SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF
Employment and Workforce

South Carolina Data Trends: September 2026

The South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce, through its Labor Market Information (LMI) Division, summarizes the latest workforce data trends as of September 2026, providing key insights into employment and wages for the state and each of its metro areas. For questions or additional information, please contact the LMI Division at lmicustomerservice@dew.sc.gov.

Table 1. Labor Market Snapshot

Metric	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	YoY Δ (#)
Unemployment	106,689	–2,347	–15,919
Employment	2,573,275	+6,493	+73,280
Labor Force	2,679,964	+4,146	+57,361

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. Estimates are seasonally adjusted. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change.

Table 2. Nonagricultural Employment by Industry, Seasonally Adjusted

Industry	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	2,441,300	+12,500	+0.5	+55,200	+2.3
Construction	130,200	+1,300	+1.0	+5,500	+4.4
Manufacturing	266,200	+400	+0.2	+4,000	+1.5
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	446,400	–800	–0.2	+1,400	+0.3
Information	24,800	–400	–1.6	–2,200	–8.1
Financial Activities	124,400	+300	+0.2	+2,300	+1.9
Professional and Business Services	321,900	+2,900	+0.9	+8,000	+2.5
Private Education and Health Services	328,300	+4,300	+1.3	+11,300	+3.6
Leisure and Hospitality	298,000	+5,700	+2.0	+17,100	+6.1
Other Services	95,100	+700	+0.7	+3,700	+4.0
Government	401,200	–1,900	–0.5	+4,000	+1.0

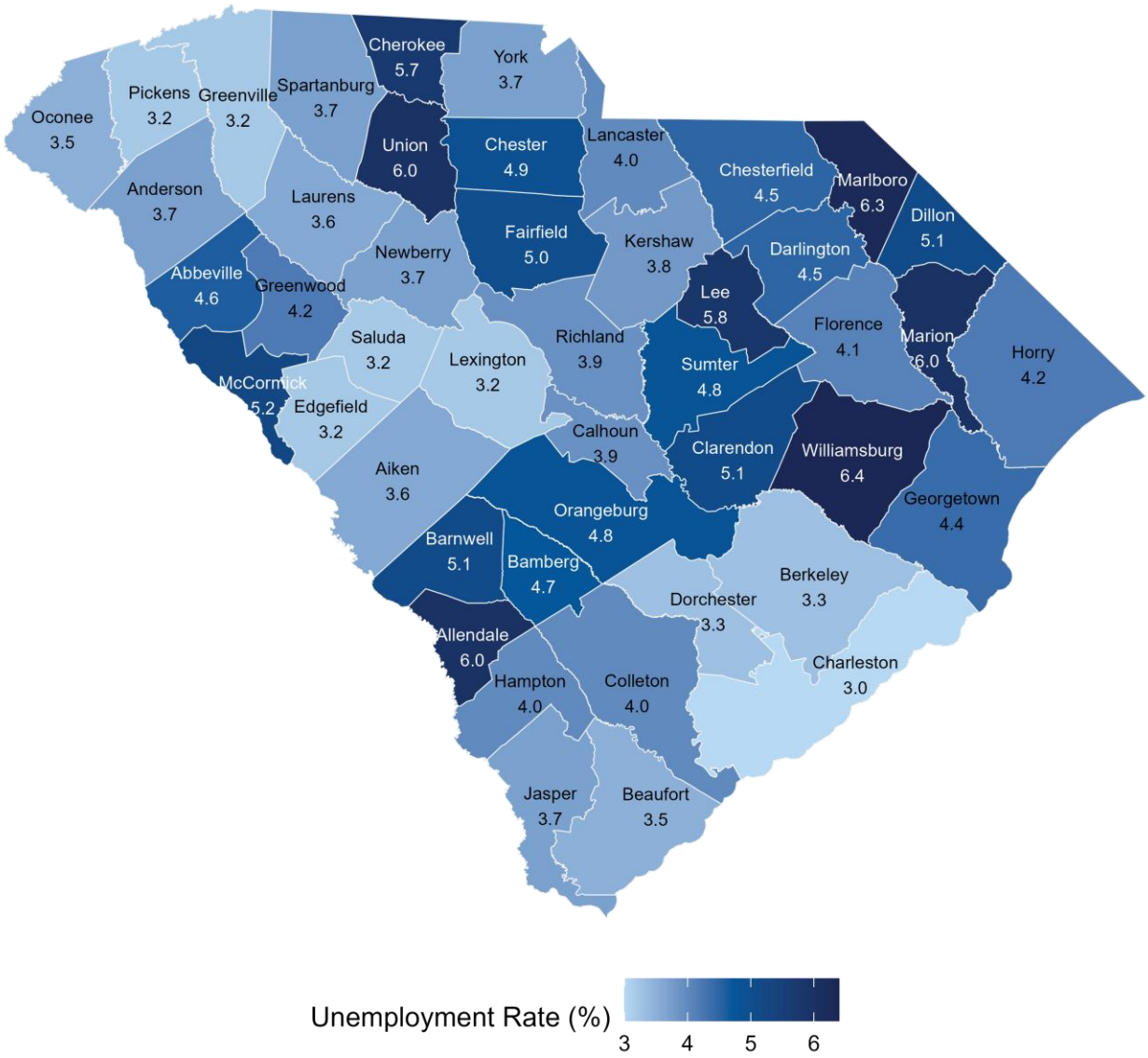
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 3. Nonagricultural Employment by Metropolitan Statistical Area, Seasonally Adjusted

Area	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Statewide	2,441,300	+12,500	+0.5	+55,200	+2.3
Charleston/North Charleston	440,300	+1,800	+0.4	+8,600	+2.0
Columbia	440,000	+1,400	+0.3	+4,400	+1.0
Florence	97,100	+600	+0.6	+1,200	+1.3
Greenville/Anderson/Mauldin	492,200	+2,000	+0.4	+12,100	+2.5
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	90,500	+100	+0.1	+1,300	+1.5
Myrtle Beach	162,400	+1,100	+0.7	+6,100	+3.9
Spartanburg	181,200	+300	+0.2	+3,500	+2.0
Sumter	37,600	+100	+0.3	–700	–1.8

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Figure 1. Unemployment Rate by County, Not Seasonally Adjusted



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Table 4. Unemployment Estimates by County, Not Seasonally Adjusted

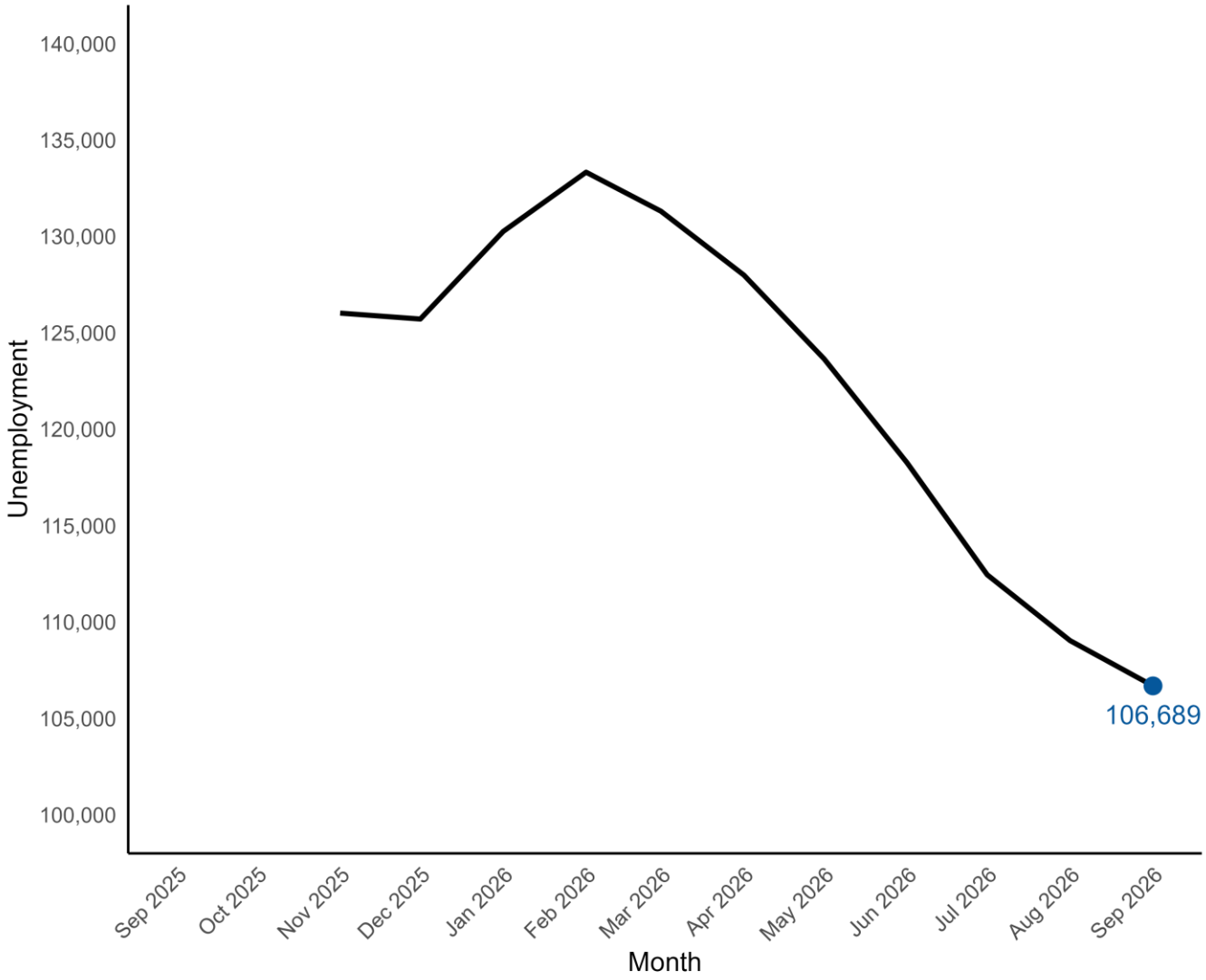
County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemp. Level	Unemp. Rate
Abbeville	10,805	10,306	499	4.6
Aiken	80,978	78,066	2,912	3.6
Allendale	2,703	2,542	161	6.0
Anderson	107,538	103,529	4,009	3.7
Bamberg	5,423	5,169	254	4.7
Barnwell	8,171	7,754	417	5.1
Beaufort	87,479	84,454	3,025	3.5
Berkeley	138,142	133,577	4,565	3.3
Calhoun	6,837	6,571	266	3.9
Charleston	245,088	237,683	7,405	3.0
Cherokee	23,726	22,372	1,354	5.7
Chester	14,759	14,031	728	4.9
Chesterfield	18,947	18,089	858	4.5
Clarendon	12,106	11,484	622	5.1
Colleton	16,071	15,422	649	4.0
Darlington	29,281	27,976	1,305	4.5
Dillon	12,279	11,654	625	5.1
Dorchester	92,018	88,940	3,078	3.3
Edgefield	13,009	12,587	422	3.2
Fairfield	10,221	9,715	506	5.0
Florence	66,779	64,042	2,737	4.1
Georgetown	28,071	26,824	1,247	4.4
Greenville	306,446	296,747	9,699	3.2
Greenwood	29,732	28,470	1,262	4.2
Hampton	7,807	7,494	313	4.0
Horry	185,328	177,632	7,696	4.2
Jasper	15,327	14,755	572	3.7

Table 4. Unemployment Estimates by County, Not Seasonally Adjusted

County	Labor Force	Employment	Unemp. Level	Unemp. Rate
Kershaw	34,297	32,982	1,315	3.8
Lancaster	52,538	50,439	2,099	4.0
Laurens	33,345	32,133	1,212	3.6
Lee	6,146	5,792	354	5.8
Lexington	163,120	157,960	5,160	3.2
Marion	11,561	10,873	688	6.0
Marlboro	8,351	7,829	522	6.3
McCormick	3,551	3,368	183	5.2
Newberry	18,964	18,254	710	3.7
Oconee	38,124	36,780	1,344	3.5
Orangeburg	35,532	33,814	1,718	4.8
Pickens	69,415	67,182	2,233	3.2
Richland	219,084	210,648	8,436	3.9
Saluda	9,244	8,951	293	3.2
Spartanburg	176,980	170,467	6,513	3.7
Sumter	42,867	40,817	2,050	4.8
Union	11,284	10,604	680	6.0
Williamsburg	10,558	9,886	672	6.4
York	160,966	155,028	5,938	3.7

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. Unemp = Unemployment.

Figure 2. Monthly Unemployment, Past 12 Months, Seasonally Adjusted



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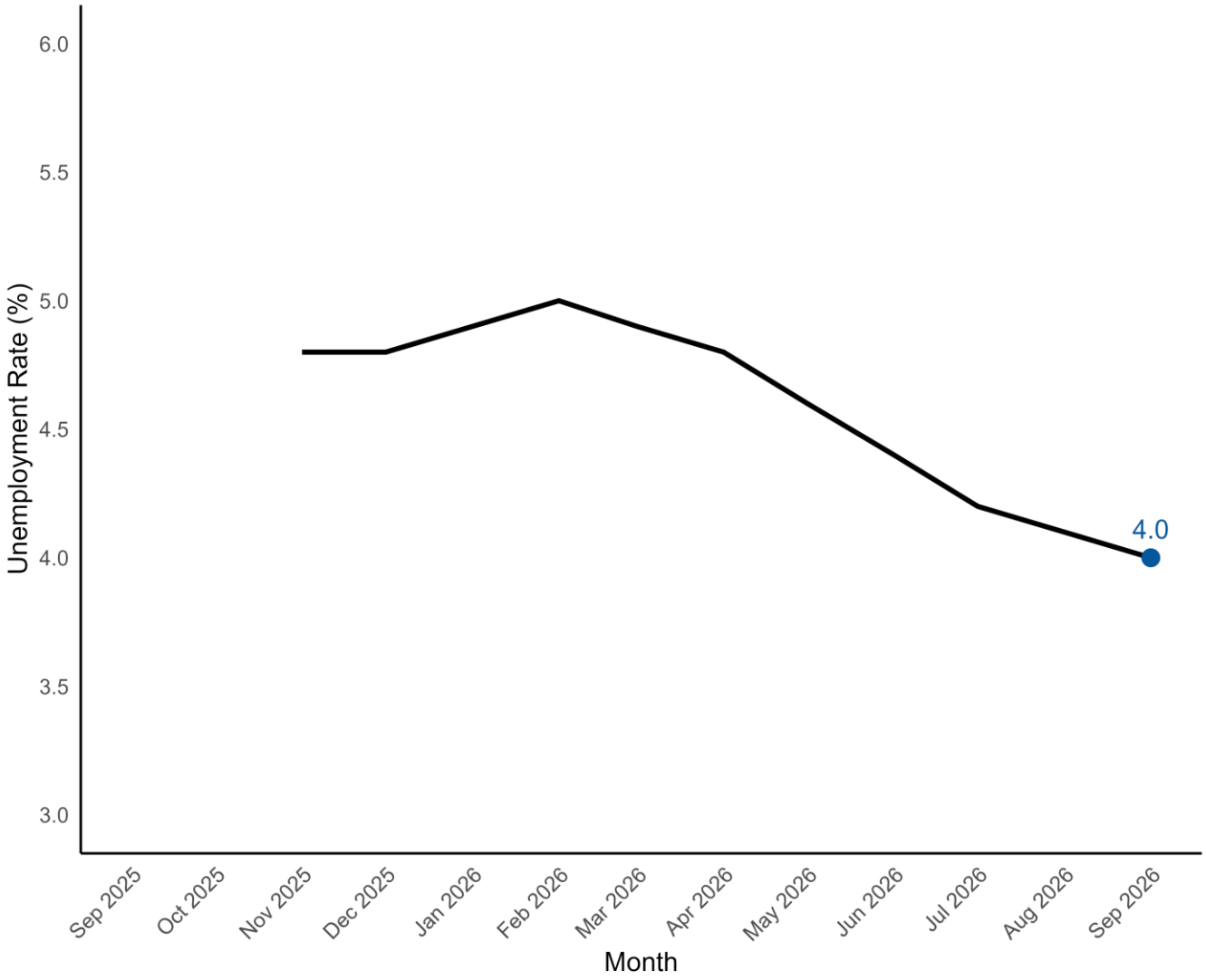

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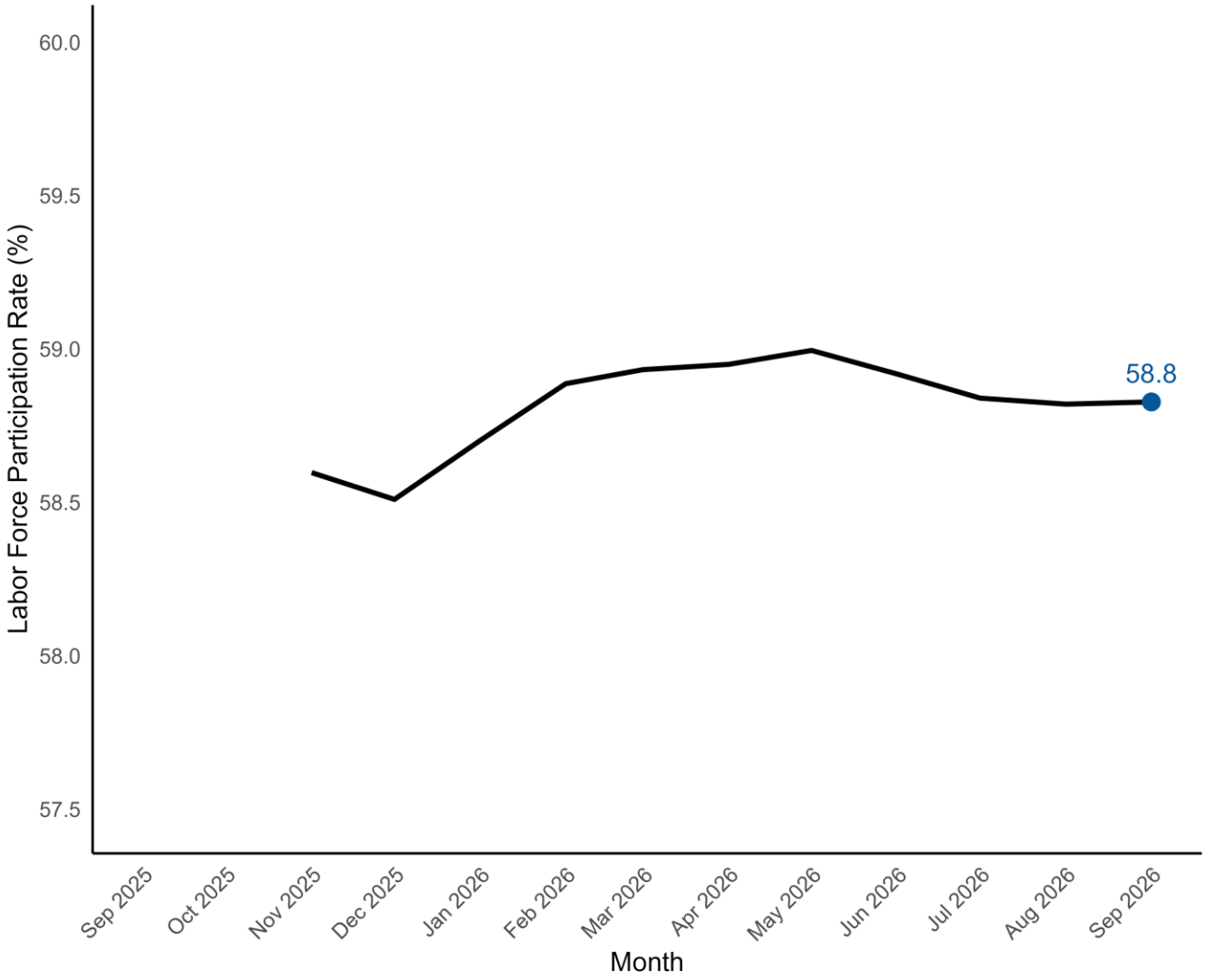
Figure 4. Labor Force Participation, Past 12 Months, Seasonally Adjusted



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.
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Table 5. NonFarm Payroll by Economic Sector, Seasonally Adjusted

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	2,441,300	+12,500	+0.5	+55,200	+2.3
Total Private	2,040,100	+14,400	+0.7	+51,200	+2.6
Goods Producing	401,200	+1,700	+0.4	+9,600	+2.5
Service-Providing	2,040,100	+10,800	+0.5	+45,600	+2.3
Private Service Providing	1,638,900	+12,700	+0.8	+41,600	+2.6
Mining and Logging	4,800	0	0.0	+100	+2.1
Mining, Logging, and Construction	135,000	+1,300	+1.0	+5,600	+4.3
Construction	130,200	+1,300	+1.0	+5,500	+4.4
Manufacturing	266,200	+400	+0.2	+4,000	+1.5
Durable Goods	170,800	+1,000	+0.6	+8,000	+4.9
Non-Durable Goods	95,400	–600	–0.6	–4,000	–4.0
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	446,400	–800	–0.2	+1,400	+0.3
Wholesale Trade	86,600	+400	+0.5	+2,500	+3.0
Retail Trade	271,200	–1,400	–0.5	+1,500	+0.6
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	88,600	+200	+0.2	–2,600	–2.9
Information	24,800	–400	–1.6	–2,200	–8.1
Financial Activities	124,400	+300	+0.2	+2,300	+1.9
Finance and Insurance	88,500	+300	+0.3	+2,000	+2.3
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	35,900	0	0.0	+300	+0.8
Professional and Business Services	321,900	+2,900	+0.9	+8,000	+2.5
Professional, Scientific, and Technical	137,000	+500	+0.4	+500	+0.4
Management of Companies and Enterprises	24,800	–100	–0.4	+300	+1.2
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	160,100	+2,500	+1.6	+7,200	+4.7
Private Education and Health Services	328,300	+4,300	+1.3	+11,300	+3.6
Private Educational Services	58,300	–100	–0.2	+5,500	+10.4
Health Care and Social Assistance	270,000	+4,400	+1.7	+5,800	+2.2

Table 5. NonFarm Payroll by Economic Sector, Seasonally Adjusted

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Leisure and Hospitality	298,000	+5,700	+2.0	+17,100	+6.1
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	40,400	+1,100	+2.8	+2,700	+7.2
Accommodation and Food Services	257,600	+4,600	+1.8	+14,400	+5.9
Other Services	95,100	+700	+0.7	+3,700	+4.0
Government	401,200	–1,900	–0.5	+4,000	+1.0
Federal Government	35,700	–100	–0.3	–1,500	–4.0
State Government	124,000	+500	+0.4	+3,700	+3.1
Local Government	241,500	–2,300	–0.9	+1,800	+0.8

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 6. Average Weekly Earnings by Metropolitan Statistical Area, Total Private, Not Seasonally Adjusted

Area	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Charleston-North Charleston	$1,266.01	–$14.29	–1.1	+$79.85	+6.7
Columbia	$1,010.93	–$24.44	–2.4	–$5.77	–0.6
Florence	$839.47	–$18.04	–2.1	+$20.06	+2.4
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	$1,180.20	–$30.74	–2.5	–$20.92	–1.7
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	$1,011.47	+$42.40	+4.4	+$80.65	+8.7
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	$835.88	–$13.54	–1.6	+$4.59	+0.6
Spartanburg	$1,112.94	–$35.50	–3.1	+$39.61	+3.7
Sumter	$886.74	–$9.11	–1.0	–$81.70	–8.4

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 7. Average Weekly Hours by Metropolitan Statistical Area, Total Private, Not Seasonally Adjusted

Area	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Charleston-North Charleston	34.6	-0.4	–1.1	0.7	+2.1
Columbia	32.6	-0.5	–1.5	-0.8	–2.4
Florence	33.7	-0.1	–0.3	0.2	+0.6
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	35.0	-0.7	–2.0	-0.4	–1.1
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	32.1	0.4	+1.3	1.4	+4.6
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	32.1	-0.9	–2.7	1.3	+4.2
Spartanburg	33.9	-0.3	–0.9	-1.5	–4.2
Sumter	31.4	-1.2	–3.7	-1.0	–3.1

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 8. Average Hourly Earnings by Metropolitan Statistical Area, Total Private, Not Seasonally Adjusted

Area	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Charleston-North Charleston	$36.59	+$0.01	+0.0	+$1.60	+4.6
Columbia	$31.01	–$0.27	–0.9	+$0.57	+1.9
Florence	$24.91	–$0.46	–1.8	+$0.45	+1.8
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	$33.72	–$0.20	–0.6	–$0.21	–0.6
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	$31.51	+$0.94	+3.1	+$1.19	+3.9
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	$26.04	+$0.30	+1.2	–$0.95	–3.5
Spartanburg	$32.83	–$0.75	–2.2	+$2.51	+8.3
Sumter	$28.24	+$0.76	+2.8	–$1.65	–5.5

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 9. Average Weekly Earnings by Industry, Statewide, Not Seasonally Adjusted

Industry	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Private	$1,136.36	–$16.46	–1.4	+$25.46	+2.3
Goods Producing	$1,458.98	–$26.41	–1.8	+$25.91	+1.8
Construction	$1,315.57	–$65.72	–4.8	–$58.67	–4.3
Manufacturing	$1,489.15	–$5.56	–0.4	+$38.03	+2.6
Private Service Providing	$1,058.83	–$10.78	–1.0	+$27.81	+2.7
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	$1,015.28	–$11.90	–1.2	+$30.82	+3.1
Financial Activities	$1,332.97	–$22.42	–1.7	+$29.22	+2.2
Professional and Business Services	$1,533.71	–$26.87	–1.7	+$60.77	+4.1
Private Education and Health Services	$1,007.30	–$8.54	–0.8	+$9.14	+0.9
Leisure and Hospitality	$501.16	–$13.19	–2.6	+$8.39	+1.7
Other Services	$950.39	–$15.26	–1.6	–$7.24	–0.8

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 10. Average Weekly Hours by Industry, Statewide, Not Seasonally Adjusted

Industry	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Private	33.8	-0.5	–1.5	-0.1	–0.3
Goods Producing	39.7	-0.5	–1.2	-0.6	–1.5
Construction	39.4	-1.6	–3.9	-1.5	–3.7
Manufacturing	39.7	0.0	0.0	-0.8	–2.0
Private Service Providing	32.4	-0.4	–1.2	0.1	+0.3
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	34.3	-0.1	–0.3	0.4	+1.2
Financial Activities	35.9	0.1	+0.3	0.9	+2.6
Professional and Business Services	37.1	-1.0	–2.6	-0.6	–1.6
Private Education and Health Services	32.1	-0.2	–0.6	0.8	+2.6
Leisure and Hospitality	24.7	-0.7	–2.8	0.0	0.0
Other Services	30.2	-0.8	–2.6	-2.0	–6.2

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MoM = Month-over-Month. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 11. Average Hourly Earnings by Industry, Statewide, Not Seasonally Adjusted

Industry	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Private	$33.62	+$0.01	+0.0	+$0.85	+2.6
Goods Producing	$36.75	–$0.20	–0.5	+$1.19	+3.3
Construction	$33.39	–$0.30	–0.9	–$0.21	–0.6
Manufacturing	$37.51	–$0.14	–0.4	+$1.68	+4.7
Private Service Providing	$32.68	+$0.07	+0.2	+$0.76	+2.4
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	$29.60	–$0.26	–0.9	+$0.56	+1.9
Financial Activities	$37.13	–$0.73	–1.9	–$0.12	–0.3
Professional and Business Services	$41.34	+$0.38	+0.9	+$2.27	+5.8
Private Education and Health Services	$31.38	–$0.07	–0.2	–$0.51	–1.6
Leisure and Hospitality	$20.29	+$0.04	+0.2	+$0.34	+1.7
Other Services	$31.47	+$0.32	+1.0	+$1.73	+5.8

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 12. Charleston-North Charleston MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	439,200	–600	–0.1	+9,400	+2.2
Total Private	365,700	–1,500	–0.4	+8,300	+2.3
Goods Producing	63,500	0	0.0	+3,500	+5.8
Service-Providing	375,700	–600	–0.2	+5,900	+1.6
Private Service Providing	302,200	–1,500	–0.5	+4,800	+1.6
Mining, Logging, and Construction	27,800	+100	+0.4	+1,600	+6.1
Manufacturing	35,700	–100	–0.3	+1,900	+5.6
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	76,800	–300	–0.4	0	0.0
Wholesale Trade	13,700	0	0.0	+100	+0.7
Retail Trade	45,100	–200	–0.4	+600	+1.3
General Merchandise Stores	8,500	–200	–2.3	0	0.0
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	18,000	–100	–0.6	–700	–3.7
Information	7,300	–300	–3.9	–900	–11.0
Financial Activities	22,400	–100	–0.4	+400	+1.8
Professional and Business Services	72,100	–400	–0.6	+4,200	+6.2
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	29,600	+400	+1.4	+2,600	+9.6
Private Education and Health Services	52,200	+500	+1.0	+500	+1.0
Leisure and Hospitality	54,200	–1,000	–1.8	0	0.0
Accommodation and Food Services	47,100	–1,300	–2.7	–100	–0.2
Food Services and Drinking Places	38,500	–1,100	–2.8	–700	–1.8
Other Services	17,200	+100	+0.6	+600	+3.6
Government	73,500	+900	+1.2	+1,100	+1.5
Federal Government	11,300	0	0.0	–500	–4.2
State Government	30,800	+800	+2.7	+1,600	+5.5
Local Government	31,400	+100	+0.3	0	0.0

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area. NSA = Not Seasonally Adjusted. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 13. Columbia MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	440,100	+1,700	+0.4	+4,900	+1.1
Total Private	353,000	–200	–0.1	+5,100	+1.5
Goods Producing	52,500	–200	–0.4	+1,200	+2.3
Service-Providing	387,600	+1,900	+0.5	+3,700	+1.0
Private Service Providing	300,500	0	0.0	+3,900	+1.3
Mining, Logging, and Construction	20,900	0	0.0	+1,900	+10.0
Manufacturing	31,600	–200	–0.6	–700	–2.2
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	77,800	+100	+0.1	+100	+0.1
Wholesale Trade	15,500	+100	+0.6	+100	+0.6
Retail Trade	44,600	–200	–0.4	+200	+0.5
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,700	+200	+1.1	–200	–1.1
Information	4,000	–100	–2.4	–300	–7.0
Financial Activities	34,700	–500	–1.4	–100	–0.3
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	6,000	–100	–1.6	–100	–1.6
Professional and Business Services	56,100	+500	+0.9	–200	–0.4
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	29,400	+200	+0.7	0	0.0
Private Education and Health Services	66,600	+200	+0.3	+1,500	+2.3
Leisure and Hospitality	42,800	–200	–0.5	+2,200	+5.4
Food Services and Drinking Places	35,500	–600	–1.7	+1,400	+4.1
Other Services	18,500	0	0.0	+700	+3.9
Government	87,100	+1,900	+2.2	–200	–0.2
Federal Government	11,300	0	0.0	–700	–5.8
State Government	38,700	+2,100	+5.7	+600	+1.6
Local Government	37,100	–200	–0.5	–100	–0.3

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Table 14. Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	492,500	+2,400	+0.5	+12,000	+2.5
Total Private	426,000	–1,000	–0.2	+10,700	+2.6
Goods Producing	87,800	–200	–0.2	+1,700	+2.0
Service-Providing	404,700	+2,600	+0.6	+10,300	+2.6
Private Service Providing	338,200	–800	–0.2	+9,000	+2.7
Mining, Logging, and Construction	26,200	+100	+0.4	+700	+2.7
Manufacturing	61,600	–300	–0.5	+1,000	+1.7
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	84,000	–400	–0.5	–200	–0.2
Wholesale Trade	21,300	0	0.0	+200	+0.9
Retail Trade	49,500	–400	–0.8	+200	+0.4
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	13,200	0	0.0	–600	–4.3
Information	5,100	–100	–1.9	–500	–8.9
Financial Activities	23,300	–300	–1.3	+900	+4.0
Professional and Business Services	80,800	+100	+0.1	+2,100	+2.7
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	34,400	–100	–0.3	+800	+2.4
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6,900	0	0.0	–100	–1.4
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	39,500	+200	+0.5	+1,400	+3.7
Private Education and Health Services	71,700	+1,200	+1.7	+2,000	+2.9
Educational Services	16,800	+700	+4.3	+1,100	+7.0
Health Care and Social Assistance	54,900	+500	+0.9	+900	+1.7
Leisure and Hospitality	55,400	–1,300	–2.3	+4,100	+8.0
Other Services	17,900	0	0.0	+600	+3.5
Government	66,500	+3,400	+5.4	+1,300	+2.0
Federal Government	2,900	0	0.0	–100	–3.3
State Government	16,400	+2,500	+18.0	+300	+1.9
Local Government	47,200	+900	+1.9	+1,100	+2.4

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area. NSA = Not Seasonally Adjusted. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 15. Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	163,200	–2,100	–1.3	+5,700	+3.6
Total Private	140,800	–2,900	–2.0	+5,400	+4.0
Goods Producing	14,200	–200	–1.4	+600	+4.4
Service-Providing	149,000	–1,900	–1.3	+5,100	+3.5
Private Service Providing	126,600	–2,700	–2.1	+4,800	+3.9
Mining, Logging, and Construction	10,700	–100	–0.9	+600	+5.9
Manufacturing	3,500	–100	–2.8	0	0.0
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33,500	–300	–0.9	–300	–0.9
Wholesale Trade	3,500	0	0.0	+100	+2.9
Retail Trade	27,000	–300	–1.1	–300	–1.1
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	3,000	0	0.0	–100	–3.2
Information	1,700	–100	–5.6	–200	–10.5
Financial Activities	8,800	–200	–2.2	0	0.0
Professional and Business Services	16,200	–100	–0.6	+100	+0.6
Private Education and Health Services	18,700	0	0.0	+500	+2.7
Leisure and Hospitality	41,600	–2,000	–4.6	+4,500	+12.1
Accommodation and Food Services	35,400	–1,600	–4.3	+3,700	+11.7
Food Services and Drinking Places	25,400	–1,300	–4.9	+1,400	+5.8
Other Services	6,100	0	0.0	+200	+3.4
Government	22,400	+800	+3.7	+300	+1.4
Federal Government	1,100	0	0.0	0	0.0
State Government	4,700	+200	+4.4	+100	+2.2
Local Government	16,600	+600	+3.8	+200	+1.2

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area. NSA = Not Seasonally Adjusted. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 16. Spartanburg MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	181,100	+800	+0.4	+3,500	+2.0
Total Private	150,500	–500	–0.3	+2,200	+1.5
Goods Producing	50,500	–100	–0.2	+1,100	+2.2
Service-Providing	130,600	+900	+0.7	+2,400	+1.9
Private Service Providing	100,000	–400	–0.4	+1,100	+1.1
Mining, Logging, and Construction	8,700	0	0.0	+300	+3.6
Manufacturing	41,800	–100	–0.2	+800	+2.0
Durable Goods	30,400	0	0.0	+1,100	+3.8
Non-Durable Goods	11,400	–100	–0.9	–300	–2.6
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	37,100	–100	–0.3	+200	+0.5
Wholesale Trade	8,600	0	0.0	+100	+1.2
Retail Trade	19,600	–100	–0.5	+400	+2.1
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	8,900	0	0.0	–300	–3.3
Information	800	–100	–11.1	–100	–11.1
Financial Activities	5,800	–100	–1.7	+100	+1.8
Professional and Business Services	16,600	–200	–1.2	–300	–1.8
Private Education and Health Services	18,000	+300	+1.7	+600	+3.4
Leisure and Hospitality	15,600	–200	–1.3	+500	+3.3
Other Services	6,100	0	0.0	+100	+1.7
Government	30,600	+1,300	+4.4	+1,300	+4.4
Federal Government	700	0	0.0	0	0.0
State Government	4,200	+500	+13.5	0	0.0
Local Government	25,700	+800	+3.2	+1,300	+5.3

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area. NSA = Not Seasonally Adjusted. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

Table 17. Florence MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	97,000	+400	+0.4	+1,100	+1.1
Total Private	77,200	0	0.0	+800	+1.0
Goods Producing	14,800	–100	–0.7	–400	–2.6
Service-Providing	82,200	+500	+0.6	+1,500	+1.9
Private Service Providing	62,400	+100	+0.2	+1,200	+2.0
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	19,500	–100	–0.5	–300	–1.5
Government	19,800	+400	+2.1	+300	+1.5
Federal Government	700	0	0.0	0	0.0
State Government	5,600	+300	+5.7	+100	+1.8
Local Government	13,500	+100	+0.7	+200	+1.5

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Table 18. Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	90,400	–800	–0.9	+1,300	+1.5
Total Private	77,300	–800	–1.0	+1,100	+1.4
Goods Producing	8,400	0	0.0	–200	–2.3
Service-Providing	82,000	–800	–1.0	+1,500	+1.9
Private Service Providing	68,900	–800	–1.1	+1,300	+1.9
Government	13,100	0	0.0	+200	+1.6

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Table 19. Sumter MSA: Nonfarm Payroll by Economic Sector, NSA

Sector	September 2026	MoM Δ (#)	MoM Δ (%)	YoY Δ (#)	YoY Δ (%)
Total Nonfarm	37,500	+100	+0.3	–800	–2.1
Total Private	31,500	–100	–0.3	–600	–1.9
Goods Producing	8,700	0	0.0	–500	–5.4
Service-Providing	28,800	+100	+0.3	–300	–1.0
Private Service Providing	22,800	–100	–0.4	–100	–0.4
Manufacturing	6,200	0	0.0	–100	–1.6
Government	6,000	+200	+3.4	–200	–3.2
Federal Government	1,200	0	0.0	–100	–7.7
State Government	1,300	+100	+8.3	–100	–7.1
Local Government	3,500	+100	+2.9	0	0.0

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Employment Statistics. Note: Current month's estimates are preliminary. All data are subject to revision. MSA = Metropolitan Statistical Area. NSA = Not Seasonally Adjusted. YoY = Year-over-Year. Δ (#) = Absolute Change. Δ (%) = Percent Change.

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