%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	15,700	15,500	14,500	+200	+1.3%	+1,200	+8.3%
Information	7,600	7,700	7,100	-100	-1.3%	+500	+7.0%
Financial Activities	22,200	22,400	21,500	-200	-0.9%	+700	+3.3%
Professional and Business Services	75,800	75,000	76,500	+800	+1.1%	-700	-0.9%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	27,900	27,900	27,500	0	0.0%	+400	+1.5%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6,600	6,600	6,700	0	0.0%	-100	-1.5%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	41,300	40,500	42,300	+800	+2.0%	-1,000	-2.4%
Education and Health Services	59,000	58,000	56,900	+1,000	+1.7%	+2,100	+3.7%
Educational Services	11,600	11,300	11,500	+300	+2.7%	+100	+0.9%
Health Care and Social Assistance	47,400	46,700	45,400	+700	+1.5%	+2,000	+4.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	52,300	51,600	47,900	+700	+1.4%	+4,400	+9.2%
Other Services	15,800	15,800	15,300	0	0.0%	+500	+3.3%
Government	58,300	58,500	60,100	-200	-0.3%	-1,800	-3.0%
Federal Government	3,100	3,100	3,000	0	0.0%	+100	+3.3%
State Government	11,700	11,800	12,900	-100	-0.8%	-1,200	-9.3%
Local Government	43,500	43,600	44,200	-100	-0.2%	-700	-1.6%

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

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	196,300	197,300	190,400	-1,000	-0.5%	+5,900	+3.1%
Total Private	172,100	173,700	167,300	-1,600	-0.9%	+4,800	+2.9%
Goods Producing	17,900	17,900	17,300	0	0.0%	+600	+3.5%
Service-Providing	178,400	179,400	173,100	-1,000	-0.6%	+5,300	+3.1%
Private Service Providing	154,200	155,800	150,000	-1,600	-1.0%	+4,200	+2.8%
Mining, Logging and Construction	12,400	12,400	11,900	0	0.0%	+500	+4.2%
Manufacturing	5,500	5,500	5,400	0	0.0%	+100	+1.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	41,300	40,900	41,600	+400	+1.0%	-300	-0.7%
Wholesale Trade	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	32,200	31,800	32,700	+400	+1.3%	-500	-1.5%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	5,400	5,400	5,200	0	0.0%	+200	+3.8%
Information	3,000	3,000	3,100	0	0.0%	-100	-3.2%
Financial Activities	11,700	12,200	11,000	-500	-4.1%	+700	+6.4%
Professional and Business Services	19,000	18,800	18,600	+200	+1.1%	+400	+2.2%
Education and Health Services	22,300	22,200	20,700	+100	+0.5%	+1,600	+7.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	50,200	52,000	48,500	-1,800	-3.5%	+1,700	+3.5%
Accommodation and Food Services	43,700	45,300	40,900	-1,600	-3.5%	+2,800	+6.8%
Food Services and Drinking Places	35,500	37,000	31,700	-1,500	-4.1%	+3,800	+12.0%
Other Services	6,700	6,700	6,500	0	0.0%	+200	+3.1%
Government	24,200	23,600	23,100	+600	+2.5%	+1,100	+4.8%
Federal Government	1,600	1,600	1,400	0	0.0%	+200	+14.3%
State Government	4,400	4,400	4,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	18,200	17,600	17,300	+600	+3.4%	+900	+5.2%

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

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	170,800	170,100	166,500	+700	+0.4%	+4,300	+2.6%
Total Private	142,900	143,000	140,300	-100	-0.1%	+2,600	+1.9%
Goods Producing	46,000	46,300	45,700	-300	-0.6%	+300	+0.7%
Service-Providing	124,800	123,800	120,800	+1,000	+0.8%	+4,000	+3.3%
Private Service Providing	96,900	96,700	94,600	+200	+0.2%	+2,300	+2.4%
Mining, Logging and Construction	7,700	7,800	7,500	-100	-1.3%	+200	+2.7%
Manufacturing	38,300	38,500	38,200	-200	-0.5%	+100	+0.3%
Durable Goods	26,600	26,700	26,300	-100	-0.4%	+300	+1.1%
Non-Durable Goods	11,700	11,800	11,900	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.7%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	37,500	37,400	36,300	+100	+0.3%	+1,200	+3.3%
Wholesale Trade	8,100	8,100	8,200	0	0.0%	-100	-1.2%
Retail Trade	17,600	17,500	17,000	+100	+0.6%	+600	+3.5%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	11,800	11,800	11,100	0	0.0%	+700	+6.3%
Information	900	900	800	0	0.0%	+100	+12.5%
Financial Activities	5,200	5,300	5,200	-100	-1.9%	0	0.0%
Professional and Business Services	17,000	17,000	17,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Education and Health Services	15,600	15,500	14,900	+100	+0.6%	+700	+4.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	15,100	15,000	14,900	+100	+0.7%	+200	+1.3%
Other Services	5,600	5,600	5,500	0	0.0%	+100	+1.8%
Government	27,900	27,100	26,200	+800	+3.0%	+1,700	+6.5%
Federal Government	700	700	600	0	0.0%	+100	+16.7%
State Government	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	23,600	22,800	22,000	+800	+3.5%	+1,600	+7.3%

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

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	96,300	96,200	94,000	+100	+0.1%	+2,300	+2.4%
Total Private	78,700	79,300	77,100	-600	-0.8%	+1,600	+2.1%
Goods Producing	15,600	15,800	15,200	-200	-1.3%	+400	+2.6%
Service-Providing	80,700	80,400	78,800	+300	+0.4%	+1,900	+2.4%
Private Service Providing	63,100	63,500	61,900	-400	-0.6%	+1,200	+1.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	21,300	21,200	20,600	+100	+0.5%	+700	+3.4%
Government	17,600	16,900	16,900	+700	+4.1%	+700	+4.1%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,600	4,500	4,300	+100	+2.2%	+300	+7.0%
Local Government	12,300	11,700	11,900	+600	+5.1%	+400	+3.4%

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

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	89,000	89,200	87,300	-200	-0.2%	+1,700	+1.9%
Total Private	77,400	77,900	75,800	-500	-0.6%	+1,600	+2.1%
Goods Producing	8,000	8,000	7,700	0	0.0%	+300	+3.9%
Service-Providing	81,000	81,200	79,600	-200	-0.2%	+1,400	+1.8%
Private Service Providing	69,400	69,900	68,100	-500	-0.7%	+1,300	+1.9%
Government	11,600	11,300	11,500	+300	+2.7%	+100	+0.9%

SUMTER MSA
AUGUST 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	AUGUST 2023	JULY 2023	AUGUST 2022	JULY 2023 TO AUGUST 2023		AUGUST 2022 TO AUGUST 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	39,700	39,700	38,800	0	0.0%	+900	+2.3%
Total Private	33,800	34,000	33,200	-200	-0.6%	+600	+1.8%
Goods Producing	9,900	10,000	9,700	-100	-1.0%	+200	+2.1%
Service-Providing	29,800	29,700	29,100	+100	+0.3%	+700	+2.4%
Private Service Providing	23,900	24,000	23,500	-100	-0.4%	+400	+1.7%
Manufacturing	7,300	7,300	7,200	0	0.0%	+100	+1.4%
Government	5,900	5,700	5,600	+200	+3.5%	+300	+5.4%
Federal Government	1,300	1,300	1,200	0	0.0%	+100	+8.3%
State Government	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	3,400	3,200	3,200	+200	+6.3%	+200	+6.3%

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

- 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.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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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