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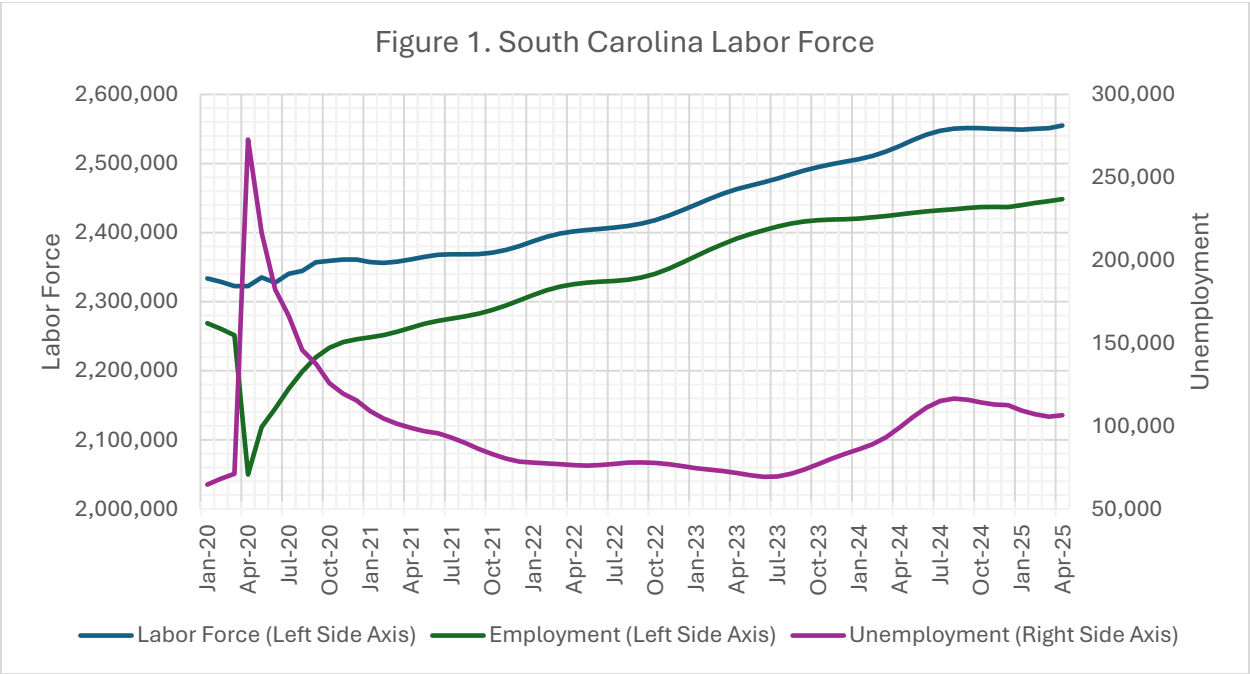
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Introduction

Each year, the Labor Market Information Division of the Department of Employment and Workforce produces an Economic Analysis Report, which outlines key statistics related to South Carolina’s labor market and economy. In this month’s edition of Trends, we provide an overview of the top takeaways from this year’s report.

Labor Force Statistics

Every day across South Carolina, skilled workers—from healthcare practitioners to teachers to construction workers—keep our state functioning and its economy growing. South Carolina’s labor force, comprising those who are working or looking for work, has grown rapidly in recent years, adding 216,100 people between 2020 and 2024. Total employment has steadily risen since plummeting in April of 2020 following the COVID-19 pandemic. Employment reached a high of 2,448,500 in April of 2025, but unemployment has also risen in the last four years, from 64,700 in January of 2020 to 106,500 in April of 2025, as shown in Figure 1. Altogether, this suggests that more South Carolinians than ever are seeking (and finding) employment, but there is still an opportunity to continue connecting job seekers with job openings.

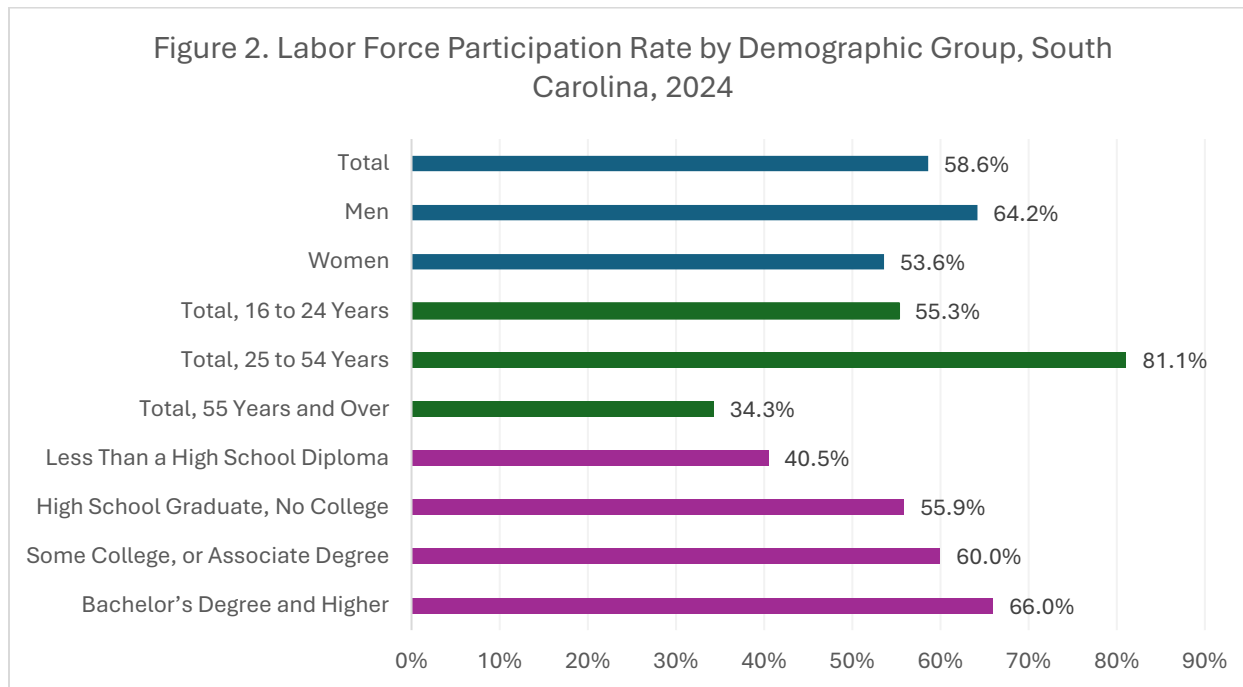


Another key labor force statistic is the labor force participation rate (LFPR), which is calculated by dividing the labor force by the civilian noninstitutional population, essentially measuring the percentage of the population that is working or seeking work.

In 2024, LFPR was 58.6 percent, up 0.7 points from the year before. At 81.1 percent, LFPR was highest among the 25-54 age group, also known as the prime-age labor force, as individuals within this age group are the least likely to be in school or retired and are most likely

to be working. Individuals aged 16 to 24 years old had a LFPR of 55.3 percent, and LFPR was 34.3 percent for people aged 55 or older. Labor force participation was higher among men than women—64.2 percent compared to 53.6 percent, respectively.

Better employment outcomes were also correlated with higher levels of educational attainment. Individuals with a bachelor's degree or higher had the highest LFPR at 66.0 percent. People with less than a high school diploma, in comparison, had a LFPR of just 40.5 percent. See Figure 2 for a breakdown of labor force participation across demographic groups.



People who had completed at least some college also had the lowest unemployment rate at 2.8 percent. People who had a high school degree but did not attend college had an unemployment rate of 3.6 percent. For individuals without a high school diploma (or its equivalent), the unemployment rate was 8.2 percent.

It is therefore promising that South Carolina's population is becoming more educated. In 2023 (the most recent year available), 90.2 percent of the population aged 25 and older had graduated high school, up from 88.3 percent in 2019. 32.9 percent of the same population had at least a bachelor's degree in 2023, the highest percentage of the last five years.

Labor market outcomes vary immensely based on a person's background and experience, which is important to remember when evaluating causes of unemployment and strategies for increasing labor force participation. Additionally, as technology evolves, demographics shift, and new businesses come to the state, the types of skills needed for success in the labor market will change, too. With this in mind, let's take a look at the top industries and occupations in South Carolina and identify the state's most in-demand jobs, skills, and certifications.

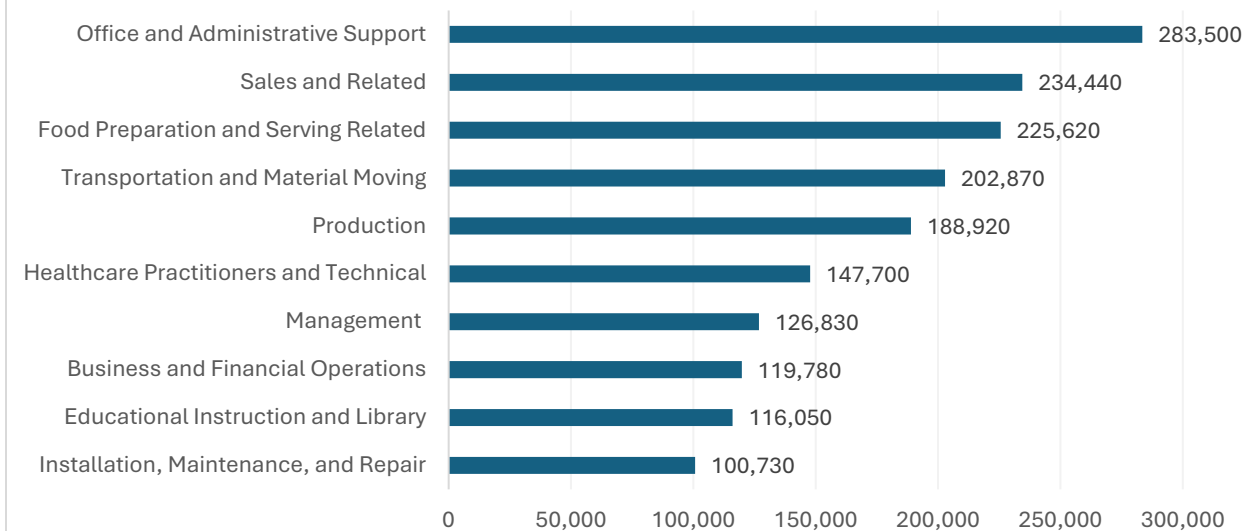
Industry and Occupation Breakdown

South Carolina's private industries brought in \$303 billion to the state's economy in 2024, up 6.9 percent from 2023 (in current dollars). The largest supersector by GDP was Finance, Insurance, Real Estate, Rental, and Leasing at \$71 billion, followed by Manufacturing at \$47 billion, and Professional and Business Services at \$39 billion.

The top sectors by employment were Healthcare and Social Assistance, employing 316,680 people; Retail Trade, which employed 268,383 people, and Manufacturing, which employed 263,824 people. All but five sectors recorded employment growth over the year. Employment grew fastest in Construction (5.0%); Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas extraction (5.0%); and Other Services (Except Public Administration) (4.9%).

Across all occupation groups, employment was highest in Office and Administrative Support Occupations (283,500), Sales and Related Occupations (234,440), and Food Preparation and Serving Related (225,620), as shown in Figure 3 below.

Figure 3. Top Ten Occupation Groups by Employment, South Carolina, 2024



Many of the most in-demand jobs in 2024 fell into these groups. Jobs related to healthcare and manufacturing were also high on the list. With 23,683 active job ads in 2024, Registered Nurses had the highest demand. First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers came second with 21,173 active job ads, followed by Retail Salespersons with 20,157 active job ads.

With such a large number of people working in customer facing occupations such as retail sales and food service, it is unsurprising that South Carolina had a surplus of individuals with skills such as hospitality, food service, and point of sale (POS) systems. Technical skills such as Microsoft Office, Microsoft Word, Salesforce, and Lean Six Sigma also had supply surpluses. The largest skill gaps were in mathematics, the ability to lift 51-100 pounds, manufacturing, and English.

Supply gaps in certifications point to a need for skilled medical workers. The three largest certification deficits were for Certified Nursing Assistants, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Certifications in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation. Emergency Medical Technicians also had a supply deficit. Some medical certifications, however, had supply surpluses, such as Basic Life Support, First Aid Certifications, and AED Essentials.

Other certifications with supply deficits include driver's licenses and Class A Commercial Driver's Licenses, Forklift Certifications, and Transportation Worker Identification Credentials. See Figure 4 for the ten largest deficits and surpluses across all occupations. Overall, these data provide vital insights into how the state can continue to improve and meet the needs of its workforce.

Figure 4. Certification Gaps for All Occupations

Supply Deficit		Supply Surplus	
-953	Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)	Basic Life Support (BLS)	517
-569	Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	Commercial Driver's License (CDL)	308
-337	Certification in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)	National Center for Construction Education & Research Certification (NCCER)	221
-310	Driver's License	ServSafe Food Protection Manager Certification	179
-295	Forklift Certified	First Aid Certification	140

-175	Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)	Secret Clearance	131
-155	Class A Commercial Driver's License (CDL-A)	AED Essentials	129
-146	Certified Public Accountant (CPA)	Associate in Commercial Underwriting (AU)	87
-130	Child Development Associate (CDA)	Patient Care Technician (PCT)	82
-118	Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)	Project Management Professional (PMP)	71

Conclusion

South Carolina's economy and workforce are incredibly diverse, and new developments are taking place all the time. This year's Annual Economic Report can provide a greater understanding of where the state stands on multiple economic indicators. Overall, South Carolina is making progress in the right direction. More and more people are joining the workforce or pursuing higher education, and businesses are growing. For those who want to learn more, the full report will soon be posted to the [LMI website](#).

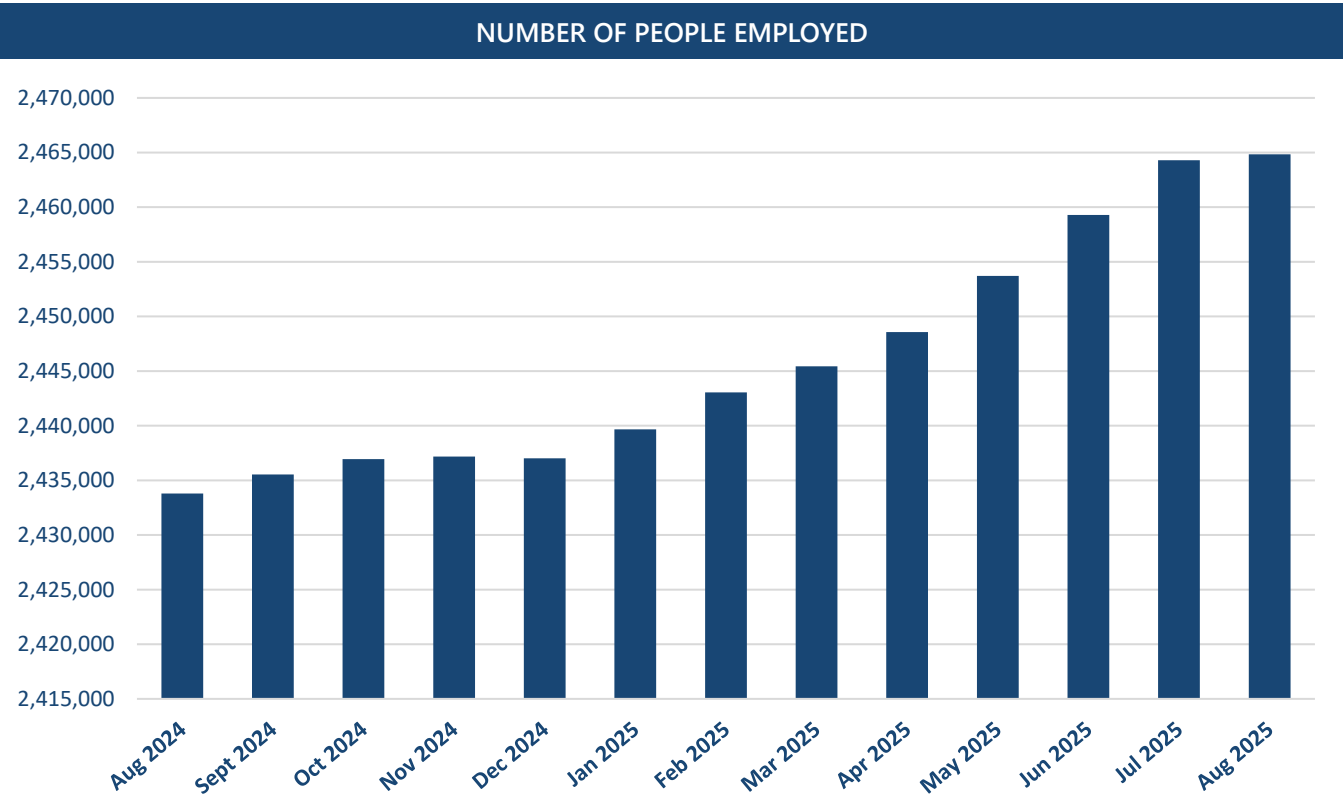
SOUTH CAROLINA’S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (AUGUST 2025)

Household Survey¹ (Local Area Unemployment Statistics)

Nationally, there is a monthly Current Population Survey of about 60,000 households conducted by the Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) to determine employment status of the civilian population. This information, along with other inputs, are used by DEW to operate the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program, which estimates the number of individuals employed and those not employed, but actively seeking employment statewide and for a variety of substate geographies.

EMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³):

- The seasonally adjusted number of South Carolina workers increased to 2,464,843.
- That is an increase of 545 people over the July 2025 estimate.
- That is an increase of 31,045 people over the August 2024 estimate.



SEASONALLY ADJUSTED: Seasonal adjustment removes the effects of events that follow a regular pattern each year (i.e. tourist-related hiring and school closings in the summer). These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other nonseasonal movements in data over time.

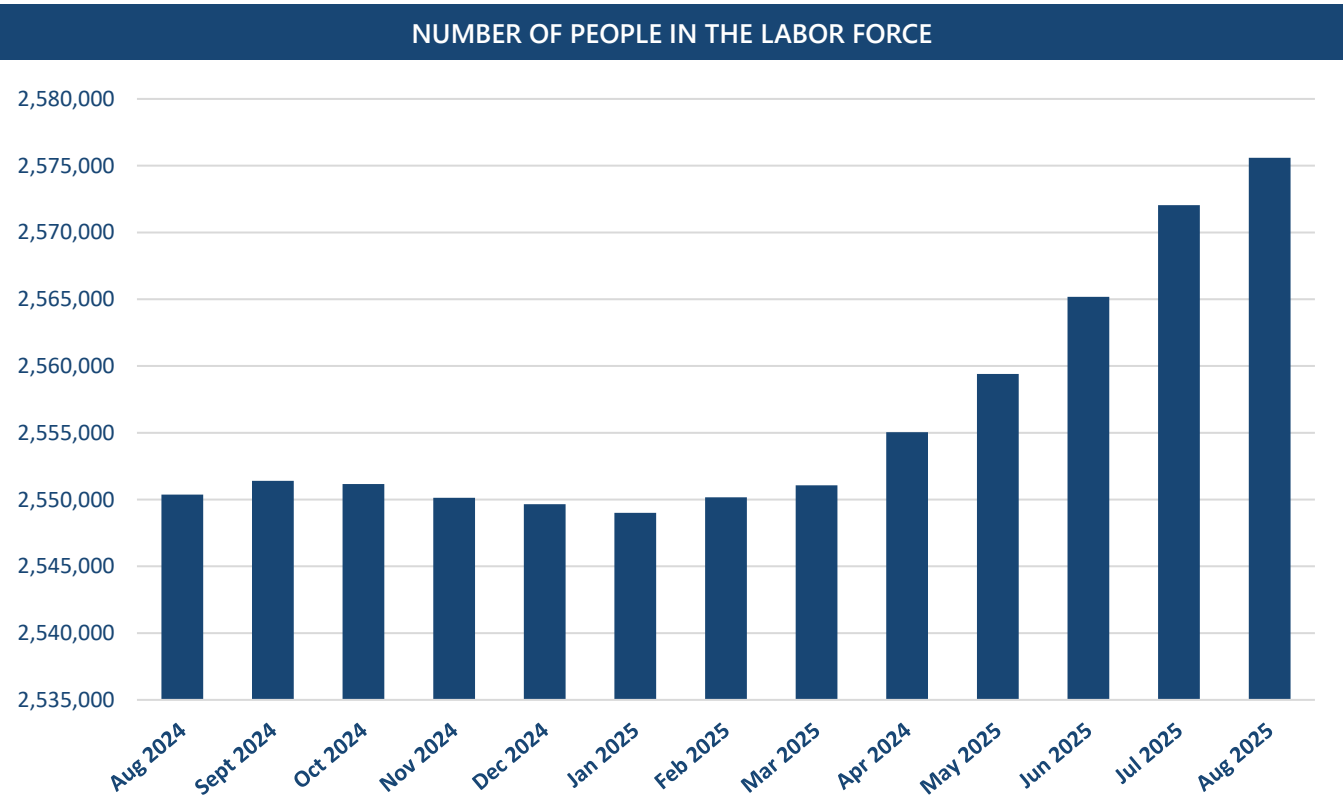
SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (CONT.)

UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³):

- The estimate of unemployed people increased to 110,750.
- That is an increase of 3,003 people from the July estimate and a decrease of 5,826 from the August 2024 estimate.
- The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased to 4.3 percent. The national unemployment rate increased to 4.3 percent, according to the Current Population survey.

LABOR FORCE:

- The state's estimated labor force (people working plus unemployed people looking for work) increased to 2,575,593 while the labor force participation rate increased to 57.6 percent.
- That is an increase of 3,548 people over the July 2025 estimate.
- That is an increase of 25,219 individuals over the August 2024 estimate.



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SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (CONT.)

Employer Survey² (Current Employment Statistics)

BLS conducts a monthly Current Employment Statistics survey of approximately 119,000 businesses and government agencies which yields national estimates of nonagricultural wage and salary employment, hours, and earnings by industry. These data are processed by DEW to generate comparable data for the state and its metropolitan statistical areas (MSA).

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (Seasonally Adjusted³):

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated decrease of 300 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,427,200.

JOBS BY INDUSTRY	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025				AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025			
				#CHANGE		%CHANGE		#CHANGE		%CHANGE	
Total Nonfarm Employment	2,427,200	2,427,500	2,355,200	-300	▼	0.0%	▼	72,000	▲	3.1%	▲
Construction	123,800	124,400	118,200	-600	▼	-0.5%	▼	5,600	▲	4.7%	▲
Manufacturing	263,700	263,600	263,800	100	▲	0.0%	▲	-100	▼	0.0%	▼
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	450,200	449,300	445,600	900	▲	0.2%	▲	4,600	▲	1.0%	▲
Information	30,000	30,400	28,500	-400	▼	-1.3%	▼	1,500	▲	5.3%	▲
Financial Activities	127,400	127,500	122,300	-100	▼	-0.1%	▼	5,100	▲	4.2%	▲
Professional and Business Services	329,600	332,100	313,100	-2,500	▼	-0.8%	▼	16,500	▲	5.3%	▲
Education and Health Services	315,700	316,400	301,900	-700	▼	-0.2%	▼	13,800	▲	4.6%	▲
Leisure and Hospitality	294,600	292,500	279,800	2,100	▲	0.7%	▲	14,800	▲	5.3%	▲
Other Services	94,000	93,400	90,500	600	▲	0.6%	▲	3,500	▲	3.9%	▲
Government	393,600	393,300	387,100	300	▲	0.1%	▲	6,500	▲	1.7%	▲

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SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (CONT.)

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (Seasonally Adjusted³):

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated decrease of 300 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,427,200.

				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025				AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025			
AREA	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE			#CHANGE	%CHANGE		
Statewide	2,427,200	2,427,500	2,355,200	-300	▼	0.0%	▼	72,000	▲	3.1%	▲
Charleston/North Charleston	437,000	437,300	423,300	-300	▼	-0.1%	▼	13,700	▲	3.2%	▲
Columbia	440,300	440,400	431,500	-100	▼	0.0%	▼	8,800	▲	2.0%	▲
Florence	99,500	98,800	95,800	700	▲	0.7%	▲	3,700	▲	3.9%	▲
Greenville/Anderson/Mauldin	479,100	480,600	471,900	-1,500	▼	-0.3%	▼	7,200	▲	1.5%	▲
Hilton Head-Bluffton-Beaufort	89,900	89,400	88,500	500	▲	0.6%	▲	1,400	▲	1.6%	▲
Myrtle Beach	162,200	161,800	152,600	400	▲	0.2%	▲	9,600	▲	6.3%	▲
Spartanburg	181,300	181,300	176,700	0	–	0.0%	–	4,600	▲	2.6%	▲
Sumter	39,100	38,900	37,500	200	▲	+0.5%	▲	1,600	▲	4.3%	▲

NOTE: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision

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LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY COUNTY



LAUS EMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE					
	TOTAL	PERCENT OF POPULATION	EMPLOYMENT		UNEMPLOYMENT	
			TOTAL	PERCENT OF POPULATION	TOTAL	RATE(%)
4,468,070	2,575,593	57.6%	2,464,843	55.2%	110,750	4.3%

NOTE: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. Population data are not seasonally adjusted.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY COUNTY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

AUGUST 2025						JULY 2025				AUGUST 2024			
AREA		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
				LEVEL	RATE(%)			LEVEL	RATE(%)			LEVEL	RATE(%)
Abbeville County	▼	10,359	9,802	557	5.4	10,280	9,718	562	5.5	10,540	9,990	550	5.2
Aiken County	▲	76,554	72,699	3,855	5.0	77,526	73,780	3,746	4.8	77,012	73,177	3,835	5.0
Allendale County	▲	2,624	2,441	183	7.0	2,693	2,523	170	6.3	2,701	2,504	197	7.3
Anderson County	▲	100,841	96,249	4,592	4.6	102,032	97,503	4,529	4.4	100,156	95,526	4,630	4.6
Bamberg County	-	5,335	4,982	353	6.6	5,358	5,004	354	6.6	5,446	5,054	392	7.2
Barnwell County	▲	7,965	7,452	513	6.4	8,077	7,588	489	6.1	8,671	8,146	525	6.1
Beaufort County	▲	85,637	81,599	4,038	4.7	86,729	82,888	3,841	4.4	85,916	81,964	3,952	4.6
Berkeley County	▲	131,038	125,216	5,822	4.4	133,519	127,860	5,659	4.2	128,762	123,055	5,707	4.4
Calhoun County	▲	6,698	6,348	350	5.2	6,786	6,460	326	4.8	6,639	6,270	369	5.6
Charleston County	▲	236,646	227,090	9,556	4.0	241,025	232,012	9,013	3.7	232,998	223,441	9,557	4.1
Cherokee County	▼	23,157	21,693	1,464	6.3	22,956	21,349	1,607	7.0	23,157	21,575	1,582	6.8
Chester County	▲	14,669	13,765	904	6.2	14,883	14,005	878	5.9	14,567	13,662	905	6.2
Chesterfield County	▲	18,624	17,571	1,053	5.7	19,074	18,047	1,027	5.4	18,979	17,916	1,063	5.6
Clarendon County	▲	11,820	10,993	827	7.0	11,654	10,890	764	6.6	11,826	11,029	797	6.7
Colleton County	-	15,831	14,903	928	5.9	16,218	15,267	951	5.9	16,053	15,152	901	5.6
Darlington County	▲	29,058	27,434	1,624	5.6	29,283	27,663	1,620	5.5	28,387	26,787	1,600	5.6
Dillon County	-	12,369	11,581	788	6.4	12,392	11,594	798	6.4	12,513	11,625	888	7.1
Dorchester County	▲	87,702	83,910	3,792	4.3	89,342	85,630	3,712	4.2	86,286	82,482	3,804	4.4
Edgefield County	-	11,714	11,167	547	4.7	12,022	11,458	564	4.7	11,837	11,277	560	4.7
Fairfield County	▲	10,008	9,422	586	5.9	10,050	9,501	549	5.5	9,873	9,281	592	6.0
Florence County	-	65,823	62,396	3,427	5.2	66,311	62,884	3,427	5.2	64,304	60,950	3,354	5.2
Georgetown County	▲	28,074	26,416	1,658	5.9	28,719	27,147	1,572	5.5	28,668	27,105	1,563	5.5
Greenville County	▲	287,441	274,884	12,557	4.4	290,537	278,419	12,118	4.2	285,516	272,914	12,602	4.4
Greenwood County	▼	28,603	26,882	1,721	6.0	28,052	26,322	1,730	6.2	28,925	27,175	1,750	6.1
Hampton County	▲	7,858	7,460	398	5.1	7,932	7,543	389	4.9	8,045	7,663	382	4.7
Horry County	▲	181,227	171,686	9,541	5.3	185,465	176,358	9,107	4.9	174,559	165,257	9,302	5.3
Jasper County	-	14,388	13,646	742	5.2	14,627	13,949	678	4.6	14,433	13,723	710	4.9
Kershaw County	▲	32,784	31,165	1,619	4.9	33,261	31,683	1,578	4.7	32,416	30,822	1,594	4.9
Lancaster County	▲	50,689	48,008	2,681	5.3	50,917	48,469	2,448	4.8	50,047	47,525	2,522	5.0
Laurens County	▲	31,395	29,744	1,651	5.3	31,776	30,177	1,599	5.0	31,181	29,539	1,642	5.3
Lee County	-	5,913	5,553	360	6.1	6,000	5,643	357	6.0	5,990	5,542	448	7.5
Lexington County	▲	157,452	150,789	6,663	4.2	158,921	152,503	6,418	4.0	155,548	148,824	6,724	4.3
Marion County	▼	12,032	11,222	810	6.7	12,176	11,343	833	6.8	11,971	11,147	824	6.9
Marlboro County	▲	8,235	7,547	688	8.4	8,234	7,605	629	7.6	8,237	7,546	691	8.4
McCormick County	▲	3,298	3,101	197	6.0	3,302	3,133	169	5.1	3,491	3,275	216	6.2
Newberry County	-	18,291	17,409	882	4.8	18,587	17,689	898	4.8	18,569	17,639	930	5.0
Oconee County	▲	36,258	34,515	1,743	4.8	36,418	34,708	1,710	4.7	36,315	34,601	1,714	4.7
Orangeburg County	▼	34,411	31,999	2,412	7.0	34,738	32,268	2,470	7.1	35,786	33,210	2,576	7.2
Pickens County	▼	65,451	62,413	3,038	4.6	66,578	63,232	3,346	5.0	65,023	61,953	3,070	4.7
Richland County	-	211,761	201,255	10,506	5.0	214,094	203,390	10,704	5.0	209,103	198,456	10,647	5.1
Saluda County	▲	8,963	8,591	372	4.2	9,346	8,961	385	4.1	8,978	8,588	390	4.3
Spartanburg County	-	169,040	160,724	8,316	4.9	171,151	162,817	8,334	4.9	167,107	158,839	8,268	4.9
Sumter County	▲	42,723	40,202	2,521	5.9	43,314	40,880	2,434	5.6	41,842	39,246	2,596	6.2
Union County	▲	11,038	10,347	691	6.3	11,150	10,513	637	5.7	10,985	10,228	757	6.9
Williamsburg County	▲	10,705	9,771	934	8.7	10,883	9,942	941	8.6	10,449	9,635	814	7.8
York County	▲	157,582	149,901	7,681	4.9	158,942	151,379	7,563	4.8	155,810	148,405	7,405	4.8

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Substate estimates are not seasonally adjusted and may diverge from state-level figures.

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**LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MSA
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

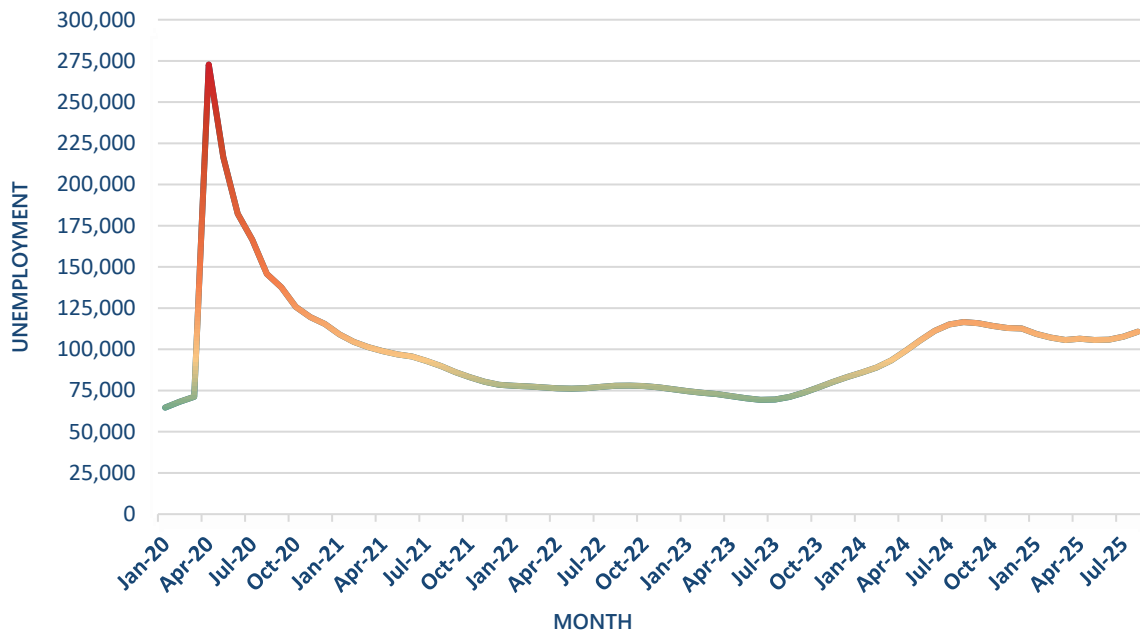
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METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
				LEVEL	RATE(%)			LEVEL	RATE(%)			LEVEL	RATE(%)
Charleston-North Charleston	▲	455,386	436,216	19,170	4.2	463,886	445,502	18,384	4.0	448,046	428,978	19,068	4.3
Columbia	▲	427,666	407,570	20,096	4.7	432,458	412,498	19,960	4.6	422,557	402,241	20,316	4.8
Florence	-	94,881	89,830	5,051	5.3	95,594	90,547	5,047	5.3	92,691	87,737	4,954	5.3
Greenville - Anderson-Mauldin	▲	485,128	463,290	21,838	4.5	490,923	469,331	21,592	4.4	481,876	459,932	21,944	4.6
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	▲	100,025	95,245	4,780	4.8	101,356	96,837	4,519	4.5	100,349	95,687	4,662	4.6
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	▲	181,227	171,686	9,541	5.3	185,465	176,358	9,107	4.9	174,559	165,257	9,302	5.3
Spartanburg	▲	180,078	171,071	9,007	5.0	182,301	173,330	8,971	4.9	178,092	169,067	9,025	5.1
Sumter	▲	42,723	40,202	2,521	5.9	43,314	40,880	2,434	5.6	41,842	39,246	2,596	6.2
Augusta-Richmond County, GA (S.C. portion)	▲	88,268	83,866	4,402	5.0	89,548	85,238	4,310	4.8	88,849	84,454	4,395	4.9
Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC (S.C. portion)	▲	222,940	211,674	11,266	5.1	224,742	213,853	10,889	4.8	220,424	209,592	10,832	4.9

**LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MUNICIPALITY
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

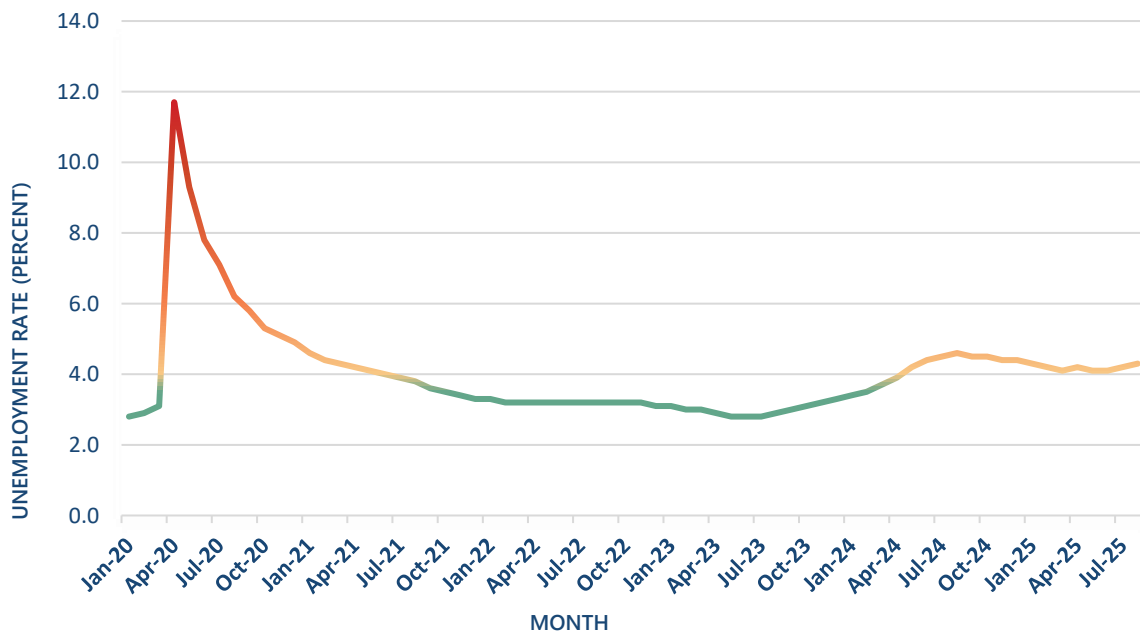
AUGUST 2025						JULY 2025				AUGUST 2024			
CITIES AND TOWNS ABOVE 25,000 POPULATION		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
				LEVEL	RATE(%)			LEVEL	RATE(%)			LEVEL	RATE(%)
Aiken	▲	13,731	12,962	769	5.6	13,897	13,155	742	5.3	13,816	13,047	769	5.6
Anderson	▼	14,171	13,497	674	4.8	14,379	13,672	707	4.9	14,078	13,395	683	4.9
Bluffton	▲	16,893	16,229	664	3.9	17,071	16,485	586	3.4	16,946	16,301	645	3.8
Charleston	▲	91,300	87,697	3,603	3.9	93,032	89,593	3,439	3.7	89,908	86,277	3,631	4.0
Columbia	▼	70,118	66,545	3,573	5.1	71,310	67,251	4,059	5.7	69,318	65,619	3,699	5.3
Conway	▼	11,752	10,915	837	7.1	12,264	11,212	1,052	8.6	11,296	10,506	790	7.0
Easley	▲	13,301	12,723	578	4.3	13,451	12,890	561	4.2	13,209	12,629	580	4.4
Florence	▼	19,806	18,759	1,047	5.3	19,994	18,906	1,088	5.4	19,313	18,325	988	5.1
Fort Mill	▲	17,463	16,701	762	4.4	17,591	16,865	726	4.1	17,255	16,534	721	4.2
Goose Creek	▼	25,500	24,370	1,130	4.4	26,072	24,885	1,187	4.6	25,035	23,949	1,086	4.3
Greenville	▲	42,201	40,388	1,813	4.3	42,636	40,908	1,728	4.1	41,936	40,099	1,837	4.4
Greer	▲	23,467	22,503	964	4.1	23,720	22,793	927	3.9	23,240	22,317	923	4.0
Hilton Head Island	▲	16,448	15,718	730	4.4	16,586	15,966	620	3.7	16,522	15,788	734	4.4
Hanahan	▲	11,832	11,398	434	3.7	12,024	11,638	386	3.2	11,674	11,201	473	4.1
Mauldin	▲	15,675	14,995	680	4.3	15,797	15,188	609	3.9	15,555	14,888	667	4.3
Mount Pleasant	▲	52,931	51,003	1,928	3.6	53,826	52,108	1,718	3.2	52,115	50,183	1,932	3.7
Myrtle Beach	▲	19,949	19,031	918	4.6	20,426	19,549	877	4.3	19,256	18,318	938	4.9
North Augusta	▲	12,664	12,125	539	4.3	12,803	12,307	496	3.9	12,706	12,205	501	3.9
North Charleston	▲	65,775	62,895	2,880	4.4	67,044	64,239	2,805	4.2	64,711	61,869	2,842	4.4
Rock Hill	▼	41,064	38,853	2,211	5.4	41,641	39,237	2,404	5.8	40,694	38,466	2,228	5.5
Simpsonville	▲	14,824	14,179	645	4.4	14,968	14,361	607	4.1	14,759	14,077	682	4.6
Spartanburg	▼	17,480	16,434	1,046	6.0	17,746	16,648	1,098	6.2	17,339	16,241	1,098	6.3
Summerville	▲	28,407	27,257	1,150	4.0	28,927	27,819	1,108	3.8	27,930	26,793	1,137	4.1
Sumter	▲	16,577	15,568	1,009	6.1	16,838	15,831	1,007	6.0	16,249	15,198	1,051	6.5

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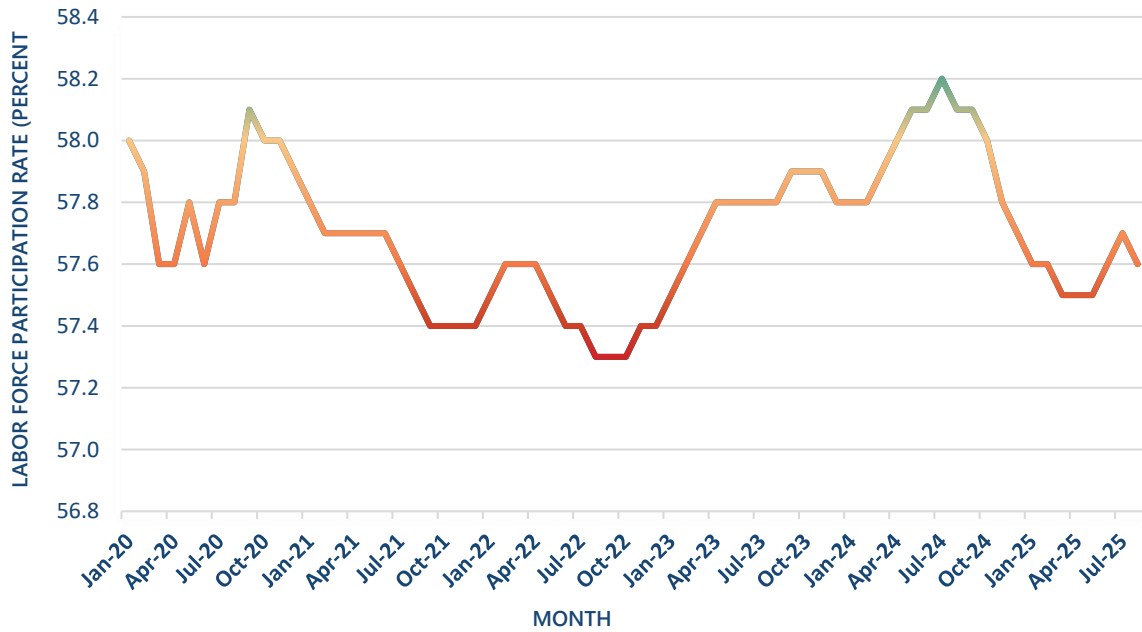
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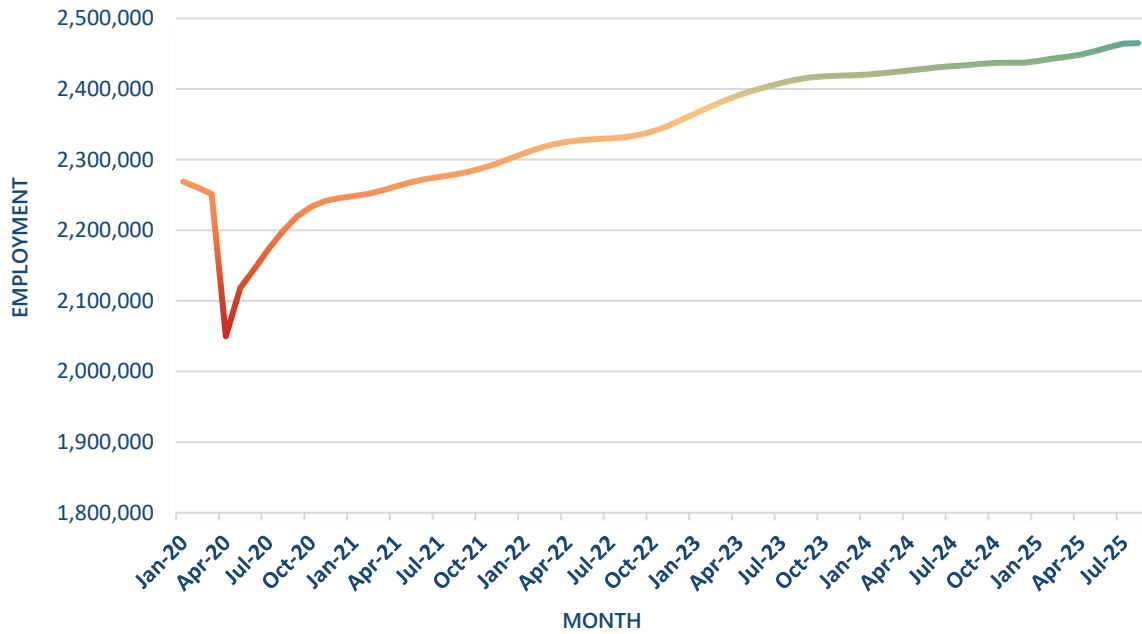
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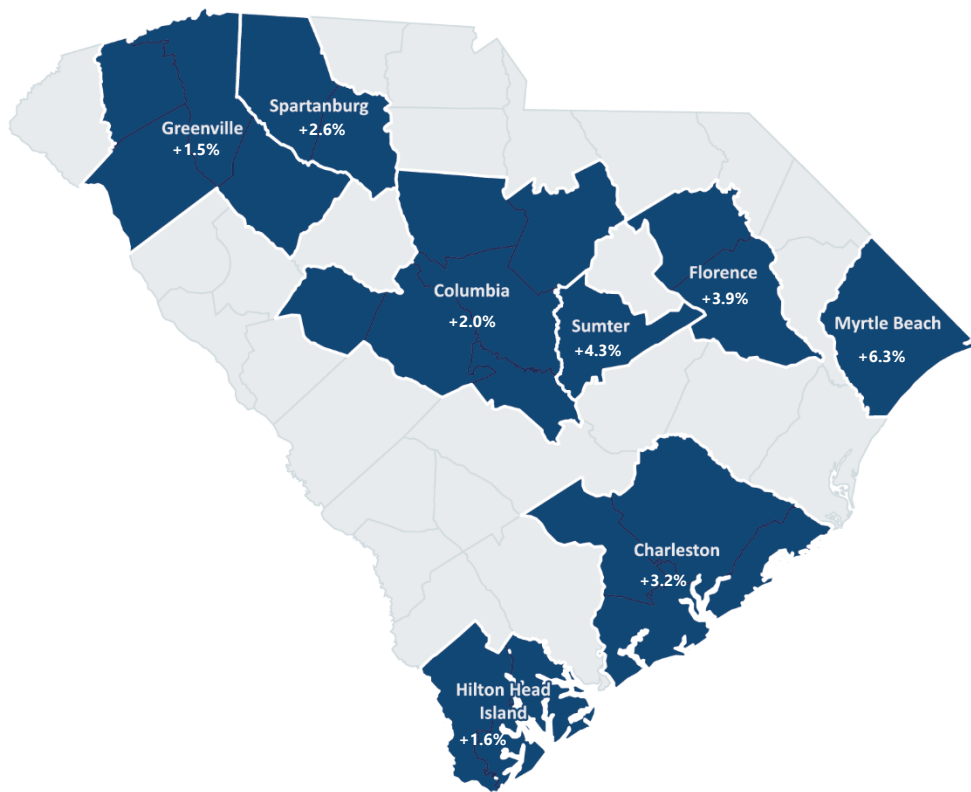


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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED — YEAR-OVER-YEAR CHANGE



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA SEASONALLY ADJUSTED AUGUST 2025								
AREA	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025		
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	
Statewide	2,427,200	2,427,500	2,355,200	-300	0.0%	72,000	3.1%	
Charleston-North Charleston	437,000	437,300	423,300	-300	-0.1%	13,700	3.2%	
Columbia	440,300	440,400	431,500	-100	0.0%	8,800	2.0%	
Florence	99,500	98,800	95,800	700	0.7%	3,700	3.9%	
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	479,100	480,600	471,900	-1,500	-0.3%	7,200	1.5%	
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	89,900	89,400	88,500	500	0.6%	1,400	1.6%	
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	162,200	161,800	152,600	400	0.2%	9,600	6.3%	
Spartanburg	181,300	181,300	176,700	0	0.0%	4,600	2.6%	
Sumter	39,100	38,900	37,500	+200	+0.5%	1,600	4.3%	

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (IN THOUSANDS)

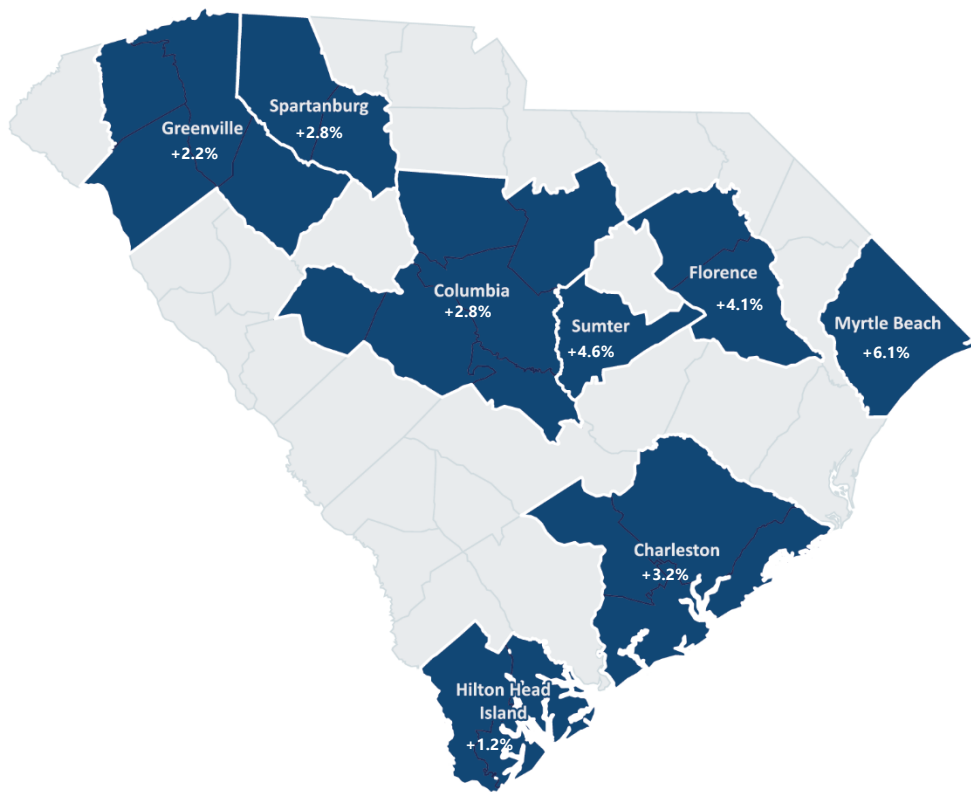
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				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,427.2	2,427.5	2355.2	-0.3	0.0%	72.0	3.1%
Total Private	2,033.6	2,034.2	1968.1	-0.6	0.0%	65.5	3.3%
Goods Producing	392.1	392.6	386.4	-0.5	-0.1%	5.7	1.5%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	128.4	129.0	122.6	-0.6	-0.5%	5.8	4.7%
Mining and Logging	4.6	4.6	4.4	0.0	0.0%	0.2	4.5%
Construction	123.8	124.4	118.2	-0.6	-0.5%	5.6	4.7%
Manufacturing	263.7	263.6	263.8	0.1	0.0%	-0.1	0.0%
Durable Goods	161.0	161.0	161.2	0.0	0.0%	-0.2	-0.1%
Non-Durable Goods	102.7	102.6	102.6	0.1	0.1%	0.1	0.1%
Service-Providing	2,035.1	2,034.9	1968.8	0.2	0.0%	66.3	3.4%
Private Service Providing	1,641.5	1,641.6	1581.7	-0.1	0.0%	59.8	3.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	450.2	449.3	445.6	0.9	0.2%	4.6	1.0%
Wholesale Trade	84.5	84.2	83.8	0.3	0.4%	0.7	0.8%
Retail Trade	269.5	269.1	268.4	0.4	0.1%	1.1	0.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	96.2	96.0	93.4	0.2	0.2%	2.8	3.0%
Information	30.0	30.4	28.5	-0.4	-1.3%	1.5	5.3%
Financial Activities	127.4	127.5	122.3	-0.1	-0.1%	5.1	4.2%
Finance and Insurance	89.6	89.8	86.9	-0.2	-0.2%	2.7	3.1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	37.8	37.7	35.4	0.1	0.3%	2.4	6.8%
Professional and Business Services	329.6	332.1	313.1	-2.5	-0.8%	16.5	5.3%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	143.9	144.7	134.8	-0.8	-0.6%	9.1	6.8%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25.5	25.5	23.9	0.0	0.0%	1.6	6.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	160.2	161.9	154.4	-1.7	-1.1%	5.8	3.8%
Education and Health Services	315.7	316.4	301.9	-0.7	-0.2%	13.8	4.6%
Educational Services	55.1	54.5	52.7	0.6	1.1%	2.4	4.6%
Health Care Services	260.6	261.9	249.2	-1.3	-0.5%	11.4	4.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	294.6	292.5	279.8	2.1	0.7%	14.8	5.3%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	40.8	40.5	36.4	0.3	0.7%	4.4	12.1%
Accommodation and Food Services	253.8	252.0	243.4	1.8	0.7%	10.4	4.3%
Other Services	94.0	93.4	90.5	0.6	0.6%	3.5	3.9%
Government	393.6	393.3	387.1	0.3	0.1%	6.5	1.7%
Federal Government	37.8	38.1	38.1	-0.3	-0.8%	-0.3	-0.8%
State Government	117.4	117.2	114.1	0.2	0.2%	3.3	2.9%
Local Government	238.4	238.0	234.9	0.4	0.2%	3.5	1.5%

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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED — YEAR-OVER-YEAR CHANGE



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
AUGUST 2025

AREA	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Statewide	2,429,400	2,434,300	2,353,300	-4,900	-0.2%	+76,100	+3.2%
Charleston-North Charleston	437,200	440,600	423,700	-3,400	-0.8%	+13,500	+3.2%
Columbia	440,500	439,200	428,500	+1,300	+0.3%	+12,000	+2.8%
Florence	99,400	98,600	95,500	+800	+0.8%	+3,900	+4.1%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	479,400	479,000	469,100	+400	+0.1%	+10,300	+2.2%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	91,100	90,900	90,000	+200	+0.2%	+1,100	+1.2%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	166,400	168,500	156,900	-2,100	-1.2%	+9,500	+6.1%
Spartanburg	180,300	180,100	175,400	+200	+0.1%	+4,900	+2.8%
Sumter	39,000	38,900	37,300	+100	+0.3%	+1,700	+4.6%

NOTE: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
AUGUST 2025

				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,429,400	2,434,300	2,353,300	-4,900	-0.2%	+76,100	+3.2%
Total Private	2,044,600	2,054,000	1,974,200	-9,400	-0.5%	+70,400	+3.6%
Goods Producing	392,000	395,300	387,300	-3,300	-0.8%	+4,700	+1.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	128,700	129,900	123,400	-1,200	-0.9%	+5,300	+4.3%
Mining and Logging	4,600	4,600	4,400	0	0.0%	+200	+4.5%
Construction	124,100	125,300	119,000	-1,200	-1.0%	+5,100	+4.3%
Construction of Buildings	31,200	31,600	29,400	-400	-1.3%	+1,800	+6.1%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	19,300	19,600	18,100	-300	-1.5%	+1,200	+6.6%
Specialty Trade Contractors	73,600	74,100	71,500	-500	-0.7%	+2,100	+2.9%
Manufacturing	263,300	265,400	263,900	-2,100	-0.8%	-600	-0.2%
Durable Goods	160,600	162,500	161,500	-1,900	-1.2%	-900	-0.6%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	24,400	24,600	24,200	-200	-0.8%	+200	+0.8%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	53,200	53,800	53,500	-600	-1.1%	-300	-0.6%
Non-Durable Goods	102,700	102,900	102,400	-200	-0.2%	+300	+0.3%
Textile Mills	11,100	11,100	11,200	0	0.0%	-100	-0.9%
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	26,500	26,400	26,900	+100	+0.4%	-400	-1.5%
Service-Providing	2,037,400	2,039,000	1,966,000	-1,600	-0.1%	+71,400	+3.6%
Private Service Providing	1,652,600	1,658,700	1,586,900	-6,100	-0.4%	+65,700	+4.1%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	449,200	450,300	442,900	-1,100	-0.2%	+6,300	+1.4%
Wholesale Trade	84,600	84,700	83,600	-100	-0.1%	+1,000	+1.2%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	45,400	45,600	45,300	-200	-0.4%	+100	+0.2%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	24,000	24,200	23,300	-200	-0.8%	+700	+3.0%
Retail Trade	269,100	270,300	267,200	-1,200	-0.4%	+1,900	+0.7%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	34,600	34,600	34,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Food and Beverage Stores	56,200	56,500	54,700	-300	-0.5%	+1,500	+2.7%
Health and Personal Care Stores	16,200	16,200	16,300	0	0.0%	-100	-0.6%
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	18,100	17,900	17,800	+200	+1.1%	+300	+1.7%
General Merchandise Stores	64,100	64,200	62,700	-100	-0.2%	+1,400	+2.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	95,500	95,300	92,100	+200	+0.2%	+3,400	+3.7%
Utilities	11,100	11,100	11,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation and Warehousing	84,400	84,200	81,000	+200	+0.2%	+3,400	+4.2%
Information	30,200	30,800	28,600	-600	-1.9%	+1,600	+5.6%
Financial Activities	128,200	129,100	123,100	-900	-0.7%	+5,100	+4.1%
Finance and Insurance	89,900	90,000	86,900	-100	-0.1%	+3,000	+3.5%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities	37,100	37,200	37,100	-100	-0.3%	0	0.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	38,300	39,100	36,200	-800	-2.0%	+2,100	+5.8%
Professional and Business Services	330,200	330,900	313,400	-700	-0.2%	+16,800	+5.4%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	144,900	145,300	134,100	-400	-0.3%	+10,800	+8.1%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	26,400	26,600	25,200	-200	-0.8%	+1,200	+4.8%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25,600	25,700	24,000	-100	-0.4%	+1,600	+6.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	159,700	159,900	155,300	-200	-0.1%	+4,400	+2.8%
Administrative and Support Services	147,100	147,200	142,000	-100	-0.1%	+5,100	+3.6%
Employment Services	62,800	61,300	60,400	+1,500	+2.4%	+2,400	+4.0%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	38,400	39,200	37,400	-800	-2.0%	+1,000	+2.7%
Education and Health Services	314,000	313,200	299,700	+800	+0.3%	+14,300	+4.8%
Educational Services	51,900	49,700	50,600	+2,200	+4.4%	+1,300	+2.6%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR CONT.
NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED
AUGUST 2025**

	<i>AUGUST 2025</i>	<i>JULY 2025</i>	<i>AUGUST 2024</i>	<i>JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025</i>		<i>AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025</i>	
				<i>#CHANGE</i>	<i>%CHANGE</i>	<i>#CHANGE</i>	<i>%CHANGE</i>
Health Care and Social Assistance	262,100	263,500	249,100	-1,400	-0.5%	+13,000	+5.2%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	120,200	120,500	115,600	-300	-0.2%	+4,600	+4.0%
Hospitals	46,800	46,900	45,100	-100	-0.2%	+1,700	+3.8%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	46,200	46,100	43,700	+100	+0.2%	+2,500	+5.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	306,600	310,100	288,600	-3,500	-1.1%	+18,000	+6.2%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	43,500	44,200	39,000	-700	-1.6%	+4,500	+11.5%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	34,800	35,200	31,000	-400	-1.1%	+3,800	+12.3%
Accommodation and Food Services	263,100	265,900	249,600	-2,800	-1.1%	+13,500	+5.4%
Accommodation	35,500	36,100	33,600	-600	-1.7%	+1,900	+5.7%
Food Services and Drinking Places	227,600	229,800	216,000	-2,200	-1.0%	+11,600	+5.4%
Other Services	94,200	94,300	90,600	-100	-0.1%	+3,600	+4.0%
Repair and Maintenance	27,300	27,100	25,600	+200	+0.7%	+1,700	+6.6%
Personal and Laundry Services	23,300	23,200	22,200	+100	+0.4%	+1,100	+5.0%
Government	384,800	380,300	379,100	+4,500	+1.2%	+5,700	+1.5%
Federal Government	37,700	38,200	38,200	-500	-1.3%	-500	-1.3%
State Government	112,400	112,100	109,800	+300	+0.3%	+2,600	+2.4%
State Government Educational Services	48,800	48,800	48,100	0	0.0%	+700	+1.5%
State Government Excluding Education	63,600	63,300	61,700	+300	+0.5%	+1,900	+3.1%
Local Government	234,700	230,000	231,100	+4,700	+2.0%	+3,600	+1.6%
Local Government Educational Services	108,200	102,700	106,700	+5,500	+5.4%	+1,500	+1.4%
Local Government Excluding Educational Services	126,500	127,300	124,400	-800	-0.6%	+2,100	+1.7%

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TOTAL PRIVATE NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY MSA

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

AREA	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$1,168.87	\$1,154.90	\$1,124.15	+\$13.97	+1.2%	+\$44.72	+4.0%
Columbia	\$1,017.40	\$1,022.11	\$1,016.89	-\$4.71	-0.5%	+\$0.51	+0.1%
Florence	\$806.98	\$773.19	\$715.20	+\$33.79	+4.4%	+\$91.78	+12.8%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$1,192.43	\$1,158.49	\$1,136.22	+\$33.94	+2.9%	+\$56.21	+4.9%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$914.70	\$900.59	\$768.45	+\$14.11	+1.6%	+\$146.25	+19.0%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$818.56	\$817.70	\$847.15	+\$0.86	+0.1%	-\$28.59	-3.4%
Spartanburg	\$1,067.76	\$1,091.98	\$1,015.05	-\$24.22	-2.2%	+\$52.71	+5.2%
Sumter	\$933.21	\$945.10	\$974.79	-\$11.89	-1.3%	-\$41.58	-4.3%

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AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

AREA	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	33.9	33.7	33.2	+0.2	+0.6%	+0.7	+2.1%
Columbia	33.7	33.8	34.6	-0.1	-0.3%	-0.9	-2.6%
Florence	33.1	33.0	31.9	+0.1	+0.3%	+1.2	+3.8%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	35.3	34.8	34.8	+0.5	+1.4%	+0.5	+1.4%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	30.5	30.8	30.1	-0.3	-1.0%	+0.4	+1.3%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	32.0	32.5	31.8	-0.5	-1.5%	+0.2	+0.6%
Spartanburg	34.6	35.5	33.5	-0.9	-2.5%	+1.1	+3.3%
Sumter	31.4	32.5	33.8	-1.1	-3.4%	-2.4	-7.1%

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AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

AREA	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$34.48	\$34.27	\$33.86	+\$0.21	+0.6%	+\$0.62	+1.8%
Columbia	\$30.19	\$30.24	\$29.39	-\$0.05	-0.2%	+\$0.80	+2.7%
Florence	\$24.38	\$23.43	\$22.42	+\$0.95	+4.1%	+\$1.96	+8.7%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$33.78	\$33.29	\$32.65	+\$0.49	+1.5%	+\$1.13	+3.5%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$29.99	\$29.24	\$25.53	+\$0.75	+2.6%	+\$4.46	+17.5%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$25.58	\$25.16	\$26.64	+\$0.42	+1.7%	-\$1.06	-4.0%
Spartanburg	\$30.86	\$30.76	\$30.30	+\$0.10	+0.3%	+\$0.56	+1.8%
Sumter	\$29.72	\$29.08	\$28.84	+\$0.64	+2.2%	+\$0.88	+3.1%

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NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY INDUSTRY

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Private	\$1,084.47	\$1,079.23	\$1,032.57	+\$5.24	+0.5%	+\$51.90	+5.0%
Goods Producing	\$1,395.46	\$1,406.47	\$1,360.40	-\$11.01	-0.8%	+\$35.06	+2.6%
Construction	\$1,343.75	\$1,392.74	\$1,373.61	-\$48.99	-3.5%	-\$29.86	-2.2%
Manufacturing	\$1,406.08	\$1,414.24	\$1,352.21	-\$8.16	-0.6%	+\$53.87	+4.0%
Private Service Providing	\$1,011.64	\$999.81	\$953.76	+\$11.83	+1.2%	+\$57.88	+6.1%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$986.15	\$965.84	\$890.01	+\$20.31	+2.1%	+\$96.14	+10.8%
Financial Activities	\$1,338.04	\$1,288.30	\$1,253.25	+\$49.74	+3.9%	+\$84.79	+6.8%
Professional and Business Services	\$1,435.19	\$1,408.48	\$1,288.85	+\$26.71	+1.9%	+\$146.34	+11.4%
Education and Health Services	\$984.47	\$988.28	\$1,032.65	-\$3.81	-0.4%	-\$48.18	-4.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$496.64	\$499.97	\$471.41	-\$3.33	-0.7%	+\$25.23	+5.4%
Other Services	\$945.43	\$927.04	\$963.15	+\$18.39	+2.0%	-\$17.72	-1.8%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Private	33.7	33.8	33.7	-0.1	-0.3%	0.0	0.0%
Goods Producing	39.7	40.3	40.0	-0.6	-1.5%	-0.3	-0.7%
Construction	40.1	41.5	42.2	-1.4	-3.4%	-2.1	-5.0%
Manufacturing	39.9	40.2	39.9	-0.3	-0.7%	0.0	0.0%
Private Service Providing	32.3	32.2	32.2	+0.1	+0.3%	+0.1	+0.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33.9	33.7	33.0	+0.2	+0.6%	+0.9	+2.7%
Financial Activities	35.7	35.5	36.4	+0.2	+0.6%	-0.7	-1.9%
Professional and Business Services	37.6	37.4	37.1	+0.2	+0.5%	+0.5	+1.3%
Education and Health Services	30.9	31.0	32.2	-0.1	-0.3%	-1.3	-4.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	25.3	25.6	24.4	-0.3	-1.2%	+0.9	+3.7%
Other Services	32.5	32.2	33.7	+0.3	+0.9%	-1.2	-3.6%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Private	\$32.18	\$31.93	\$30.64	+\$0.25	+0.8%	+\$1.54	+5.0%
Goods Producing	\$35.15	\$34.90	\$34.01	+\$0.25	+0.7%	+\$1.14	+3.4%
Construction	\$33.51	\$33.56	\$32.55	-\$0.05	-0.1%	+\$0.96	+2.9%
Manufacturing	\$35.24	\$35.18	\$33.89	+\$0.06	+0.2%	+\$1.35	+4.0%
Private Service Providing	\$31.32	\$31.05	\$29.62	+\$0.27	+0.9%	+\$1.70	+5.7%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$29.09	\$28.66	\$26.97	+\$0.43	+1.5%	+\$2.12	+7.9%
Financial Activities	\$37.48	\$36.29	\$34.43	+\$1.19	+3.3%	+\$3.05	+8.9%
Professional and Business Services	\$38.17	\$37.66	\$34.74	+\$0.51	+1.4%	+\$3.43	+9.9%
Education and Health Services	\$31.86	\$31.88	\$32.07	-\$0.02	-0.1%	-\$0.21	-0.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$19.63	\$19.53	\$19.32	+\$0.10	+0.5%	+\$0.31	+1.6%
Other Services	\$29.09	\$28.79	\$28.58	+\$0.30	+1.0%	+\$0.51	+1.8%

**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
CHARLESTON-NORTH CHARLESTON MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	437,200	440,600	423,700	-3,400	-0.8%	+13,500	+3.2%
Total Private	365,400	368,900	353,700	-3,500	-0.9%	+11,700	+3.3%
Goods Producing	60,100	60,500	59,300	-400	-0.7%	+800	+1.3%
Service-Providing	377,100	380,100	364,400	-3,000	-0.8%	+12,700	+3.5%
Private Service Providing	305,300	308,400	294,400	-3,100	-1.0%	+10,900	+3.7%
Mining, Logging and Construction	25,400	25,600	24,100	-200	-0.8%	+1,300	+5.4%
Manufacturing	34,700	34,900	35,200	-200	-0.6%	-500	-1.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	77,600	78,100	76,500	-500	-0.6%	+1,100	+1.4%
Wholesale Trade	13,000	13,100	12,900	-100	-0.8%	+100	+0.8%
Retail Trade	45,400	45,900	44,800	-500	-1.1%	+600	+1.3%
General Merchandise Stores	8,500	8,500	8,300	0	0.0%	+200	+2.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	19,200	19,100	18,800	+100	+0.5%	+400	+2.1%
Information	8,200	8,300	7,900	-100	-1.2%	+300	+3.8%
Financial Activities	23,400	23,500	21,100	-100	-0.4%	+2,300	+10.9%
Professional and Business Services	70,200	71,000	67,500	-800	-1.1%	+2,700	+4.0%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	29,500	30,300	27,800	-800	-2.6%	+1,700	+6.1%
Education and Health Services	50,500	51,100	49,200	-600	-1.2%	+1,300	+2.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	58,400	59,400	55,900	-1,000	-1.7%	+2,500	+4.5%
Accommodation and Food Services	50,700	51,600	48,400	-900	-1.7%	+2,300	+4.8%
Food Services and Drinking Places	41,900	42,500	39,900	-600	-1.4%	+2,000	+5.0%
Other Services	17,000	17,000	16,300	0	0.0%	+700	+4.3%
Government	71,800	71,700	70,000	+100	+0.1%	+1,800	+2.6%
Federal Government	12,200	12,300	12,300	-100	-0.8%	-100	-0.8%
State Government	29,200	29,100	27,200	+100	+0.3%	+2,000	+7.4%
Local Government	30,400	30,300	30,500	+100	+0.3%	-100	-0.3%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
COLUMBIA MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	440,500	439,200	428,500	+ 1,300	+0.3%	+ 12,000	+2.8%
Total Private	357,000	357,700	345,500	-700	-0.2%	+11,500	+3.3%
Goods Producing	51,800	52,400	50,800	-600	-1.1%	+1,000	+2.0%
Service-Providing	388,700	386,800	377,700	+1,900	+0.5%	+11,000	+2.9%
Private Service Providing	305,200	305,300	294,700	-100	0.0%	+10,500	+3.6%
Mining, Logging and Construction	19,600	20,100	18,400	-500	-2.5%	+1,200	+6.5%
Manufacturing	32,200	32,300	32,400	-100	-0.3%	-200	-0.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	78,000	78,300	77,300	-300	-0.4%	+700	+0.9%
Wholesale Trade	16,200	16,300	16,400	-100	-0.6%	-200	-1.2%
Retail Trade	44,700	44,900	44,400	-200	-0.4%	+300	+0.7%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,100	17,100	16,500	0	0.0%	+600	+3.6%
Information	5,100	5,200	4,800	-100	-1.9%	+300	+6.3%
Financial Activities	36,500	36,600	35,300	-100	-0.3%	+1,200	+3.4%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	6,500	6,500	6,700	0	0.0%	-200	-3.0%
Professional and Business Services	60,200	60,400	58,200	-200	-0.3%	+2,000	+3.4%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	31,900	32,100	29,800	-200	-0.6%	+2,100	+7.0%
Education and Health Services	62,100	62,000	60,100	+100	+0.2%	+2,000	+3.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	44,300	43,900	41,000	+400	+0.9%	+3,300	+8.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	36,600	36,400	34,000	+200	+0.5%	+2,600	+7.6%
Other Services	19,000	18,900	18,000	+100	+0.5%	+1,000	+5.6%
Government	83,500	81,500	83,000	+2,000	+2.5%	+500	+0.6%
Federal Government	12,300	12,400	12,500	-100	-0.8%	-200	-1.6%
State Government	34,200	34,400	34,100	-200	-0.6%	+100	+0.3%
Local Government	37,000	34,700	36,400	+2,300	+6.6%	+600	+1.6%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
GREENVILLE-ANDERSON-MAULDIN MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	479,400	479,000	469,100	+400	+0.1%	+10,300	+2.2%
Total Private	421,800	423,000	409,500	-1,200	-0.3%	+12,300	+3.0%
Goods Producing	86,500	87,300	84,600	-800	-0.9%	+1,900	+2.2%
Service-Providing	392,900	391,700	384,500	+1,200	+0.3%	+8,400	+2.2%
Private Service Providing	335,300	335,700	324,900	-400	-0.1%	+10,400	+3.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	25,500	25,600	23,900	-100	-0.4%	+1,600	+6.7%
Manufacturing	61,000	61,700	60,700	-700	-1.1%	+300	+0.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	87,000	87,300	85,900	-300	-0.3%	+1,100	+1.3%
Wholesale Trade	21,800	21,900	21,900	-100	-0.5%	-100	-0.5%
Retail Trade	49,800	50,000	49,000	-200	-0.4%	+800	+1.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	15,400	15,400	15,000	0	0.0%	+400	+2.7%
Information	6,400	6,500	6,000	-100	-1.5%	+400	+6.7%
Financial Activities	24,400	24,400	23,400	0	0.0%	+1,000	+4.3%
Professional and Business Services	78,300	78,300	76,100	0	0.0%	+2,200	+2.9%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	32,600	32,800	31,500	-200	-0.6%	+1,100	+3.5%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	7,200	7,200	6,900	0	0.0%	+300	+4.3%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	38,500	38,300	37,700	+200	+0.5%	+800	+2.1%
Education and Health Services	67,300	66,700	65,100	+600	+0.9%	+2,200	+3.4%
Educational Services	15,200	14,500	15,000	+700	+4.8%	+200	+1.3%
Health Care and Social Assistance	52,100	52,200	50,100	-100	-0.2%	+2,000	+4.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	53,900	54,500	51,400	-600	-1.1%	+2,500	+4.9%
Other Services	18,000	18,000	17,000	0	0.0%	+1,000	+5.9%
Government	57,600	56,000	59,600	+1,600	+2.9%	-2,000	-3.4%
Federal Government	3,000	3,100	3,100	-100	-3.2%	-100	-3.2%
State Government	10,000	10,100	11,800	-100	-1.0%	-1,800	-15.3%
Local Government	44,600	42,800	44,700	+1,800	+4.2%	-100	-0.2%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
MYRTLE BEACH-CONWAY-NORTH MYRTLE BEACH MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	166,400	168,500	156,900	-2,100	-1.2%	+9,500	+6.1%
Total Private	145,800	148,400	136,800	-2,600	-1.8%	+9,000	+6.6%
Goods Producing	13,300	13,500	12,900	-200	-1.5%	+400	+3.1%
Service-Providing	153,100	155,000	144,000	-1,900	-1.2%	+9,100	+6.3%
Private Service Providing	132,500	134,900	123,900	-2,400	-1.8%	+8,600	+6.9%
Mining, Logging and Construction	9,800	10,000	9,400	-200	-2.0%	+400	+4.3%
Manufacturing	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	34,000	34,300	33,600	-300	-0.9%	+400	+1.2%
Wholesale Trade	3,200	3,300	3,200	-100	-3.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	27,400	27,600	27,200	-200	-0.7%	+200	+0.7%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	3,400	3,400	3,200	0	0.0%	+200	+6.3%
Information	2,000	2,100	2,000	-100	-4.8%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	9,000	9,000	9,200	0	0.0%	-200	-2.2%
Professional and Business Services	17,200	17,300	16,100	-100	-0.6%	+1,100	+6.8%
Education and Health Services	18,200	18,300	17,300	-100	-0.5%	+900	+5.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	46,100	47,900	39,900	-1,800	-3.8%	+6,200	+15.5%
Accommodation and Food Services	38,200	39,700	34,100	-1,500	-3.8%	+4,100	+12.0%
Food Services and Drinking Places	29,600	30,400	26,600	-800	-2.6%	+3,000	+11.3%
Other Services	6,000	6,000	5,800	0	0.0%	+200	+3.4%
Government	20,600	20,100	20,100	+500	+2.5%	+500	+2.5%
Federal Government	1,100	1,100	1,000	0	0.0%	+100	+10.0%
State Government	4,300	4,200	4,200	+100	+2.4%	+100	+2.4%
Local Government	15,200	14,800	14,900	+400	+2.7%	+300	+2.0%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
SPARTANBURG MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

				JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	180,300	180,100	175,400	+200	+0.1%	+4,900	+2.8%
Total Private	150,200	150,800	146,300	-600	-0.4%	+3,900	+2.7%
Goods Producing	49,300	49,600	48,000	-300	-0.6%	+1,300	+2.7%
Service-Providing	131,000	130,500	127,400	+500	+0.4%	+3,600	+2.8%
Private Service Providing	100,900	101,200	98,300	-300	-0.3%	+2,600	+2.6%
Mining, Logging and Construction	8,600	8,700	8,100	-100	-1.1%	+500	+6.2%
Manufacturing	40,700	40,900	39,900	-200	-0.5%	+800	+2.0%
Durable Goods	28,500	28,700	27,700	-200	-0.7%	+800	+2.9%
Non-Durable Goods	12,200	12,200	12,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	36,700	36,800	36,500	-100	-0.3%	+200	+0.5%
Wholesale Trade	7,400	7,400	7,500	0	0.0%	-100	-1.3%
Retail Trade	18,800	19,000	18,700	-200	-1.1%	+100	+0.5%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	10,500	10,400	10,300	+100	+1.0%	+200	+1.9%
Information	900	900	900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	5,700	5,800	5,600	-100	-1.7%	+100	+1.8%
Professional and Business Services	17,400	17,400	17,200	0	0.0%	+200	+1.2%
Education and Health Services	17,700	17,800	16,600	-100	-0.6%	+1,100	+6.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	15,900	15,900	15,200	0	0.0%	+700	+4.6%
Other Services	6,600	6,600	6,300	0	0.0%	+300	+4.8%
Government	30,100	29,300	29,100	+800	+2.7%	+1,000	+3.4%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,200	4,200	4,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	25,200	24,400	24,200	+800	+3.3%	+1,000	+4.1%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
FLORENCE MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	99,400	98,600	95,500	+800	+0.8%	+3,900	+4.1%
Total Private	80,600	80,400	77,100	+200	+0.2%	+3,500	+4.5%
Goods Producing	15,900	16,100	15,600	-200	-1.2%	+300	+1.9%
Service-Providing	83,500	82,500	79,900	+1,000	+1.2%	+3,600	+4.5%
Private Service Providing	64,700	64,300	61,500	+400	+0.6%	+3,200	+5.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	20,300	20,400	20,100	-100	-0.5%	+200	+1.0%
Government	18,800	18,200	18,400	+600	+3.3%	+400	+2.2%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	5,200	5,100	5,000	+100	+2.0%	+200	+4.0%
Local Government	12,900	12,400	12,700	+500	+4.0%	+200	+1.6%

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND-BLUFFTON-BEAUFORT MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	91,100	90,900	90,000	+200	+0.2%	+1,100	+1.2%
Total Private	78,300	78,500	77,300	-200	-0.3%	+1,000	+1.3%
Goods Producing	7,600	7,800	7,600	-200	-2.6%	0	0.0%
Service-Providing	83,500	83,100	82,400	+400	+0.5%	+1,100	+1.3%
Private Service Providing	70,700	70,700	69,700	0	0.0%	+1,000	+1.4%
Government	12,800	12,400	12,700	+400	+3.2%	+100	+0.8%

**SUMTER MSA
AUGUST 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

INDUSTRY TITLE	AUGUST 2025	JULY 2025	AUGUST 2024	JULY 2025 TO AUGUST 2025		AUGUST 2024 TO AUGUST 2025	
				#CHANGE	%CHANGE	#CHANGE	%CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	39,000	38,900	37,300	+100	+0.3%	+1,700	+4.6%
Total Private	33,000	33,000	31,400	0	0.0%	+1,600	+5.1%
Goods Producing	9,300	9,300	8,700	0	0.0%	+600	+6.9%
Service-Providing	29,700	29,600	28,600	+100	+0.3%	+1,100	+3.8%
Private Service Providing	23,700	23,700	22,700	0	0.0%	+1,000	+4.4%
Manufacturing	6,400	6,400	6,100	0	0.0%	+300	+4.9%
Government	6,000	5,900	5,900	+100	+1.7%	+100	+1.7%
Federal Government	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	3,400	3,300	3,300	+100	+3.0%	+100	+3.0%

NOTE: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision.

LONG-RUN TRENDS

ANNUAL LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS DATA 1976-2024

YEAR	CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE (PERCENT)	EMPLOYMENT- POPULATION RATIO (PERCENT)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (PERCENT)
1976	2,007,417	64.7%	60.1	1,298,668	1,207,409	91,259	7.0%
1977	2,061,250	64.4%	60.0	1,326,585	1,236,934	89,651	6.8%
1978	2,117,667	64.1%	60.5	1,357,715	1,282,095	75,620	5.6%
1979	2,169,417	63.4%	60.2	1,374,740	1,306,553	68,187	5.0%
1980	2,221,189	62.8%	58.5	1,394,098	1,300,398	93,700	6.7%
1981	2,266,387	63.2%	58.0	1,431,228	1,314,047	117,181	8.2%
1982	2,306,997	64.2%	57.3	1,481,395	1,321,621	159,774	10.8%
1983	2,340,604	63.2%	56.9	1,478,129	1,332,493	145,636	9.9%
1984	2,377,872	62.9%	58.5	1,495,372	1,391,236	104,136	7.0%
1985	2,425,715	63.8%	59.5	1,548,432	1,442,703	105,729	6.8%
1986	2,454,394	64.9%	60.8	1,592,444	1,491,149	101,295	6.4%
1987	2,494,231	65.5%	61.9	1,633,928	1,544,366	89,562	5.5%
1988	2,531,731	65.7%	62.7	1,664,039	1,587,665	76,374	4.6%
1989	2,564,562	66.2%	63.2	1,698,019	1,619,583	78,436	4.6%
1990	2,611,727	66.3%	63.1	1,732,623	1,647,991	84,632	4.9%
1991	2,663,381	66.2%	62.1	1,762,572	1,654,432	108,140	6.1%
1992	2,699,099	66.6%	62.1	1,796,665	1,675,819	120,846	6.7%
1993	2,738,558	66.6%	61.8	1,825,100	1,691,707	133,393	7.3%
1994	2,773,845	66.3%	62.2	1,840,083	1,726,501	113,582	6.2%
1995	2,812,457	66.3%	62.9	1,864,109	1,768,423	95,686	5.1%
1996	2,849,311	66.1%	62.4	1,884,580	1,777,622	106,958	5.7%
1997	2,895,736	66.3%	63.3	1,919,215	1,833,161	86,054	4.5%
1998	2,943,400	65.9%	63.5	1,939,577	1,869,206	70,371	3.6%
1999	2,986,809	65.5%	62.8	1,957,132	1,875,672	81,460	4.2%
2000	3,027,577	65.0%	62.6	1,966,970	1,894,367	72,603	3.7%
2001	3,068,817	63.3%	60.1	1,943,755	1,843,373	100,382	5.2%
2002	3,107,288	62.8%	59.0	1,952,296	1,833,649	118,647	6.1%
2003	3,146,479	63.5%	59.2	1,996,734	1,862,178	134,556	6.7%
2004	3,195,378	64.0%	59.5	2,043,898	1,902,144	141,754	6.9%
2005	3,255,131	63.7%	59.4	2,073,749	1,932,855	140,894	6.8%
2006	3,331,133	64.7%	60.6	2,153,884	2,017,604	136,280	6.3%
2007	3,405,022	63.6%	60.1	2,167,128	2,045,344	121,784	5.6%
2008	3,475,376	62.6%	58.3	2,175,274	2,025,641	149,633	6.9%
2009	3,530,767	61.7%	54.9	2,176,789	1,937,493	239,296	11.0%
2010	3,573,592	60.7%	54.0	2,170,408	1,929,604	240,804	11.1%
2011	3,602,934	60.3%	54.1	2,173,678	1,948,705	224,973	10.3%
2012	3,638,670	59.8%	54.4	2,176,794	1,980,647	196,147	9.0%
2013	3,679,519	59.3%	54.9	2,181,555	2,019,093	162,462	7.4%
2014	3,726,088	59.1%	55.4	2,201,844	2,063,369	138,475	6.3%
2015	3,781,039	59.3%	55.8	2,241,067	2,108,786	132,281	5.9%
2016	3,837,888	58.8%	55.9	2,255,783	2,145,584	110,199	4.9%
2017	3,890,648	58.2%	55.7	2,262,949	2,168,104	94,845	4.2%
2018	3,939,491	58.0%	56.0	2,283,363	2,206,821	76,542	3.4%
2019	3,991,400	58.3%	56.7	2,328,087	2,263,682	64,405	2.8%
2020	4,047,327	57.9%	54.4	2,341,703	2,201,090	140,613	6.0%
2021	4,109,767	57.6%	55.3	2,365,616	2,272,940	92,676	3.9%
2022	4,192,468	57.4%	55.6	2,407,887	2,330,548	77,339	3.2%

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LONG-RUN TRENDS CONT.

ANNUAL LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS DATA 1976-2024

YEAR	CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE (PERCENT)	EMPLOYMENT- POPULATION RATIO (PERCENT)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (PERCENT)
2023	4,284,301	57.8%	56.0	2,475,460	2,401,212	74,248	3.0%
2024	4,375,450	58.0%	55.5	2,535,631	2,430,453	105,178	4.1%

ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL 1939-2024

YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT
1939	310,100	1961	587,000	1983	1,189,000	2005	1,864,100
1940	328,600	1962	609,800	1984	1,262,500	2006	1,907,100
1941	387,500	1963	630,600	1985	1,296,200	2007	1,946,500
1942	416,500	1964	651,500	1986	1,338,000	2008	1,927,900
1943	428,500	1965	686,000	1987	1,392,200	2009	1,816,200
1944	408,600	1966	734,900	1988	1,449,000	2010	1,813,200
1945	396,000	1967	754,500	1989	1,499,700	2011	1,834,600
1946	411,600	1968	782,900	1990	1,527,600	2012	1,866,500
1947	436,200	1969	819,800	1991	1,497,300	2013	1,903,300
1948	456,400	1970	842,000	1992	1,512,000	2014	1,953,800
1949	443,100	1971	862,600	1993	1,553,200	2015	2,009,400
1950	461,400	1972	920,300	1994	1,592,300	2016	2,058,100
1951	505,800	1973	984,000	1995	1,636,600	2017	2,099,100
1952	544,300	1974	1,015,800	1996	1,669,800	2018	2,158,000
1953	543,900	1975	982,600	1997	1,719,300	2019	2,192,800
1954	519,700	1976	1,038,100	1998	1,780,400	2020	2,085,500
1955	533,000	1977	1,081,700	1999	1,827,000	2021	2,157,500
1956	542,900	1978	1,137,500	2000	1,854,700	2022	2,247,000
1957	545,000	1979	1,176,000	2001	1,815,700	2023	2,309,300
1958	545,900	1980	1,188,800	2002	1,796,400	2024	2,354,900
1959	566,900	1981	1,196,500	2003	1,800,200		
1960	582,500	1982	1,162,300	2004	1,827,800		

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LONG-RUN TRENDS CONT.

ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL 2007-2024			
YEAR	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS	AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS	AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
2007	\$675.36	36.0	\$18.76
2008	\$669.28	35.6	\$18.80
2009	\$665.55	34.7	\$19.18
2010	\$692.17	34.8	\$19.89
2011	\$716.18	34.8	\$20.58
2012	\$705.16	35.1	\$20.09
2013	\$716.15	34.9	\$20.52
2014	\$726.23	34.5	\$21.05
2015	\$743.27	34.7	\$21.42
2016	\$762.80	34.5	\$22.11
2017	\$791.99	34.6	\$22.89
2018	\$829.36	34.6	\$23.97
2019	\$852.84	34.5	\$24.72
2020	\$888.31	34.1	\$26.05
2021	\$925.41	34.3	\$26.98
2022	\$972.90	34.5	\$28.20
2023	\$1,014.59	34.3	\$29.58
2024	\$1,037.32	33.8	\$30.69

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TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. **Household Survey:** Nationally, there is a monthly Current Population Survey of about 60,000 households conducted by the Census Bureau for the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) to determine employment status of the civilian population. This information, along with other inputs, is used by DEW to operate the Local Area Unemployment Statistics program, which estimates the number of individuals employed and those not employed, but actively seeking employment for statewide and a variety of sub-state geographies.
2. **Employer Survey:** BLS conducts a monthly Current Employment Statistics survey of about 44,000 employers which yields national estimates of nonagricultural wage and salary employment, hours, and earnings by industry. This data is processed by DEW to generate comparable data for the state and its metropolitan statistical areas.
3. **Seasonally Adjusted:** Seasonal adjustment removes the effects of events that follow a regular pattern each year (i.e. tourist-related hiring and school closings in the summer). These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other nonseasonal movements in data over time.
4. **Not Seasonally Adjusted:** Effects of regular or seasonal patterns have not been removed from this data.

Current Employment Statistics (CES)	Local Area Unemployment Statistics (LAUS)
Data is published by Industry	Data is published by County
Counts Jobs	Counts People
Utilizes an Establishment Survey	The Current Population Survey (CPS), which is a Household Survey , is used to calculate LAUS
Reference week is the Pay Period that includes the 12th of the month	Reference week is the Calendar Week that includes the 12th of the month
A job held by a person on unpaid leave during the reference week is not counted since they are not receiving pay	A person on unpaid leave is counted as employed because they will return to their job
Does not count self-employed workers	Does count self-employed workers
Does not include agricultural workers	Includes both agricultural and non-agricultural workers
Does not count unpaid family workers	Counts unpaid family workers if they worked at least 15 unpaid hours for a family business or family farm during the reference week
Workers on strike during the entire reference period are not counted	Workers on strike during the reference week are counted as employed in LAUS

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