

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Laurens County



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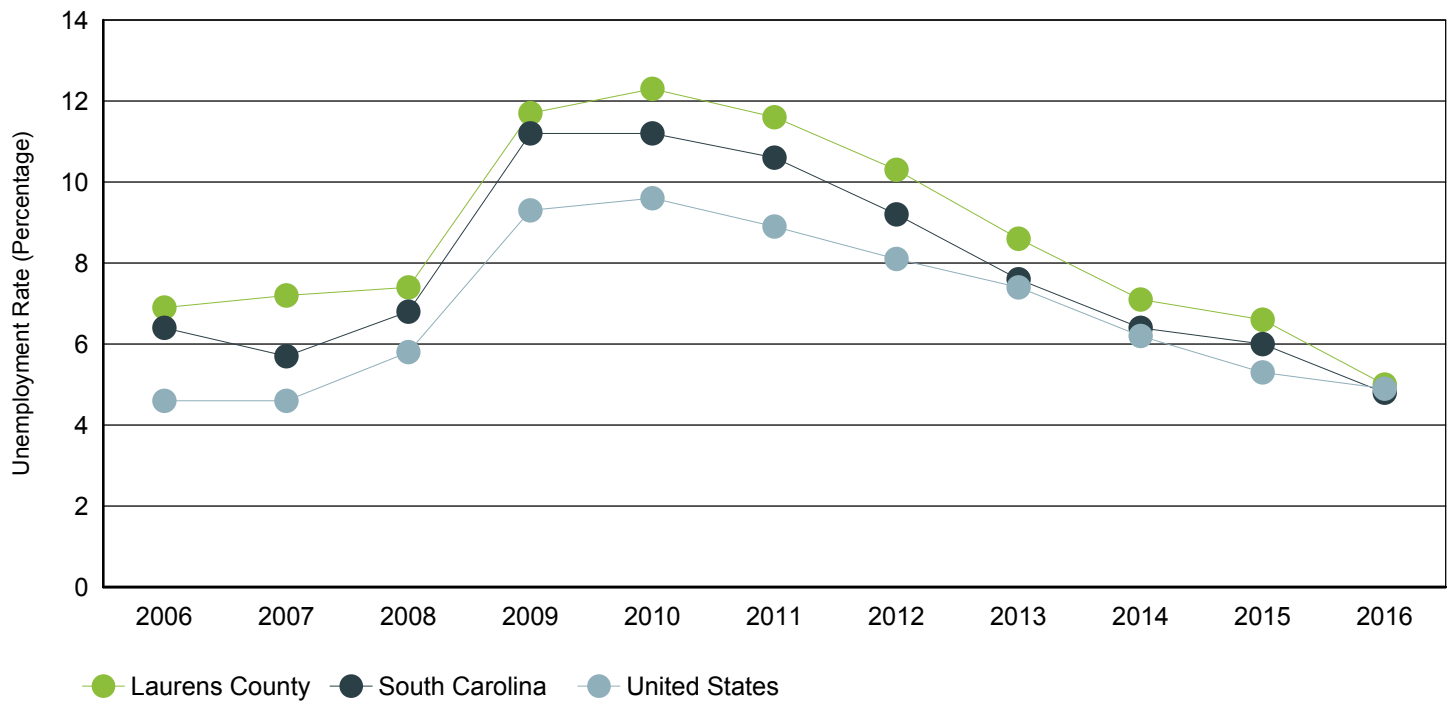
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Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

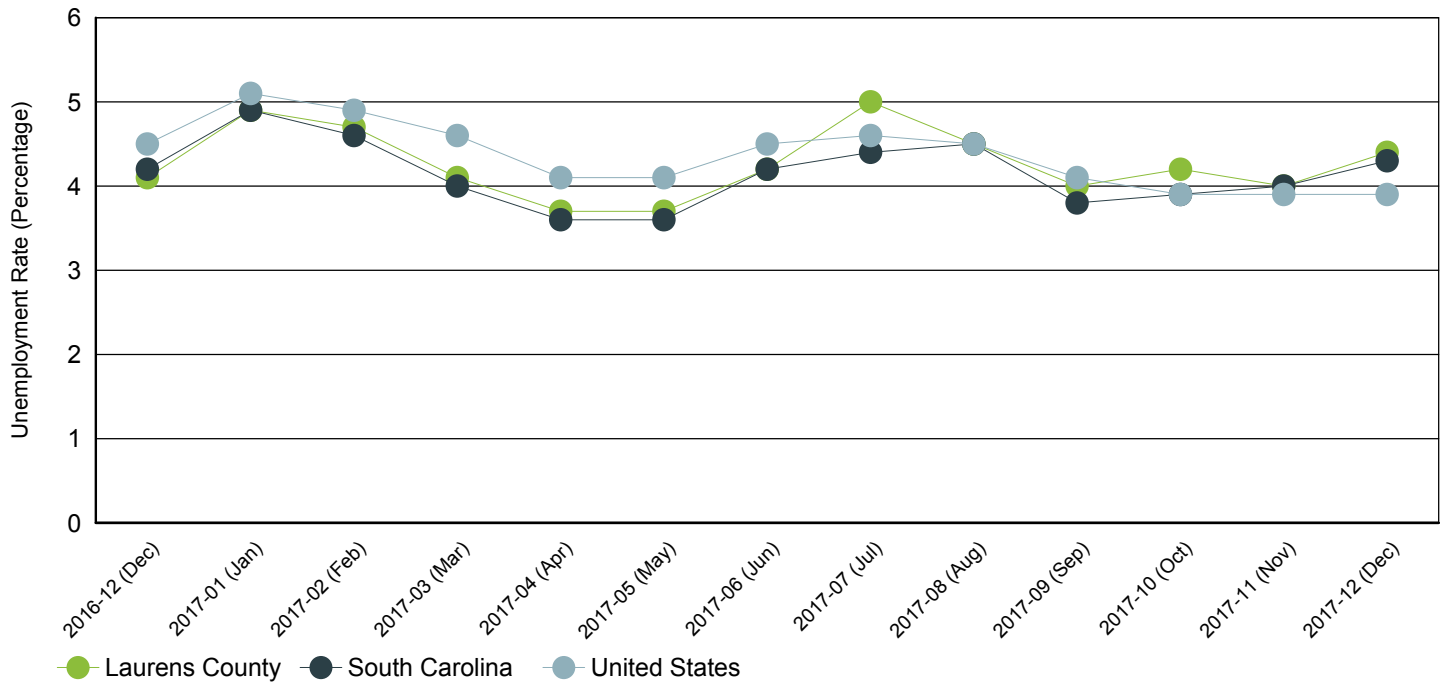


Year	Laurens County			South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2016	28,873	1,530	5.0%	2,186,740	111,067	4.8%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	28,309	1,990	6.6%	2,134,637	135,746	6.0%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	27,799	2,113	7.1%	2,081,511	143,151	6.4%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	27,371	2,564	8.6%	2,026,666	167,647	7.6%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%
2012	26,938	3,090	10.3%	1,985,618	201,260	9.2%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.1%
2011	26,823	3,527	11.6%	1,945,900	229,623	10.6%	139,869,000	13,747,000	8.9%
2010	26,481	3,709	12.3%	1,915,045	240,623	11.2%	139,064,000	14,825,000	9.6%
2009	28,291	3,759	11.7%	1,910,670	242,075	11.2%	139,877,000	14,265,000	9.3%
2008	30,464	2,433	7.4%	1,996,409	145,823	6.8%	145,362,000	8,924,000	5.8%
2007	30,968	2,389	7.2%	2,005,686	120,205	5.7%	146,047,000	7,078,000	4.6%
2006	31,178	2,317	6.9%	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	Laurens County	South Carolina	United States
Dec 2017	4.4%	4.3%	3.9%
Nov 2017	4.0%	4.0%	3.9%
Oct 2017	4.2%	3.9%	3.9%
Sep 2017	4.0%	3.8%	4.1%
Aug 2017	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%
Jul 2017	5.0%	4.4%	4.6%
Jun 2017	4.2%	4.2%	4.5%
May 2017	3.7%	3.6%	4.1%
Apr 2017	3.7%	3.6%	4.1%
Mar 2017	4.1%	4.0%	4.6%
Feb 2017	4.7%	4.6%	4.9%
Jan 2017	4.9%	4.9%	5.1%
Dec 2016	4.1%	4.2%	4.5%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Area Job Openings

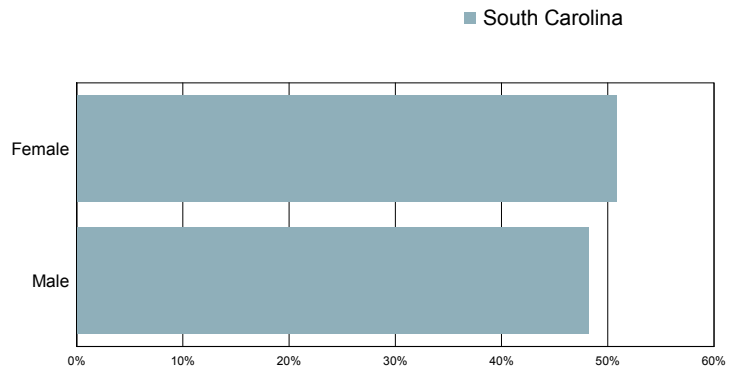
Period	Laurens County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Dec-17	29,126	1,345	4.4%	369	2,227,542	96,434	4.1%	56,028
Nov-17	29,053	1,222	4.0%	434	2,232,646	92,726	4.0%	60,228
Oct-17	29,255	1,281	4.2%	412	2,235,030	91,092	3.9%	57,940
Sep-17	29,385	1,234	4.0%	423	2,232,770	91,342	3.9%	58,456
Aug-17	29,252	1,369	4.5%	433	2,225,885	93,069	4.0%	61,865
Jul-17	29,267	1,534	5.0%	416	2,227,818	91,607	3.9%	62,395
Jun-17	29,387	1,287	4.2%	390	2,230,571	91,627	3.9%	66,498
May-17	29,258	1,109	3.7%	363	2,231,971	96,526	4.1%	65,966
Apr-17	29,185	1,130	3.7%	268	2,232,681	101,458	4.3%	63,951
Mar-17	29,215	1,253	4.1%	389	2,229,182	103,639	4.4%	59,863
Feb-17	29,054	1,429	4.7%	327	2,220,060	103,363	4.4%	61,052
Jan-17	28,726	1,472	4.9%	343	2,209,188	101,455	4.4%	64,254
Dec-16	29,000	1,246	4.1%	298	2,199,862	98,225	4.3%	55,454

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

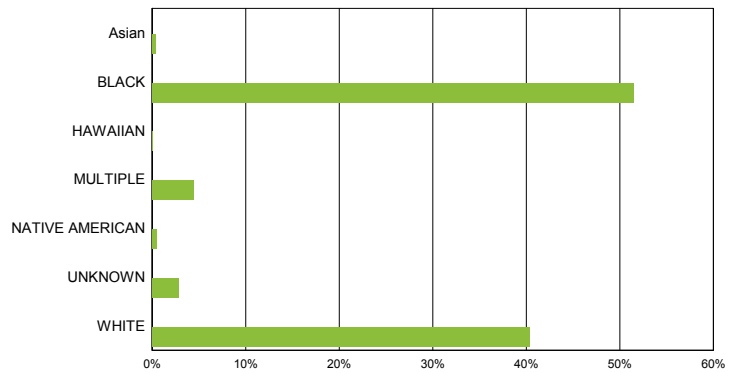
Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claimants

December 2017

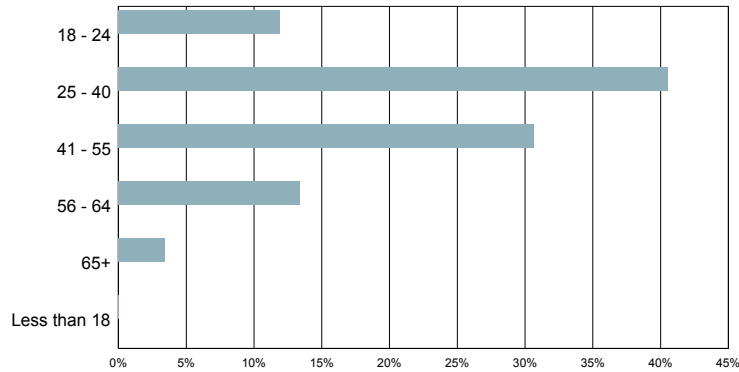
Gender	South Carolina
Female	5,175
Male	4,906
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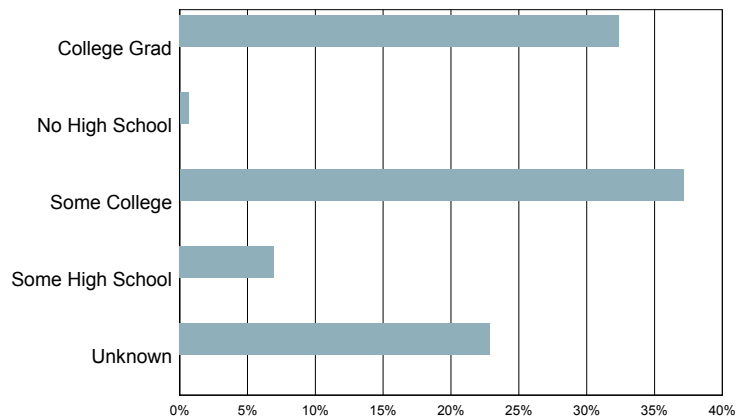
Race	Laurens County	South Carolina
Asian	0	44



Age Group	South Carolina
Unknown	1,213
Unknown	4,130
Unknown	3,120
Unknown	1,365
Unknown	347
Less than 18	5



Education	Laurens County	South Carolina
No High School	0	65



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Industry

*Industry Groups With Largest Number of Claims
December 2017*



South Carolina

Industry

South Carolina

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Occupation

*Occupation Groups With Largest Number of Claims
December 2017*



South Carolina

Occupation

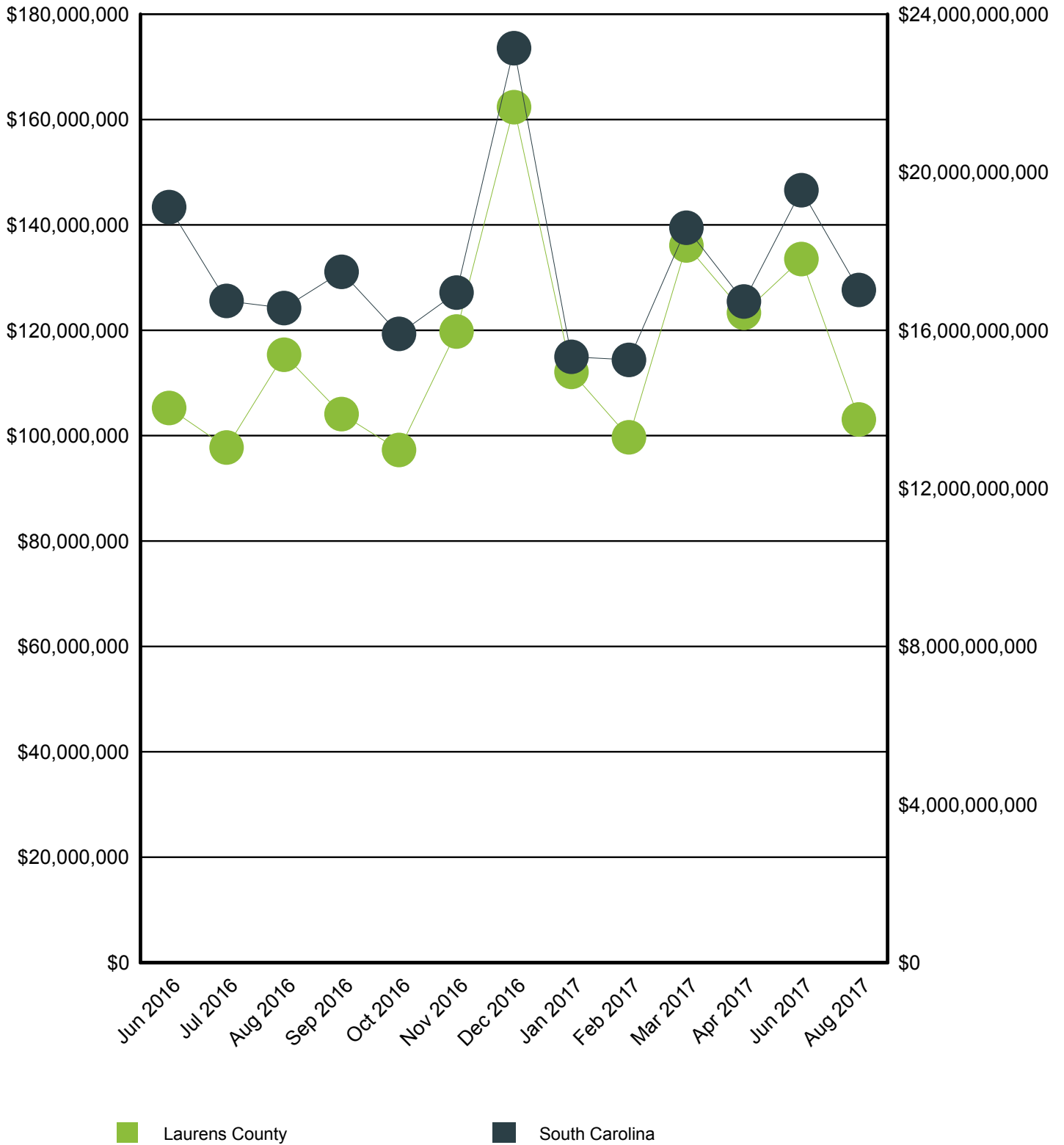
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Retail Sales

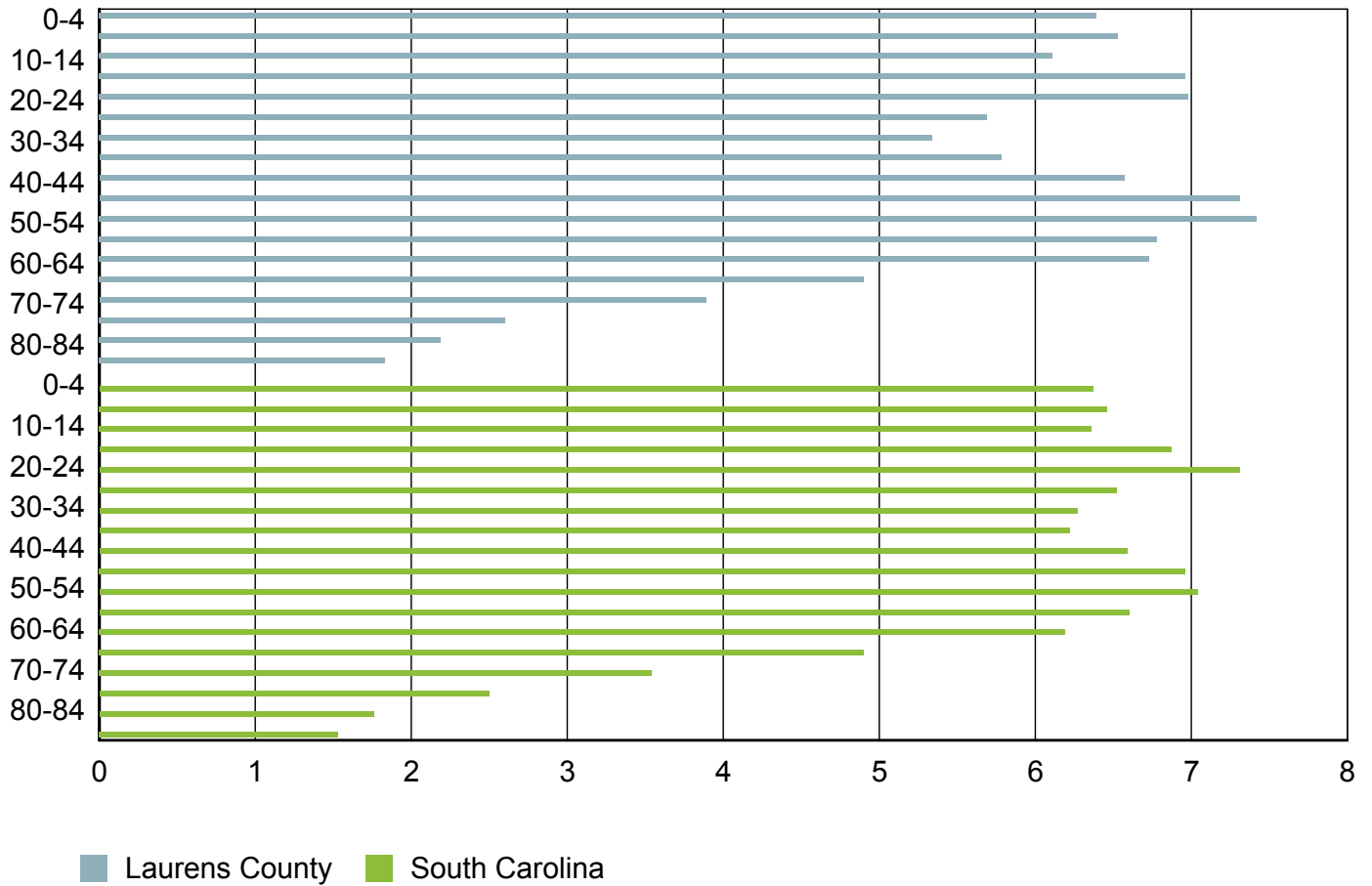
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Source: S.C. Department of Revenue

Population by Age



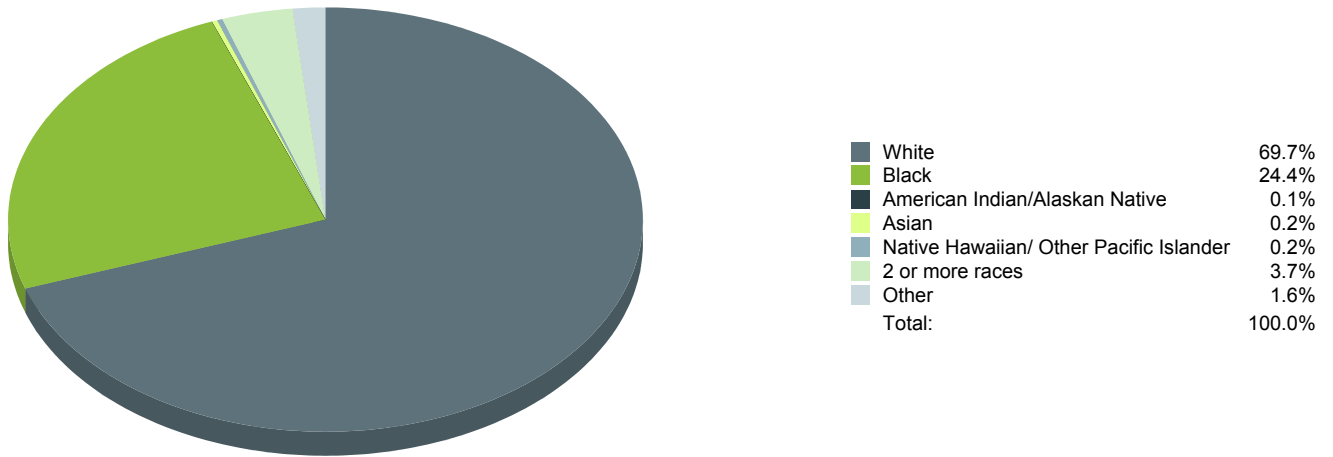
Age Range	Laurens County	South Carolina	United States
0-4	4,245	298,242	20,052,112
5-9	4,339	302,111	20,409,060
10-14	4,062	297,443	20,672,609
15-19	4,628	321,540	21,715,074
20-24	4,636	342,237	22,099,887
25-29	3,784	305,167	21,243,365
30-34	3,547	293,464	20,467,912
35-39	3,842	291,183	19,876,161
40-44	4,366	308,158	20,998,001
45-49	4,856	325,660	22,109,946
50-54	4,934	329,431	22,396,322
55-59	4,506	309,061	20,165,892
60-64	4,473	289,690	17,479,211
65-69	3,254	229,251	13,189,508
70-74	2,583	165,797	9,767,522
75-79	1,729	117,187	7,438,750
80-84	1,455	82,223	5,781,697
85 and older	1,218	71,757	5,673,565

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

Population by Race

Race	Laurens County	%	South Carolina	%	United States	%
White	47,214	71.0%	3,144,146	66.0%	230,592,579	72.0%
Black	16,531	24.9%	1,298,534	27.3%	39,167,010	12.2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	64	0.1%	14,732	0.3%	2,540,309	0.8%
Asian	164	0.3%	61,097	1.3%	15,231,962	4.8%
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	136	0.2%	2,128	0.0%	526,347	0.2%
2 or more races	2,520	3.8%	169,670	3.6%	17,464,666	5.5%
Other	1,088	1.6%	74,130	1.6%	14,746,054	4.6%

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



Population by Gender

Gender	Laurens County	South Carolina	United States
Male	32,163	2,276,305	153,247,412
Female	34,294	2,403,297	158,289,182

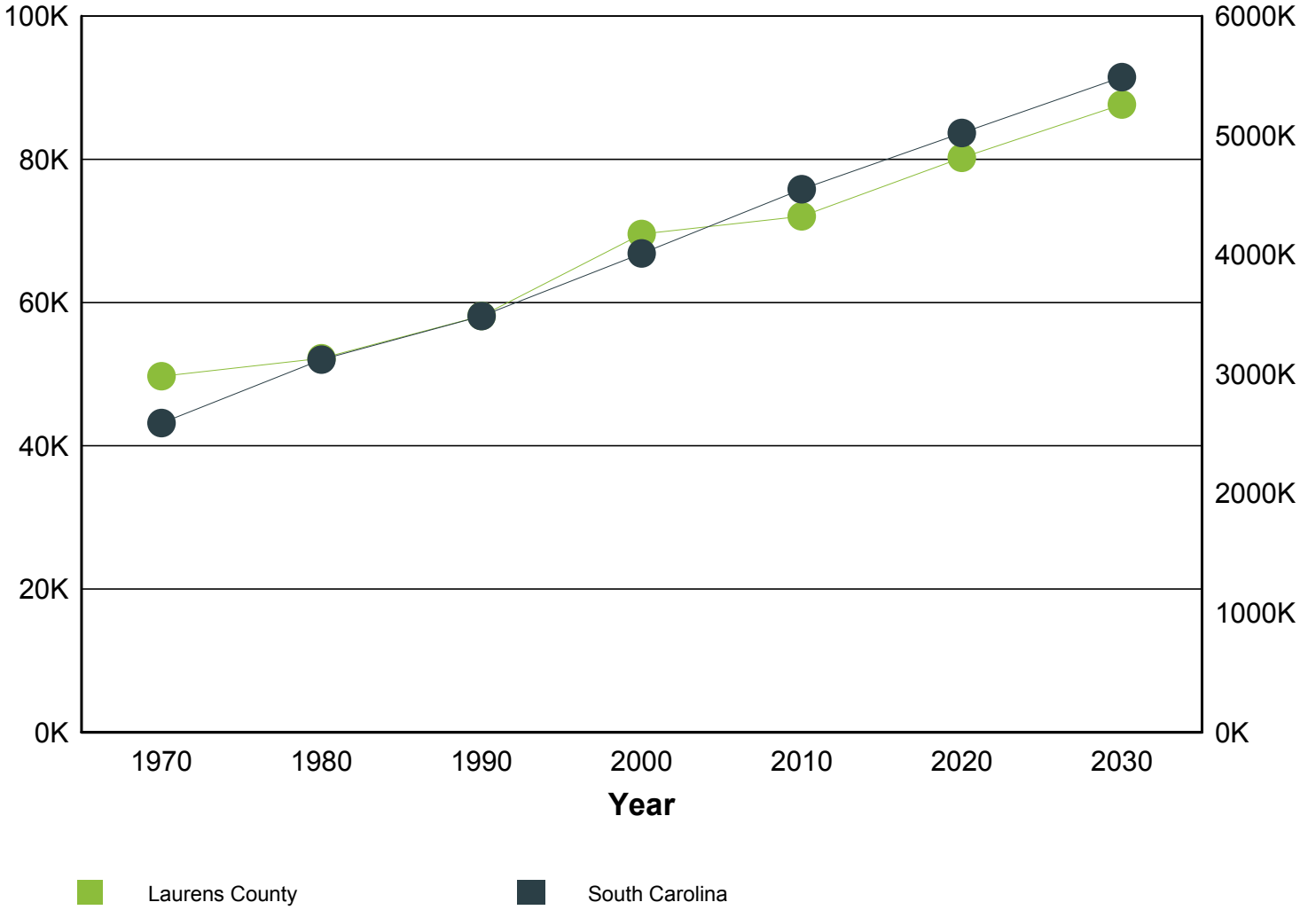
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Population Change

Historical and Projected

Laurens County

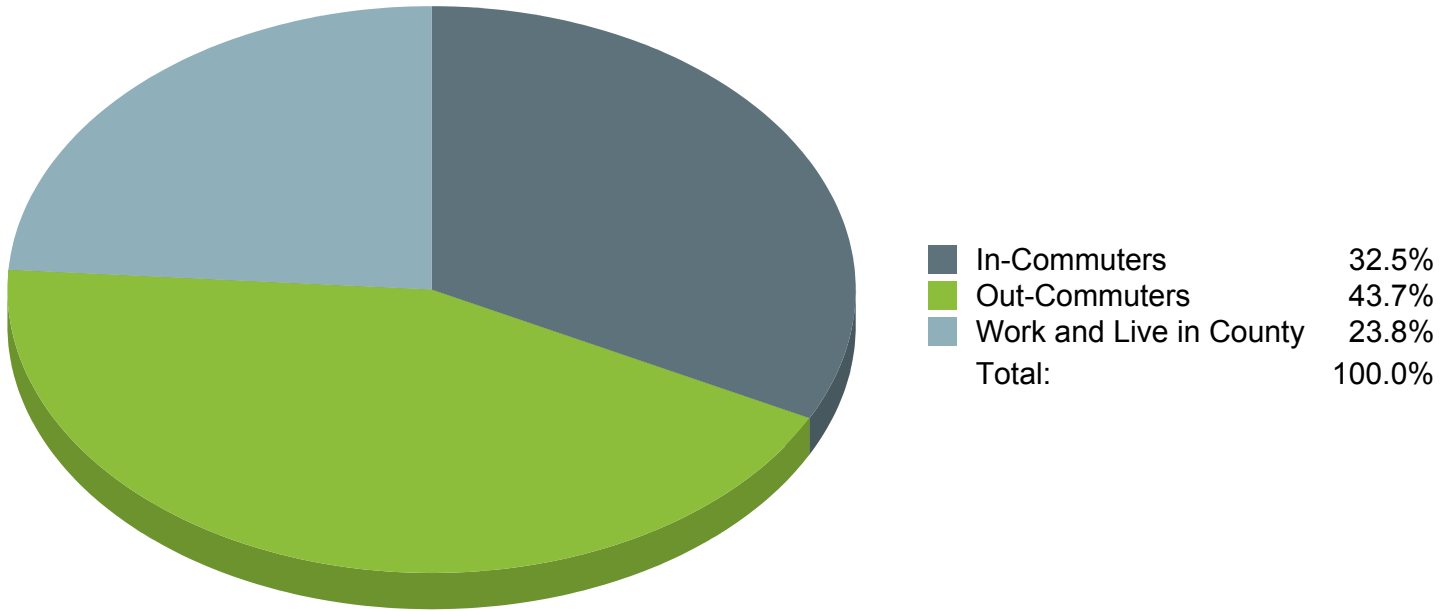
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Year	Laurens County	South Carolina
1970	49,713	2,590,713
1980	52,214	3,121,820
1990	58,132	3,486,310
2000	69,567	4,012,012
2010	72,040	4,549,150
2020	80,220	5,020,400
2030	87,660	5,488,460

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Commuting Patterns



Commuting Patterns	Workers
Work and Live in County	14,697
In-Commuters	20,069
Out-Commuters	26,931

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting To

Area	Workers
Greenville County, SC	6,982
Greenwood County, SC	1,805
Spartanburg County, SC	1,619
Newberry County, SC	633
Richland County, SC	297
Anderson County, SC	229
Union County, SC	81
Lexington County, SC	70
Abbeville County, SC	63
LIBERTY COUNTY, GA	47

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting From

Area	Workers
Greenville County, SC	2,241
Greenwood County, SC	723
Newberry County, SC	578
Spartanburg County, SC	556
Anderson County, SC	233
Union County, SC	183
Abbeville County, SC	153
Saluda County, SC	126
Lexington County, SC	93
Pickens County, SC	78

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

Employers by Size of Establishment

Employees	Laurens County	South Carolina
0 to 4	417	74,284
5 to 9	155	20,524
10 to 19	111	14,833
20 to 49	95	11,474
50 to 99	33	4,528
100 to 249	29	2,797
250 to 499	13	852
500 to 999	0	385
1000 +	0	297

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2017 Q2
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Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Laurens County	South Carolina
0 to 4	762	111,372
5 to 9	1,007	136,820
10 to 19	1,515	201,812
20 to 49	2,980	351,735
50 to 99	2,275	310,389
100 to 249	4,569	423,380
250 to 499	4,902	292,926
500 to 999	0	261,434
1000 +	0	752,988

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2017 Q2
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20 Largest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

Corporation Name

ASTEN JOHNSON INC

D & W FINE PACK LLC

EFFEX MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS LLC

KIMURA INC

LAURENS COUNTY

LAURENS COUNTY DISABILITIES & SPECI

LAURENS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #56

LAURENS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 55

MARATHON STAFFING INC

NATIONAL HEALTH CORPORATION

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE

RICH PRODUCTS CORPORATION

SC DEPT OF DISABILITIES & SPECIAL N

SHAW CONSTRUCTORS

STERILITE CORPORATION

TEKNOR APEX COMPANY

UPSTATE AFFILIATE ORGANIZATION

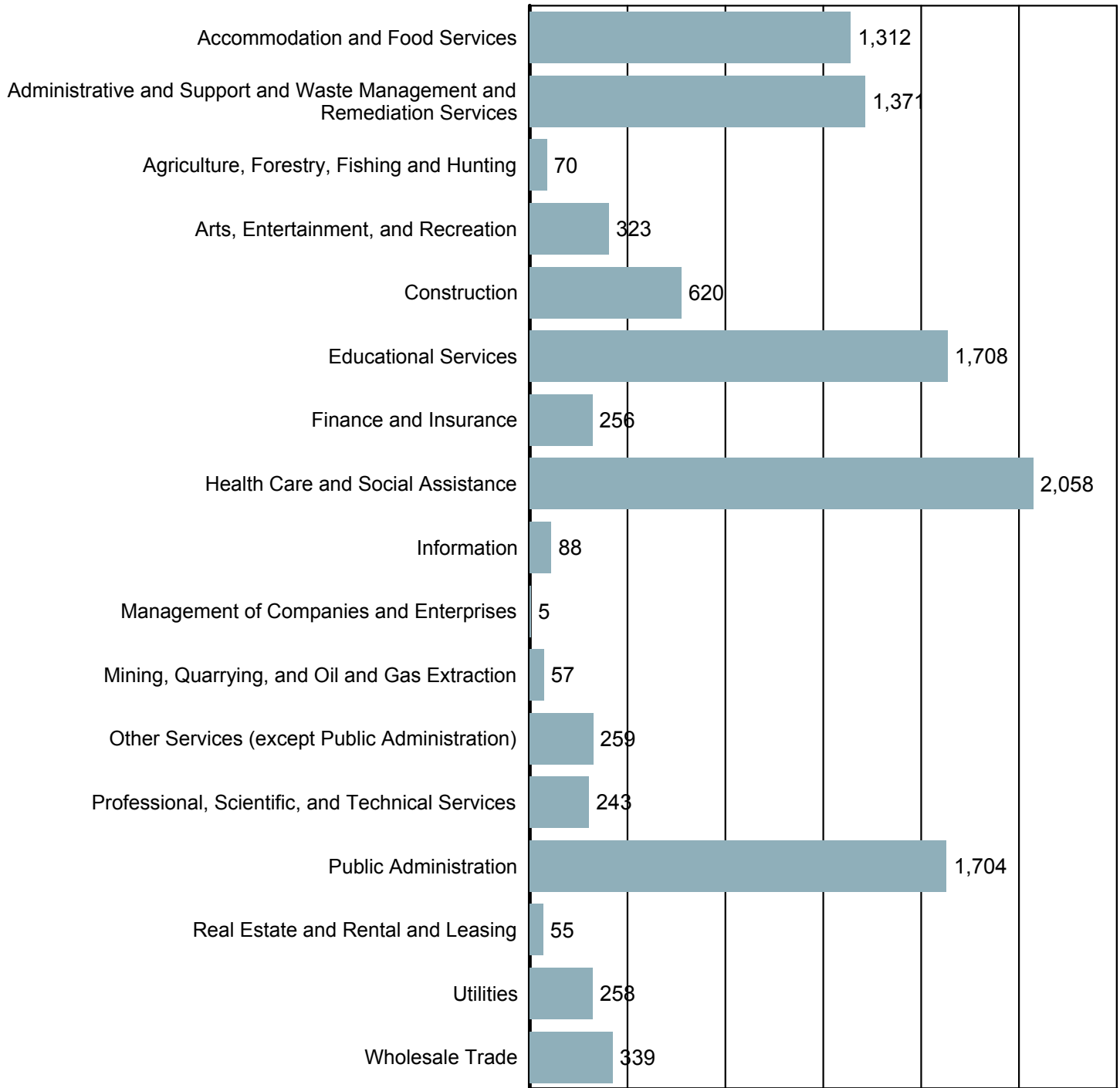
WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC

YANFENG US AUTOMOTIVE INTERIOR SYST

ZF TRANSMISSIONS GREENVILLE LLC

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2017 Q2

Employment by Industry

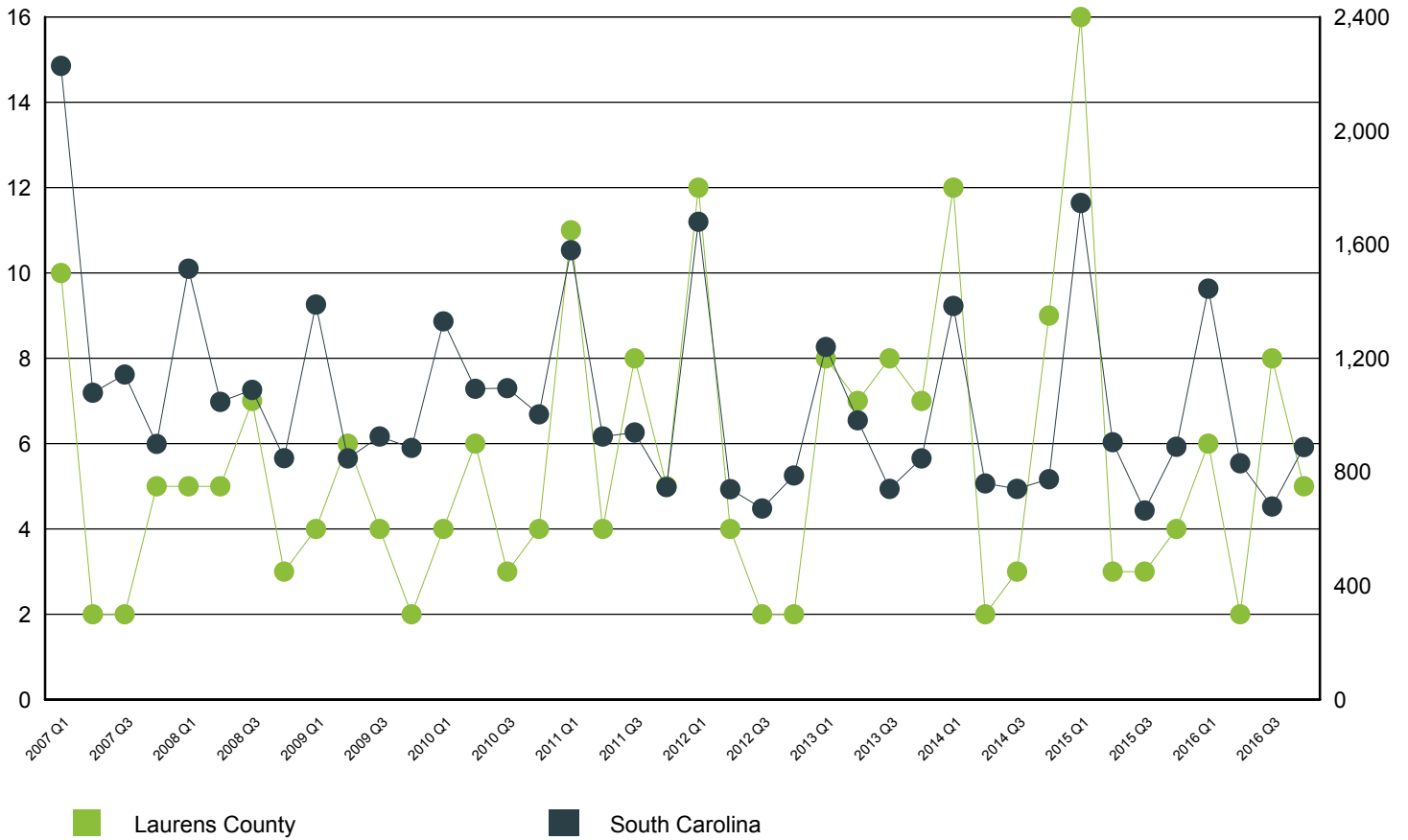


Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2017 Q2

New Startup Firms

Laurens County

South Carolina



Quarter	Laurens County	South Carolina
2016 Q4	5	888
2016 Q3	8	679
2016 Q2	2	831
2016 Q1	6	1,445
2015 Q4	4	889
2015 Q3	3	665
2015 Q2	3	905
2015 Q1	16	1,746
2014 Q4	9	775
2014 Q3	3	741
2014 Q2	2	760
2014 Q1	12	1,384
2013 Q4	7	848
2013 Q3	8	741
2013 Q2	7	982
2013 Q1	8	1,240
2012 Q4	2	788
2012 Q3	2	672
2012 Q2	4	740
2012 Q1	12	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

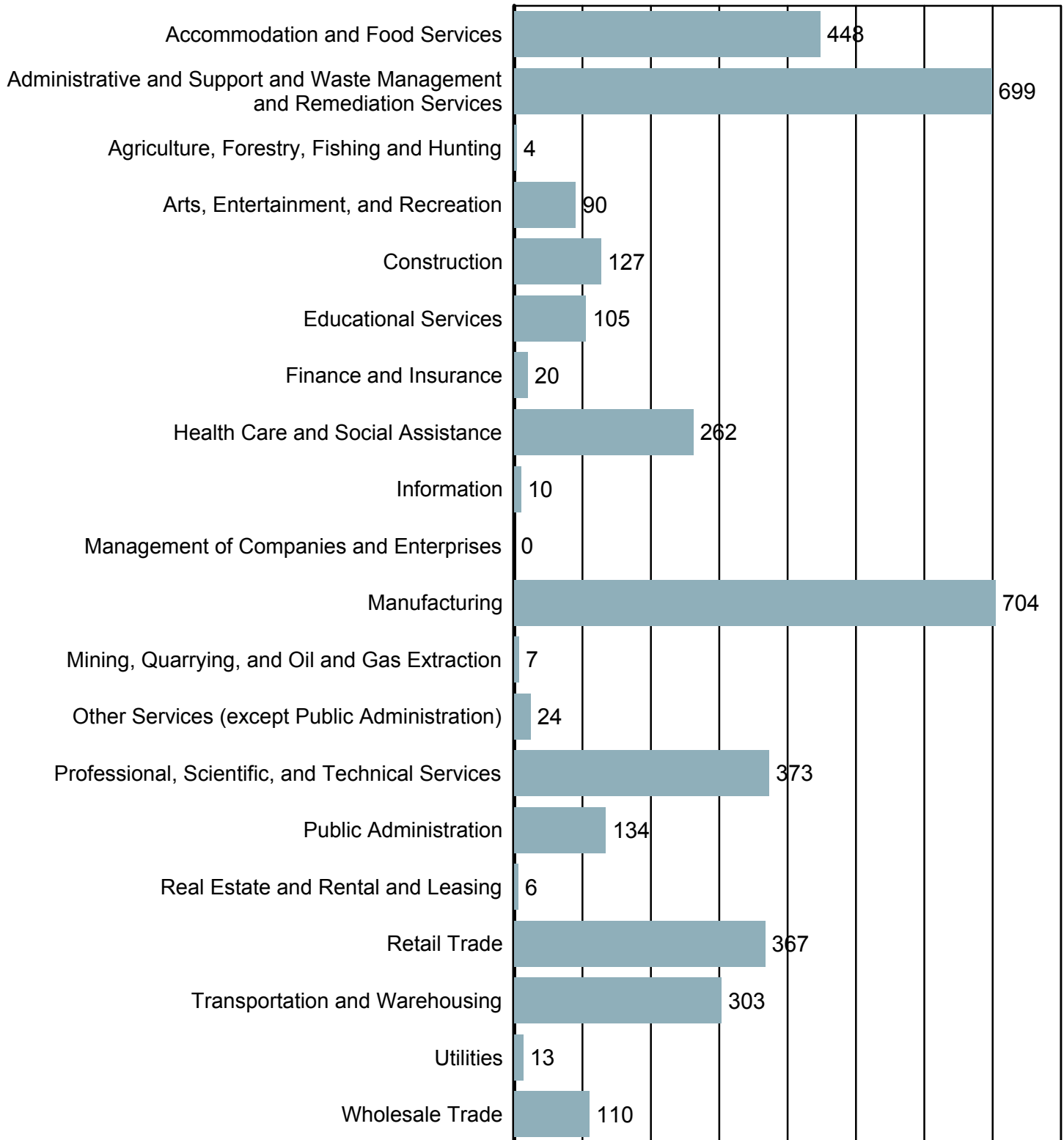
Top 20 Occupational Openings

Laurens County
April-2016

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	46
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	31
Physical Therapists (29-1123)	24
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	19
Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093)	15
Speech-Language Pathologists (29-1127)	14
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food (35-3021)	13
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	9
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)	8
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	5
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers (51-1011)	5
Helpers--Production Workers (51-9198)	5
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	5
Cashiers (41-2011)	4
Coaches and Scouts (27-2022)	4
First-Line Supervisors of Mechanics, Installers, and Repairers (49-1011)	4
Food Servers, Nonrestaurant (35-3041)	4
Highway Maintenance Workers (47-4051)	4
Industrial Engineers (17-2112)	4
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators (53-7051)	4

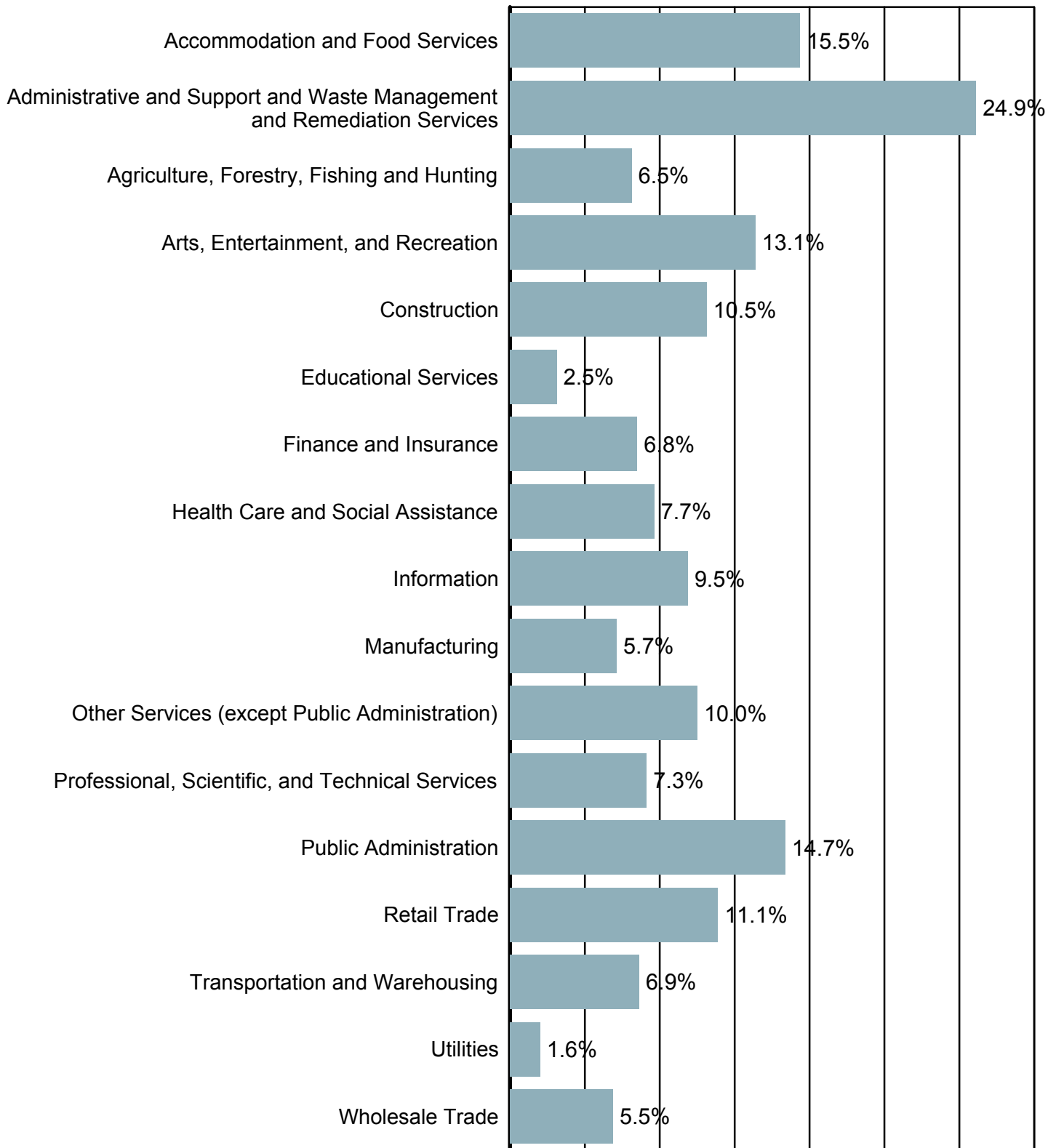
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New Hires by Industry



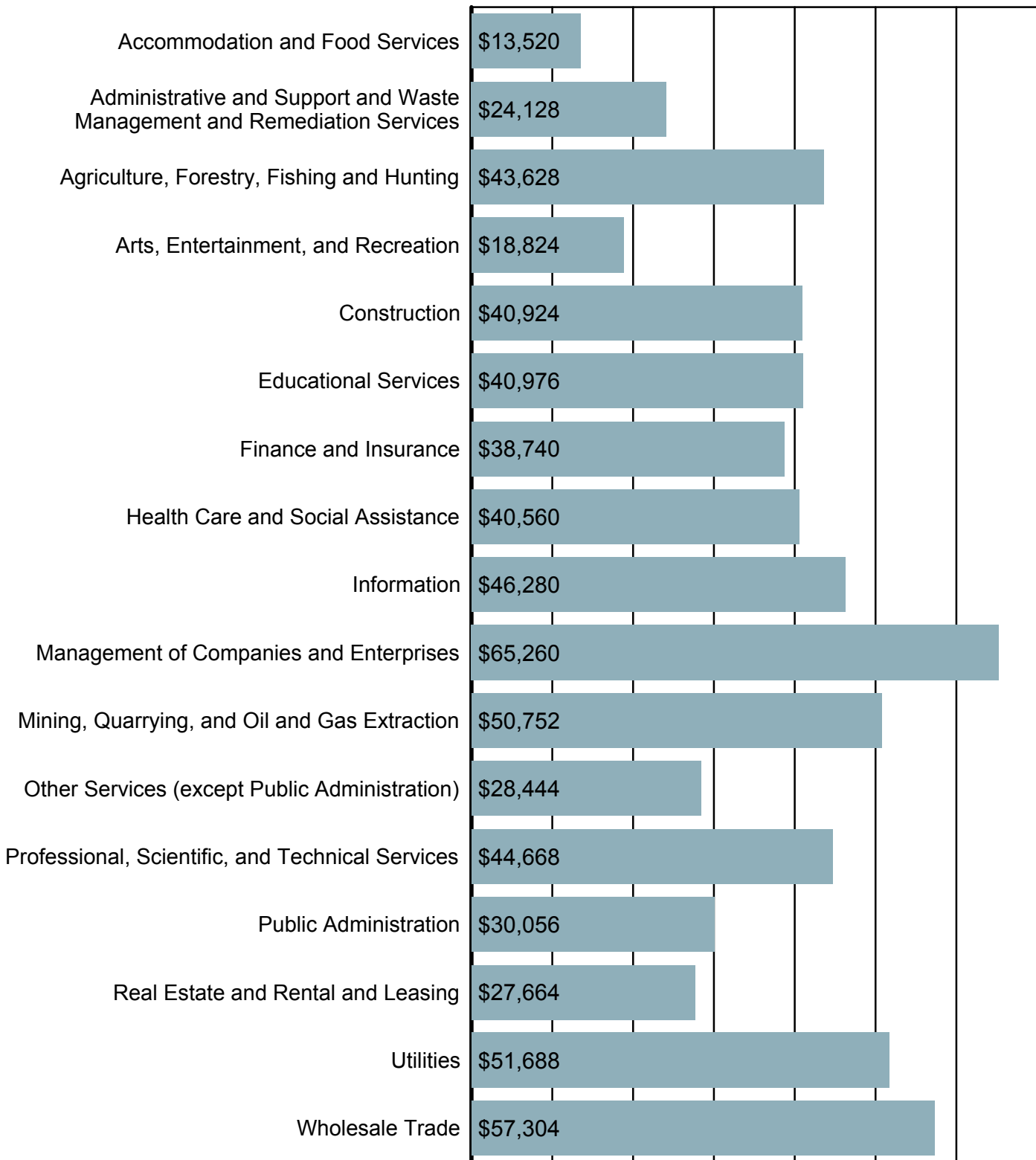
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - 2016 Q2

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) - 2017 Q2

Age of Workers by Industry

Industry	14-18	19-21	22-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total, All Industries	404	776	1,248	4,632	4,703	5,035	3,618	1,248
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	0	0	0	9	12	19	20	7
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0	20	18	45	38	5
Utilities	0	5	13	51	72	85	52	20
Construction	3	18	32	126	156	147	88	47
Manufacturing	17	131	432	1,800	1,962	2,141	1,296	242
Wholesale Trade	6	6	14	89	85	77	64	27
Retail Trade	79	152	138	332	266	274	229	125
Transportation and Warehousing	9	100	114	319	328	342	285	109
Information	0	3	6	17	36	32	22	13
Finance and Insurance	0	5	13	66	51	61	49	16
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	0	0	0	11	11	18	12	0
Professional and Technical Services	17	15	45	144	174	163	101	68
Management of Companies and Enterprises	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Administrative and Waste Services	8	52	56	205	144	108	90	48
Educational Services	7	15	63	347	391	475	437	155
Health Care and Social Assistance	13	51	79	428	401	417	321	117
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	27	24	30	54	46	53	40	30
Accommodation and Food Services	203	144	115	246	168	166	88	42
Other Services, Except Public Administration	3	8	15	43	45	48	41	35
Public Administration	11	45	80	323	335	359	344	140

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.

Upper Savannah Industry	2014 Estimated Employment	2024 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total Employment, All Jobs	89,289	97,637	8,348	9.35	0.90
Health care and social assistance	9,262	11,084	1,822	19.67	1.81
Administrative and support and waste management and remediat	5,035	6,356	1,321	26.24	2.36
Educational services; state, local, and private	7,367	8,504	1,137	15.43	1.45
Manufacturing	22,565	23,139	574	2.54	0.25
Construction	2,517	3,072	555	22.05	2.01
Accommodation and food services	4,974	5,506	532	10.70	1.02
Transportation and Warehousing	2,826	3,332	506	17.91	1.66
Retail Trade	7,730	8,213	483	6.25	0.61
Wholesale trade	1,639	2,073	434	26.48	2.38
Professional, scientific, and technical services	1,626	2,043	417	25.65	2.31
Other services (except public administration)	2,165	2,283	118	5.45	0.53
Finance and insurance	1,195	1,291	96	8.03	0.78
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	911	985	74	8.12	0.78
Information	482	514	32	6.64	0.64
Management of companies and enterprises	378	409	31	8.20	0.79
Real estate and rental and leasing	304	333	29	9.54	0.92
Utilities	248	249	1	0.40	0.04

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.

Upper Savannah	2014	2024			
Occupation	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Openings (Replace)	Openings (Growth)	Annual Openings
Total, all occupations	89,289	97,637	2,105	909	3,014
Management occupations	6,023	6,303	124	33	157
Business and financial operations occupations	2,051	2,344	44	30	74
Computer and mathematical occupations	560	645	9	9	18
Architecture and engineering occupations	1,204	1,283	32	8	40
Life, physical, and social science occupations	324	344	10	3	13
Community and social service occupations	1,321	1,414	28	9	37
Legal occupations	230	251	4	2	6
Education, training, and library occupations	4,898	5,702	107	80	187
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations	721	783	18	7	25
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	4,750	5,464	105	72	177
Healthcare support occupations	2,563	2,989	59	43	102
Protective service occupations	2,231	2,323	60	10	70
Food preparation and serving related occupations	5,639	6,203	189	63	252
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	2,368	2,627	47	26	73
Personal care and service occupations	2,098	2,487	46	39	85
Sales and related occupations	6,471	7,064	215	60	275
Office and administrative support occupations	11,657	12,722	240	121	361
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	2,637	2,443	68	0	68
Construction and extraction occupations	3,134	3,629	53	50	103
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	3,640	3,981	89	35	124
Production occupations	18,089	19,088	392	119	511
Transportation and material moving occupations	6,680	7,548	167	91	258

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.

Upper Savannah	2014	2024					
Occupation	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Percent Change	Replace	Growth	Total	Average Salary
Driver/sales workers	75	108	44	1	3	4	\$ 31,132
Information security analysts	22	31	41	0	1	1	\$ 53,052
Helpers--electricians	36	50	39	0	1	1	\$ 24,062
Veterinary technologists and technicians	42	56	33	0	1	1	\$ 21,938
Nurse practitioners	55	73	33	1	2	3	\$ 84,353
Diagnostic medical sonographers	43	57	33	1	1	2	\$ 55,002
Logisticians	183	241	32	2	6	8	\$ 58,681
Physician assistants	51	67	31	1	2	3	\$ 74,300
Personal care aides	543	710	31	4	17	21	\$ 19,592
Self-enrichment education teachers	70	91	30	1	2	3	\$ 43,663
Opticians, dispensing	37	48	30	1	1	2	\$ 36,184
Computer-controlled machine tool operators, metal and plasti	393	507	29	12	11	23	\$ 34,104
Pipelayers	51	65	27	1	1	2	\$ 30,455
Credit analysts	26	33	27	1	1	2	\$ 54,404
Biological science teachers, postsecondary	30	38	27	0	1	1	\$ 52,845
Chemistry teachers, postsecondary	15	19	27	0	0	0	\$ 59,582
Psychology teachers, postsecondary	27	34	26	0	1	1	\$ 59,821
Market research analysts and marketing specialists	108	136	26	1	3	4	\$ 55,219
Mathematical science teachers, postsecondary	58	73	26	1	2	3	\$ 63,050
Medical and clinical laboratory technologists	110	138	25	3	3	6	\$ 42,933

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)

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

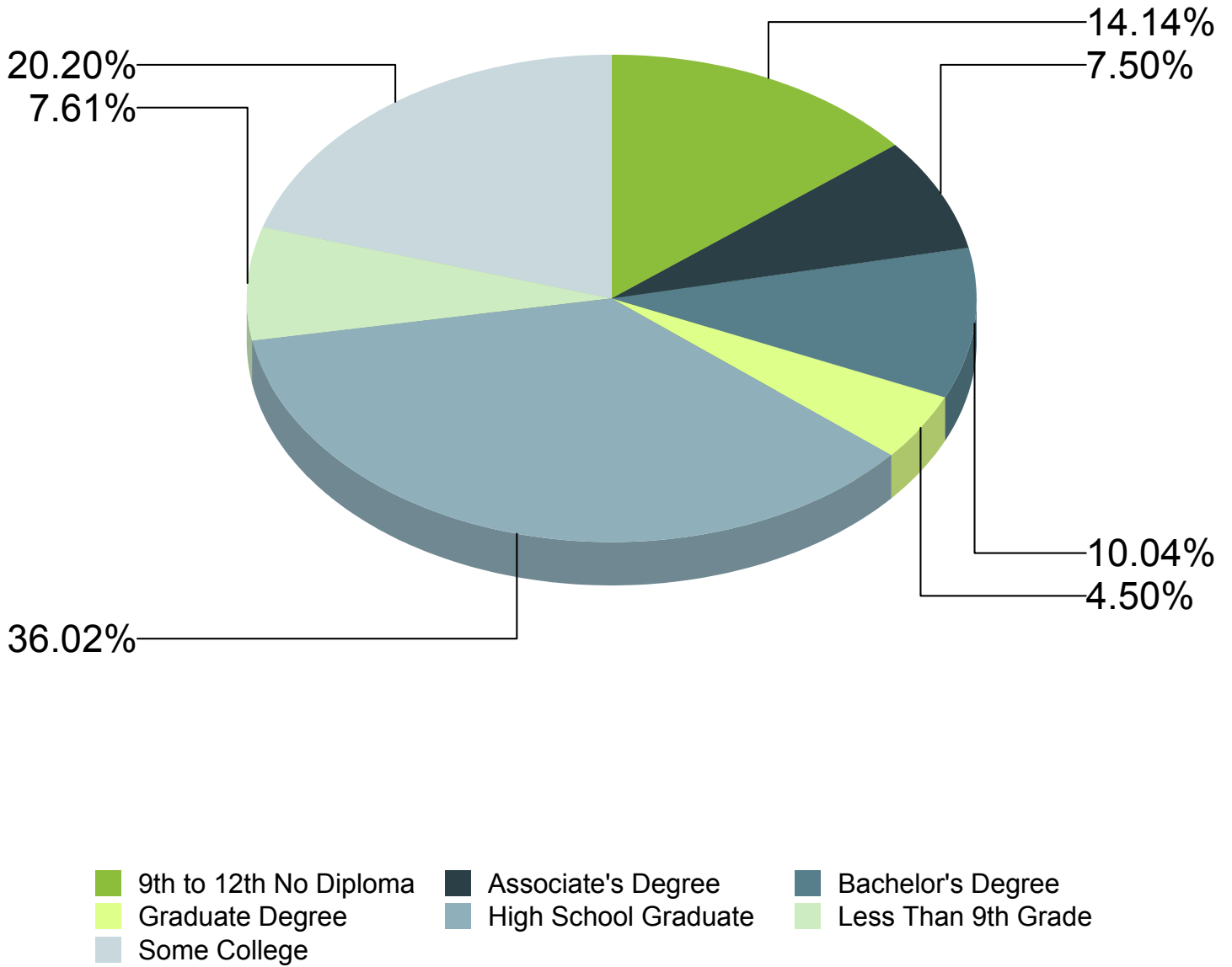
Upper Savannah	2014	2024					
Occupation	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Percent Change	Replace	Growth	Total	Average Salary
Fallers	33	27	-18	1	0	1	\$ 33,683
Meter readers, utilities	44	37	-16	1	0	1	\$ 31,175
Medical transcriptionists	32	27	-16	1	0	1	\$ 32,797
Postal service clerks	58	49	-16	1	0	1	\$ 46,811
Postal service mail carriers	227	194	-15	4	0	4	\$ 48,928
Grinding, lapping, polishing, and buffing machine tool sette	92	80	-13	4	0	4	\$ 30,671
Postmasters and mail superintendents	23	20	-13	0	0	0	\$ 64,941
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters, operators, and	54	47	-13	1	0	1	\$ 34,935
Cooks, fast food	558	499	-11	15	0	15	\$ 17,346
Molding, coremaking, and casting machine setters, operators,	256	229	-11	4	0	4	\$ 25,802
Welding, soldering, and brazing machine setters, operators,	40	36	-10	1	0	1	\$ 30,263
Procurement clerks	71	64	-10	2	0	2	\$ 37,007
Tool and die makers	67	61	-9	0	0	0	\$ 39,511
Plating and coating machine setters, operators, and tenders,	28	26	-7	1	0	1	\$ 34,076
Furnace, kiln, oven, drier, and kettle operators and tenders	14	13	-7	0	0	0	\$ 30,498
First-line supervisors of farming, fishing, and forestry wor	134	125	-7	3	0	3	\$ 54,696
Textile knitting and weaving machine setters, operators, and	285	266	-7	5	0	5	\$ 38,761
Environmental engineers	15	14	-7	0	0	0	\$ 77,781
Pressers, textile, garment, and related materials	49	46	-6	1	0	1	\$ 19,965
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and tenders, met	49	46	-6	1	0	1	\$ 34,405

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

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Educational Attainment

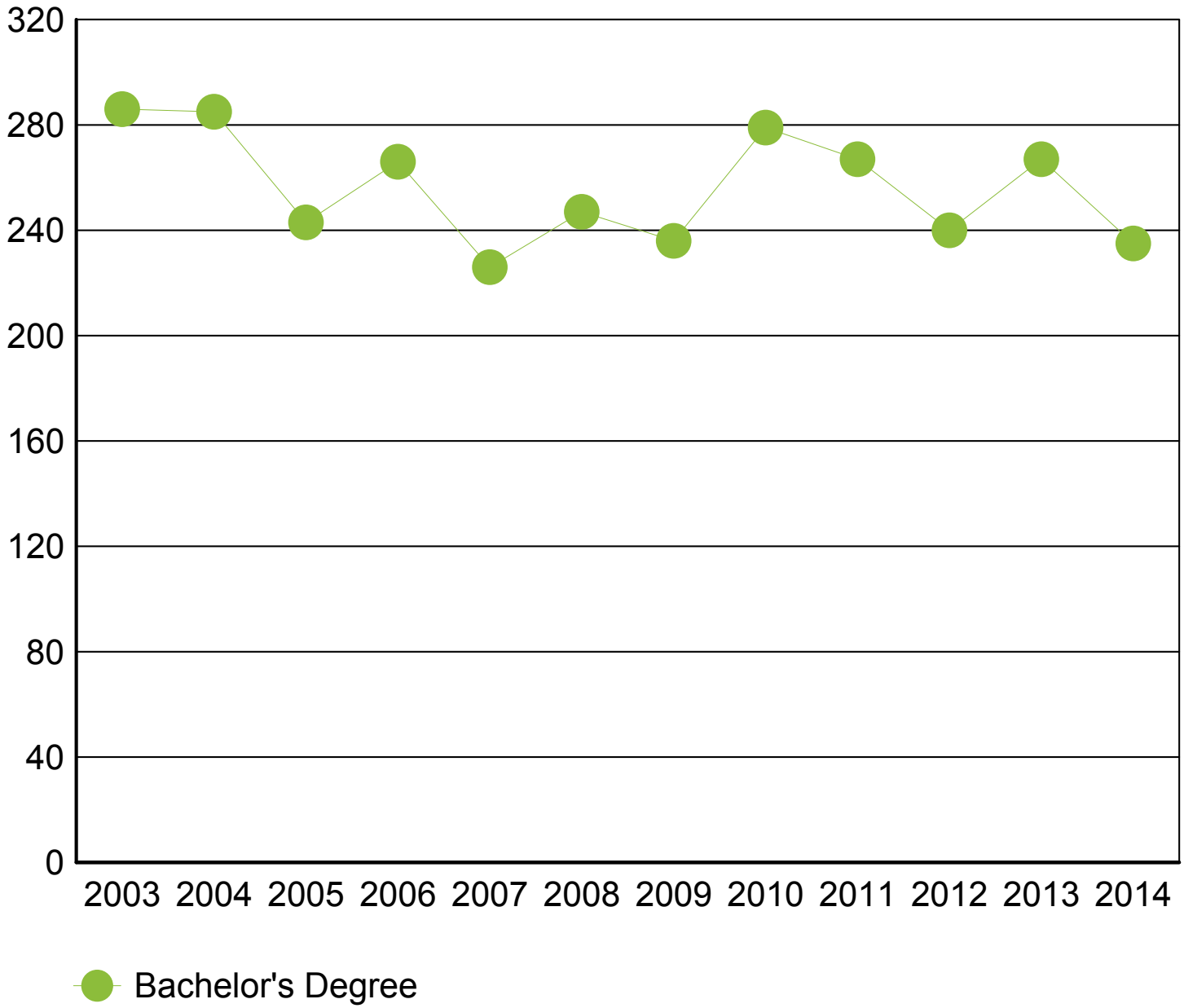
(Population 25 Years and Older)



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

Educational Institutions

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2014 Degrees Awarded: 311

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