

Catawba Regional Workforce Snapshot (Q1 2025)

Chester, Lancaster and York Counties

Total Employment	211,000
Unemployment Rate (March 2025)	4.3%
Adults 18-64 Years	232,276
2022-2023 Public High School Enrollment	19,346
2022 Fall Postsecondary Credit Enrollment	14,395



Top Industries (Q3 2024)

Industry	Employed	% of Total Employment
Retail Trade	17,337	12%
Manufacturing	17,219	12%
Health Care & Social Assistance	16,755	12%
Accommodation & Food Services	15,077	11%
Educational Services	13,194	9%
Professional, Scientific, & Technical Services	7,311	5%

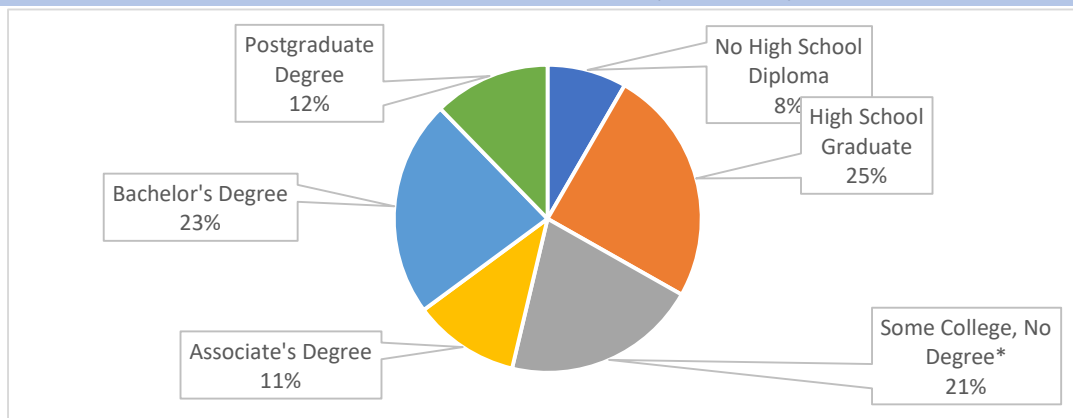
Industry Announced Investment 2020-2024

Total Announced Investment \$4,191,450,000	Jobs Announced 5,116
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Jobs Announced by Industry

Industry	Number of Jobs	% of Jobs Announcements
Manufacturing	4,099	80%
Warehousing & Distribution	700	14%
Office, HQ, & R&D (Service)	317	6%

Educational Attainment (Adults 25-64)



*Includes Certificate level credentials (American Community Survey 2018-2022)

Catawba Region Education Snapshot (2022-2023)

Public & Independent Universities and Colleges Enrollment

Fall 2022 Enrollment (8,177)

Institution	Credit Enrollment
Winthrop University	5,559
U.S.C. - Lancaster	2,618

2022-2023 Public/Independent Colleges and Universities Degrees Awarded (1,451)

Program	Degrees	% of Awarded
Business, Management, Marketing & Related	266	18%
Education	265	18%
Public Administration & Social Service	159	11%
Visual & Performing Arts	135	9%
Liberal A/S, General Studies & Humanities	115	8%

Technical College(s)

Fall 2022 Enrollment - Credit (6,218) & Corporate and Community Education (CE) Programs

Institution	Credit Enrollment	CE Enrollment (2022 Annualized)
York Technical College	6,218	1,763

2022-2023 Technical Colleges Program Completions (1,258 - Credit Awards Only)

Program	# of Credentials	% of Awarded
Liberal A/S, General Studies & Humanities	435	35%
Health Professions & Related Programs	268	21%
Business, Management, Marketing & Related	121	10%
Precision Production	85	7%
Engineering Tech. & Engineering-Related	63	5%

Public High Schools

2022-2023 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Student Course Enrollment (20,637)

CTE Student Cluster	Enrollment	% of CTE Enrollment
Information Technology	5,509	27%
Health Science	2,452	12%
Human Services/Family & Consumer Sciences	2,312	11%
Arts, Audio, Video Tech & Coms.	1,430	7%
Business, Management & Admin.	1,286	6%

High School CTE Certifications Awarded* (6,921)

Certification Focus	Total Certs Earned	% of Awarded
Health Science	1,703	25%
Microburst EmployABILITY Soft Skills**	1119	16%
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics (TDL)	1061	15%
OSHA-10**	735	11%
ServSafe® Food Handler**	374	5%

*Students may earn multiple certifications within and across certification focus areas.

**Certifications falling under multiple clusters are reported independently of career clusters.

Sources: SCDEW, US Census, QCEW, SC Commerce, SC Tech, SC Dept. of Education & SC Commission on Higher Education