

**WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT**  
February - 2011

| Industry                            | February<br>2011 | January<br>2011  | February<br>2010 | Net Change From |               |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
|                                     |                  |                  |                  | Month<br>Ago    | Year<br>Ago   |
| <b>Total Nonag. Employment</b>      | <b>1,794,700</b> | <b>1,772,200</b> | <b>1,770,500</b> | <b>22,500</b>   | <b>24,200</b> |
| Natural Resources and Mining        | 4,100            | 4,100            | 4,000            | 0               | 100           |
| Construction                        | 75,500           | 73,000           | 77,100           | 2,500           | -1,600        |
| Manufacturing                       | 210,200          | 209,300          | 206,000          | 900             | 4,200         |
| Trade, Transportation and Utilities | 343,200          | 340,600          | 336,900          | 2,600           | 6,300         |
| Information                         | 25,600           | 25,500           | 26,300           | 100             | -700          |
| Financial Activities                | 97,500           | 96,800           | 96,600           | 700             | 900           |
| Professional and Business Services  | 221,900          | 217,400          | 201,900          | 4,500           | 20,000        |
| Educational and Health Services     | 217,700          | 213,700          | 211,600          | 4,000           | 6,100         |
| Leisure and Hospitality             | 194,900          | 190,300          | 192,700          | 4,600           | 2,200         |
| Government                          | 337,300          | 335,100          | 349,700          | 2,200           | -12,400       |

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES RANKED BY COUNTY**

| Rank | County       | Unemployment Rate |                 |          |
|------|--------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------|
|      |              | February<br>2011  | January<br>2011 | % Change |
| 1    | Marion       | 20.2              | 21              | -0.8     |
| 2    | Allendale    | 17.5              | 17.6            | -0.1     |
| 3    | Marlboro     | 17.4              | 18.7            | -1.3     |
| 4    | Union        | 16.7              | 17.6            | -0.9     |
| 5    | Chester      | 16.6              | 17.9            | -1.3     |
| 6    | McCormick    | 15.6              | 16              | -0.4     |
| 7    | Clarendon    | 15.1              | 15.1            | 0        |
| 8    | Barnwell     | 15                | 15.7            | -0.7     |
|      | Dillon       | 15                | 15.6            | -0.6     |
| 10   | Bamberg      | 14.3              | 14.7            | -0.4     |
|      | Lancaster    | 14.3              | 15.4            | -1.1     |
| 12   | Orangeburg   | 14.2              | 14.8            | -0.6     |
| 13   | Hampton      | 14.1              | 13.8            | 0.3      |
| 14   | Williamsburg | 14                | 14.1            | -0.1     |
| 15   | York County  | 13.9              | 16              | -2.1     |
| 16   | Lee County   | 13.4              | 13.8            | -0.4     |
| 17   | Cherokee     | 13.3              | 14.1            | -0.8     |
|      | Fairfield    | 13.3              | 14              | -0.7     |
| 19   | Chesterfield | 13.2              | 14.7            | -1.5     |
| 20   | Colleton     | 12.9              | 12.9            | 0        |
|      | Horry        | 12.9              | 13.3            | -0.4     |
| 22   | Abbeville    | 12.6              | 12.1            | 0.5      |
| 23   | Georgetown   | 12                | 12.1            | -0.1     |
| 24   | Greenwood    | 11.5              | 11.5            | 0        |
| 25   | Darlington   | 11.2              | 11.6            | -0.4     |
|      | Sumter       | 11.1              | 10.9            | 0.2      |
| 27   | Florence     | 11                | 11              | 0        |
|      | Laurens      | 10.8              | 10.5            | 0.3      |
| 29   | Calhoun      | 10.6              | 11              | -0.4     |
| 30   | Newberry     | 10.4              | 10.6            | -0.2     |
|      | Oconee       | 10.4              | 10.7            | -0.3     |
| 32   | Spartanburg  | 10.1              | 10.4            | -0.3     |
| 33   | Anderson     | 10                | 10.1            | -0.1     |
| 34   | Jasper       | 9.6               | 9.5             | 0.1      |
|      | Kershaw      | 9.6               | 9.5             | 0.1      |
| 36   | Saluda       | 9.3               | 9.2             | 0.1      |
| 37   | Berkeley     | 9.2               | 8.9             | 0.3      |
| 38   | Pickens      | 8.7               | 9               | -0.3     |
|      | Richland     | 8.7               | 8.3             | 0.4      |
| 40   | Edgefield    | 8.6               | 8.8             | -0.2     |
| 41   | Dorchester   | 8.5               | 8.2             | 0.3      |
| 42   | Beaufort     | 8.4               | 8.1             | 0.3      |
| 43   | Charleston   | 8.2               | 8               | 0.2      |
|      | Greenville   | 8.2               | 8.1             | 0.1      |
| 45   | Aiken        | 8.1               | 8.4             | -0.3     |
| 46   | Lexington    | 7.6               | 7.3             | 0.3      |

**LABOR FORCE AND UNEMPLOYMENT BY LABOR MARKET AREA**

| AREA:                    | February 2011  |                |                |               |              |               |                  |              |               |
|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
|                          | LABOR FORCE    |                |                | UNEMPLOYMENT  |              |               | % OF LABOR FORCE |              |               |
|                          | February 2011  | January 2011   | February 2010  | February 2011 | January 2011 | February 2010 | February 2011    | January 2011 | February 2010 |
| ABBEVILLE                | 10,728         | 10,570         | 11,231         | 1,348         | 1,283        | 1,719         | 12.6             | 12.1         | 15.3          |
| AIKEN                    | 76,086         | 76,590         | 77,498         | 6,182         | 6,419        | 7,256         | 8.1              | 8.4          | 9.4           |
| ALLENDALE                | 3,189          | 3,185          | 3,386          | 559           | 561          | 720           | 17.5             | 17.6         | 21.3          |
| ANDERSON MSA             | 85,602         | 85,586         | 85,928         | 8,519         | 8,672        | 11,540        | 10.0             | 10.1         | 13.4          |
| BAMBERG                  | 6,167          | 6,138          | 6,516          | 883           | 905          | 1,080         | 14.3             | 14.7         | 16.6          |
| BARNWELL                 | 8,399          | 8,401          | 8,933          | 1,264         | 1,321        | 1,748         | 15.0             | 15.7         | 19.6          |
| BEAUFORT                 | 63,768         | 62,688         | 60,741         | 5,365         | 5,054        | 6,089         | 8.4              | 8.1          | 10.0          |
| BERKELEY                 | 80,301         | 80,135         | 80,250         | 7,399         | 7,122        | 8,604         | 9.2              | 8.9          | 10.7          |
| CALHOUN                  | 6,585          | 6,620          | 6,766          | 698           | 730          | 855           | 10.6             | 11.0         | 12.6          |
| CHARLESTON               | 174,167        | 174,093        | 174,268        | 14,268        | 13,950       | 17,125        | 8.2              | 8.0          | 9.8           |
| CHEROKEE                 | 24,113         | 24,064         | 25,296         | 3,213         | 3,386        | 3,953         | 13.3             | 14.1         | 15.6          |
| CHESTER                  | 14,340         | 14,512         | 15,278         | 2,376         | 2,602        | 3,152         | 16.6             | 17.9         | 20.6          |
| CHESTERFIELD             | 18,055         | 18,266         | 18,934         | 2,378         | 2,677        | 3,146         | 13.2             | 14.7         | 16.6          |
| CLARENDON                | 12,643         | 12,616         | 12,698         | 1,906         | 1,904        | 2,036         | 15.1             | 15.1         | 16.0          |
| COLLETON                 | 17,156         | 17,034         | 16,899         | 2,217         | 2,200        | 2,455         | 12.9             | 12.9         | 14.5          |
| DARLINGTON               | 30,470         | 30,598         | 31,093         | 3,423         | 3,549        | 4,077         | 11.2             | 11.6         | 13.1          |
| DILLON                   | 13,324         | 13,342         | 13,619         | 1,992         | 2,084        | 2,312         | 15.0             | 15.6         | 17.0          |
| DORCHESTER               | 63,761         | 63,634         | 63,708         | 5,406         | 5,190        | 6,358         | 8.5              | 8.2          | 10.0          |
| EDGEFIELD                | 11,010         | 11,075         | 11,357         | 945           | 971          | 1,243         | 8.6              | 8.8          | 10.9          |
| FAIRFIELD                | 10,800         | 10,898         | 10,911         | 1,432         | 1,526        | 1,506         | 13.3             | 14.0         | 13.8          |
| FLORENCE                 | 63,596         | 63,575         | 64,412         | 7,017         | 6,993        | 7,897         | 11.0             | 11.0         | 12.3          |
| GEORGETOWN               | 29,732         | 29,494         | 29,320         | 3,582         | 3,579        | 4,320         | 12.0             | 12.1         | 14.7          |
| GREENVILLE               | 222,812        | 221,068        | 224,078        | 18,246        | 17,914       | 23,143        | 8.2              | 8.1          | 10.3          |
| GREENWOOD                | 29,813         | 29,375         | 30,783         | 3,439         | 3,382        | 4,109         | 11.5             | 11.5         | 13.3          |
| HAMPTON                  | 7,782          | 7,699          | 7,907          | 1,095         | 1,062        | 1,234         | 14.1             | 13.8         | 15.6          |
| HORRY/MYR BCH MSA        | 128,152        | 127,944        | 125,955        | 16,552        | 16,998       | 18,575        | 12.9             | 13.3         | 14.7          |
| JASPER                   | 10,190         | 10,040         | 9,719          | 978           | 949          | 1,099         | 9.6              | 9.5          | 11.3          |
| KERSHAW                  | 29,466         | 29,466         | 30,024         | 2,822         | 2,808        | 3,273         | 9.6              | 9.5          | 10.9          |
| LANCASTER                | 29,623         | 29,817         | 30,763         | 4,222         | 4,594        | 5,373         | 14.3             | 15.4         | 17.5          |
| LAURENS                  | 32,217         | 31,887         | 32,179         | 3,475         | 3,343        | 3,947         | 10.8             | 10.5         | 12.3          |
| LEE                      | 8,070          | 8,127          | 8,335          | 1,081         | 1,121        | 1,242         | 13.4             | 13.8         | 14.9          |
| LEXINGTON                | 132,013        | 131,638        | 134,134        | 10,034        | 9,595        | 11,665        | 7.6              | 7.3          | 8.7           |
| MARION                   | 12,169         | 12,234         | 12,669         | 2,464         | 2,572        | 2,877         | 20.2             | 21.0         | 22.7          |
| MARLBORO                 | 11,291         | 11,435         | 11,860         | 1,964         | 2,137        | 2,416         | 17.4             | 18.7         | 20.4          |
| McCORMICK                | 3,275          | 3,261          | 3,417          | 511           | 523          | 621           | 15.6             | 16.0         | 18.2          |
| NEWBERRY                 | 17,788         | 17,734         | 18,629         | 1,852         | 1,875        | 2,148         | 10.4             | 10.6         | 11.5          |
| OCONEE                   | 30,360         | 30,136         | 31,201         | 3,168         | 3,223        | 4,242         | 10.4             | 10.7         | 13.6          |
| ORANGEBURG               | 39,320         | 39,208         | 41,290         | 5,583         | 5,808        | 6,561         | 14.2             | 14.8         | 15.9          |
| PICKENS                  | 56,739         | 56,552         | 57,220         | 4,920         | 5,090        | 6,320         | 8.7              | 9.0          | 11.0          |
| RICHLAND                 | 178,264        | 177,689        | 181,498        | 15,462        | 14,802       | 18,043        | 8.7              | 8.3          | 9.9           |
| SALUDA                   | 8,917          | 8,917          | 9,026          | 826           | 821          | 902           | 9.3              | 9.2          | 10.0          |
| SPARTANBURG MSA          | 134,902        | 135,076        | 135,556        | 13,670        | 14,000       | 16,983        | 10.1             | 10.4         | 12.5          |
| SUMTER MSA               | 44,923         | 45,037         | 45,421         | 4,978         | 4,911        | 5,739         | 11.1             | 10.9         | 12.6          |
| UNION                    | 11,091         | 11,125         | 11,679         | 1,849         | 1,955        | 2,402         | 16.7             | 17.6         | 20.6          |
| WILLIAMSBURG             | 15,616         | 15,568         | 15,791         | 2,186         | 2,199        | 2,703         | 14.0             | 14.1         | 17.1          |
| YORK                     | 112,959        | 116,101        | 113,394        | 15,710        | 18,626       | 16,694        | 13.9             | 16.0         | 14.7          |
| <b>Multi County MSAs</b> |                |                |                |               |              |               |                  |              |               |
| CHAS MSA                 | 318,230        | 317,862        | 318,226        | 27,073        | 26,261       | 32,087        | 8.5              | 8.3          | 10.1          |
| COLA MSA                 | 366,047        | 365,228        | 372,359        | 31,275        | 30,282       | 36,244        | 8.5              | 8.3          | 9.7           |
| FLORENCE MSA             | 94,066         | 94,173         | 95,505         | 10,440        | 10,542       | 11,974        | 11.1             | 11.2         | 12.5          |
| GRNV MSA                 | 311,769        | 309,506        | 313,476        | 26,641        | 26,346       | 33,410        | 8.5              | 8.5          | 10.7          |
| <b>South Carolina*</b>   | <b>2,154.4</b> | <b>2,159.0</b> | <b>2,169.4</b> | <b>218.9</b>  | <b>227.3</b> | <b>252.0</b>  | <b>10.2</b>      | <b>10.5</b>  | <b>11.6</b>   |

2010 Substate Benchmark Estimates To Be Updated April 19th, 2011

\* Seasonally Adjusted

County not seasonally adjusted