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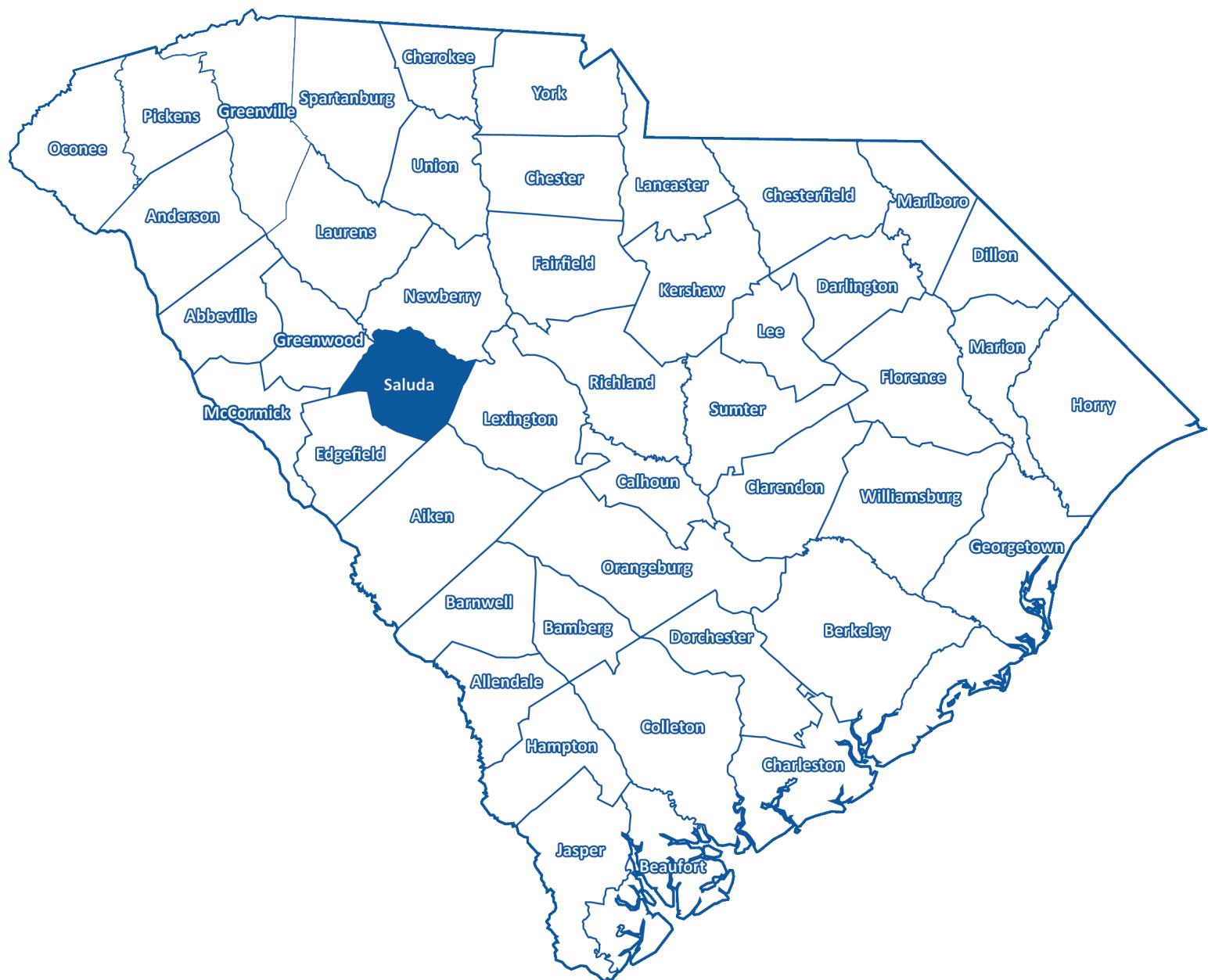


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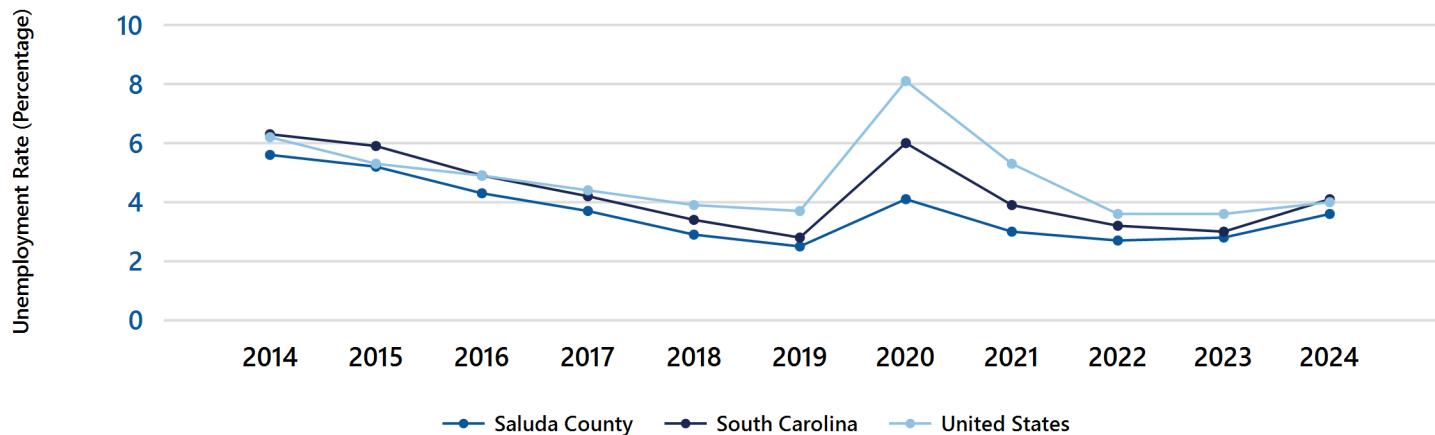
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ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



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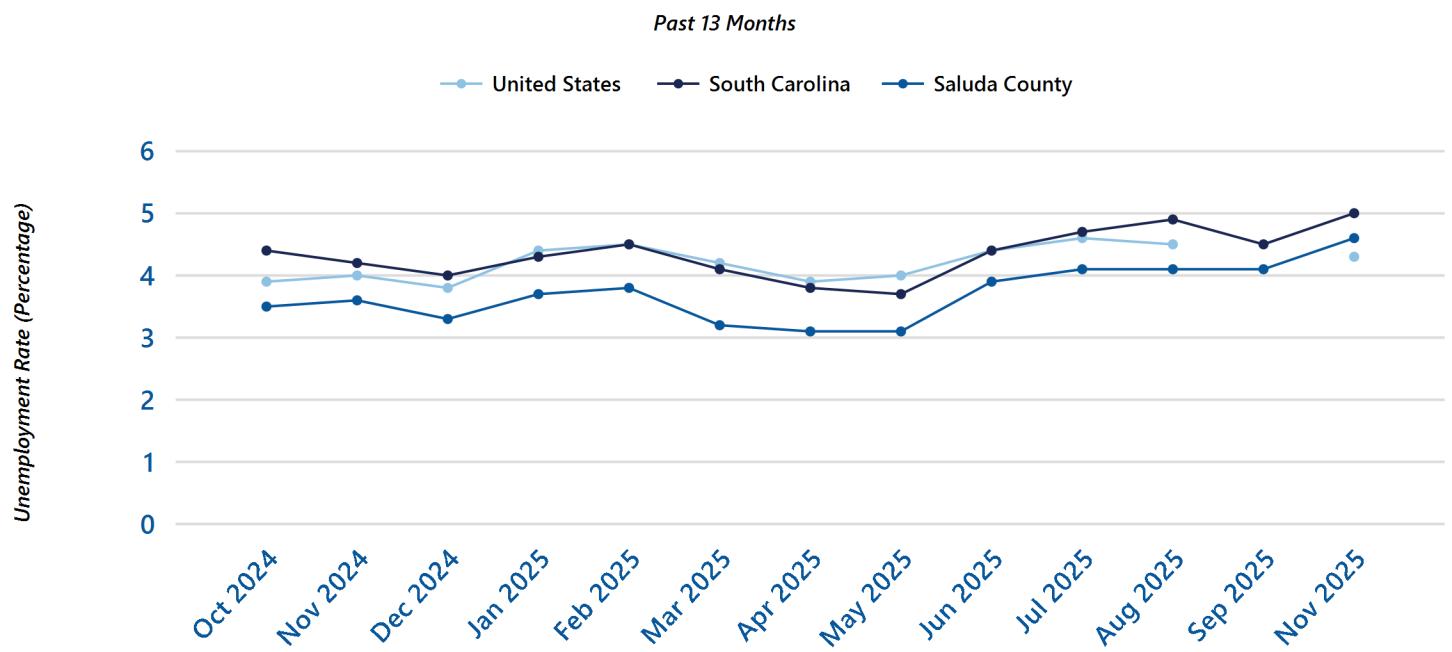
SOUTH CAROLINA

UNITED STATES

| Year | Employment | Unemp. | Rate | Employment | Unemp. | Rate | Employment | Unemp. | Rate |
|------|------------|--------|------|------------|---------|------|-------------|------------|------|
| 2024 | 8,501 | 318 | 3.6% | 2,430,453 | 105,178 | 4.1% | 161,346,000 | 6,761,000 | 4.0% |
| 2023 | 8,206 | 236 | 2.8% | 2,401,212 | 74,248 | 3.0% | 161,037,000 | 6,080,000 | 3.6% |
| 2022 | 8,056 | 226 | 2.7% | 2,330,548 | 77,339 | 3.2% | 158,291,000 | 5,996,000 | 3.6% |
| 2021 | 8,024 | 251 | 3.0% | 2,272,940 | 92,676 | 3.9% | 152,581,000 | 8,623,000 | 5.3% |
| 2020 | 7,946 | 342 | 4.1% | 2,201,090 | 140,613 | 6.0% | 147,795,000 | 12,947,000 | 8.1% |
| 2019 | 8,328 | 212 | 2.5% | 2,263,682 | 64,405 | 2.8% | 157,538,000 | 6,001,000 | 3.7% |
| 2018 | 8,249 | 247 | 2.9% | 2,206,821 | 76,542 | 3.4% | 155,761,000 | 6,314,000 | 3.9% |
| 2017 | 8,340 | 320 | 3.7% | 2,168,104 | 94,845 | 4.2% | 153,337,000 | 6,982,000 | 4.4% |
| 2016 | 8,463 | 377 | 4.3% | 2,145,584 | 110,199 | 4.9% | 151,436,000 | 7,751,000 | 4.9% |
| 2015 | 8,268 | 452 | 5.2% | 2,108,786 | 132,281 | 5.9% | 148,834,000 | 8,296,000 | 5.3% |
| 2014 | 8,100 | 476 | 5.6% | 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 | SALUDA COUNTY | SOUTH CAROLINA | UNITED STATES |
|----------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Nov 2025 | 4.6% | 5.0% | 4.3% |
| Sep 2025 | 4.1% | 4.5% | % |
| Aug 2025 | 4.1% | 4.9% | 4.5% |
| Jul 2025 | 4.1% | 4.7% | 4.6% |
| Jun 2025 | 3.9% | 4.4% | 4.4% |
| May 2025 | 3.1% | 3.7% | 4.0% |
| Apr 2025 | 3.1% | 3.8% | 3.9% |
| Mar 2025 | 3.2% | 4.1% | 4.2% |
| Feb 2025 | 3.8% | 4.5% | 4.5% |
| Jan 2025 | 3.7% | 4.3% | 4.4% |
| Dec 2024 | 3.3% | 4.0% | 3.8% |
| Nov 2024 | 3.6% | 4.2% | 4.0% |
| Oct 2024 | 3.5% | 4.4% | 3.9% |

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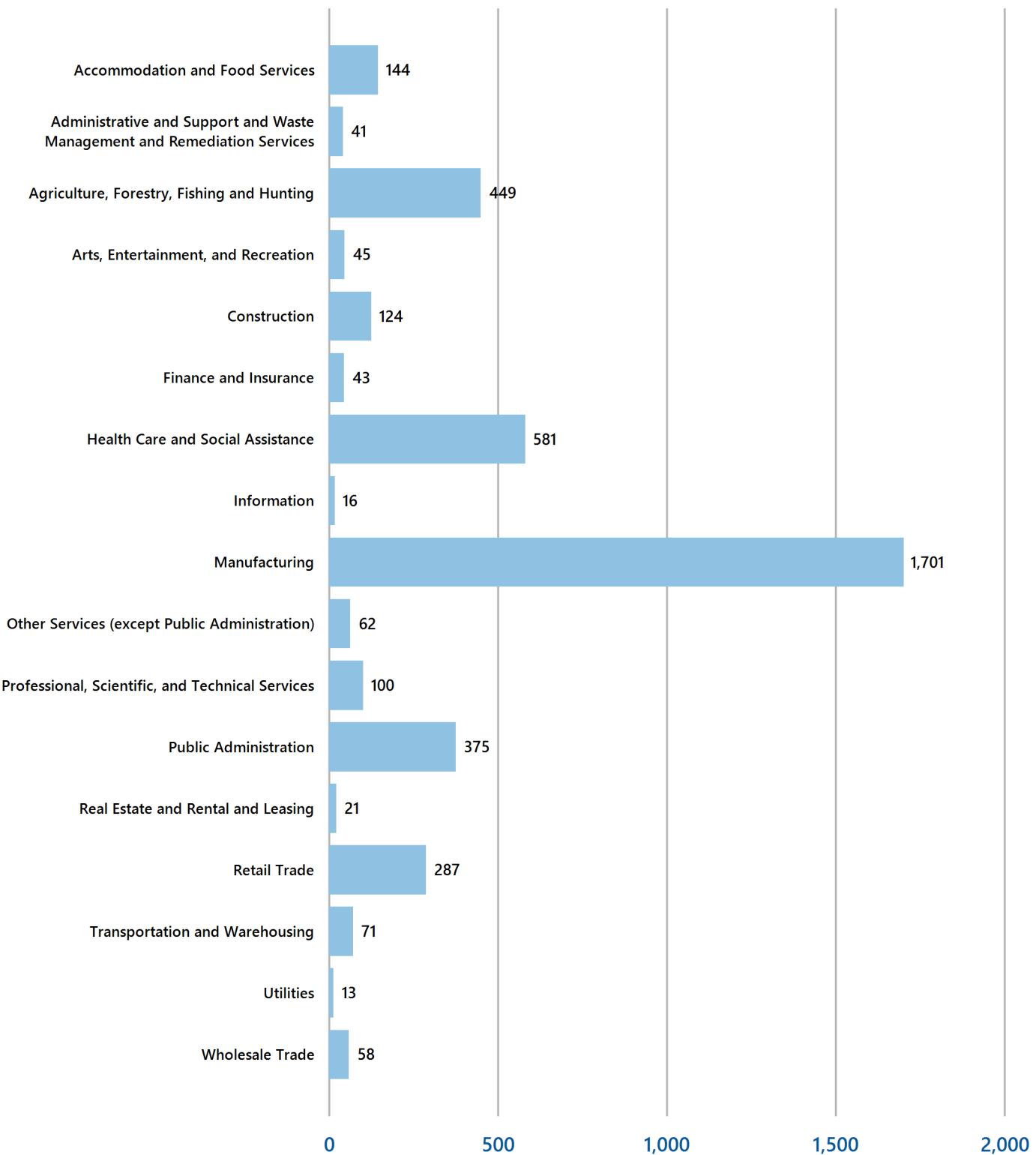
20 LARGEST EMPLOYERS

| |
|-------------------------------------|
| ALLCAREGIVERS INC |
| AMICK FARMS LLC |
| ANTONIO CONTRERAS |
| ARCH ENTERPRISES 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 |
| SALUDA COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 |
| SALUDA NURSING CENTER |
| SC DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION |
| SC Pet Food Solutions LLC |
| SELF MEDICAL GROUP INC |
| STATE CRIMINAL JUSTICE ACADEMY |
| THE BEST DRESSED CHICKEN INC |
| VSM MANAGEMENT LLC |
| W WYMAN KING ACADEMY |

Source: South Carolina Department of Employment & Workforce QCEW

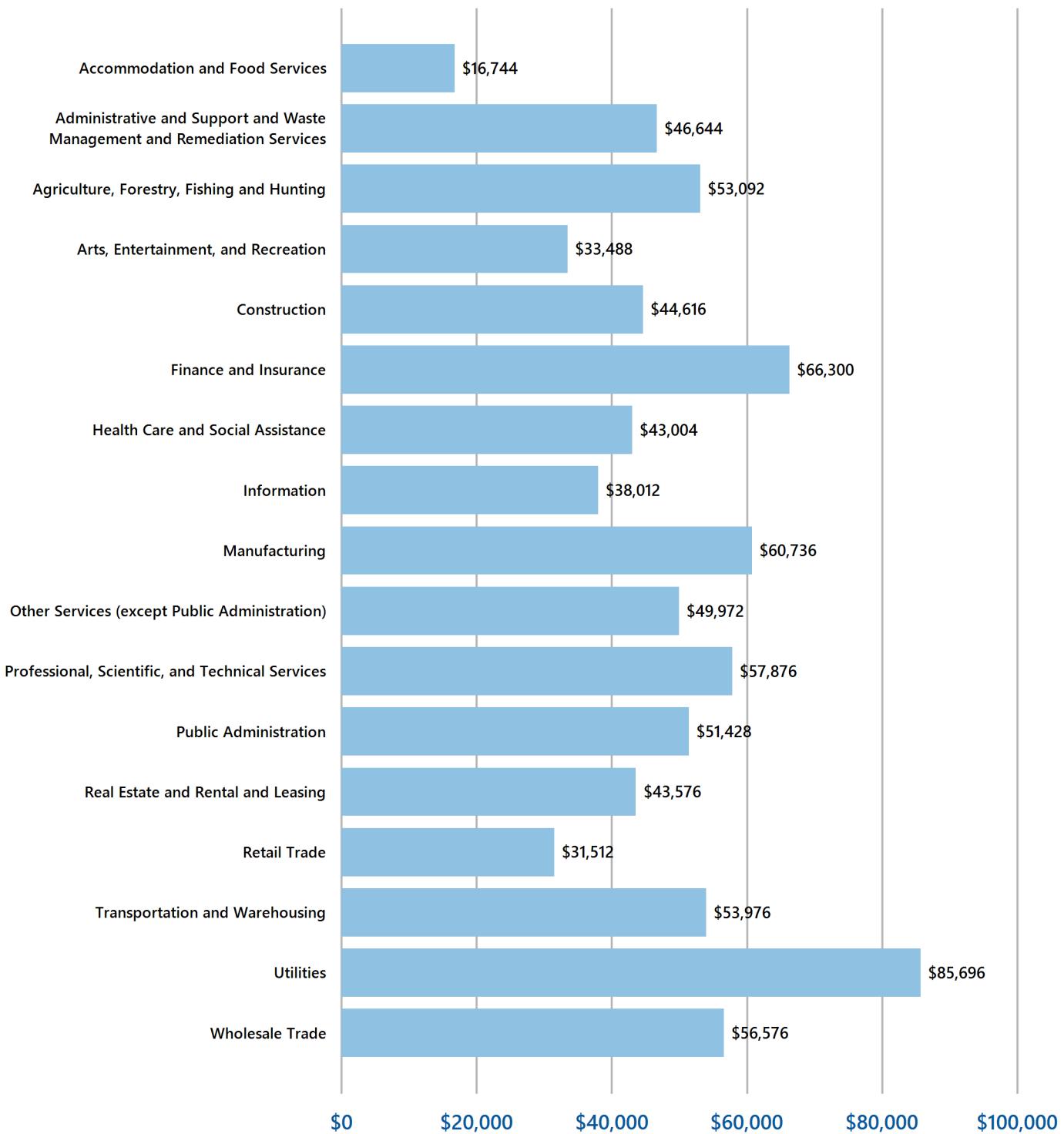
Note: This list is derived from unemployment insurance accounts and some employers may be duplicated due to variations in their reported name. Also, employers are listed alphabetically, not in rank order.

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

| UPPER SAVANNAH | 2022 | 2032 | Change | Percent Change | Annual Percent Change |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------------|
| | Estimated Employment | Projected Employment | | | |
| Total All Industries | 89,943 | 97,466 | 7,523 | 8.4% | 0.8% |
| Manufacturing | 24,237 | 25,534 | 1,297 | 5.4% | 0.5% |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 9,996 | 11,350 | 1,354 | 13.5% | 1.3% |
| Retail Trade | 8,010 | 8,862 | 852 | 10.6% | 1.0% |
| Educational Services | 7,681 | 8,313 | 632 | 8.2% | 0.8% |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 5,888 | 6,206 | 318 | 5.4% | 0.5% |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat | 4,325 | 4,776 | 451 | 10.4% | 1.0% |
| Other Services (except Government) | 3,779 | 4,042 | 263 | 7.0% | 0.7% |
| Construction | 3,192 | 3,295 | 103 | 3.2% | 0.3% |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 2,302 | 3,270 | 968 | 42.1% | 3.6% |
| Wholesale Trade | 2,124 | 2,271 | 147 | 6.9% | 0.7% |
| Finance and Insurance | 1,321 | 1,436 | 115 | 8.7% | 0.8% |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 1,320 | 1,502 | 182 | 13.8% | 1.3% |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 773 | 830 | 57 | 7.4% | 0.7% |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 484 | 516 | 32 | 6.6% | 0.6% |
| Information | 444 | 601 | 157 | 35.4% | 3.1% |
| Utilities | 280 | 290 | 10 | 3.6% | 0.4% |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises | 152 | 211 | 59 | 38.8% | 3.3% |

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 | 4,009 | 246 | 322 | 1,909 | 734 | 798 |
| 2019 | 4,115 | 108 | 398 | 1,868 | 1,015 | 726 |

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 | 13,738 | 1,777 | 1,425 | 5,565 | 2,076 | 1,224 | 1,156 | 515 | N/A* | N/A* |
| 2019 | 14,283 | 1,340 | 1,775 | 5,021 | 2,408 | 1,340 | 1,583 | 816 | 11,168 | 2,399 |

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 | 15,439 | 1,313 | 14,126 |
| 2019 | 15,786 | 1,161 | 14,625 |

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 | 19,798 | 3,016 | 4,533 | 147 | 11,993 | 1,598 | 3,272 | 1,271 |
| 2019 | 20,046 | 2,924 | 4,439 | 185 | 11,852 | 1,321 | 3,755 | 1,418 |

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 | 19,727 | 17,880 | N/A* | 1,708 | 994 | 714 | 363 | 351 | 139 |
| 2019 | 20,100 | 18,742 | N/A* | 1,296 | 479 | 817 | 582 | 235 | 62 |

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 | 16,151 | 2,469 | 2,437 | 32 | 0 | 0 |
| 2019 | 16,255 | 2,812 | 2,649 | 158 | 0 | 5 |

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 | 8,813 | 7,907 | 906 |
| 2019 | 8,994 | 8,392 | 602 |

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 | 7,907 | 6,142 | 1,156 | 529 | 80 |
| 2019 | 8,392 | 6,627 | 1,298 | 457 | 10 |

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 | 7,907 | 1,751 | 1,248 | 1,688 | 1,486 | 1,734 |
| 2019 | 8,392 | 2,291 | 1,349 | 1,555 | 1,289 | 1,908 |

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 | 12,577 | 5,261 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 1,878 | 246 |
| 2019 | 13,370 | 5,091 | 52 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 253 |

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 | 7,783 | 76.5% | 14.4% | 1.5% | 1.4% | 0.2% | 1.7% | 4.3% |
| 2019 | 8,373 | 80.5% | 15.7% | 0.4% | 0.7% | 0.0% | 0.8% | 1.9% |

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 | 11.0% | 12.6% | 10.9% | 15.2% | 3.2% | 15.1% | 7.0% | 12.4% | 12.6% |
| 2019 | 15.0% | 11.0% | 10.0% | 11.3% | 3.6% | 14.9% | 8.7% | 13.3% | 12.2% |

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 | 7,113 | 560 | 2,209 | 2,281 | 2,063 |
| 2019 | 7,094 | 396 | 1,977 | 2,571 | 2,150 |

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

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