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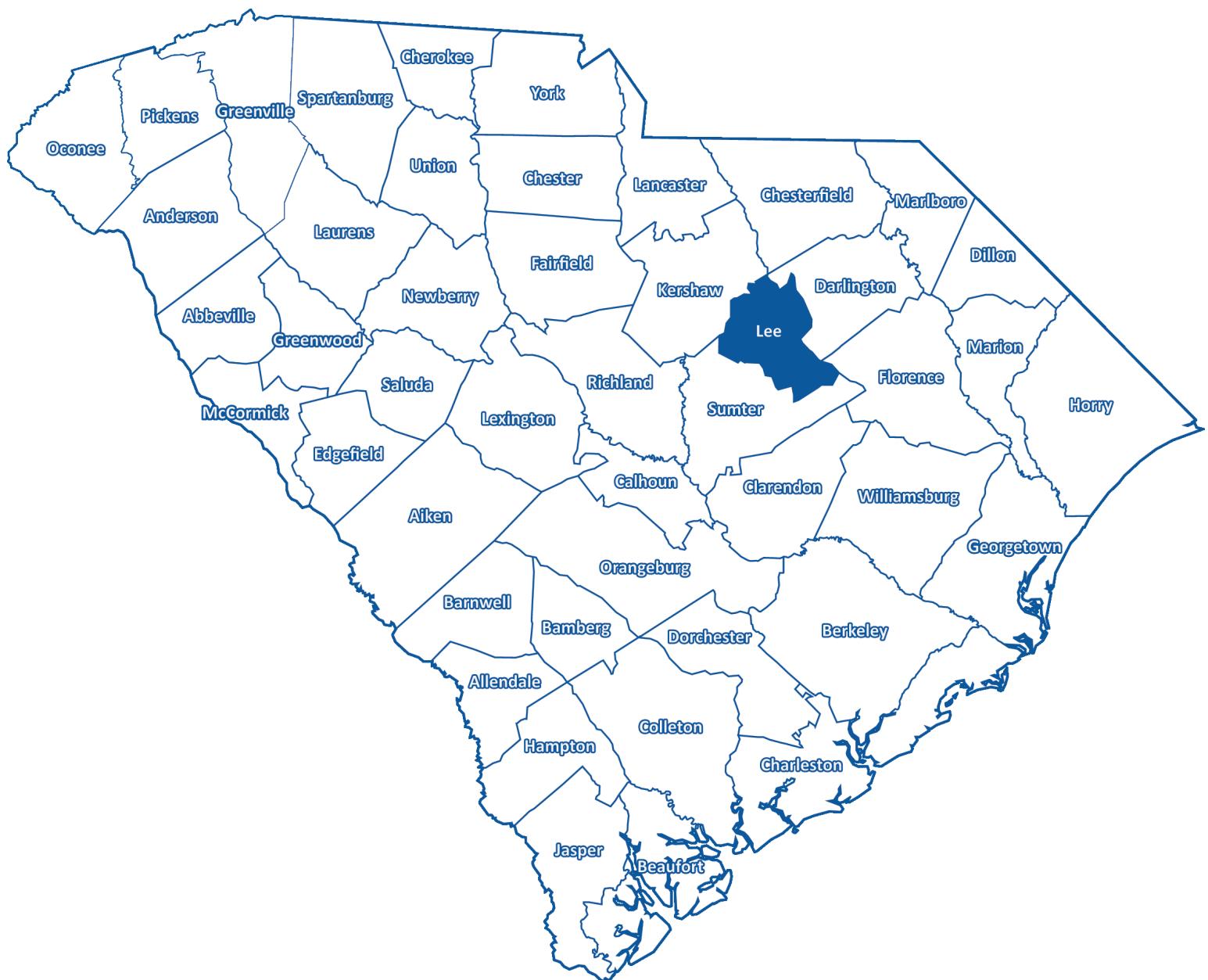


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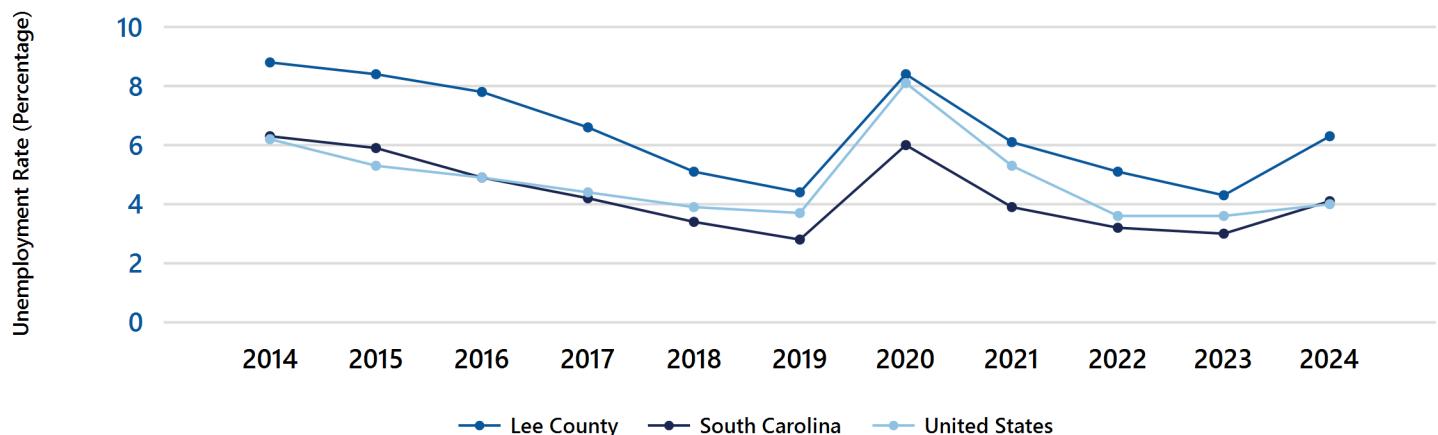
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ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



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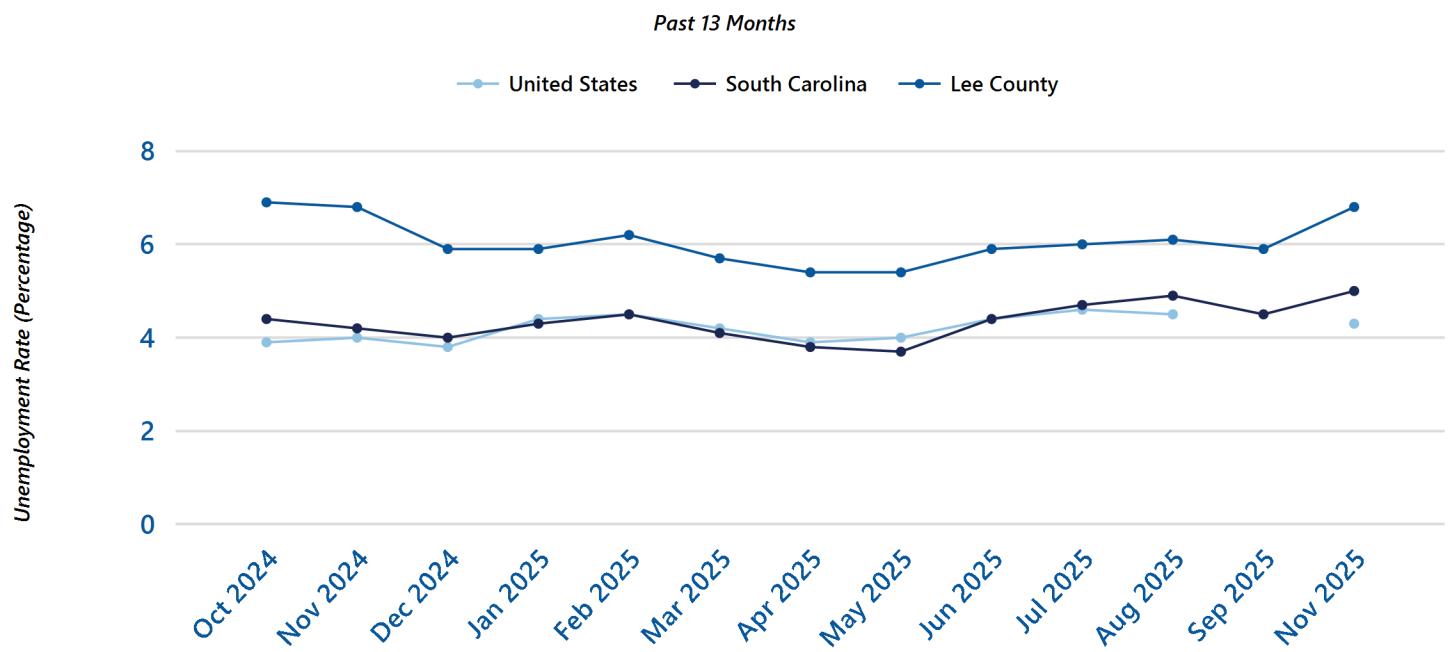
SOUTH CAROLINA

UNITED STATES

Year	Employment	Unemp.	Rate	Employment	Unemp.	Rate	Employment	Unemp.	Rate
2024	5,560	371	6.3%	2,430,453	105,178	4.1%	161,346,000	6,761,000	4.0%
2023	5,621	252	4.3%	2,401,212	74,248	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	5,499	296	5.1%	2,330,548	77,339	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	5,536	358	6.1%	2,272,940	92,676	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	5,479	504	8.4%	2,201,090	140,613	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	5,509	254	4.4%	2,263,682	64,405	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	5,460	295	5.1%	2,206,821	76,542	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	5,289	375	6.6%	2,168,104	94,845	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	5,285	446	7.8%	2,145,584	110,199	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	5,844	533	8.4%	2,108,786	132,281	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	5,821	565	8.8%	2,063,369	138,475	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%

Source: DEW LMI/BLS - Local Area Unemployment Statistics

MONTHLY UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



Period	LEE COUNTY	SOUTH CAROLINA	UNITED STATES
Nov 2025	6.8%	5.0%	4.3%
Sep 2025	5.9%	4.5%	%
Aug 2025	6.1%	4.9%	4.5%
Jul 2025	6.0%	4.7%	4.6%
Jun 2025	5.9%	4.4%	4.4%
May 2025	5.4%	3.7%	4.0%
Apr 2025	5.4%	3.8%	3.9%
Mar 2025	5.7%	4.1%	4.2%
Feb 2025	6.2%	4.5%	4.5%
Jan 2025	5.9%	4.3%	4.4%
Dec 2024	5.9%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	6.8%	4.2%	4.0%
Oct 2024	6.9%	4.4%	3.9%

Source: DEW LMI/BLS - Local Area Unemployment Statistics

20 LARGEST EMPLOYERS

Ardagh Metal Packaging USA Corp

CARLYLE SENIOR CARE OF BISHOPVILLE

CAROLINA AGRI POWER LLC

CAROLINA METAL FINISHING LLC

CCBCC INC

CROWN HEALTH CARE LAUNDRY SERVICES

EFP LLC

FOOD LION LLC

LEE COUNTY

LEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

LEE COUNTY DISABILITIES & SPECIAL N

MARTECH RESEARCH LLC

MCLEOD PHYSICIAN ASSOCIATES II

PEACE LOVE GLORY IN HOME CARE LLC

PILOT TRAVEL CENTER LLC

RED CLASSIC TRANSIT LLC

ROBERT E LEE ACADEMY

SC DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

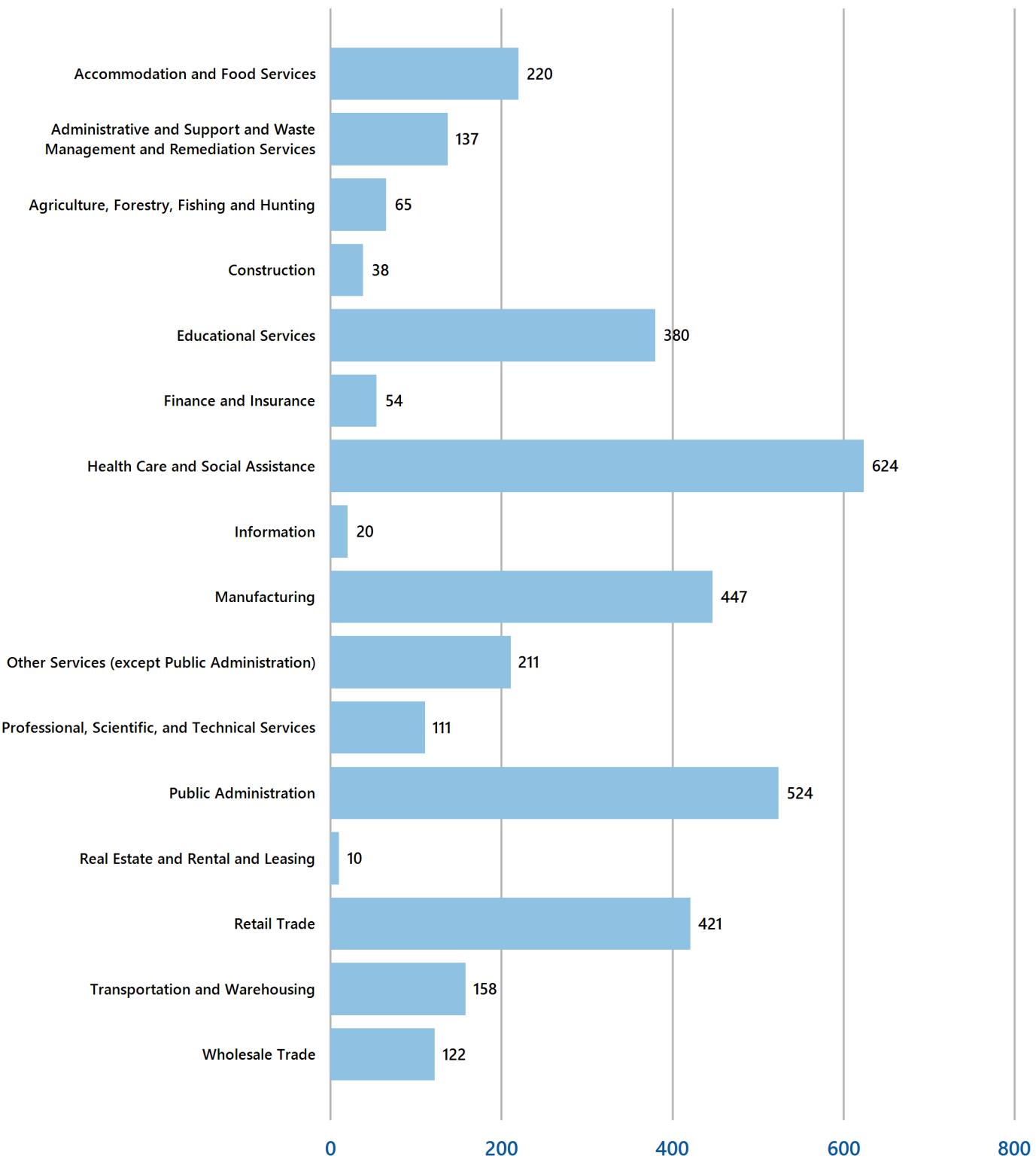
SENSOR ENTERPRISES INC

TOWN OF BISHOPVILLE

Source: South Carolina Department of Employment & Workforce QCEW

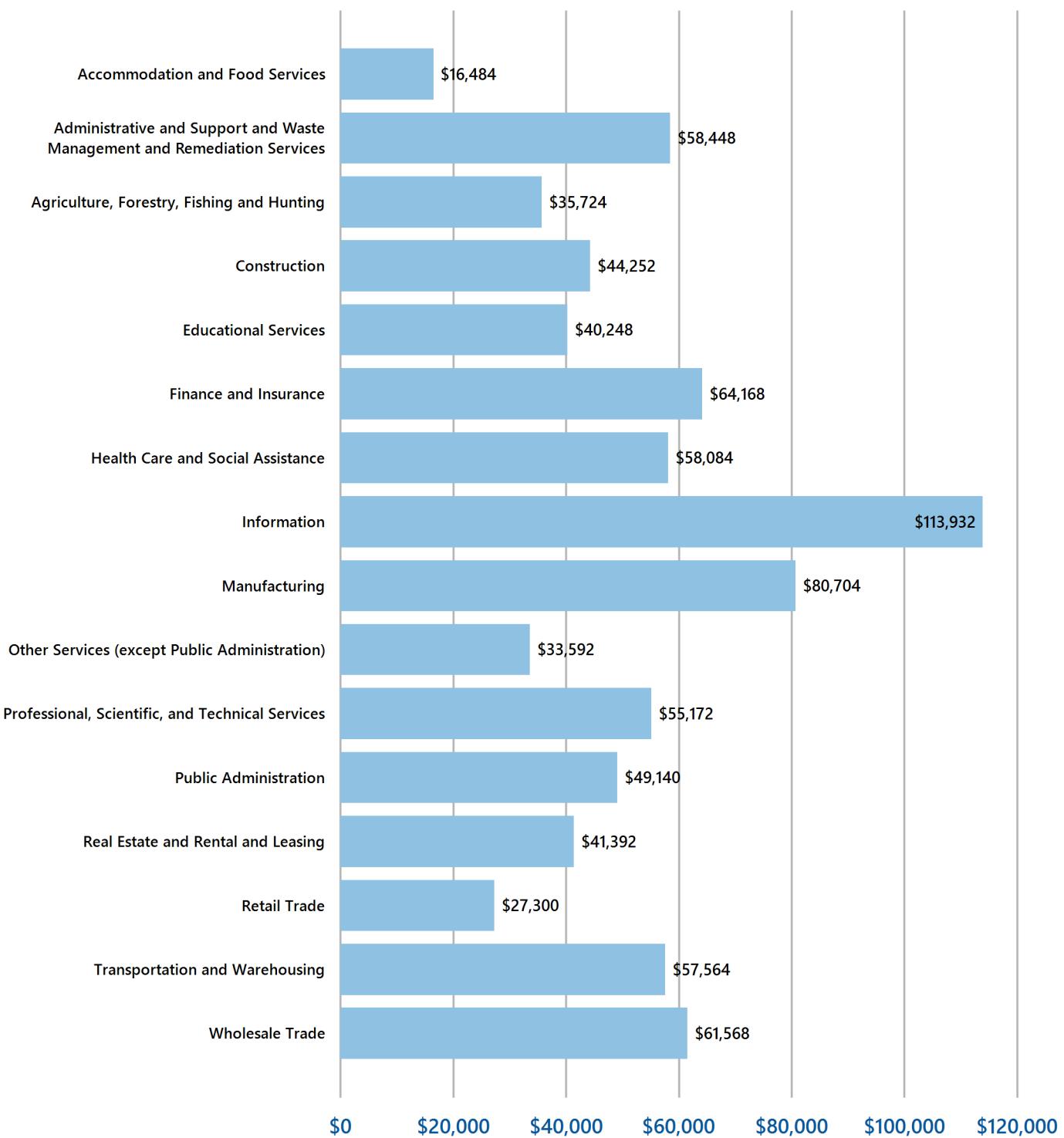
Note: This list is derived from unemployment insurance accounts and some employers may be duplicated due to variations in their reported name. Also, employers are listed alphabetically, not in rank order.

EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY



Source: South Carolina Department of Employment & Workforce QCEW

AVERAGE ANNUAL WAGE BY INDUSTRY



Source: South Carolina Department of Employment & Workforce QCEW

LABOR MARKET PROJECTIONS

Total Employment by Industry

SANTEE-LYNCHES	2022	2032	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent Change
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment			
Total All Industries	73,381	79,415	6,034	8.2%	0.8%
Manufacturing	10,401	10,776	375	3.6%	0.4%
Retail Trade	10,115	11,155	1,040	10.3%	1.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	9,391	11,059	1,668	17.8%	1.6%
Accommodation and Food Services	5,997	6,315	318	5.3%	0.5%
Educational Services	5,933	6,421	488	8.2%	0.8%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	4,308	4,624	316	7.3%	0.7%
Other Services (except Government)	3,965	4,240	275	6.9%	0.7%
Construction	3,847	4,017	170	4.4%	0.4%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2,012	2,289	277	13.8%	1.3%
Finance and Insurance	1,726	1,855	129	7.5%	0.7%
Transportation and Warehousing	1,496	1,740	244	16.3%	1.5%
Wholesale Trade	1,184	1,269	85	7.2%	0.7%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	1,108	1,068	-40	-3.6%	-0.4%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	458	488	30	6.6%	0.6%
Information	370	395	25	6.8%	0.7%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	340	363	23	6.8%	0.7%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	260	361	101	38.8%	3.3%
Utilities	243	252	9	3.7%	0.4%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	60	69	9	15.0%	1.4%

Source: South Carolina Department of Employment & Workforce QCEW

U.S. CENSUS BUREAU AMERICAN COMMUNITY SURVEY DATA

The rest of this profile consists of data from the American Community Survey, which is administered annually by the U.S. Census Bureau. The survey contacts one percent of all residents annually to generate data on a range of topics. However, accurate data from a single year of survey responses can only be generated for areas containing at least 65,000 people; five-year averages are reported for less populated geographies. To ensure that data are available for all areas and comparable across the state, all Community Profiles use these five-year averages that cover the years 2019 through 2023. Estimates with overlapping years should not be compared, since the repetition of sample data leads to statistical errors. For viable comparisons, the two prior non-overlapping five-year averages (2009-2013 and 2014-2018) are also provided. Each year, as new data is released, the profiles will increase by one year in the same manner, ensuring that non-overlapping five-year averages are always what is being compared.

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

YEAR	TOTAL ENROLLED IN SCHOOL	ENROLLED IN SCHOOL NURSERY SCHOOL OR PRESCHOOL	ENROLLED IN SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN	ENROLLED IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADES 1-8	ENROLLED IN HIGH SCHOOL GRADES 9-12	ENROLLED IN COLLEGE OR GRADUATE SCHOOL
2014	4,408	292	344	1,972	968	832
2019	3,590	88	186	1,557	904	855

Note: Based on Population 3 years and over enrolled in school

Source: Table DP02 - Selected Social Characteristics in the United States, U.S. Census Bureau

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

YEAR	TOTAL POPULATION 25 YEARS AND OVER	LESS THAN 9TH GRADE	9TH TO 12TH GRADE NO DIPLOMA	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE "INCLUDES EQUIV."	SOME COLLEGE NO DEGREE	ASSOCIATES DEGREE	BACHELORS DEGREE	GRADUATE OR PROF. DEGREE	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE OR HIGHER	BACHELORS DEGREE OR HIGHER
2014	12,637	1,213	1,981	5,059	2,414	744	878	348	N/A*	N/A*
2019	12,203	732	1,522	5,062	1,956	994	1,191	746	9,949	1,937

Note: Based on Population 25 years and over

Source: Table DP02 - Selected Social Characteristics in the United States, U.S. Census Bureau

*American Community Survey data from 2010 to 2017 do not include these estimates

VETERAN STATUS

YEAR	TOTAL POPULATION	TOTAL VETERANS	TOTAL NONVETERANS
2014	14,623	1,195	13,428
2019	13,955	917	13,038

Note: Civilian Population 18 years and over

Source: Table S2101 - Veteran Status in the United States, U.S. Census Bureau

DISABILITY STATUS

YEAR	TOTAL NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	TOTAL WITH A DISABILITY	TOTAL POPULATION UNDER 18 YEARS OLD	TOTAL POPULATION UNDER 18 YEARS OLD WITH A DISABILITY	TOTAL POPULATION 18 TO 64 YEARS OLD	TOTAL POPULATION 18 TO 64 YEARS OLD WITH A DISABILITY	TOTAL POPULATION 65 YEARS AND OVER	TOTAL POPULATION 65 YEARS AND OVER WITH A DISABILITY
2014	17,046	3,652	4,085	231	10,312	2,132	2,649	1,289
2019	15,902	3,104	3,401	237	9,501	1,551	3,000	1,316

Note: Based on Civilian Noninstitutionalized Population

Source: Table DP02 - Selected Social Characteristics in the United States, U.S. Census Bureau

RESIDENCE ONE YEAR AGO

YEAR	TOTAL POPULATION	SAME HOUSE	DIFFERENT HOUSE (IN THE U.S. OR ABROAD)	DIFFERENT HOUSE IN THE U.S.	DIFFERENT HOUSE IN THE U.S., SAME COUNTY	DIFFERENT HOUSE IN THE U.S., DIFFERENT COUNTY	DIFFERENT HOUSE IN THE U.S., DIFFERENT COUNTY SAME STATE	DIFFERENT HOUSE IN THE U.S., DIFFERENT COUNTY DIFFERENT STATE	DIFFERENT HOUSE, ABROAD
2014	18,616	16,978	N/A*	1,618	624	994	760	234	20
2019	17,137	15,824	N/A*	1,313	652	661	555	106	0

Note: Based on Population 1 year and over

Source: Table DP02 - Selected Social Characteristics in the United States, U.S. Census Bureau

*American Community Survey data from 2010 to 2019 do not include these estimates

*Although the survey data in these years did not include a sum for Different House (in the U.S. or Abroad), LMI believes it can be calculated by finding the sum of Different House in the U.S. and Different House, Abroad.

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME

YEAR	ENGLISH ONLY	OTHER THAN ENGLISH	SPANISH	EUROPEAN LANGUAGES	ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER LANGUAGES	OTHER LANGUAGES
2014	17,151	526	461	46	19	0
2019	16,073	437	426	11	0	0

Note: Based on Population 5 years and over

Source: Table DP02 - Selected Social Characteristics, U.S. Census Bureau

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

YEAR	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYED	UNEMPLOYED
2014	7,444	6,117	1,327
2019	6,453	5,940	513

Note: Based on Population 16 years and over

Source: Table DP03 - Selected Economic Characteristics, U.S. Census Bureau

CLASS OF WORKER

YEAR	TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYED POPULATION	PRIVATE WAGE AND SALARY WORKERS	GOVERNMENT WORKERS	SELF-EMPLOYED IN OWN NOT INCORPORATED BUSINESS WORKERS	UNPAID FAMILY WORKERS
2014	6,117	4,680	1,198	234	5
2019	5,940	4,718	810	399	13

Note: Based on Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over

Source: Table DP03 - Selected Economic Characteristics, U.S. Census Bureau

OCCUPATIONS

YEAR	TOTAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYED POPULATION	MANAGEMENT, BUSINESS, SCIENCE, AND ARTS OCCUPATIONS	SERVICE OCCUPATIONS	SALES AND OFFICE OCCUPATIONS	NATURAL RESOURCES, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE OCCUPATIONS	PRODUCTION, TRANSPORTATION, AND MATERIAL MOVING OCCUPATIONS
2014	6,117	1,407	1,366	1,490	485	1,369
2019	5,940	1,514	923	1,316	389	1,798

Note: Based on Civilian Employed Population 16 years and over

Source: Table DP03 - Selected Economic Characteristics, U.S. Census Bureau

To see a more detailed explanation of these occupations, [click here](#).

POPULATION

YEAR	WHITE	BLACK OR AFRICAN AMERICAN	AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE	ASIAN	NATIVE HAWAIIAN AND OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER	SOME OTHER RACE	TWO OR MORE RACES
2014	6,194	11,973	25	19	0	193	304
2019	5,721	11,163	2	0	0	31	216

Note: Based on Total Population

Source: Table DP05 - ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau

TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

YEAR	TOTAL WORKERS	CAR, TRUCK, OR VAN DROVE ALONE	CAR, TRUCK, OR VAN CARPOOLED	PUBLIC TRANS. EXCLUDING TAXICAB	WALKED	BICYCLE	TAXICAB, MOTORCYCLE, OR OTHER MEANS	WORKED FROM HOME
2014	5,961	81.8%	13.8%	0.0%	1.4%	0.0%	1.1%	1.9%
2019	5,894	87.6%	7.3%	0.4%	1.3%	0.0%	1.8%	1.5%

Note: Based on Workers 16 years and over

Source: Table S0801 - Commuting Characteristics by Sex, U.S. Census Bureau

TRAVEL TIME TO WORK

YEAR	LESS THAN 10 MINUTES	10 TO 14 MINUTES	15 TO 19 MINUTES	20 TO 24 MINUTES	25 TO 29 MINUTES	30 TO 34 MINUTES	35 TO 44 MINUTES	45 TO 59 MINUTES	60 OR MORE MINUTES
2014	12.0%	8.1%	10.9%	18.8%	8.0%	18.7%	6.6%	9.4%	7.4%
2019	12.1%	10.8%	11.1%	17.4%	9.5%	17.2%	8.2%	7.3%	6.5%

Note: Based on Workers 16 Years and over who did not work from home

Source: Table S0801 - Commuting Characteristics by Sex, U.S. Census Bureau

VEHICLES AVAILABLE BY OCCUPIED HOUSING UNIT

YEAR	TOTAL OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS	NO VEHICLES AVAILABLE	1 VEHICLE AVAILABLE	2 VEHICLES AVAILABLE	3 OR MORE VEHICLES AVAILABLE
2014	6,471	709	2,367	1,940	1,455
2019	6,423	698	2,230	1,823	1,672

Source: Table DP04 - Selected Housing Characteristics, U.S. Census Bureau

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