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NOTE FROM THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

What sector of the state's economy has seen the fastest wage growth recently? Find out on [page 23](#).

June 28 is National Logistics Day. We all learned during the pandemic how important managing the supply chain is to keeping assembly lines moving and store shelves stocked. Logisticians are the people who make that possible — and they're one of South Carolina's 168 priority occupations. Our agency's Explore SC@Work campaign even featured supply logisticians with information about their typical salary, education requirements, and a profile of someone in that job. Check it out at dew.sc.gov/scwork-gallery, along with many other occupational flyers.

We have some exciting news to share: The Labor Market Information Division has a new home! You can find us by going to lmi.sc.gov or simply clicking the Labor Market Information button on the top of the DEW website. We've joined a multi-state collaborative effort led by our counterparts in Montana that provides workforce data on a low maintenance, easy-to-navigate platform. This month's feature article highlights the site's many improvements, including new dashboards, refreshed community profiles, and the DEW Leading Index, a just-inaugurated measure for gauging the direction of the state's economy. We can't wait to show it off!

If you're looking for something and can't find it on our site, please email us at lmicustomerservice@dew.sc.gov and my team will get right on it.



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LMI LAUNCHES NEW WEBSITE

By Lainey Stalnaker, Data Analytics Writer

The Labor Market Information (LMI) division of DEW is launching a brand-new website, which can be accessed at lmi.sc.gov. At LMI, our mission is to collect, analyze, and disseminate vital data about the labor market in order to help you make more informed decisions, whether you are a jobseeker, employer, researcher, or simply interested in the labor market. Read on to learn about the many valuable resources accessible through our website.

Key Resources

The [LMI home page](#) features six icons which lead to some of our most used resources.



Welcome to South Carolina's Labor Market Information website, your one-stop shop for the most current, most relevant data and analysis on the state's workers, industries, and economy.

We work with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics and the U.S. Census Bureau, making us the official source for this information throughout South Carolina. The labor force research conducted by our department gives insight to employers and jobseekers alike to make informed workforce-related decisions.



Find Your Future

Find Your Future is a new website created by the Coordinating Council for Workforce Development (CCWD), a partnership between multiple agencies with the goal of aligning and enhancing South Carolina's education and workforce system. The website brings together resources (including LMI data) for jobseekers, employers, students, and educators.



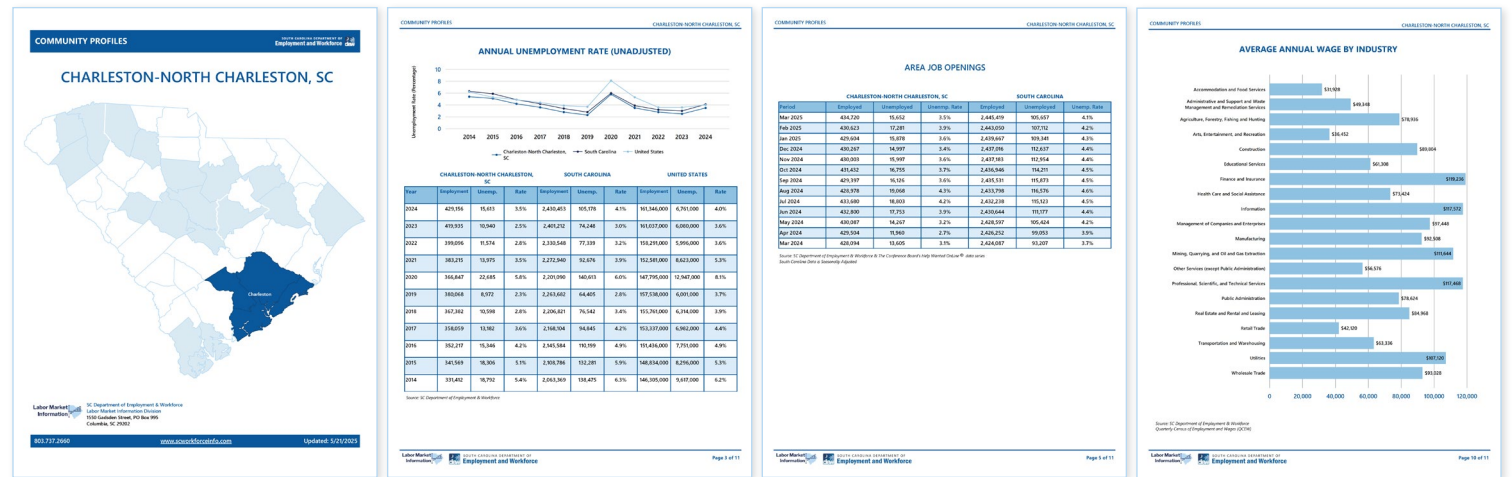
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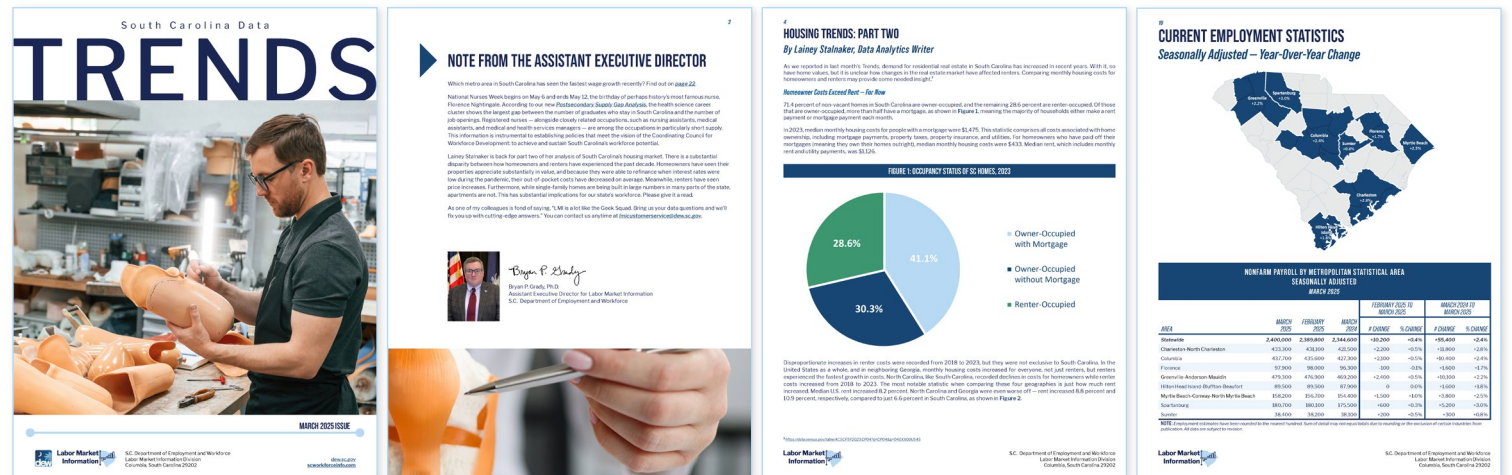
Community Profiles

Community Profiles provide a summary of economic and workforce data — such as employment figures, job openings, top employers, wages, and employment projections — for multiple geographies, including the state, counties, metropolitan statistical areas, Workforce Development Areas, and WIOA regions. Profiles are updated monthly.



SC Data Trends Magazine

LMI's Data Trends magazine is a monthly publication of employment and unemployment statistics for South Carolina, its counties, and its metropolitan statistical areas. Each edition of Trends also includes a feature piece, like this one.



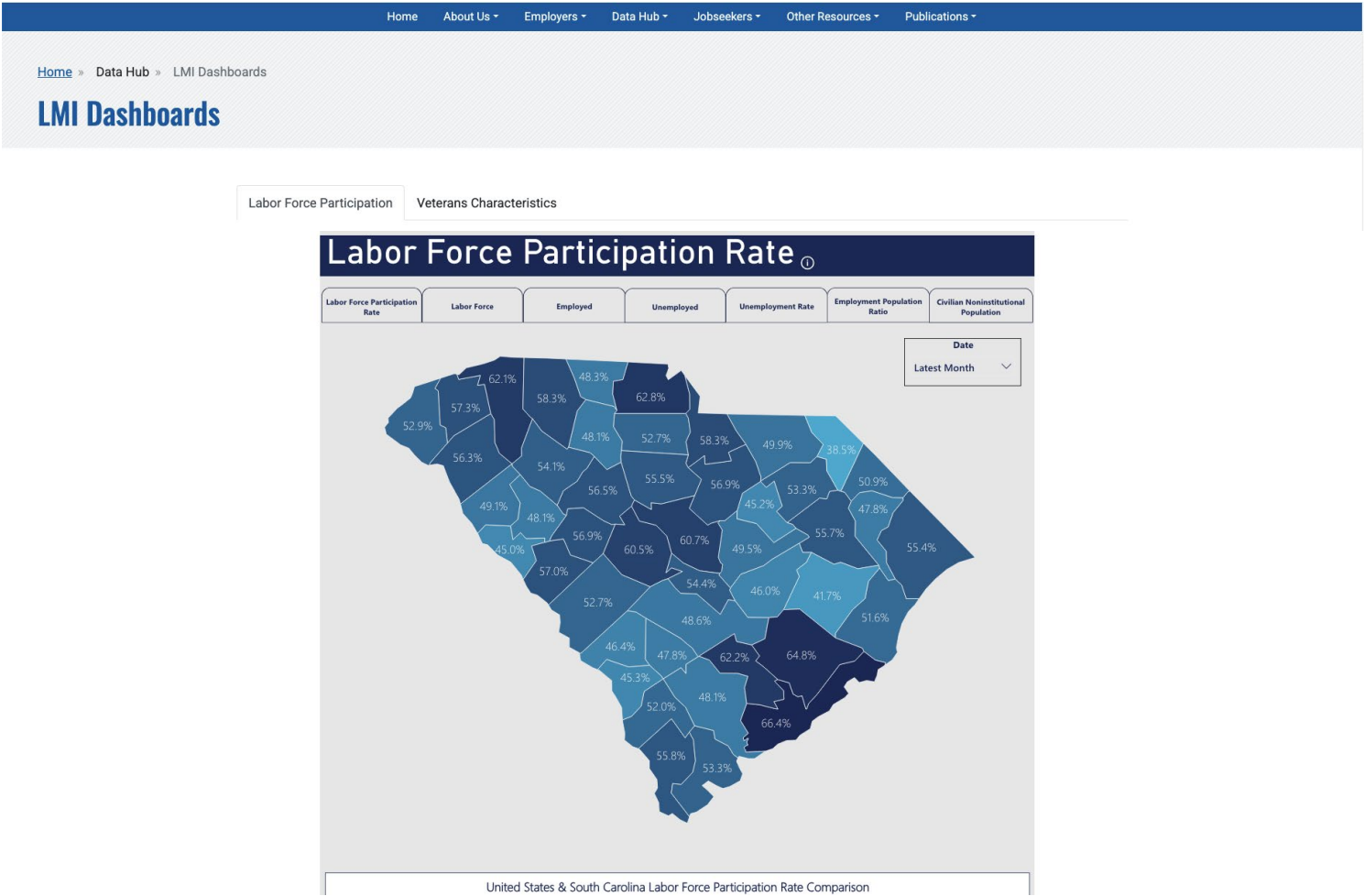
LMI Insights

LMI Insights is our blog, which provides topical analyses of a wide range of labor market topics, including recurring data releases, such as Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) data and U.S. census estimates, along with notable trends and research related to South Carolina's labor market.



LMI Dashboards

LMI dashboards allow users to visualize and compare labor market data across geographies. Our labor force participation dashboard, which is updated monthly, maps and charts data, such as population size and unemployment rates. Our veterans dashboard presents data on veterans in South Carolina, including their demographic traits, income status, disability status, and education level.



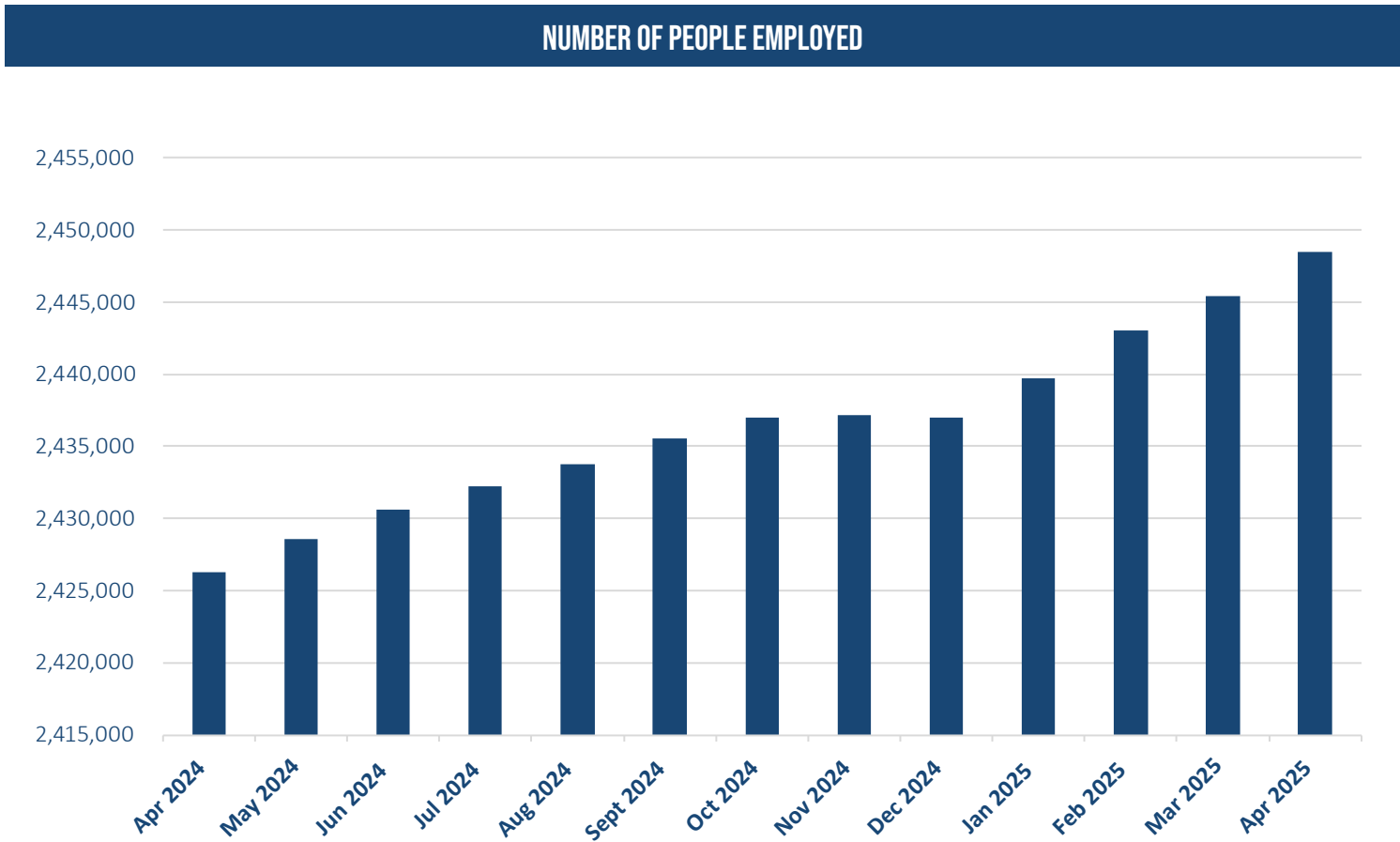
SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (APRIL 2025)

Household Survey¹ (Local Area Unemployment Statistics)

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

EMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

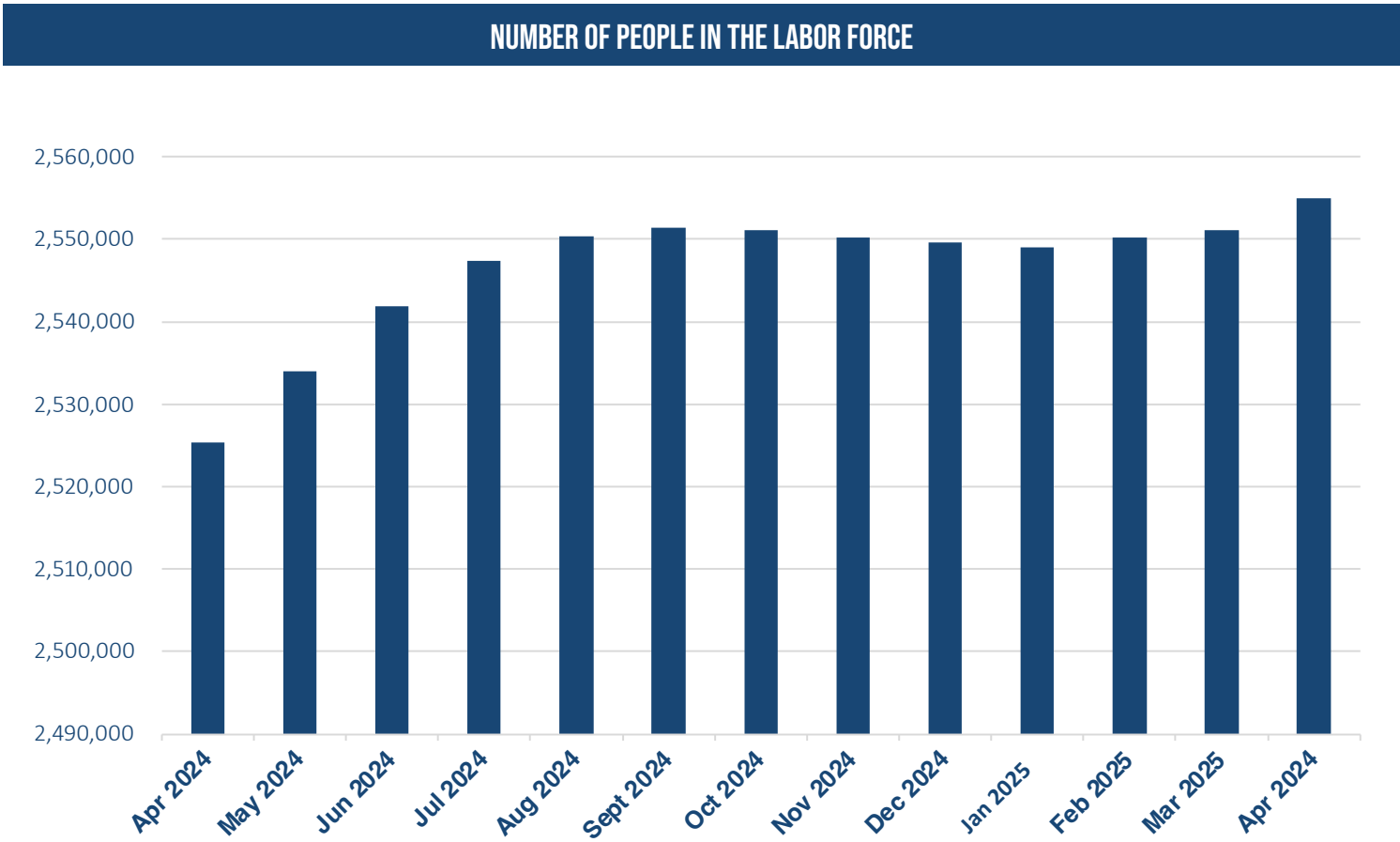
- The seasonally adjusted number of South Carolina workers increased to 2,448,456.
- That is an increase of 3,019 people over the March 2025 estimate.
- That is an increase of 22,204 people over the April 2024 estimate.



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

UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

- The estimate of unemployed people increased to 106,498.
- That is an increase of 867 people from the March estimate and an increase of 7,445 from the April 2024 estimate.
- The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased from 4.1 percent to 4.2 percent. The national unemployment rate was unchanged at 4.2 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 2,554,954 while the labor force participation rate was unchanged at 57.5 percent.
- That is an increase of 3,886 people over the March 2025 estimate.
- That is an increase of 29,649 individuals over the April 2024 estimate.

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SOUTH CAROLINA'S EMPLOYMENT SITUATION (CONT.)

Employer Survey² (Current Employment Statistics)

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

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated increase of 6,800 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,407,800.

JOBS BY INDUSTRY	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025				APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025			
				# CHANGE		% CHANGE		# CHANGE		% CHANGE	
Total Nonfarm Employment	2,407,800	2,401,000	2,350,500	+6,800	↑	+0.3%	↑	+57,300	↑	+2.4%	↑
Construction	124,400	123,900	115,900	+500	↑	+0.4%	↑	+8,500	↑	+7.3%	↑
Manufacturing	263,500	262,700	263,800	+800	↑	+0.3%	↑	-300	↓	-0.1%	↓
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	450,800	450,100	445,000	+700	↑	+0.2%	↑	+5,800	↑	+1.3%	↑
Information	29,800	29,700	28,400	+100	↑	+0.3%	↑	+1,400	↑	+4.9%	↑
Financial Activities	126,900	126,000	121,200	+900	↑	+0.7%	↑	+5,700	↑	+4.7%	↑
Professional and Business Services	323,700	322,500	313,000	+1,200	↑	+0.4%	↑	+10,700	↑	+3.4%	↑
Education and Health Services	310,300	311,500	299,500	-1,200	↓	-0.4%	↓	+10,800	↑	+3.6%	↑
Leisure and Hospitality	290,300	287,000	282,600	+3,300	↑	+1.1%	↑	+7,700	↑	+2.7%	↑
Other Services	92,400	92,700	90,200	-300	↓	-0.3%	↓	+2,200	↑	+2.4%	↑
Government	391,100	390,300	386,500	+800	↑	+0.2%	↑	+4,600	↑	+1.2%	↑

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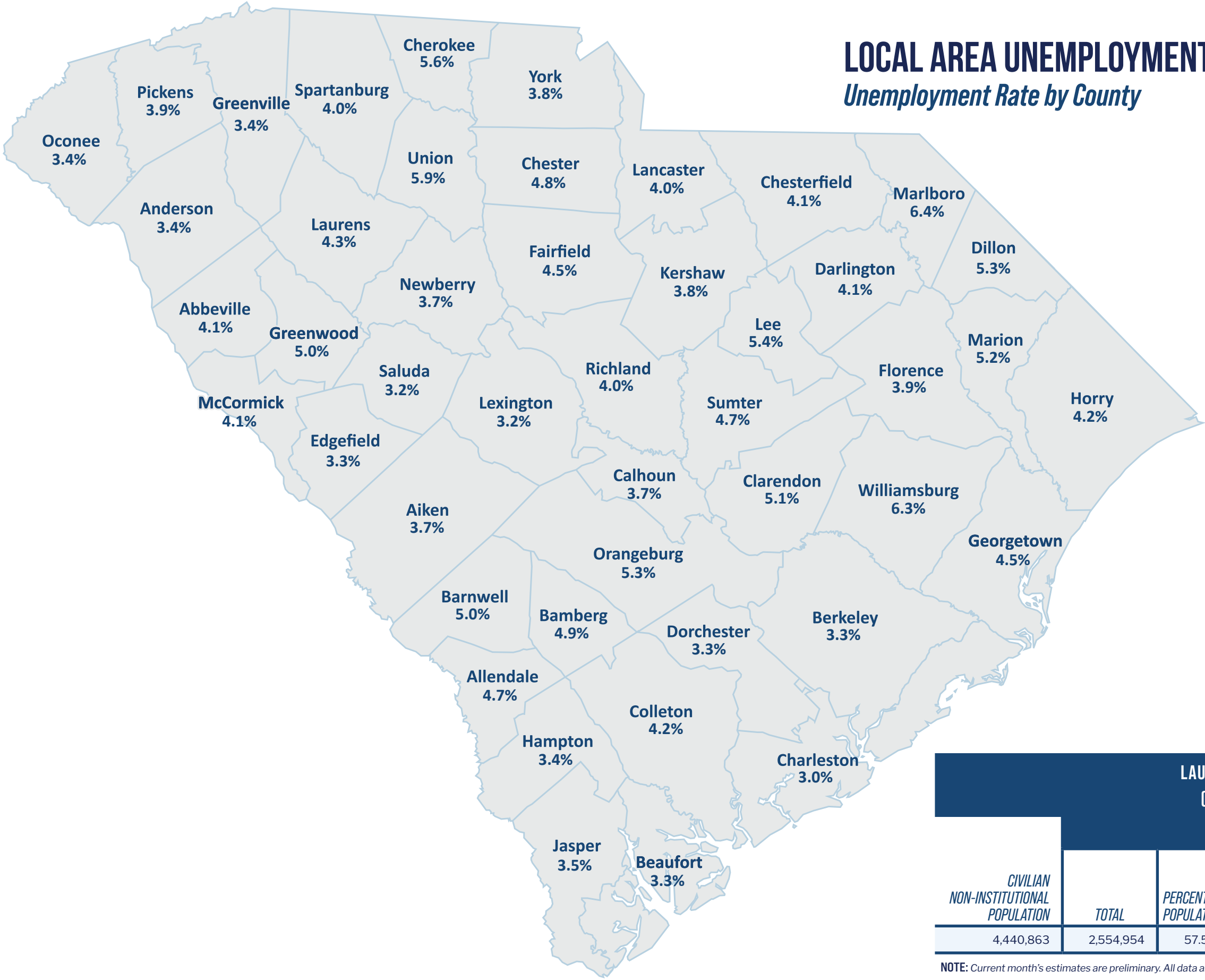
NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated increase of 6,800 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,407,800.

AREA	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025				APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025			
				# CHANGE		% CHANGE		# CHANGE		% CHANGE	
Statewide	2,407,800	2,401,000	2,350,500	+6,800	↑	+0.3%	↑	+57,300	↑	+2.4%	↑
Charleston/North Charleston	434,100	432,600	421,100	+1,500	↑	+0.3%	↑	+13,000	↑	+3.1%	↑
Columbia	437,100	436,700	428,000	+400	↑	+0.1%	↑	+9,100	↑	+2.1%	↑
Florence	99,000	98,200	96,900	+800	↑	+0.8%	↑	+2,100	↑	+2.2%	↑
Greenville/Anderson/Mauldin	479,800	478,600	471,600	+1,200	↑	+0.3%	↑	+8,200	↑	+1.7%	↑
Hilton Head-Bluffton-Beaufort	90,100	89,700	88,000	+400	↑	+0.4%	↑	+2,100	↑	+2.4%	↑
Myrtle Beach	159,200	157,800	153,800	+1,400	↑	+0.9%	↑	+5,400	↑	+3.5%	↑
Spartanburg	180,600	180,200	176,000	+400	↑	+0.2%	↑	+4,600	↑	+2.6%	↑
Sumter	38,700	38,400	38,100	+300	↑	+0.8%	↑	+600	↑	+1.6%	↑

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

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.



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 [%]
4,440,863	2,554,954	57.5%	2,448,456	55.1%	106,498	4.2%

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)													
APRIL 2025						MARCH 2025				APRIL 2024			
AREA		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
				LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)
Abbeville County	↓	10,307	9,888	419	4.1%	10,391	9,935	456	4.4%	10,319	9,956	363	3.5%
Aiken County	↓	77,688	74,817	2,871	3.7%	76,727	73,644	3,083	4.0%	77,397	74,861	2,536	3.3%
Allendale County	↓	2,715	2,587	128	4.7%	2,805	2,664	141	5.0%	2,649	2,501	148	5.6%
Anderson County	↓	100,533	97,071	3,462	3.4%	100,530	96,799	3,731	3.7%	99,646	96,692	2,954	3.0%
Bamberg County	↓	5,387	5,124	263	4.9%	5,457	5,176	281	5.1%	5,329	5,051	278	5.2%
Barnwell County	↓	8,146	7,735	411	5.0%	8,294	7,854	440	5.3%	8,101	7,728	373	4.6%
Beaufort County	↓	85,050	82,278	2,772	3.3%	84,377	81,110	3,267	3.9%	83,809	81,396	2,413	2.9%
Berkeley County	↓	129,686	125,390	4,296	3.3%	129,417	124,706	4,711	3.6%	126,433	122,862	3,571	2.8%
Calhoun County	↓	6,623	6,378	245	3.7%	6,734	6,445	289	4.3%	6,482	6,234	248	3.8%
Charleston County	↓	235,106	228,166	6,940	3.0%	234,361	226,519	7,842	3.3%	230,027	224,061	5,966	2.6%
Cherokee County	↑	23,396	22,088	1,308	5.6%	23,144	21,983	1,161	5.0%	23,125	22,149	976	4.2%
Chester County	↓	14,630	13,929	701	4.8%	14,749	13,978	771	5.2%	14,238	13,606	632	4.4%
Chesterfield County	↓	18,689	17,927	762	4.1%	19,094	18,243	851	4.5%	18,866	18,146	720	3.8%
Clarendon County	↓	11,865	11,263	602	5.1%	12,066	11,412	654	5.4%	11,554	11,080	474	4.1%
Colleton County	↓	15,880	15,210	670	4.2%	15,879	15,151	728	4.6%	15,876	15,314	562	3.5%
Darlington County	↓	28,696	27,532	1,164	4.1%	28,698	27,430	1,268	4.4%	28,129	27,078	1,051	3.7%
Dillon County	↓	12,235	11,590	645	5.3%	12,516	11,798	718	5.7%	12,120	11,491	629	5.2%
Dorchester County	↓	86,924	84,081	2,843	3.3%	86,544	83,461	3,083	3.6%	85,004	82,581	2,423	2.9%
Edgefield County	↓	12,016	11,622	394	3.3%	12,032	11,587	445	3.7%	11,815	11,446	369	3.1%
Fairfield County	↓	9,841	9,394	447	4.5%	9,883	9,372	511	5.2%	9,718	9,332	386	4.0%
Florence County	↓	65,243	62,686	2,557	3.9%	65,087	62,310	2,777	4.3%	64,067	61,818	2,249	3.5%
Georgetown County	↓	28,553	27,270	1,283	4.5%	28,616	27,059	1,557	5.4%	27,903	26,912	991	3.6%
Greenville County	↓	287,247	277,508	9,739	3.4%	286,767	276,346	10,421	3.6%	285,014	276,861	8,153	2.9%
Greenwood County	↓	28,425	27,016	1,409	5.0%	28,673	27,209	1,464	5.1%	28,335	27,201	1,134	4.0%
Hampton County	↓	8,111	7,832	279	3.4%	8,303	8,000	303	3.6%	7,841	7,592	249	3.2%
Horry County	↓	176,689	169,278	7,411	4.2%	172,749	164,310	8,439	4.9%	172,125	165,853	6,272	3.6%
Jasper County	↓	14,308	13,814	494	3.5%	14,335	13,760	575	4.0%	13,938	13,497	441	3.2%
Kershaw County	↓	32,678	31,447	1,231	3.8%	32,884	31,561	1,323	4.0%	31,981	30,991	990	3.1%
Lancaster County	↓	50,203	48,199	2,004	4.0%	50,165	47,931	2,234	4.5%	49,290	47,613	1,677	3.4%
Laurens County	↓	31,420	30,057	1,363	4.3%	31,412	30,016	1,396	4.4%	30,950	29,884	1,066	3.4%
Lee County	↓	5,946	5,626	320	5.4%	5,975	5,637	338	5.7%	5,898	5,602	296	5.0%
Lexington County	↓	156,274	151,207	5,067	3.2%	156,525	150,963	5,562	3.6%	154,267	150,027	4,240	2.7%
Marion County	↓	11,911	11,293	618	5.2%	11,965	11,299	666	5.6%	11,767	11,140	627	5.3%
Marlboro County	↓	7,984	7,477	507	6.4%	8,053	7,487	566	7.0%	8,193	7,717	476	5.8%
McCormick County	↓	3,443	3,301	142	4.1%	3,484	3,317	167	4.8%	3,402	3,266	136	4.0%
Newberry County	↓	18,491	17,803	688	3.7%	18,597	17,877	720	3.9%	18,561	17,946	615	3.3%
Oconee County	↓	36,288	35,044	1,244	3.4%	36,281	34,890	1,391	3.8%	36,247	35,164	1,083	3.0%
Orangeburg County	↓	34,942	33,081	1,861	5.3%	35,416	33,448	1,968	5.6%	35,085	33,435	1,650	4.7%
Pickens County	↑	65,507	62,972	2,535	3.9%	65,157	62,783	2,374	3.6%	64,724	62,738	1,986	3.1%
Richland County	↓	209,690	201,294	8,396	4.0%	209,923	201,158	8,765	4.2%	206,628	199,539	7,089	3.4%
Saluda County	-	9,238	8,945	293	3.2%	9,503	9,197	306	3.2%	8,785	8,536	249	2.8%
Spartanburg County	-	169,050	162,312	6,738	4.0%	168,827	162,037	6,790	4.0%	165,294	159,978	5,316	3.2%
Sumter County	↓	42,562	40,577	1,985	4.7%	42,678	40,521	2,157	5.1%	41,782	40,134	1,648	3.9%
Union County	↑	11,111	10,461	650	5.9%	11,063	10,502	561	5.1%	10,680	10,236	444	4.2%
Williamsburg County	↓	10,488	9,824	664	6.3%	10,648	9,895	753	7.1%	10,177	9,638	539	5.3%
York County	↓	156,504	150,520	5,984	3.8%	156,161	149,742	6,419	4.1%	153,535	148,615	4,920	3.2%

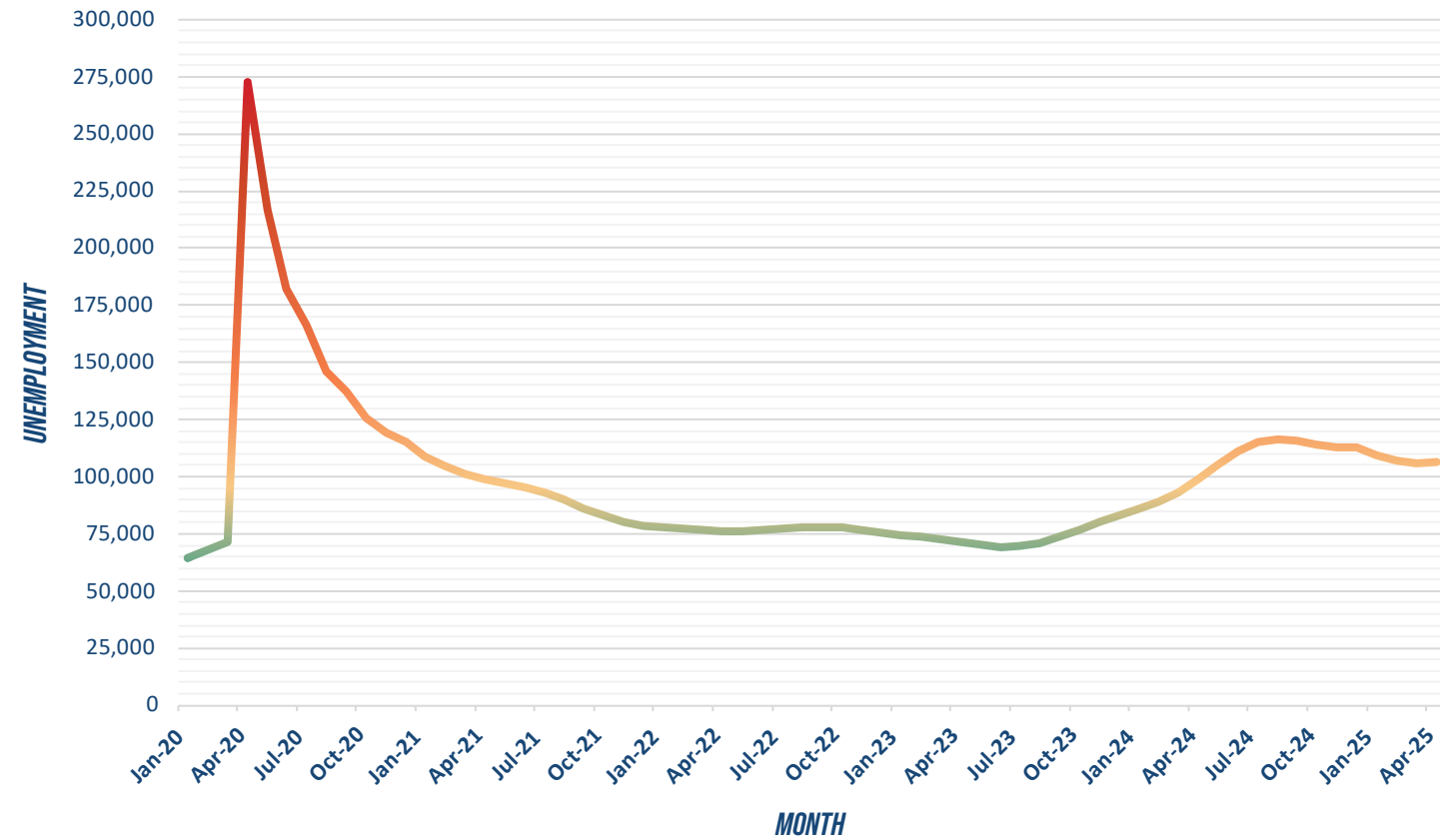
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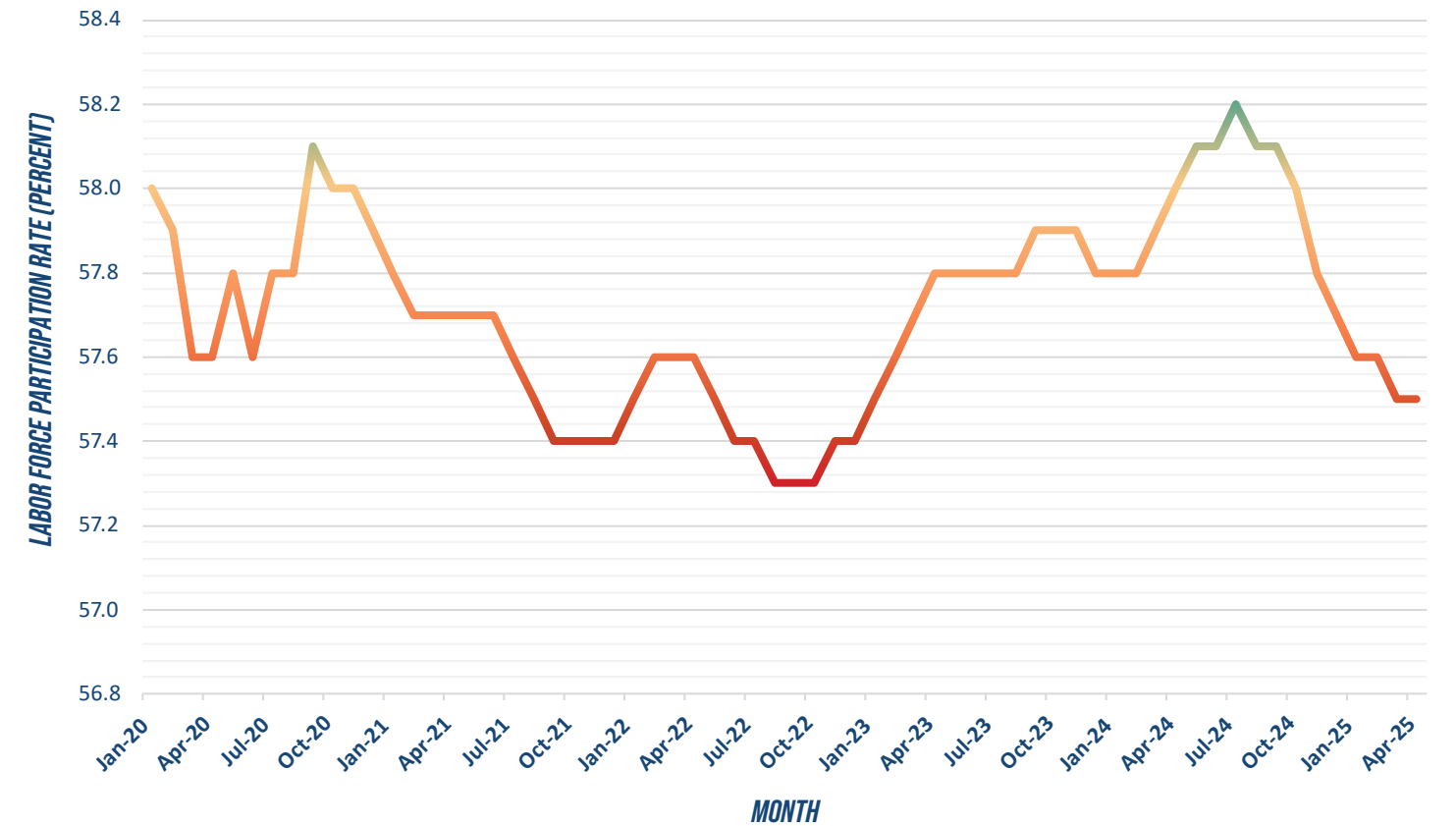
LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MSA (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)													
APRIL 2025						MARCH 2025				APRIL 2024			
METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
				LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)
Charleston-North Charleston	↓	451,716	437,637	14,079	3.1%	450,322	434,686	15,636	3.5%	441,464	429,504	11,960	2.7%
Columbia	↓	424,344	408,665	15,679	3.7%	425,452	408,696	16,756	3.9%	417,861	404,659	13,202	3.2%
Florence	↓	93,939	90,218	3,721	4.0%	93,785	89,740	4,045	4.3%	92,196	88,896	3,300	3.6%
Greenville - Anderson-Mauldin	↓	484,707	467,608	17,099	3.5%	483,866	465,944	17,922	3.7%	480,334	466,175	14,159	2.9%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	↓	99,358	96,092	3,266	3.3%	98,712	94,870	3,842	3.9%	97,747	94,893	2,854	2.9%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	↓	176,689	169,278	7,411	4.2%	172,749	164,310	8,439	4.9%	172,125	165,853	6,272	3.6%
Spartanburg	-	180,161	172,773	7,388	4.1%	179,890	172,539	7,351	4.1%	175,974	170,214	5,760	3.3%
Sumter	↓	42,562	40,577	1,985	4.7%	42,678	40,521	2,157	5.1%	41,782	40,134	1,648	3.9%
Augusta-Richmond County, GA (S.C. portion)	↓	89,704	86,439	3,265	3.6%	88,759	85,231	3,528	4.0%	89,212	86,307	2,905	3.3%
Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC (S.C. portion)	↓	221,337	212,648	8,689	3.9%	221,075	211,651	9,424	4.3%	217,063	209,834	7,229	3.3%

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MUNICIPALITY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)													
APRIL 2025						MARCH 2025				APRIL 2024			
CITIES AND TOWNS ABOVE 25,000 POPULATION		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	
				LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)			LEVEL	RATE (%)
Aiken	↓	13,885	13,340	545	3.9%	13,715	13,131	584	4.3%	13,810	13,348	462	3.3%
Anderson	↑	14,124	13,612	512	3.6%	14,068	13,574	494	3.5%	14,015	13,559	456	3.3%
Bluffton	↓	16,821	16,364	457	2.7%	16,660	16,132	528	3.2%	16,587	16,188	399	2.4%
Charleston	↓	90,783	88,083	2,700	3.0%	90,468	87,462	3,006	3.3%	88,760	86,478	2,282	2.6%
Columbia	↑	69,690	66,558	3,132	4.5%	69,437	66,514	2,923	4.2%	68,403	65,979	2,424	3.5%
Conway	↑	11,523	10,762	761	6.6%	11,033	10,446	587	5.3%	11,080	10,544	536	4.8%
Easley	↓	13,260	12,837	423	3.2%	13,249	12,798	451	3.4%	13,116	12,789	327	2.5%
Florence	↓	19,626	18,847	779	4.0%	19,569	18,734	835	4.3%	19,242	18,586	656	3.4%
Fort Mill	-	17,369	16,770	599	3.4%	17,267	16,683	584	3.4%	17,046	16,558	488	2.9%
Goose Creek	-	25,267	24,404	863	3.4%	25,135	24,271	864	3.4%	24,599	23,912	687	2.8%
Greenville	↓	42,142	40,774	1,368	3.2%	42,026	40,603	1,423	3.4%	41,834	40,679	1,155	2.8%
Greer	↓	23,484	22,719	765	3.3%	23,441	22,638	803	3.4%	23,251	22,601	650	2.8%
Hanahan	↓	11,707	11,414	293	2.5%	11,712	11,351	361	3.1%	11,457	11,184	273	2.4%
Hilton Head Island	↓	16,332	15,848	484	3.0%	16,267	15,623	644	4.0%	16,131	15,679	452	2.8%
Mauldin	↓	15,628	15,138	490	3.1%	15,622	15,075	547	3.5%	15,528	15,103	425	2.7%
Mount Pleasant	↓	52,644	51,244	1,400	2.7%	52,547	50,874	1,673	3.2%	51,555	50,322	1,233	2.4%
Myrtle Beach	↓	19,552	18,764	788	4.0%	19,195	18,213	982	5.1%	19,069	18,385	684	3.6%
North Augusta	↓	12,877	12,480	397	3.1%	12,733	12,286	447	3.5%	12,795	12,485	310	2.4%
North Charleston	↓	65,234	63,150	2,084	3.2%	64,949	62,692	2,257	3.5%	63,796	62,016	1,780	2.8%
Rock Hill	↓	40,929	39,014	1,915	4.7%	40,816	38,812	2,004	4.9%	40,096	38,520	1,576	3.9%
Simpsonville	-	14,844	14,314	530	3.6%	14,779	14,254	525	3.6%	14,737	14,281	456	3.1%
Spartanburg	↑	17,445	16,597	848	4.9%	17,402	16,568	834	4.8%	17,053	16,358	695	4.1%
Summerville	↓	28,139	27,314	825	2.9%	28,034	27,119	915	3.3%	27,558	26,818	740	2.7%
Sumter	↓	16,557	15,714	843	5.1%	16,600	15,692	908	5.5%	16,232	15,542	690	4.3%

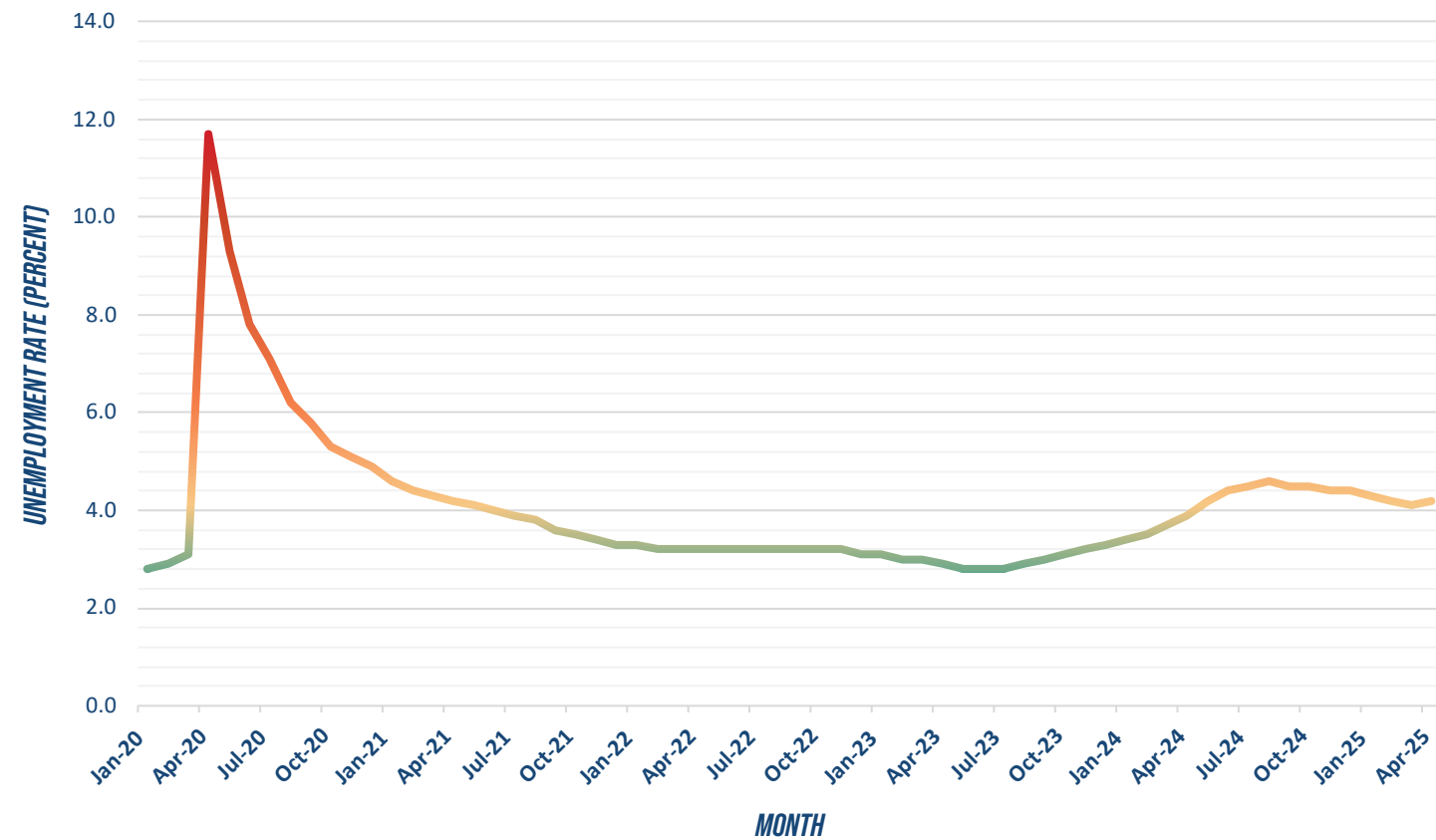
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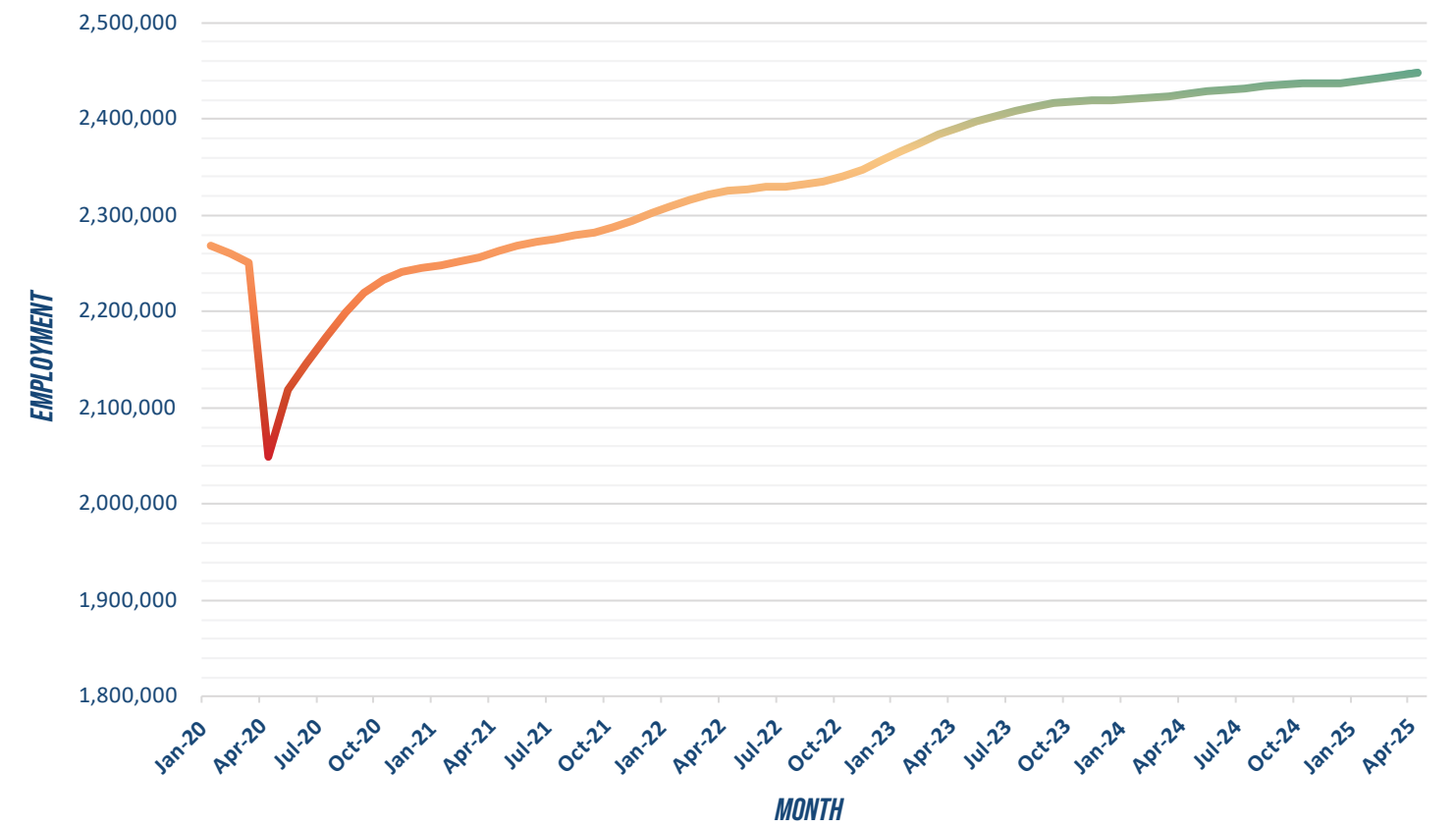
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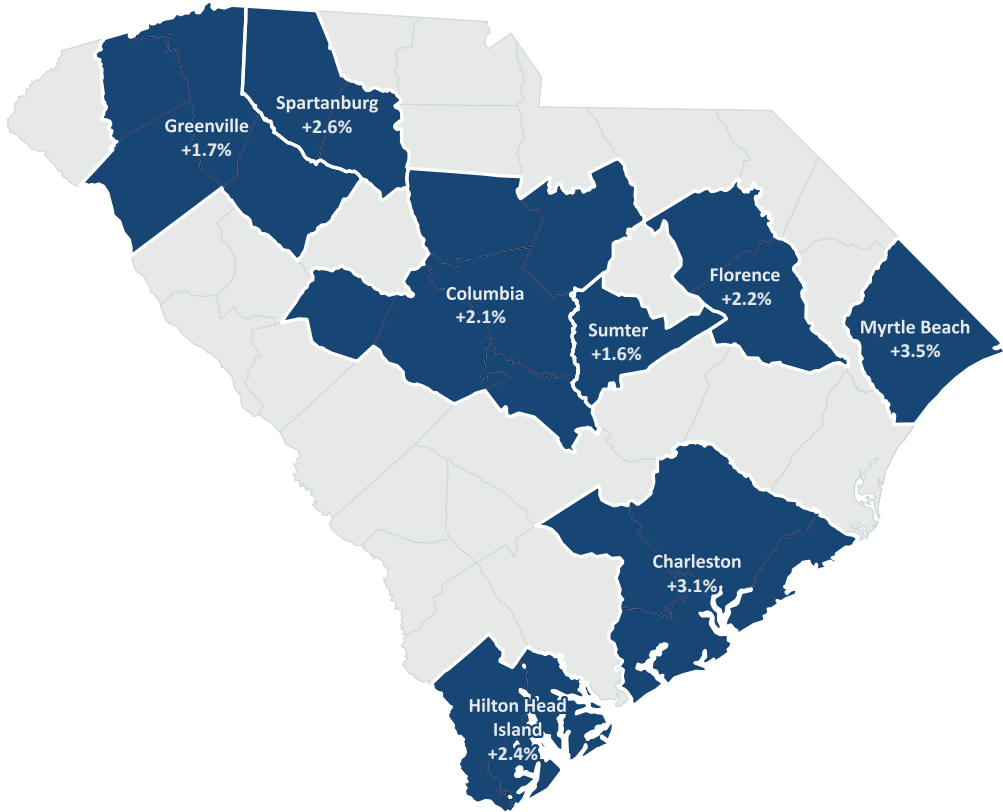


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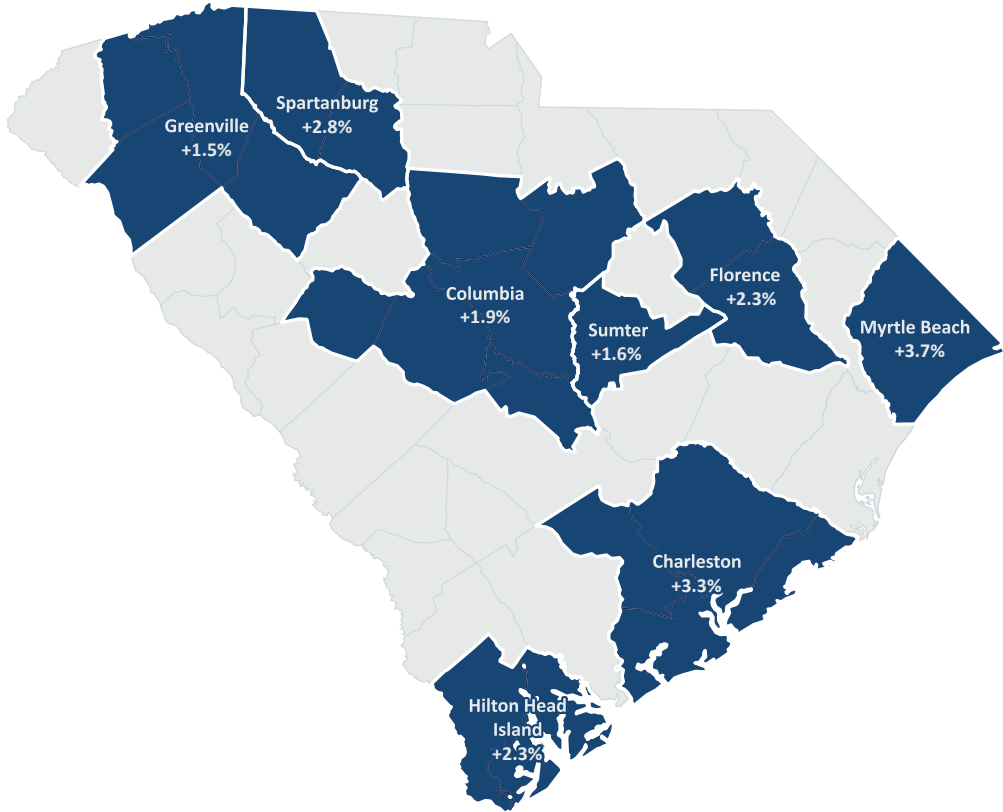
NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA SEASONALLY ADJUSTED APRIL 2025							
AREA	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Statewide	2,407,800	2,401,000	2,350,500	+6,800	+0.3%	+57,300	+2.4%
Charleston-North Charleston	434,100	432,600	421,100	+1,500	+0.3%	+13,000	+3.1%
Columbia	437,100	436,700	428,000	+400	+0.1%	+9,100	+2.1%
Florence	99,000	98,200	96,900	+800	+0.8%	+2,100	+2.2%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	479,800	478,600	471,600	+1,200	+0.3%	+8,200	+1.7%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	90,100	89,700	88,000	+400	+0.4%	+2,100	+2.4%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	159,200	157,800	153,800	+1,400	+0.9%	+5,400	+3.5%
Spartanburg	180,600	180,200	176,000	+400	+0.2%	+4,600	+2.6%
Sumter	38,700	38,400	38,100	+300	+0.8%	+600	+1.6%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (IN THOUSANDS) APRIL 2025							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,407.8	2,401.0	2,350.5	+6.8	+0.3%	+57.3	+2.4%
Total Private	2,016.7	2,010.7	1,964.0	+6.0	+0.3%	+52.7	+2.7%
Goods Producing	392.5	391.2	384.1	+1.3	+0.3%	+8.4	+2.2%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	129.0	128.5	120.3	+0.5	+0.4%	+8.7	+7.2%
Mining and Logging	4.6	4.6	4.4	0.0	0.0%	+0.2	+4.5%
Construction	124.4	123.9	115.9	+0.5	+0.4%	+8.5	+7.3%
Manufacturing	263.5	262.7	263.8	+0.8	+0.3%	-0.3	-0.1%
Durable Goods	161.0	160.0	161.0	+1.0	+0.6%	0.0	0.0%
Non-Durable Goods	102.5	102.7	102.8	-0.2	-0.2%	-0.3	-0.3%
Service-Providing	2,015.3	2,009.8	1,966.4	+5.5	+0.3%	+48.9	+2.5%
Private Service Providing	1,624.2	1,619.5	1,579.9	+4.7	+0.3%	+44.3	+2.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	450.8	450.1	445.0	+0.7	+0.2%	+5.8	+1.3%
Wholesale Trade	83.7	84.3	83.7	-0.6	-0.7%	0.0	0.0%
Retail Trade	270.0	269.5	268.1	+0.5	+0.2%	+1.9	+0.7%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	97.1	96.3	93.2	+0.8	+0.8%	+3.9	+4.2%
Information	29.8	29.7	28.4	+0.1	+0.3%	+1.4	+4.9%
Financial Activities	126.9	126.0	121.2	+0.9	+0.7%	+5.7	+4.7%
Finance and Insurance	89.2	89.3	86.2	-0.1	-0.1%	+3.0	+3.5%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	37.7	36.7	35.0	+1.0	+2.7%	+2.7	+7.7%
Professional and Business Services	323.7	322.5	313.0	+1.2	+0.4%	+10.7	+3.4%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	137.6	137.1	132.6	+0.5	+0.4%	+5.0	+3.8%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25.3	25.2	23.5	+0.1	+0.4%	+1.8	+7.7%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	160.8	160.2	156.9	+0.6	+0.4%	+3.9	+2.5%
Education and Health Services	310.3	311.5	299.5	-1.2	-0.4%	+10.8	+3.6%
Educational Services	52.4	52.2	52.5	+0.2	+0.4%	-0.1	-0.2%
Health Care Services	257.9	259.3	247.0	-1.4	-0.5%	+10.9	+4.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	290.3	287.0	282.6	+3.3	+1.1%	+7.7	+2.7%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	39.8	38.3	37.3	+1.5	+3.9%	+2.5	+6.7%
Accommodation and Food Services	250.5	248.7	245.3	+1.8	+0.7%	+5.2	+2.1%
Other Services	92.4	92.7	90.2	-0.3	-0.3%	+2.2	+2.4%
Government	391.1	390.3	386.5	+0.8	+0.2%	+4.6	+1.2%
Federal Government	38.9	38.8	37.8	+0.1	+0.3%	+1.1	+2.9%
State Government	115.9	116.1	114.8	-0.2	-0.2%	+1.1	+1.0%
Local Government	236.3	235.4	233.9	+0.9	+0.4%	+2.4	+1.0%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED APRIL 2025							
AREA	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Statewide	2,410,900	2,394,300	2,352,000	+16,600	+0.7%	+58,900	+2.5%
Charleston-North Charleston	433,900	431,000	420,200	+2,900	+0.7%	+13,700	+3.3%
Columbia	437,000	436,200	428,900	+800	+0.2%	+8,100	+1.9%
Florence	98,900	97,700	96,700	+1,200	+1.2%	+2,200	+2.3%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	479,600	478,100	472,500	+1,500	+0.3%	+7,100	+1.5%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	90,000	88,700	88,000	+1,300	+1.5%	+2,000	+2.3%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	161,100	156,200	155,300	+4,900	+3.1%	+5,800	+3.7%
Spartanburg	180,700	180,000	175,800	+700	+0.4%	+4,900	+2.8%
Sumter	38,800	38,400	38,200	+400	+1.0%	+600	+1.6%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED APRIL 2025							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,410,900	2,394,300	2,352,000	+16,600	+0.7%	+58,900	+2.5%
Total Private	2,014,500	1,999,200	1,961,800	+15,300	+0.8%	+52,700	+2.7%
Goods Producing	390,600	390,100	383,300	+500	+0.1%	+7,300	+1.9%
Mining, Logging and Construction	127,400	128,100	120,000	-700	-0.5%	+7,400	+6.2%
Mining and Logging	4,600	4,600	4,400	0	0.0%	+200	+4.5%
Construction	122,800	123,500	115,600	-700	-0.6%	+7,200	+6.2%
Construction of Buildings	30,800	31,100	28,300	-300	-1.0%	+2,500	+8.8%
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	18,900	19,300	18,100	-400	-2.1%	+800	+4.4%
Specialty Trade Contractors	73,100	73,100	69,200	0	0.0%	+3,900	+5.6%
Manufacturing	263,200	262,000	263,300	+1,200	+0.5%	-100	0.0%
Durable Goods	160,400	159,200	160,700	+1,200	+0.8%	-300	-0.2%
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	24,400	24,200	24,100	+200	+0.8%	+300	+1.2%
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	53,100	52,700	53,300	+400	+0.8%	-200	-0.4%
Non-Durable Goods	102,800	102,800	102,600	0	0.0%	+200	+0.2%
Textile Mills	11,200	11,300	11,400	-100	-0.9%	-200	-1.8%
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	26,400	26,500	26,800	-100	-0.4%	-400	-1.5%
Service-Providing	2,020,300	2,004,200	1,968,700	+16,100	+0.8%	+51,600	+2.6%
Private Service Providing	1,623,900	1,609,100	1,578,500	+14,800	+0.9%	+45,400	+2.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	448,200	448,000	441,600	+200	0.0%	+6,600	+1.5%
Wholesale Trade	83,600	84,100	83,800	-500	-0.6%	-200	-0.2%
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	45,000	45,000	45,400	0	0.0%	-400	-0.9%
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	23,900	23,900	23,400	0	0.0%	+500	+2.1%
Retail Trade	268,900	268,100	266,100	+800	+0.3%	+2,800	+1.1%
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	34,700	34,700	34,700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Food and Beverage Stores	55,800	55,600	54,500	+200	+0.4%	+1,300	+2.4%
Health and Personal Care Stores	16,200	16,200	16,400	0	0.0%	-200	-1.2%
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	17,700	17,700	17,300	0	0.0%	+400	+2.3%
General Merchandise Stores	63,200	63,300	61,400	-100	-0.2%	+1,800	+2.9%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	95,700	95,800	91,700	-100	-0.1%	+4,000	+4.4%
Utilities	11,200	11,200	11,100	0	0.0%	+100	+0.9%
Transportation and Warehousing	84,500	84,600	80,600	-100	-0.1%	+3,900	+4.8%
Information	29,900	29,400	28,100	+500	+1.7%	+1,800	+6.4%
Financial Activities	126,900	124,700	120,600	+2,200	+1.8%	+6,300	+5.2%
Finance and Insurance	89,100	88,900	85,900	+200	+0.2%	+3,200	+3.7%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities	37,000	36,900	37,000	+100	+0.3%	0	0.0%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	37,800	35,800	34,700	+2,000	+5.6%	+3,100	+8.9%
Professional and Business Services	322,400	321,300	311,700	+1,100	+0.3%	+10,700	+3.4%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	137,900	136,500	133,600	+1,400	+1.0%	+4,300	+3.2%
Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	25,700	25,600	24,000	+100	+0.4%	+1,700	+7.1%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25,200	25,100	23,500	+100	+0.4%	+1,700	+7.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	159,300	159,700	154,600	-400	-0.3%	+4,700	+3.0%
Administrative and Support Services	146,700	147,000	141,800	-300	-0.2%	+4,900	+3.5%
Employment Services	61,300	63,300	61,900	-2,000	-3.2%	-600	-1.0%
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	38,600	36,900	35,900	+1,700	+4.6%	+2,700	+7.5%
Education and Health Services	310,600	312,300	300,300	-1,700	-0.5%	+10,300	+3.4%
Educational Services	54,300	54,000	53,900	+300	+0.6%	+400	+0.7%
Health Care and Social Assistance	256,300	258,300	246,400	-2,000	-0.8%	+9,900	+4.0%
Ambulatory Health Care Services	117,400	118,400	115,100	-1,000	-0.8%	+2,300	+2.0%
Hospitals	45,900	45,900	43,300	0	0.0%	+2,600	+6.0%
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	45,400	45,200	43,400	+200	+0.4%	+2,000	+4.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	293,400	281,200	285,600	+12,200	+4.3%	+7,800	+2.7%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	40,100	36,700	37,700	+3,400	+9.3%	+2,400	+6.4%
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	31,200	29,100	29,100	+2,100	+7.2%	+2,100	+7.2%
Accommodation and Food Services	253,300	244,500	247,900	+8,800	+3.6%	+5,400	+2.2%
Accommodation	33,500	32,100	32,400	+1,400	+4.4%	+1,100	+3.4%
Food Services and Drinking Places	219,800	212,400	215,500	+7,400	+3.5%	+4,300	+2.0%
Other Services	92,500	92,200	90,600	+300	+0.3%	+1,900	+2.1%
Repair and Maintenance	26,500	26,300	26,000	+200	+0.8%	+500	+1.9%
Personal and Laundry Services	22,700	22,700	22,000	0	0.0%	+700	+3.2%
Government	396,400	395,100	390,200	+1,300	+0.3%	+6,200	+1.6%
Federal Government	38,800	38,700	37,600	+100	+0.3%	+1,200	+3.2%
State Government	120,300	119,800	117,700	+500	+0.4%	+2,600	+2.2%
State Government Educational Services	57,300	57,100	57,300	+200	+0.4%	0	0.0%
State Government Excluding Education	63,000	62,700	60,400	+300	+0.5%	+2,600	+4.3%
Local Government	237,300	236,600	234,900	+700	+0.3%	+2,400	+1.0%
Local Government Educational Services	113,300	113,400	113,100	-100	-0.1%	+200	+0.2%
Local Government Excluding Educational Services	124,000	123,200	121,800	+800	+0.6%	+2,200	+1.8%

TOTAL PRIVATE NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY MSA							
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)							
AREA	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$1,172.84	\$1,204.96	\$1,121.87	-\$32.12	-2.7%	+\$50.97	+4.5%
Columbia	\$1,013.70	\$1,043.12	\$1,013.93	-\$29.42	-2.8%	-\$0.23	0.0%
Florence	\$787.20	\$753.64	\$730.19	+\$33.56	+4.5%	+\$57.01	+7.8%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$1,126.13	\$1,170.23	\$1,107.62	-\$44.10	-3.8%	+\$18.51	+1.7%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$876.90	\$873.74	\$779.76	+\$3.16	+0.4%	+\$97.14	+12.5%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$833.96	\$851.78	\$825.08	-\$17.82	-2.1%	+\$8.88	+1.1%
Spartanburg	\$1,093.01	\$1,076.65	\$981.55	+\$16.36	+1.5%	+\$111.46	+11.4%
Sumter	\$936.64	\$926.08	\$927.07	+\$10.56	+1.1%	+\$9.57	+1.0%
AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)							
AREA	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	33.5	34.0	33.7	-0.5	-1.5%	-0.2	-0.6%
Columbia	33.7	34.1	34.7	-0.4	-1.2%	-1.0	-2.9%
Florence	33.8	33.2	31.9	+0.6	+1.8%	+1.9	+6.0%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	34.8	35.1	34.7	-0.3	-0.9%	+0.1	+0.3%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	31.6	31.6	30.2	0.0	0.0%	+1.4	+4.6%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	32.1	31.7	31.1	+0.4	+1.3%	+1.0	+3.2%
Spartanburg	35.1	35.3	33.8	-0.2	-0.6%	+1.3	+3.8%
Sumter	32.0	32.0	34.8	0.0	0.0%	-2.8	-8.0%
AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)							
AREA	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$35.01	\$35.44	\$33.29	-\$0.43	-1.2%	+\$1.72	+5.2%
Columbia	\$30.08	\$30.59	\$29.22	-\$0.51	-1.7%	+\$0.86	+2.9%
Florence	\$23.29	\$22.70	\$22.89	+\$0.59	+2.6%	+\$0.40	+1.7%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$32.36	\$33.34	\$31.92	-\$0.98	-2.9%	+\$0.44	+1.4%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$27.75	\$27.65	\$25.82	+\$0.10	+0.4%	+\$1.93	+7.5%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$25.98	\$26.87	\$26.53	-\$0.89	-3.3%	-\$0.55	-2.1%
Spartanburg	\$31.14	\$30.50	\$29.04	+\$0.64	+2.1%	+\$2.10	+7.2%
Sumter	\$29.27	\$28.94	\$26.64	+\$0.33	+1.1%	+\$2.63	+9.9%

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NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY INDUSTRY							
AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)							
INDUSTRY TITLE	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$1,068.48	\$1,088.68	\$1,019.07	-\$20.20	-1.9%	+\$49.41	+4.8%
Goods Producing	\$1,403.20	\$1,405.92	\$1,328.91	-\$2.72	-0.2%	+\$74.29	+5.6%
Construction	\$1,377.56	\$1,387.44	\$1,323.62	-\$9.88	-0.7%	+\$53.94	+4.1%
Manufacturing	\$1,373.97	\$1,385.73	\$1,336.90	-\$11.76	-0.8%	+\$37.07	+2.8%
Private Service Providing	\$989.32	\$1,013.35	\$944.78	-\$24.03	-2.4%	+\$44.54	+4.7%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$948.42	\$959.78	\$872.51	-\$11.36	-1.2%	+\$75.91	+8.7%
Financial Activities	\$1,285.52	\$1,337.22	\$1,182.76	-\$51.70	-3.9%	+\$102.76	+8.7%
Professional and Business Services	\$1,395.34	\$1,443.53	\$1,262.72	-\$48.19	-3.3%	+\$132.62	+10.5%
Education and Health Services	\$1,005.77	\$1,009.11	\$1,065.64	-\$3.34	-0.3%	-\$59.87	-5.6%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$490.03	\$492.52	\$478.98	-\$2.49	-0.5%	+\$11.05	+2.3%
Other Services	\$956.26	\$959.42	\$998.98	-\$3.16	-0.3%	-\$42.72	-4.3%
AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)							
INDUSTRY TITLE	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	33.6	34.0	33.8	-0.4	-1.2%	-0.2	-0.6%
Goods Producing	40.0	40.4	40.1	-0.4	-1.0%	-0.1	-0.2%
Construction	40.6	41.0	41.9	-0.4	-1.0%	-1.3	-3.1%
Manufacturing	39.1	39.9	39.6	-0.8	-2.0%	-0.5	-1.3%
Private Service Providing	32.1	32.5	32.3	-0.4	-1.2%	-0.2	-0.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33.0	33.5	32.9	-0.5	-1.5%	+0.1	+0.3%
Financial Activities	37.1	37.7	37.8	-0.6	-1.6%	-0.7	-1.9%
Professional and Business Services	37.6	38.3	36.9	-0.7	-1.8%	+0.7	+1.9%
Education and Health Services	31.1	31.3	32.4	-0.2	-0.6%	-1.3	-4.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	24.6	24.7	24.5	-0.1	-0.4%	+0.1	+0.4%
Other Services	33.1	32.6	34.4	+0.5	+1.5%	-1.3	-3.8%
AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)							
INDUSTRY TITLE	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$31.80	\$32.02	\$30.15	-\$0.22	-0.7%	+\$1.65	+5.5%
Goods Producing	\$35.08	\$34.80	\$33.14	+\$0.28	+0.8%	+\$1.94	+5.9%
Construction	\$33.93	\$33.84	\$31.59	+\$0.09	+0.3%	+\$2.34	+7.4%
Manufacturing	\$35.14	\$34.73	\$33.76	+\$0.41	+1.2%	+\$1.38	+4.1%
Private Service Providing	\$30.82	\$31.18	\$29.25	-\$0.36	-1.2%	+\$1.57	+5.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$28.74	\$28.65	\$26.52	+\$0.09	+0.3%	+\$2.22	+8.4%
Financial Activities	\$34.65	\$35.47	\$31.29	-\$0.82	-2.3%	+\$3.36	+10.7%
Professional and Business Services	\$37.11	\$37.69	\$34.22	-\$0.58	-1.5%	+\$2.89	+8.4%
Education and Health Services	\$32.34	\$32.24	\$32.89	+\$0.10	+0.3%	-\$0.55	-1.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$19.92	\$19.94	\$19.55	-\$0.02	-0.1%	+\$0.37	+1.9%
Other Services	\$28.89	\$29.43	\$29.04	-\$0.54	-1.8%	-\$0.15	-0.5%

NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR CHARLESTON-NORTH CHARLESTON MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	433,900	431,000	420,200	+2,900	+0.7%	+13,700	+3.3%
Total Private	361,100	358,700	350,800	+2,400	+0.7%	+10,300	+2.9%
Goods Producing	59,200	59,300	57,800	-100	-0.2%	+1,400	+2.4%
Service-Providing	374,700	371,700	362,400	+3,000	+0.8%	+12,300	+3.4%
Private Service Providing	301,900	299,400	293,000	+2,500	+0.8%	+8,900	+3.0%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	24,800	24,900	22,900	-100	-0.4%	+1,900	+8.3%
Manufacturing	34,400	34,400	34,900	0	0.0%	-500	-1.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	77,200	77,200	76,100	0	0.0%	+1,100	+1.4%
Wholesale Trade	12,900	13,000	12,800	-100	-0.8%	+100	+0.8%
Retail Trade	45,300	45,100	44,600	+200	+0.4%	+700	+1.6%
General Merchandise Stores	8,500	8,400	8,100	+100	+1.2%	+400	+4.9%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	19,000	19,100	18,700	-100	-0.5%	+300	+1.6%
Information	8,100	8,000	7,900	+100	+1.3%	+200	+2.5%
Financial Activities	21,600	21,400	20,300	+200	+0.9%	+1,300	+6.4%
Professional and Business Services	70,300	69,500	68,100	+800	+1.2%	+2,200	+3.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	30,600	29,700	28,700	+900	+3.0%	+1,900	+6.6%
Education and Health Services	51,400	51,500	49,100	-100	-0.2%	+2,300	+4.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	56,600	55,200	55,300	+1,400	+2.5%	+1,300	+2.4%
Accommodation and Food Services	48,700	47,600	48,300	+1,100	+2.3%	+400	+0.8%
Food Services and Drinking Places	40,600	39,600	39,900	+1,000	+2.5%	+700	+1.8%
Other Services	16,700	16,600	16,200	+100	+0.6%	+500	+3.1%
Government	72,800	72,300	69,400	+500	+0.7%	+3,400	+4.9%
Federal Government	12,500	12,500	11,900	0	0.0%	+600	+5.0%
State Government	29,100	29,000	27,000	+100	+0.3%	+2,100	+7.8%
Local Government	31,200	30,800	30,500	+400	+1.3%	+700	+2.3%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR COLUMBIA MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	437,000	436,200	428,900	+800	+0.2%	+8,100	+1.9%
Total Private	351,500	350,800	343,400	+700	+0.2%	+8,100	+2.4%
Goods Producing	51,100	51,200	50,600	-100	-0.2%	+500	+1.0%
Service-Providing	385,900	385,000	378,300	+900	+0.2%	+7,600	+2.0%
Private Service Providing	300,400	299,600	292,800	+800	+0.3%	+7,600	+2.6%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	19,400	19,400	17,800	0	0.0%	+1,600	+9.0%
Manufacturing	31,700	31,800	32,800	-100	-0.3%	-1,100	-3.4%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	77,700	78,400	77,000	-700	-0.9%	+700	+0.9%
Wholesale Trade	16,100	16,200	16,300	-100	-0.6%	-200	-1.2%
Retail Trade	44,400	44,900	44,300	-500	-1.1%	+100	+0.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,200	17,300	16,400	-100	-0.6%	+800	+4.9%
Information	5,100	5,000	4,700	+100	+2.0%	+400	+8.5%
Financial Activities	36,200	35,500	34,800	+700	+2.0%	+1,400	+4.0%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	6,400	6,400	6,900	0	0.0%	-500	-7.2%
Professional and Business Services	59,300	59,000	56,500	+300	+0.5%	+2,800	+5.0%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	31,100	31,000	28,500	+100	+0.3%	+2,600	+9.1%
Education and Health Services	61,500	61,900	60,100	-400	-0.6%	+1,400	+2.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	42,100	41,300	41,600	+800	+1.9%	+500	+1.2%
Food Services and Drinking Places	35,000	34,300	34,700	+700	+2.0%	+300	+0.9%
Other Services	18,500	18,500	18,100	0	0.0%	+400	+2.2%
Government	85,500	85,400	85,500	+100	+0.1%	0	0.0%
Federal Government	12,400	12,400	12,300	0	0.0%	+100	+0.8%
State Government	36,400	36,300	36,400	+100	+0.3%	0	0.0%
Local Government	36,700	36,700	36,800	0	0.0%	-100	-0.3%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR GREENVILLE-ANDERSON-MAULDIN MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	479,600	478,100	472,500	+1,500	+0.3%	+7,100	+1.5%
Total Private	417,300	416,000	408,500	+1,300	+0.3%	+8,800	+2.2%
Goods Producing	86,000	85,700	83,300	+300	+0.4%	+2,700	+3.2%
Service-Providing	393,600	392,400	389,200	+1,200	+0.3%	+4,400	+1.1%
Private Service Providing	331,300	330,300	325,200	+1,000	+0.3%	+6,100	+1.9%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	24,600	24,800	22,800	-200	-0.8%	+1,800	+7.9%
Manufacturing	61,400	60,900	60,500	+500	+0.8%	+900	+1.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	86,800	86,800	85,600	0	0.0%	+1,200	+1.4%
Wholesale Trade	21,600	21,800	22,100	-200	-0.9%	-500	-2.3%
Retail Trade	49,800	49,500	48,800	+300	+0.6%	+1,000	+2.0%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	15,400	15,500	14,700	-100	-0.6%	+700	+4.8%
Information	6,200	6,100	5,900	+100	+1.6%	+300	+5.1%
Financial Activities	24,000	23,400	23,200	+600	+2.6%	+800	+3.4%
Professional and Business Services	77,600	78,000	76,300	-400	-0.5%	+1,300	+1.7%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	32,200	32,100	31,500	+100	+0.3%	+700	+2.2%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	7,000	7,000	6,900	0	0.0%	+100	+1.4%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	38,400	38,900	37,900	-500	-1.3%	+500	+1.3%
Education and Health Services	67,300	67,200	65,700	+100	+0.1%	+1,600	+2.4%
Educational Services	16,000	15,900	16,100	+100	+0.6%	-100	-0.6%
Health Care and Social Assistance	51,300	51,300	49,600	0	0.0%	+1,700	+3.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	51,800	51,300	51,600	+500	+1.0%	+200	+0.4%
Other Services	17,600	17,500	16,900	+100	+0.6%	+700	+4.1%
Government	62,300	62,100	64,000	+200	+0.3%	-1,700	-2.7%
Federal Government	3,200	3,100	3,100	+100	+3.2%	+100	+3.2%
State Government	13,700	13,700	15,700	0	0.0%	-2,000	-12.7%
Local Government	45,400	45,300	45,200	+100	+0.2%	+200	+0.4%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR MYRTLE BEACH-CONWAY-NORTH MYRTLE BEACH MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	161,100	156,200	155,300	+4,900	+3.1%	+5,800	+3.7%
Total Private	139,600	134,800	134,400	+4,800	+3.6%	+5,200	+3.9%
Goods Producing	13,200	13,200	13,300	0	0.0%	-100	-0.8%
Service-Providing	147,900	143,000	142,000	+4,900	+3.4%	+5,900	+4.2%
Private Service Providing	126,400	121,600	121,100	+4,800	+3.9%	+5,300	+4.4%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	9,700	9,700	9,800	0	0.0%	-100	-1.0%
Manufacturing	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33,900	33,800	33,100	+100	+0.3%	+800	+2.4%
Wholesale Trade	3,200	3,200	3,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	27,400	27,300	26,700	+100	+0.4%	+700	+2.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	3,300	3,300	3,200	0	0.0%	+100	+3.1%
Information	2,000	2,000	1,900	0	0.0%	+100	+5.3%
Financial Activities	8,600	8,400	8,800	+200	+2.4%	-200	-2.3%
Professional and Business Services	16,900	16,600	16,300	+300	+1.8%	+600	+3.7%
Education and Health Services	18,000	18,000	17,100	0	0.0%	+900	+5.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	41,200	37,000	38,100	+4,200	+11.4%	+3,100	+8.1%
Accommodation and Food Services	35,000	31,000	32,500	+4,000	+12.9%	+2,500	+7.7%
Food Services and Drinking Places	27,100	23,800	25,500	+3,300	+13.9%	+1,600	+6.3%
Other Services	5,800	5,800	5,800	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Government	21,500	21,400	20,900	+100	+0.5%	+600	+2.9%
Federal Government	1,100	1,100	1,000	0	0.0%	+100	+10.0%
State Government	4,600	4,600	4,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	15,800	15,700	15,300	+100	+0.6%	+500	+3.3%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR SPARTANBURG MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	180,700	180,000	175,800	+700	+0.4%	+4,900	+2.8%
Total Private	149,200	148,400	145,700	+800	+0.5%	+3,500	+2.4%
Goods Producing	49,100	48,800	47,600	+300	+0.6%	+1,500	+3.2%
Service-Providing	131,600	131,200	128,200	+400	+0.3%	+3,400	+2.7%
Private Service Providing	100,100	99,600	98,100	+500	+0.5%	+2,000	+2.0%
Mining, Logging, and Construction	8,300	8,400	7,800	-100	-1.2%	+500	+6.4%
Manufacturing	40,800	40,400	39,800	+400	+1.0%	+1,000	+2.5%
Durable Goods	28,600	28,200	27,600	+400	+1.4%	+1,000	+3.6%
Non-Durable Goods	12,200	12,200	12,200	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	36,700	36,700	36,600	0	0.0%	+100	+0.3%
Wholesale Trade	7,400	7,400	7,600	0	0.0%	-200	-2.6%
Retail Trade	18,900	18,800	18,700	+100	+0.5%	+200	+1.1%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	10,400	10,500	10,300	-100	-1.0%	+100	+1.0%
Information	900	900	900	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	5,700	5,600	5,500	+100	+1.8%	+200	+3.6%
Professional and Business Services	17,300	17,000	17,000	+300	+1.8%	+300	+1.8%
Education and Health Services	17,800	17,800	16,800	0	0.0%	+1,000	+6.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	15,300	15,200	15,100	+100	+0.7%	+200	+1.3%
Other Services	6,400	6,400	6,200	0	0.0%	+200	+3.2%
Government	31,500	31,600	30,100	-100	-0.3%	+1,400	+4.7%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,700	4,700	4,600	0	0.0%	+100	+2.2%
Local Government	26,100	26,200	24,800	-100	-0.4%	+1,300	+5.2%

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR FLORENCE MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	98,900	97,700	96,700	+1,200	+1.2%	+2,200	+2.3%
Total Private	79,900	78,900	77,900	+1,000	+1.3%	+2,000	+2.6%
Goods Producing	16,200	15,800	15,400	+400	+2.5%	+800	+5.2%
Service-Providing	82,700	81,900	81,300	+800	+1.0%	+1,400	+1.7%
Private Service Providing	63,700	63,100	62,500	+600	+1.0%	+1,200	+1.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	20,500	20,600	20,400	-100	-0.5%	+100	+0.5%
Government	19,000	18,800	18,800	+200	+1.1%	+200	+1.1%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	5,400	5,300	5,200	+100	+1.9%	+200	+3.8%
Local Government	12,900	12,800	12,900	+100	+0.8%	0	0.0%

HILTON HEAD ISLAND-BLUFFTON-BEAUFORT MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	90,000	88,700	88,000	+1,300	+1.5%	+2,000	+2.3%
Total Private	77,300	75,900	75,500	+1,400	+1.8%	+1,800	+2.4%
Goods Producing	7,800	7,600	7,700	+200	+2.6%	+100	+1.3%
Service-Providing	82,200	81,100	80,300	+1,100	+1.4%	+1,900	+2.4%
Private Service Providing	69,500	68,300	67,800	+1,200	+1.8%	+1,700	+2.5%
Government	12,700	12,800	12,500	-100	-0.8%	+200	+1.6%

SUMTER MSA APRIL 2025 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)							
	APRIL 2025	MARCH 2025	APRIL 2024	MARCH 2025 TO APRIL 2025		APRIL 2024 TO APRIL 2025	
				# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	38,800	38,400	38,200	+400	+1.0%	+600	+1.6%
Total Private	32,700	32,200	32,200	+500	+1.6%	+500	+1.6%
Goods Producing	9,300	9,100	8,800	+200	+2.2%	+500	+5.7%
Service-Providing	29,500	29,300	29,400	+200	+0.7%	+100	+0.3%
Private Service Providing	23,400	23,100	23,400	+300	+1.3%	0	0.0%
Manufacturing	6,200	6,300	6,200	-100	-1.6%	0	0.0%
Government	6,100	6,200	6,000	-100	-1.6%	+100	+1.7%
Federal Government	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	1,400	1,500	1,400	-100	-6.7%	0	0.0%
Local Government	3,400	3,400	3,300	0	0.0%	+100	+3.0%

LONG-RUN TRENDS

ANNUAL LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS DATA 1976-2024							
YEAR	CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION RATE (PERCENT)	EMPLOYMENT-POPULATION RATIO (PERCENT)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (PERCENT)
1976	2,007,417	64.7%	60.1	1,298,668	1,207,409	91,259	7.0%
1977	2,061,250	64.4%	60.0	1,326,585	1,236,934	89,651	6.8%
1978	2,117,667	64.1%	60.5	1,357,715	1,282,095	75,620	5.6%
1979	2,169,417	63.4%	60.2	1,374,740	1,306,553	68,187	5.0%
1980	2,221,189	62.8%	58.5	1,394,098	1,300,398	93,700	6.7%
1981	2,266,387	63.2%	58.0	1,431,228	1,314,047	117,181	8.2%
1982	2,306,997	64.2%	57.3	1,481,395	1,321,621	159,774	10.8%
1983	2,340,604	63.2%	56.9	1,478,129	1,332,493	145,636	9.9%
1984	2,377,872	62.9%	58.5	1,495,372	1,391,236	104,136	7.0%
1985	2,425,715	63.8%	59.5	1,548,432	1,442,703	105,729	6.8%
1986	2,454,394	64.9%	60.8	1,592,444	1,491,149	101,295	6.4%
1987	2,494,231	65.5%	61.9	1,633,928	1,544,366	89,562	5.5%
1988	2,531,731	65.7%	62.7	1,664,039	1,587,665	76,374	4.6%
1989	2,564,562	66.2%	63.2	1,698,019	1,619,583	78,436	4.6%
1990	2,611,727	66.3%	63.1	1,732,623	1,647,991	84,632	4.9%
1991	2,663,381	66.2%	62.1	1,762,572	1,654,432	108,140	6.1%
1992	2,699,099	66.6%	62.1	1,796,665	1,675,819	120,846	6.7%
1993	2,738,558	66.6%	61.8	1,825,100	1,691,707	133,393	7.3%
1994	2,773,845	66.3%	62.2	1,840,083	1,726,501	113,582	6.2%
1995	2,812,457	66.3%	62.9	1,864,109	1,768,423	95,686	5.1%
1996	2,849,311	66.1%	62.4	1,884,580	1,777,622	106,958	5.7%
1997	2,895,736	66.3%	63.3	1,919,215	1,833,161	86,054	4.5%
1998	2,943,400	65.9%	63.5	1,939,577	1,869,206	70,371	3.6%
1999	2,986,809	65.5%	62.8	1,957,132	1,875,672	81,460	4.2%
2000	3,027,577	65.0%	62.6	1,966,970	1,894,367	72,603	3.7%

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2001	3,068,817	63.3%	60.1	1,943,755	1,843,373	100,382	5.2%
2002	3,107,288	62.8%	59.0	1,952,296	1,833,649	118,647	6.1%
2003	3,146,479	63.5%	59.2	1,996,734	1,862,178	134,556	6.7%
2004	3,195,378	64.0%	59.5	2,043,898	1,902,144	141,754	6.9%
2005	3,255,131	63.7%	59.4	2,073,749	1,932,855	140,894	6.8%
2006	3,331,133	64.7%	60.6	2,153,884	2,017,604	136,280	6.3%
2007	3,405,022	63.6%	60.1	2,167,128	2,045,344	121,784	5.6%
2008	3,475,376	62.6%	58.3	2,175,274	2,025,641	149,633	6.9%
2009	3,530,767	61.7%	54.9	2,176,789	1,937,493	239,296	11.0%
2010	3,573,592	60.7%	54.0	2,170,408	1,929,604	240,804	11.1%
2011	3,602,934	60.3%	54.1	2,173,678	1,948,705	224,973	10.3%
2012	3,638,670	59.8%	54.4	2,176,794	1,980,647	196,147	9.0%
2013	3,679,519	59.3%	54.9	2,181,555	2,019,093	162,462	7.4%
2014	3,726,088	59.1%	55.4	2,201,844	2,063,369	138,475	6.3%
2015	3,781,039	59.3%	55.8	2,241,067	2,108,786	132,281	5.9%
2016	3,837,888	58.8%	55.9	2,255,783	2,145,584	110,199	4.9%
2017	3,890,648	58.2%	55.7	2,262,949	2,168,104	94,845	4.2%
2018	3,939,491	58.0%	56.0	2,283,363	2,206,821	76,542	3.4%
2019	3,991,400	58.3%	56.7	2,328,087	2,263,682	64,405	2.8%
2020	4,047,327	57.9%	54.4	2,341,703	2,201,090	140,613	6.0%
2021	4,109,767	57.6%	55.3	2,365,616	2,272,940	92,676	3.9%
2022	4,192,468	57.4%	55.6	2,407,887	2,330,548	77,339	3.2%
2023	4,284,301	57.8%	56.0	2,475,460	2,401,212	74,248	3.0%
2024	4,375,450	58.0%	55.5	2,535,631	2,430,453	105,178	4.1%

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

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

TECHNICAL NOTES

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

CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (CES)	LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS (LAUS)
Data is published by Industry	Data is published by County
Counts Jobs	Counts People
Utilizes an Establishment Survey	The Current Population Survey (CPS), which is a Household Survey , is used to calculate LAUS
Reference week is the Pay Period that includes the 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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