

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

Aiken County



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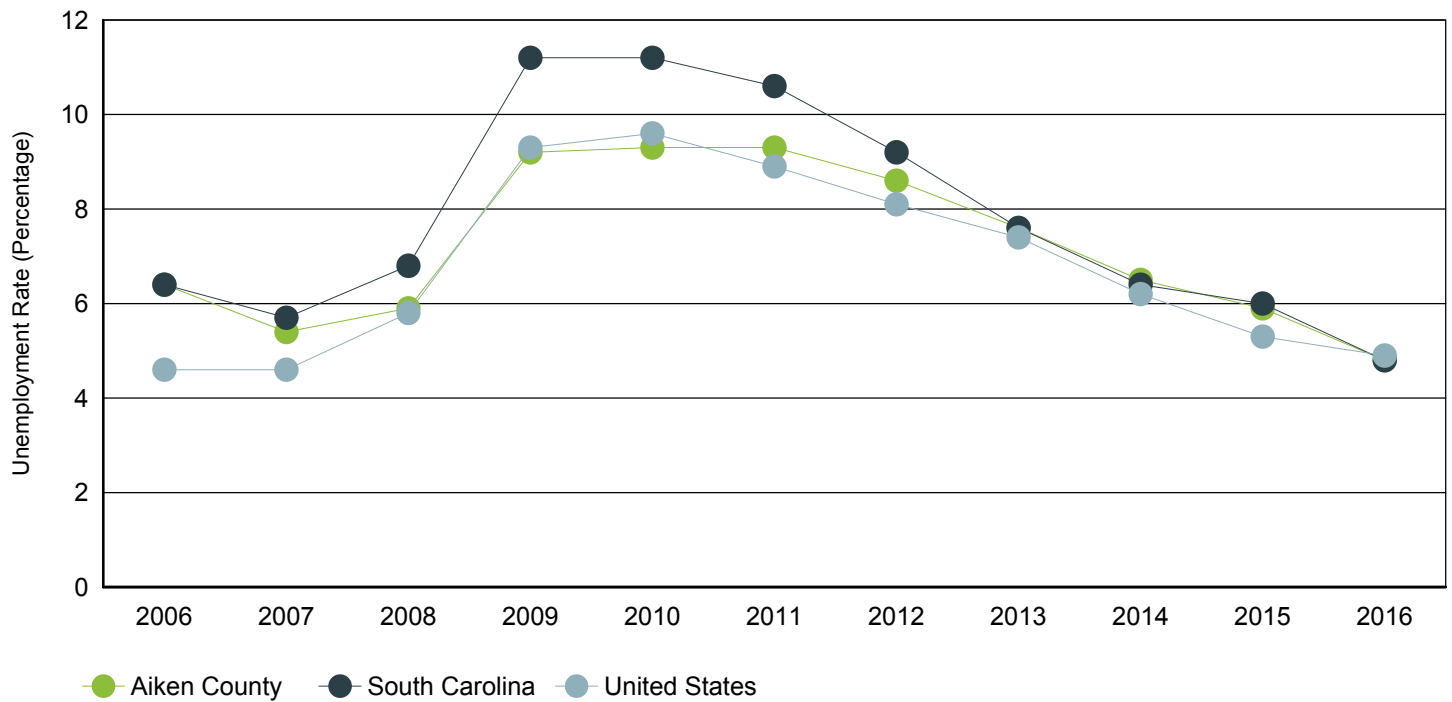
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## Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

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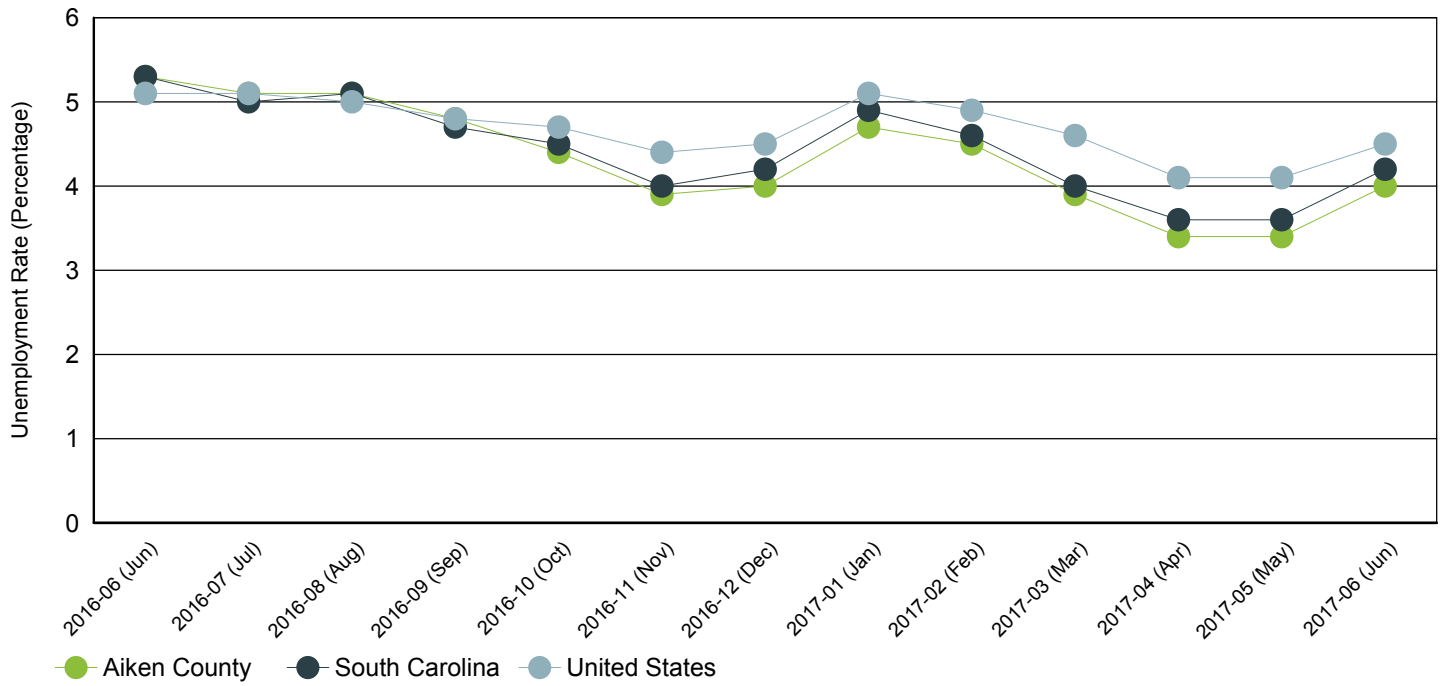


| Year | Aiken County |       |      | South Carolina |         |       | United States |            |      |
|------|--------------|-------|------|----------------|---------|-------|---------------|------------|------|
|      | Employment   | Unemp | Rate | Employment     | Unemp   | Rate  | Employment    | Unemp      | Rate |
| 2016 | 71,016       | 3,597 | 4.8% | 2,186,740      | 111,067 | 4.8%  | 151,436,000   | 7,751,000  | 4.9% |
| 2015 | 69,589       | 4,369 | 5.9% | 2,134,637      | 135,746 | 6.0%  | 148,834,000   | 8,296,000  | 5.3% |
| 2014 | 68,290       | 4,734 | 6.5% | 2,081,511      | 143,151 | 6.4%  | 146,305,000   | 9,617,000  | 6.2% |
| 2013 | 67,273       | 5,497 | 7.6% | 2,026,666      | 167,647 | 7.6%  | 143,929,000   | 11,460,000 | 7.4% |
| 2012 | 66,682       | 6,274 | 8.6% | 1,985,618      | 201,260 | 9.2%  | 142,469,000   | 12,506,000 | 8.1% |
| 2011 | 66,504       | 6,799 | 9.3% | 1,945,900      | 229,623 | 10.6% | 139,869,000   | 13,747,000 | 8.9% |
| 2010 | 65,639       | 6,729 | 9.3% | 1,915,045      | 240,623 | 11.2% | 139,064,000   | 14,825,000 | 9.6% |
| 2009 | 69,581       | 7,058 | 9.2% | 1,910,670      | 242,075 | 11.2% | 139,877,000   | 14,265,000 | 9.3% |
| 2008 | 70,514       | 4,383 | 5.9% | 1,996,409      | 145,823 | 6.8%  | 145,362,000   | 8,924,000  | 5.8% |
| 2007 | 70,571       | 4,001 | 5.4% | 2,005,686      | 120,205 | 5.7%  | 146,047,000   | 7,078,000  | 4.6% |
| 2006 | 70,350       | 4,810 | 6.4% | 1,973,337      | 135,760 | 6.4%  | 144,427,000   | 7,001,000  | 4.6% |

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



| Period   | Aiken County | South Carolina | United States |
|----------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| Jun 2017 | 4.0%         | 4.2%           | 4.5%          |
| May 2017 | 3.4%         | 3.6%           | 4.1%          |
| Apr 2017 | 3.4%         | 3.6%           | 4.1%          |
| Mar 2017 | 3.9%         | 4.0%           | 4.6%          |
| Feb 2017 | 4.5%         | 4.6%           | 4.9%          |
| Jan 2017 | 4.7%         | 4.9%           | 5.1%          |
| Dec 2016 | 4.0%         | 4.2%           | 4.5%          |
| Nov 2016 | 3.9%         | 4.0%           | 4.4%          |
| Oct 2016 | 4.4%         | 4.5%           | 4.7%          |
| Sep 2016 | 4.8%         | 4.7%           | 4.8%          |
| Aug 2016 | 5.1%         | 5.1%           | 5.0%          |
| Jul 2016 | 5.1%         | 5.0%           | 5.1%          |
| Jun 2016 | 5.3%         | 5.3%           | 5.1%          |

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

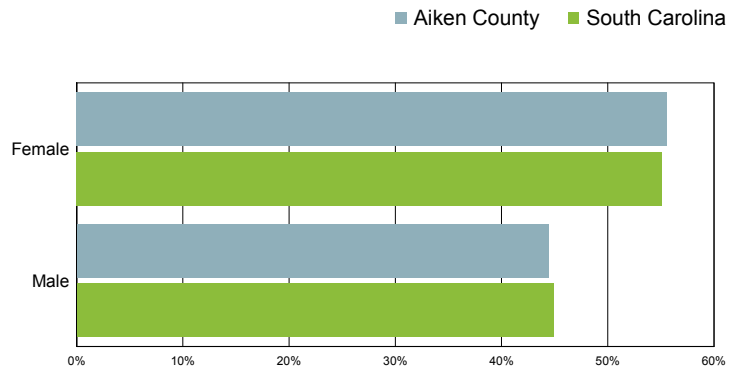
| Period | Aiken County |            |             |              | South Carolina |            |             |              |
|--------|--------------|------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|------------|-------------|--------------|
|        | Employed     | Unemployed | Unemp. Rate | Job Openings | Employed       | Unemployed | Unemp. Rate | Job Openings |
| Jun-17 | 72,507       | 3,059      | 4.0%        | 1,524        | 2,229,882      | 91,710     | 4.0%        | 66,498       |
| May-17 | 71,703       | 2,552      | 3.4%        | 1,488        | 2,231,971      | 96,526     | 4.1%        | 65,966       |
| Apr-17 | 73,465       | 2,578      | 3.4%        | 1,071        | 2,232,681      | 101,458    | 4.3%        | 63,951       |
| Mar-17 | 72,261       | 2,945      | 3.9%        | 1,437        | 2,229,182      | 103,639    | 4.4%        | 59,863       |
| Feb-17 | 71,926       | 3,353      | 4.5%        | 1,357        | 2,220,060      | 103,363    | 4.4%        | 61,052       |
| Jan-17 | 71,869       | 3,509      | 4.7%        | 1,255        | 2,209,188      | 101,455    | 4.4%        | 64,254       |
| Dec-16 | 71,411       | 2,939      | 4.0%        | 1,279        | 2,199,862      | 98,225     | 4.3%        | 55,454       |
| Nov-16 | 71,386       | 2,908      | 3.9%        | 1,337        | 2,198,274      | 99,867     | 4.3%        | 59,494       |
| Oct-16 | 71,125       | 3,308      | 4.4%        | 1,305        | 2,196,147      | 101,772    | 4.4%        | 59,888       |
| Sep-16 | 70,879       | 3,562      | 4.8%        | 1,368        | 2,193,612      | 104,025    | 4.5%        | 61,522       |
| Aug-16 | 71,273       | 3,824      | 5.1%        | 991          | 2,190,670      | 106,559    | 4.6%        | 63,800       |
| Jul-16 | 71,292       | 3,794      | 5.1%        | 1,417        | 2,187,396      | 109,596    | 4.8%        | 61,572       |
| Jun-16 | 71,455       | 3,984      | 5.3%        | 1,419        | 2,183,933      | 113,034    | 4.9%        | 61,518       |

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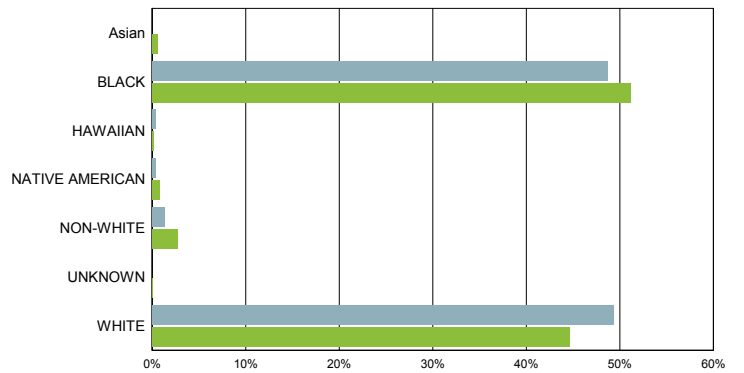
# Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claimants

May 2017

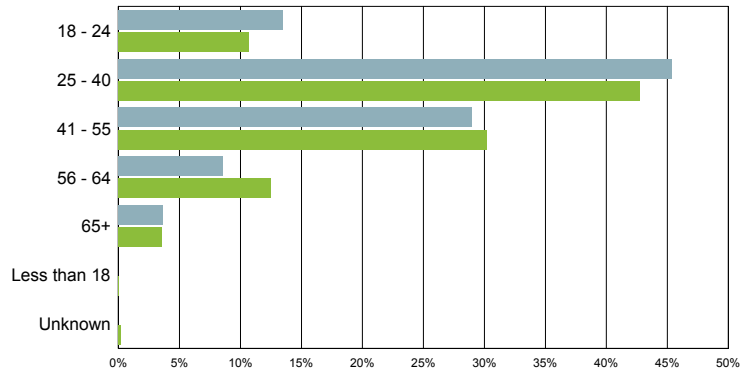
| Gender | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|--------|--------------|----------------|
| Female | 169          | 4,908          |
| Male   | 135          | 3,996          |



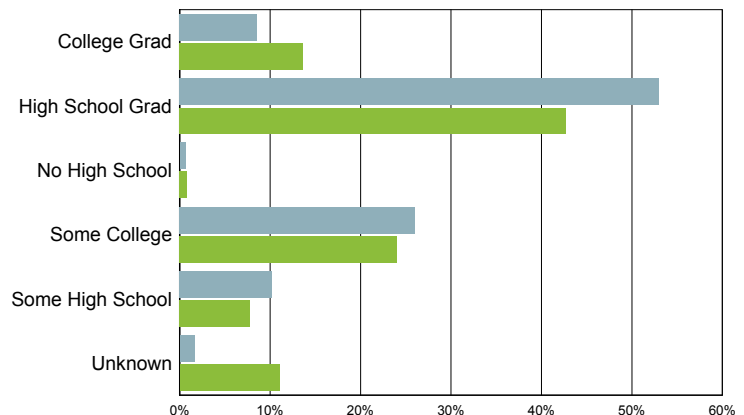
| Race            | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Asian           | 0            | 49             |
| BLACK           | 148          | 4,551          |
| HAWAIIAN        | 1            | 14             |
| NATIVE AMERICAN | 1            | 68             |
| NON-WHITE       | 4            | 242            |
| WHITE           | 150          | 3,978          |



| Age Group    | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|
| 18 - 24      | 41           | 954            |
| 25 - 40      | 138          | 3,810          |
| 41 - 55      | 88           | 2,690          |
| 56 - 64      | 26           | 1,111          |
| 65+          | 11           | 316            |
| Less than 18 | 0            | 6              |
| Unknown      | 0            | 17             |



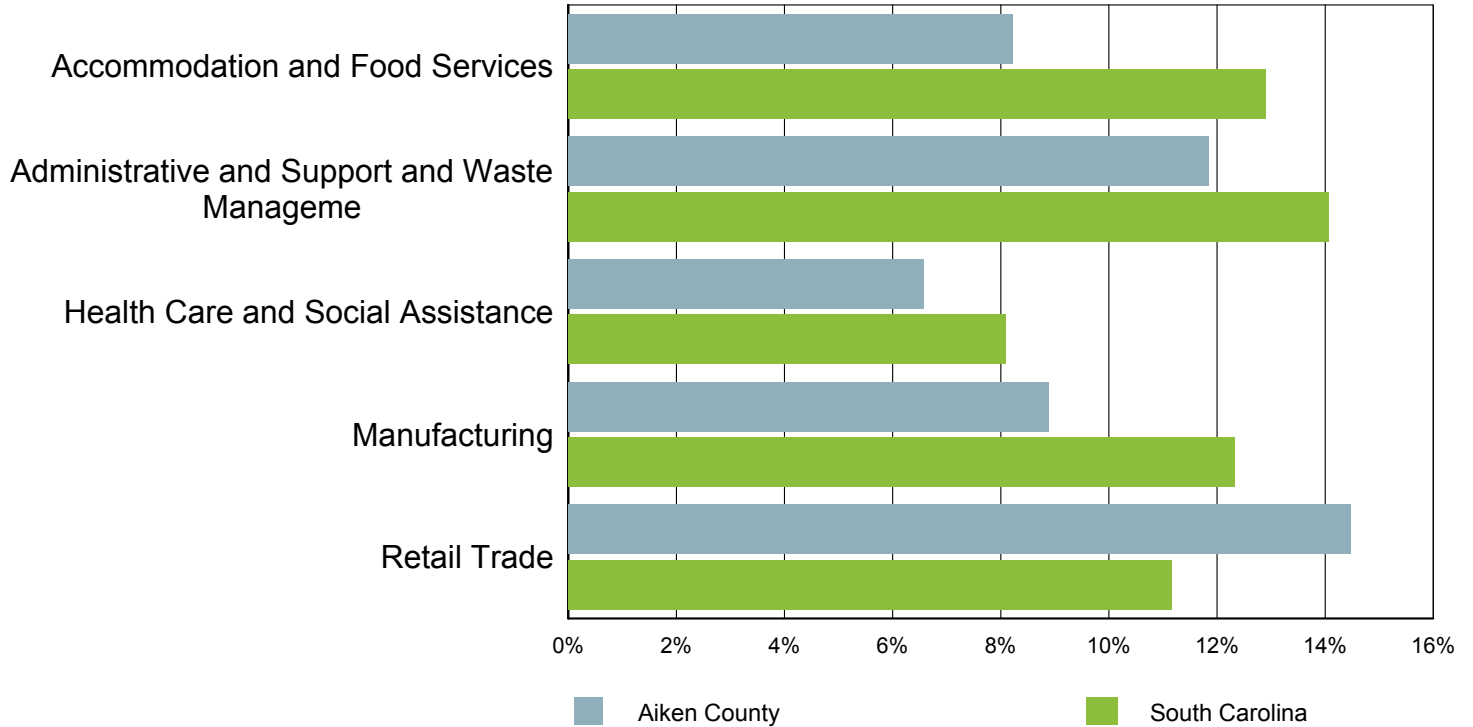
| Education        | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| College Grad     | 26           | 1,211          |
| Some College     | 79           | 2,142          |
| High School Grad | 161          | 3,804          |
| Some High School | 31           | 693            |
| No High School   | 2            | 73             |
| Unknown          | 5            | 981            |



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Industry

Industry Groups With Largest Number of Claims  
May 2017

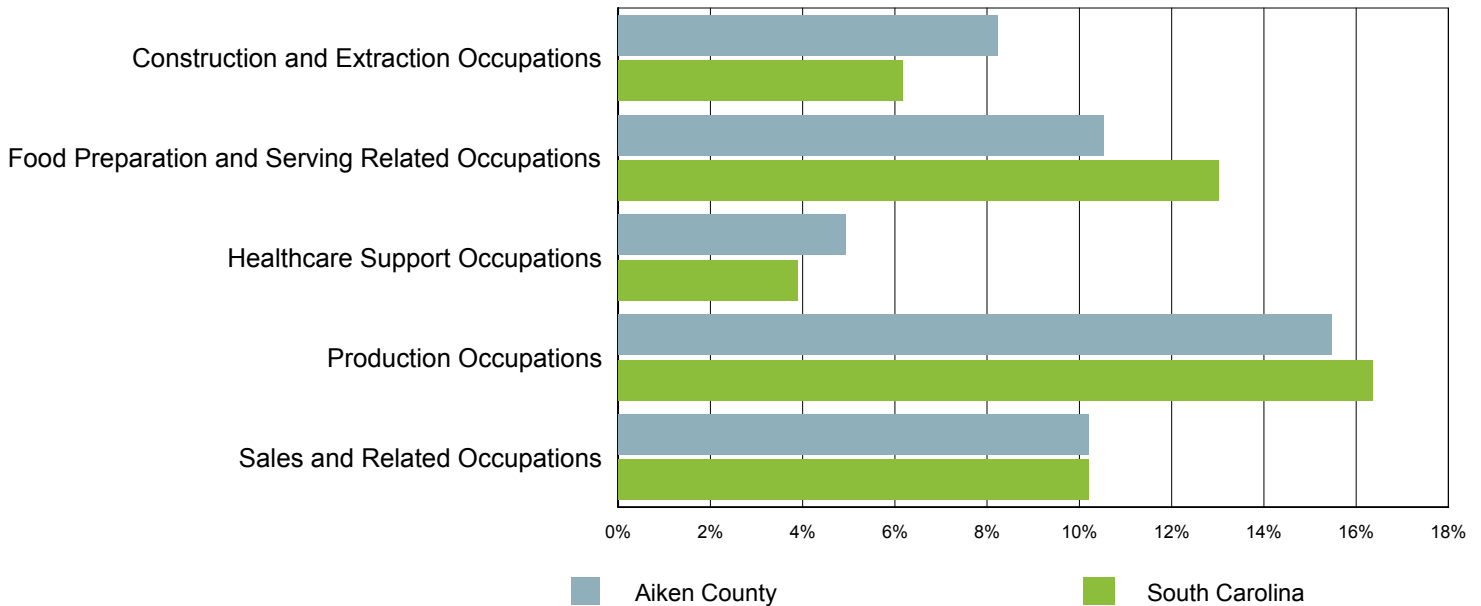


| Industry                                      | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|---|--------------|----------------|
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting    | 3            | 50             |
| Utilities                                     | 1            | 21             |
| Construction                                  | 17           | 485            |
| Manufacturing                                 | 27           | 1,098          |
| Wholesale Trade                               | 5            | 310            |
| Retail Trade                                  | 44           | 994            |
| Transportation and Warehousing                | 3            | 218            |
| Finance and Insurance                         | 8            | 289            |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi | 11           | 551            |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises       | 1            | 64             |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Managem  | 36           | 1,254          |
| Educational Services                          | 7            | 219            |
| Health Care and Social Assistance             | 20           | 721            |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation           | 2            | 64             |
| Accommodation and Food Services               | 25           | 1,150          |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 8            | 292            |
| Public Administration                         | 3            | 156            |
| Unknown                                       | 83           | 766            |

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

# Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Occupation

Occupation Groups With Largest Number of Claims  
May 2017



| Occupation   | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|--|--------------|----------------|
| Architecture and Engineering Occupations           | 2            | 138            |
| Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occu | 8            | 299            |
| Business and Financial Operations Occupations      | 6            | 357            |
| Community and Social Service Occupations           | 2            | 77             |
| Computer and Mathematical Occupations              | 2            | 135            |
| Construction and Extraction Occupations            | 25           | 549            |
| Education, Training, and Library Occupations       | 6            | 355            |
| Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations         | 2            | 31             |
| Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations   | 32           | 1,161          |
| Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations | 8            | 237            |
| Healthcare Support Occupations                     | 15           | 346            |
| Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations  | 12           | 306            |
| Management Occupations                             | 12           | 590            |
| Military Specific Occupations                      | 1            | 34             |
| Office and Administrative Support Occupations      | 13           | 745            |
| Personal Care and Service Occupations              | 5            | 84             |
| Production Occupations                             | 47           | 1,458          |
| Protective Service Occupations                     | 4            | 103            |
| Sales and Related Occupations                      | 31           | 908            |
| Transportation and Material Moving Occupations     | 8            | 310            |
| Unknown  | 63           | 576            |

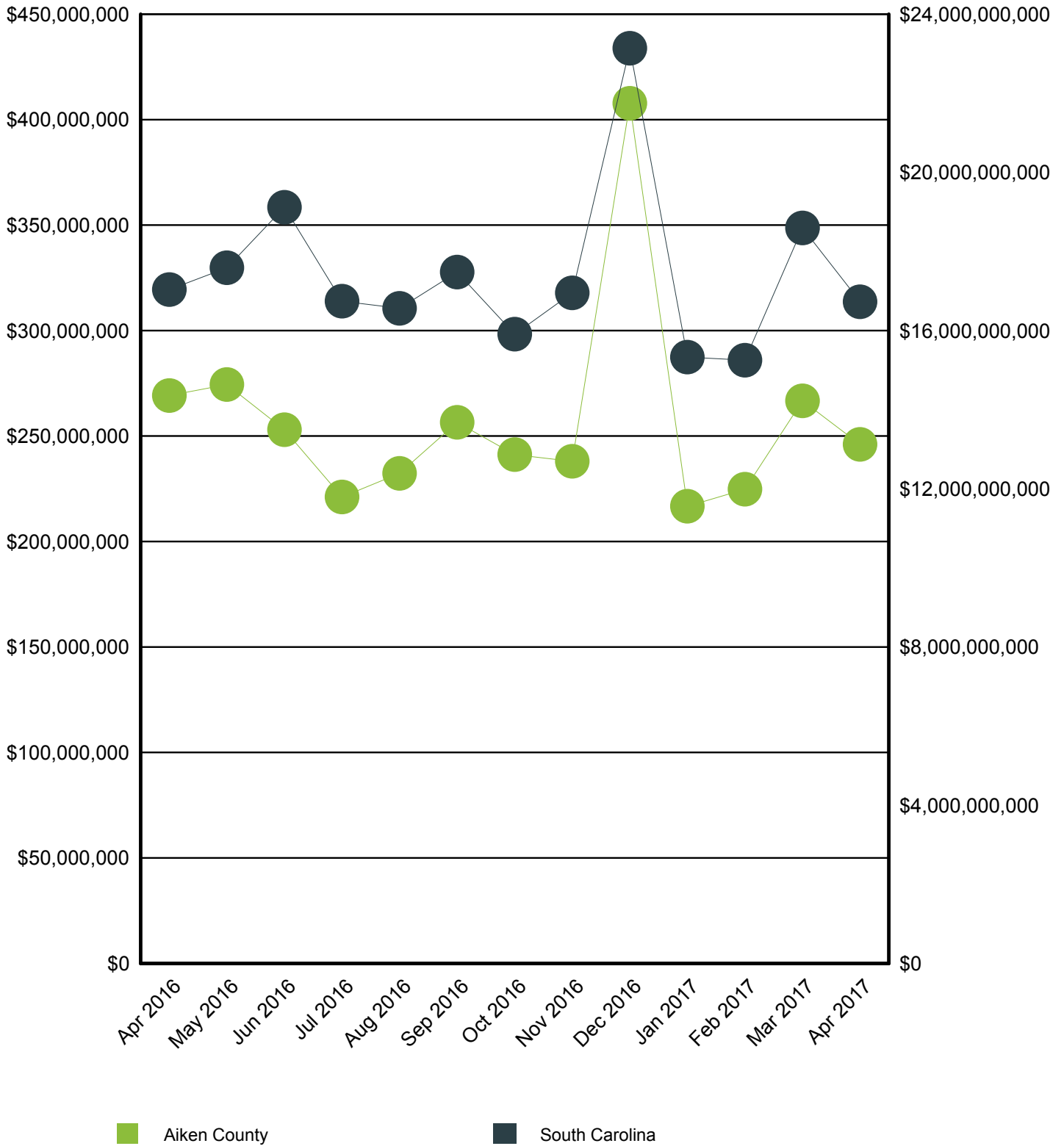
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# Retail Sales

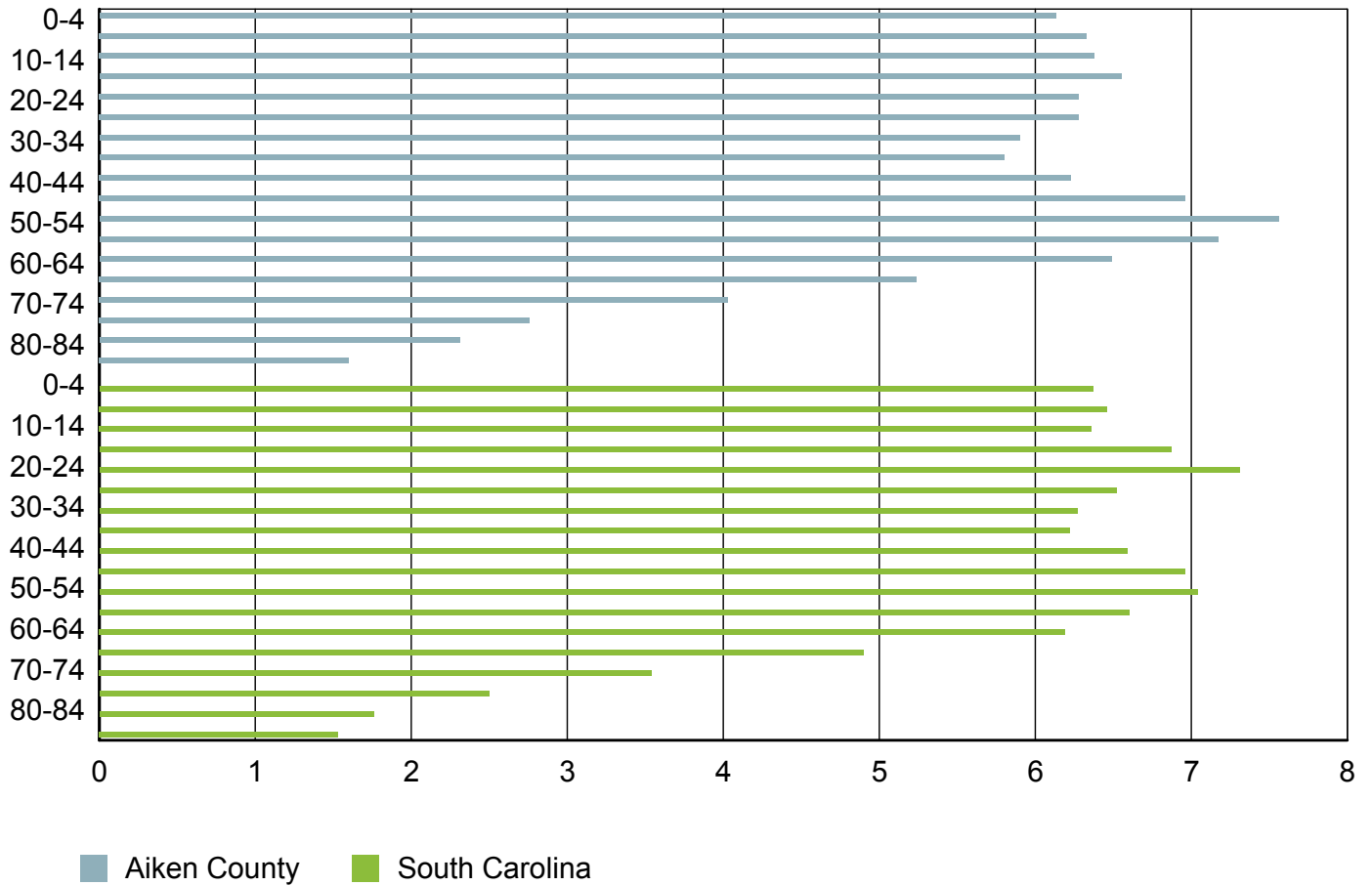
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Source: S.C. Department of Revenue

### Population by Age



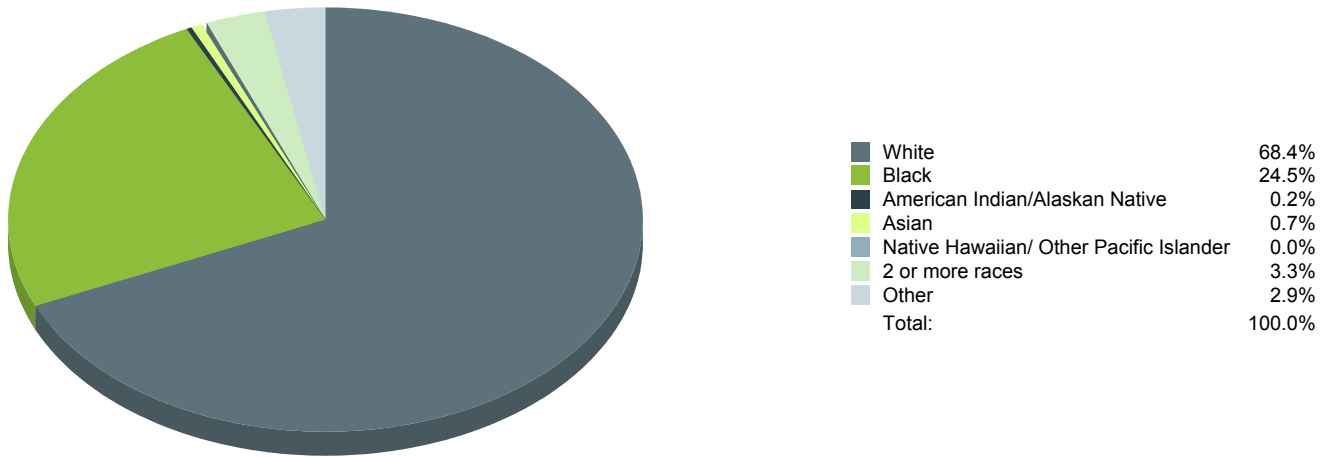
| Age Range    | Aiken County | South Carolina | United States |
|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| 0-4          | 9,917        | 298,242        | 20,052,112    |
| 5-9          | 10,240       | 302,111        | 20,409,060    |
| 10-14        | 10,310       | 297,443        | 20,672,609    |
| 15-19        | 10,593       | 321,540        | 21,715,074    |
| 20-24        | 10,152       | 342,237        | 22,099,887    |
| 25-29        | 10,158       | 305,167        | 21,243,365    |
| 30-34        | 9,542        | 293,464        | 20,467,912    |
| 35-39        | 9,376        | 291,183        | 19,876,161    |
| 40-44        | 10,075       | 308,158        | 20,998,001    |
| 45-49        | 11,250       | 325,660        | 22,109,946    |
| 50-54        | 12,232       | 329,431        | 22,396,322    |
| 55-59        | 11,593       | 309,061        | 20,165,892    |
| 60-64        | 10,492       | 289,690        | 17,479,211    |
| 65-69        | 8,477        | 229,251        | 13,189,508    |
| 70-74        | 6,516        | 165,797        | 9,767,522     |
| 75-79        | 4,471        | 117,187        | 7,438,750     |
| 80-84        | 3,736        | 82,223         | 5,781,697     |
| 85 and older | 2,580        | 71,757         | 5,673,565     |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey

### Population by Race

| Race                                    | Aiken County | %     | South Carolina | %     | United States | %     |
|---|--------------|-------|----------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| White                                   | 112,436      | 69.5% | 3,144,146      | 66.0% | 230,592,579   | 72.0% |
| Black                                   | 40,272       | 24.9% | 1,298,534      | 27.3% | 39,167,010    | 12.2% |
| American Indian/Alaskan Native          | 269          | 0.2%  | 14,732         | 0.3%  | 2,540,309     | 0.8%  |
| Asian                                   | 1,181        | 0.7%  | 61,097         | 1.3%  | 15,231,962    | 4.8%  |
| Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander | 21           | 0.0%  | 2,128          | 0.0%  | 526,347       | 0.2%  |
| 2 or more races                         | 5,464        | 3.4%  | 169,670        | 3.6%  | 17,464,666    | 5.5%  |
| Other                                   | 4,799        | 3.0%  | 74,130         | 1.6%  | 14,746,054    | 4.6%  |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey



### Population by Gender

| Gender | Aiken County | South Carolina | United States |
|--------|--------------|----------------|---------------|
| Male   | 78,310       | 2,276,305      | 153,247,412   |
| Female | 83,400       | 2,403,297      | 158,289,182   |

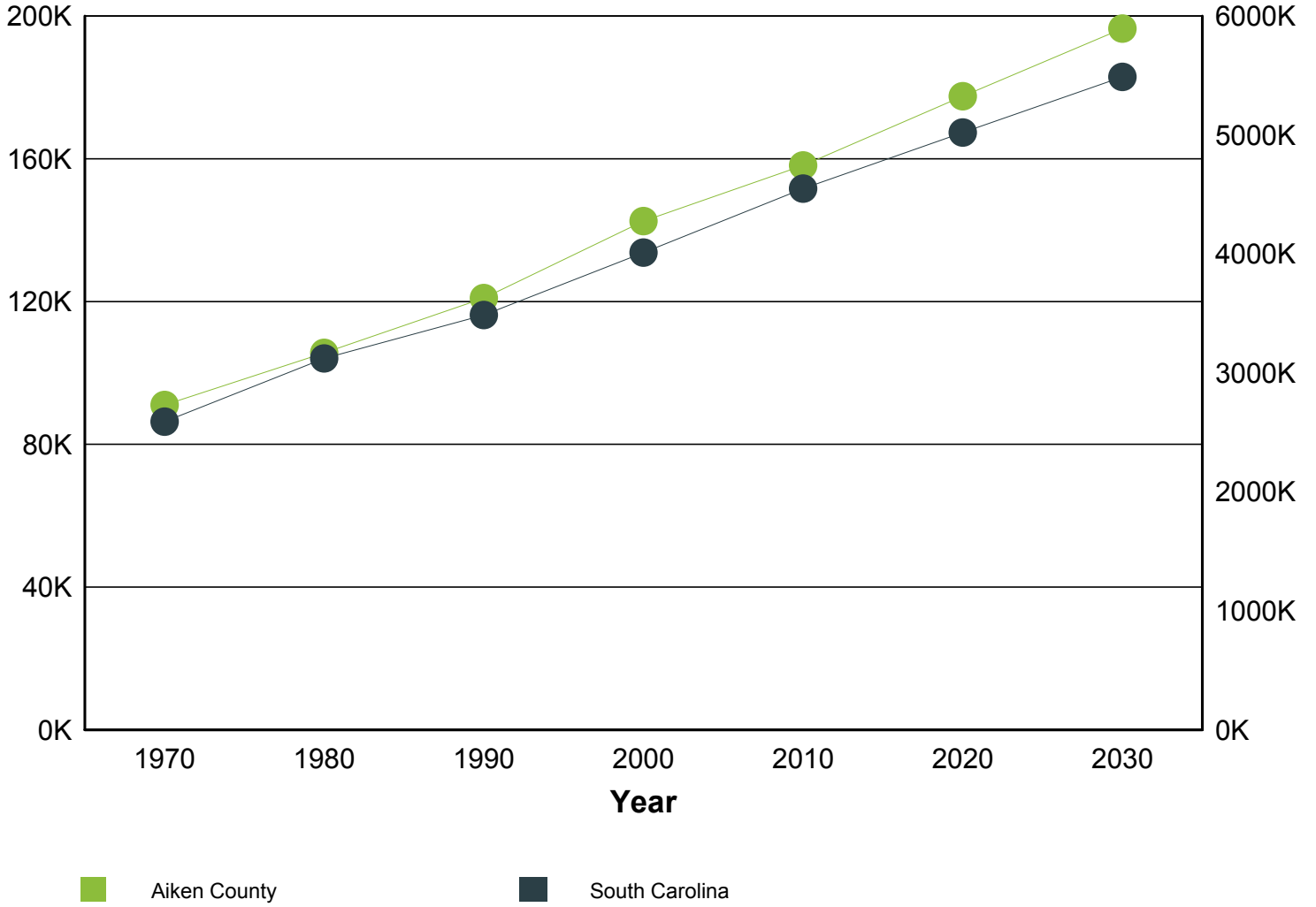
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# Population Change

Historical and Projected

Aiken County

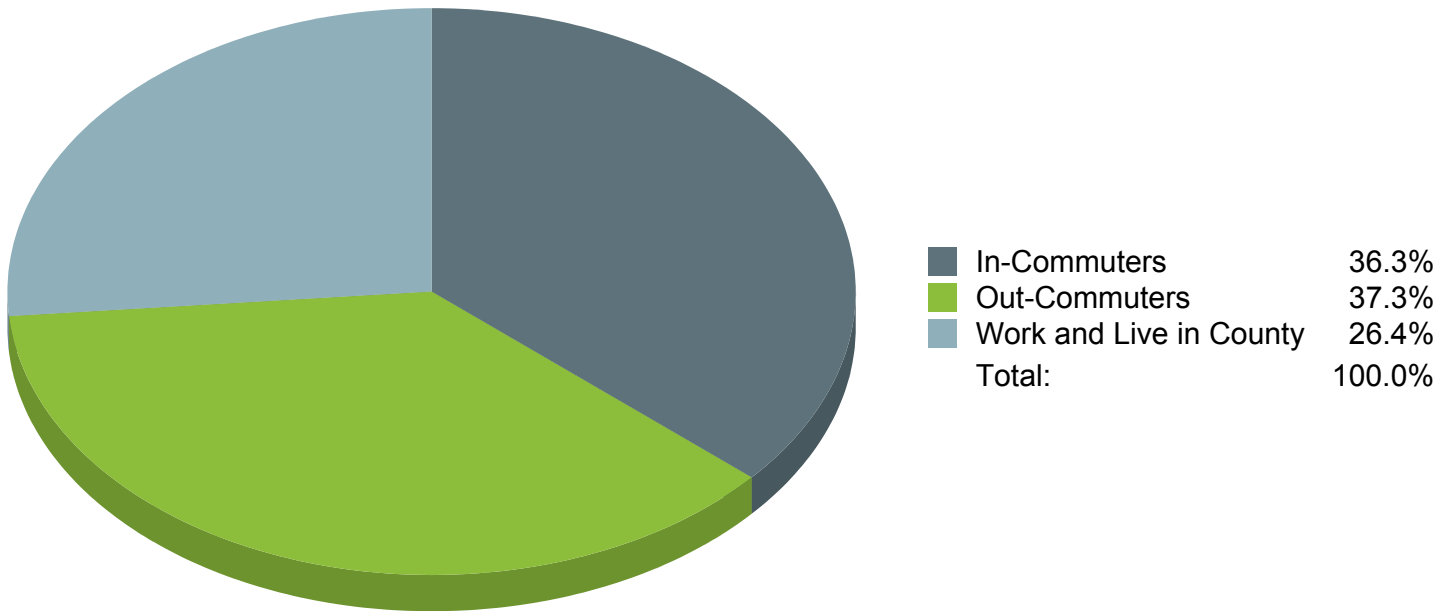
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| Year | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|------|--------------|----------------|
| 1970 | 91,023       | 2,590,713      |
| 1980 | 105,630      | 3,121,820      |
| 1990 | 120,991      | 3,486,310      |
| 2000 | 142,552      | 4,012,012      |
| 2010 | 158,120      | 4,549,150      |
| 2020 | 177,510      | 5,020,400      |
| 2030 | 196,500      | 5,488,460      |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## Commuting Patterns



| Commuting Patterns      | Workers |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Work and Live in County | 46,972  |
| In-Commuters            | 64,600  |
| Out-Commuters           | 66,422  |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

## Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting To

| Area                  | Workers |
|-----------------------|---------|
| RICHMOND COUNTY, GA   | 10,269  |
| COLUMBIA COUNTY, GA   | 1,664   |
| Lexington County, SC  | 1,643   |
| Edgefield County, SC  | 1,201   |
| Richland County, SC   | 1,097   |
| Barnwell County, SC   | 977     |
| Saluda County, SC     | 386     |
| Greenville County, SC | 163     |
| Orangeburg County, SC | 116     |
| Allendale County, SC  | 110     |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

## Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting From

| Area                  | Workers |
|-----------------------|---------|
| RICHMOND COUNTY, GA   | 5,699   |
| COLUMBIA COUNTY, GA   | 3,840   |
| Edgefield County, SC  | 3,320   |
| Barnwell County, SC   | 1,234   |
| Lexington County, SC  | 816     |
| Saluda County, SC     | 400     |
| Bamberg County, SC    | 325     |
| Orangeburg County, SC | 273     |
| BURKE COUNTY, GA      | 175     |
| Allendale County, SC  | 149     |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

## Employers by Size of Establishment

| Employees  | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|------------|--------------|----------------|
| 0 to 4     | 1,459        | 73,908         |
| 5 to 9     | 591          | 20,075         |
| 10 to 19   | 393          | 14,598         |
| 20 to 49   | 266          | 11,233         |
| 50 to 99   | 106          | 4,380          |
| 100 to 249 | 55           | 2,757          |
| 250 to 499 | 17           | 834            |
| 500 to 999 | 6            | 382            |
| 1000 +     | 8            | 297            |

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2016 Q4  
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## Employment by Size of Establishment

| Employees  | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|------------|--------------|----------------|
| 0 to 4     | 2,384        | 110,956        |
| 5 to 9     | 3,973        | 133,646        |
| 10 to 19   | 5,365        | 198,475        |
| 20 to 49   | 7,844        | 342,297        |
| 50 to 99   | 7,359        | 301,791        |
| 100 to 249 | 8,649        | 415,922        |
| 250 to 499 | 5,579        | 289,015        |
| 500 to 999 | 3,689        | 261,477        |
| 1000 +     | 19,626       | 762,450        |

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2016 Q4  
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## 20 Largest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

### Corporation Name

AGY AIKEN LLC

AIKEN COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION

AIKEN REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTERS INC

AUSTIN MAINTENANCE & CONSTRUCTION I

BRIDGESTONE AMERICAS TIRE OPERATION

CB&I PROJECT SERVICES GROUP LLC

CENTERRA GROUP LLC

CITY OF AIKEN

COUNTY OF AIKEN

DEPT OF ENERGY

EDWARD D. JONES ET AL.

HUBBELL POWER SYSTEMS

KIMBERLY CLARK CORPORATION

SAVANNAH RIVER NUCLEAR SOLUTIONS LL

SAVANNAH RIVER REMEDIATION LLC

SHAW INDUSTRIES GROUP INC

TRI-DEVELOPMENT CENTER OF AIKEN

UNIVERSITY OF SC

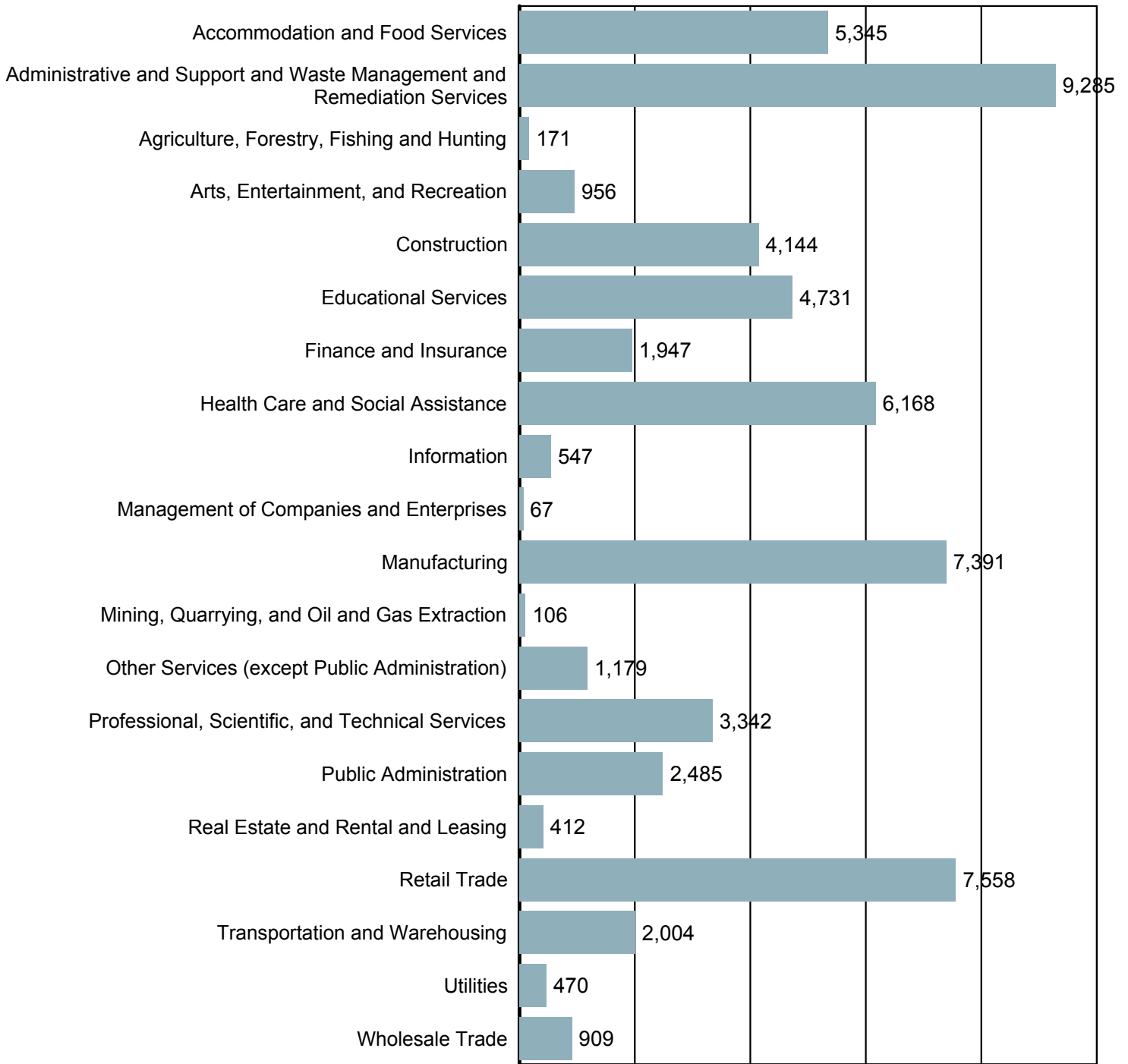
UPS CUSTOMHOUSE BROKERAGE INC

WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2016 Q4



### Employment by Industry

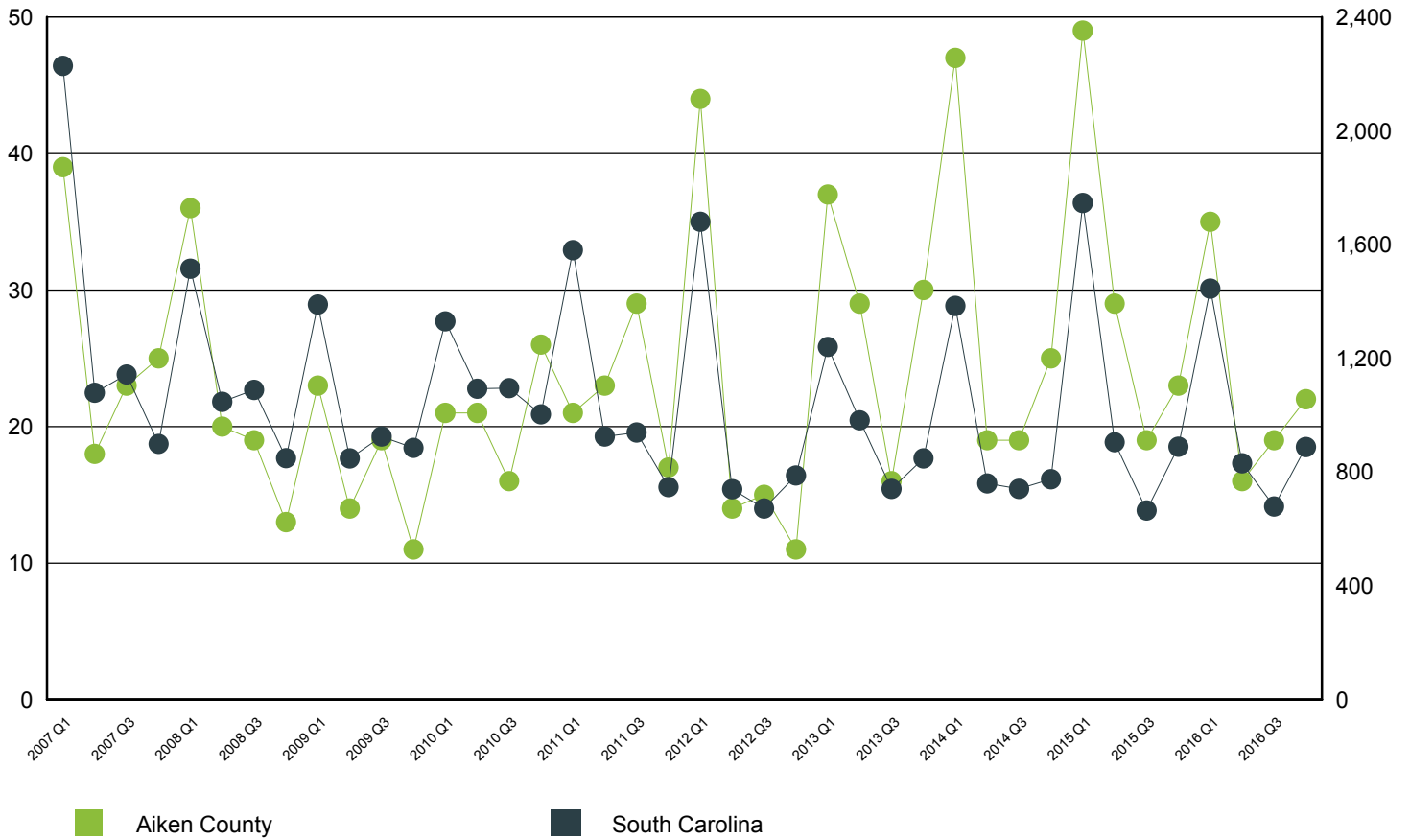


Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce  
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2016 Q4

# New Startup Firms

Aiken County

South Carolina



| Quarter | Aiken County | South Carolina |
|---------|--------------|----------------|
| 2016 Q4 | 22           | 888            |
| 2016 Q3 | 19           | 679            |
| 2016 Q2 | 16           | 831            |
| 2016 Q1 | 35           | 1,445          |
| 2015 Q4 | 23           | 889            |
| 2015 Q3 | 19           | 665            |
| 2015 Q2 | 29           | 905            |
| 2015 Q1 | 49           | 1,746          |
| 2014 Q4 | 25           | 775            |
| 2014 Q3 | 19           | 741            |
| 2014 Q2 | 19           | 760            |
| 2014 Q1 | 47           | 1,384          |
| 2013 Q4 | 30           | 848            |
| 2013 Q3 | 16           | 741            |
| 2013 Q2 | 29           | 982            |
| 2013 Q1 | 37           | 1,240          |
| 2012 Q4 | 11           | 788            |
| 2012 Q3 | 15           | 672            |
| 2012 Q2 | 14           | 740            |
| 2012 Q1 | 44           | 1,680          |

Note: A firm is included in the count when it does not have a UI Account Number in the previous quarter and has a Setup Date that falls in the quarter displayed.

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

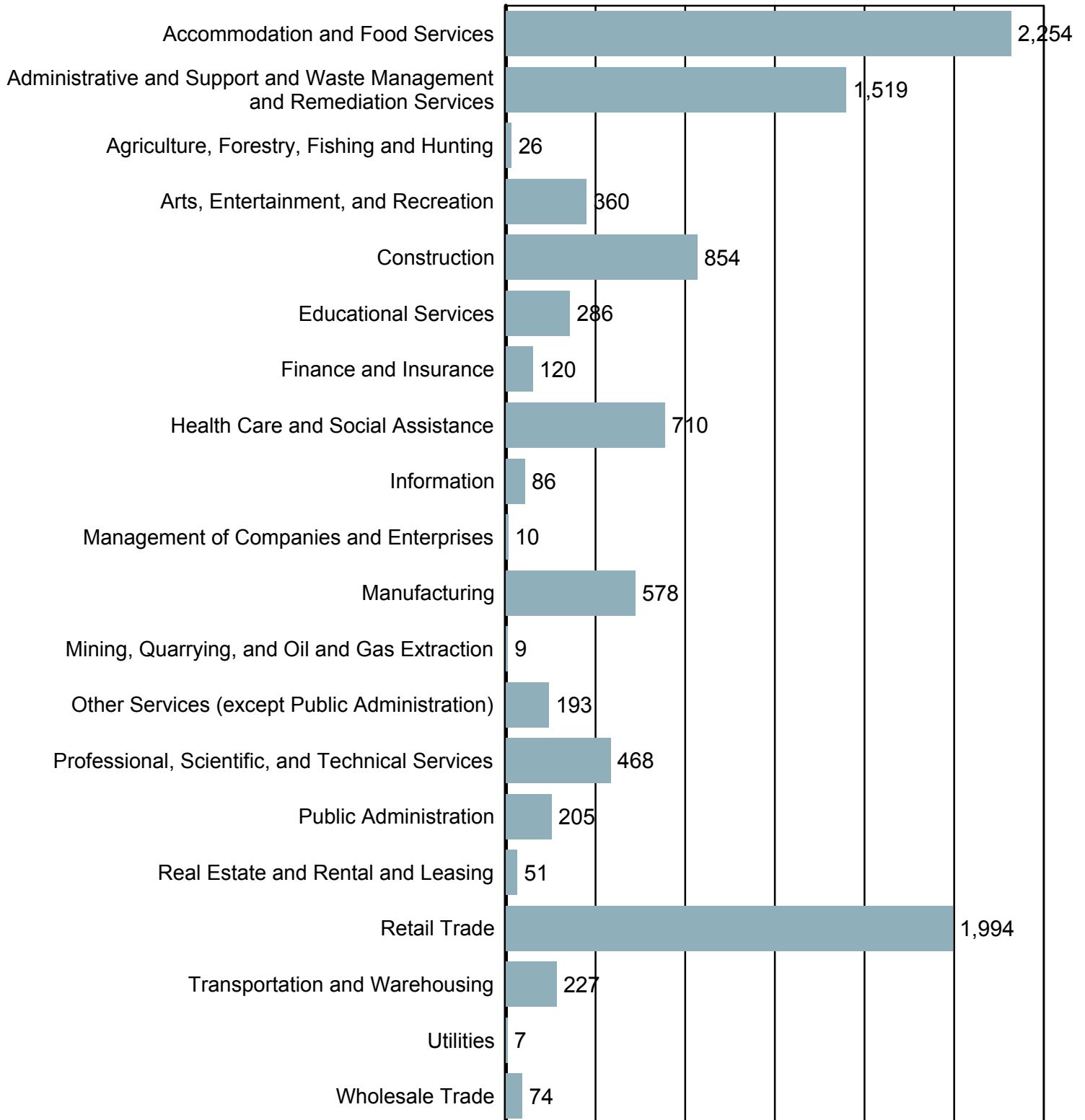
## Top 20 Occupational Openings

Aiken County  
April-2016

| Occupation Name (Soccode)  | Job Openings |
|--|--------------|
| Industrial Engineers (17-2112)   | 69           |
| Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)                            | 62           |
| Registered Nurses (29-1141)  | 56           |
| First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)     | 36           |
| First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)                     | 36           |
| Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food (35-3021) | 31           |
| Retail Salespersons (41-2031)  | 31           |
| Electrical Engineers (17-2071)   | 29           |
| Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093)                                | 26           |
| Physical Therapists (29-1123)  | 24           |
| Speech-Language Pathologists (29-1127)                                       | 22           |
| Civil Engineers (17-2051)  | 20           |
| First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers (51-1011)         | 20           |
| Vocational Education Teachers, Postsecondary (25-1194)                       | 19           |
| Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)                            | 18           |
| Business Operations Specialists, All Other (13-1199)                         | 16           |
| General and Operations Managers (11-1021)                                    | 16           |
| Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)                  | 16           |
| Mechanical Engineers (17-2141)   | 16           |
| Physical Therapist Assistants (31-2021)                                      | 16           |

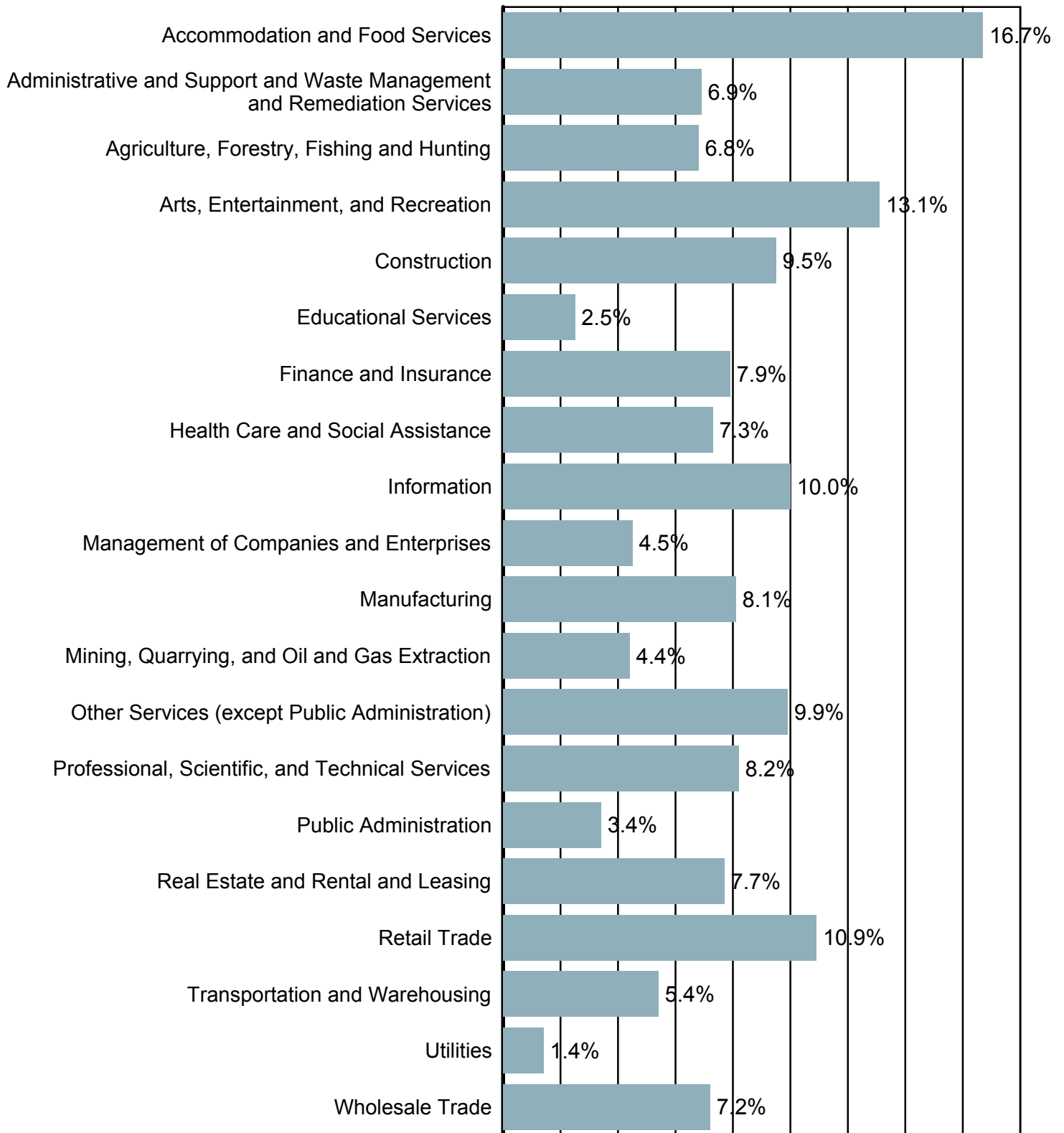
Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce & The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® data series

### New Hires by Industry



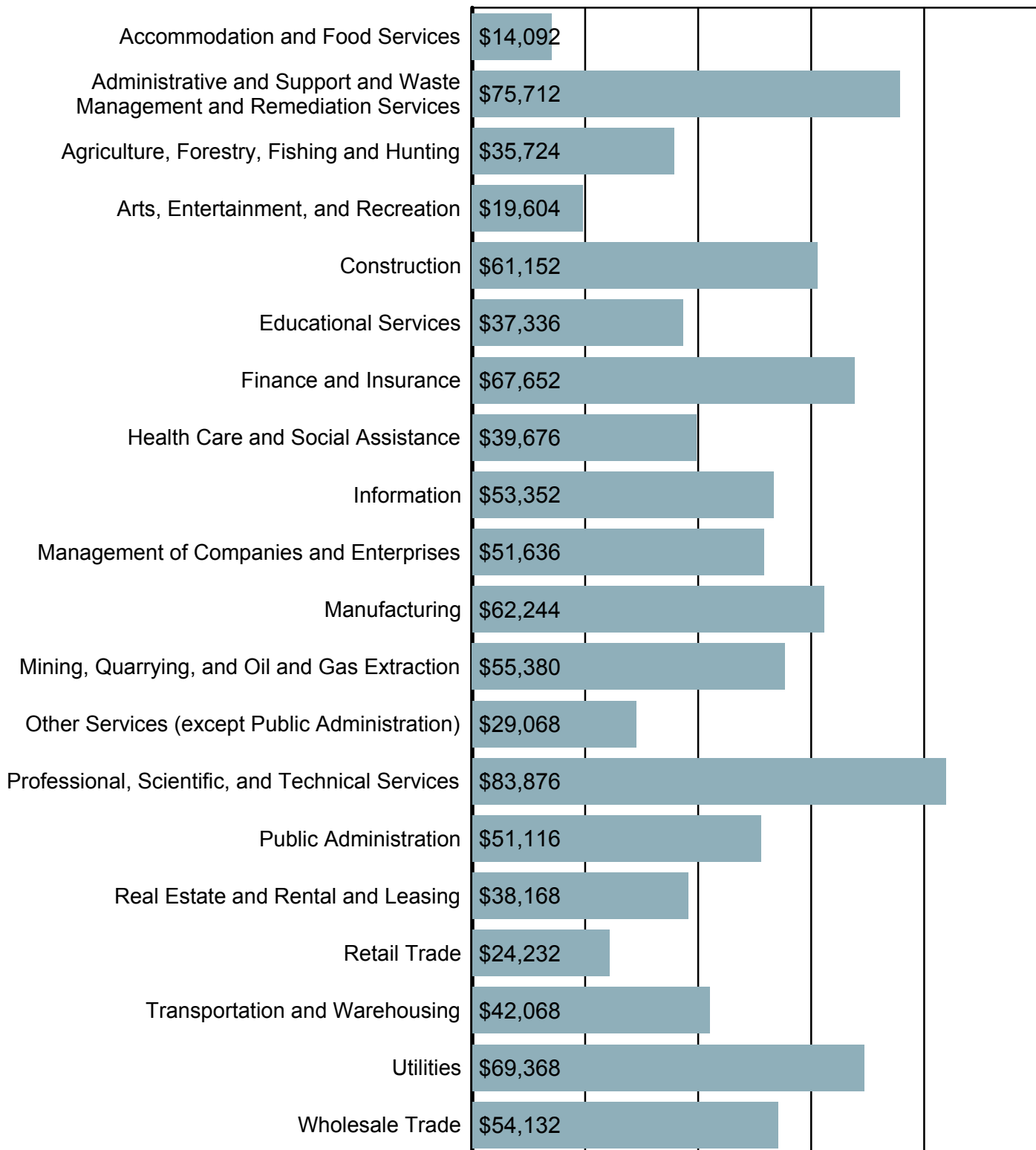
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - 2016 Q2

### Turnover by Industry



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - 2013 Q3

## Average Annual Wage by Industry



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce  
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2016 Q4

## Age of Workers by Industry

| Industry                                      | 14-18 | 19-21 | 22-24 | 25-34  | 35-44  | 45-54  | 55-64  | 65+   |
|---|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| Total, All Industries                         | 1,073 | 2,262 | 3,299 | 11,873 | 11,699 | 13,413 | 11,646 | 3,181 |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting    | 4     | 5     | 6     | 37     | 38     | 39     | 36     | 17    |
| Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction | 0     | 3     | 0     | 23     | 21     | 34     | 29     | 3     |
| Utilities                                     | 0     | 4     | 11    | 81     | 97     | 140    | 91     | 12    |
| Construction                                  | 15    | 97    | 233   | 865    | 846    | 1,112  | 1,048  | 202   |
| Manufacturing                                 | 19    | 94    | 275   | 1,428  | 1,865  | 2,096  | 1,359  | 157   |
| Wholesale Trade                               | 3     | 12    | 43    | 217    | 245    | 248    | 210    | 55    |
| Retail Trade                                  | 170   | 566   | 639   | 1,511  | 1,065  | 1,126  | 873    | 419   |
| Transportation and Warehousing                | 9     | 26    | 75    | 416    | 470    | 377    | 232    | 38    |
| Information                                   | 6     | 8     | 50    | 153    | 115    | 119    | 99     | 36    |
| Finance and Insurance                         | 0     | 25    | 90    | 501    | 525    | 472    | 407    | 145   |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing            | 0     | 9     | 19    | 59     | 82     | 81     | 75     | 39    |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi | 13    | 52    | 132   | 798    | 854    | 957    | 1,040  | 344   |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises       | 0     | 0     | 4     | 19     | 21     | 31     | 20     | 7     |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Manageme | 21    | 157   | 339   | 1,224  | 1,161  | 2,424  | 2,820  | 485   |
| Educational Services                          | 21    | 35    | 112   | 920    | 1,224  | 1,357  | 1,122  | 331   |
| Health Care and Social Assistance             | 27    | 98    | 279   | 1,389  | 1,408  | 1,290  | 1,101  | 341   |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation           | 41    | 90    | 103   | 203    | 158    | 166    | 132    | 87    |
| Accommodation and Food Services               | 680   | 881   | 722   | 1,377  | 818    | 595    | 360    | 120   |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 23    | 62    | 80    | 253    | 233    | 234    | 175    | 103   |
| Public Administration                         | 14    | 37    | 86    | 396    | 454    | 517    | 415    | 241   |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - 2016 Q2

## Labor Market Projections

*Total Employment by Industry*  
(County/Metropolitan Statistical Area Data Unavailable)

Note: Projections are available by Workforce Investment Area (WIA). The data displayed is selected from the appropriate WIA.

| Lower Savannah<br>Industry                                   | 2014<br>Estimated<br>Employment | 2024<br>Projected<br>Employment | Change | Percent<br>Change | Annual<br>Percent |
|--|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Total Employment, All Jobs                                   | 114,422                         | 126,114                         | 11,692 | 10.22             | 0.98              |
| Health care and social assistance                            | 11,117                          | 13,683                          | 2,566  | 23.08             | 2.10              |
| Administrative and support and waste management and remediat | 10,421                          | 12,131                          | 1,710  | 16.41             | 1.53              |
| Educational services; state, local, and private              | 10,716                          | 12,370                          | 1,654  | 15.43             | 1.45              |
| Accommodation and food services                              | 8,864                           | 9,804                           | 940    | 10.60             | 1.01              |
| Construction   | 4,808                           | 5,696                           | 888    | 18.47             | 1.71              |
| Retail Trade   | 13,360                          | 14,150                          | 790    | 5.91              | 0.58              |
| Wholesale trade  | 2,121                           | 2,698                           | 577    | 27.20             | 2.44              |
| Manufacturing  | 16,929                          | 17,270                          | 341    | 2.01              | 0.20              |
| Finance and insurance  | 2,963                           | 3,298                           | 335    | 11.31             | 1.08              |
| Transportation and Warehousing                               | 2,569                           | 2,766                           | 197    | 7.67              | 0.74              |
| Other services (except public administration)                | 2,645                           | 2,810                           | 165    | 6.24              | 0.61              |
| Arts, entertainment, and recreation                          | 1,206                           | 1,304                           | 98     | 8.13              | 0.78              |
| Real estate and rental and leasing                           | 583                             | 639                             | 56     | 9.61              | 0.92              |
| Information  | 725                             | 780                             | 55     | 7.59              | 0.73              |
| Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction                | 112                             | 116                             | 4      | 3.57              | 0.35              |
| Utilities  | 827                             | 830                             | 3      | 0.36              | 0.04              |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting                  | 5,350                           | 4,925                           | -425   | -7.94             | -0.82             |

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



## Labor Market Projections

*Total Employment by Occupation*  
(County/Metropolitan Statistical Area Data Unavailable)

Note: Projections are available by Workforce Investment Area (WIA). The data displayed is selected from the appropriate WIA.

| Lower Savannah   | 2014                 | 2024                 |                    |                   |                 |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Occupation   | Estimated Employment | Projected Employment | Openings (Replace) | Openings (Growth) | Annual Openings |
| Total, all occupations                                     | 114,422              | 126,114              | 2,717              | 1,281             | 3,998           |
| Management occupations                                     | 8,029                | 8,484                | 172                | 59                | 231             |
| Business and financial operations occupations              | 3,387                | 3,971                | 79                 | 60                | 139             |
| Computer and mathematical occupations                      | 803                  | 952                  | 11                 | 15                | 26              |
| Architecture and engineering occupations                   | 1,563                | 1,719                | 40                 | 17                | 57              |
| Life, physical, and social science occupations             | 544                  | 615                  | 17                 | 7                 | 24              |
| Community and social service occupations                   | 1,622                | 1,924                | 36                 | 30                | 66              |
| Legal occupations  | 950                  | 1,150                | 18                 | 20                | 38              |
| Education, training, and library occupations               | 5,890                | 6,966                | 130                | 108               | 238             |
| Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations | 791                  | 870                  | 20                 | 8                 | 28              |
| Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations         | 4,825                | 5,596                | 105                | 77                | 182             |
| Healthcare support occupations                             | 2,939                | 3,666                | 66                 | 74                | 140             |
| Protective service occupations                             | 2,800                | 3,071                | 67                 | 27                | 94              |
| Food preparation and serving related occupations           | 9,327                | 10,373               | 311                | 117               | 428             |
| Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations  | 5,269                | 6,098                | 104                | 83                | 187             |
| Personal care and service occupations                      | 2,210                | 2,592                | 53                 | 38                | 91              |
| Sales and related occupations                              | 10,024               | 11,012               | 323                | 99                | 422             |
| Office and administrative support occupations              | 17,328               | 18,641               | 349                | 151               | 500             |
| Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations                 | 3,344                | 3,016                | 86                 | 3                 | 89              |
| Construction and extraction occupations                    | 4,874                | 5,628                | 77                 | 76                | 153             |
| Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations          | 6,040                | 6,654                | 144                | 63                | 207             |
| Production occupations                                     | 12,306               | 12,661               | 282                | 53                | 335             |
| Transportation and material moving occupations             | 9,557                | 10,455               | 229                | 94                | 323             |

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

## Labor Market Projections

*Growing Occupations*  
(County/Metropolitan Statistical Area Data Unavailable)

Note: Projections are available by Workforce Investment Area (WIA). The data displayed is selected from the appropriate WIA.

| Lower Savannah   | 2014                 | 2024                 |                |         |        |       |                |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------|--------|-------|----------------|
| Occupation   | Estimated Employment | Projected Employment | Percent Change | Replace | Growth | Total | Average Salary |
| Physical therapist assistants                                | 40                   | 57                   | 43             | 1       | 2      | 3     | \$ 52,054      |
| Nurse practitioners  | 64                   | 89                   | 39             | 2       | 2      | 4     | \$ 92,641      |
| Home health aides  | 1,002                | 1,392                | 39             | 23      | 39     | 62    | \$ 19,539      |
| Interpreters and translators                                 | 21                   | 29                   | 38             | 0       | 1      | 1     | \$ 27,119      |
| Ambulance drivers and attendants, except emergency medical t | 51                   | 69                   | 35             | 1       | 2      | 3     | \$ 22,375      |
| Personal financial advisors                                  | 316                  | 424                  | 34             | 8       | 11     | 19    | \$ 40,171      |
| Physician assistants   | 83                   | 110                  | 33             | 2       | 3      | 5     | \$ 63,437      |
| Self-enrichment education teachers                           | 260                  | 341                  | 31             | 5       | 8      | 13    | \$ 29,845      |
| Occupational therapists                                      | 68                   | 89                   | 31             | 1       | 2      | 3     | \$ 49,311      |
| Market research analysts and marketing specialists           | 86                   | 112                  | 30             | 1       | 3      | 4     | \$ 60,529      |
| Personal care aides  | 302                  | 393                  | 30             | 2       | 9      | 11    | \$ 17,915      |
| Construction and building inspectors                         | 164                  | 213                  | 30             | 5       | 5      | 10    | \$ 39,390      |
| Computer systems analysts                                    | 151                  | 194                  | 28             | 2       | 4      | 6     | \$ 60,472      |
| Social and community service managers                        | 75                   | 96                   | 28             | 2       | 2      | 4     | \$ 60,069      |
| Healthcare social workers                                    | 219                  | 280                  | 28             | 5       | 6      | 11    | \$ 44,525      |
| Education administrators, preschool and childcare center/pro | 73                   | 93                   | 27             | 2       | 2      | 4     | \$ 49,061      |
| Electrical and electronics engineering technicians           | 157                  | 200                  | 27             | 4       | 4      | 8     | \$ 47,071      |
| Millwrights  | 133                  | 169                  | 27             | 3       | 4      | 7     | \$ 43,483      |
| Physical therapists  | 67                   | 84                   | 25             | 2       | 2      | 4     | \$ 103,607     |
| Heating, air conditioning, and refrigeration mechanics and i | 219                  | 274                  | 25             | 3       | 6      | 9     | \$ 41,782      |

Occupations are sorted by highest estimated percentage growth from estimate year to projection year.

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

## Labor Market Projections

### Declining Occupations

(County/Metropolitan Statistical Area Data Unavailable)

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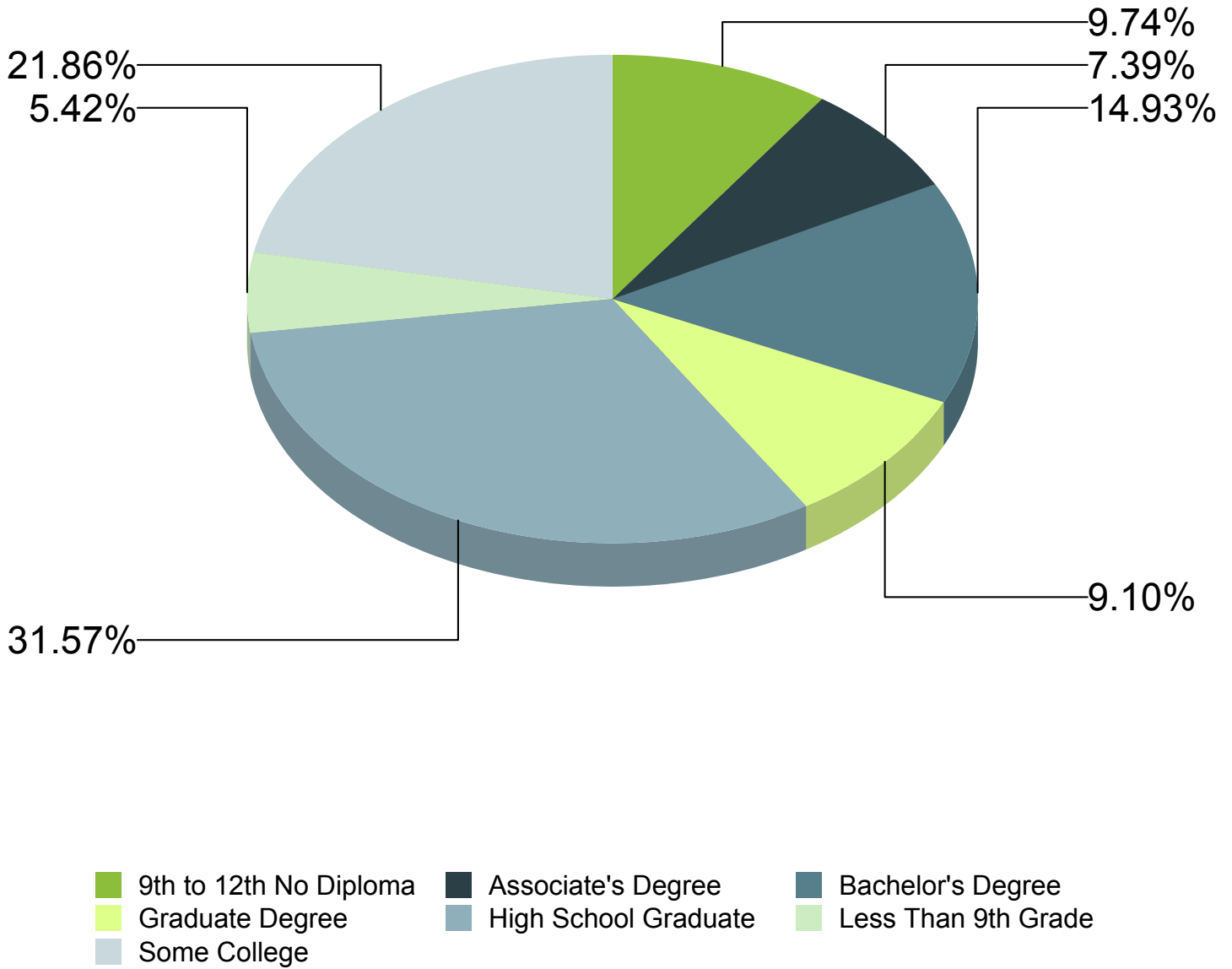
| Lower Savannah   | 2014                 | 2024                 |                |         |        |       |                |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------|--------|-------|----------------|
| Occupation   | Estimated Employment | Projected Employment | Percent Change | Replace | Growth | Total | Average Salary |
| Switchboard operators, including answering service           | 48                   | 31                   | -35            | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 21,955      |
| Cutting, punching, and press machine setters, operators, and | 24                   | 19                   | -21            | 0       | 0      | 0     | \$ 26,357      |
| Logging equipment operators                                  | 349                  | 277                  | -21            | 8       | 0      | 8     | \$ 38,077      |
| Medical transcriptionists                                    | 40                   | 32                   | -20            | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 34,946      |
| Meter readers, utilities                                     | 77                   | 65                   | -16            | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 33,904      |
| Postmasters and mail superintendents                         | 39                   | 33                   | -15            | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 68,344      |
| Postal service clerks  | 72                   | 61                   | -15            | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 43,417      |
| Postal service mail carriers                                 | 287                  | 244                  | -15            | 6       | 0      | 6     | \$ 49,233      |
| Computer operators   | 68                   | 58                   | -15            | 0       | 0      | 0     | \$ 29,300      |
| Extruding, forming, pressing, and compacting machine setters | 35                   | 31                   | -11            | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 35,940      |
| Information and record clerks, all other                     | 72                   | 64                   | -11            | 2       | 0      | 2     | \$ 34,222      |
| First-line supervisors of farming, fishing, and forestry wor | 227                  | 202                  | -11            | 6       | 0      | 6     | \$ 51,126      |
| Farmworkers and laborers, crop, nursery, and greenhouse      | 1,937                | 1,729                | -11            | 52      | 0      | 52    | \$ 21,939      |
| Data entry keyers  | 54                   | 49                   | -9             | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 22,739      |
| Order clerks   | 46                   | 43                   | -7             | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 37,666      |
| Packaging and filling machine operators and tenders          | 294                  | 277                  | -6             | 10      | 0      | 10    | \$ 41,571      |
| Mobile heavy equipment mechanics, except engines             | 129                  | 122                  | -5             | 3       | 0      | 3     | \$ 36,473      |
| Sawing machine setters, operators, and tenders, wood         | 38                   | 36                   | -5             | 1       | 0      | 1     | \$ 25,138      |
| Tool and die makers  | 57                   | 54                   | -5             | 0       | 0      | 0     | \$ 49,254      |
| Industrial production managers                               | 281                  | 267                  | -5             | 8       | 0      | 8     | \$ 117,623     |

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

### Educational Attainment

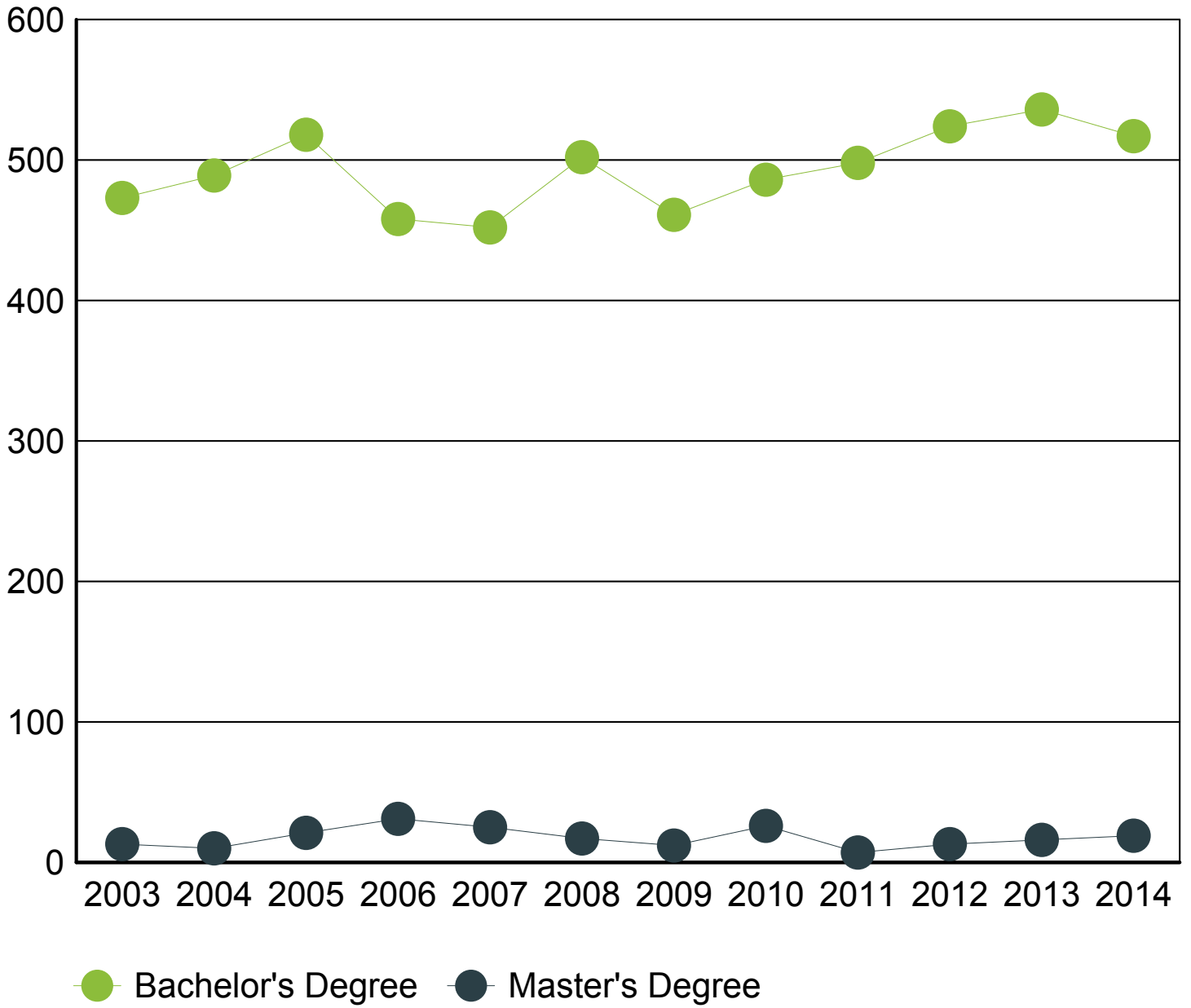
(Population 25 Years and Older)



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey - 2013 5-Year Estimates

### Graduate Trends

(Based On Graduates From Area Schools)



Source: Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System

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## Educational Institutions

Aiken School of Cosmetology  
225 Richland Ave East  
Aiken, SC 29801  
803.644.7133

<http://www.aikenschoolofcosmetology.com>

2014 Degrees Awarded: 17

Kenneth Shuler School of Cosmetology-North Augusta  
1113 Knox Avenue  
North Augusta, SC 29841  
803.278.1200

<http://www.kennethshuler.com>

2014 Degrees Awarded: 36

Aiken Technical College  
2276 Jefferson Davis Highway  
Graniteville, SC 29829  
803.508.7263

<http://www.atc.edu>

2014 Degrees Awarded: 703

University of South Carolina-Aiken  
471 University Pkwy  
Aiken, SC 29801  
803.648.6851

<http://web.usca.edu>

2014 Degrees Awarded: 536

*Source: Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System*