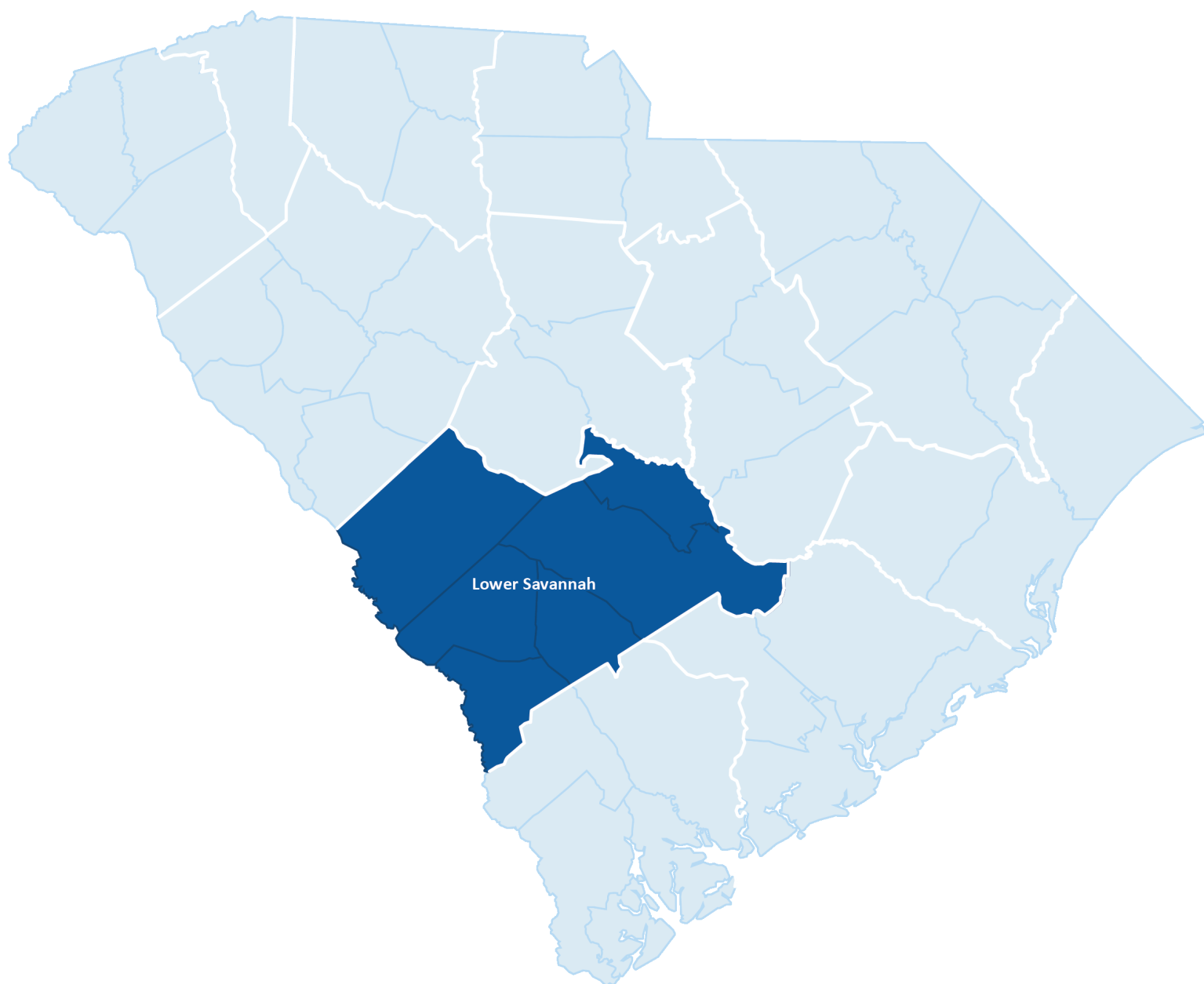


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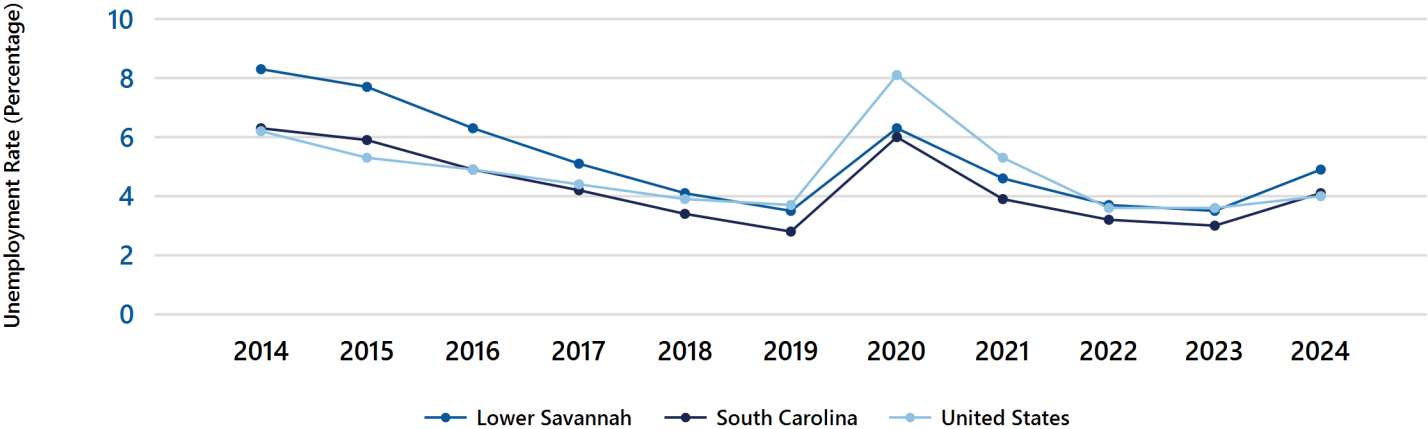
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ANNUAL UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



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SOUTH CAROLINA

UNITED STATES

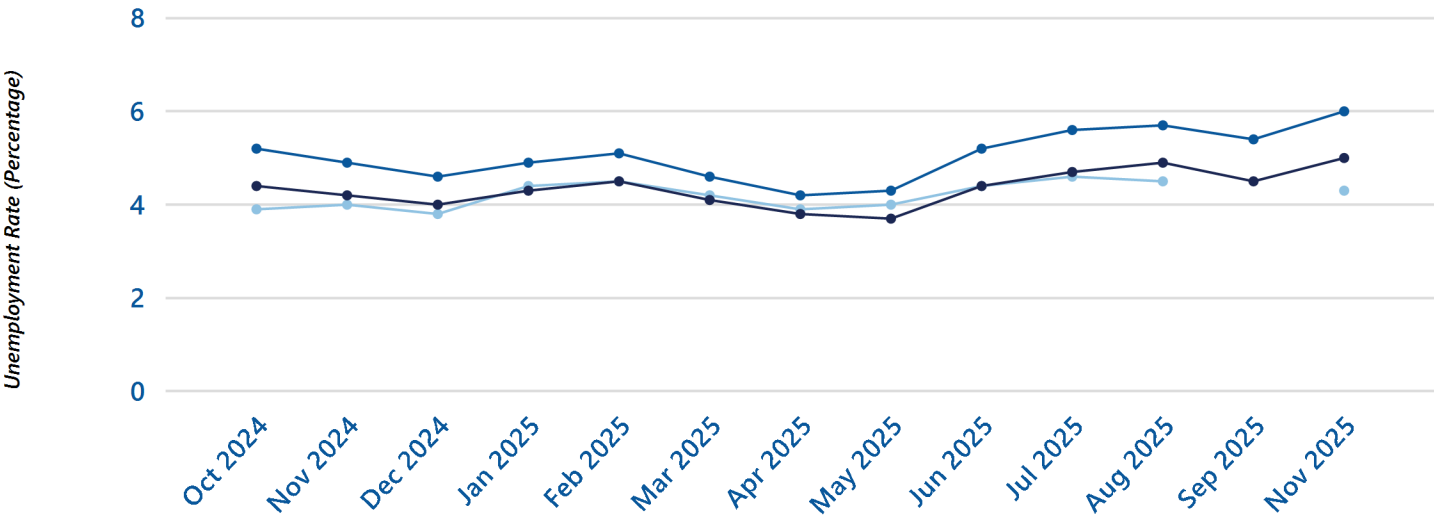
Year	Employment	Unemp.	Rate	Employment	Unemp.	Rate	Employment	Unemp.	Rate
2024	128,032	6,558	4.9%	2,430,453	105,178	4.1%	161,346,000	6,761,000	4.0%
2023	127,537	4,604	3.5%	2,401,212	74,248	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	125,214	4,845	3.7%	2,330,548	77,339	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	124,183	6,008	4.6%	2,272,940	92,676	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	122,811	8,214	6.3%	2,201,090	140,613	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	126,299	4,568	3.5%	2,263,682	64,405	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	124,068	5,371	4.1%	2,206,821	76,542	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	123,402	6,651	5.1%	2,168,104	94,845	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	123,771	8,267	6.3%	2,145,584	110,199	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	122,385	10,270	7.7%	2,108,786	132,281	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	122,411	11,028	8.3%	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

Past 13 Months

United States South Carolina Lower Savannah



Period	LOWER SAVANNAH	SOUTH CAROLINA	UNITED STATES
Nov 2025	6.0%	5.0%	4.3%
Sep 2025	5.4%	4.5%	%
Aug 2025	5.7%	4.9%	4.5%
Jul 2025	5.6%	4.7%	4.6%
Jun 2025	5.2%	4.4%	4.4%
May 2025	4.3%	3.7%	4.0%
Apr 2025	4.2%	3.8%	3.9%
Mar 2025	4.6%	4.1%	4.2%
Feb 2025	5.1%	4.5%	4.5%
Jan 2025	4.9%	4.3%	4.4%
Dec 2024	4.6%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	4.9%	4.2%	4.0%
Oct 2024	5.2%	4.4%	3.9%

Source: DEW LMI/BLS - Local Area Unemployment Statistics

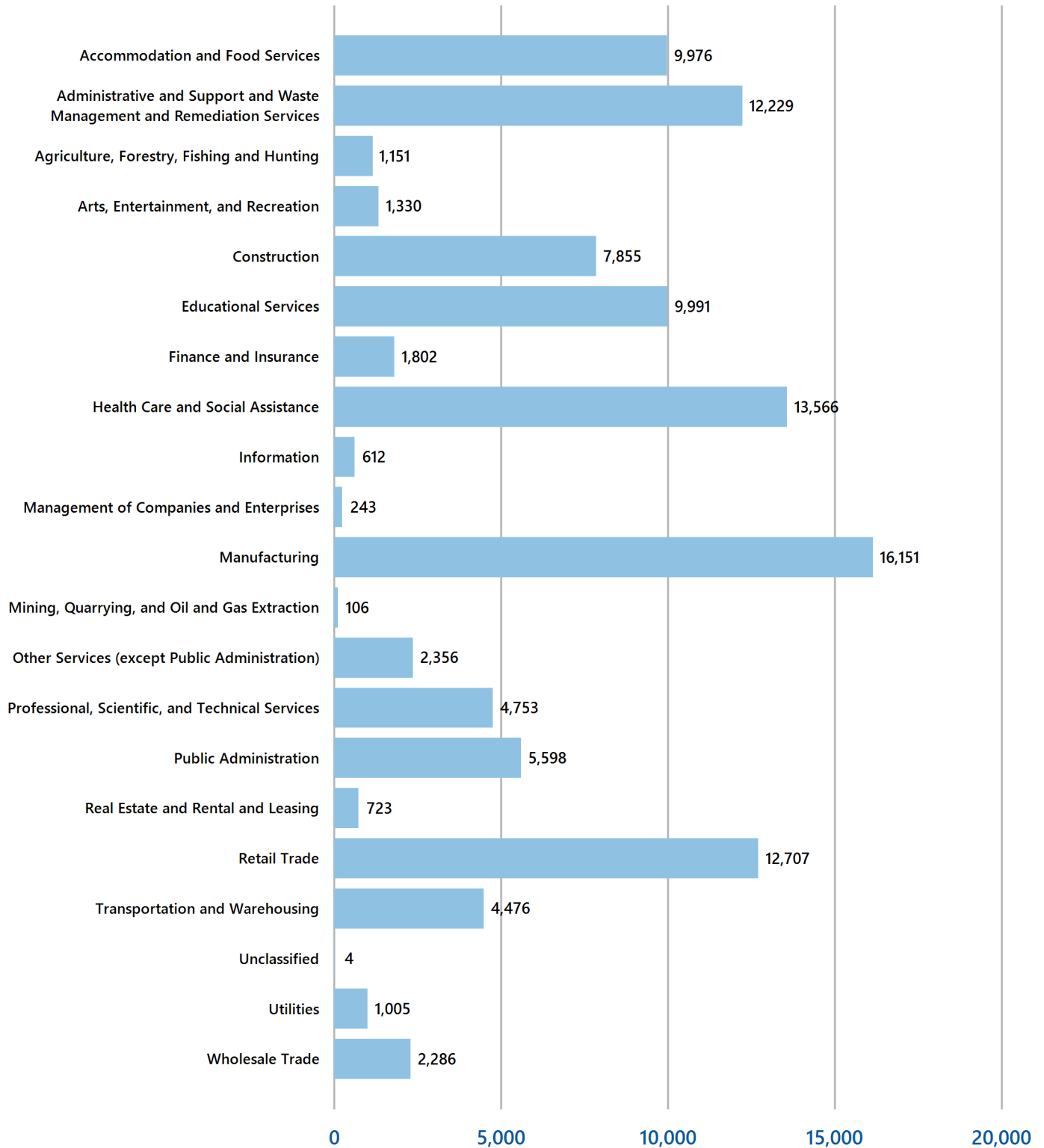
20 LARGEST EMPLOYERS

AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AIKEN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTERS INC
ALLIED AIR ENTERPRISES INC
Barnwell County School District
Battelle Savannah River Alliance LL
BRIDGESTONE AMERICAS TIRE OPERATION
COUNTY OF AIKEN
EDWARD D. JONES ET AL.
ESS Southeast LLC
Kimberly Clark USA LLC
LOVES TRAVEL STOPS & COUNTRY STORES
MAU INC
MEDICAL UNIV OF SC HOSPITAL AUTHORI
Orangeburg County School District
Savannah River Mission Completion L
SAVANNAH RIVER NUCLEAR SOLUTIONS LL
SHAW INDUSTRIES GROUP INC
TRI DEVELOPMENT CTR OF AIKEN COUNTY
WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC
Zeus Company Inc

Source: South Carolina Department of Employment & Workforce QCEW

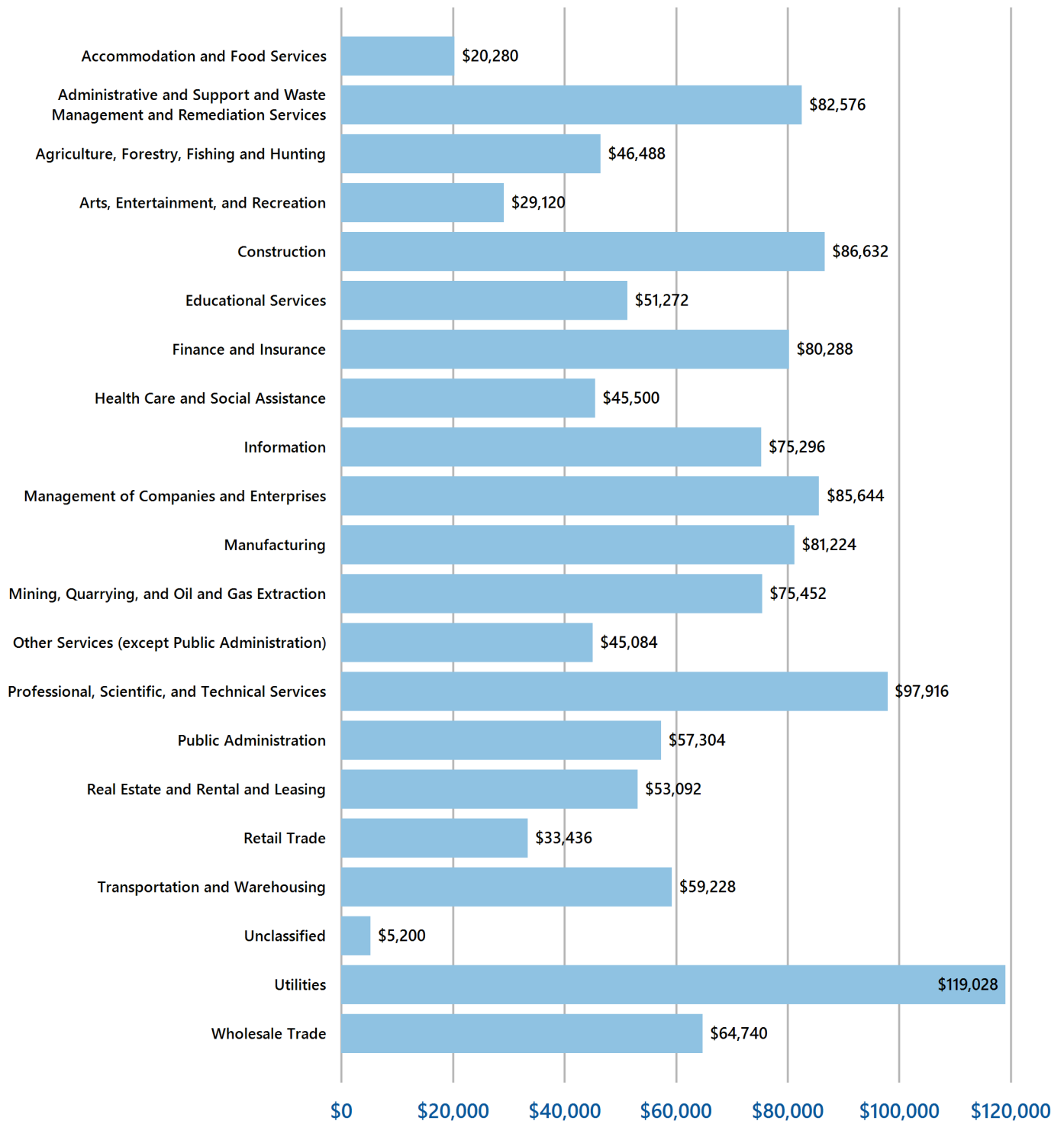
Note: This list is derived from unemployment insurance accounts and some employers may be duplicated due to variations in their reported name. Also, employers are listed alphabetically, not in rank order.

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

LOWER SAVANNAH	2022	2032	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent Change
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment			
Total All Industries	118,396	127,501	9,105	7.7%	0.7%
Manufacturing	18,147	18,571	424	2.3%	0.2%
Retail Trade	13,221	14,716	1,495	11.3%	1.1%
Health Care and Social Assistance	11,700	13,676	1,976	16.9%	1.6%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	10,812	11,298	486	4.5%	0.4%
Educational Services	9,511	10,293	782	8.2%	0.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	9,462	9,964	502	5.3%	0.5%
Construction	7,144	7,287	143	2.0%	0.2%
Other Services (except Government)	5,310	5,677	367	6.9%	0.7%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4,854	5,523	669	13.8%	1.3%
Transportation and Warehousing	4,833	5,898	1,065	22.0%	2.0%
Wholesale Trade	2,192	2,365	173	7.9%	0.8%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	2,047	1,977	-70	-3.4%	-0.3%
Finance and Insurance	1,848	2,003	155	8.4%	0.8%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1,372	1,466	94	6.9%	0.7%
Utilities	769	798	29	3.8%	0.4%
Information	729	840	111	15.2%	1.4%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	671	711	40	6.0%	0.6%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	195	271	76	39.0%	3.3%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	136	155	19	14.0%	1.3%

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	40,909	2,792	2,553	15,006	8,368	12,190
2019	36,099	1,193	1,997	14,994	7,845	10,070

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	101,765	7,006	13,761	35,398	18,949	9,271	11,341	6,039	N/A*	N/A*
2019	100,206	5,018	10,843	33,480	19,993	12,770	11,003	7,099	84,345	18,102

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	119,154	10,950	108,204
2019	115,015	8,047	106,968

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	151,828	28,861	35,016	1,993	92,544	15,426	24,268	11,442
2019	144,685	25,457	31,966	1,889	85,011	12,519	27,708	11,049

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	152,619	137,471	N/A*	15,030	8,865	6,165	4,289	1,876	118
2019	145,689	133,498	N/A*	11,856	5,350	6,506	4,151	2,355	335

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	140,221	4,438	2,818	1,047	360	213
2019	134,456	4,677	3,335	680	439	223

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	65,471	56,681	8,790
2019	62,784	57,528	5,256

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	56,681	41,981	11,768	2,845	87
2019	57,528	42,925	11,002	3,467	134

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	56,681	15,404	10,948	12,757	5,565	12,007
2019	57,528	16,117	10,715	12,236	5,837	12,623

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	59,178	90,202	723	1,139	16	1,785	1,213
2019	56,851	85,343	573	185	0	551	2,233

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	55,261	83.7%	9.7%	0.4%	2.4%	0.2%	1.4%	2.2%
2019	56,272	85.9%	8.1%	1.2%	1.8%	0.0%	0.6%	2.3%

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	18.1%	14.0%	13.6%	10.9%	4.0%	13.4%	6.9%	8.9%	10.2%
2019	17.3%	13.4%	10.0%	10.8%	4.3%	12.4%	7.1%	11.1%	13.5%

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	57,638	5,762	20,373	18,993	12,510
2019	56,298	5,533	19,305	17,697	13,763

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

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