

#### S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

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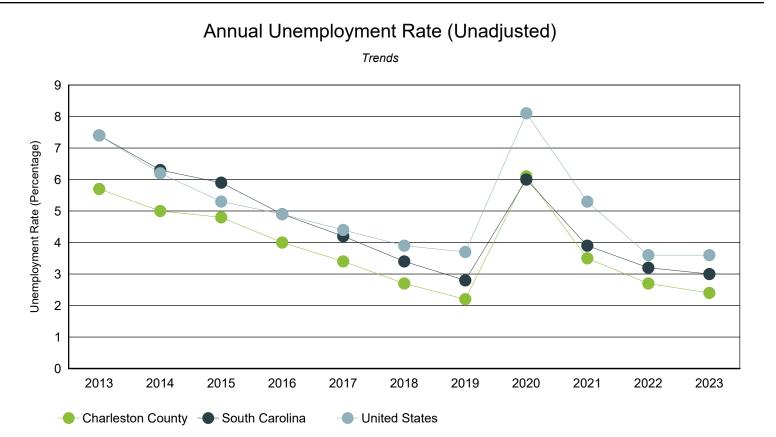


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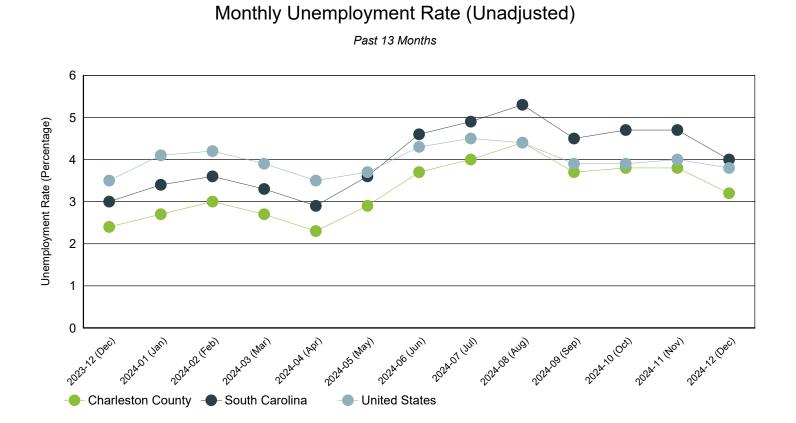
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	Charlest	on County		South Carolina United Stat			ed States		
Year	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2023	220,866	5,510	2.4%	2,380,392	72,668	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	210,699	5,914	2.7%	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	202,844	7,451	3.5%	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	194,389	12,671	6.1%	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	203,161	4,666	2.2%	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	196,676	5,525	2.7%	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	192,647	6,865	3.4%	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	193,146	8,042	4.0%	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	188,588	9,495	4.8%	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	182,709	9,638	5.0%	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	177,472	10,783	5.7%	2,034,404	163,472	7.4%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce



Period	Charleston County	South Carolina	United States
Dec 2024	3.2%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	3.8%	4.7%	4.0%
Oct 2024	3.8%	4.7%	3.9%
Sep 2024	3.7%	4.5%	3.9%
Aug 2024	4.4%	5.3%	4.4%
Jul 2024	4.0%	4.9%	4.5%
Jun 2024	3.7%	4.6%	4.3%
May 2024	2.9%	3.6%	3.7%
Apr 2024	2.3%	2.9%	3.5%
Mar 2024	2.7%	3.3%	3.9%
Feb 2024	3.0%	3.6%	4.2%
Jan 2024	2.7%	3.4%	4.1%
Dec 2023	2.4%	3.0%	3.5%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

		Charleston C	County		South Care	olina		
Period	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Dec-24	228,616	7,653	3.2%		2,417,169	119,485	4.7%	
Nov-24	227,088	8,932	3.8%		2,412,589	121,482	4.8%	
Oct-24	227,868	9,063	3.8%		2,413,165	118,097	4.7%	
Sep-24	226,114	8,643	3.7%		2,413,300	113,975	4.5%	
Aug-24	226,146	10,488	4.4%		2,414,624	107,891	4.3%	
Jul-24	230,929	9,512	4.0%		2,415,158	97,764	3.9%	
Jun-24	229,255	8,912	3.7%		2,410,159	89,718	3.6%	
May-24	227,058	6,726	2.9%		2,406,512	83,589	3.4%	
Apr-24	228,294	5,345	2.3%		2,404,517	79,782	3.2%	
Mar-24	226,476	6,287	2.7%		2,399,640	77,948	3.1%	
Feb-24	222,984	6,848	3.0%		2,396,195	76,424	3.1%	
Jan-24	221,887	6,051	2.7%		2,396,514	75,325	3.0%	
Dec-23	222,474	5,557	2.4%		2,395,427	74,873	3.0%	

Source: S.C. 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	Charleston County	South Carolina
0 to 4	17,199	147,311
5 to 9	2,777	24,044
10 to 19	2,174	17,672
20 to 49	1,626	13,002
50 to 99	647	5,015
100 to 249	336	3,069
250 to 499	75	912
500 to 999	26	417
1000 +	22	307

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2024 Q2

- Indicates that the requested data is suppressed

## Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Charleston County	South Carolina
0 to 4	17,740	150,934
5 to 9	18,426	160,035
10 to 19	29,667	240,440
20 to 49	49,523	395,156
50 to 99	44,170	346,437
100 to 249	50,961	467,356
250 to 499	26,298	311,369
500 to 999	18,311	284,827
1000 +	73,724	821,778

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### 20 Largest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

Corporation Name

BOOZ ALLEN HAMILTON INC.

CHARLESTON COUNTY

CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

**CITY OF CHARLESTON** 

COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

DEPT OF DEFENSE

FEDEX GROUND PACKAGE SYSTEMS INC

GREYSTAR MANAGEMENT SERVICES LP

HARRIS TEETER LLC

Kiawah Island Inn Company LLC

MEDICAL UNIV OF SC HOSPITAL AUTHORI

MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF SC

Mercedes-Benz Vans, LLC

MUSC Community Physicians

ROPER ST. FRANCIS HEALTHCARE

THE BOEING CO

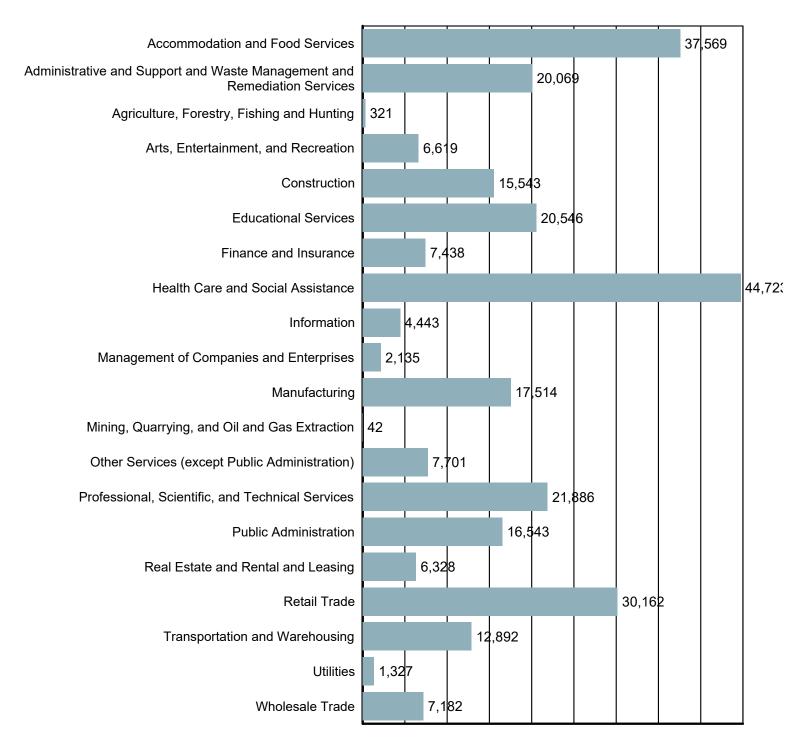
TRIDENT MEDICAL CENTER LLC

UNIVERSITY MEDICAL ASSOCIATES INC

Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2024 Q2

### Employment by Industry



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2024 Q2

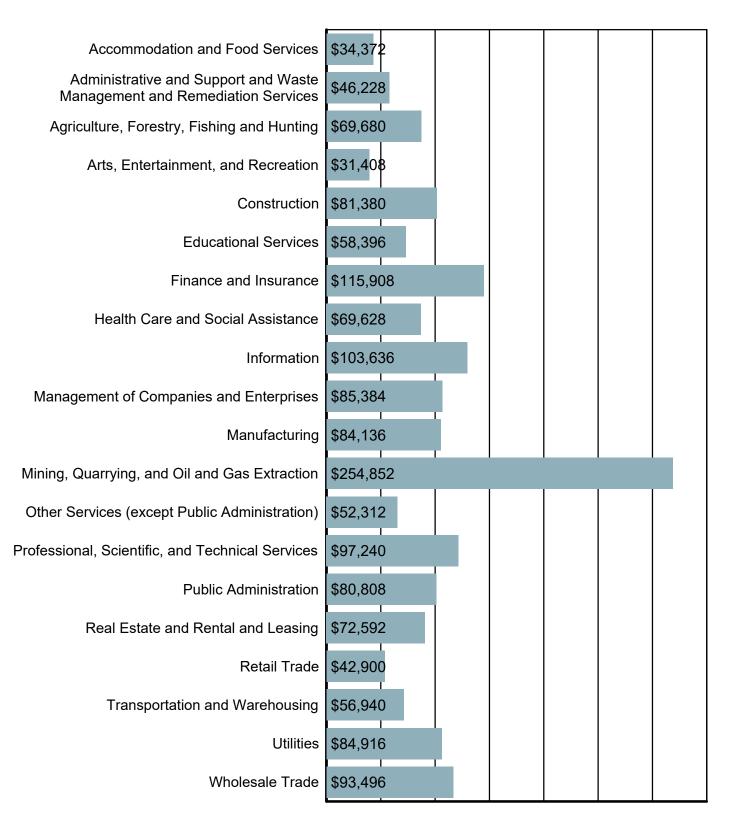
## Top 20 Occupational Openings

Charleston County October-2023

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	980
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	742
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	554
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products (41-4012)	423
Fast Food and Counter Workers (35-3023)	382
Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)	316
Food Service Managers (11-9051)	307
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	307
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	293
Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks (43-4081)	240
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners (37-2011)	233
Managers, All Other (11-9199)	227
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive (43-6014)	221
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	207
Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners (37-2012)	204
Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other (29-2099)	196
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand (53-7062)	185
General and Operations Managers (11-1021)	178
Stockers and Order Fillers (53-7065)	178
Sales Managers (11-2022)	172

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce & The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® data series

### Average Annual Wage by Industry



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2024 Q2

## Labor Market Projections

#### Total Employment by Industry

(County/Metropolitan Statistical Area Data Unavailable)

Note: Projections are available by Workforce Investment Area (WIA). The data displayed is selected from the appropriate WIA.

Trident Industry	2020 Estimated	2030 Projected	Change	Percent	Annual
	Employment	Employment		Change	Percent
Total All Industries	371,648	427,407	55,759	15.00	1.41
Accommodation and Food Services	36,379	47,118	10,739	29.52	2.62
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	23,631	30,544	6,913	29.25	2.60
Government	28,852	34,881	6,029	20.90	1.92
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	28,585	33,234	4,649	16.26	1.52
Manufacturing	27,941	32,295	4,354	15.58	1.46
Educational Services	27,800	31,959	4,159	14.96	1.40
Retail Trade	41,391	45,437	4,046	9.78	0.94
Transportation and Warehousing	14,200	17,604	3,404	23.97	2.17
Other Services (except Government)	17,214	20,282	3,068	17.82	1.65
Wholesale Trade	10,286	12,145	1,859	18.07	1.68
Construction	20,499	22,299	1,800	8.78	0.85
Finance and Insurance	8,751	10,348	1,597	18.25	1.69
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	4,678	5,871	1,193	25.50	2.30
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	6,654	7,607	953	14.32	1.35
Information	5,485	6,158	673	12.27	1.16
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2,606	2,847	241	9.25	0.89
Utilities	1,127	1,178	51	4.53	0.44
Mining	209	226	17	8.13	0.79
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	697	654	-43	-6.17	-0.63
Health Care and Social Assistance	42,792	41,735	-1,057	-2.47	-0.25

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - Industry Projections