

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

Lee County



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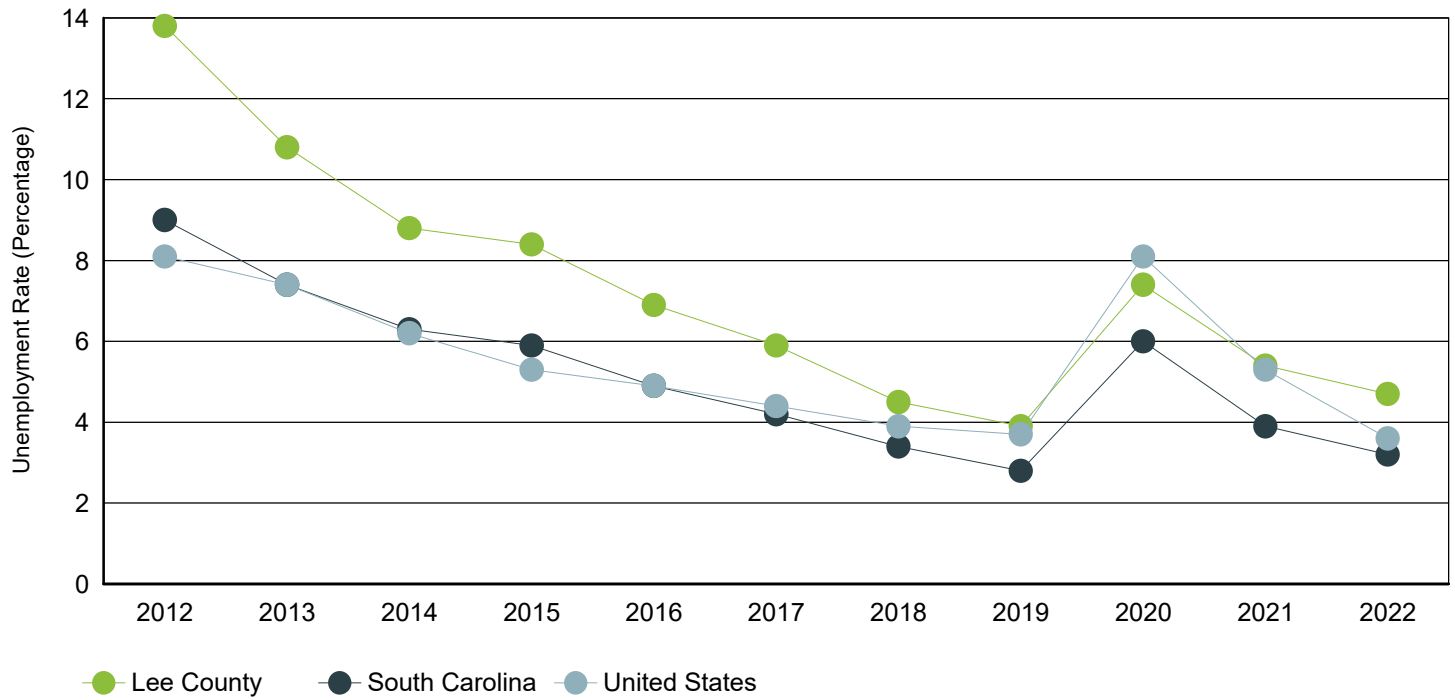
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## Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

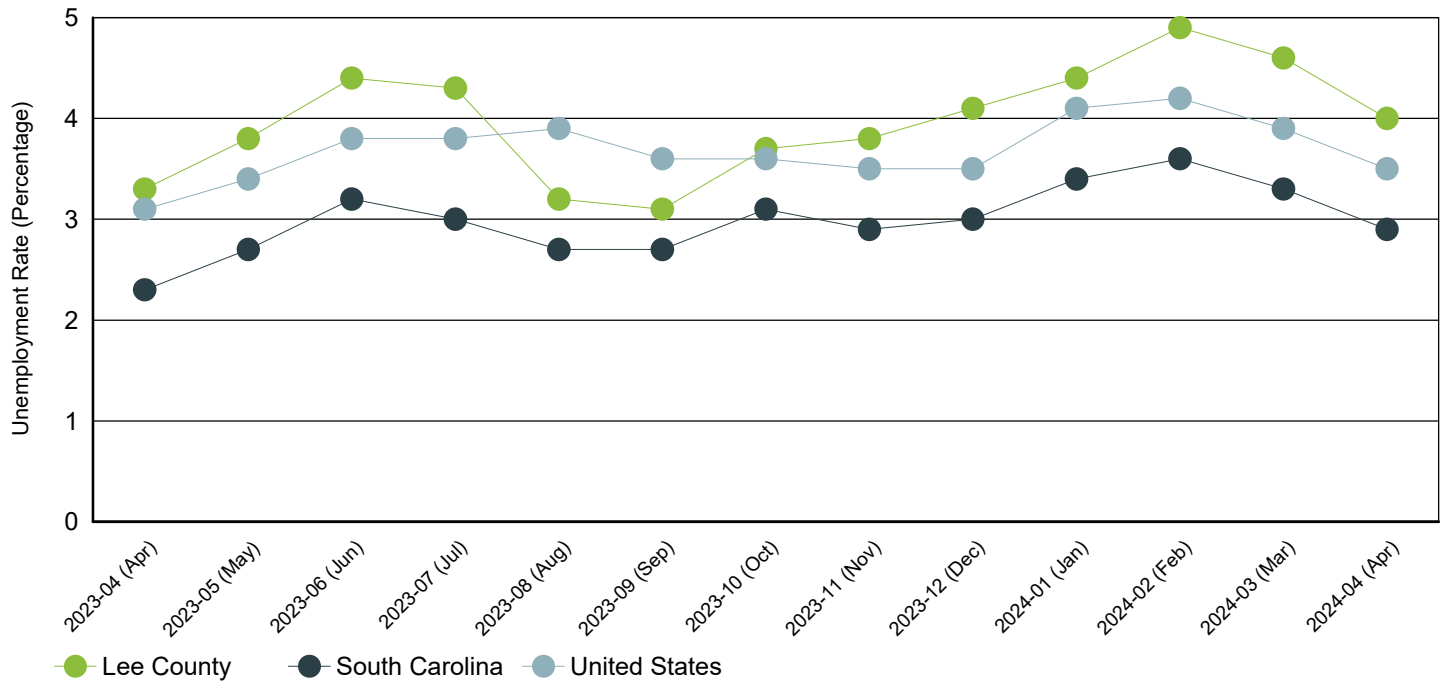


Year	Lee County			South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2022	6,083	297	4.7%	2,316,435	76,894	3.2%	158,291,000	5,996,000	3.6%
2021	6,198	356	5.4%	2,266,611	92,558	3.9%	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
2020	6,168	496	7.4%	2,199,751	139,389	6.0%	147,795,000	12,947,000	8.1%
2019	6,187	249	3.9%	2,268,884	64,649	2.8%	157,538,000	6,001,000	3.7%
2018	6,136	289	4.5%	2,205,356	76,666	3.4%	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
2017	5,894	368	5.9%	2,166,708	95,058	4.2%	153,337,000	6,982,000	4.4%
2016	5,972	445	6.9%	2,174,301	111,753	4.9%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	5,914	539	8.4%	2,134,087	133,750	5.9%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	5,876	569	8.8%	2,082,941	139,485	6.3%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	5,869	708	10.8%	2,034,404	163,472	7.4%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%
2012	5,804	927	13.8%	1,992,957	197,246	9.0%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.1%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



Period	Lee County	South Carolina	United States
Apr 2024	4.0%	2.9%	3.5%
Mar 2024	4.6%	3.3%	3.9%
Feb 2024	4.9%	3.6%	4.2%
Jan 2024	4.4%	3.4%	4.1%
Dec 2023	4.1%	3.0%	3.5%
Nov 2023	3.8%	2.9%	3.5%
Oct 2023	3.7%	3.1%	3.6%
Sep 2023	3.1%	2.7%	3.6%
Aug 2023	3.2%	2.7%	3.9%
Jul 2023	4.3%	3.0%	3.8%
Jun 2023	4.4%	3.2%	3.8%
May 2023	3.8%	2.7%	3.4%
Apr 2023	3.3%	2.3%	3.1%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

Period	Lee County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Apr-24	6,436	268	4.0%		2,404,450	79,793	3.2%	
Mar-24	6,464	313	4.6%		2,399,640	77,948	3.1%	
Feb-24	6,295	323	4.9%		2,396,195	76,424	3.1%	
Jan-24	6,204	287	4.4%		2,396,514	75,325	3.0%	
Dec-23	6,273	270	4.1%		2,395,427	74,873	3.0%	
Nov-23	6,306	249	3.8%		2,395,934	74,957	3.0%	
Oct-23	6,324	240	3.7%	99	2,396,218	74,511	3.0%	91,724
Sep-23	6,360	204	3.1%	93	2,394,416	72,805	3.0%	101,555
Aug-23	6,357	208	3.2%	98	2,391,519	70,907	2.9%	102,287
Jul-23	6,371	284	4.3%	98	2,387,893	69,547	2.8%	112,508
Jun-23	6,303	289	4.4%	104	2,383,328	69,189	2.8%	113,533
May-23	6,182	247	3.8%	120	2,378,120	69,850	2.9%	124,397
Apr-23	6,160	212	3.3%	111	2,371,767	70,923	2.9%	117,601

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	Lee County	South Carolina
0 to 4	232	131,475
5 to 9	44	17,980
10 to 19	32	12,142
20 to 49	31	8,734
50 to 99	10	3,033
100 to 249	8	1,895
250 to 499	0	613
500 to 999	0	304
1000 +	0	233

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

- Indicates that the requested data is suppressed

## Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Lee County	South Carolina
0 to 4	242	132,343
5 to 9	299	118,704
10 to 19	432	164,578
20 to 49	940	265,021
50 to 99	673	209,933
100 to 249	1,294	293,805
250 to 499	0	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

Ardagh Metal Packaging USA Corp

CARLYLE SENIOR CARE OF BISHOPVILLE

CAROLINA AGRI POWER LLC

CAROLINA METAL FINISHING LLC

CCBCC INC

CROWN HEALTH CARE LAUNDRY SERVICES

FOOD LION LLC

KELLY SERVICES GLOBAL LLC

LEE COUNTY

LEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

LEE COUNTY DISABILITIES & SPECIAL N

MARTECH RESEARCH LLC

MCLEOD PHYSICIAN ASSOCIATES II

PEACE LOVE GLORY IN HOME CARE LLC

PILOT TRAVEL CENTER LLC

RED CLASSIC TRANSIT LLC

ROBERT E LEE ACADEMY

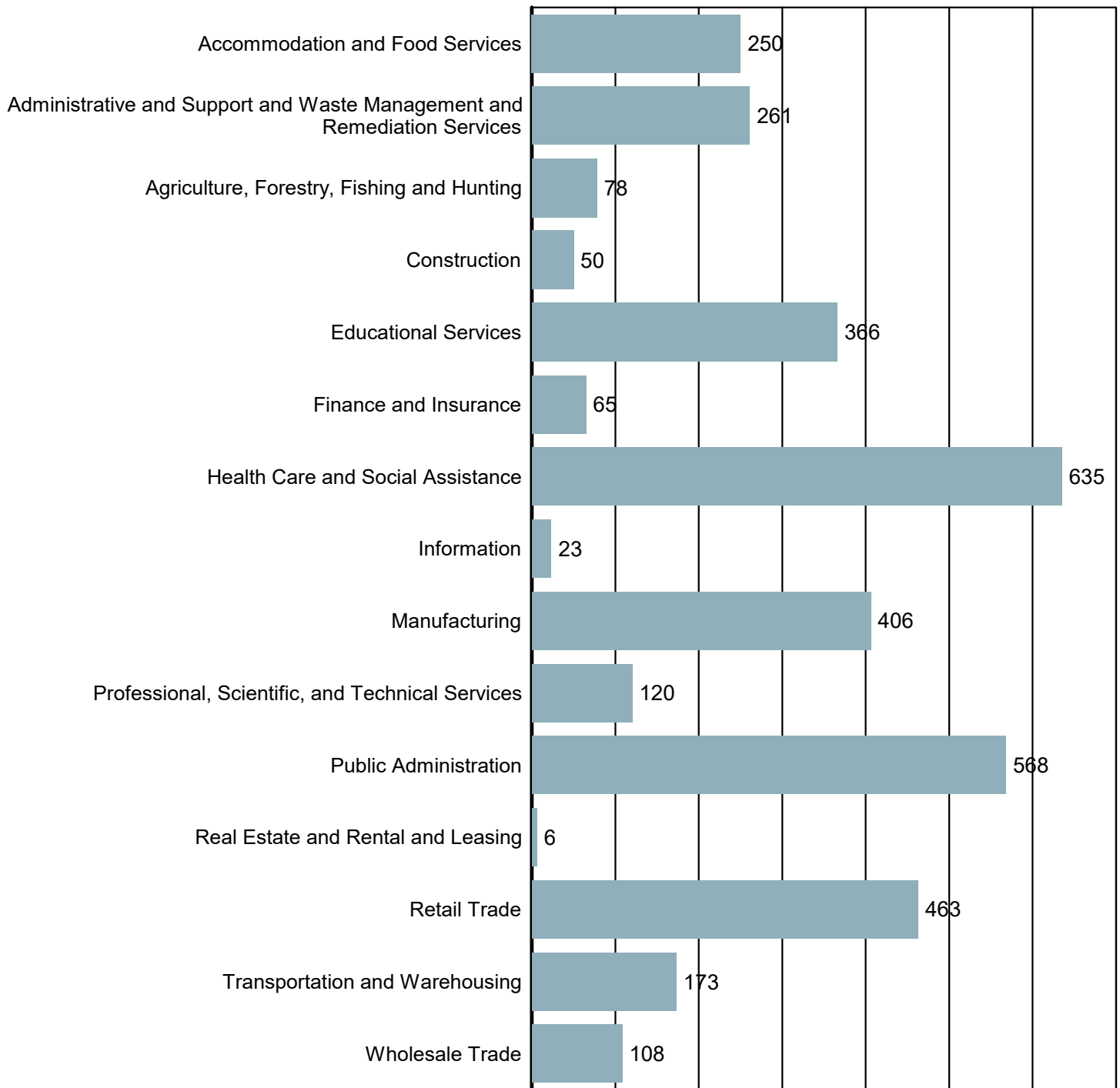
SC DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

SENSOR ENTERPRISES INC

TOWN OF BISHOPVILLE

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



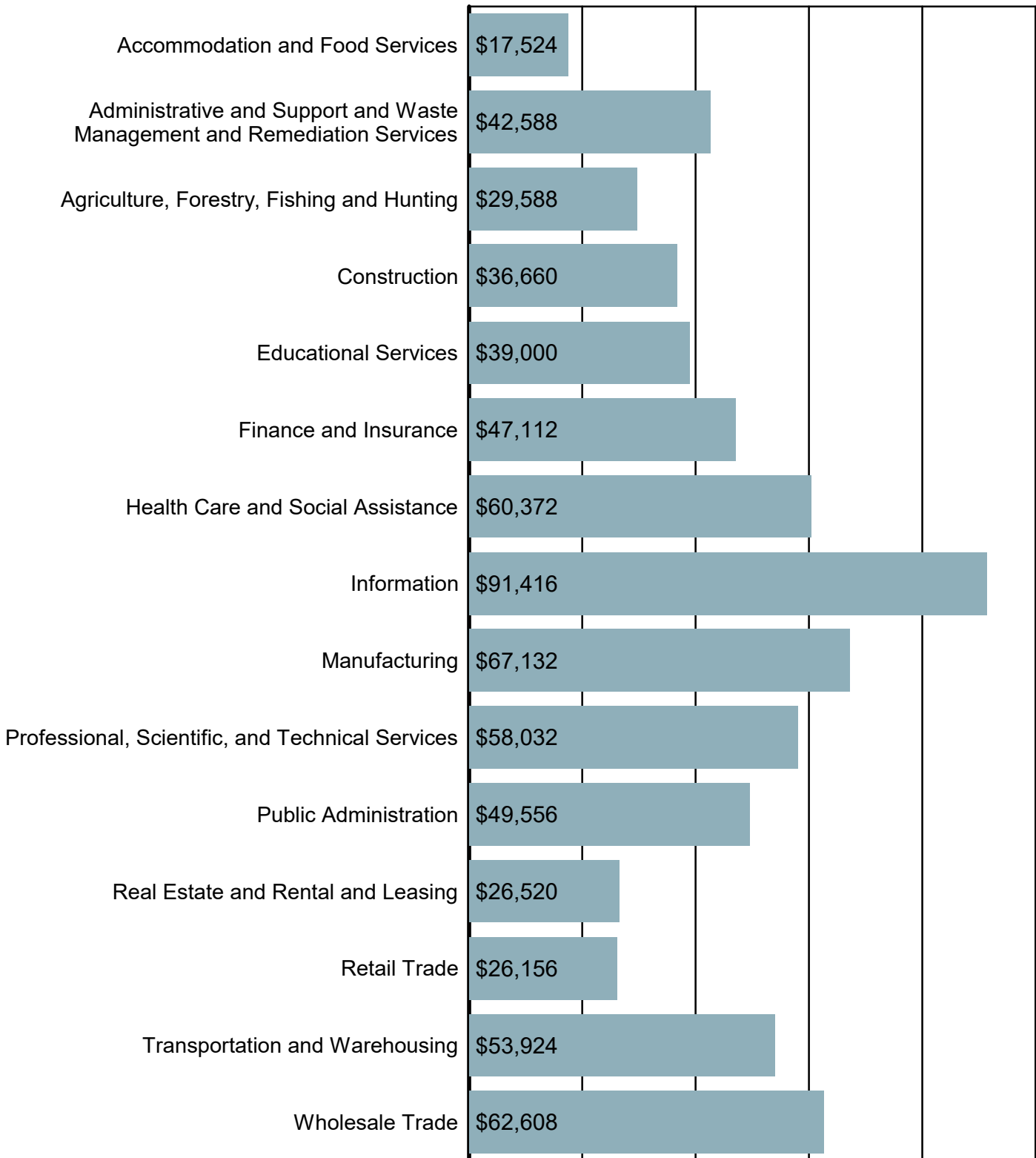
## Top 11 Occupational Openings

Lee County  
October-2023

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Laborers and Freight, Stock, and Material Movers, Hand (53-7062)	8
Food Service Managers (11-9051)	6
Extruding and Drawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic (51-4021)	5
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	5
Cashiers (41-2011)	4
Fast Food and Counter Workers (35-3023)	4
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	4
Janitors and Cleaners, Except Maids and Housekeeping Cleaners (37-2011)	4
Operating Engineers and Other Construction Equipment Operators (47-2073)	4
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	4
Dentists, General (29-1021)	3

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  
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## 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.

Santee-Lynches Industry	2020 Estimated Employment	2030 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Health Care and Social Assistance	9,876	12,598	2,722	27.56	2.46
Total All Industries	70,110	71,791	1,681	2.40	0.24
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediat	4,189	4,548	359	8.57	0.83
Finance and Insurance	1,462	1,672	210	14.36	1.35
Accommodation and Food Services	5,616	5,749	133	2.37	0.23
Information	319	402	83	26.02	2.34
Transportation and Warehousing	1,458	1,510	52	3.57	0.35
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	456	482	26	5.70	0.56
Mining	54	47	-7	-12.96	-1.38
Other Services (except Government)	3,906	3,889	-17	-0.44	-0.04
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	834	815	-19	-2.28	-0.23
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	356	336	-20	-5.62	-0.58
Management of Companies and Enterprises	250	225	-25	-10.00	-1.05
Wholesale Trade	1,021	995	-26	-2.55	-0.26
Utilities	242	209	-33	-13.64	-1.46
Educational Services	5,944	5,902	-42	-0.71	-0.07
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1,524	1,462	-62	-4.07	-0.41
Government	6,328	6,199	-129	-2.04	-0.21
Retail Trade	9,145	8,877	-268	-2.93	-0.30
Construction	3,674	3,302	-372	-10.13	-1.06
Manufacturing	9,833	9,283	-550	-5.59	-0.57

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