

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

Oconee County



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

Business Intelligence Department

1550 Gadsden Street, PO Box 995

Columbia, SC 29202

803.737.2660

[www.SCWorkforceInfo.com](http://www.SCWorkforceInfo.com)

Updated: 01/28/2025



# Table Of Contents

## 1. Economic Data

Annual Unemployment Rates.....	1
Monthly Unemployment Rates.....	2
Area Job Openings.....	3

## 2. Employer Data

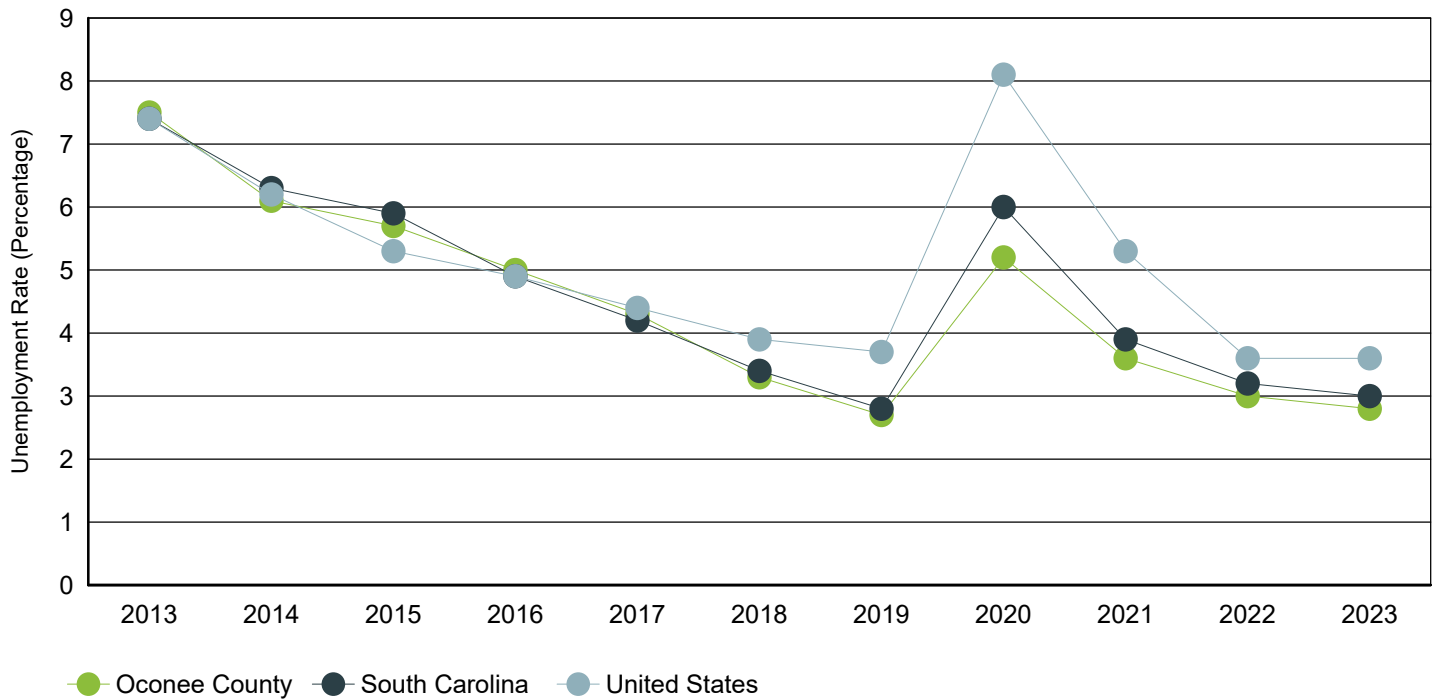
Size of Establishments.....	4
Employment by Size of Establishment.....	4
20 Largest Employers .....	5

## 3. Industry Data

Employment by Industry.....	6
Top Occupational Openings.....	7
Average Annual Wage by Industry.....	8
Projections by Industry.....	9

## Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

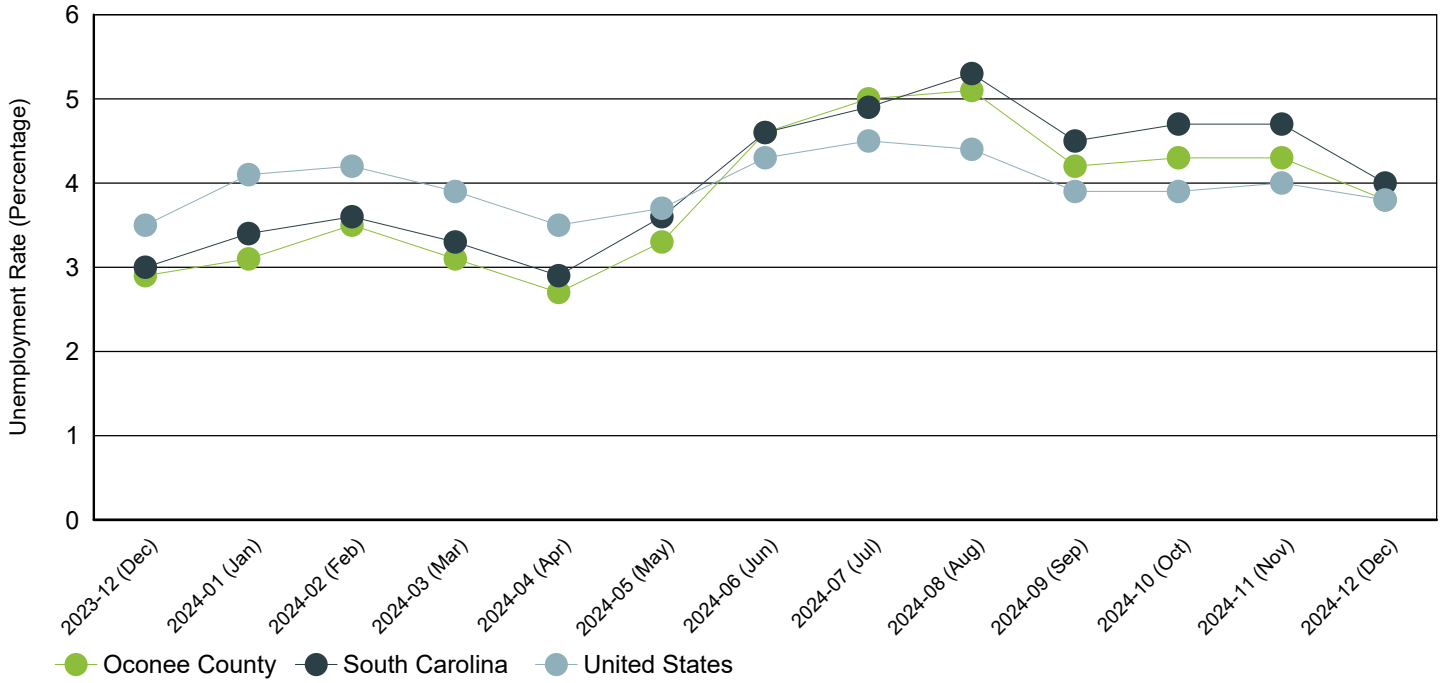


Year	Oconee County			South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2023	34,733	988	2.8%	2,380,392	72,668	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	33,391	1,046	3.0%	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	32,809	1,223	3.6%	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	32,546	1,770	5.2%	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	33,393	929	2.7%	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	32,813	1,118	3.3%	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	31,937	1,436	4.3%	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	32,396	1,723	5.0%	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	32,490	1,977	5.7%	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	32,079	2,101	6.1%	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	30,810	2,484	7.5%	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	Oconee County	South Carolina	United States
Dec 2024	3.8%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	4.3%	4.7%	4.0%
Oct 2024	4.3%	4.7%	3.9%
Sep 2024	4.2%	4.5%	3.9%
Aug 2024	5.1%	5.3%	4.4%
Jul 2024	5.0%	4.9%	4.5%
Jun 2024	4.6%	4.6%	4.3%
May 2024	3.3%	3.6%	3.7%
Apr 2024	2.7%	2.9%	3.5%
Mar 2024	3.1%	3.3%	3.9%
Feb 2024	3.5%	3.6%	4.2%
Jan 2024	3.1%	3.4%	4.1%
Dec 2023	2.9%	3.0%	3.5%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

Period	Oconee County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Dec-24	34,488	1,351	3.8%		2,417,169	119,485	4.7%	
Nov-24	34,479	1,543	4.3%		2,412,589	121,482	4.8%	
Oct-24	34,640	1,551	4.3%		2,413,165	118,097	4.7%	
Sep-24	34,514	1,526	4.2%		2,413,300	113,975	4.5%	
Aug-24	34,723	1,853	5.1%		2,414,624	107,891	4.3%	
Jul-24	34,766	1,835	5.0%		2,415,158	97,764	3.9%	
Jun-24	35,151	1,692	4.6%		2,410,159	89,718	3.6%	
May-24	34,633	1,193	3.3%		2,406,512	83,589	3.4%	
Apr-24	34,896	950	2.7%		2,404,517	79,782	3.2%	
Mar-24	34,756	1,106	3.1%		2,399,640	77,948	3.1%	
Feb-24	34,604	1,250	3.5%		2,396,195	76,424	3.1%	
Jan-24	34,266	1,107	3.1%		2,396,514	75,325	3.0%	
Dec-23	34,298	1,011	2.9%		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	Oconee County	South Carolina
0 to 4	1,505	147,311
5 to 9	317	24,044
10 to 19	230	17,672
20 to 49	124	13,002
50 to 99	41	5,015
100 to 249	22	3,069
250 to 499	10	912
500 to 999	7	417
1000 +	0	307

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

- Indicates that the requested data is suppressed

## Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Oconee County	South Carolina
0 to 4	1,746	150,934
5 to 9	2,109	160,035
10 to 19	3,106	240,440
20 to 49	3,628	395,156
50 to 99	2,768	346,437
100 to 249	3,487	467,356
250 to 499	3,153	311,369
500 to 999	5,168	284,827
1000 +	0	821,778

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

- Indicates that the requested data is suppressed

## 20 Largest Employers

*(Listed Alphabetically)*

### Corporation Name

APEX TOOL GROUP LLC

BASF Metals LLC

BORGWARNER PDS USA INC

Clarios LLC

DUKE ENERGY CAROLINAS LLC

GREENFIELD INDUSTRIES INC

Ingles Market Inc.

ITRON CORPORATION

KELLY SERVICES GLOBAL LLC

Kelly Services USA, LLC

KOYO BEARINGS NORTH AMERICA LLC

LIFT TECHNOLOGIES INC

OCONEE COUNTY

OCONEE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Peplemark Inc

Prisma Health Upstate

Sandvik Machining Solutions USA LLC

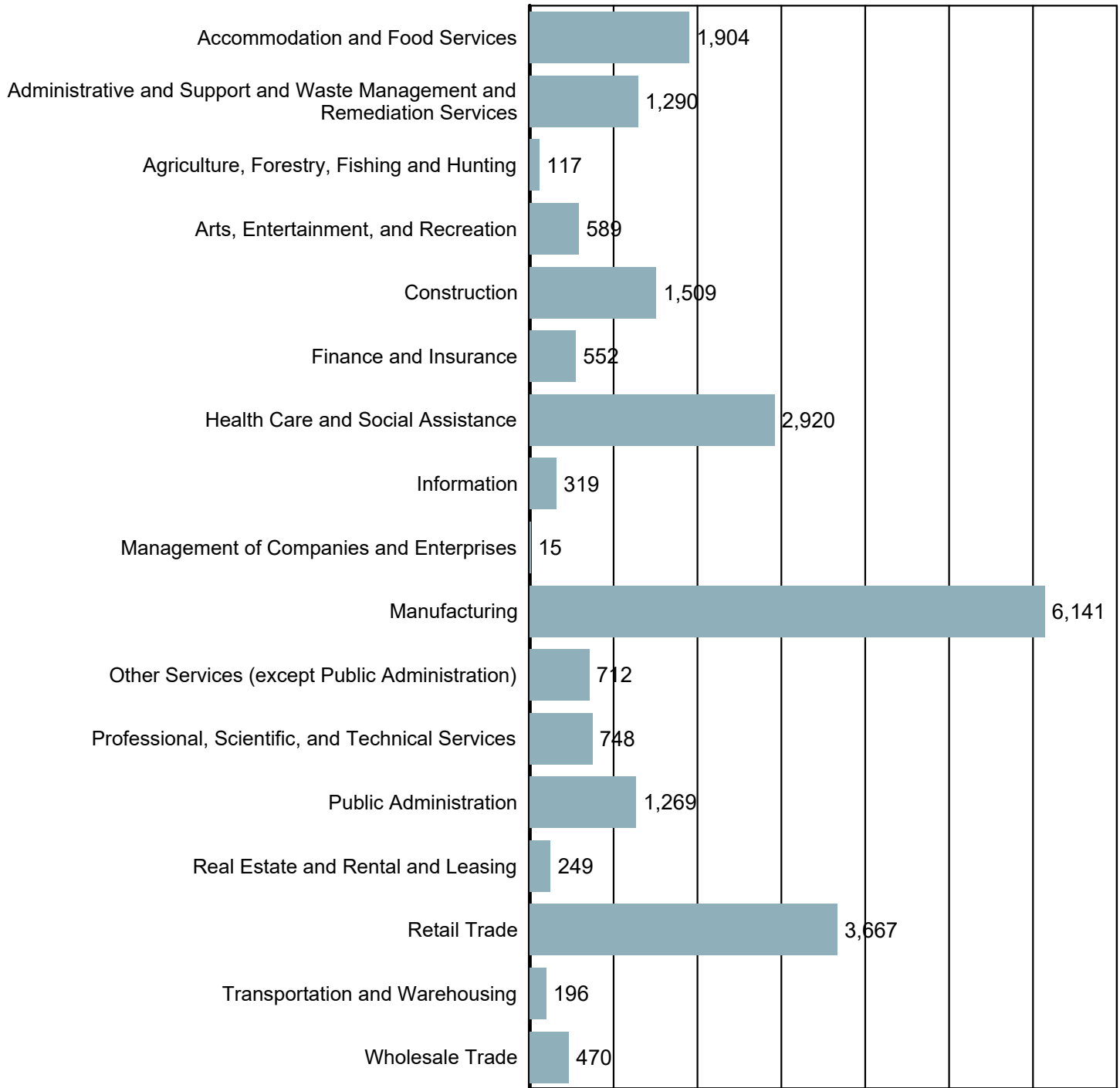
SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC USA INC

U S ENGINE VALVE COMPANY

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



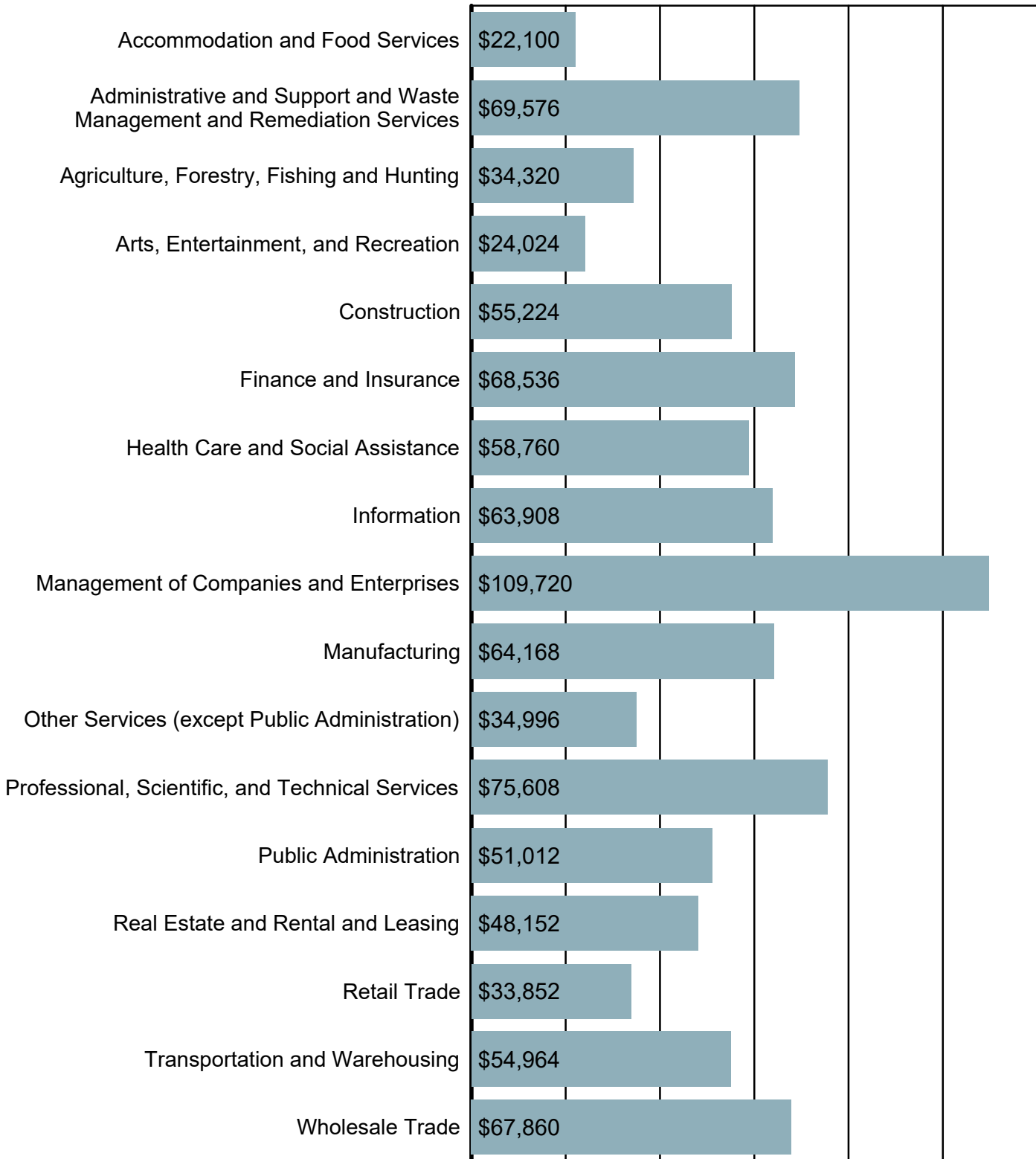
## Top 20 Occupational Openings

Oconee County  
October-2023

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive (43-6014)	118
First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers (43-1011)	113
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	89
Managers, All Other (11-9199)	86
Correctional Officers and Jailers (33-3012)	60
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	55
Human Resources Specialists (13-1071)	50
Nursing Assistants (31-1131)	43
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	40
Education Administrators, Postsecondary (11-9033)	39
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	37
Eligibility Interviewers, Government Programs (43-4061)	35
Lawyers (23-1011)	33
Accountants and Auditors (13-2011)	32
Fast Food and Counter Workers (35-3023)	31
Social and Community Service Managers (11-9151)	29
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	28
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	26
Computer Occupations, All Other (15-1299)	25
Public Relations Managers (11-2032)	25

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.

Worklink Industry	2020 Estimated Employment	2030 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total All Industries	136,740	147,200	10,460	7.65	0.74
Health Care and Social Assistance	16,133	20,483	4,350	26.96	2.42
Accommodation and Food Services	13,405	15,562	2,157	16.09	1.50
Manufacturing	25,610	27,017	1,407	5.49	0.54
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	4,621	5,470	849	18.37	1.70
Other Services (except Government)	6,253	6,996	743	11.88	1.13
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1,674	2,209	535	31.96	2.81
Transportation and Warehousing	2,372	2,791	419	17.66	1.64
Finance and Insurance	2,318	2,678	360	15.53	1.45
Retail Trade	17,607	17,904	297	1.69	0.17
Wholesale Trade	3,547	3,826	279	7.87	0.76
Information	817	1,070	253	30.97	2.73
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	3,360	3,566	206	6.13	0.60
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,113	1,164	51	4.58	0.45
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	810	860	50	6.17	0.60
Management of Companies and Enterprises	214	213	-1	-0.47	-0.05
Mining	172	166	-6	-3.49	-0.35
Construction	5,589	5,560	-29	-0.52	-0.05
Utilities	1,572	1,501	-71	-4.52	-0.46
Educational Services	15,651	13,896	-1,755	-11.21	-1.18

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