

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

South Carolina



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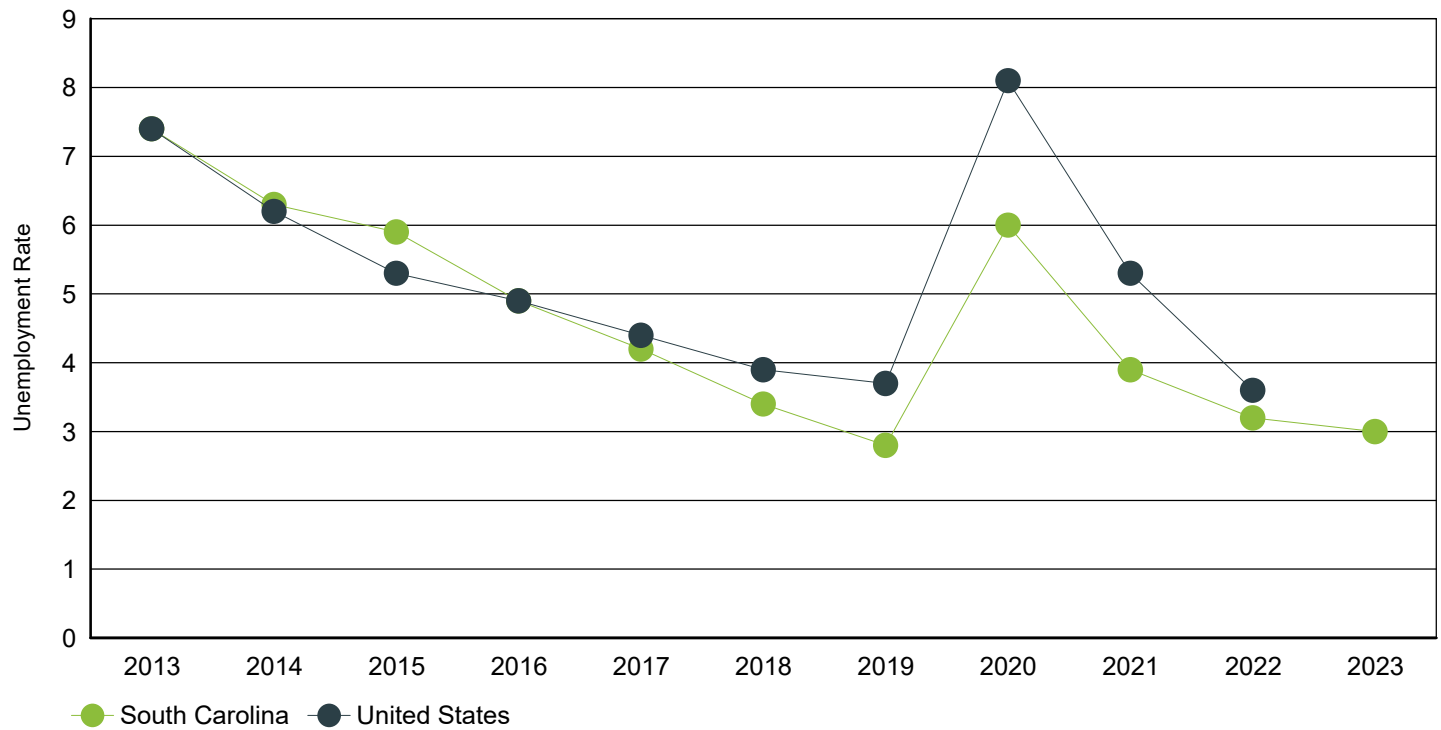
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## Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

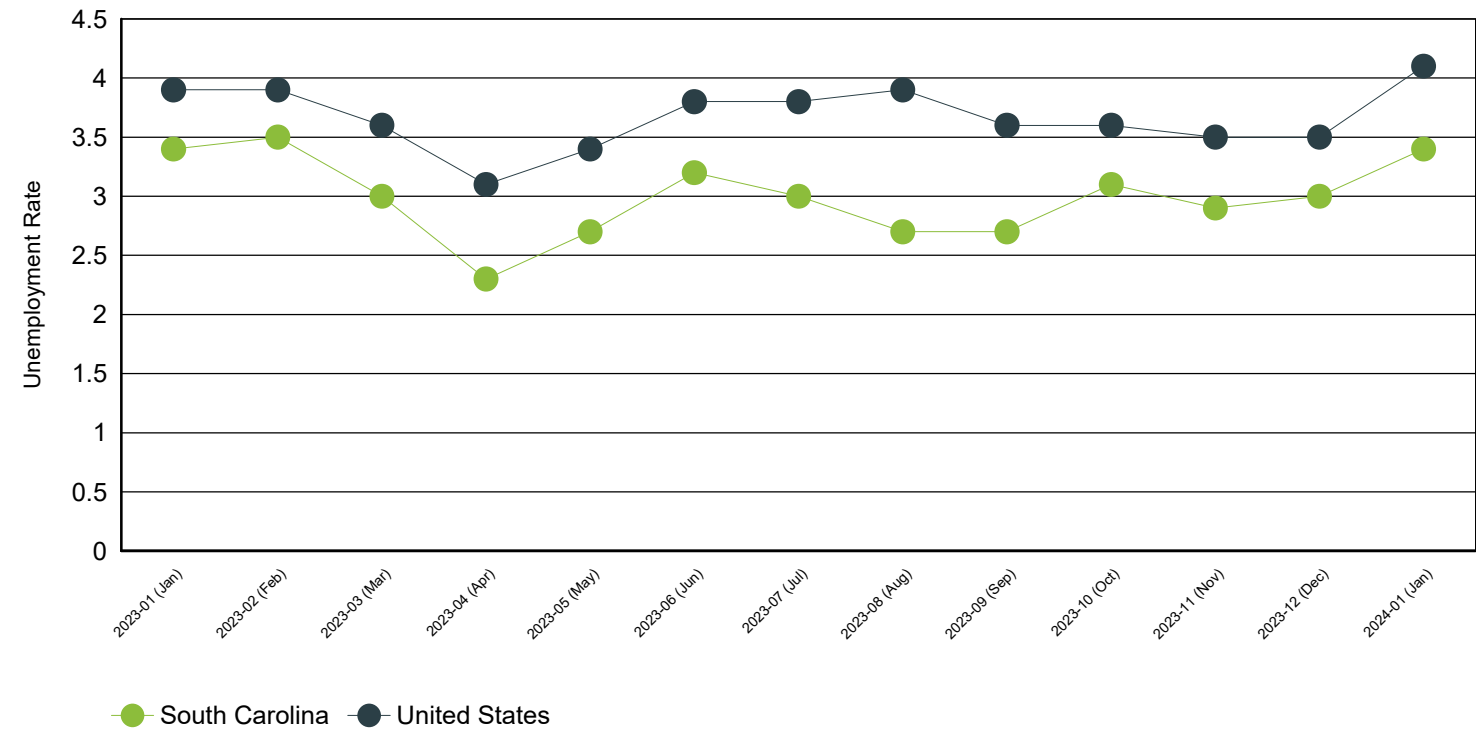


Year	South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2022	2,316,435	76,894	3.20%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.60%
2021	2,266,611	92,558	3.90%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.30%
2020	2,199,751	139,389	6.00%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.10%
2019	2,268,884	64,649	2.80%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.70%
2018	2,205,356	76,666	3.40%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.90%
2017	2,166,708	95,058	4.20%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.40%
2016	2,174,301	111,753	4.90%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.90%
2015	2,134,087	133,750	5.90%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.30%
2014	2,082,941	139,485	6.30%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.20%
2013	2,034,404	163,472	7.40%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.40%
2012	1,992,957	197,246	9.00%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.10%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment &amp; Workforce

Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



South Carolina				United States		
Period	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
Jan 2024	2,371,078	82,606	3.40%	159,650,000	6,778,000	4.10%
Dec 2023	2,377,896	74,634	3.00%	160,754,000	5,907,000	3.50%
Nov 2023	2,394,128	70,628	2.90%	162,149,000	5,827,000	3.50%
Oct 2023	2,394,160	75,433	3.10%	161,676,000	6,098,000	3.60%
Sep 2023	2,390,444	66,546	2.70%	161,669,000	6,049,000	3.60%
Aug 2023	2,395,364	67,130	2.70%	161,427,000	6,623,000	3.90%
Jul 2023	2,404,115	75,169	3.00%	161,982,000	6,372,000	3.80%
Jun 2023	2,398,653	79,031	3.20%	161,559,000	6,351,000	3.80%
May 2023	2,382,689	65,728	2.70%	161,002,000	5,700,000	3.40%
Apr 2023	2,385,932	55,295	2.30%	161,075,000	5,146,000	3.10%
Mar 2023	2,371,928	74,584	3.00%	160,741,000	6,043,000	3.60%
Feb 2023	2,345,587	85,188	3.50%	159,713,000	6,465,000	3.90%
Jan 2023	2,323,803	82,654	3.40%	158,692,000	6,378,000	3.90%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

*South Carolina - Seasonally Adjusted*

Period	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
January-2024	2,396,457	75,335	3.0%	
December-2023	2,395,427	74,873	3.0%	
November-2023	2,395,934	74,957	3.0%	
October-2023	2,396,218	74,511	3.0%	91,724
September-2023	2,394,416	72,805	3.0%	101,555
August-2023	2,391,519	70,907	2.9%	102,287
July-2023	2,387,893	69,547	2.8%	112,508
June-2023	2,383,328	69,189	2.8%	113,533
May-2023	2,378,120	69,850	2.9%	124,397
April-2023	2,371,767	70,923	2.9%	117,601
March-2023	2,363,908	72,030	3.0%	111,937
February-2023	2,355,128	72,997	3.0%	114,389
January-2023	2,345,980	74,130	3.1%	115,864

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce & The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® data series  
South Carolina Data is Seasonally Adjusted

## Employers/Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	SC Employers	SC Employment
0 to 4	131,475	132,343
5 to 9	17,980	118,704
10 to 19	12,142	164,578
20 to 49	8,734	265,021
50 to 99	3,033	209,933
100 to 249	1,895	293,805
250 to 499	613	209,837
500 to 999	304	210,928
1000 +	233	645,300

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2023 Q3

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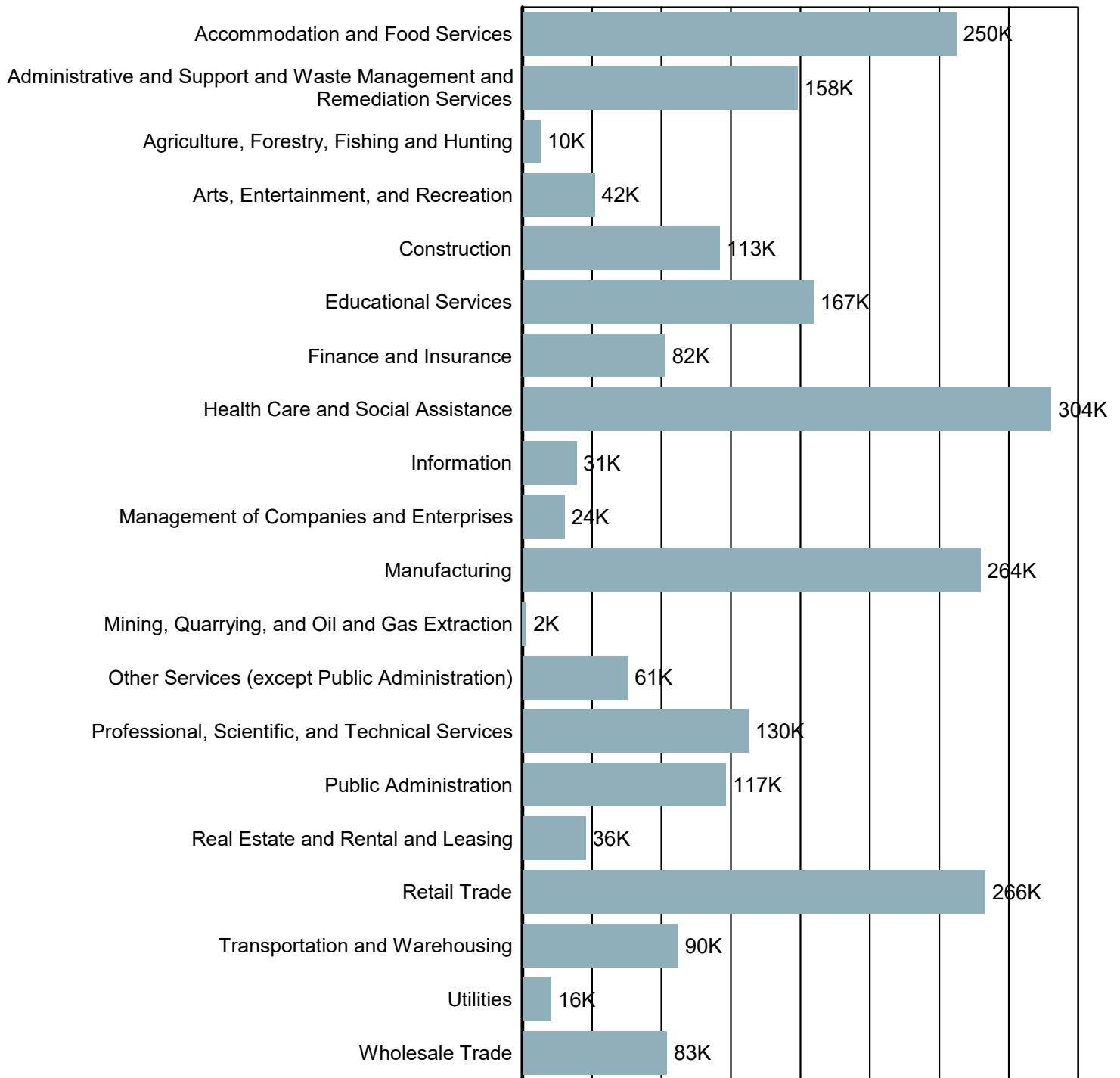
## 20 Largest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

Corporation Name
AMAZON COM SERVICES INC
BERKELEY COUNTY SCHOOLS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF SC
BMW Manufacturing Corp.
CHARLESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
DEPT OF DEFENSE
FOOD LION LLC
Ingles Market Inc.
LEXINGTON COUNTY HEALTH SERVICE DIS
LOWE S HOME CENTERS LLC
MEDICAL UNIV OF SC HOSPITAL AUTHORI
MICHELIN NORTH AMERICA INC
Prisma Health
Prisma Health Upstate
PUBLIX SUPER MARKET INC
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF GREENVILLE COUNT
SPARTANBURG REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
US POSTAL SERVICE
WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2023 Q3

## Employment by Industry



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce  
Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2023 Q3

## Top 20 Occupational Openings

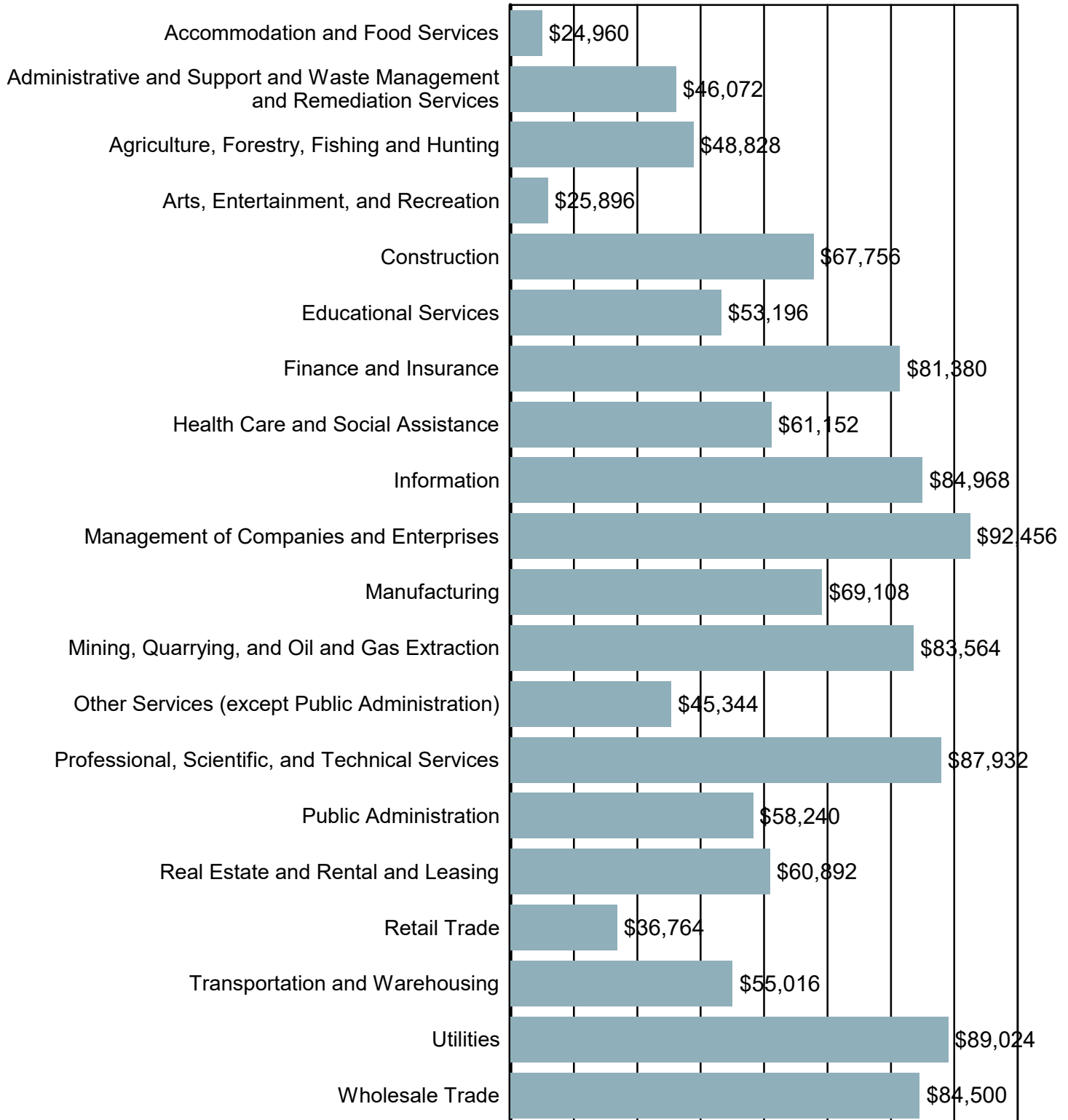
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Occupations Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	4,602
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	3,824
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	2,842
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products (41-4012)	1,843
Fast Food and Counter Workers (35-3023)	1,719
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	1,537
Food Service Managers (11-9051)	1,291
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	1,260
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand (53-7062)	1,242
Managers, All Other (11-9199)	1,211
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	1,130
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive (43-6014)	1,058
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners (37-2011)	1,005
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	993
Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other (29-2099)	987
Nursing Assistants (31-1131)	965
Stockers and Order Fillers (53-7065)	943
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	921
Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)	911
Cashiers (41-2011)	880

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce & The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® data series



## Average Annual Wage by Industry



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce  
Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2023 Q3

## Labor Market Projections

*Total Employment by Industry*

Industry	2020 Estimated Employment	2030 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Accommodation and Food Services	201,229	246,131	44,902	22.31	2.03
Health Care and Social Assistance	256,890	299,950	43,060	16.76	1.56
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Rem	155,766	190,870	35,104	22.54	2.05
Retail Trade	246,111	263,695	17,584	7.14	0.69
Manufacturing	244,513	261,222	16,709	6.83	0.66
Educational Services	165,115	180,610	15,495	9.38	0.90
Transportation and Warehousing	72,388	86,513	14,125	19.51	1.80
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	101,812	114,864	13,052	12.82	1.21
Other Services (except Government)	97,553	109,959	12,406	12.72	1.20
Wholesale Trade	72,541	81,779	9,238	12.73	1.21
Finance and Insurance	71,570	79,773	8,203	11.46	1.09
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	25,769	32,740	6,971	27.05	2.42
Construction	103,662	108,160	4,498	4.34	0.43
Information	24,745	29,152	4,407	17.81	1.65
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	30,056	33,608	3,552	11.82	1.12
Management of Companies and Enterprises	24,294	26,185	1,891	7.78	0.75
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	13,152	13,316	164	1.25	0.12
Mining	1,926	2,005	79	4.10	0.40
Utilities	11,252	10,955	-297	-2.64	-0.27

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - Industry Projections