

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Saluda County



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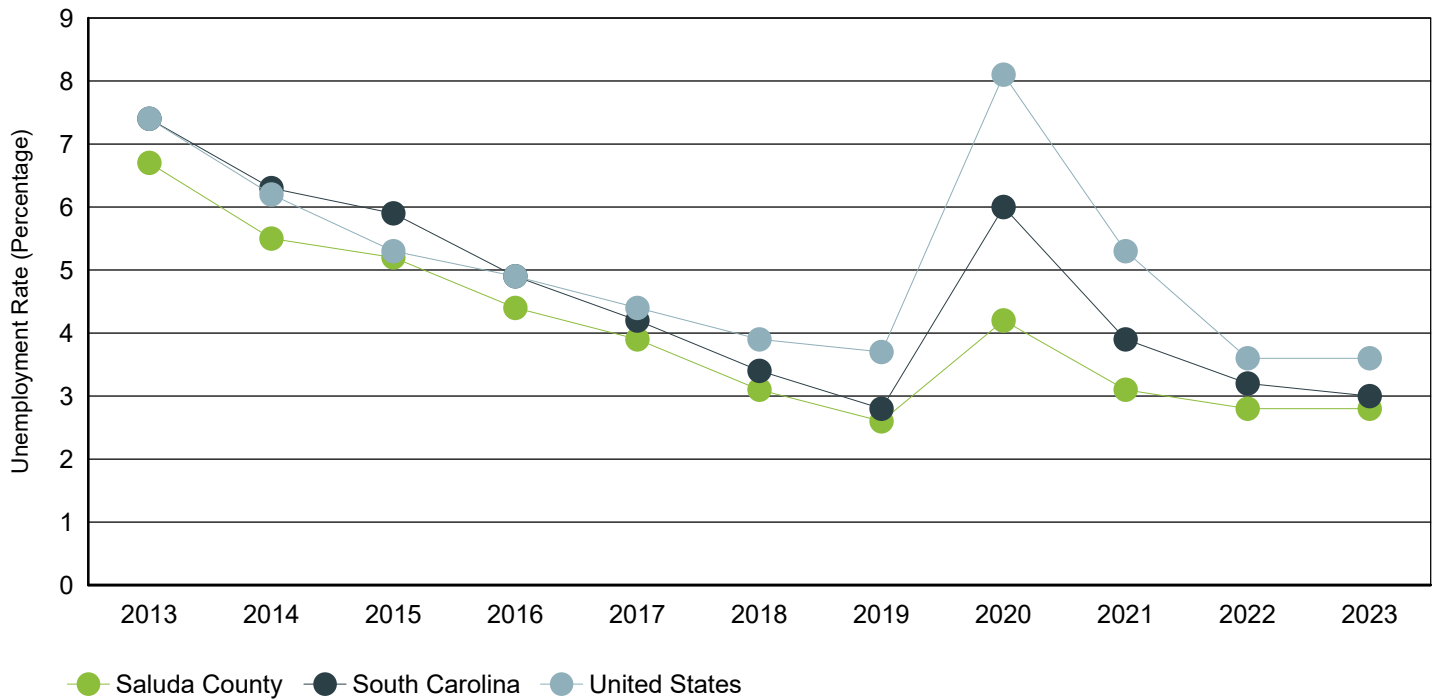
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Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

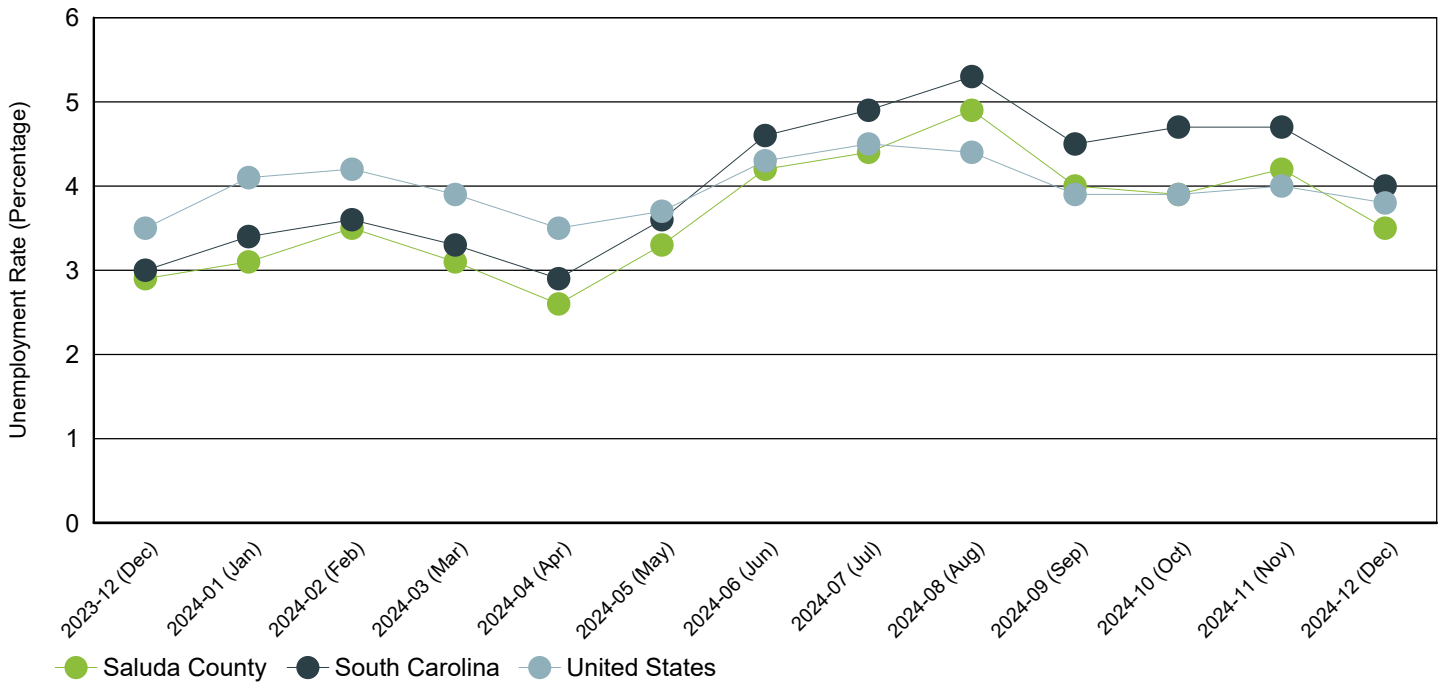


Year	Saluda County			South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2023	8,393	245	2.8%	2,380,392	72,668	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	8,213	240	2.8%	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	8,146	263	3.1%	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	8,004	347	4.2%	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	8,434	224	2.6%	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	8,315	262	3.1%	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	8,356	336	3.9%	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	8,476	394	4.4%	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	8,367	458	5.2%	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	8,177	479	5.5%	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	8,018	578	6.7%	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	Saluda County	South Carolina	United States
Dec 2024	3.5%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	4.2%	4.7%	4.0%
Oct 2024	3.9%	4.7%	3.9%
Sep 2024	4.0%	4.5%	3.9%
Aug 2024	4.9%	5.3%	4.4%
Jul 2024	4.4%	4.9%	4.5%
Jun 2024	4.2%	4.6%	4.3%
May 2024	3.3%	3.6%	3.7%
Apr 2024	2.6%	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	Saluda County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Dec-24	8,452	303	3.5%		2,417,169	119,485	4.7%	
Nov-24	8,441	367	4.2%		2,412,589	121,482	4.8%	
Oct-24	8,685	357	3.9%		2,413,165	118,097	4.7%	
Sep-24	8,658	361	4.0%		2,413,300	113,975	4.5%	
Aug-24	8,706	453	4.9%		2,414,624	107,891	4.3%	
Jul-24	8,931	414	4.4%		2,415,158	97,764	3.9%	
Jun-24	8,850	392	4.2%		2,410,159	89,718	3.6%	
May-24	8,693	299	3.3%		2,406,512	83,589	3.4%	
Apr-24	8,743	234	2.6%		2,404,517	79,782	3.2%	
Mar-24	8,840	280	3.1%		2,399,640	77,948	3.1%	
Feb-24	8,650	312	3.5%		2,396,195	76,424	3.1%	
Jan-24	8,228	265	3.1%		2,396,514	75,325	3.0%	
Dec-23	8,293	249	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	Saluda County	South Carolina
0 to 4	196	147,311
5 to 9	54	24,044
10 to 19	35	17,672
20 to 49	19	13,002
50 to 99	9	5,015
100 to 249	8	3,069
250 to 499	0	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	Saluda County	South Carolina
0 to 4	269	150,934
5 to 9	373	160,035
10 to 19	478	240,440
20 to 49	555	395,156
50 to 99	605	346,437
100 to 249	1,338	467,356
250 to 499	0	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

ALLCAREGIVERS INC

AMICK FARMS LLC

ARCH ENTERPRISES LLC

Carolina Franchise Holdings LLC

COUNTY OF SALUDA

DARLING INGREDIENTS INC

FOOD LION LLC

JERROLD A WATSON & SONS LLC

NIPCAM SERVICES OF SOUTH CAROLINA L

Palmetto Gourmet Foods INC

QSI LLC

SAIMA OF NORTH AMERICA INC

SALUDA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

SALUDA NURSING CENTER

SC DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION

SC Pet Food Solutions LLC

SELF MEDICAL GROUP INC

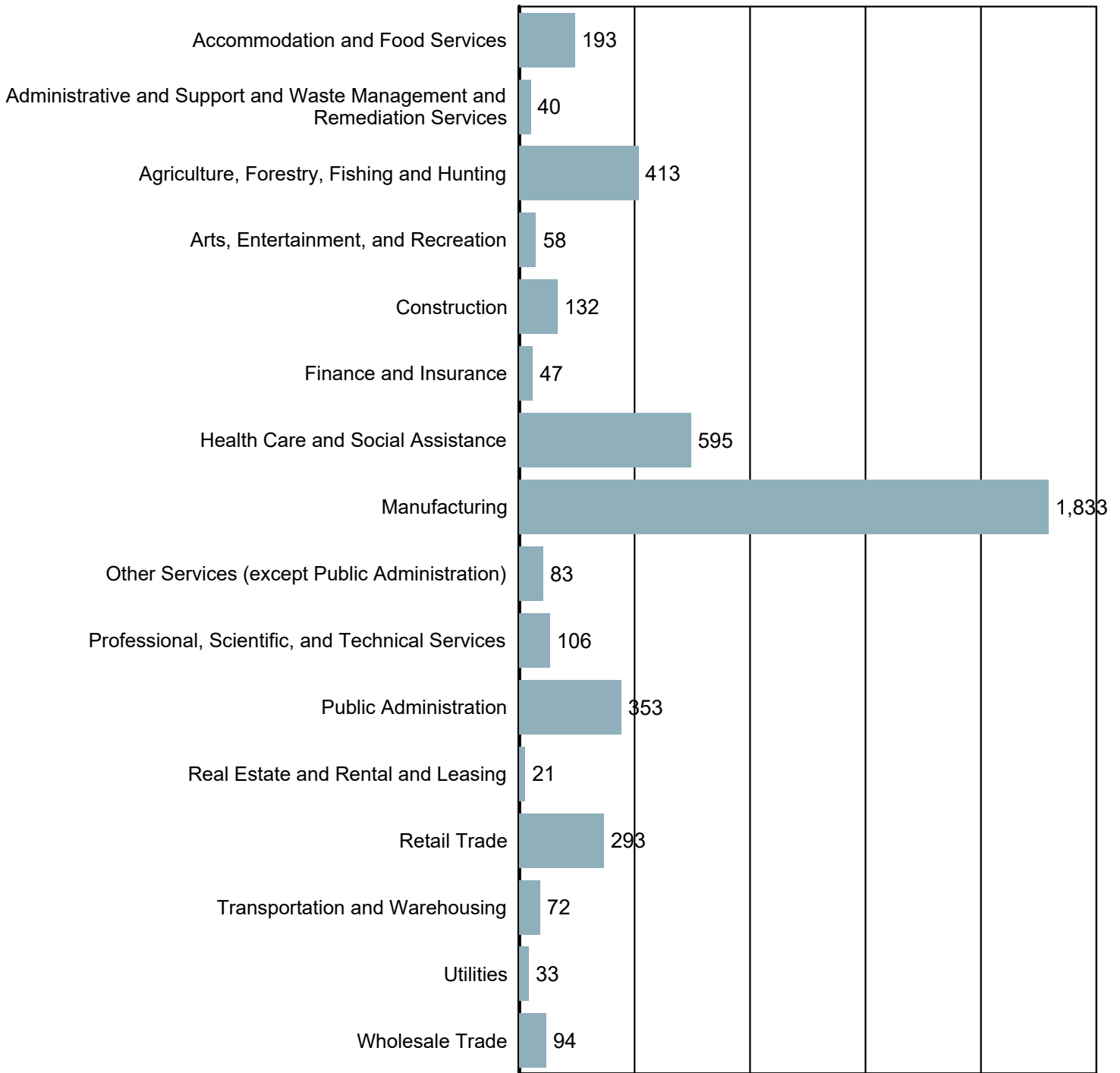
THE BEST DRESSED CHICKEN INC

VSM MANAGEMENT LLC

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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

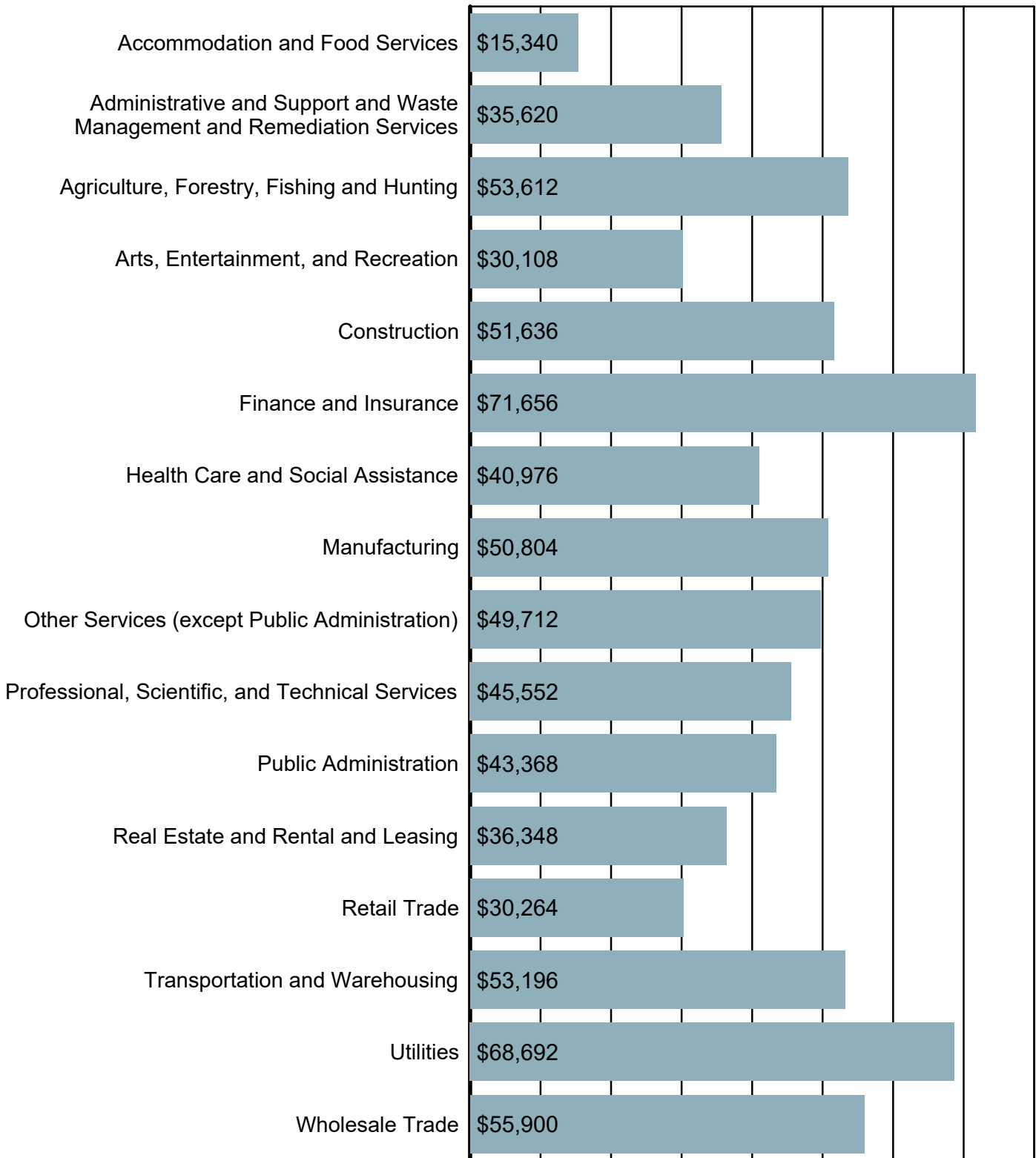
Top 10 Occupational Openings

Saluda County
October-2023

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	6
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	5
Cashiers (41-2011)	3
Computer Occupations, All Other (15-1299)	3
Dentists, General (29-1021)	3
Human Resources Specialists (13-1071)	3
Industrial Production Managers (11-3051)	3
Life, Physical, and Social Science Technicians, All Other (19-4099)	3
Light Truck Drivers (53-3033)	3
Social and Community Service Managers (11-9151)	3

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.

Upper Savannah Industry	2020 Estimated Employment	2030 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total All Industries	86,880	90,203	3,323	3.82	0.38
Health Care and Social Assistance	9,801	12,504	2,703	27.58	2.47
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	784	1,483	699	89.16	6.58
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	5,030	5,496	466	9.26	0.89
Accommodation and Food Services	5,406	5,857	451	8.34	0.80
Finance and Insurance	1,180	1,404	224	18.98	1.75
Transportation and Warehousing	2,245	2,452	207	9.22	0.89
Information	374	500	126	33.69	2.95
Retail Trade	7,963	8,070	107	1.34	0.13
Mining	52	46	-6	-11.54	-1.22
Wholesale Trade	2,045	2,037	-8	-0.39	-0.04
Management of Companies and Enterprises	169	156	-13	-7.69	-0.80
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	457	440	-17	-3.72	-0.38
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,151	1,129	-22	-1.91	-0.19
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	1,581	1,555	-26	-1.64	-0.17
Utilities	272	240	-32	-11.76	-1.24
Other Services (except Government)	3,541	3,401	-140	-3.95	-0.40
Government	8,288	8,113	-175	-2.11	-0.21
Educational Services	7,369	7,145	-224	-3.04	-0.31
Construction	3,168	2,901	-267	-8.43	-0.88
Manufacturing	21,966	21,456	-510	-2.32	-0.23

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