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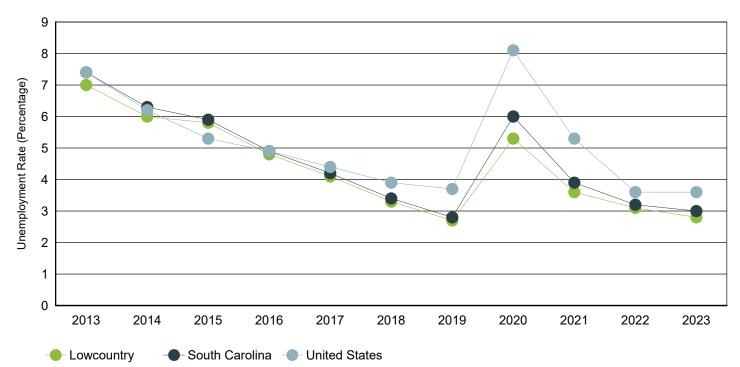
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Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

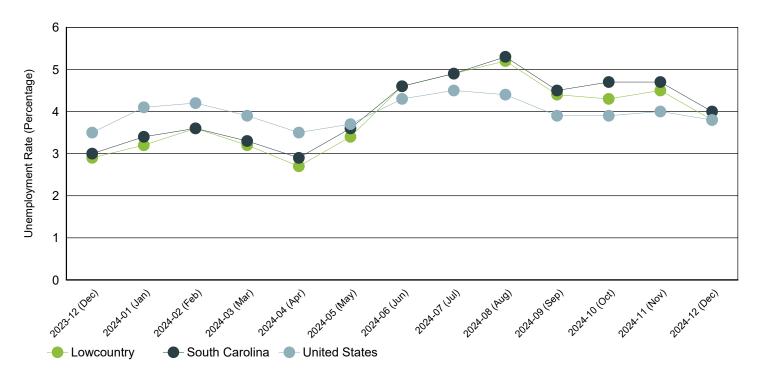


	Lowo	country		South Carolina			United States		
Year	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2023	114,718	3,320	2.8%	2,380,392	72,668	3.0%	161,037,000	6,080,000	3.6%
2022	110,528	3,571	3.1%	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	109,162	4,019	3.6%	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	106,162	5,917	5.3%	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	110,517	3,017	2.7%	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	107,322	3,620	3.3%	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	104,295	4,453	4.1%	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	103,889	5,274	4.8%	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	102,159	6,315	5.8%	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	99,481	6,325	6.0%	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	96,145	7,292	7.0%	2,034,404	163,472	7.4%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce



Past 13 Months



Period	Lowcountry	South Carolina	United States
Dec 2024	3.8%	4.0%	3.8%
Nov 2024	4.5%	4.7%	4.0%
Oct 2024	4.3%	4.7%	3.9%
Sep 2024	4.4%	4.5%	3.9%
Aug 2024	5.2%	5.3%	4.4%
Jul 2024	4.9%	4.9%	4.5%
Jun 2024	4.6%	4.6%	4.3%
May 2024	3.4%	3.6%	3.7%
Apr 2024	2.7%	2.9%	3.5%
Mar 2024	3.2%	3.3%	3.9%
Feb 2024	3.6%	3.6%	4.2%
Jan 2024	3.2%	3.4%	4.1%
Dec 2023	2.9%	3.0%	3.5%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Area Job Openings

		Lowcoun	try		South Care	olina		
Period	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Dec-24	116,379	4,590	3.8%		2,417,169	119,485	4.7%	
Nov-24	115,507	5,399	4.5%		2,412,589	121,482	4.8%	
Oct-24	117,295	5,315	4.3%		2,413,165	118,097	4.7%	
Sep-24	116,294	5,332	4.4%		2,413,300	113,975	4.5%	
Aug-24	117,222	6,469	5.2%		2,414,624	107,891	4.3%	
Jul-24	119,961	6,181	4.9%		2,415,158	97,764	3.9%	
Jun-24	118,984	5,703	4.6%		2,410,159	89,718	3.6%	
May-24	117,916	4,129	3.4%		2,406,512	83,589	3.4%	
Apr-24	118,561	3,252	2.7%		2,404,517	79,782	3.2%	
Mar-24	117,624	3,861	3.2%		2,399,640	77,948	3.1%	
Feb-24	115,191	4,306	3.6%		2,396,195	76,424	3.1%	
Jan-24	113,869	3,755	3.2%		2,396,514	75,325	3.0%	
Dec-23	114,630	3,389	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	Lowcountry	South Carolina
0 to 4	7,599	147,311
5 to 9	1,448	24,044
10 to 19	982	17,672
20 to 49	668	13,002
50 to 99	221	5,015
100 to 249	113	3,069
250 to 499	30	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	Lowcountry	South Carolina
0 to 4	8,336	150,934
5 to 9	9,741	160,035
10 to 19	13,316	240,440
20 to 49	19,825	395,156
50 to 99	15,233	346,437
100 to 249	16,930	467,356
250 to 499	10,355	311,369
500 to 999	4,517	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

BEAUFORT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

BEAUFORT MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

CHARLES LEA CENTER LEASING COMPANY

COLLETON COUNTY GOVERNMENT

COLLETON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

COUNTY OF BEAUFORT

DEPT OF DEFENSE

FOOD LION LLC

GREGORY M PARKER INC

Hampton County School District

MARINE CORPS COMMUNITY SERVICES

PALMETTO BLUFF INVESTMENTS LLC

PUBLIX SUPER MARKET INC

SEA PINES RESORT LLC

SELECT EMPLOYMENT SERVICES INC

SITEL OPERATING CORPORATION

TG ADMINISTRATION LLC

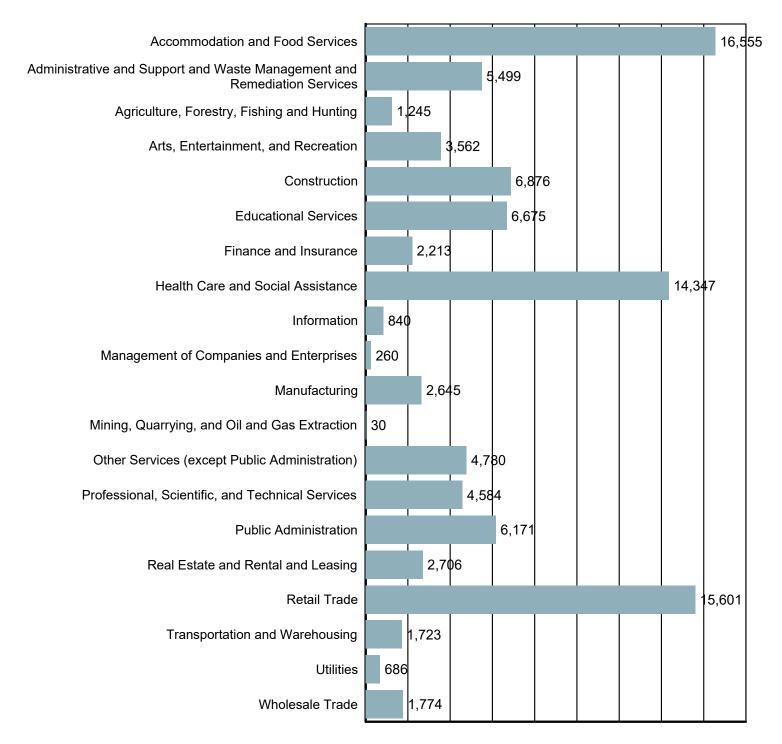
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Wal-Mart Associates, Inc.

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

Employment by Industry



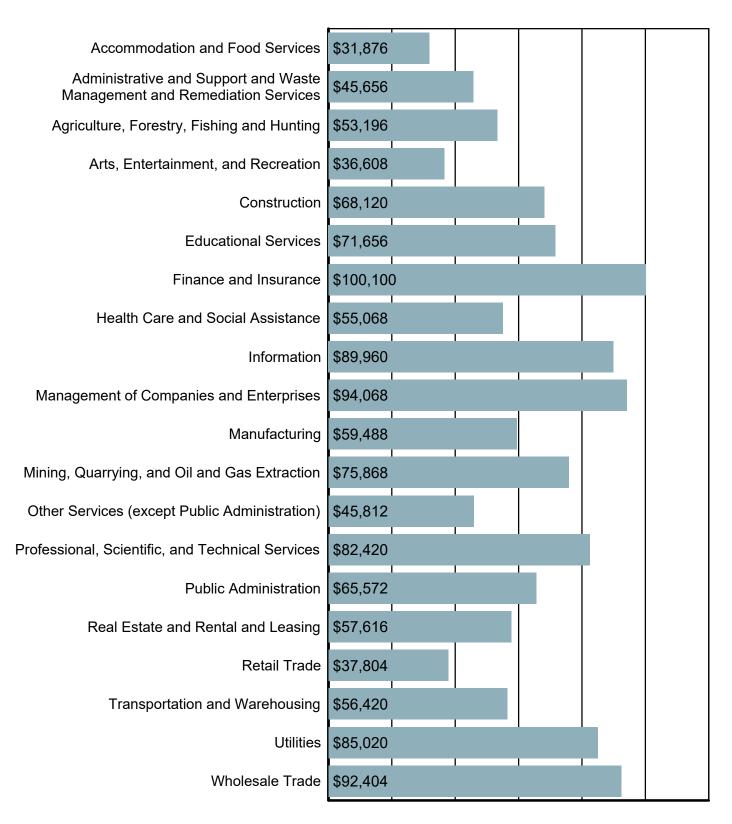
Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2024 Q2

Top Occupational Openings

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings

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.

Lowcountry Industry	2020 Estimated Employment	2030 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total All Industries	99,685	112,811	13,126	13.17	1.24
Health Care and Social Assistance	12,128	14,913	2,785	22.96	2.09
Accommodation and Food Services	13,681	16,015	2,334	17.06	1.59
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	6,488	8,080	1,592	24.54	2.22
Government	7,838	9,116	1,278	16.31	1.52
Other Services (except Government)	6,057	7,256	1,199	19.80	1.82
Retail Trade	14,322	15,027	705	4.92	0.48
Educational Services	6,303	6,963	660	10.47	1.00
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4,762	5,320	558	11.72	1.11
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2,648	2,988	340	12.84	1.22
Construction	6,265	6,543	278	4.44	0.44
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	2,403	2,645	242	10.07	0.96
Finance and Insurance	2,260	2,500	240	10.62	1.01
Wholesale Trade	1,639	1,861	222	13.54	1.28
Transportation and Warehousing	1,161	1,377	216	18.60	1.72
Information	590	764	174	29.49	2.62
Manufacturing	2,053	2,194	141	6.87	0.67
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,075	1,129	54	5.02	0.49
Utilities	404	406	2	0.50	0.05
Mining	24	23	-1	-4.17	-0.42
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	1,147	1,138	-9	-0.78	-0.08

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