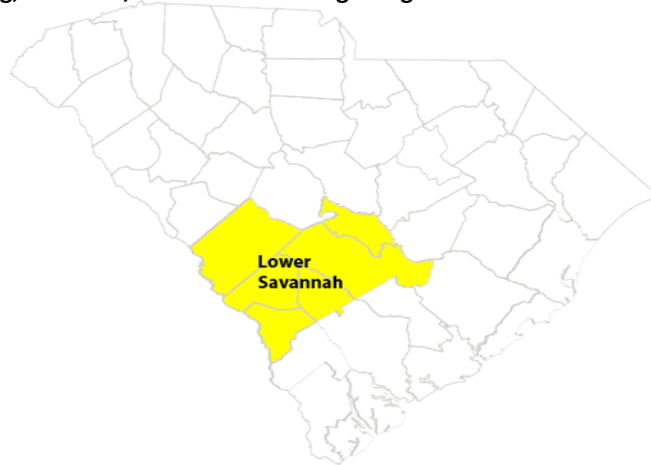


Lower Savannah Regional Workforce Snapshot (Q1 2025)

Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun and Orangeburg Counties

Total Employment	129,564
Unemployment Rate (March 2025)	4.6%
Adults 18-64 Years	181,263
2022-2023 Public High School Enrollment	12,009
2022 Fall Postsecondary Credit Enrollment	17,966



Top Industries (Q3 2024)

Industry	Employed	% of Total Employment
Manufacturing	16,783	16%
Health Care & Social Assistance	13,387	12%
Retail Trade	12,890	12%
Admin Support, Waste Mgmt & Remediation	11,578	11%
Accommodation & Food Services	10,070	9%
Educational Services	9,393	9%

Industry Announced Investment 2020-2024

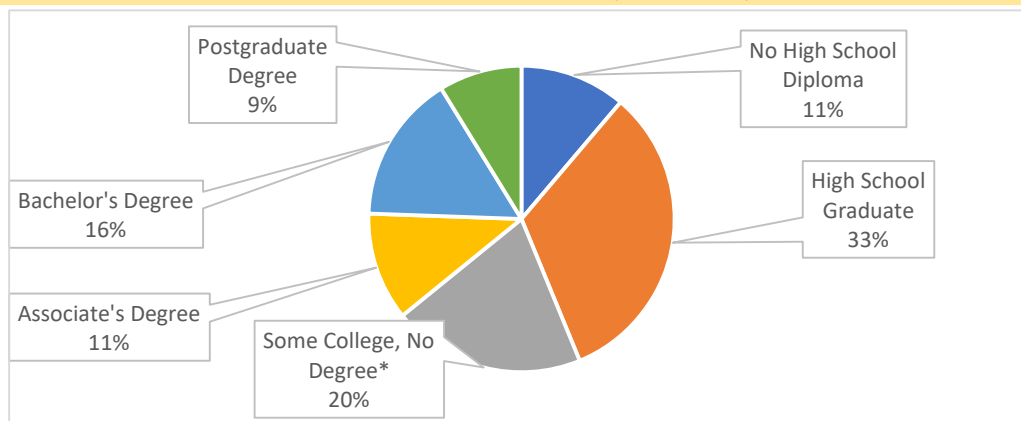
Total Announced Investment
\$2,849,660,000

Jobs Announced
3,751

Jobs Announced by Industry

Industry	Number of Jobs	% of Jobs Announcements
Manufacturing	3,341	89%
Warehousing & Distribution	310	8%
Office, HQ, & R&D (Service)	100	3%

Educational Attainment (Adults 25-64)



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

Lower Savannah Region Education Snapshot (2022-2023)

Public & Independent Universities and Colleges Enrollment

Fall 2022 Enrollment (11,146)

Institution	Credit Enrollment
South Carolina State University	3,021
U.S.C. - Aiken	4,587
U.S.C. - Salkehatchie	908
Clayton University	2,097
Voorhees College	533

2022-2023 Public/Independent Colleges and Universities Degrees Awarded (1,671)

Program (CIP Code)	Degrees	% of Awarded
Business, Management, Marketing, & Related	487	29%
Health Professions & Related Programs	199	12%
Education	182	11%
Psychology	123	7%
Biological & Biomedical Sciences	107	6%

Technical College(s)

Fall 2022 Enrollment - Credit (6,820) & Corporate and Community Education (CE) Programs

Institution	Credit Enrollment	CE Enrollment (2022 Annualized)
Aiken Technical College	2,923	2,058
Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College	2,897	773
Denmark Technical College	1,000	268

2022-2023 Technical Colleges Program Completions (2,149 -Credit Awards Only)

Program	# of Credentials	% of Awarded
Health Professions & Related Programs	894	42%
Liberal A/S, General Studies & Humanities	767	36%
Mechanic & Repair Technologies/Technicians	66	3%
Science Technologies/Technicians	66	3%
Precision Production	60	3%

Public High Schools

2022-2023 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Student Course Enrollment (10,648)

CTE Student Cluster	Enrollment	% of CTE Enrollment
Information Technology	2,567	24%
Business, Management & Admin.	2,097	20%
Ag., Food & Natural Resources	889	8%
Ag., Food & Natural Resources	867	8%
Finance	714	7%

High School CTE Certifications Awarded* (2,155)

Certification Focus	Total Certs Earned	% of Awarded
OSHA-10**	670	31%
Health Science	409	19%
ServSafe® Food Handler**	268	12%
Information Technology	126	6%

*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