

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

Dorchester County



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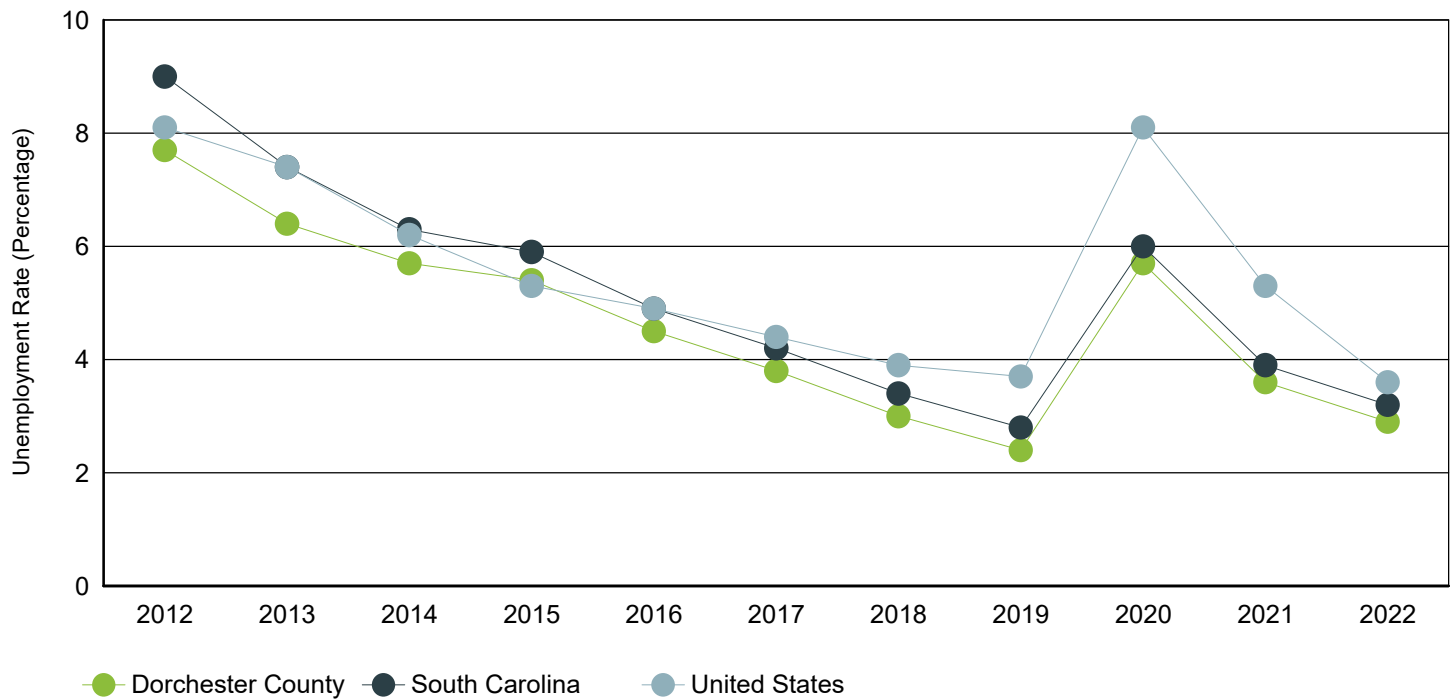
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## Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

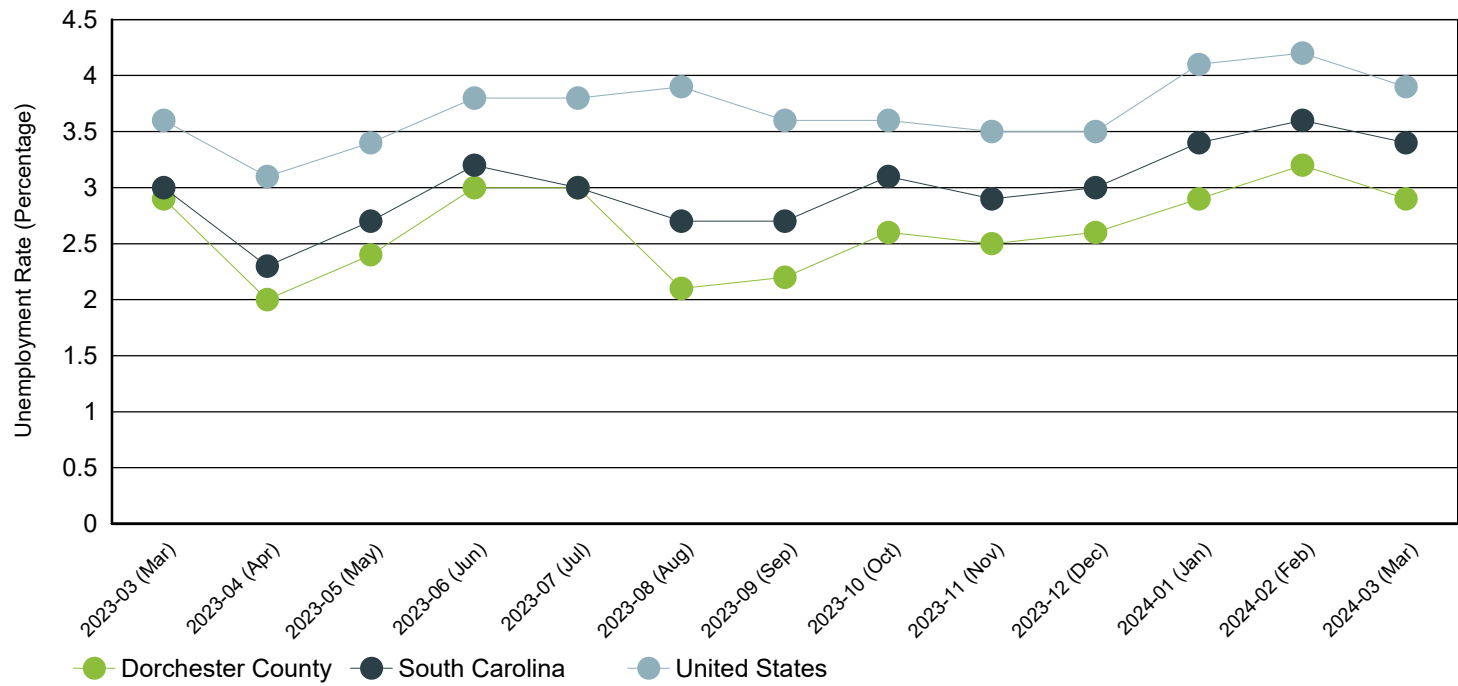


Dorchester County				South Carolina			United States		
Year	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2022	77,174	2,306	2.9%	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	74,645	2,783	3.6%	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	71,646	4,292	5.7%	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	74,601	1,858	2.4%	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	72,490	2,208	3.0%	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	69,888	2,752	3.8%	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	69,685	3,269	4.5%	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	68,727	3,934	5.4%	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	66,286	3,990	5.7%	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	64,419	4,439	6.4%	2,034,404	163,472	7.4%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%
2012	63,096	5,231	7.7%	1,992,957	197,246	9.0%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.1%

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

Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



Period	Dorchester County	South Carolina	United States
Mar 2024	2.9%	3.4%	3.9%
Feb 2024	3.2%	3.6%	4.2%
Jan 2024	2.9%	3.4%	4.1%
Dec 2023	2.6%	3.0%	3.5%
Nov 2023	2.5%	2.9%	3.5%
Oct 2023	2.6%	3.1%	3.6%
Sep 2023	2.2%	2.7%	3.6%
Aug 2023	2.1%	2.7%	3.9%
Jul 2023	3.0%	3.0%	3.8%
Jun 2023	3.0%	3.2%	3.8%
May 2023	2.4%	2.7%	3.4%
Apr 2023	2.0%	2.3%	3.1%
Mar 2023	2.9%	3.0%	3.6%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

Period	Dorchester County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Mar-24	83,265	2,494	2.9%		2,399,623	77,961	3.1%	
Feb-24	82,155	2,696	3.2%		2,396,195	76,424	3.1%	
Jan-24	81,881	2,447	2.9%		2,396,514	75,325	3.0%	
Dec-23	83,723	2,242	2.6%		2,395,427	74,873	3.0%	
Nov-23	84,103	2,166	2.5%		2,395,934	74,957	3.0%	
Oct-23	83,286	2,235	2.6%	2,883	2,396,218	74,511	3.0%	91,724
Sep-23	82,663	1,880	2.2%	3,276	2,394,416	72,805	3.0%	101,555
Aug-23	82,910	1,755	2.1%	3,352	2,391,519	70,907	2.9%	102,287
Jul-23	83,820	2,585	3.0%	3,352	2,387,893	69,547	2.8%	112,508
Jun-23	82,731	2,542	3.0%	3,063	2,383,328	69,189	2.8%	113,533
May-23	81,958	2,046	2.4%	3,555	2,378,120	69,850	2.9%	124,397
Apr-23	81,608	1,703	2.0%	3,183	2,371,767	70,923	2.9%	117,601
Mar-23	80,615	2,390	2.9%	2,930	2,363,908	72,030	3.0%	111,937

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

## Employers by Size of Establishment

Employees	Dorchester County	South Carolina
0 to 4	2,449	131,475
5 to 9	413	17,980
10 to 19	375	12,142
20 to 49	276	8,734
50 to 99	90	3,033
100 to 249	48	1,895
250 to 499	15	613
500 to 999	0	304
1000 +	0	233

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

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## Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Dorchester County	South Carolina
0 to 4	2,571	132,343
5 to 9	2,740	118,704
10 to 19	5,187	164,578
20 to 49	8,296	265,021
50 to 99	6,334	209,933
100 to 249	7,231	293,805
250 to 499	5,251	209,837
500 to 999	0	210,928
1000 +	0	645,300

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

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## 20 Largest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

### Corporation Name

BUILDER SERVICES GROUP INC

DORCHESTER COUNTY

DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT #2

DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT #4

FOOD LION LLC

HARRIS TEETER LLC

KEY WEST BOATS INC

KION NORTH AMERICA CORPORATION

MAU INC

PRESBYTERIAN HOME OF SOUTH CAROLINA

PUBLIX SUPER MARKET INC

ROBERT BOSCH CORPORATION

SC DEPT OF DISABILITIES & SPECIAL N

SCOUT BOATS INC.

SHOWA DENKO CARBON INC

SPHERION STAFFING LLC

SPORTSMAN BOATS MANUFACTURING INC

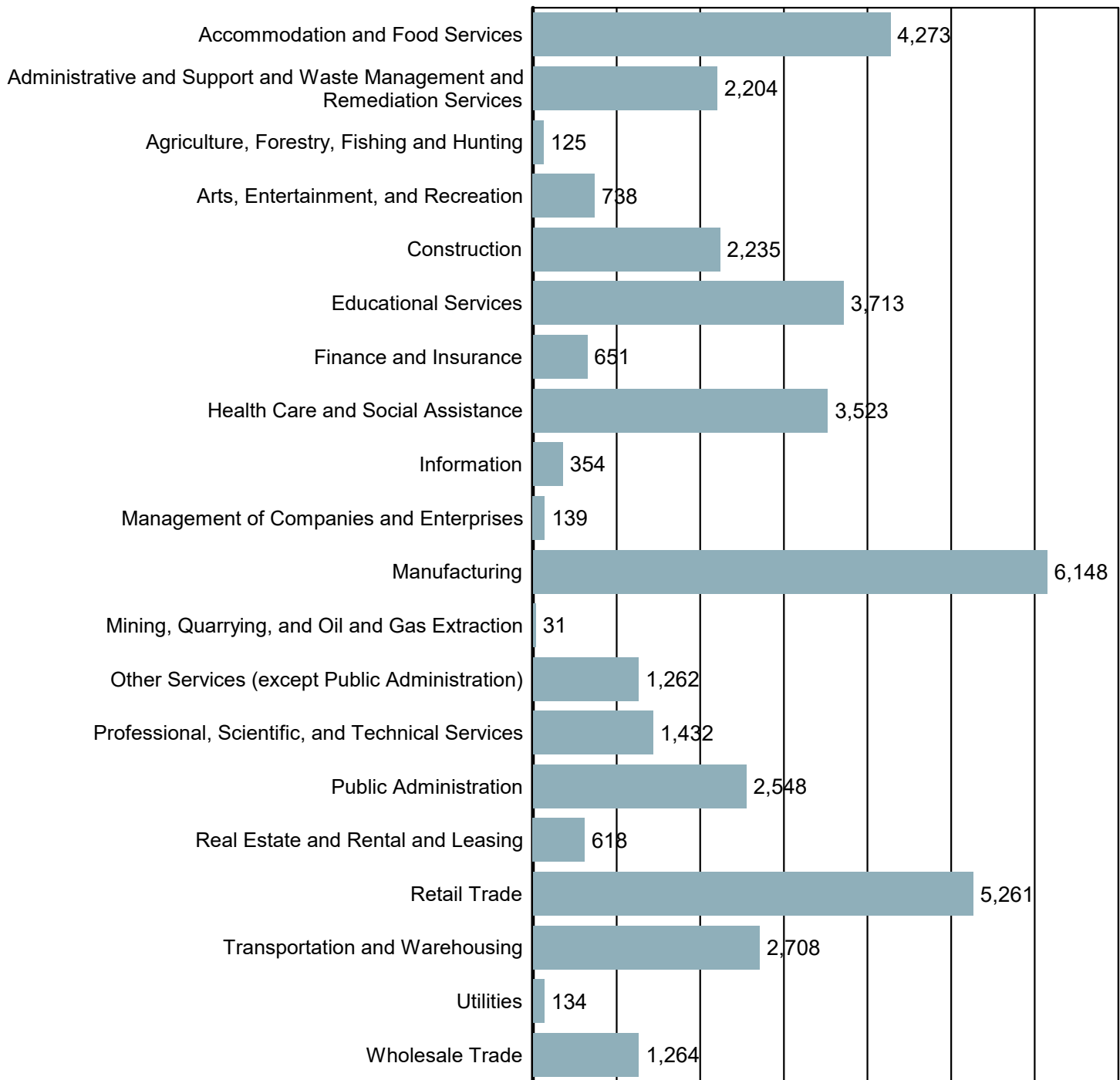
TA OPERATING CORPORATION

TOWN OF SUMMERVILLE

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



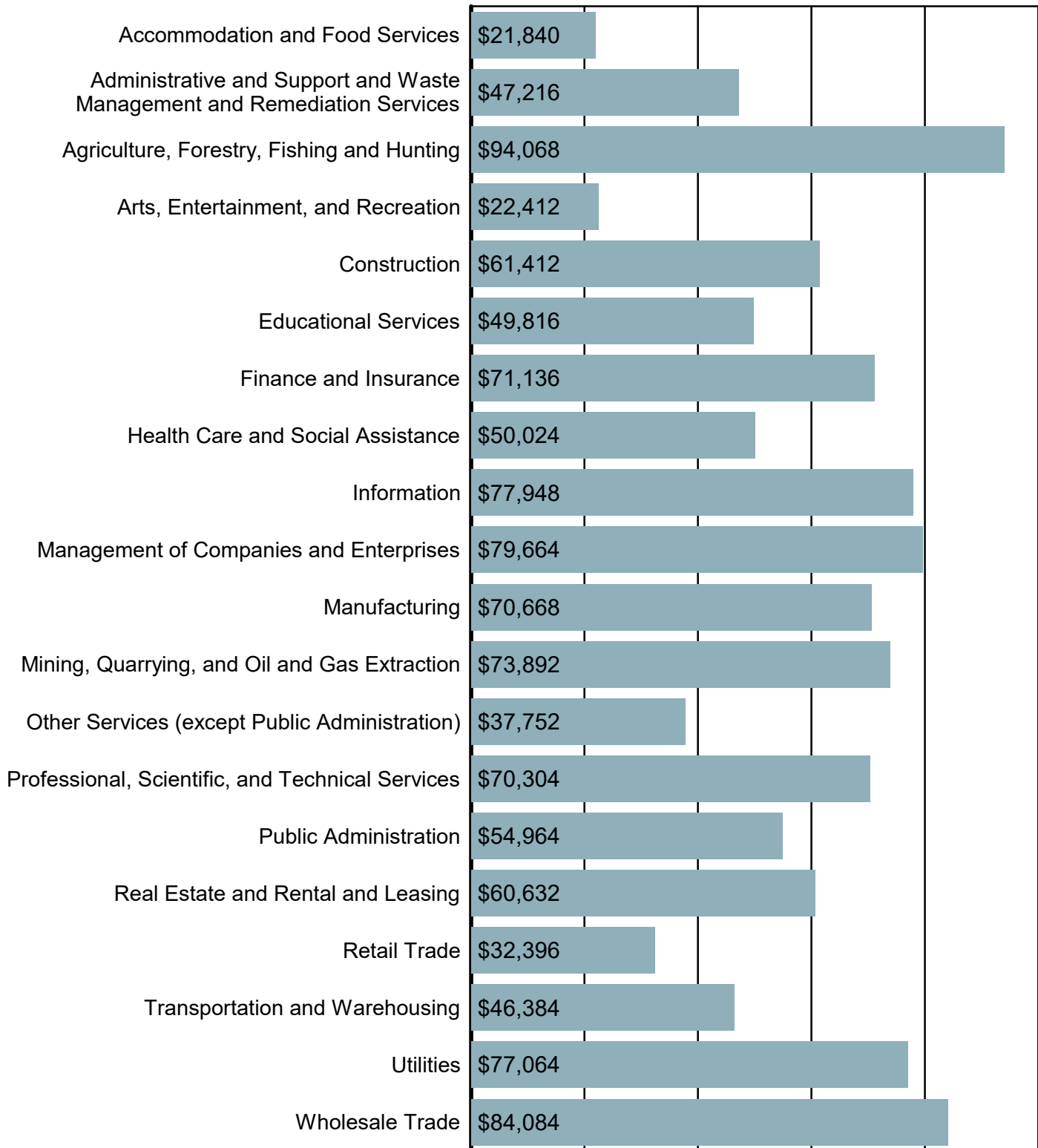
## Top 20 Occupational Openings

*Dorchester County  
October-2023*

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	145
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	134
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	123
Fast Food and Counter Workers (35-3023)	76
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand (53-7062)	57
Food Service Managers (11-9051)	55
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	54
Sales Representatives, Wholesale and Manufacturing, Except Technical and Scientific Products (41-4012)	50
Automotive Service Technicians and Mechanics (49-3023)	49
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	46
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners (37-2011)	46
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	43
Waiters and Waitresses (35-3031)	42
Driver/Sales Workers (53-3031)	39
Cashiers (41-2011)	38
Stockers and Order Fillers (53-7065)	38
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)	36
Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other (29-2099)	35
Merchandise Displayers and Window Trimmers (27-1026)	35
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	31

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*  
(County/Metropolitan Statistical Area Data Unavailable)

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

Trident Industry	2020 Estimated Employment	2030 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total All Industries	371,648	427,407	55,759	15.00	1.41
Accommodation and Food Services	36,379	47,118	10,739	29.52	2.62
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	23,631	30,544	6,913	29.25	2.60
Government	28,852	34,881	6,029	20.90	1.92
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	28,585	33,234	4,649	16.26	1.52
Manufacturing	27,941	32,295	4,354	15.58	1.46
Educational Services	27,800	31,959	4,159	14.96	1.40
Retail Trade	41,391	45,437	4,046	9.78	0.94
Transportation and Warehousing	14,200	17,604	3,404	23.97	2.17
Other Services (except Government)	17,214	20,282	3,068	17.82	1.65
Wholesale Trade	10,286	12,145	1,859	18.07	1.68
Construction	20,499	22,299	1,800	8.78	0.85
Finance and Insurance	8,751	10,348	1,597	18.25	1.69
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	4,678	5,871	1,193	25.50	2.30
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	6,654	7,607	953	14.32	1.35
Information	5,485	6,158	673	12.27	1.16
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2,606	2,847	241	9.25	0.89
Utilities	1,127	1,178	51	4.53	0.44
Mining	209	226	17	8.13	0.79
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	697	654	-43	-6.17	-0.63
Health Care and Social Assistance	42,792	41,735	-1,057	-2.47	-0.25

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