

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

Dorchester County



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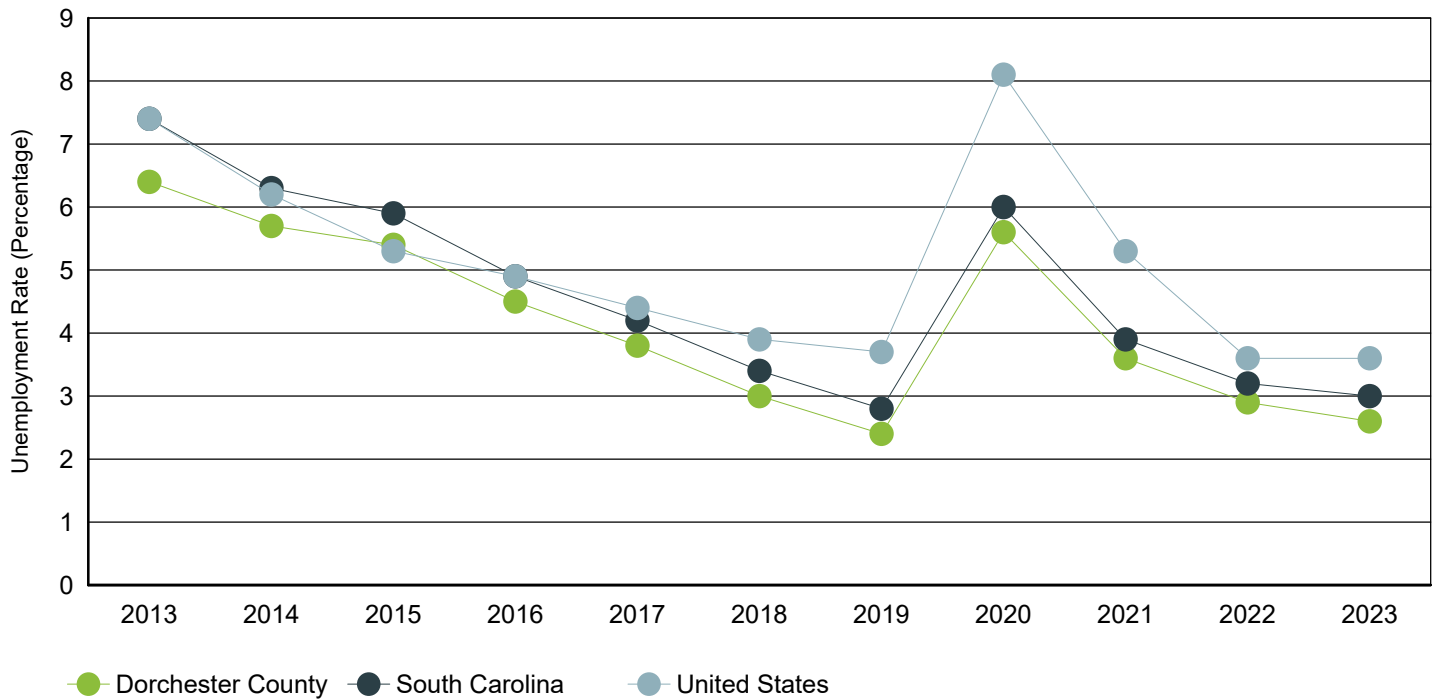
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## Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

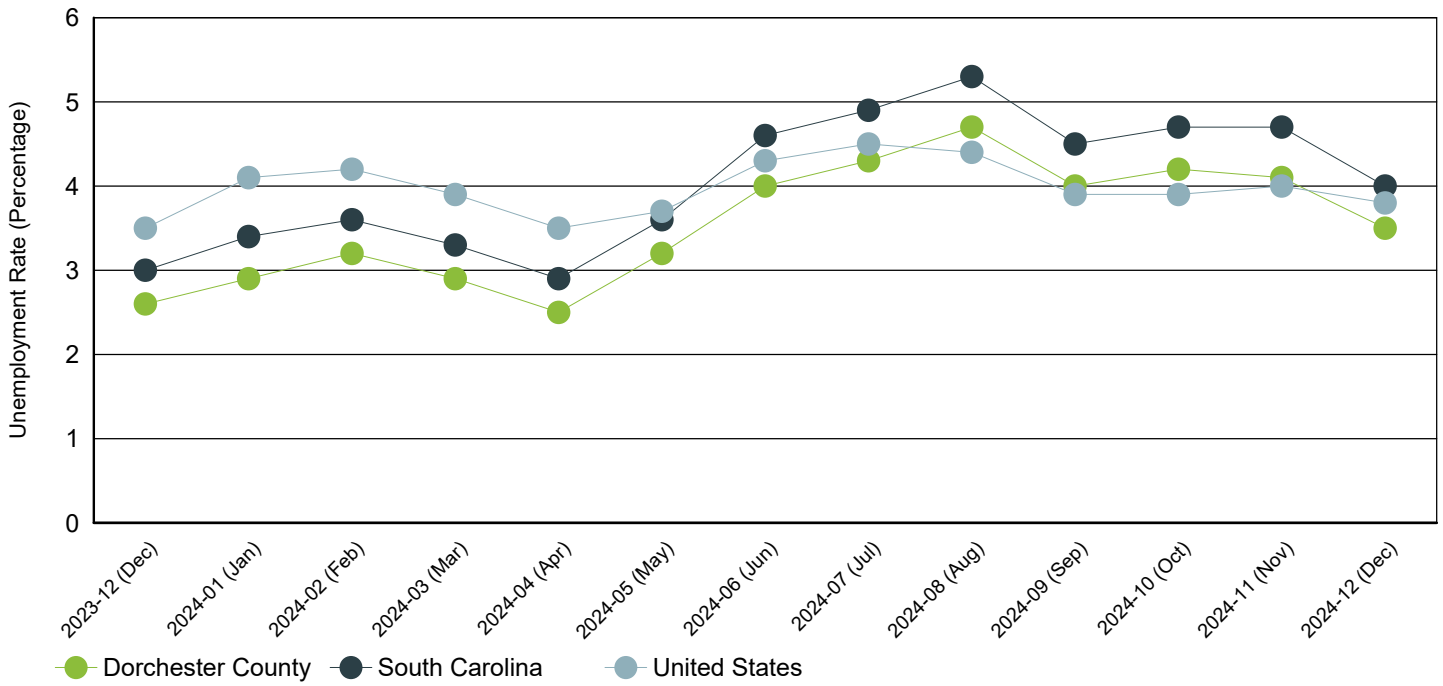


Year	Dorchester County			South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2023	81,492	2,135	2.6%	2,380,392	72,668	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	77,734	2,305	2.9%	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	74,829	2,772	3.6%	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	71,796	4,278	5.6%	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	74,901	1,857	2.4%	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	72,490	2,208	3.0%	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	69,888	2,752	3.8%	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	69,685	3,269	4.5%	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	68,727	3,934	5.4%	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	66,286	3,990	5.7%	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	64,419	4,439	6.4%	2,034,404	163,472	7.4%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



Period	Dorchester County	South Carolina	United States
Dec 2024	3.5%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	4.1%	4.7%	4.0%
Oct 2024	4.2%	4.7%	3.9%
Sep 2024	4.0%	4.5%	3.9%
Aug 2024	4.7%	5.3%	4.4%
Jul 2024	4.3%	4.9%	4.5%
Jun 2024	4.0%	4.6%	4.3%
May 2024	3.2%	3.6%	3.7%
Apr 2024	2.5%	2.9%	3.5%
Mar 2024	2.9%	3.3%	3.9%
Feb 2024	3.2%	3.6%	4.2%
Jan 2024	2.9%	3.4%	4.1%
Dec 2023	2.6%	3.0%	3.5%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

Period	Dorchester County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Dec-24	84,337	3,035	3.5%		2,417,169	119,485	4.7%	
Nov-24	83,818	3,618	4.1%		2,412,589	121,482	4.8%	
Oct-24	83,923	3,703	4.2%		2,413,165	118,097	4.7%	
Sep-24	83,386	3,468	4.0%		2,413,300	113,975	4.5%	
Aug-24	83,569	4,124	4.7%		2,414,624	107,891	4.3%	
Jul-24	85,298	3,848	4.3%		2,415,158	97,764	3.9%	
Jun-24	84,619	3,566	4.0%		2,410,159	89,718	3.6%	
May-24	83,625	2,771	3.2%		2,406,512	83,589	3.4%	
Apr-24	83,975	2,131	2.5%		2,404,517	79,782	3.2%	
Mar-24	83,445	2,496	2.9%		2,399,640	77,948	3.1%	
Feb-24	82,155	2,696	3.2%		2,396,195	76,424	3.1%	
Jan-24	81,881	2,447	2.9%		2,396,514	75,325	3.0%	
Dec-23	82,064	2,223	2.6%		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	Dorchester County	South Carolina
0 to 4	2,584	147,311
5 to 9	456	24,044
10 to 19	383	17,672
20 to 49	282	13,002
50 to 99	85	5,015
100 to 249	59	3,069
250 to 499	15	912
500 to 999	0	417
1000 +	0	307

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

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## Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Dorchester County	South Carolina
0 to 4	2,777	150,934
5 to 9	3,030	160,035
10 to 19	5,336	240,440
20 to 49	8,558	395,156
50 to 99	6,073	346,437
100 to 249	8,767	467,356
250 to 499	5,425	311,369
500 to 999	0	284,827
1000 +	0	821,778

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

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## 20 Largest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

### Corporation Name

BUILDER SERVICES GROUP INC

CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

DORCHESTER COUNTY

DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT #2

DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT #4

FOOD LION LLC

HARRIS TEETER LLC

KION NORTH AMERICA CORPORATION

MAU INC

PRESBYTERIAN HOME OF SOUTH CAROLINA

PUBLIX SUPER MARKET INC

ROBERT BOSCH CORPORATION

SC DEPT OF DISABILITIES & SPECIAL N

SCOUT BOATS INC.

SHOWA DENKO CARBON INC

SPHERION STAFFING LLC

SPORTSMAN BOATS MANUFACTURING INC

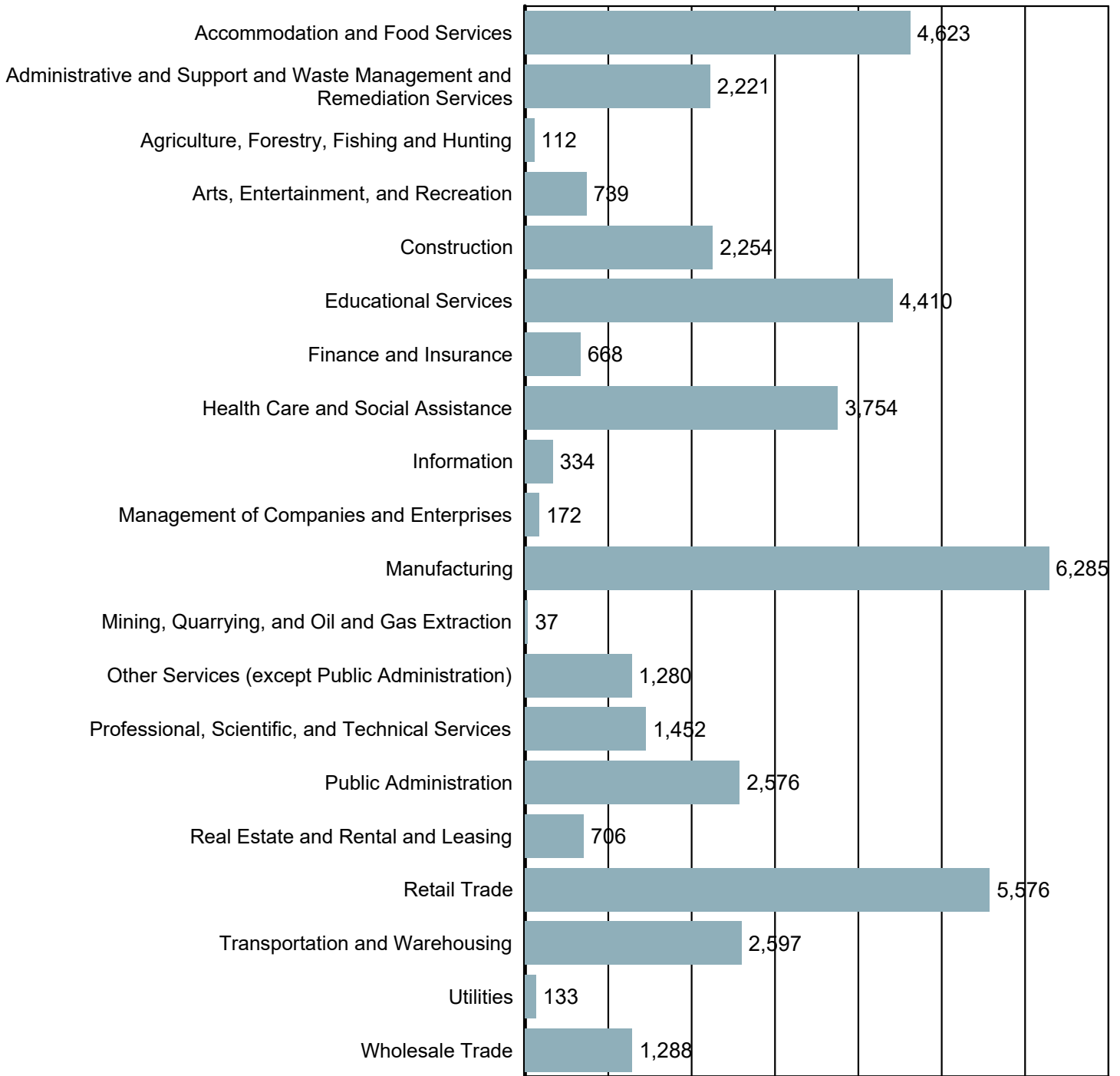
TA Operating LLC

TOWN OF SUMMERVILLE

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



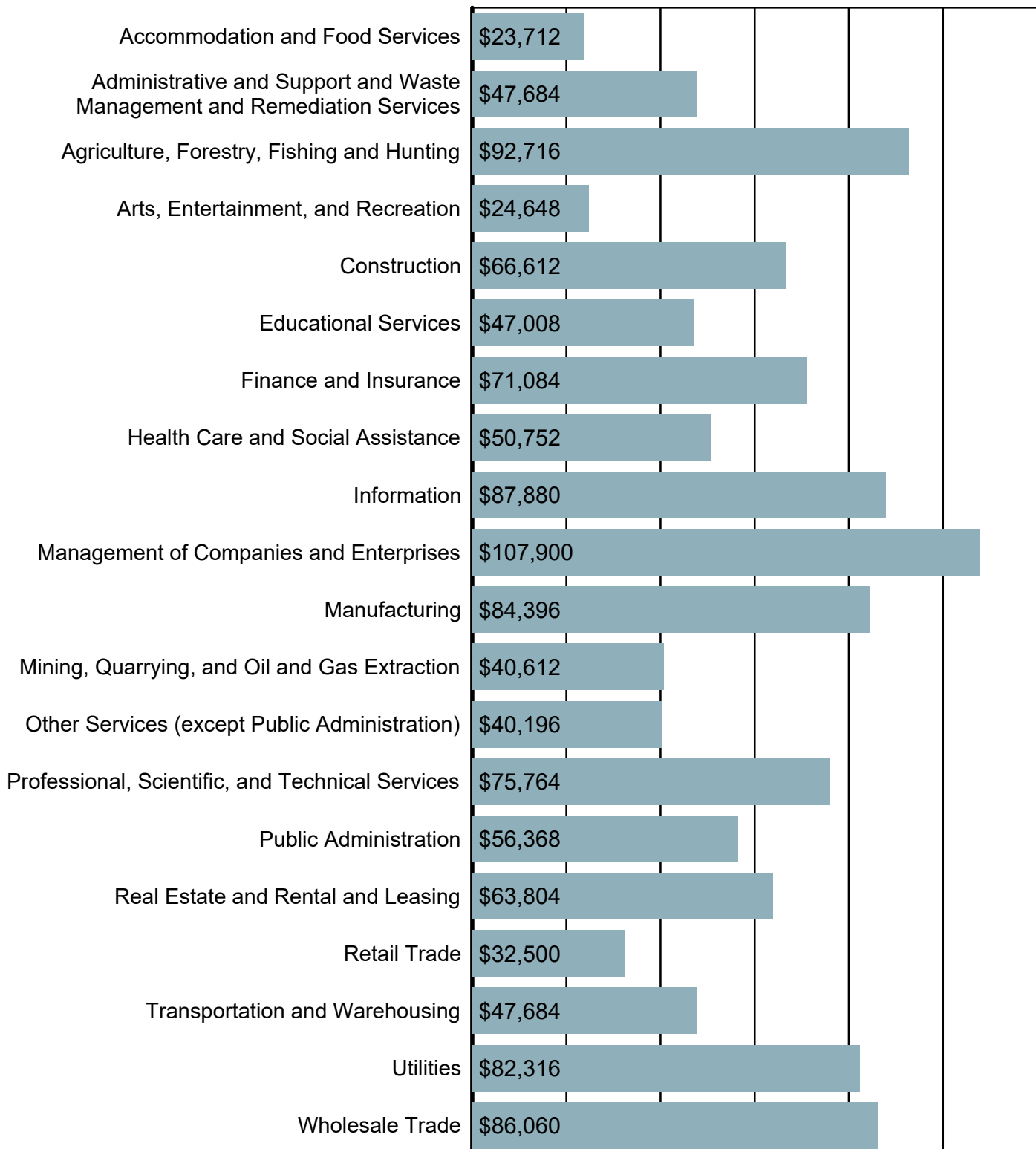
## Top 20 Occupational Openings

*Dorchester County  
October-2023*

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	145
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	134
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	123
Fast Food and Counter Workers (35-3023)	76
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand (53-7062)	57
Food Service Managers (11-9051)	55
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	54
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products (41-4012)	50
Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics (49-3023)	49
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	46
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners (37-2011)	46
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	43
Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)	42
Driver/Sales Workers (53-3031)	39
Cashiers (41-2011)	38
Stockers and Order Fillers (53-7065)	38
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)	36
Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other (29-2099)	35
Merchandise Displayers and Window Trimmers (27-1026)	35
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	31

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 Employment	2030 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual 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