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NOTE FROM THE ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Which county has a larger labor force: Lexington or York? Turn to page 14 to find out.

That chill in the air means the holiday season is upon us. For me, my third year at the helm of the Labor Market Information Division is drawing to a close. I'm incredibly proud of the work that my team has been able to accomplish in that time. There is always more to do, but we have contributed greatly to production, dissemination, and analysis of workforce data in our state, particularly in supporting the work of the Coordinating Council for Workforce Development (CCWD). DEW will soon be publishing the Postsecondary Supply Gap Analysis, an annual product required by the Statewide Education and Workforce Development Act signed into law last year. Developed by our Labor Supply Analyst, Daniel Lyons, this report seeks to determine how well our state's colleges and universities produce graduates that align with the needs of our state's economy. We'll be sure to let you know when that report is available.

LMI staff writer Lainey Stalnaker gives us this issue's featured article. DEW spent November celebrating the contributions of veterans to our workforce and hosting job fairs and other events to help those who have served in the armed forces find their first or next job in the civilian economy. It's important to know what South Carolina's veteran population looks like and what their economic conditions are to provide proper services. Lainey's piece provides a rundown of some key statistics. While veterans, as a group, tend to be better off economically than the general population, many have trouble transitioning to employment, particularly those with disabilities stemming from their service. We encourage everyone to stop into their local SC Works center for assistance in finding a career that works for them.

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AFTER SERVING: A LOOK AT VETERANS' STATISTICS IN SOUTH CAROLINA By Lainey Stalnaker, Data Analytics Writer

In 2023, veterans comprised 8.4 percent of South Carolina's civilian population aged 18 or older.¹ Veterans accounted for 8.1 percent of the state labor force, which was 2.9 points higher than the national average of 5.2 percent.² Only three other states had a higher percentage of veterans in the workforce, a reflection of South Carolina's commitment to assisting service members in their transition to civilian life. In honor of Veterans Day, celebrated in November, let us take a deeper look at the characteristics of this critical population.

Demographics

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Of the 349,871 veterans who resided in South Carolina in 2023, the largest group – 32.3 percent – served in the Vietnam War. Another 29.9 percent served in the Gulf War from September 11, 2001 onward, and 28.6 percent served in the Gulf War between August 1990 and September 11, 2001. Those who served in the Korean War made up 2.6 percent, and just 0.4 percent served in World War II.

When broken down by gender, the veteran population³ in South Carolina in 2023 was overwhelmingly male. Just 11.3 percent were women, and 88.7 percent were men. The nonveteran population was, in contrast, 56.2 percent female and 43.8 percent male. Older age groups, as with the male population, were also overrepresented among veterans. Of all veterans in South Carolina, 24.5 percent were between the ages of 35 and 54. Only 8.7 percent of the nonveteran population in the state were 75 or older, compared to 23.5 percent of veterans. Additionally, only 9.2 percent of the veteran population was between the ages of 18 and 24, while 28.5 percent of the nonveteran population fell within this age range. See **Figure 1** for a full breakdown.

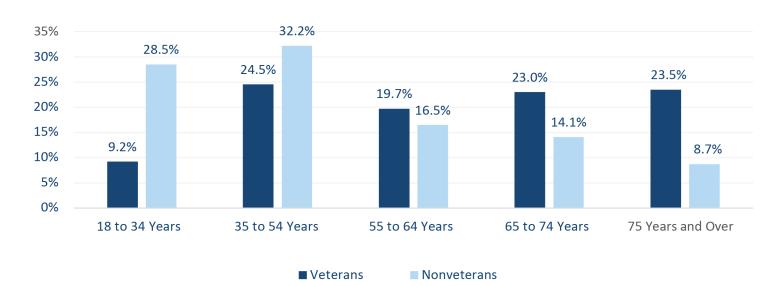


FIGURE 1: VETERANS AND NONVETERANS BY AGE GROUP

When examining the veteran population by racial identity, veterans were slightly more likely to be white than nonveterans -69.2 percent versus 65.6 percent – but the percentage of veterans and nonveterans who were Black was about the same -23.7 and 23.8 percent, respectively. The Hispanic and Latino population was slightly underrepresented among veterans. Just 3.5 percent of the veteran population fell into this group compared to 6.4 percent of the nonveteran population. See **Figure 2** for the full data.

³ Population, whenever used in this article, refers to South Carolina's civilian noninstitutional population aged 18 or older. All data referenced is from the year 2023.



¹ <u>https://data.census.gov/table/ACSST1Y2023.S2101?q=Veterans&g=040XX00US45</u>

² <u>https://www.bls.gov/blog/2024/honoring-americas-veterans.htm</u>

FIGURE 2: VETE	RANS AND NONVETERANS BY R	ACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO O	RIGIN
RACE	TOTAL POPULATION	VETERANS	NONVETERANS
White Alone	65.9%	69.2%	65.6%
Black or African American Alone	23.8%	23.7%	23.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native Alone	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Asian Alone	1.8%	0.8%	1.9%
Some Other Race Alone	2.4%	1.0%	2.6%
Two or More Races	5.6%	4.7%	5.6%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	6.1%	3.5%	6.4%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	64.6%	68.1%	64.3%

Employment and Education Outcomes

Entering into military service can provide a wide array of opportunities to further one's education and gain new employment. In South Carolina, SC Works offers priority service to veterans in all of its regional centers, such as re-employment assistance that includes group and individual career coaching, referrals, résumé preparation, and training programs, among other resources. DEW and other government agencies at the state and federal level also provide programs and services tailored for veterans entering or returning to the civilian labor force. For more information on these offerings, visit <u>dew.sc.gov/veterans</u>. Now read on to examine employment and education outcomes among the veteran population.

Labor Force Participation Rate (LFPR) is defined as the number of people aged 16 or older who are employed or actively seeking employment divided by the total civilian noninstitutional population in that same age range. In 2023, veterans in South Carolina had a LFPR of 76.4 percent, compared to 74.6 percent for nonveterans—a difference of 1.8 points. Veterans were also slightly less likely to be unemployed than nonveterans. They had an unemployment rate of 3.5 percent in 2023 compared to 4.3 percent for nonveterans.

In addition to higher rates of labor force participation and employment, education outcomes were also better for veterans than nonveterans in 2023. When surveyed on highest level of educational attainment, 10.5 percent of nonveterans said they had less than a high school diploma (or its equivalent) while only 3.7 percent of veterans answered the same, a difference of nearly seven points. There was no significant difference between the percentage of veterans and nonveterans with a high school diploma, coming out to 27.3 percent and 28.3 percent, respectively. Veterans were, however, significantly more likely to have an associate degree or have completed some college — 36.5 percent, compared to only 28.3 percent of nonveterans, a difference of 8.2 points. Veterans and nonveterans were equally as likely to have completed a bachelor's degree or higher. **Figure 3** details educational attainment statistics for each group.

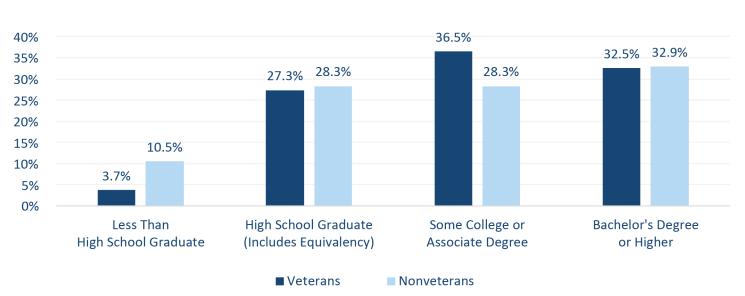


FIGURE 3: EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY VETERAN STATUS



Higher educational attainment is associated with higher pay on average, and this trend held true for veterans, who earned significantly higher salaries than nonveterans in 2023. The median income for veterans in South Carolina was \$50,509, and it was just \$35,790 for nonveterans, a difference of nearly \$15,000. Men in both the veteran and nonveteran groups earned more than women, but the gap was notably smaller among veterans than nonveterans. The median income for male nonveterans was \$42,426, almost \$12,000 higher than the median income for female nonveterans, which was just \$30,591. Male veterans had a median income of \$51,241. Median income for female veterans was \$44,754, a difference of about \$6,500. See **Figure 4** for a visualization of income data.

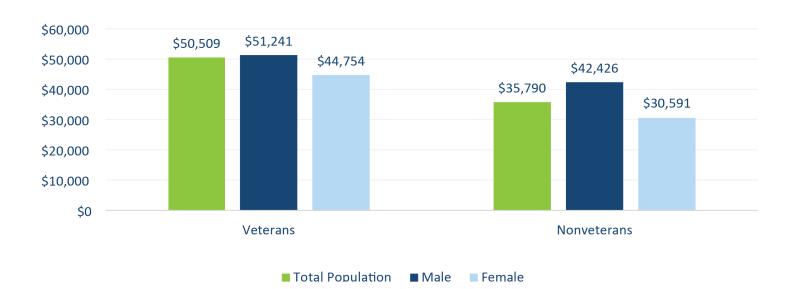


FIGURE 4: MEDIAN INCOME BY VETERAN STATUS, GENDER

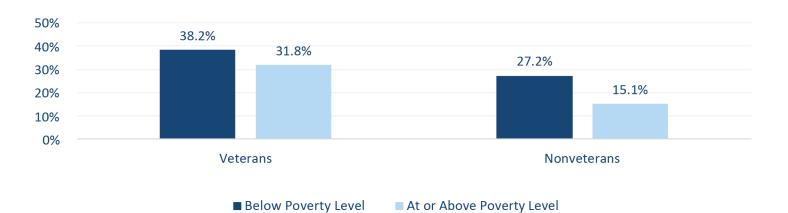
Poverty and Disability Status Among Veterans

With higher incomes on average, it makes sense that veterans are less likely to be living below the poverty line than nonveterans. In 2023, just 7.3 percent of veterans in South Carolina were living below the poverty line, compared to 13.0 percent of nonveterans. This figure, in conjunction with income and unemployment data for both groups, suggests that veterans maintain greater financial stability than nonveterans; however, veterans are also more likely to be living with a disability, a factor which is, on its own, associated with lower income and employment. In 2023, veterans in the state were almost twice as likely to be living with a disability than nonveterans, 32.3 percent and 16.6 percent, respectively. Challenges experienced by people living with disabilities are therefore uniquely relevant to veterans because of their increased likelihood of being disabled, and programs exist specifically in recognition of this issue. The Work Opportunity Tax Credit (WOTC), for example, encourages employers to hire veterans living with a disability, along with other disadvantaged populations.

Although veterans are less likely to be living under the poverty line, those who do live under the poverty line are more likely to also be living with a disability than those who are at or above the poverty line.⁴ Among veterans in South Carolina living under the poverty line in 2023, a notable 38.2 percent had a disability. This was nearly six points higher than the likelihood for all veterans. Among nonveterans, 27.2 percent of those living below the poverty level had a disability, and only 15.1 percent living at or above the poverty level had a disability. See **Figure 5** for a breakdown of disability status by veteran status and poverty status.



FIGURE 5: PERCENTAGE OF POPULATION LIVING WITH A DISABILITY BY VETERAN STATUS, POVERTY LEVEL



Veterans in every age group living below the poverty line experienced higher rates of disability than those living at or above the poverty line. The likelihood of living with a disability also increased with age, meaning veterans aged 65 or older living under the poverty line were the most likely to be living with a disability, suggesting that age, veteran status, and poverty status can combine to create uniquely vulnerable population groups. Among the 18 to 34 age group, 19.0 percent of veterans living under the poverty line had a disability compared to 13.6 percent of those who were at or above the poverty line. Among the 65 and up age group, disability status was significantly more likely as 41.9 percent of veterans in this group living above the poverty line had a disability while 48.0 percent of veterans living below the poverty line had a disability. See **Figure 6** for a full breakdown of disability rates by age and poverty status among veterans in South Carolina.

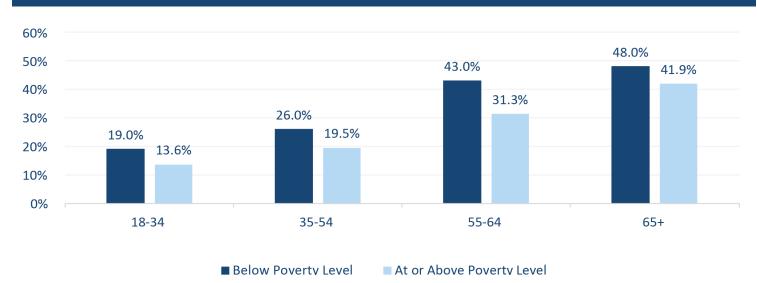


FIGURE 6: PERCENTAGE OF VETERANS LIVING WITH A DISABILITY BY AGE, POVERTY LEVEL

Key Takeaways

Military service can be a deeply meaningful experience, one that continues to yield value even after it has ended, as evidenced by numerous indicators of success among veterans. South Carolina's veteran population has a higher labor force participation rate and a lower unemployment rate than the nonveteran population. Veterans in South Carolina also tend to have better education outcomes, higher incomes, and lower rates of poverty — but that doesn't mean that veterans do not face unique challenges, such as higher rates of disability. Whether part of the workforce or looking to enter it, living with a disability or not, South Carolina makes sure veterans can transition to civilian life and realize the full benefits of their military service.



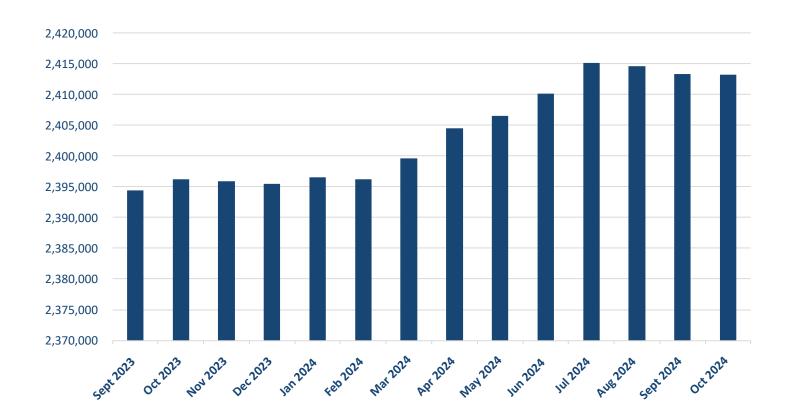
Household Survey¹ (Local Area Unemployment Statistics)

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 for statewide and a variety of substate geographies.

EMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

- The seasonally adjusted number of South Carolina workers decreased to 2,413,189.
- That is a decrease of 111 people over the September 2024 estimate.
- That is an increase of 16,971 people over the October 2023 estimate.





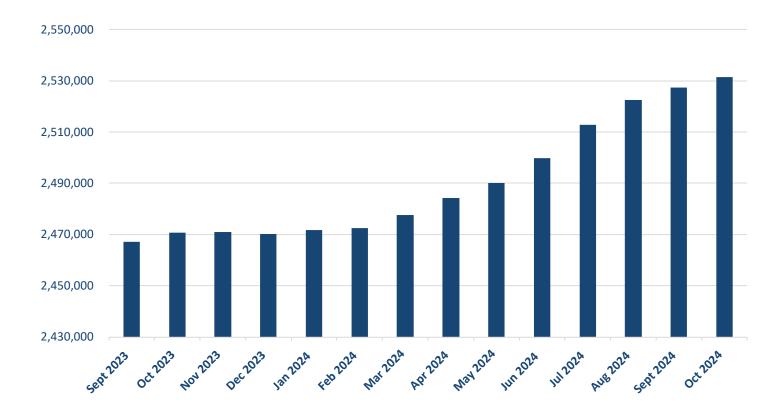
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UNEMPLOYMENT (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

- The estimate of unemployed people increased to 118,125.
- That is an increase of 4,150 people from the September estimate and a significant increase of 43,614 from the October 2023 estimate.
- The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased from 4.5 percent to 4.7 percent. The national unemployment rate marked no change at 4.1 percent, according to the Current Population Survey.

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN THE LABOR FORCE



LABOR FORCE:

- The state's estimated labor force (people working plus unemployed people looking for work) increased to 2,531,314 while the labor force participation rate was unchanged at 57.6 percent.
- That is an increase of 4,039 people over the September 2024 estimate.
- That is a significant increase of 60,585 individuals over the October 2023 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.

NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

The monthly survey of businesses in South Carolina marked an estimated decrease of 3,500 nonfarm payroll jobs over the month to a level of 2,390,400.

				-	R 2024 TO R 2024		OCTOBER 2023 TO OCTOBER 2024				
JOBS BY INDUSTRY	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CH/	ANGE	% CHA	ANGE	# CH/	A <i>NGE</i>	% CH/	4 <i>NGE</i>
Total Nonfarm Employment	2,390,400	2,393,900	2,328,600	-3,500	\checkmark	-0.1%	≁	+61,800	↑	+2.7%	\uparrow
Construction	123,300	122,000	115,200	1,300	\uparrow	+1.1%	↑	+8,100	\uparrow	+7.0%	\uparrow
Manufacturing	266,800	268,200	265,600	-1,400	\checkmark	-0.5%	↓	+1,200	↑	+0.5%	\uparrow
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	450,300	451,100	445,200	-800	↓	-0.2%	↓	+5,100	↑	+1.1%	↑
Information	30,400	30,200	28,700	+200	↑	+0.7%	↑	+1,700	↑	+5.9%	\uparrow
Financial Activities	123,100	123,600	123,600	-500	1	-0.4%	↓	-500	1	-0.4%	\mathbf{V}
Professional and Business Services	323,600	326,000	312,700	-2,400	↓	-0.7%	≁	+10,900	↑	+3.5%	↑
Education and Health Services	305,200	302,200	289,500	3,000	\uparrow	+1.0%	\uparrow	+15,700	\uparrow	+5.4%	\uparrow
Leisure and Hospitality	290,600	292,700	284,500	-2,100	1	-0.7%	\checkmark	+6,100	↑	+2.1%	\uparrow
Other Services	89,600	90,400	87,100	-800	1	-0.9%	↓	+2,500	\uparrow	+2.9%	↑
Government	382,700	382,700	372,000	-	-	-	-	+10,700	↑	+2.9%	\uparrow

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NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (SEASONALLY ADJUSTED³)

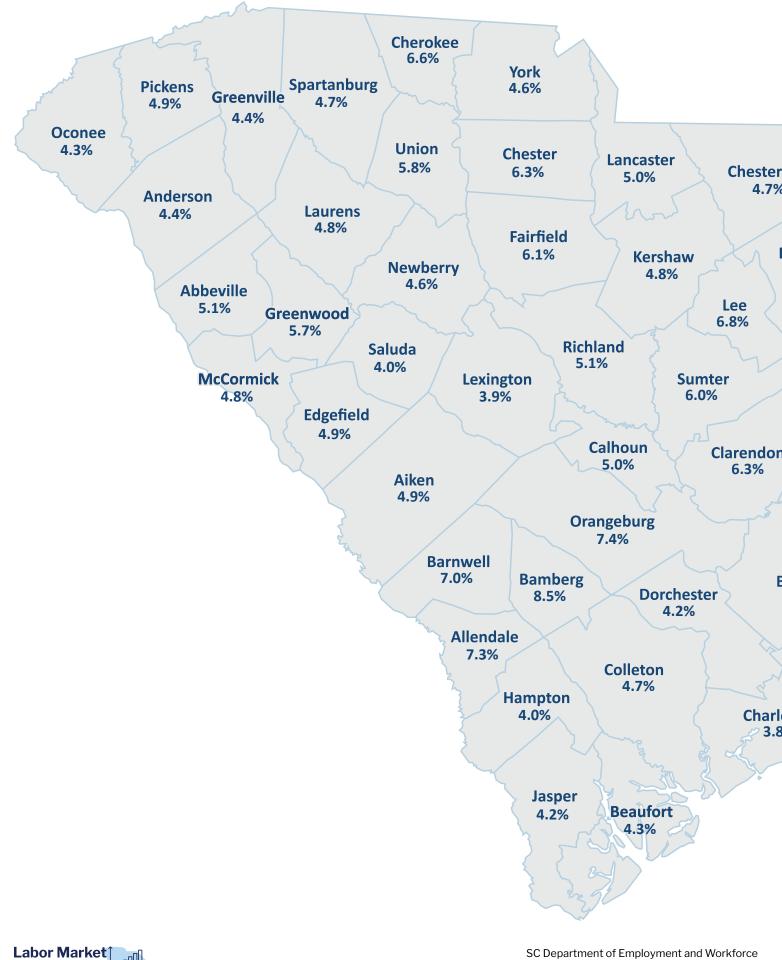
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				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024				OCTOBER 2023 TO OCTOBER 2024			
AREA	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CH.	ANGE	% CH /	ANGE	# CH/	A <i>NGE</i>	% CH/	4 <i>NGE</i>
Statewide	2,390,400	2,393,900	2,328,600	-3,500	\checkmark	- 0.1 %	≁	+61,800	↑	+2.7%	\uparrow
Charleston/North Charleston	433,800	432,600	419,600	+1,200	↑	+0.3%	↑	+14,200	1	+3.4%	\uparrow
Columbia	435,700	435,500	427,000	+200	↑	0.0%	↑	+8,700	↑	+2.0%	↑
Florence	99,800	100,000	96,300	-200	↓	-0.2%	↓	+3,500	↑	+3.6%	\uparrow
Greenville/Anderson/Mauldin	467,700	467,700	464,300	-	-	-	-	+3,400	1	+0.7%	\uparrow
Hilton Head-Bluffton-Beaufort	92,200	92,000	90,000	+200	↑	+0.2%	↑	+2,200	1	+2.4%	\uparrow
Myrtle Beach	196,400	197,100	195,800	-700	↓	-0.4%	↓	+600	↑	+0.3%	\uparrow
Spartanburg	176,800	176,900	172,800	-100	\mathbf{V}	-0.1%	↓	+4,000	↑	+2.3%	\uparrow
Sumter	39,500	39,400	38,300	+100	↑	+0.3%	↑	+1,200	\uparrow	+3.1%	↑

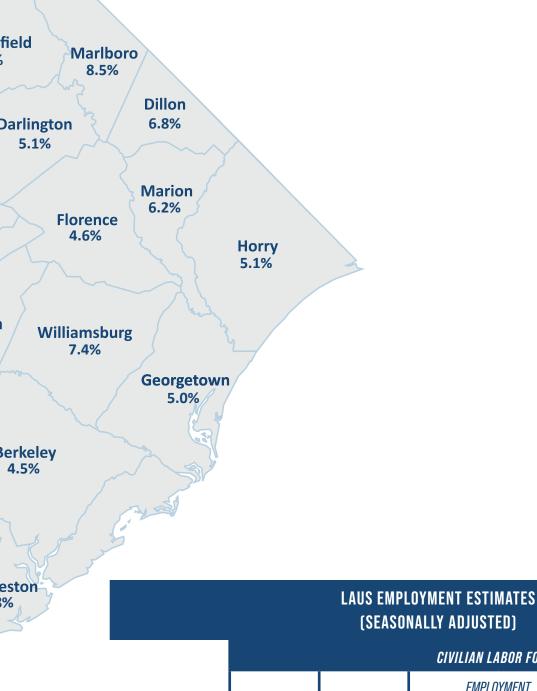
NOTE: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

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LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS Unemployment Rate by County



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NON-INSTITUTIONAL POPULATION	TOTAL	PERCENT OF POPULATION	TOTAL	PERCENT OF Population	TOTAL	RATE (%)					
4,394,677	2,531,314	57.6%	2,413,189	54.9%	118,125	4.7%					

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



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		LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	YMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	YMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	YMENT
AREA		FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)
Abbeville County	↑	9,739	9,246	493	5.1%	9,654	9,189	465	4.8%	9,599	9,243	356	3.7%
Aiken County	↑	75,453	71,787	3,666	4.9%	75,072	71,593	3,479	4.6%	74,058	71,723	2,335	3.2%
Allendale County	↑	2,470	2,289	181	7.3%	2,473	2,296	177	7.2%	2,347	2,219	128	5.5%
Anderson County	Ť	96,294	92,053	4,241	4.4%	95,639	91,554	4,085	4.3%	95,020	92,268	2,752	2.9%
Bamberg County	Ť	4,700	4,302	398	8.5%	4,653	4,292	361	7.8%	4,642	4,383	259	5.6%
Barnwell County	Ť	7,678	7,143	535	7.0%	7,615	7,117	498	6.5%	7,623	7,257	366	4.8%
Beaufort County	\downarrow	82,678	79,100	3,578	4.3%	82,082	78,470	3,612	4.4%	80,330	78,062	2,268	2.8%
Berkeley County	↑	120,872	115,485	5,387	4.5%	119,800	114,790	5,010	4.2%	116,214	112,962	3,252	2.8%
Calhoun County	↑	6,861	6,520	341	5.0%	6,810	6,476	334	4.9%	6,670	6,454	216	3.2%
Charleston County	↑	236,892	227,817	9,075	3.8%	234,757	226,114	8,643	3.7%	228,541	222,841	5,700	2.5%
Cherokee County	↑	22,903	21,397	1,506	6.6%	22,759	21,304	1,455	6.4%	23,247	22,170	1,077	4.6%
Chester County	↑	14,260	13,362	898	6.3%	14,160	13,310	850	6.0%	13,768	13,216	552	4.0%
Chesterfield County	↑	21,696	20,685	1,011	4.7%	21,600	20,608	992	4.6%	21,505	20,797	708	3.3%
Clarendon County	↑	12,389	11,611	778	6.3%	12,350	11,608	742	6.0%	12,357	11,873	484	3.9%
Colleton County	-	17,009	16,202	807	4.7%	16,874	16,076	798	4.7%	16,602	16,117	485	2.9%
Darlington County	↑	32,092	30,440	1,652	5.1%	31,845	30,294	1,551	4.9%	30,708	29,680	1,028	3.3%
Dillon County	Ŷ	13,409	12,496	913	6.8%	13,307	12,452	855	6.4%	12,981	12,427	554	4.3%
Dorchester County	↑	87,613	83,903	3,710	4.2%	86,854	83,386	3,468	4.0%	84,356	82,069	2,287	2.7%
Edgefield County	↑	10,651	10,129	522	4.9%	10,587	10,099	488	4.6%	10,451	10,105	346	3.3%
Fairfield County	↑	9,837	9,238	599	6.1%	9,759	9,180	579	5.9%	9,508	9,150	358	3.8%
Florence County	↑	70,979	67,691	3,288	4.6%	70,309	67,237	3,072	4.4%	68,158	66,027	2,131	3.1%
Georgetown County	-	27,376	26,009	1,367	5.0%	27,475	26,110	1,365	5.0%	26,523	25,678	845	3.2%
Greenville County	↑	273,982	262,055	11,927	4.4%	271,898	260,631	11,267	4.1%	270,190	262,699	7,491	2.8%
Greenwood County	Ŷ	30,829	29,067	1,762	5.7%	30,529	28,939	1,590	5.2%	30,098	29,056	1,042	3.5%
Hampton County	↑	8,498	8,162	336	4.0%	8,473	8,158	315	3.7%	8,257	8,015	242	2.9%
Horry County	↑	161,318	153,136	8,182	5.1%	161,690	153,778	7,912	4.9%	159,383	154,256	5,127	3.2%
Jasper County	\downarrow	14,360	13,759	601	4.2%	14,197	13,590	607	4.3%	13,958	13,569	389	2.8%
Kershaw County	Ŷ	31,355	29,854	1,501	4.8%	31,110	29,661	1,449	4.7%	30,510	29,567	943	3.1%
Lancaster County	Ŷ	46,318	43,985	2,333	5.0%	46,023	43,768	2,255	4.9%	45,005	43,505	1,500	3.3%
Laurens County	↑	31,768	30,231	1,537	4.8%	31,553	30,055	1,498	4.7%	31,310	30,285	1,025	3.3%
Lee County	Ŷ	6,744	6,288	456	6.8%	6,698	6,287	411	6.1%	6,557	6,311	246	3.8%
Lexington County	Ť	160,829	154,518	6,311	3.9%	159,553	153,442	6,111	3.8%	157,095	153,064	4,031	2.6%
Marion County	Ŷ	13,424	12,586	838	6.2%	13,402	12,620	782	5.8%	12,822	12,282	540	4.2%
Marlboro County	Ŷ	7,765	7,108	657	8.5%	7,635	7,010	625	8.2%	7,431	6,960	471	6.3%
McCormick County	\downarrow	3,651	3,474	177	4.8%	3,653	3,470	183	5.0%	3,479	3,374	105	3.0%
Newberry County	↑	18,960	18,093	867	4.6%	18,871	18,039	832	4.4%	19,095	18,523	572	3.0%
Oconee County	Ŷ	36,196	34,644	1,552	4.3%	36,040	34,514	1,526	4.2%	35,882	34,864	1,018	2.8%
Orangeburg County	↑	34,146	31,608	2,538	7.4%	33,778	31,408	2,370	7.0%	33,600	32,089	1,511	4.5%
Pickens County	↑	61,328	58,321	3,007	4.9%	60,603	57,967	2,636	4.3%	60,453	58,453	2,000	3.3%
Richland County	Ť	210,377	199,714	10,663	5.1%	208,152	198,404	9,748	4.7%	204,484	197,931	6,553	3.2%
Saluda County	-	9,048	8,690	358	4.0%	9,019	8,658	361	4.0%	8,846	8,583	263	3.0%
Spartanburg County	Ť	164,226	156,482	7,744	4.7%	162,870	155,651	7,219	4.4%	159,811	154,985	4,826	3.0%
Sumter County	Ť	42,983	40,402	2,581	6.0%	42,478	40,010	2,468	5.8%	41,223	39,603	1,620	3.9%
Union County	-	11,885	11,193	692	5.8%	11,812	11,128	684	5.8%	11,526	11,083	443	3.8%
Williamsburg County	Ť	10,152	9,402	750	7.4%	10,160	9,429	731	7.2%	10,362	9,882	480	4.6%
York County	1	157,282	150,109	7,173	4.6%	155,939	149,301	6,638	4.3%	153,010	148,500	4,510	2.9%

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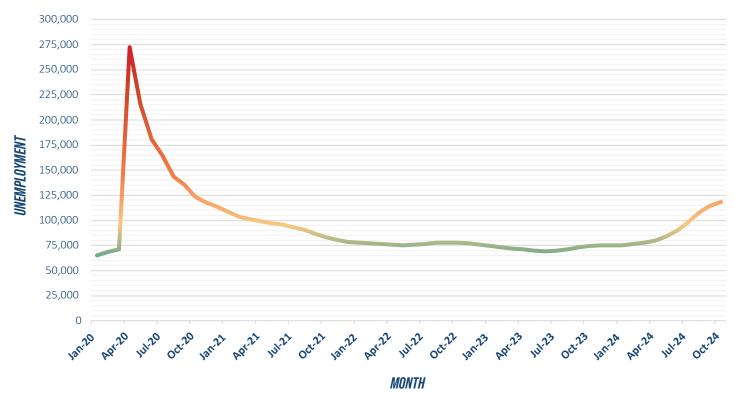
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			OCTOBER	2024			SEPTEMBE	R 2024		OCTOBER 2023			
METROPOLITAN		LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	YMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	YMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	YMENT
STATISTICAL AREA		FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)
Charleston-North Charleston	↑	445,377	427,205	18,172	4.1%	441,411	424,290	17,121	3.9%	429,111	417,872	11,239	2.6%
Columbia	↑	428,307	408,534	19,773	4.6%	424,403	405,821	18,582	4.4%	417,113	404,749	12,364	3.0%
Florence	↑	103,071	98,131	4,940	4.8%	102,154	97,531	4,623	4.5%	98,866	95,707	3,159	3.2%
Greenville - Anderson-Mauldin	↑	463,372	442,660	20,712	4.5%	459,693	440,207	19,486	4.2%	456,973	443,705	13,268	2.9%
Hilton Head Island- Bluffton-Beaufort	↑	97,038	92,859	4,179	4.3%	96,279	92,060	4,219	4.4%	94,288	91,631	2,657	2.8%
Myrtle Beach- Conway-North Myrtle Beach	↑	220,389	209,721	10,668	4.8%	221,580	211,328	10,252	4.6%	219,033	211,426	7,607	3.5%
Spartanburg	Ť	176,111	167,675	8,436	4.8%	174,682	166,779	7,903	4.5%	171,337	166,068	5,269	3.1%
Sumter	↑	42,983	40,402	2,581	6.0%	42,478	40,010	2,468	5.8%	41,223	39,603	1,620	3.9%
Augusta-Richmond County, GA (SC portion)	↑	86,104	81,916	4,188	4.9%	85,659	81,692	3,967	4.6%	84,509	81,828	2,681	3.2%
Charlotte-Con- cord-Gastonia, NC (SC portion)	↑	217,860	207,456	10,404	4.8%	216,122	206,379	9,743	4.5%	211,783	205,221	6,562	3.1%

LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT ESTIMATES BY MUNICIPALITY (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

			OCTOBER	2024			SEPTEMBER 2024				OCTOBER 2023			
CITIES AND TOWNS ABOVE		LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	YMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	DYMENT	LABOR	EMPLOY-	UNEMPLO	IYMENT	
25,000 POPULATION		FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	FORCE	MENT	LEVEL	RATE (%)	
Aiken	↑	13,313	12,557	756	5.7%	13,209	12,523	686	5.2%	13,009	12,546	463	3.6%	
Anderson	Ť	12,225	11,565	660	5.4%	12,113	11,503	610	5.0%	12,007	11,592	415	3.5%	
Bluffton	\downarrow	14,001	13,496	505	3.6%	13,917	13,389	528	3.8%	13,636	13,319	317	2.3%	
Charleston	↑	83,702	80,363	3,339	4.0%	82,901	79,770	3,131	3.8%	80,780	78,608	2,172	2.7%	
Columbia	↑	61,392	57,626	3,766	6.1%	60,425	57,248	3,177	5.3%	59,526	57,112	2,414	4.1%	
Conway	↑	11,157	10,343	814	7.3%	11,034	10,387	647	5.9%	10,955	10,419	536	4.9%	
Florence	↑	20,843	19,905	938	4.5%	20,662	19,771	891	4.3%	20,054	19,416	638	3.2%	
Fort Mill	↑	14,075	13,533	542	3.9%	13,991	13,460	531	3.8%	13,747	13,388	359	2.6%	
Goose Creek	↑	22,964	21,881	1,083	4.7%	22,711	21,749	962	4.2%	22,096	21,403	693	3.1%	
Greenville	↑	39,285	37,523	1,762	4.5%	38,961	37,319	1,642	4.2%	38,677	37,615	1,062	2.7%	
Greer	↑	19,327	18,516	811	4.2%	19,151	18,415	736	3.8%	18,994	18,508	486	2.6%	
Hilton Head Island	\downarrow	18,463	17,794	669	3.6%	18,355	17,652	703	3.8%	17,983	17,561	422	2.3%	
Mauldin	↑	14,566	13,922	644	4.4%	14,427	13,847	580	4.0%	14,327	13,957	370	2.6%	
Mount Pleasant	↑	55,842	53,969	1,873	3.4%	55,329	53,565	1,764	3.2%	53,875	52,790	1,085	2.0%	
Myrtle Beach	↑	16,695	15,897	798	4.8%	16,751	15,963	788	4.7%	16,545	16,013	532	3.2%	
North Augusta	-	11,056	10,610	446	4.0%	11,027	10,581	446	4.0%	10,896	10,600	296	2.7%	
North Charleston	Ť	62,598	59,916	2,682	4.3%	61,990	59,485	2,505	4.0%	60,306	58,606	1,700	2.8%	
Rock Hill	Ť	42,740	40,482	2,258	5.3%	42,292	40,264	2,028	4.8%	41,451	40,048	1,403	3.4%	
Simpsonville	Ť	14,476	13,836	640	4.4%	14,331	13,761	570	4.0%	14,237	13,870	367	2.6%	
Spartanburg	Ť	17,601	16,613	988	5.6%	17,460	16,525	935	5.4%	17,124	16,454	670	3.9%	
Summerville	↑	28,055	26,931	1,124	4.0%	27,862	26,765	1,097	3.9%	27,093	26,343	750	2.8%	
Sumter	Ť	15,379	14,387	992	6.5%	15,175	14,247	928	6.1%	14,740	14,102	638	4.3%	

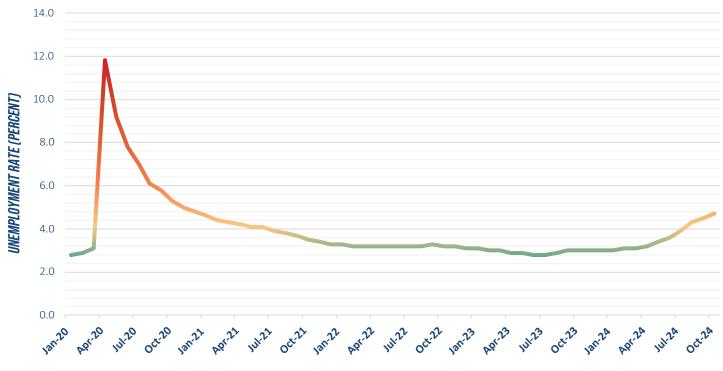
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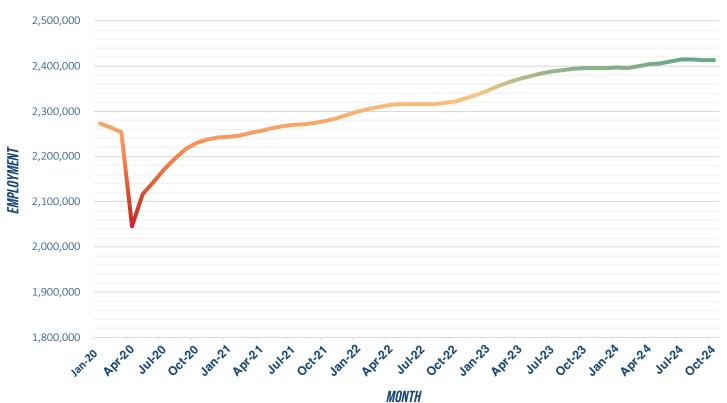
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NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA SEASONALLY ADJUSTED October 2024

				SEPTEMBEF OCTOBEF		OCTOBER 2023 TO OCTOBER 2024		
AREA	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	
Statewide	2,390,400	2,393,900	2,328,600	-3,500	-0.1%	+61,800	+2.7%	
Charleston-North Charleston	433,800	432,600	419,600	+1,200	+0.3%	+14,200	+3.4%	
Columbia	435,700	435,500	427,000	+200	0.0%	+8,700	+2.0%	
Florence	99,800	100,000	96,300	-200	-0.2%	+3,500	+3.6%	
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	467,700	467,700	464,300	0	0.0%	+3,400	+0.7%	
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	92,200	92,000	90,000	+200	+0.2%	+2,200	+2.4%	
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	196,400	197,100	195,800	-700	-0.4%	+600	+0.3%	
Spartanburg	176,800	176,900	172,800	-100	-0.1%	+4,000	+2.3%	
Sumter	39,500	39,400	38,300	+100	+0.3%	+1,200	+3.1%	

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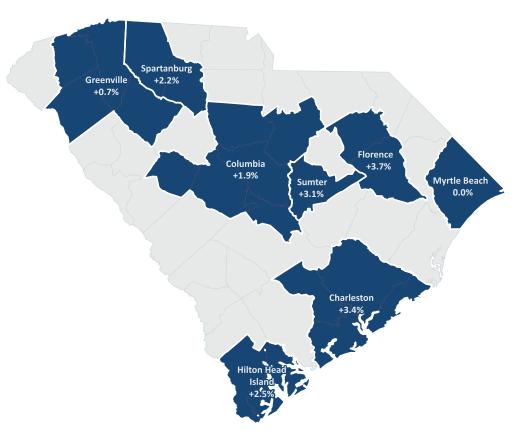


NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR SEASONALLY ADJUSTED (IN THOUSANDS) OCTOBER 2024

				SEPTEMBER October		OCTOBER 2 OCTOBER	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	2,390.4	2,393.9	2,328.6	-3.5	-0.1%	+61.8	+2.7%
Total Private	2,007.7	2,011.2	1,956.6	-3.5	-0.2%	+51.1	+2.6%
Goods Producing	394.9	395.0	385.3	-0.1	0.0%	+9.6	+2.5%
Mining, Logging and Construction	128.1	126.8	119.7	+1.3	+1.0%	+8.4	+7.0%
Mining and Logging	4.8	4.8	4.5	0.0	0.0%	+0.3	+6.7%
Construction	123.3	122.0	115.2	+1.3	+1.1%	+8.1	+7.0%
Manufacturing	266.8	268.2	265.6	-1.4	-0.5%	+1.2	+0.5%
Durable Goods	162.8	163.9	161.0	-1.1	-0.7%	+1.8	+1.1%
Non-Durable Goods	104.0	104.3	104.6	-0.3	-0.3%	-0.6	-0.6%
Service-Providing	1,995.5	1,998.9	1,943.3	-3.4	-0.2%	+52.2	+2.7%
Private Service Providing	1,612.8	1,616.2	1,571.3	-3.4	-0.2%	+41.5	+2.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	450.3	451.1	445.2	-0.8	-0.2%	+5.1	+1.1%
Wholesale Trade	85.0	84.7	84.6	+0.3	+0.4%	+0.4	+0.5%
Retail Trade	267.2	268.7	266.4	-1.5	-0.6%	+0.8	+0.3%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	98.1	97.7	94.2	+0.4	+0.4%	+3.9	+4.1%
Information	30.4	30.2	28.7	+0.2	+0.7%	+1.7	+5.9%
Financial Activities	123.1	123.6	123.6	-0.5	-0.4%	-0.5	-0.4%
Finance and Insurance	87.8	88.1	88.1	-0.3	-0.3%	-0.3	-0.3%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	35.3	35.5	35.5	-0.2	-0.6%	-0.2	-0.6%
Professional and Business Services	323.6	326.0	312.7	-2.4	-0.7%	+10.9	+3.5%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	140.5	139.8	131.0	+0.7	+0.5%	+9.5	+7.3%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25.4	25.2	24.6	+0.2	+0.8%	+0.8	+3.3%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	157.7	161.0	157.1	-3.3	-2.0%	+0.6	+0.4%
Education and Health Services	305.2	302.2	289.5	+3.0	+1.0%	+15.7	+5.4%
Educational Services	52.1	51.2	49.4	+0.9	+1.8%	+2.7	+5.5%
Health Care Services	253.1	251.0	240.1	+2.1	+0.8%	+13.0	+5.4%
Leisure and Hospitality	290.6	292.7	284.5	-2.1	-0.7%	+6.1	+2.1%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	41.2	41.4	36.7	-0.2	-0.5%	+4.5	+12.3%
Accommodation and Food Services	249.4	251.3	247.8	-1.9	-0.8%	+1.6	+0.6%
Other Services	89.6	90.4	87.1	-0.8	-0.9%	+2.5	+2.9%
Government	382.7	382.7	372.0	0.0	0.0%	+10.7	+2.9%
Federal Government	38.2	38.2	37.0	0.0	0.0%	+1.2	+3.2%
State Government	109.8	110.1	107.3	-0.3	-0.3%	+2.5	+2.3%
Local Government	234.7	234.4	227.7	+0.3	+0.1%	+7.0	+3.1%



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NONFARM PAYROLL BY METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED October 2024

				SEPTEMBER October		OCTOBER 2023 TO OCTOBER 2024		
AREA	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	
Statewide	2,396,500	2,388,400	2,335,100	+8,100	+0.3%	+61,400	+2.6%	
Charleston-North Charleston	434,300	431,600	419,900	+2,700	+0.6%	+14,400	+3.4%	
Columbia	437,900	435,000	429,600	+2,900	+0.7%	+8,300	+1.9%	
Florence	100,000	99,600	96,400	+400	+0.4%	+3,600	+3.7%	
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	469,600	467,800	466,400	+1,800	+0.4%	+3,200	+0.7%	
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	91,800	91,200	89,600	+600	+0.7%	+2,200	+2.5%	
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	195,700	197,200	195,700	-1,500	-0.8%	0	0.0%	
Spartanburg	177,300	176,500	173,400	+800	+0.5%	+3,900	+2.2%	
Sumter	39,400	39,200	38,200	+200	+0.5%	+1,200	+3.1%	

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NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR Not seasonally adjusted *october 2024*

				SEPTEMBER 202 October 202		OCTOBER 2023 TO OCTOBER 2024		
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	
Total Nonfarm	2,396,500	2,388,400	2,335,100	+8,100	+0.3%	+61,400	+2.6%	
Total Private	2,010,700	2,004,100	1,959,200	+6,600	+0.3%	+51,500	+2.6%	
Goods Producing	394,300	394,600	384,600	-300	-0.1%	+9,700	+2.5%	
Mining, Logging and Construction	128,600	127,200	119,500	+1,400	+1.1%	+9,100	+7.6%	
Mining and Logging	4,800	4,800	4,500 115,000	0 +1,400	0.0%	+300 +8,800	+6.7%	
Construction Construction of Buildings	123,800 30,900	122,400 30,100	27,500	+1,400	+2.7%	+3,400	+12.4%	
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	19,000	18,500	17,500	+500	+2.7%	+1,500	+8.6%	
Specialty Trade Contractors	73,900	73,800	70,000	+100	+0.1%	+3,900	+5.6%	
Manufacturing	265,700	267,400	265,100	-1,700	-0.6%	+600	+0.2%	
Durable Goods	162,300	163,500	161,000	-1,200	-0.7%	+1,300	+0.8%	
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	24,500	24,700	24,300	-200	-0.8%	+200	+0.8%	
Transportation Equipment Manufacturing	53,400	53,700	52,200	-300	-0.6%	+1,200	+2.3%	
Non-Durable Goods	103,400	103,900	104,100	-500	-0.5%	-700	-0.7%	
Textile Mills	11,300	11,400	11,600	-100	-0.9%	-300	-2.6%	
Plastics and Rubber Products Manufacturing	26,300	26,500	26,600	-200	-0.8%	-300	-1.1%	
Service-Providing	2,002,200	1,993,800	1,950,500	+8,400	+0.4%	+51,700	+2.7%	
Private Service Providing	1,616,400	1,609,500	1,574,600	+6,900	+0.4%	+41,800	+2.7%	
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities Wholesale Trade	449,700	447,400	444,700 84,900	+2,300 +600	+0.5% +0.7%	+5,000 +500	+1.1% +0.6%	
Merchant Wholesalers, Durable Goods	85,400 45,900	84,800 45,600	44,900	+300	+0.7%	+1,000	+0.6%	
Merchant Wholesalers, Nondurable Goods	24,200	24,000	24,700	+200	+0.8%	-500	-2.0%	
Retail Trade	266,800	266,000	266,400	+800	+0.3%	+400	+0.2%	
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	34,700	34,600	34,700	+100	+0.3%	0	0.0%	
Food and Beverage Stores	54,200	53,900	54,200	+300	+0.6%	0	0.0%	
Health and Personal Care Stores	15,100	15,100	16,200	0	0.0%	-1,100	-6.8%	
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	17,900	17,800	18,100	+100	+0.6%	-200	-1.1%	
General Merchandise Stores	61,600	60,700	61,800	+900	+1.5%	-200	-0.3%	
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	97,500	96,600	93,400	+900	+0.9%	+4,100	+4.4%	
Utilities	11,400	11,300	11,100	+100	+0.9%	+300	+2.7%	
Transportation and Warehousing	86,100	85,300	82,300	+800	+0.9%	+3,800	+4.6%	
Information Financial Activities	30,400 123,400	30,100 123,200	28,600 124,100	+300 +200	+1.0% +0.2%	+1,800 -700	+6.3%	
Finance and Insurance	87,800	87,900	88,300	-100	-0.1%	-500	-0.6%	
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities				-200	-0.5%	-1,000	-2.7%	
including Monetary Authorities	36,300	36,500	37,300					
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	35,600	35,300	35,800	+300	+0.8%	-200	-0.6%	
Professional and Business Services	326,900 141,100	325,300 138,000	315,600 131,100	+1,600 +3,100	+0.5% +2.2%	+11,300 +10,000	+3.6%	
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services Architectural, Engineering, and Related Services	24,600	24,200	23,800	+3,100	+2.2%	+10,000 +800	+7.6%	
Management of Companies and Enterprises	25,500	25,200	24,600	+300	+1.2%	+900	+3.7%	
Administrative and Support and Waste	160,300	162,100	159,900	-1,800	-1.1%	+400	+0.3%	
Management and Remediation Services								
Administrative and Support Services	147,100	149,200	147,000	-2,100	-1.4%	+100	+0.1%	
Employment Services Services to Buildings and Dwellings	65,000 36,100	66,700 36,800	66,400 36,800	-1,700 -700	-2.5% -1.9%	-1,400 -700	-2.1%	
Education and Health Services	308,400	302,200	291,300	+6,200	+2.1%	+17,100	+5.9%	
Education and reality services	54,600	51,400	51,000	+3,200	+6.2%	+3,600	+7.1%	
Health Care and Social Assistance	253,800	250,800	240,300	+3,000	+1.2%	+13,500	+5.6%	
Ambulatory Health Care Services	121,200	118,000	114,000	+3,200	+2.7%	+7,200	+6.3%	
Hospitals	44,100	43,500	41,600	+600	+1.4%	+2,500	+6.0%	
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	44,900	45,300	43,100	-400	-0.9%	+1,800	+4.2%	
Leisure and Hospitality	288,700	291,900	283,400	-3,200	-1.1%	+5,300	+1.9%	
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	40,200	40,900	35,900	-700	-1.7%	+4,300	+12.0%	
Amusement, Gambling, and Recreation Industries	32,300	32,600	29,000	-300	-0.9%	+3,300	+11.4%	
Accommodation and Food Services	248,500	251,000	247,500	-2,500	-1.0%	+1,000	+0.4%	
Accommodation	33,200	33,900	33,400	-700	-2.1%	-200	-0.6%	
Food Services and Drinking Places	215,300	217,100	214,100	-1,800	-0.8%	+1,200	+0.6%	
Other Services Repair and Maintenance	88,900 25,300	89,400 25,600	86,900 25,100	-500 -300	-0.6% -1.2%	+2,000 +200	+2.3%	
Personal and Laundry Services	20,200	20,400	20,400	-200	-1.2 %	-200	-1.0%	
Government	385,800	384,300	375,900	+1,500	+0.4%	+9,900	+2.6%	
Federal Government	38,200	38,100	37,000	+100	+0.3%	+1,200	+3.2%	
State Government	111,700	111,000	109,700	+700	+0.6%	+2,000	+1.8%	
State Government Educational Services	49,400	49,100	50,500	+300	+0.6%	-1,100	-2.2%	
State Government Excluding Education	62,300	61,900	59,200	+400	+0.6%	+3,100	+5.2%	
Local Government	235,900	235,200	229,200	+700	+0.3%	+6,700	+2.9%	
Local Government Educational Services	115,000	113,700	112,400	+1,300	+1.1%	+2,600	+2.3%	
Local Government Excluding Educational Services	120,900	121,500	116,800	-600	-0.5%	+4,100	+3.5%	



TOTAL PRIVATE NSA STATEWIDE HOURS AND EARNINGS BY MSA

AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)											
				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO October 2024		OCTOBER 2023 TO OCTOBER 2024					
AREA	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE				
Charleston-North Charleston	\$1,141.19	\$1,161.41	\$1,123.47	-\$20.22	-1.7%	+\$17.72	+1.6%				
Columbia	\$1,026.60	\$1,028.85	\$977.78	-\$2.25	-0.2%	+\$48.82	+5.0%				
Florence	\$730.52	\$717.66	\$736.76	+\$12.86	+1.8%	-\$6.24	-0.8%				
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$1,139.88	\$1,138.51	\$1,134.60	+\$1.37	+0.1%	+\$5.28	+0.5%				
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$838.44	\$818.06	\$812.34	+\$20.38	+2.5%	+\$26.10	+3.2%				
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$856.99	\$844.66	\$876.16	+\$12.33	+1.5%	-\$19.17	-2.2%				
Spartanburg	\$1,072.67	\$1,040.36	\$974.29	+\$32.31	+3.1%	+\$98.38	+10.1%				
Sumter	\$980.67	\$939.01	\$869.84	+\$41.66	+4.4%	+\$110.83	+12.7%				

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
AREA	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	33.3	33.9	34.2	-0.6	-1.8%	-0.9	-2.6%
Columbia	34.8	34.9	34.2	-0.1	-0.3%	+0.6	+1.8%
Florence	32.7	32.4	32.6	+0.3	+0.9%	+0.1	+0.3%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	34.5	34.7	34.9	-0.2	-0.6%	-0.4	-1.1%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	30.6	31.2	30.3	-0.6	-1.9%	+0.3	+1.0%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	31.3	31.4	32.2	-0.1	-0.3%	-0.9	-2.8%
Spartanburg	33.7	33.8	33.9	-0.1	-0.3%	-0.2	-0.6%
Sumter	33.7	33.5	34.6	+0.2	+0.6%	-0.9	-2.6%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
AREA	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Charleston-North Charleston	\$34.27	\$34.26	\$32.85	+\$0.01	0.0%	+\$1.42	+4.3%
Columbia	\$29.50	\$29.48	\$28.59	+\$0.02	+0.1%	+\$0.91	+3.2%
Florence	\$22.34	\$22.15	\$22.60	+\$0.19	+0.9%	-\$0.26	-1.2%
Greenville-Anderson-Mauldin	\$33.04	\$32.81	\$32.51	+\$0.23	+0.7%	+\$0.53	+1.6%
Hilton Head Island-Bluffton-Beaufort	\$27.40	\$26.22	\$26.81	+\$1.18	+4.5%	+\$0.59	+2.2%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach	\$27.38	\$26.90	\$27.21	+\$0.48	+1.8%	+\$0.17	+0.6%
Spartanburg	\$31.83	\$30.78	\$28.74	+\$1.05	+3.4%	+\$3.09	+10.8%
Sumter	\$29.10	\$28.03	\$25.14	+\$1.07	+3.8%	+\$3.96	+15.8%



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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (AWE)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024		OCTOBER OCTOBE	2023 TO FR 2024
INDUSTRY TITLE	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$1,058.74	\$1,057.34	\$1,034.49	+\$1.40	+0.1%	+\$24.25	+2.3%
Goods Producing	\$1,363.05	\$1,348.48	\$1,322.70	+\$14.57	+1.1%	+\$40.35	+3.1%
Construction	\$1,406.54	\$1,346.02	\$1,231.24	+\$60.52	+4.5%	+\$175.30	+14.2%
Manufacturing	\$1,354.42	\$1,371.24	\$1,361.61	-\$16.82	-1.2%	-\$7.19	-0.5%
Private Service Providing	\$985.15	\$985.82	\$963.99	-\$0.67	-0.1%	+\$21.16	+2.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$931.73	\$911.91	\$872.79	+\$19.82	+2.2%	+\$58.94	+6.8%
Financial Activities	\$1,320.58	\$1,321.72	\$1,242.22	-\$1.14	-0.1%	+\$78.36	+6.3%
Professional and Business Services	\$1,330.81	\$1,339.69	\$1,266.41	-\$8.88	-0.7%	+\$64.40	+5.1%
Education and Health Services	\$1,032.06	\$1,037.08	\$1,032.54	-\$5.02	-0.5%	-\$0.48	0.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$473.83	\$465.55	\$479.67	+\$8.28	+1.8%	-\$5.84	-1.2%
Other Services	\$973.15	\$1,006.01	\$1,038.38	-\$32.86	-3.3%	-\$65.23	-6.3%

AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS (AWH)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024			3 2023 TO ER 2024
INDUSTRY TITLE	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	33.6	33.9	34.3	-0.3	-0.9%	-0.7	-2.0%
Goods Producing	39.0	39.2	40.4	-0.2	-0.5%	-1.4	-3.5%
Construction	41.7	40.9	41.4	+0.8	+2.0%	+0.3	+0.7%
Manufacturing	39.1	39.7	40.5	-0.6	-1.5%	-1.4	-3.5%
Private Service Providing	32.3	32.6	32.8	-0.3	-0.9%	-0.5	-1.5%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	33.3	33.1	33.3	+0.2	+0.6%	0.0	0.0%
Financial Activities	36.2	37.2	37.7	-1.0	-2.7%	-1.5	-4.0%
Professional and Business Services	37.7	37.6	36.9	+0.1	+0.3%	+0.8	+2.2%
Education and Health Services	31.6	32.5	32.8	-0.9	-2.8%	-1.2	-3.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	24.5	24.4	24.7	+0.1	+0.4%	-0.2	-0.8%
Other Services	32.7	33.4	35.5	-0.7	-2.1%	-2.8	-7.9%

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS (AHE)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
INDUSTRY TITLE	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Private	\$31.51	\$31.19	\$30.16	+\$0.32	+1.0%	+\$1.35	+4.5%
Goods Producing	\$34.95	\$34.40	\$32.74	+\$0.55	+1.6%	+\$2.21	+6.8%
Construction	\$33.73	\$32.91	\$29.74	+\$0.82	+2.5%	+\$3.99	+13.4%
Manufacturing	\$34.64	\$34.54	\$33.62	+\$0.10	+0.3%	+\$1.02	+3.0%
Private Service Providing	\$30.50	\$30.24	\$29.39	+\$0.26	+0.9%	+\$1.11	+3.8%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$27.98	\$27.55	\$26.21	+\$0.43	+1.6%	+\$1.77	+6.8%
Financial Activities	\$36.48	\$35.53	\$32.95	+\$0.95	+2.7%	+\$3.53	+10.7%
Professional and Business Services	\$35.30	\$35.63	\$34.32	-\$0.33	-0.9%	+\$0.98	+2.9%
Education and Health Services	\$32.66	\$31.91	\$31.48	+\$0.75	+2.4%	+\$1.18	+3.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	\$19.34	\$19.08	\$19.42	+\$0.26	+1.4%	-\$0.08	-0.4%
Other Services	\$29.76	\$30.12	\$29.25	-\$0.36	-1.2%	+\$0.51	+1.7%



NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR CHARLESTON-NORTH CHARLESTON MSA October 2024 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	434,300	431,600	419,900	+2,700	+0.6%	+14,400	+3.4%
Total Private	361,500	359,300	350,500	+2,200	+0.6%	+11,000	+3.1%
Goods Producing	59,700	59,600	56,200	+100	+0.2%	+3,500	+6.2%
Service-Providing	374,600	372,000	363,700	+2,600	+0.7%	+10,900	+3.0%
Private Service Providing	301,800	299,700	294,300	+2,100	+0.7%	+7,500	+2.5%
Mining, Logging and Construction	24,900	24,700	22,700	+200	+0.8%	+2,200	+9.7%
Manufacturing	34,800	34,900	33,500	-100	-0.3%	+1,300	+3.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	79,000	78,000	76,600	+1,000	+1.3%	+2,400	+3.1%
Wholesale Trade	13,500	13,400	13,400	+100	+0.7%	+100	+0.7%
Retail Trade	45,600	44,900	44,000	+700	+1.6%	+1,600	+3.6%
General Merchandise Stores	8,400	8,100	8,200	+300	+3.7%	+200	+2.4%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	19,900	19,700	19,200	+200	+1.0%	+700	+3.6%
Information	8,500	8,500	7,800	0	0.0%	+700	+9.0%
Financial Activities	21,800	21,600	21,500	+200	+0.9%	+300	+1.4%
Professional and Business Services	69,500	69,500	68,600	0	0.0%	+900	+1.3%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	28,600	29,200	29,600	-600	-2.1%	-1,000	-3.4%
Education and Health Services	50,300	49,700	48,500	+600	+1.2%	+1,800	+3.7%
Leisure and Hospitality	55,600	55,300	54,600	+300	+0.5%	+1,000	+1.8%
Accommodation and Food Services	48,000	47,800	47,900	+200	+0.4%	+100	+0.2%
Food Services and Drinking Places	39,700	39,200	39,100	+500	+1.3%	+600	+1.5%
Other Services	17,100	17,100	16,700	0	0.0%	+400	+2.4%
Government	72,800	72,300	69,400	+500	+0.7%	+3,400	+4.9%
Federal Government	12,100	12,100	11,700	0	0.0%	+400	+3.4%
State Government	30,100	29,800	27,900	+300	+1.0%	+2,200	+7.9%
Local Government	30,600	30,400	29,800	+200	+0.7%	+800	+2.7%



NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR COLUMBIA MSA OCTOBER 2024 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

					SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024		2023 TO R 2024
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	437,900	435,000	429,600	+2,900	+0.7%	+8,300	+1.9%
Total Private	353,200	350,400	345,900	+2,800	+0.8%	+7,300	+2.1%
Goods Producing	51,700	51,500	50,400	+200	+0.4%	+1,300	+2.6%
Service-Providing	386,200	383,500	379,200	+2,700	+0.7%	+7,000	+1.8%
Private Service Providing	301,500	298,900	295,500	+2,600	+0.9%	+6,000	+2.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	18,700	18,500	18,100	+200	+1.1%	+600	+3.3%
Manufacturing	33,000	33,000	32,300	0	0.0%	+700	+2.2%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	78,900	78,500	79,200	+400	+0.5%	-300	-0.4%
Wholesale Trade	17,300	17,200	17,400	+100	+0.6%	-100	-0.6%
Retail Trade	44,000	43,900	44,600	+100	+0.2%	-600	-1.3%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	17,600	17,400	17,200	+200	+1.1%	+400	+2.3%
Information	5,100	5,100	4,900	0	0.0%	+200	+4.1%
Financial Activities	38,400	38,300	37,800	+100	+0.3%	+600	+1.6%
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities including Monetary Authorities - Central Bank	7,500	7,500	7,600	0	0.0%	-100	-1.3%
Professional and Business Services	58,500	57,500	56,600	+1,000	+1.7%	+1,900	+3.4%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	30,400	30,400	30,000	0	0.0%	+400	+1.3%
Education and Health Services	61,100	59,700	58,000	+1,400	+2.3%	+3,100	+5.3%
Leisure and Hospitality	41,600	41,600	41,100	0	0.0%	+500	+1.2%
Food Services and Drinking Places	34,700	34,800	34,700	-100	-0.3%	0	0.0%
Other Services	17,900	18,200	17,900	-300	-1.6%	0	0.0%
Government	84,700	84,600	83,700	+100	+0.1%	+1,000	+1.2%
Federal Government	12,100	12,100	12,000	0	0.0%	+100	+0.8%
State Government	36,500	36,400	35,900	+100	+0.3%	+600	+1.7%
Local Government	36,100	36,100	35,800	0	0.0%	+300	+0.8%



NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR GREENVILLE-ANDERSON-MAULDIN MSA October 2024 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	469,600	467,800	466,400	+1,800	+0.4%	+3,200	+0.7%
Total Private	408,800	407,100	404,600	+1,700	+0.4%	+4,200	+1.0%
Goods Producing	85,000	85,300	84,300	-300	-0.4%	+700	+0.8%
Service-Providing	384,600	382,500	382,100	+2,100	+0.5%	+2,500	+0.7%
Private Service Providing	323,800	321,800	320,300	+2,000	+0.6%	+3,500	+1.1%
Mining, Logging and Construction	24,200	23,900	22,200	+300	+1.3%	+2,000	+9.0%
Manufacturing	60,800	61,400	62,100	-600	-1.0%	-1,300	-2.1%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	84,600	84,100	84,500	+500	+0.6%	+100	+0.1%
Wholesale Trade	21,600	21,400	21,400	+200	+0.9%	+200	+0.9%
Retail Trade	47,800	47,600	48,600	+200	+0.4%	-800	-1.6%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	15,200	15,100	14,500	+100	+0.7%	+700	+4.8%
Information	6,600	6,600	6,200	0	0.0%	+400	+6.5%
Financial Activities	22,300	22,200	23,000	+100	+0.5%	-700	-3.0%
Professional and Business Services	75,300	74,500	76,800	+800	+1.1%	-1,500	-2.0%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	31,600	30,800	30,600	+800	+2.6%	+1,000	+3.3%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	7,000	6,900	7,000	+100	+1.4%	0	0.0%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	36,700	36,800	39,200	-100	-0.3%	-2,500	-6.4%
Education and Health Services	65,700	64,300	62,200	+1,400	+2.2%	+3,500	+5.6%
Educational Services	14,100	13,300	13,500	+800	+6.0%	+600	+4.4%
Health Care and Social Assistance	51,600	51,000	48,700	+600	+1.2%	+2,900	+6.0%
Leisure and Hospitality	53,400	53,900	51,400	-500	-0.9%	+2,000	+3.9%
Other Services	15,900	16,200	16,200	-300	-1.9%	-300	-1.9%
Government	60,800	60,700	61,800	+100	+0.2%	-1,000	-1.6%
Federal Government	3,100	3,000	3,100	+100	+3.3%	0	0.0%
State Government	12,000	12,000	13,700	0	0.0%	-1,700	-12.4%
Local Government	45,700	45,700	45,000	0	0.0%	+700	+1.6%



NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR MYRTLE BEACH-CONWAY-NORTH MYRTLE BEACH MSA OCTOBER 2024 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

				SEPTEMBEI Octobei		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	195,700	197,200	195,700	-1,500	-0.8%	0	0.0%
Total Private	169,400	171,200	170,100	-1,800	-1.1%	-700	-0.4%
Goods Producing	18,700	18,600	17,900	+100	+0.5%	+800	+4.5%
Service-Providing	177,000	178,600	177,800	-1,600	-0.9%	-800	-0.4%
Private Service Providing	150,700	152,600	152,200	-1,900	-1.2%	-1,500	-1.0%
Mining, Logging and Construction	13,200	13,100	12,500	+100	+0.8%	+700	+5.6%
Manufacturing	5,500	5,500	5,400	0	0.0%	+100	+1.9%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	43,500	43,600	43,100	-100	-0.2%	+400	+0.9%
Wholesale Trade	4,100	4,100	4,100	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	34,100	34,300	33,700	-200	-0.6%	+400	+1.2%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	5,300	5,200	5,300	+100	+1.9%	0	0.0%
Information	2,800	2,800	2,700	0	0.0%	+100	+3.7%
Financial Activities	10,400	10,700	10,700	-300	-2.8%	-300	-2.8%
Professional and Business Services	20,500	20,400	20,100	+100	+0.5%	+400	+2.0%
Education and Health Services	23,300	23,100	22,300	+200	+0.9%	+1,000	+4.5%
Leisure and Hospitality	43,200	44,900	46,300	-1,700	-3.8%	-3,100	-6.7%
Accommodation and Food Services	36,500	37,500	38,700	-1,000	-2.7%	-2,200	-5.7%
Food Services and Drinking Places	30,700	31,800	30,500	-1,100	-3.5%	+200	+0.7%
Other Services	7,000	7,100	7,000	-100	-1.4%	0	0.0%
Government	26,300	26,000	25,600	+300	+1.2%	+700	+2.7%
Federal Government	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,200	4,200	4,400	0	0.0%	-200	-4.5%
Local Government	20,500	20,200	19,600	+300	+1.5%	+900	+4.6%



NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR SPARTANBURG MSA October 2024 (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

				SEPTEMBER 2024 TO October 2024		OCTOBER 2023 TO OCTOBER 2024	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	177,300	176,500	173,400	+800	+0.5%	+3,900	+2.2%
Total Private	147,000	146,600	144,400	+400	+0.3%	+2,600	+1.8%
Goods Producing	48,300	48,500	47,300	-200	-0.4%	+1,000	+2.1%
Service-Providing	129,000	128,000	126,100	+1,000	+0.8%	+2,900	+2.3%
Private Service Providing	98,700	98,100	97,100	+600	+0.6%	+1,600	+1.6%
Mining, Logging and Construction	8,700	8,700	8,100	0	0.0%	+600	+7.4%
Manufacturing	39,600	39,800	39,200	-200	-0.5%	+400	+1.0%
Durable Goods	27,400	27,500	26,900	-100	-0.4%	+500	+1.9%
Non-Durable Goods	12,200	12,300	12,300	-100	-0.8%	-100	-0.8%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	36,500	36,000	36,100	+500	+1.4%	+400	+1.1%
Wholesale Trade	8,300	8,300	8,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Retail Trade	17,900	17,500	17,700	+400	+2.3%	+200	+1.1%
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	10,300	10,200	10,100	+100	+1.0%	+200	+2.0%
Information	1,000	1,000	1,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Financial Activities	5,100	5,100	5,200	0	0.0%	-100	-1.9%
Professional and Business Services	17,200	17,100	17,100	+100	+0.6%	+100	+0.6%
Education and Health Services	17,400	17,200	16,700	+200	+1.2%	+700	+4.2%
Leisure and Hospitality	15,700	15,800	15,300	-100	-0.6%	+400	+2.6%
Other Services	5,800	5,900	5,700	-100	-1.7%	+100	+1.8%
Government	30,300	29,900	29,000	+400	+1.3%	+1,300	+4.5%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	4,000	4,000	4,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	25,600	25,200	24,300	+400	+1.6%	+1,300	+5.3%

NONFARM PAYROLL BY ECONOMIC SECTOR **FLORENCE MSA** OCTOBER 2024 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

				SEPTEMBEI OCTOBE		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	100,000	99,600	96,400	+400	+0.4%	+3,600	+3.7%
Total Private	81,600	81,000	78,700	+600	+0.7%	+2,900	+3.7%
Goods Producing	15,500	15,300	14,900	+200	+1.3%	+600	+4.0%
Service-Providing	84,500	84,300	81,500	+200	+0.2%	+3,000	+3.7%
Private Service Providing	66,100	65,700	63,800	+400	+0.6%	+2,300	+3.6%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	20,300	20,200	20,600	+100	+0.5%	-300	-1.5%
Government	18,400	18,600	17,700	-200	-1.1%	+700	+4.0%
Federal Government	700	700	700	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	5,000	5,000	4,800	0	0.0%	+200	+4.2%
Local Government	12,700	12,900	12,200	-200	-1.6%	+500	+4.1%

HILTON HEAD ISLAND-BLUFFTON-BEAUFORT MSA OCTOBER 2024 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

				SEPTEMBE OCTOBE		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	91,800	91,200	89,600	+600	+0.7%	+2,200	+2.5 %
Total Private	79,400	79,000	77,700	+400	+0.5%	+1,700	+2.2%
Goods Producing	8,600	8,500	8,000	+100	+1.2%	+600	+7.5%
Service-Providing	83,200	82,700	81,600	+500	+0.6%	+1,600	+2.0%
Private Service Providing	70,800	70,500	69,700	+300	+0.4%	+1,100	+1.6%
Government	12,400	12,200	11,900	+200	+1.6%	+500	+4.2%

SUMTER MSA **OCTOBER 2024 (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

				SEPTEMBE OCTOBE		OCTOBER OCTOBE	
	OCTOBER 2024	SEPTEMBER 2024	OCTOBER 2023	# CHANGE	% CHANGE	# CHANGE	% CHANGE
Total Nonfarm	39,400	39,200	38,200	+200	+0.5%	+1,200	+3.1%
Total Private	33,400	33,200	32,200	+200	+0.6%	+1,200	+3.7%
Goods Producing	9,700	9,600	9,100	+100	+1.0%	+600	+6.6%
Service-Providing	29,700	29,600	29,100	+100	+0.3%	+600	+2.1%
Private Service Providing	23,700	23,600	23,100	+100	+0.4%	+600	+2.6%
Manufacturing	6,500	6,500	6,600	0	0.0%	-100	-1.5%
Government	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Federal Government	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
State Government	1,300	1,300	1,300	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Local Government	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0.0%	0	0.0%

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	ANNUAL LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS DATA 1976-2023						
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%

	ANNUAL LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS DATA 1976-2023						
YEAR	CIVILIAN NON-INSTITUTIONAL Population	LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION Rate (Percent)	EMPLOYMENT-POPULATION RATIO (PERCENT)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (PERCENT)
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	58.3%	56.7%	2,333,533	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%
2020	4,050,504	57.7%	54.3%	2,339,140	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%
2021	4,109,008	57.4%	55.2%	2,359,169	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%
2022	4,188,402	57.1%	55.3%	2,393,329	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%
2023	4,274,977	57.4%	55.7%	2,453,060	2,380,392	72,668	3.0%



LONG-RUN TRENDS

	ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL 1939-2023						
YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT	YEAR	EMPLOYMENT
1939	310,100	1961	587,000	1983	1,189,000	2005	1,862,900
1940	328,600	1962	609,800	1984	1,262,500	2006	1,905,700
1941	387,500	1963	630,600	1985	1,296,200	2007	1,945,000
1942	416,500	1964	651,500	1986	1,338,000	2008	1,926,300
1943	428,500	1965	686,000	1987	1,392,200	2009	1,814,400
1944	408,600	1966	734,900	1988	1,449,000	2010	1,811,300
1945	396,000	1967	754,500	1989	1,499,700	2011	1,832,500
1946	411,600	1968	782,900	1990	1,527,600	2012	1,864,300
1947	436,200	1969	819,800	1991	1,497,300	2013	1,901,000
1948	456,400	1970	842,000	1992	1,511,800	2014	1,951,300
1949	443,100	1971	862,600	1993	1,553,000	2015	2,006,700
1950	461,400	1972	920,300	1994	1,592,000	2016	2,055,300
1951	505,800	1973	984,000	1995	1,636,300	2017	2,096,100
1952	544,300	1974	1,015,800	1996	1,669,400	2018	2,154,800
1953	543,900	1975	982,600	1997	1,718,800	2019	2,189,600
1954	519,700	1976	1,038,100	1998	1,779,800	2020	2,082,300
1955	533,000	1977	1,081,700	1999	1,826,300	2021	2,154,000
1956	542,900	1978	1,137,500	2000	1,854,000	2022	2,242,900
1957	545,000	1979	1,176,000	2001	1,814,800	2023	2,305,800
1958	545,900	1980	1,188,800	2002	1,795,400		
1959	566,900	1981	1,196,500	2003	1,799,100		
1960	582,500	1982	1,162,300	2004	1,826,600		

	ANNUAL CURRENT EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS NONFARM PAYROLL 2007-2023					
	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			



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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