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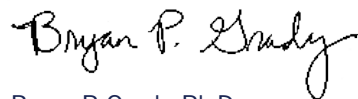
NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome to the March 2023 issue of Trends! Which region do you think has more restaurant workers: Charleston or the Grand Strand? Check out pages 22 and 25 to find out.

I've been in this role for more than a year now, and I would love to hear more from the readers of this newsletter. Our team has been working hard to expand our offerings and put a fresh coat of paint on what we've always done, but ultimately, our job is to serve the people of South Carolina, from those facing economic hardship to our public and corporate leaders. We can guess what is useful to you, but we'd do a better job if we knew for sure. If you have a question, an idea, or someone that we should get in touch with, please don't hesitate to reach out. Our email address is Imicustomerservice@dew.sc.gov.

This month, Taylor Hendrix breaks down results from the Palmetto Business Barometer. Since January, we've partnered with the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce to collect and analyze insights from our state's businesses. You might be surprised how good they think things are looking, even with all that recession chatter. The full results are available on the Chamber's website at <https://tinyurl.com/PBBarometer>, and if you own or manage a business, please be sure to click the link and take the survey! The survey is open until May 12. The more replies we get, the better we know what's going on.

As always, thanks for reading!



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DATA ANALYSIS OF THE PALMETTO BUSINESS BAROMETER SURVEY

By Taylor Hendrix – Workforce Insights Analyst

The Palmetto Business Barometer, a survey co-developed by DEW and the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce, asks our state's businesses to indicate their current and expected future business conditions. Topics measured include financial expectations, staffing concerns, remote work flexibility, and other indicators.

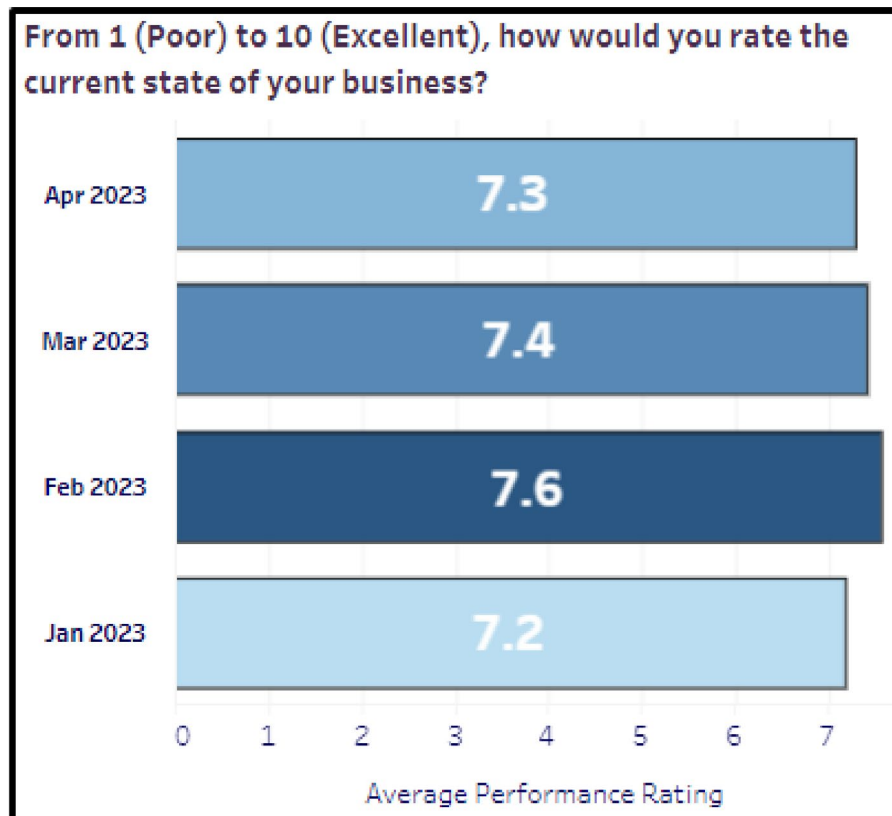
The survey is accessible on the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce website at <https://tinyurl.com/PBBarometer>, and is completely voluntary. Information gathered from the survey provides guidance for business community members as well as elected leaders. Consistent monthly participation in the survey from statewide businesses is encouraged to acquire accurate data and track workforce trends.

Survey Results

The survey was launched in January of this year, with 110 businesses participating that month and 160 in February. The amount of participation increased substantially in March with 595 total participants and again in April to 925.

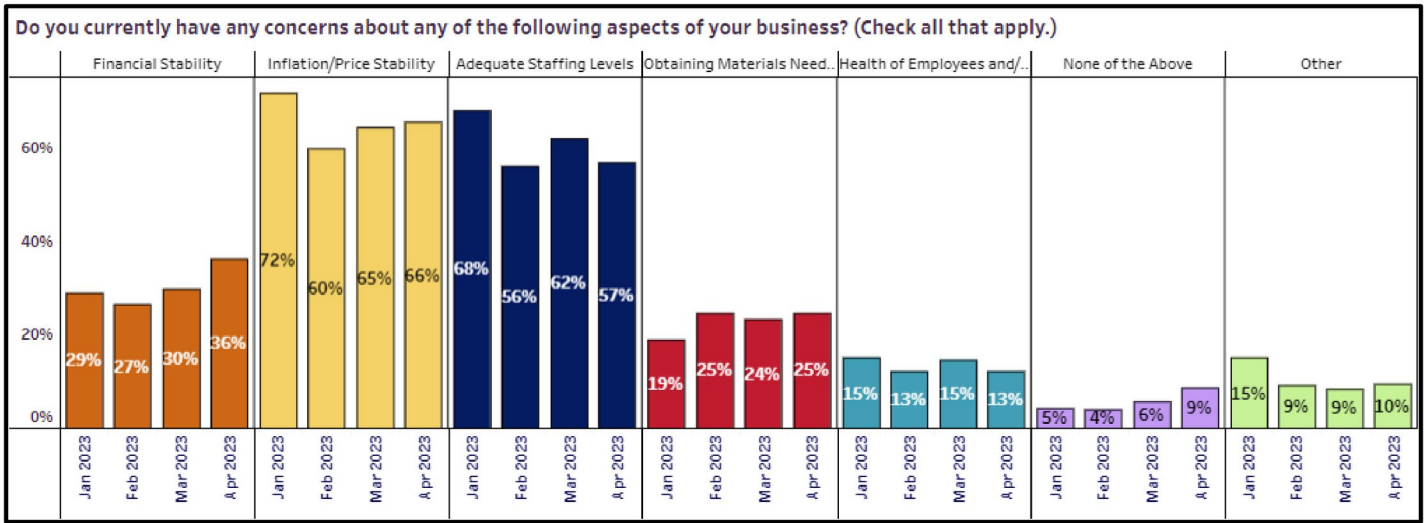
Respondents were asked to give their business a performance rating on a scale of 1 (poor) to 10 (excellent). Participants rated their businesses' circumstances as moderately positive each month, with the average rating consistently between 7.2 and 7.6.

FIGURE 1



The top concerns participants expressed regarding their business for each month of the survey were inflation/price stability and adequate staffing levels, with most businesses rating both as a concern throughout.

FIGURE 2



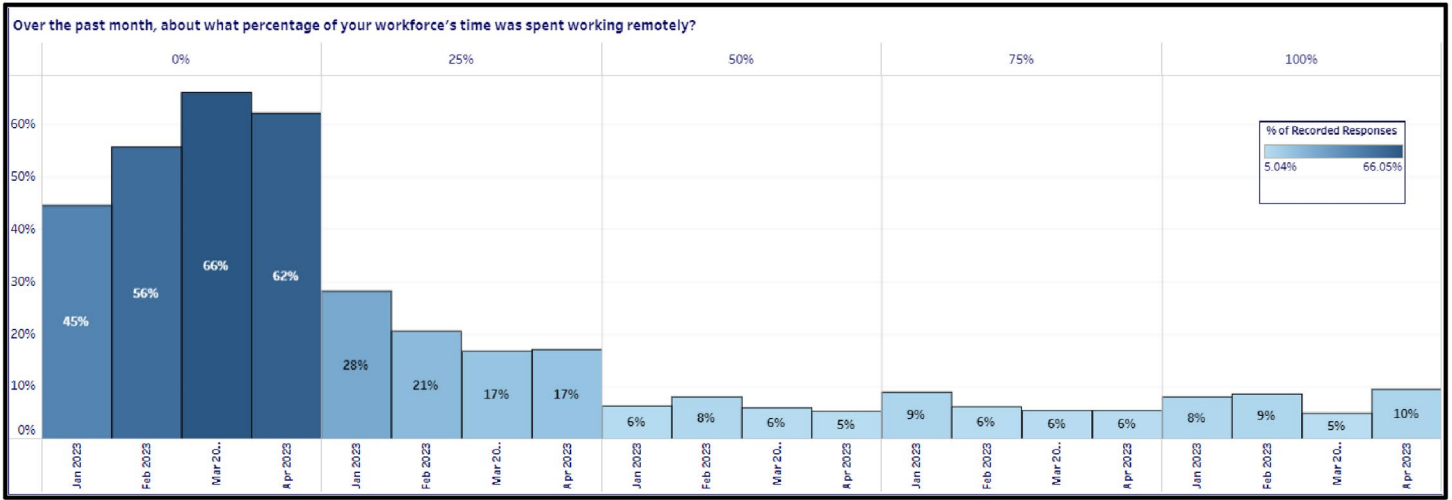
When asked questions regarding changes in their business within the last month, most people said their revenue met expectations, their staffing levels were stable, and they did not seek capital to maintain or grow their business.

FIGURE 3



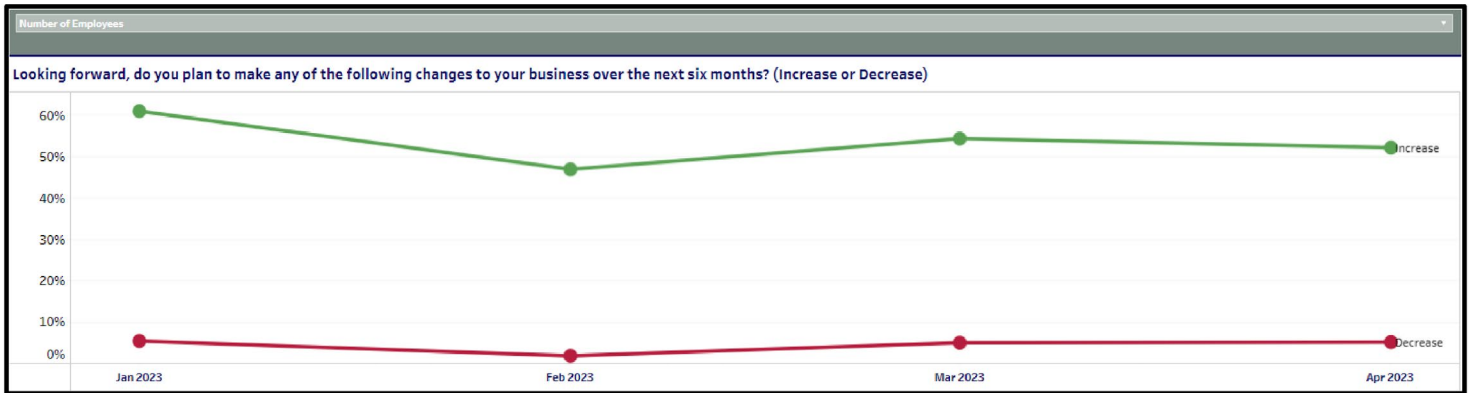
Additionally, over the past three months, most survey takers said all their workers were fully on-site with no remote or hybrid work.

FIGURE 4



Looking forward, most business owners and managers are interested in hiring more workers (55% in April). Increased training (35% in April) and wages (33% in April) were also common responses.

FIGURE 5



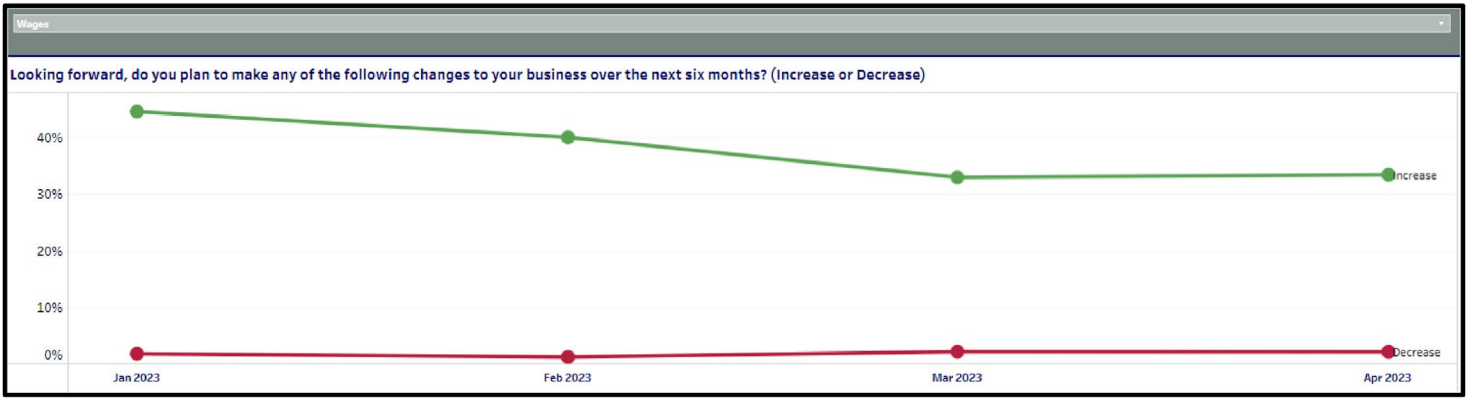


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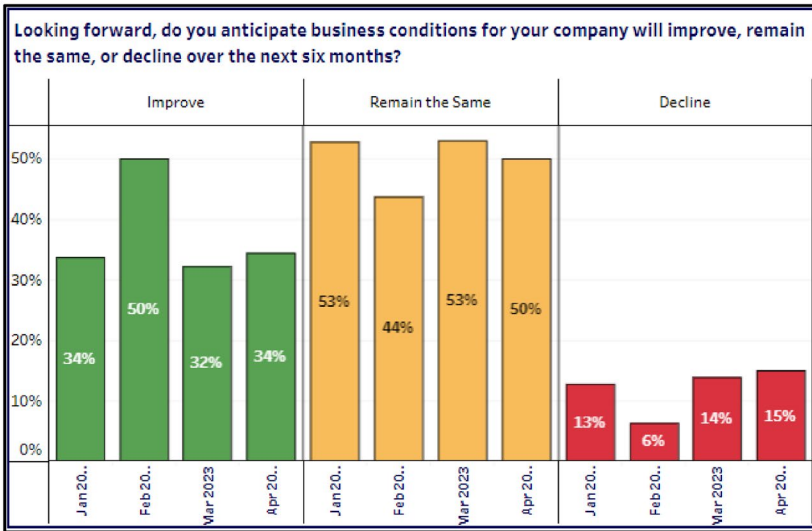
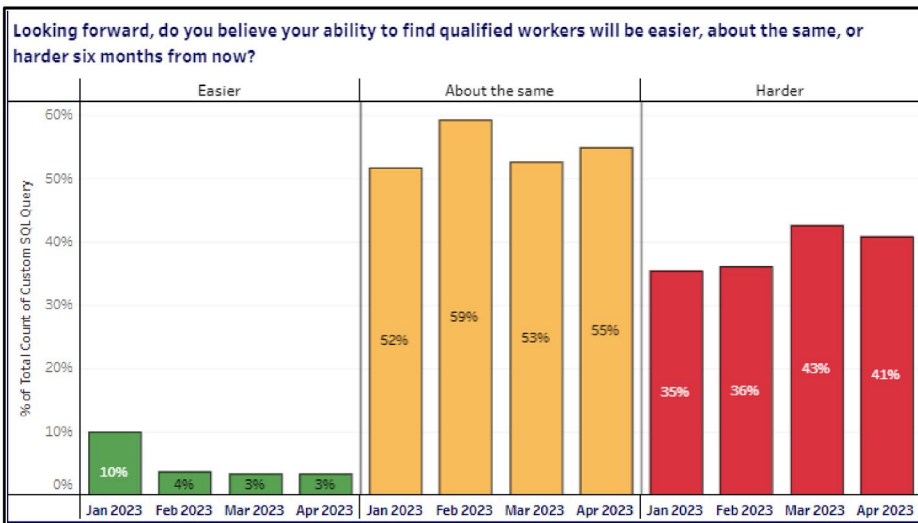


FIGURE 7



Around half of April participants believe their business conditions will remain the same in six months, 34 percent believe conditions will improve, and 15 percent believe conditions will decline. Subtracting the third figure from the second condenses the results into a single number, a business sentiment index of +19, reflecting a generally positive outlook among this set of South Carolina companies.

As has been widely reported, many businesses are having trouble find the workers they need. While most companies reported that they expect this to remain equally challenging six months from now (55 percent in April), many businesses believe it will be harder to find qualified workers in the near future (41 percent in April), with only 3 percent saying that hiring will get easier.

Since the Palmetto Business Barometer Survey is a new concept for gathering data from South Carolina businesses, DEW and the Chamber plan to investigate possibilities for increasing participation in future months to improve the quality and reliability of the data. Survey results will not only benefit South Carolina's businesses by providing invaluable relative information that will encourage growth, but legislators and other policymakers will also profit from the data by being able to recognize where businesses struggle and prosper.



SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (MARCH 2023)

Household Survey¹ (Local Area Unemployment Statistics)

EMPLOYMENT: The seasonally adjusted, monthly survey of households estimated the number of South Carolinians working increased to 2,316,712.

- That is a significant increase of 10,648 people over the February 2023 estimate.
- That is an increase of 14,667 people over the March 2022 estimate.

UNEMPLOYMENT: The estimate of unemployed people increased to 76,435.

- That is an increase of 392 people from February's estimate and an increase of 266 from the March 2022 estimate.
- The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was unchanged at 3.2 percent.
- Nationally, the unemployment rate decreased from February's rate of 3.6 percent to 3.5 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 2,393,147.

- That is a significant increase of 11,040 people over the February estimate.
- That is an increase of 14,933 individuals over the March 2022 estimate.

Employer Survey² (Current Employment Statistics)

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated increase of 4,200 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,283,500.

- Industries that reported gains were Leisure and Hospitality (+1,400); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+1,200); Manufacturing (+900); Financial Activities (+700); Government (+500); Education and Health Services (+400); Information (+300); Other Services (+200); and Construction (+100).
- The Professional and Business Services industry (-1,500) declined.

From March 2022 to March 2023, South Carolina's economy has picked up 60,600 seasonally adjusted, nonfarm jobs.

- Industries with strong growth were Education and Health Services (+15,600); Leisure and Hospitality (+12,200); Government (+8,600); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+8,300); Professional and Business Services (+3,800); Financial Activities (+3,700); Manufacturing (+2,600); Information (+2,400); Other Services (+1,700); and Construction (+1,500).



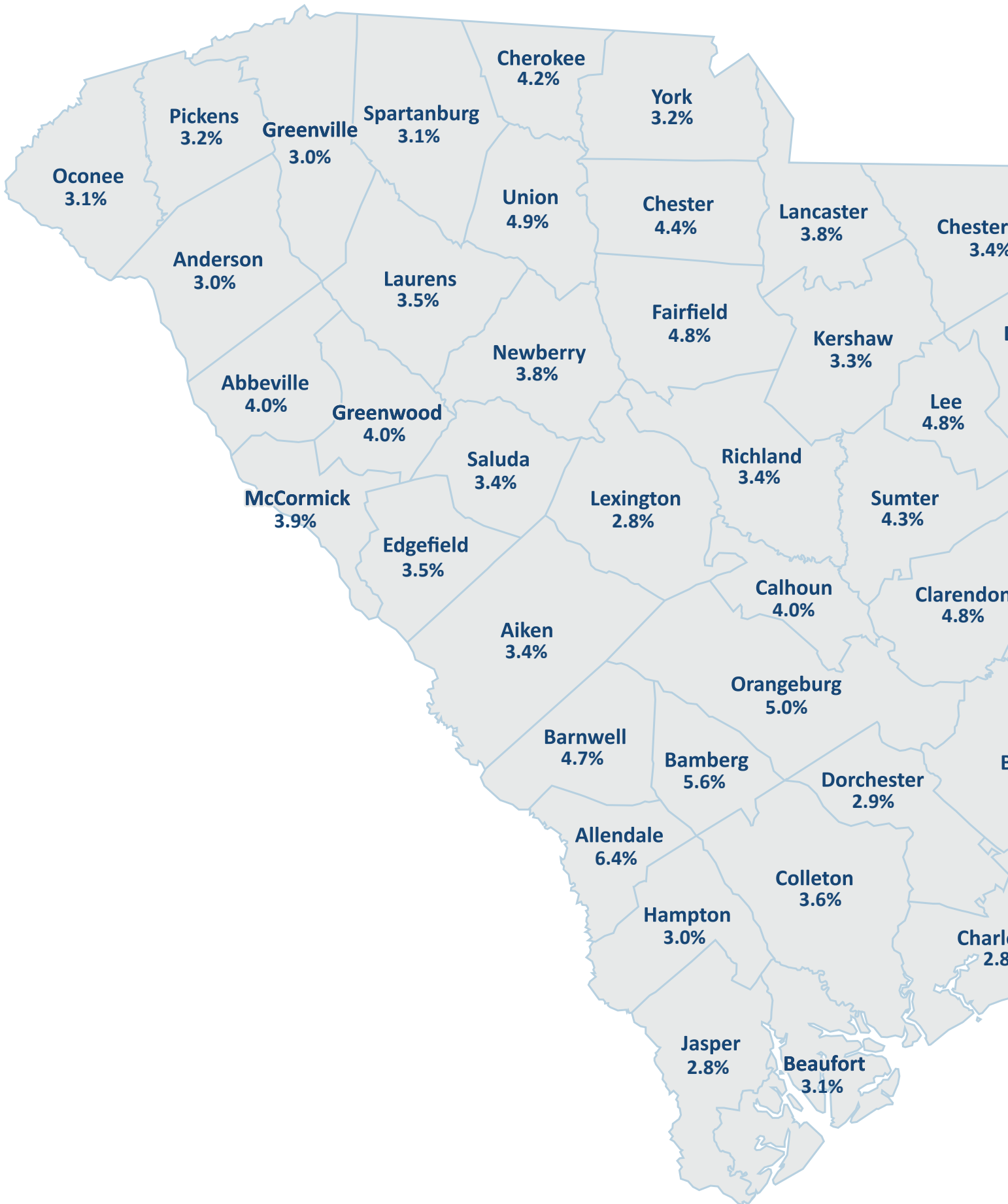
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED⁴)

Not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm payroll employment increased by 11,200 from February 2023 to March 2023 to make a total of 2,276,000.

- Leisure and Hospitality (+9,000); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+2,400); Government (+2,400); Manufacturing (+1,200); Information (+500); and Financial Activities (+400) industries increased over the month.
- Professional and Business Services (-4,200); Other Services (-300); and Education and Health Services (-200) industries marked declines.
- Mining and Logging and Construction industries showed no change over the month.

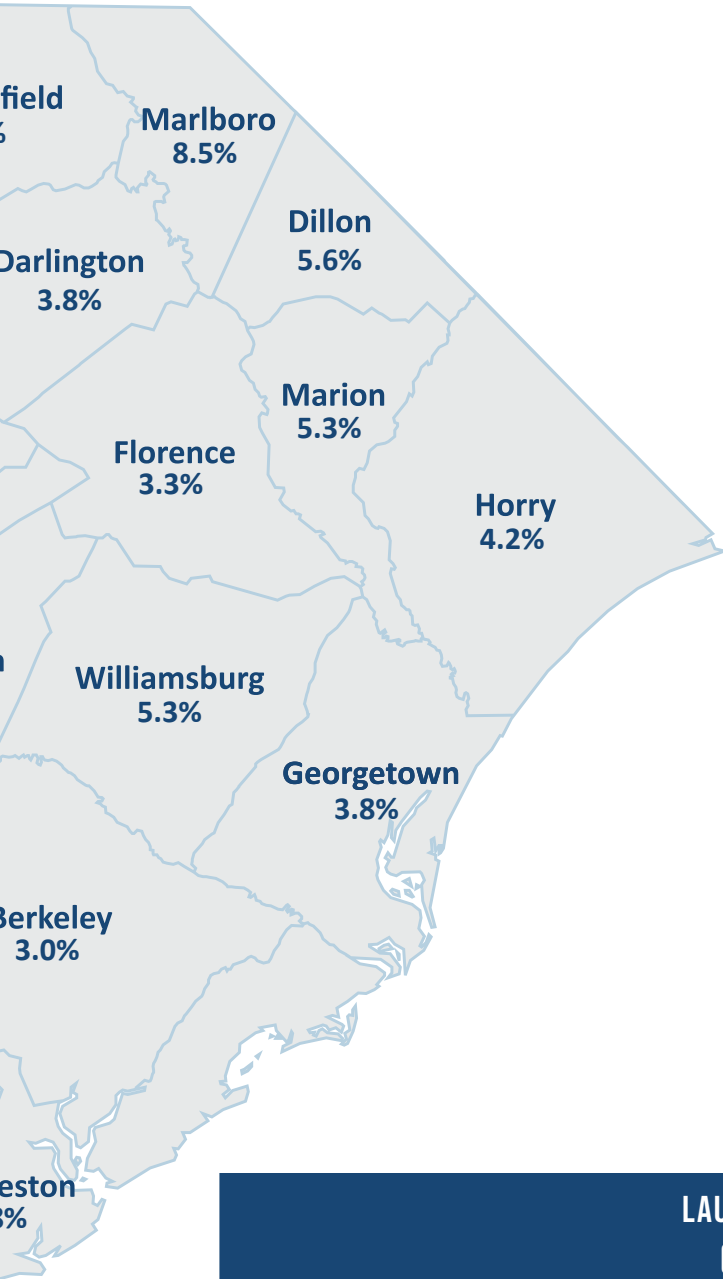
Since March 2022, not seasonally adjusted, nonfarm jobs were up 64,500 in South Carolina.

- Industries making strong annual gains were Educational and Health Services (+14,800); Leisure and Hospitality (+12,000); Government (+9,800); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+8,800); Professional and Business Services (+6,400); Financial Activities (+4,200); Information (+2,800); Construction (+2,500); Manufacturing (+2,000); Other Services (+1,000); and Mining and Logging (+200).



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 (%)
4,269,381	2,393,147	56.1%	2,316,712	54.3%	76,435	3.2%

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)

AREA	MARCH 2023					FEBRUARY 2023					MARCH 2022				
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT				
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			
Abbeville County	↓	9,588	9,207	381	4.0%	9,585	9,164	421	4.4%	9,499	9,149	350	3.7%		
Aiken County	↓	73,027	70,576	2,451	3.4%	73,078	70,307	2,771	3.8%	73,743	71,439	2,304	3.1%		
Allendale County	↑	2,285	2,138	147	6.4%	2,235	2,094	141	6.3%	2,373	2,237	136	5.7%		
Anderson County	↓	93,464	90,634	2,830	3.0%	93,265	90,016	3,249	3.5%	91,666	89,034	2,632	2.9%		
Bamberg County	↓	4,585	4,328	257	5.6%	4,559	4,296	263	5.8%	4,574	4,334	240	5.2%		
Barnwell County	↓	7,513	7,158	355	4.7%	7,456	7,086	370	5.0%	7,578	7,218	360	4.8%		
Beaufort County	↓	77,125	74,706	2,419	3.1%	76,965	74,046	2,919	3.8%	75,685	73,307	2,378	3.1%		
Berkeley County	↓	114,184	110,781	3,403	3.0%	113,027	109,219	3,808	3.4%	108,733	105,526	3,207	2.9%		
Calhoun County	-	6,475	6,218	257	4.0%	6,435	6,175	260	4.0%	6,459	6,248	211	3.3%		
Charleston County	↓	223,942	217,713	6,229	2.8%	221,941	214,980	6,961	3.1%	213,407	207,448	5,959	2.8%		
Cherokee County	↓	24,500	23,483	1,017	4.2%	24,455	23,379	1,076	4.4%	24,533	23,597	936	3.8%		
Chester County	↓	13,675	13,072	603	4.4%	13,488	12,860	628	4.7%	13,381	12,813	568	4.2%		
Chesterfield County	↓	21,289	20,574	715	3.4%	21,148	20,342	806	3.8%	21,486	20,730	756	3.5%		
Clarendon County	↓	11,944	11,371	573	4.8%	11,843	11,247	596	5.0%	12,259	11,787	472	3.9%		
Colleton County	↓	15,990	15,407	583	3.6%	15,884	15,232	652	4.1%	15,710	15,152	558	3.6%		
Darlington County	↓	30,356	29,211	1,145	3.8%	29,969	28,779	1,190	4.0%	29,894	28,864	1,030	3.4%		
Dillon County	↑	13,090	12,363	727	5.6%	12,921	12,250	671	5.2%	12,867	12,275	592	4.6%		
Dorchester County	↓	82,805	80,413	2,392	2.9%	81,922	79,295	2,627	3.2%	78,843	76,626	2,217	2.8%		
Edgefield County	↓	10,199	9,842	357	3.5%	10,212	9,807	405	4.0%	10,312	10,003	309	3.0%		
Fairfield County	-	9,302	8,852	450	4.8%	9,229	8,785	444	4.8%	9,350	8,884	466	5.0%		
Florence County	↓	67,337	65,122	2,215	3.3%	66,676	64,263	2,413	3.6%	66,181	64,071	2,110	3.2%		
Georgetown County	↓	26,292	25,296	996	3.8%	25,932	24,799	1,133	4.4%	25,745	24,736	1,009	3.9%		
Greenville County	↓	266,175	258,239	7,936	3.0%	265,166	256,477	8,689	3.3%	260,745	253,573	7,172	2.8%		
Greenwood County	↓	30,166	28,956	1,210	4.0%	30,036	28,772	1,264	4.2%	29,907	28,858	1,049	3.5%		
Hampton County	↓	7,894	7,656	238	3.0%	7,840	7,560	280	3.6%	8,010	7,782	228	2.8%		
Horry County	↓	154,553	148,059	6,494	4.2%	151,805	144,559	7,246	4.8%	148,132	142,094	6,038	4.1%		
Jasper County	↓	13,223	12,852	371	2.8%	13,248	12,796	452	3.4%	13,006	12,600	406	3.1%		
Kershaw County	↓	29,608	28,618	990	3.3%	29,543	28,403	1,140	3.9%	29,638	28,710	928	3.1%		
Lancaster County	↓	44,693	43,000	1,693	3.8%	44,120	42,338	1,782	4.0%	43,674	42,095	1,579	3.6%		
Laurens County	↓	30,739	29,657	1,082	3.5%	30,668	29,465	1,203	3.9%	30,174	29,166	1,008	3.3%		
Lee County	↓	6,411	6,105	306	4.8%	6,347	6,027	320	5.0%	6,422	6,132	290	4.5%		
Lexington County	↓	152,736	148,418	4,318	2.8%	152,182	147,367	4,815	3.2%	152,611	148,644	3,967	2.6%		
Marion County	↓	12,740	12,066	674	5.3%	12,581	11,890	691	5.5%	12,739	12,106	633	5.0%		
Marlboro County	↑	8,190	7,495	695	8.5%	8,061	7,413	648	8.0%	8,450	7,927	523	6.2%		
McCormick County	↓	3,596	3,457	139	3.9%	3,579	3,435	144	4.0%	3,329	3,203	126	3.8%		
Newberry County	↑	19,551	18,799	752	3.8%	19,272	18,630	642	3.3%	19,294	18,783	511	2.6%		
Oconee County	↓	34,533	33,455	1,078	3.1%	34,333	33,115	1,218	3.5%	34,097	33,044	1,053	3.1%		
Orangeburg County	↓	33,139	31,470	1,669	5.0%	32,983	31,284	1,699	5.2%	32,947	31,307	1,640	5.0%		
Pickens County	↓	59,313	57,392	1,921	3.2%	59,138	57,034	2,104	3.6%	58,025	56,331	1,694	2.9%		
Richland County	↓	199,532	192,763	6,769	3.4%	198,452	191,305	7,147	3.6%	199,004	192,786	6,218	3.1%		
Saluda County	↓	8,405	8,120	285	3.4%	8,350	8,045	305	3.7%	8,514	8,275	239	2.8%		
Spartanburg County	↓	157,696	152,730	4,966	3.1%	156,789	151,319	5,470	3.5%	155,426	150,766	4,660	3.0%		
Sumter County	↓	42,557	40,719	1,838	4.3%	42,290	40,340	1,950	4.6%	42,328	40,780	1,548	3.7%		
Union County	↓	11,473	10,909	564	4.9%	11,391	10,813	578	5.1%	11,281	10,768	513	4.5%		
Williamsburg County	↓	10,778	10,207	571	5.3%	10,668	10,074	594	5.6%	10,895	10,391	504	4.6%		
York County	↓	151,889	147,005	4,884	3.2%	149,938	144,797	5,141	3.4%	148,306	143,680	4,626	3.1%		

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

↑ Unemployment Rate Up
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LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MSA (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

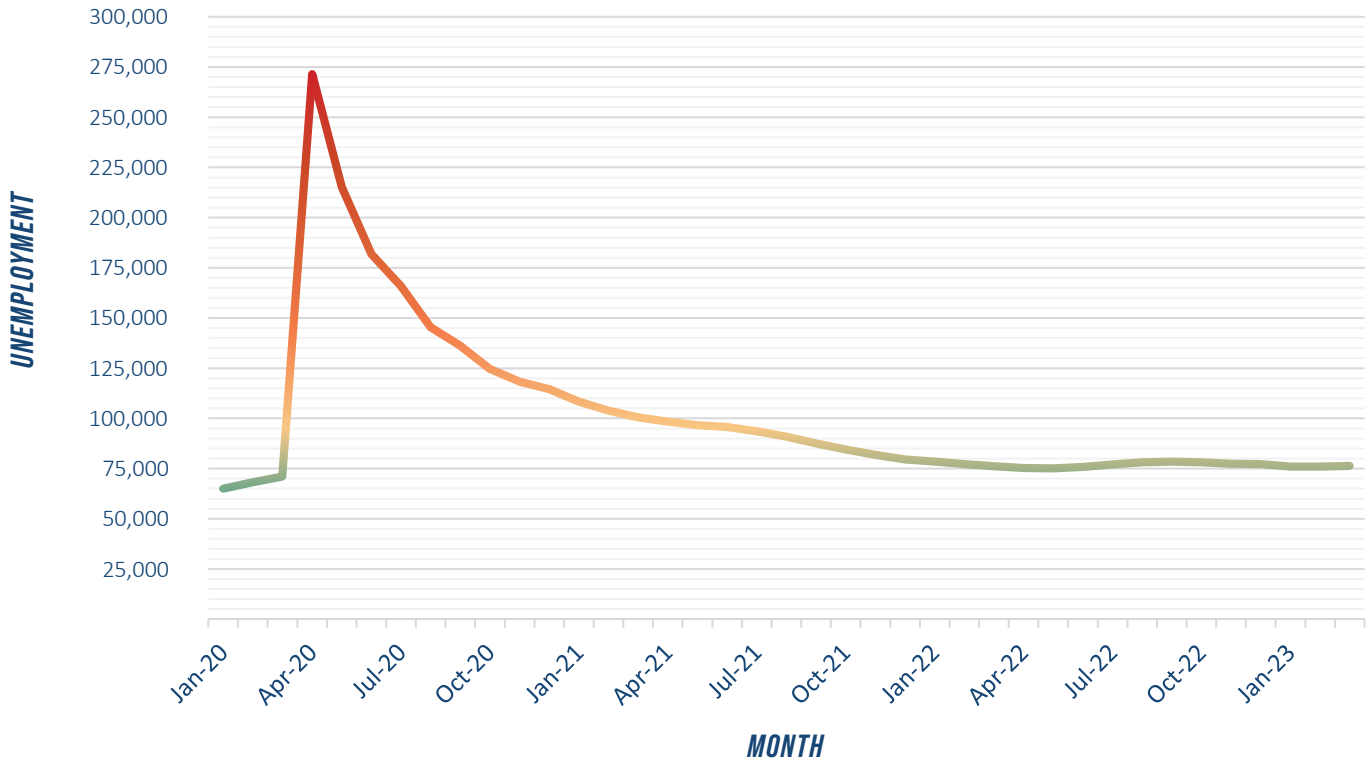
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	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT				
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			
Charleston-North Charleston	↓	420,931	408,907	12,024	2.9%	416,890	403,494	13,396	3.2%	400,983	389,600	11,383	2.8%		
Columbia	↓	406,058	392,989	13,069	3.2%	404,191	390,080	14,111	3.5%	405,576	393,547	12,029	3.0%		
Florence	↓	97,693	94,333	3,360	3.4%	96,645	93,042	3,603	3.7%	96,075	92,935	3,140	3.3%		
Greenville - Anderson-Mauldin	↓	449,691	435,922	13,769	3.1%	448,237	432,992	15,245	3.4%	440,610	428,104	12,506	2.8%		
Hilton Head Island- Bluffton-Beaufort	↓	90,348	87,558	2,790	3.1%	90,213	86,842	3,371	3.7%	88,691	85,907	2,784	3.1%		
Myrtle Beach- Conway-North Myrtle Beach	↓	212,365	203,281	9,084	4.3%	208,494	198,459	10,035	4.8%	204,321	195,673	8,648	4.2%		
Spartanburg	↓	169,169	163,639	5,530	3.3%	168,180	162,132	6,048	3.6%	166,707	161,534	5,173	3.1%		
Sumter	↓	42,557	40,719	1,838	4.3%	42,290	40,340	1,950	4.6%	42,328	40,780	1,548	3.7%		
Augusta-Richmond County, GA (SC portion)	↓	83,226	80,418	2,808	3.4%	83,290	80,114	3,176	3.8%	84,055	81,442	2,613	3.1%		
Charlotte-Con- cord-Gastonia, NC (SC portion)	↓	210,257	203,077	7,180	3.4%	207,546	199,995	7,551	3.6%	205,361	198,588	6,773	3.3%		

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MUNICIPALITY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

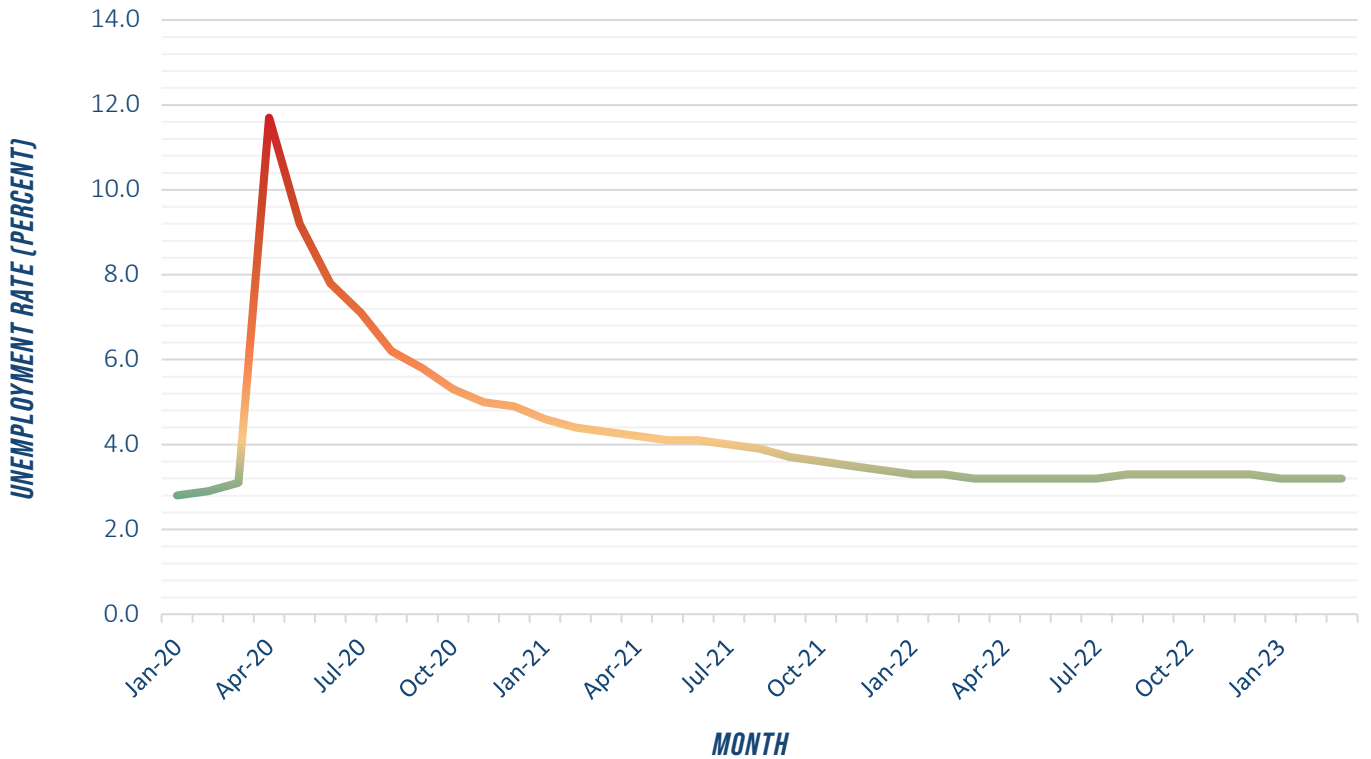
CITIES AND TOWNS ABOVE 25,000 POPULATION	MARCH 2023					FEBRUARY 2023					MARCH 2022				
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT				
			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			
Aiken	↓	12,838	12,345	493	3.8%	12,836	12,298	538	4.2%	12,949	12,496	453	3.5%		
Anderson	↓	11,797	11,387	410	3.5%	11,784	11,309	475	4.0%	11,555	11,186	369	3.2%		
Bluffton	↓	13,097	12,746	351	2.7%	13,040	12,634	406	3.1%	12,818	12,508	310	2.4%		
Charleston	↓	79,191	76,818	2,373	3.0%	78,398	75,846	2,552	3.3%	75,321	73,195	2,126	2.8%		
Columbia	↓	57,835	55,619	2,216	3.8%	57,604	55,199	2,405	4.2%	57,581	55,626	1,955	3.4%		
Conway	↓	10,506	10,000	506	4.8%	10,299	9,764	535	5.2%	9,968	9,597	371	3.7%		
Florence	↓	19,831	19,149	682	3.4%	19,606	18,897	709	3.6%	19,423	18,840	583	3.0%		
Fort Mill	↑	13,463	13,071	392	2.9%	13,288	12,936	352	2.6%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A		
Goose Creek	↓	21,654	20,990	664	3.1%	21,420	20,694	726	3.4%	20,598	19,994	604	2.9%		
Greenville	↓	38,208	36,976	1,232	3.2%	37,973	36,724	1,249	3.3%	37,369	36,308	1,061	2.8%		
Greer	↓	18,768	18,204	564	3.0%	18,653	18,070	583	3.1%	18,390	17,898	492	2.7%		
Hanahan	↓	15,054	14,729	325	2.2%	14,948	14,522	426	2.8%	14,356	14,031	325	2.3%		
Hilton Head Island	↓	17,313	16,806	507	2.9%	17,271	16,657	614	3.6%	16,996	16,491	505	3.0%		
Mauldin	↓	14,136	13,720	416	2.9%	14,080	13,626	454	3.2%	13,811	13,472	339	2.5%		
Mount Pleasant	↓	52,858	51,575	1,283	2.4%	52,353	50,928	1,425	2.7%	50,310	49,144	1,166	2.3%		
Myrtle Beach	↓	16,104	15,370	734	4.6%	15,866	15,006	860	5.4%	15,428	14,750	678	4.4%		
North Charleston	↓	59,054	57,296	1,758	3.0%	58,504	56,559	1,945	3.3%	56,361	54,595	1,766	3.1%		
Rock Hill	↓	41,121	39,645	1,476	3.6%	40,553	39,049	1,504	3.7%	40,159	38,748	1,411	3.5%		
Spartanburg	↓	16,924	16,214	710	4.2%	16,790	16,065	725	4.3%	16,632	16,006	626	3.8%		
Summerville	↓	26,656	25,811	845	3.2%	26,324	25,453	871	3.3%	25,319	24,595	724	2.9%		
Sumter	↓	15,215	14,499	716	4.7%	15,130	14,365	765	5.1%	15,118	14,521	597	3.9%		

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

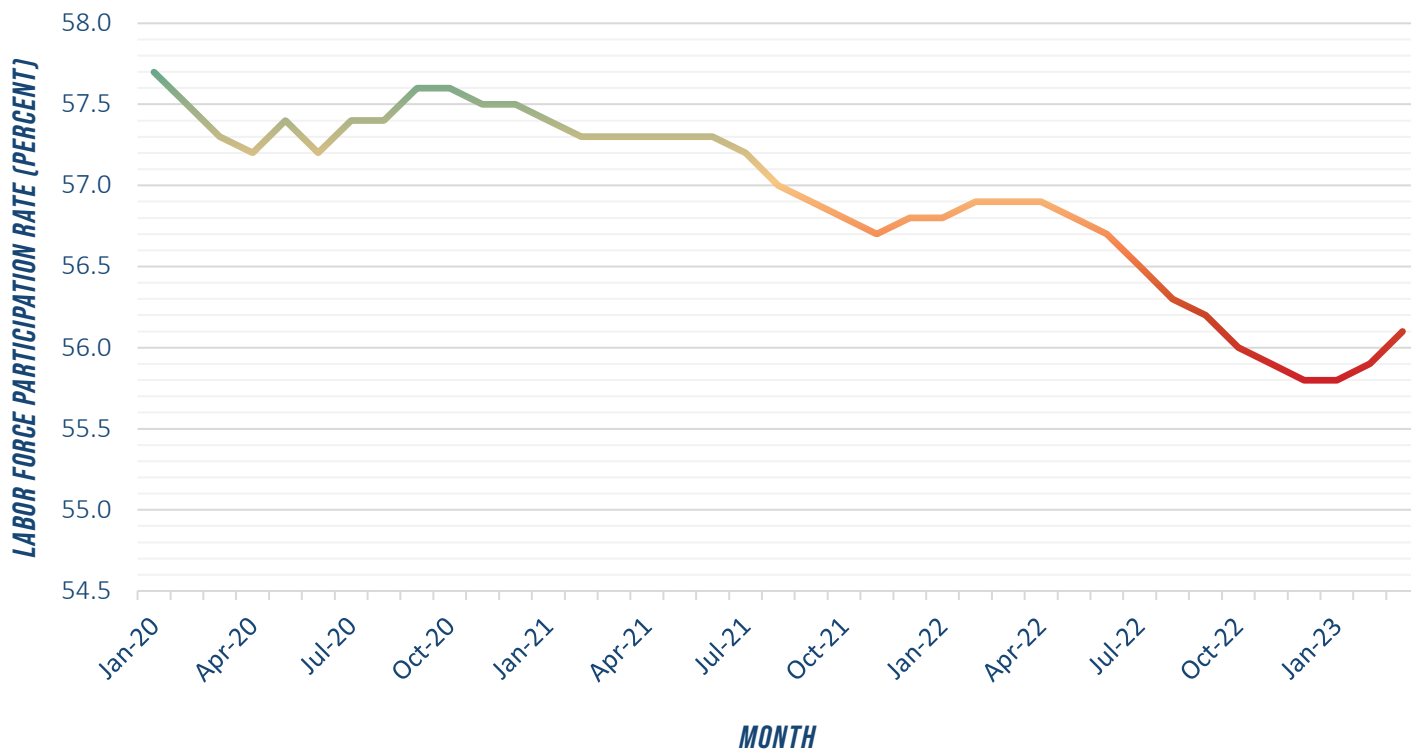
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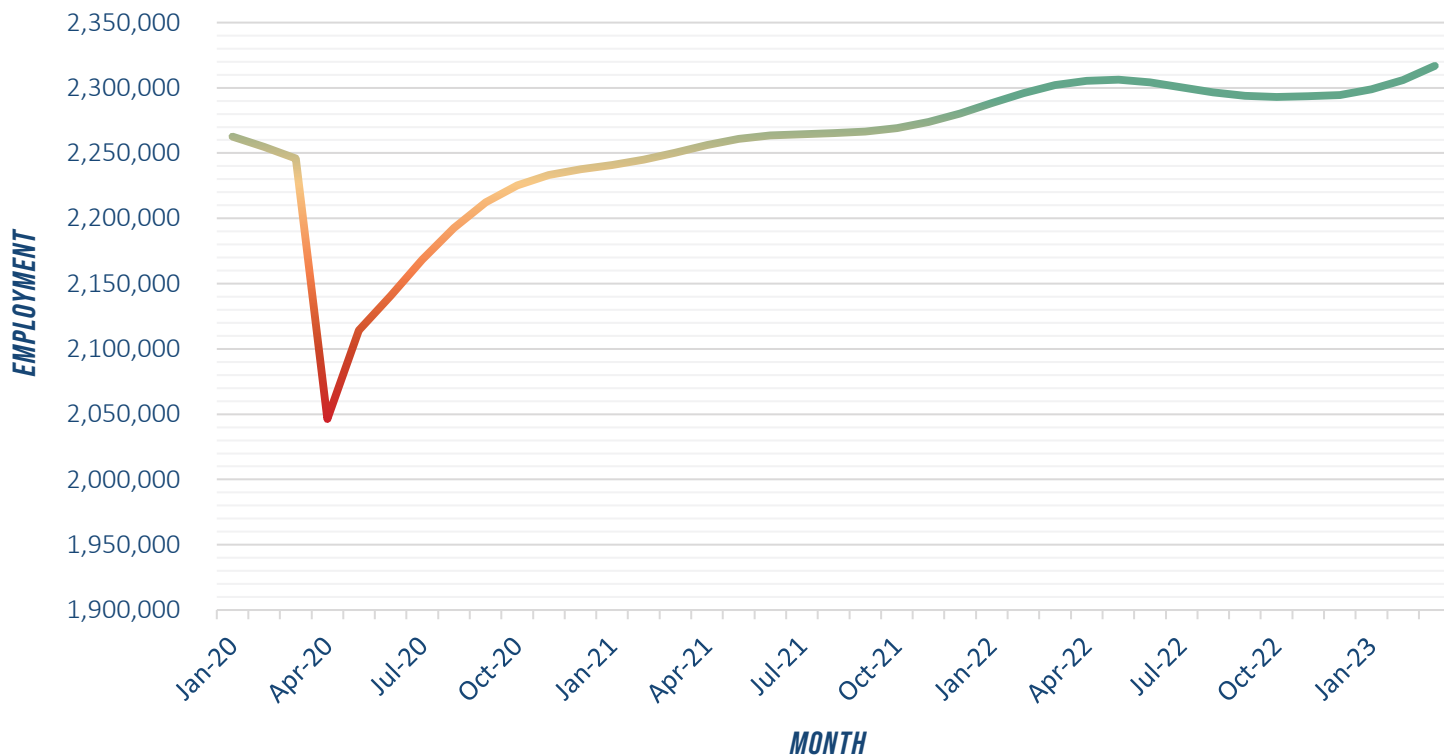
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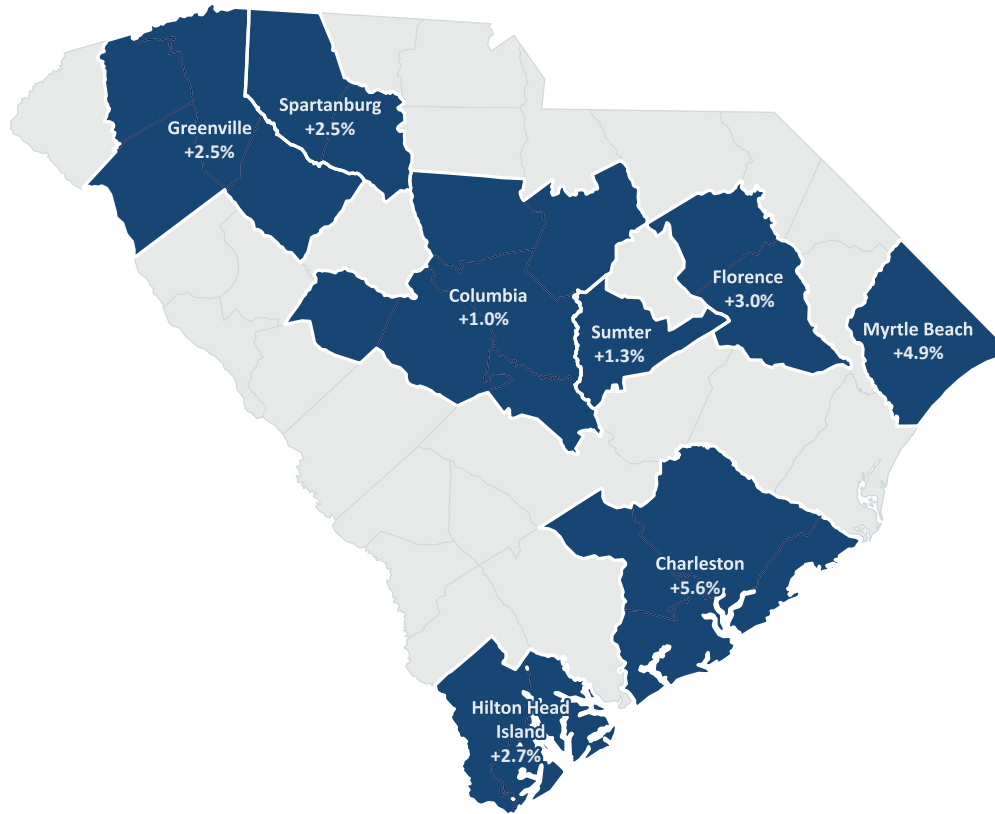


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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Seasonally Adjusted – Year-Over-Year Change



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA SEASONALLY ADJUSTED MARCH 2023

AREA	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Statewide	2,283,500	2,279,300	2,222,900	+4,200	+0.2%	+ 60,600	+2.7%
Charleston-North Charleston	409,700	407,800	387,800	+1,900	+0.5%	+ 21,900	+5.6%
Columbia	415,000	415,000	410,700	0	0.0%	+ 4,300	+1.0%
Florence	95,400	94,800	92,600	+600	+0.6%	+ 2,800	+3.0%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	455,600	455,200	444,600	+400	+0.1%	+ 11,000	+2.5%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	86,500	87,000	84,200	-500	-0.6%	+ 2,300	+2.7%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	189,400	189,600	180,600	-200	-0.1%	+ 8,800	+4.9%
Spartanburg	170,200	169,800	166,100	+400	+0.2%	+ 4,100	+2.5%
Sumter	39,400	39,300	38,900	+100	+0.3%	+ 500	+1.3%

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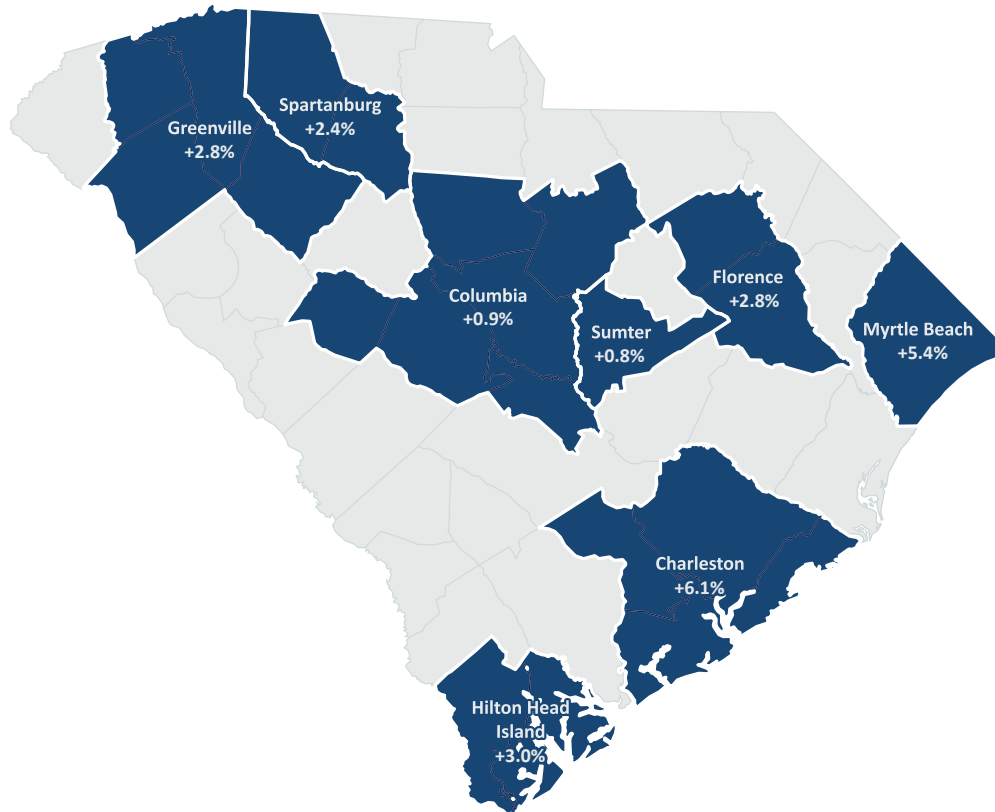
NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (IN THOUSANDS)

MARCH 2023

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,283.5	2,279.3	2,222.9	+4.2	+0.2%	+60.6	+2.7%
Total Private	1,909.3	1,905.6	1,857.3	+3.7	+0.2%	+52.0	+2.8%
Goods Producing	376.7	375.7	372.4	+1.0	+0.3%	+4.3	+1.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	113.8	113.7	112.1	+0.1	+0.1%	+1.7	+1.5%
Mining and Logging	4.5	4.5	4.3	0.0	0.0%	+0.2	+4.7%
Construction	109.3	109.2	107.8	+0.1	+0.1%	+1.5	+1.4%
Manufacturing	262.9	262.0	260.3	+0.9	+0.3%	+2.6	+1.0%
Durable Goods	157.2	156.3	154.8	+0.9	+0.6%	+2.4	+1.6%
Non-Durable Goods	105.7	105.7	105.5	0.0	0.0%	+0.2	+0.2%
Service-Providing	1,906.8	1,903.6	1,850.5	+3.2	+0.2%	+56.3	+3.0%
Private Service Providing	1,532.6	1,529.9	1,484.9	+2.7	+0.2%	+47.7	+3.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	439.9	438.7	431.6	+1.2	+0.3%	+8.3	+1.9%
Wholesale Trade	79.6	79.4	78.9	+0.2	+0.3%	+0.7	+0.9%
Retail Trade	260.3	260.0	258.7	+0.3	+0.1%	+1.6	+0.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	100.0	99.3	94.0	+0.7	+0.7%	+6.0	+6.4%
Information	31.8	31.5	29.4	+0.3	+1.0%	+2.4	+8.2%
Financial Activities	119.0	118.3	115.3	+0.7	+0.6%	+3.7	+3.2%
Finance and Insurance	85.7	85.1	83.2	+0.6	+0.7%	+2.5	+3.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	33.3	33.2	32.1	+0.1	+0.3%	+1.2	+3.7%
Professional and Business Services	309.2	310.7	305.4	-1.5	-0.5%	+3.8	+1.2%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	119.5	119.4	114.9	+0.1	+0.1%	+4.6	+4.0%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25.5	25.5	24.7	0.0	0.0%	+0.8	+3.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	164.2	165.8	165.8	-1.6	-1.0%	-1.6	-1.0%
Education and Health Services	275.4	275.0	259.8	+0.4	+0.1%	+15.6	+6.0%
Educational Services	46.9	46.9	43.8	0.0	0.0%	+3.1	+7.1%
Health Care Services	228.5	228.1	216.0	+0.4	+0.2%	+12.5	+5.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	274.7	273.3	262.5	+1.4	+0.5%	+12.2	+4.6%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	36.9	36.4	32.3	+0.5	+1.4%	+4.6	+14.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	237.8	236.9	230.2	+0.9	+0.4%	+7.6	+3.3%
Other Services	82.6	82.4	80.9	+0.2	+0.2%	+1.7	+2.1%
Government	374.2	373.7	365.6	+0.5	+0.1%	+8.6	+2.4%
Federal Government	36.3	36.1	35.4	+0.2	+0.6%	+0.9	+2.5%
State Government	108.2	108.3	106.7	-0.1	-0.1%	+1.5	+1.4%
Local Government	229.7	229.3	223.5	+0.4	+0.2%	+6.2	+2.8%

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

Not Seasonally Adjusted – Year-Over-Year Change



NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED MARCH 2023

AREA	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Statewide	2,276,000	2,264,800	2,211,500	+11,200	+0.5%	+64,500	+2.9%
Charleston-North Charleston	408,400	405,000	384,800	+3,400	+0.8%	+23,600	+6.1%
Columbia	415,200	414,400	411,400	+800	+0.2%	+3,800	+0.9%
Florence	95,000	94,200	92,400	+800	+0.9%	+2,600	+2.8%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	456,000	455,300	443,700	+700	+0.2%	+12,300	+2.8%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	85,600	85,300	83,100	+300	+0.4%	+2,500	+3.0%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	186,800	183,000	177,200	+3,800	+2.1%	+9,600	+5.4%
Spartanburg	170,000	169,400	166,100	+600	+0.4%	+3,900	+2.4%
Sumter	39,300	39,100	39,000	+200	+0.5%	+300	+0.8%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED MARCH 2023

				FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,276,000	2,264,800	2,211,500	+11,200	+0.5%	+64,500	+2.9%
Total Private	1,898,000	1,889,200	1,843,300	+8,800	+0.5%	+54,700	+3.0%
Goods Producing	376,500	375,300	371,800	+1,200	+0.3%	+4,700	+1.3%
Mining, Logging and Construction	113,900	113,900	111,200	0	0.0%	+2,700	+2.4%
Mining and Logging	4,500	4,500	4,300	0	0.0%	+200	+4.7%
Construction	109,400	109,400	106,900	0	0.0%	+2,500	+2.3%
Construction of Buildings	26,800	26,800	25,800	0	0.0%	+1,000	+3.9%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	17,300	17,100	16,200	+200	+1.2%	+1100	+6.8%
Specialty Trade Contractors	65,300	65,500	64,900	-200	-0.3%	+400	+0.6%
Manufacturing	262,600	261,400	260,600	+1,200	+0.5%	+2,000	+0.8%
Durable Goods	157,200	156,000	154,800	+1,200	+0.8%	+2,400	+1.6%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	23,800	23,900	23,800	-100	-0.4%	0	0.0%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	50,300	50,400	48,800	-100	-0.2%	+1,500	+3.1%
Non-Durable Goods	105,400	105,400	105,800	0	0.0%	-400	-0.4%
Textile Mills	12,400	12,300	12,900	+100	+0.8%	-500	-3.9%
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	25,700	25,900	25,100	-200	-0.8%	+600	+2.4%
Service-Providing	1,899,500	1,889,500	1,839,700	+10,000	+0.5%	+59,800	+3.3%
Private Service Providing	1,521,500	1,513,900	1,471,500	+7,600	+0.5%	+50,000	+3.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	437,500	435,100	428,700	+2,400	+0.6%	+8,800	+2.1%
Wholesale Trade	79,000	78,400	78,800	+600	+0.8%	+200	+0.3%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	42,200	42,100	42,300	+100	+0.2%	-100	-0.2%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	22,400	22,000	22,400	+400	+1.8%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	259,400	257,900	257,300	+1,500	+0.6%	+2,100	+0.8%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	33,900	33,600	33,100	+300	+0.9%	+800	+2.4%
Food and Beverage Stores	53,200	53,200	50,200	0	0.0%	+3,000	+6.0%
Health and Personal Care Stores	59,700	59,400	58,800	+300	+0.5%	+900	+1.5%
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	16,100	16,200	16,000	-100	-0.6%	+100	+0.6%
General Merchandise Stores	17,700	17,600	16,800	+100	+0.6%	+900	+5.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	99,100	98,800	92,600	+300	+0.3%	+6,500	+7.0%
Utilities	11,500	11,300	10,700	+200	+1.8%	+800	+7.5%
Transportation and Warehousing	87,600	87,500	81,900	+100	+0.1%	+5,700	+7.0%
Information	31,800	31,300	29,000	+500	+1.6%	+2,800	+9.7%
Financial Activities	118,500	118,100	114,300	+400	+0.3%	+4,200	+3.7%
Finance and Insurance	85,600	85,400	83,100	+200	+0.2%	+2,500	+3.0%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities	37,900	37,900	38,000	0	0.0%	-100	-0.3%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	32,900	32,700	31,200	+200	0.6%	+1,700	+5.4%
Professional and Business Services	308,800	313,000	302,400	-4,200	-1.3%	+6,400	+2.1%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	119,600	120,700	115,200	-1,100	-0.9%	+4,400	+3.8%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	22,100	22,200	21,200	-100	-0.5%	+900	+4.2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25,500	25,400	24,600	+100	+0.4%	+900	+3.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	163,700	166,900	162,600	-3,200	-1.9%	+1,100	+0.7%
Administrative and Support Services	152,100	155,100	150,900	-3,000	-1.9%	+1,200	+0.8%
Employment Services	71,800	73,500	72,400	-1,700	-2.3%	-600	-0.8%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	35,900	36,600	35,200	-700	-1.9%	+700	+2.0%
Education and Health Services	275,300	275,500	260,500	-200	-0.1%	+14,800	+5.7%
Educational Services	48,200	48,400	44,500	-200	-0.4%	+3,700	+8.3%
Health Care and Social Assistance	227,100	227,100	216,000	0	0.0%	+11,100	+5.1%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	109,100	108,600	104,200	+500	+0.5%	+4,900	+4.7%
Hospitals	38,300	38,300	36,000	0	0.0%	+2,300	+6.4%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	40,000	40,400	37,400	-400	-1.0%	+2,600	+7.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	267,900	258,900	255,900	+9,000	+3.5%	+12,000	+4.7%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	35,400	34,100	30,400	+1,300	+3.8%	+5,000	+16.4%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	26,000	25,200	23,900	+800	+3.2%	+2,100	+8.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	232,500	224,800	225,500	+7,700	+3.4%	+7,000	+3.1%
Accommodation	30,700	29,400	28,200	+1,300	+4.4%	+2,500	+8.9%
Food Services and Drinking Places	201,800	195,400	197,300	+6,400	+3.3%	+4,500	+2.3%
Other Services	81,700	82,000	80,700	-300	-0.4%	+1,000	+1.2%
Repair and Maintenance	23,500	23,300	22,800	+200	+0.9%	+700	+3.1%
Personal and Laundry Services	19,900	20,000	19,100	-100	-0.5%	+800	+4.2%
Government	378,000	375,600	368,200	+2,400	+0.6%	+9,800	+2.7%
Federal Government	36,200	36,100	35,200	+100	+0.3%	+1,000	+2.8%
State Government	111,800	110,800	108,600	+1,000	+0.9%	+3,200	+2.9%
State Government Educational Services	54,800	54,000	52,600	+800	+1.5%	+2,200	+4.2%
State Government Excluding Education	57,000	56,800	56,000	+200	+0.4%	+1,000	+1.8%
Local Government	230,000	228,700	224,400	+1,300	+0.6%	+5,600	+2.5%
Local Government Educational Services	111,900	111,300	109,200	+600	+0.5%	+2,700	+2.5%
Local Government excluding Educational Services	118,100	117,400	115,200	+700	+0.6%	+2,900	+2.5%

TOTAL PRIVATE NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY MSA

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

AREA	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$1,089.70	\$1,083.11	\$1,045.85	+\$6.59	+0.6%	+\$43.85	+4.2%
Columbia	\$922.37	\$880.72	\$879.98	+\$41.65	+4.7%	+\$42.39	+4.8%
Florence	\$755.89	\$755.17	\$746.72	+\$0.72	+0.1%	+\$9.17	+1.2%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$1,136.00	\$1,109.20	\$978.49	+\$26.80	2.4%	+\$157.51	+16.1%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$831.13	\$814.46	\$818.69	+\$16.67	+2.1%	+\$12.44	+1.5%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$841.82	\$827.54	\$796.25	+\$14.28	+1.7%	+\$45.57	+5.7%
Spartanburg	\$929.36	\$906.78	\$1,014.48	+\$22.58	+2.5%	-\$85.12	-8.4%
Sumter	\$734.58	\$710.65	\$701.50	+\$23.93	+3.4%	+\$33.08	+4.7%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

AREA	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	34.0	34.2	34.1	-0.2	-0.6%	-0.1	-0.3%
Columbia	33.7	33.9	33.6	-0.2	-0.6%	+0.1	+0.3%
Florence	32.4	32.3	33.5	+0.1	+0.3%	-1.1	-3.3%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	35.6	35.7	34.6	-0.1	-0.3%	+1.0	+2.9%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	30.5	30.3	31.5	+0.2	+0.7%	-1.0	-3.2%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	33.3	32.8	32.7	+0.5	+1.5%	+0.6	+1.8%
Spartanburg	34.6	34.0	36.0	+0.6	+1.8%	-1.4	-3.9%
Sumter	33.0	32.2	30.7	+0.8	+2.5%	+2.3	+7.5%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

AREA	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$32.05	\$31.67	\$30.67	+\$0.38	+1.2%	+\$1.38	+4.5%
Columbia	\$27.37	\$25.98	\$26.19	+\$1.39	+5.4%	+\$1.18	+4.5%
Florence	\$23.33	\$23.38	\$22.29	-\$0.05	-0.2%	+\$1.04	+4.7%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$31.91	\$31.07	\$28.28	+\$0.84	+2.7%	+\$3.63	+12.8%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$27.25	\$26.88	\$25.99	+\$0.37	+1.4%	+\$1.26	+4.9%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$25.28	\$25.23	\$24.35	+\$0.05	+0.2%	+\$0.93	+3.8%
Spartanburg	\$26.86	\$26.67	\$28.18	+\$0.19	+0.7%	-\$1.32	-4.7%
Sumter	\$22.26	\$22.07	\$22.85	+\$0.19	+0.9%	-\$0.59	-2.6%

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NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY INDUSTRY

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$1,005.33	\$992.67	\$937.38	+\$12.66	+1.3%	+\$67.95	+7.3%
Goods Producing	\$1,256.45	\$1,266.49	\$1,210.14	-\$10.04	-0.8%	+\$46.31	+3.8%
Construction	\$1,233.72	\$1,192.99	\$1,214.44	+\$40.73	+3.4%	+\$19.28	+1.6%
Manufacturing	\$1,279.20	\$1,302.19	\$1,215.64	-\$22.99	-1.8%	+\$63.56	+5.2%
Private Service Providing	\$942.91	\$925.65	\$869.62	+\$17.26	+1.9%	+\$73.29	+8.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$831.14	\$821.51	\$835.60	+\$9.63	+1.2%	-\$4.46	-0.5%
Financial Activities	\$1,273.34	\$1,209.98	\$1,178.85	+\$63.36	+5.2%	+\$94.49	+8.0%
Professional and Business Services	\$1,254.77	\$1,231.02	\$1,184.95	+\$23.75	+1.9%	+\$69.82	+5.9%
Education and Health Services	\$1,003.56	\$978.10	\$966.64	+\$25.46	+2.6%	+\$36.92	+3.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$470.50	\$458.30	\$422.91	+\$12.20	+2.7%	+\$47.59	+11.3%
Other Services	\$916.66	\$918.72	\$770.55	-\$2.06	-0.2%	+\$146.11	+19.0%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

INDUSTRY TITLE	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	34.5	34.6	34.0	-0.1	-0.3%	+0.5	+1.5%
Goods Producing	40.9	41.2	40.5	-0.3	-0.7%	+0.4	+1.0%
Construction	41.4	40.8	40.2	+0.6	+1.5%	+1.2	+3.0%
Manufacturing	40.7	41.3	40.4	-0.6	-1.5%	+0.3	+0.7%
Private Service Providing	32.9	33.0	32.4	-0.1	-0.3%	+0.5	+1.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33.1	32.9	32.4	+0.2	0.6%	+0.7	+2.2%
Financial Activities	38.4	38.4	37.4	0.0	0.0%	+1.0	+2.7%
Professional and Business Services	37.3	37.6	38.8	-0.3	-0.8%	-1.5	-3.9%
Education and Health Services	32.7	32.8	31.6	-0.1	-0.3%	+1.1	+3.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	25.0	24.8	25.4	+0.2	+0.8%	-0.4	-1.6%
Other Services	33.9	34.8	33.9	-0.9	-2.6%	0.0	0.0%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

INDUSTRY TITLE	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$29.14	\$28.69	\$27.57	+\$0.45	+1.6%	+\$1.57	+5.7%
Goods Producing	\$30.72	\$30.74	\$29.88	-\$0.02	-0.1%	+\$0.84	+2.8%
Construction	\$29.80	\$29.24	\$30.21	+\$0.56	+1.9%	-\$0.41	-1.4%
Manufacturing	\$31.43	\$31.53	\$30.09	-\$0.10	-0.3%	+\$1.34	+4.5%
Private Service Providing	\$28.66	\$28.05	\$26.84	+\$0.61	+2.2%	+\$1.82	+6.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$25.11	\$24.97	\$25.79	+\$0.14	+0.6%	-\$0.68	-2.6%
Financial Activities	\$33.16	\$31.51	\$31.52	+\$1.65	+5.2%	+\$1.64	+5.2%
Professional and Business Services	\$33.64	\$32.74	\$30.54	+\$0.90	+2.8%	+\$3.10	+10.2%
Education and Health Services	\$30.69	\$29.82	\$30.59	+\$0.87	+2.9%	+\$0.10	+0.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$18.82	\$18.48	\$16.65	+\$0.34	+1.8%	+\$2.17	+13.0%
Other Services	\$27.04	\$26.40	\$22.73	+\$0.64	+2.4%	+\$4.31	+19.0%

NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
CHARLESTON-NORTH CHARLESTON MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	408,400	405,000	384,800	+3,400	+0.8%	+23,600	+6.1%
Total Private	340,000	337,200	318,400	+2,800	+0.8%	+21,600	+6.8%
Goods Producing	53,100	52,800	50,700	+300	+0.6%	+2,400	+4.7%
Service-Providing	355,300	352,200	334,100	+3,100	+0.9%	+21,200	+6.4%
Private Service Providing	286,900	284,400	267,700	+2,500	+0.9%	+19,200	+7.2%
Mining, Logging and Construction	21,800	21,900	21,400	-100	-0.5%	+400	+1.9%
Manufacturing	31,300	30,900	29,300	+400	+1.3%	+2,000	+6.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	74,100	73,300	72,000	+800	+1.1%	+2,100	+2.9%
Wholesale Trade	12,100	12,000	11,800	+100	+0.8%	+300	+2.5%
Retail Trade	41,500	40,900	41,900	+600	+1.5%	-400	-1.0%
General Merchandise Stores	7,900	7,800	7,600	+100	+1.3%	+300	+4.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	20,500	20,400	18,300	+100	+0.5%	+2,200	+12.0%
Information	9,000	8,800	8,300	+200	+2.3%	+700	+8.4%
Financial Activities	19,500	19,500	17,100	0	0.0%	+2,400	+14.0%
Professional and Business Services	68,600	69,100	61,100	-500	-0.7%	+7,500	+12.3%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	31,000	31,500	27,100	-500	-1.6%	+3,900	+14.4%
Education and Health Services	48,200	48,000	44,400	+200	+0.4%	+3,800	+8.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	52,000	50,200	49,400	+1,800	+3.6%	+2,600	+5.3%
Accommodation and Food Services	46,100	44,400	43,700	+1,700	+3.8%	+2,400	+5.5%
Food Services and Drinking Places	37,900	36,400	36,200	+1,500	+4.1%	+1,700	+4.7%
Other Services	15,500	15,500	15,400	0	0.0%	+100	+0.7%
Government	68,400	67,800	66,400	+600	+0.9%	+2,000	+3.0%
Federal Government	11,600	11,600	11,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	28,200	28,000	27,100	+200	+0.7%	+1,100	+4.1%
Local Government	28,600	28,200	27,700	+400	+1.4%	+900	+3.3%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
COLUMBIA MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	415,200	414,400	411,400	+800	+0.2%	+3,800	+0.9%
Total Private	331,800	331,500	328,800	+300	+0.1%	+3,000	+0.9%
Goods Producing	48,700	48,400	51,300	+300	+0.6%	-2,600	-5.1%
Service-Providing	366,500	366,000	360,100	+500	+0.1%	+6,400	+1.8%
Private Service Providing	283,100	283,100	277,500	0	0.0%	+5,600	+2.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	16,900	16,900	17,000	0	0.0%	-100	-0.6%
Manufacturing	31,800	31,500	34,300	+300	+1.0%	-2,500	-7.3%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	76,500	76,800	76,500	-300	-0.4%	0	0.0%
Wholesale Trade	16,000	15,900	15,800	+100	+0.6%	+200	+1.3%
Retail Trade	43,400	43,800	44,200	-400	-0.9%	-800	-1.8%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,100	17,100	16,500	0	0.0%	+600	+3.6%
Information	5,300	5,200	5,000	+100	+1.9%	+300	+6.0%
Financial Activities	36,000	35,900	34,900	+100	+0.3%	+1,100	+3.2%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	7,700	7,700	7,400	0	0.0%	+300	+4.1%
Professional and Business Services	56,400	57,400	56,400	-1,000	-1.7%	0	0.0%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	31,100	31,800	31,800	-700	-2.2%	-700	-2.2%
Education and Health Services	52,200	52,300	50,800	-100	-0.2%	+1,400	+2.8%
Leisure and Hospitality	39,700	38,400	37,200	+1,300	+3.4%	+2,500	+6.7%
Food Services and Drinking Places	32,900	31,900	31,600	+1,000	+3.1%	+1,300	+4.1%
Other Services	17,000	17,100	16,700	-100	-0.6%	+300	+1.8%
Government	83,400	82,900	82,600	+500	+0.6%	+800	+1.0%
Federal Government	11,200	11,200	10,700	0	0.0%	+500	+4.7%
State Government	36,500	36,100	35,800	+400	+1.1%	+700	+2.0%
Local Government	35,700	35,600	36,100	+100	+0.3%	-400	-1.1%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
GREENVILLE-ANDERSON-MAULDIN MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	456,000	455,300	443,700	+700	+0.2%	+12,300	+2.8%
Total Private	391,300	391,700	382,000	-400	-0.1%	+9,300	+2.4%
Goods Producing	82,700	82,900	81,400	-200	-0.2%	+1,300	+1.6%
Service-Providing	373,300	372,400	362,300	+900	+0.2%	+11,000	+3.0%
Private Service Providing	308,600	308,800	300,600	-200	-0.1%	+8,000	+2.7%
Mining, Logging and Construction	22,100	22,000	20,700	+100	+0.5%	+1,400	+6.8%
Manufacturing	60,600	60,900	60,700	-300	-0.5%	-100	-0.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	82,700	82,100	81,200	+600	+0.7%	+1,500	+1.9%
Wholesale Trade	19,800	19,700	20,000	+100	+0.5%	-200	-1.0%
Retail Trade	47,600	47,200	46,900	+400	+0.9%	+700	+1.5%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	15,300	15,200	14,300	+100	+0.7%	+1,000	+7.0%
Information	7,400	7,300	6,800	+100	+1.4%	+600	+8.8%
Financial Activities	21,700	21,700	21,000	0	0.0%	+700	+3.3%
Professional and Business Services	74,600	75,800	75,600	-1,200	-1.6%	-1,000	-1.3%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	27,300	27,700	26,200	-400	-1.4%	+1,100	+4.2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6,600	6,600	6,400	0	0.0%	+200	+3.1%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	40,700	41,500	43,000	-800	-1.9%	-2,300	-5.4%
Education and Health Services	59,000	59,000	55,900	0	0.0%	+3,100	+5.6%
Educational Services	12,400	12,500	11,700	-100	-0.8%	+700	+6.0%
Health Care and Social Assistance	46,600	46,500	44,200	+100	+0.2%	+2,400	+5.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	47,900	47,600	45,200	+300	+0.6%	+2,700	+6.0%
Other Services	15,300	15,300	14,900	0	0.0%	+400	+2.7%
Government	64,700	63,600	61,700	+1,100	+1.7%	+3,000	+4.9%
Federal Government	3,100	3,000	3,000	+100	+3.3%	+100	+3.3%
State Government	15,500	15,400	14,600	+100	+0.7%	+900	+6.2%
Local Government	46,100	45,200	44,100	+900	+2.0%	+2,000	+4.5%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
MYRTLE BEACH-CONWAY-NORTH MYRTLE BEACH MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	186,800	183,000	177,200	+3,800	+2.1%	+9,600	+5.4%
Total Private	161,800	158,200	153,400	+3,600	+2.3%	+8,400	+5.5%
Goods Producing	17,700	17,500	16,700	+200	+1.1%	+1,000	+6.0%
Service-Providing	169,100	165,500	160,500	+3,600	+2.2%	+8,600	+5.4%
Private Service Providing	144,100	140,700	136,700	+3,400	+2.4%	+7,400	+5.4%
Mining, Logging and Construction	12,300	12,200	11,500	+100	+0.8%	+800	+7.0%
Manufacturing	5,400	5,300	5,200	+100	+1.9%	+200	+3.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	40,100	39,600	39,800	+500	+1.3%	+300	+0.8%
Wholesale Trade	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	31,200	30,800	31,400	+400	+1.3%	-200	-0.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	5,300	5,200	4,800	+100	+1.9%	+500	+10.4%
Information	2,900	2,900	2,400	0	0.0%	+500	+20.8%
Financial Activities	10,500	10,200	9,800	+300	+2.9%	+700	+7.1%
Professional and Business Services	18,300	18,500	17,600	-200	-1.1%	+700	+4.0%
Education and Health Services	21,400	21,500	20,000	-100	-0.5%	+1,400	+7.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	44,400	41,500	40,800	+2,900	+7.0%	+3,600	+8.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	38,800	35,800	34,600	+3,000	+8.4%	+4,200	+12.1%
Food Services and Drinking Places	31,100	28,400	27,200	+2,700	+9.5%	+3,900	+14.3%
Other Services	6,500	6,500	6,300	0	0.0%	+200	+3.2%
Government	25,000	24,800	23,800	+200	+0.8%	+1,200	+5.0%
Federal Government	1,500	1,500	1,400	0	0.0%	+100	+7.1%
State Government	4,900	4,800	4,800	+100	+2.1%	+100	+2.1%
Local Government	18,600	18,500	17,600	+100	+0.5%	+1,000	+5.7%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
SPARTANBURG MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

				FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	170,000	169,400	166,100	+600	+0.4%	+3,900	+2.4%
Total Private	141,300	140,800	139,200	+500	+0.4%	+2,100	+1.5%
Goods Producing	45,700	45,800	45,100	-100	-0.2%	+600	+1.3%
Service-Providing	124,300	123,600	121,000	+700	+0.6%	+3,300	+2.7%
Private Service Providing	95,600	95,000	94,100	+600	+0.6%	+1,500	+1.6%
Mining, Logging and Construction	7,500	7,500	7,400	0	0.0%	+100	+1.4%
Manufacturing	38,200	38,300	37,700	-100	-0.3%	+500	+1.3%
Durable Goods	26,300	26,300	25,900	0	0.0%	+400	+1.5%
Non-Durable Goods	11,900	12,000	11,800	-100	-0.8%	+100	+0.9%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	37,300	36,700	37,000	+600	+1.6%	+300	+0.8%
Wholesale Trade	8,100	8,000	8,400	+100	+1.3%	-300	-3.6%
Retail Trade	17,400	16,900	16,900	+500	+3.0%	+500	+3.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	11,800	11,800	11,700	0	0.0%	+100	+0.9%
Information	900	900	700	0	0.0%	+200	+28.6%
Financial Activities	5,200	5,200	5,000	0	0.0%	+200	+4.0%
Professional and Business Services	16,600	16,900	17,000	-300	-1.8%	-400	-2.4%
Education and Health Services	15,500	15,600	15,100	-100	-0.6%	+400	+2.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	14,600	14,200	13,900	+400	+2.8%	+700	+5.0%
Other Services	5,500	5,500	5,400	0	0.0%	+100	+1.9%
Government	28,700	28,600	26,900	+100	+0.4%	+1,800	+6.7%
Federal Government	700	700	600	0	0.0%	+100	+16.7%
State Government	4,000	4,000	4,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	24,000	23,900	22,300	+100	+0.4%	+1,700	+7.6%

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**NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR
FLORENCE MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	95,000	94,200	92,400	+800	+0.9%	+2,600	+2.8%
Total Private	77,600	76,800	75,400	+800	+1.0%	+2,200	+2.9%
Goods Producing	15,300	14,900	14,800	+400	+2.7%	+500	+3.4%
Service-Providing	79,700	79,300	77,600	+400	+0.5%	+2,100	+2.7%
Private Service Providing	62,300	61,900	60,600	+400	+0.7%	+1,700	+2.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	20,800	20,700	20,100	+100	+0.5%	+700	+3.5%
Government	17,400	17,400	17,000	0	0.0%	+400	+2.4%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,700	4,600	4,500	+100	+2.2%	+200	+4.4%
Local Government	12,000	12,100	11,800	-100	-0.8%	200	+1.7%

**HILTON HEAD ISLAND-BLUFFTON-BEAUFORT MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	85,600	85,300	83,100	+300	+0.4%	+2,500	+3.0%
Total Private	74,000	73,700	71,600	+300	+0.4%	+2,400	+3.4%
Goods Producing	7,600	7,600	7,500	0	0.0%	+100	+1.3%
Service-Providing	78,000	77,700	75,600	+300	+0.4%	+2,400	+3.2%
Private Service Providing	66,400	66,100	64,100	+300	+0.5%	+2,300	+3.6%
Government	11,600	11,600	11,500	0	0.0%	+100	+0.9%

**SUMTER MSA
MARCH 2023 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

	MARCH 2023	FEBRUARY 2023	MARCH 2022	FEBRUARY 2023 TO MARCH 2023		MARCH 2022 TO MARCH 2023	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	39,300	39,100	39,000	+200	+0.5%	+300	+0.8%
Total Private	33,500	33,300	32,800	+200	+0.6%	+700	+2.1%
Goods Producing	9,800	9,600	9,700	+200	+2.1%	+100	+1.0%
Service-Providing	29,500	29,500	29,300	0	0.0%	+200	+0.7%
Private Service Providing	23,700	23,700	23,100	0	0.0%	+600	+2.6%
Manufacturing	7,200	7,100	7,200	+100	+1.4%	0	0.0%
Government	5,800	5,800	6,200	0	0.0%	-400	-6.5%
Federal Government	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	0.0%	-100	-7.7%
State Government	1,300	1,300	1,400	0	0.0%	-100	-7.1%
Local Government	3,300	3,300	3,500	0	0.0%	-200	-5.7%

LONG-RUN TRENDS

ANNUAL LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS DATA 1976-2022

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%	60.2%	1,299,241	1,207,662	91,579	7.0%
1977	2,061,250	64.4%	60.0%	1,327,423	1,237,495	89,928	6.8%
1978	2,117,667	64.1%	60.5%	1,356,921	1,281,597	75,324	5.6%
1979	2,169,417	63.4%	60.2%	1,375,201	1,306,773	68,428	5.0%
1980	2,221,250	62.8%	58.6%	1,395,675	1,301,796	93,879	6.7%
1981	2,266,583	63.2%	58.0%	1,432,219	1,314,907	117,312	8.2%
1982	2,307,333	64.2%	57.3%	1,482,373	1,322,883	159,490	10.8%
1983	2,341,083	63.2%	56.9%	1,479,137	1,333,162	145,975	9.9%
1984	2,378,500	62.9%	58.5%	1,495,188	1,391,286	103,902	6.9%
1985	2,426,500	63.8%	59.5%	1,548,924	1,443,612	105,312	6.8%
1986	2,455,333	64.9%	60.7%	1,592,306	1,491,069	101,237	6.4%
1987	2,495,333	65.4%	61.8%	1,631,897	1,542,170	89,727	5.5%
1988	2,533,000	65.6%	62.5%	1,660,533	1,583,928	76,605	4.6%
1989	2,566,000	66.0%	62.9%	1,693,438	1,615,009	78,429	4.6%
1990	2,611,843	66.5%	63.3%	1,737,831	1,652,949	84,882	4.9%
1991	2,663,759	66.3%	62.3%	1,767,123	1,659,196	107,927	6.1%
1992	2,699,745	66.7%	62.2%	1,799,677	1,678,803	120,874	6.7%
1993	2,739,480	66.7%	61.8%	1,826,650	1,693,483	133,167	7.3%
1994	2,775,049	66.4%	62.3%	1,841,428	1,727,714	113,714	6.2%
1995	2,813,952	66.2%	62.8%	1,864,221	1,768,540	95,681	5.1%
1996	2,851,104	66.2%	62.4%	1,886,064	1,779,221	106,843	5.7%
1997	2,897,839	66.3%	63.3%	1,920,244	1,834,337	85,907	4.5%
1998	2,945,825	65.9%	63.5%	1,940,846	1,870,270	70,576	3.6%
1999	2,989,560	65.5%	62.8%	1,958,598	1,877,345	81,253	4.1%
2000	3,027,367	64.9%	62.5%	1,965,481	1,892,559	72,922	3.7%
2001	3,064,191	63.4%	60.0%	1,941,956	1,839,246	102,710	5.3%
2002	3,098,739	63.1%	59.0%	1,954,548	1,828,735	125,813	6.4%
2003	3,133,915	63.8%	59.2%	1,999,485	1,855,599	143,886	7.2%
2004	3,178,645	64.3%	59.5%	2,043,864	1,891,722	152,142	7.4%
2005	3,234,049	64.0%	59.4%	2,071,111	1,919,644	151,467	7.3%
2006	3,305,437	65.0%	60.5%	2,148,698	2,001,245	147,453	6.9%
2007	3,374,548	63.9%	60.0%	2,155,198	2,024,493	130,705	6.1%
2008	3,439,974	62.8%	58.2%	2,160,084	2,002,903	157,181	7.3%
2009	3,490,448	62.1%	55.0%	2,166,737	1,919,307	247,430	11.4%
2010	3,564,619	61.0%	54.1%	2,174,535	1,928,442	246,093	11.3%
2011	3,612,048	60.5%	54.2%	2,185,171	1,957,493	227,678	10.4%
2012	3,655,515	59.9%	54.5%	2,190,203	1,992,957	197,246	9.0%
2013	3,704,281	59.3%	54.9%	2,197,876	2,034,404	163,472	7.4%
2014	3,759,002	59.1%	55.4%	2,222,426	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%
2015	3,822,409	59.3%	55.8%	2,267,837	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%
2016	3,888,005	58.8%	55.9%	2,286,054	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%
2017	3,897,645	58.0%	55.6%	2,261,766	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%
2018	3,948,448	57.8%	55.9%	2,282,022	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%
2019	4,002,601	58.1%	56.5%	2,324,500	2,259,807	64,693	2.8%
2020	4,062,556	57.5%	54.0%	2,335,026	2,195,171	139,855	6.0%
2021	4,124,126	57.1%	54.8%	2,353,968	2,261,060	92,908	3.9%
2022	4,204,317	56.5%	54.7%	2,374,975	2,297,927	77,048	3.2%

ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL 1939-2022

YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT
1939	310,100	1960	582,500	1981	1,196,500	2002	1,795,400
1940	328,600	1961	587,000	1982	1,162,300	2003	1,799,100
1941	387,500	1962	609,800	1983	1,189,000	2004	1,826,600
1942	416,500	1963	630,600	1984	1,262,500	2005	1,862,900
1943	428,500	1964	651,500	1985	1,296,200	2006	1,905,700
1944	408,600	1965	686,000	1986	1,338,000	2007	1,945,000
1945	396,000	1966	734,900	1987	1,392,200	2008	1,926,300
1946	411,600	1967	754,500	1988	1,449,000	2009	1,814,400
1947	436,200	1968	782,900	1989	1,499,700	2010	1,811,300
1948	456,400	1969	819,800	1990	1,527,600	2011	1,832,500
1949	443,100	1970	842,000	1991	1,497,300	2012	1,864,300
1950	461,400	1971	862,600	1992	1,511,800	2013	1,901,000
1951	505,800	1972	920,300	1993	1,553,000	2014	1,951,300
1952	544,300	1973	984,000	1994	1,592,000	2015	2,006,700
1953	543,900	1974	1,015,800	1995	1,636,300	2016	2,055,300
1954	519,700	1975	982,600	1996	1,669,400	2017	2,096,100
1955	533,000	1976	1,038,100	1997	1,718,800	2018	2,154,800
1956	542,900	1977	1,081,700	1998	1,779,800	2019	2,189,600
1957	545,000	1978	1,137,500	1999	1,826,300	2020	2,082,300
1958	545,900	1979	1,176,000	2000	1,854,000	2021	2,154,600
1959	566,900	1980	1,188,800	2001	1,814,800	2022	2,243,500

ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL 2007-2022

	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

TECHNICAL NOTES

- 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, 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 for statewide and a variety of sub-state geographies.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 12 th of the month	Reference week is the Calendar Week that includes the 12 th 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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