

# COMMUNITY PROFILE

Lee County



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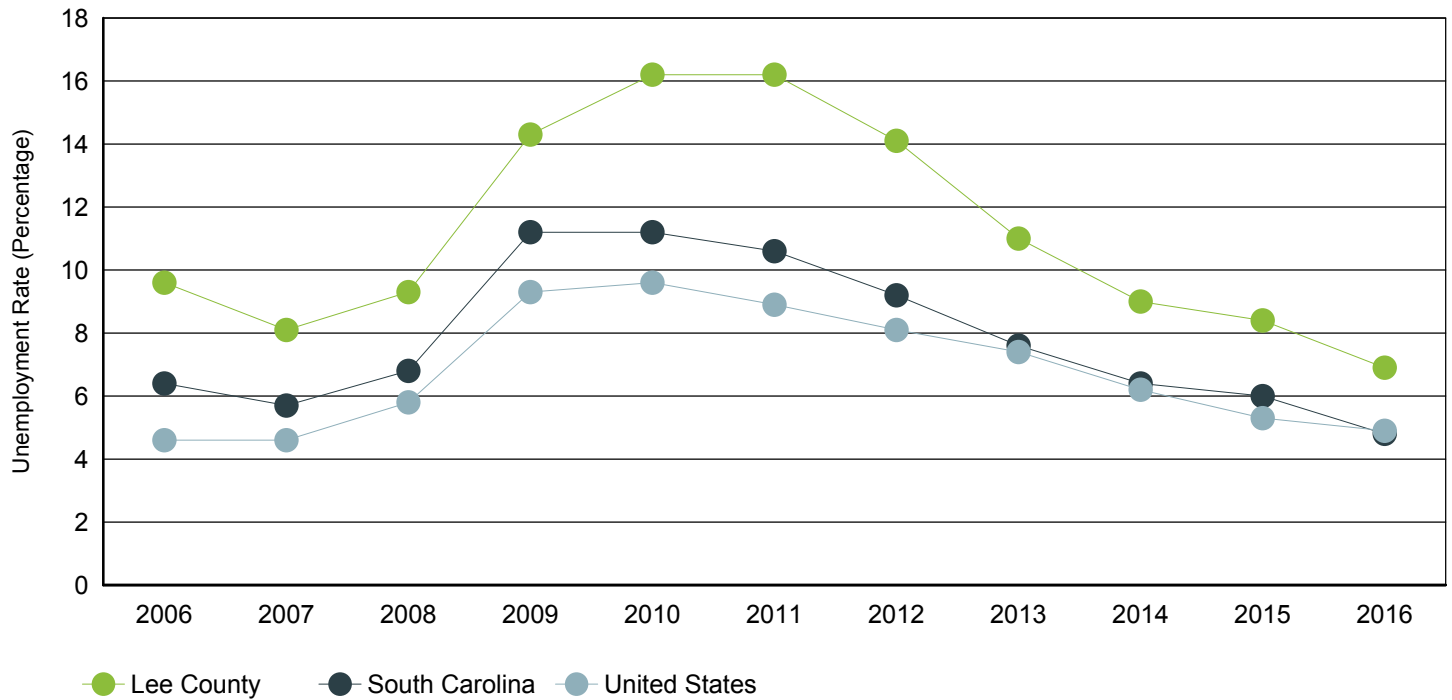
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## Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

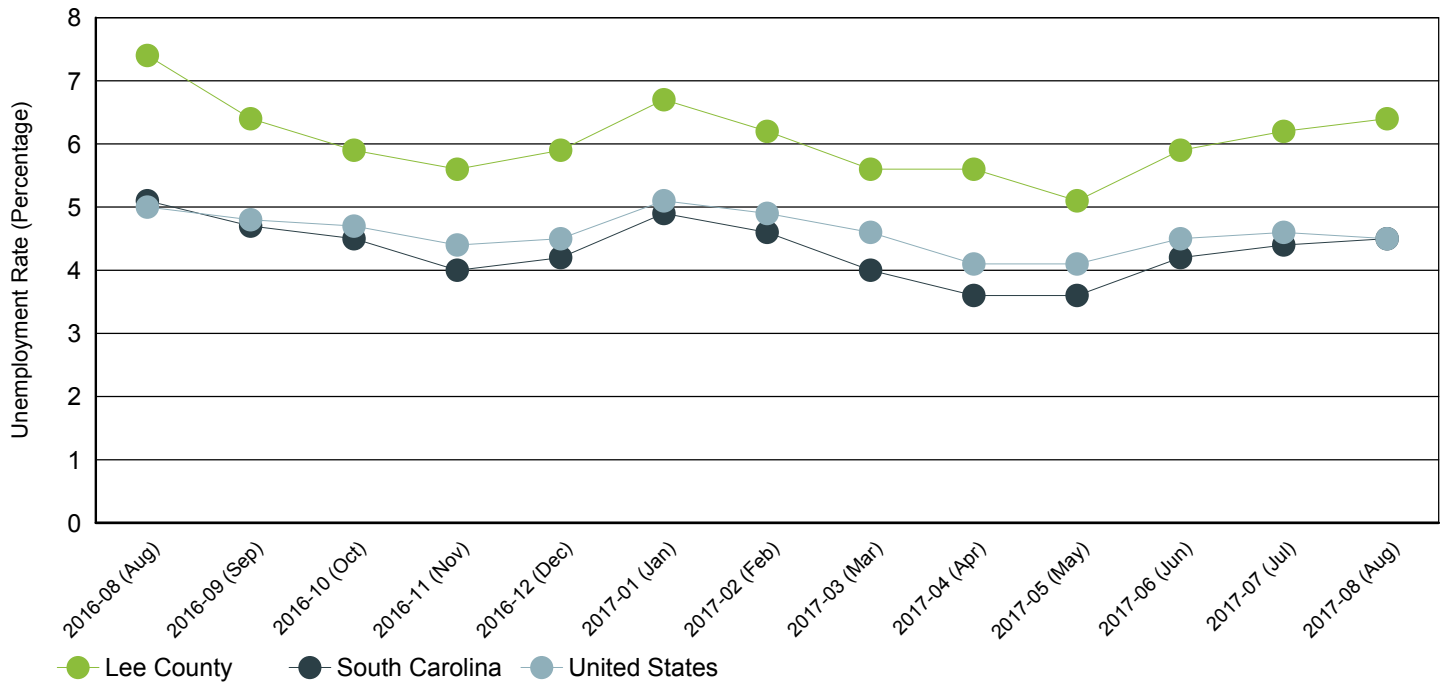


Year	Lee County			South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2016	6,051	446	6.9%	2,186,740	111,067	4.8%	151,436,000	7,751,000	4.9%
2015	5,916	546	8.4%	2,134,637	135,746	6.0%	148,834,000	8,296,000	5.3%
2014	5,872	584	9.0%	2,081,511	143,151	6.4%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	5,847	725	11.0%	2,026,666	167,647	7.6%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%
2012	5,782	946	14.1%	1,985,618	201,260	9.2%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.1%
2011	5,765	1,115	16.2%	1,945,900	229,623	10.6%	139,869,000	13,747,000	8.9%
2010	5,826	1,127	16.2%	1,915,045	240,623	11.2%	139,064,000	14,825,000	9.6%
2009	7,283	1,212	14.3%	1,910,670	242,075	11.2%	139,877,000	14,265,000	9.3%
2008	7,368	757	9.3%	1,996,409	145,823	6.8%	145,362,000	8,924,000	5.8%
2007	7,476	661	8.1%	2,005,686	120,205	5.7%	146,047,000	7,078,000	4.6%
2006	7,571	801	9.6%	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	Lee County	South Carolina	United States
Aug 2017	6.4%	4.5%	4.5%
Jul 2017	6.2%	4.4%	4.6%
Jun 2017	5.9%	4.2%	4.5%
May 2017	5.1%	3.6%	4.1%
Apr 2017	5.6%	3.6%	4.1%
Mar 2017	5.6%	4.0%	4.6%
Feb 2017	6.2%	4.6%	4.9%
Jan 2017	6.7%	4.9%	5.1%
Dec 2016	5.9%	4.2%	4.5%
Nov 2016	5.6%	4.0%	4.4%
Oct 2016	5.9%	4.5%	4.7%
Sep 2016	6.4%	4.7%	4.8%
Aug 2016	7.4%	5.1%	5.0%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Area Job Openings

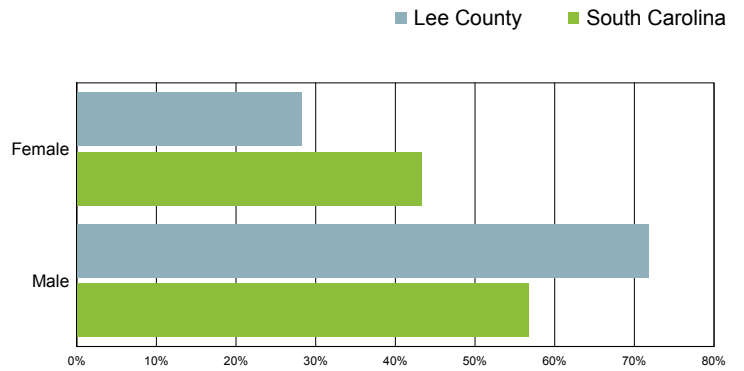
Period	Lee County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Aug-17	6,201	425	6.4%	89	2,225,610	93,067	4.0%	61,865
Jul-17	6,271	411	6.2%	111	2,227,818	91,607	3.9%	62,395
Jun-17	6,236	391	5.9%	106	2,230,571	91,627	3.9%	66,498
May-17	6,147	331	5.1%	100	2,231,971	96,526	4.1%	65,966
Apr-17	6,157	366	5.6%	65	2,232,681	101,458	4.3%	63,951
Mar-17	6,163	363	5.6%	126	2,229,182	103,639	4.4%	59,863
Feb-17	6,131	406	6.2%	113	2,220,060	103,363	4.4%	61,052
Jan-17	6,138	439	6.7%	101	2,209,188	101,455	4.4%	64,254
Dec-16	6,083	378	5.9%	93	2,199,862	98,225	4.3%	55,454
Nov-16	6,080	360	5.6%	102	2,198,274	99,867	4.3%	59,494
Oct-16	6,080	384	5.9%	97	2,196,147	101,772	4.4%	59,888
Sep-16	6,093	420	6.4%	75	2,193,612	104,025	4.5%	61,522
Aug-16	6,167	491	7.4%	34	2,190,670	106,559	4.6%	63,800

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

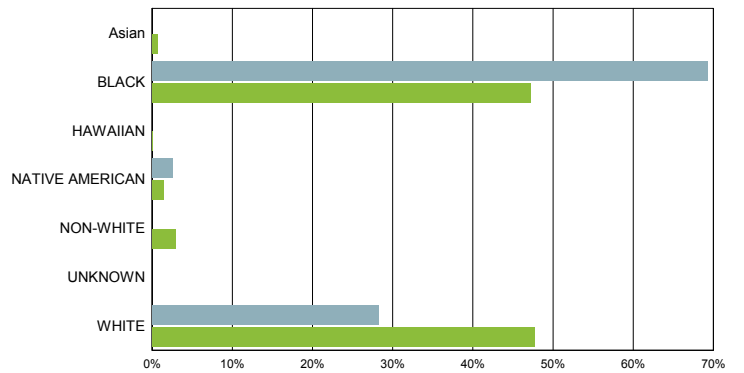
# Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claimants

August 2017

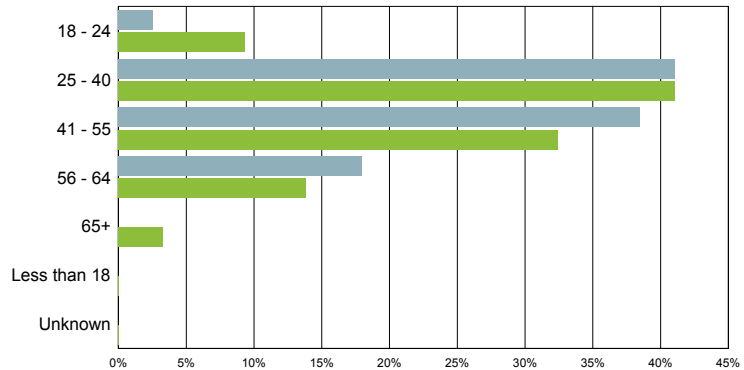
Gender	Lee County	South Carolina
Female	11	5,030
Male	28	6,595



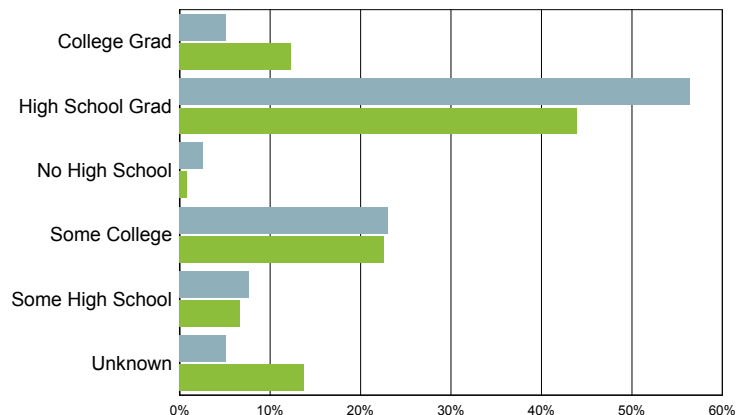
Race	Lee County	South Carolina
Asian	0	78
BLACK	27	5,482
NATIVE AMERICAN	1	164
WHITE	11	5,542



Age Group	Lee County	South Carolina
18 - 24	1	1,084
25 - 40	16	4,771
41 - 55	15	3,772
56 - 64	7	1,610
Unknown	0	380
Less than 18	0	3
Unknown	0	5



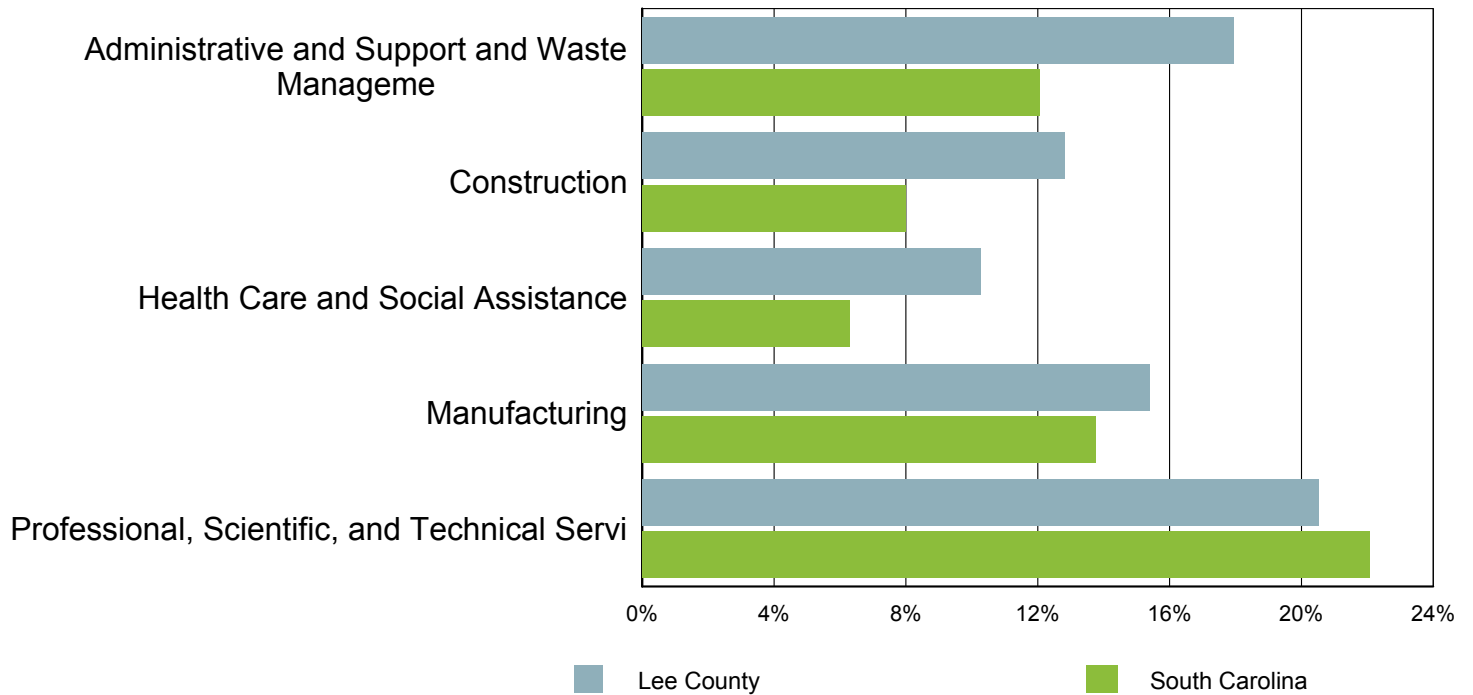
Education	Lee County	South Carolina
College Grad	2	1,430
Some College	9	2,629
High School Grad	22	5,108
Some High School	3	774
No High School	1	89
Unknown	2	1,595



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

## Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Industry

Industry Groups With Largest Number of Claims  
August 2017

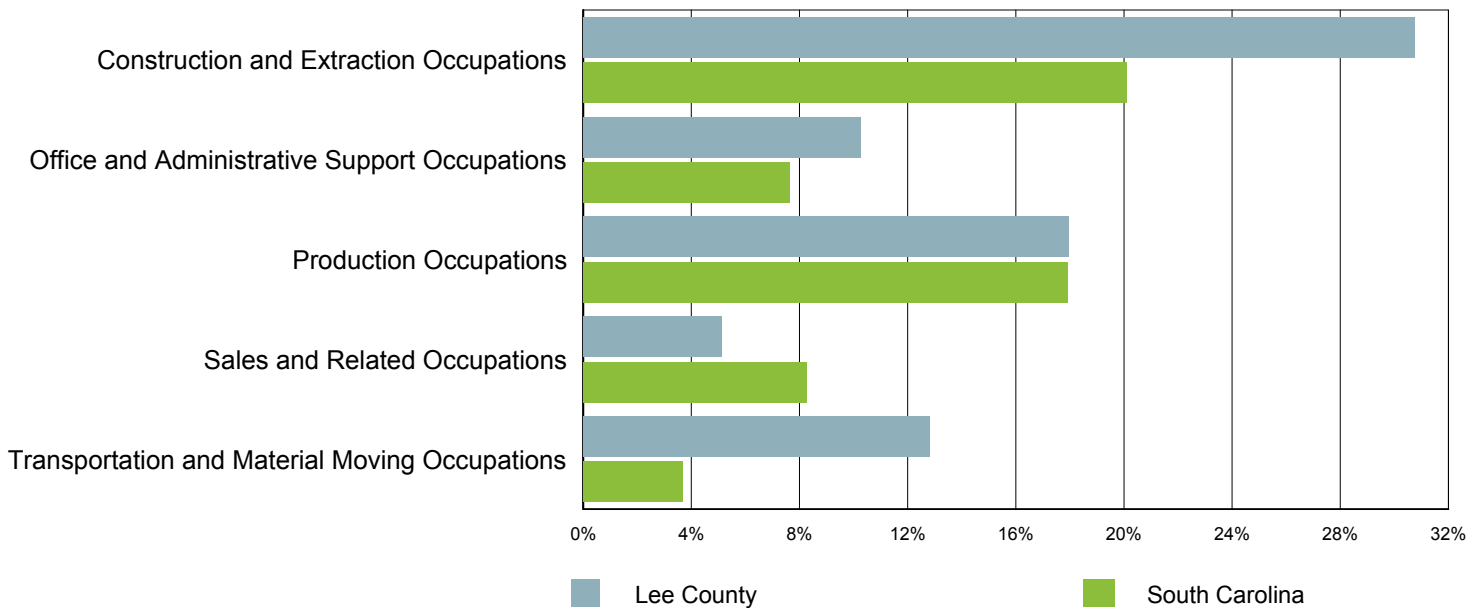


Industry	Lee County	South Carolina
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	2	59
Construction	5	932
Manufacturing	6	1,601
Wholesale Trade	1	340
Retail Trade	2	997
Transportation and Warehousing	2	277
Finance and Insurance	1	183
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi	8	2,569
Administrative and Support and Waste Manageme	7	1,403
Health Care and Social Assistance	4	733
Accommodation and Food Services	1	676

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

# Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Occupation

Occupation Groups With Largest Number of Claims  
August 2017



Occupation	Lee County	South Carolina
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	1	518
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occu	1	335
Construction and Extraction Occupations	12	2,340
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	2	662
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	1	179
Healthcare Support Occupations	2	427
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	1	301
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	4	887
Production Occupations	7	2,084
Sales and Related Occupations	2	962
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	5	430
Unknown	1	600

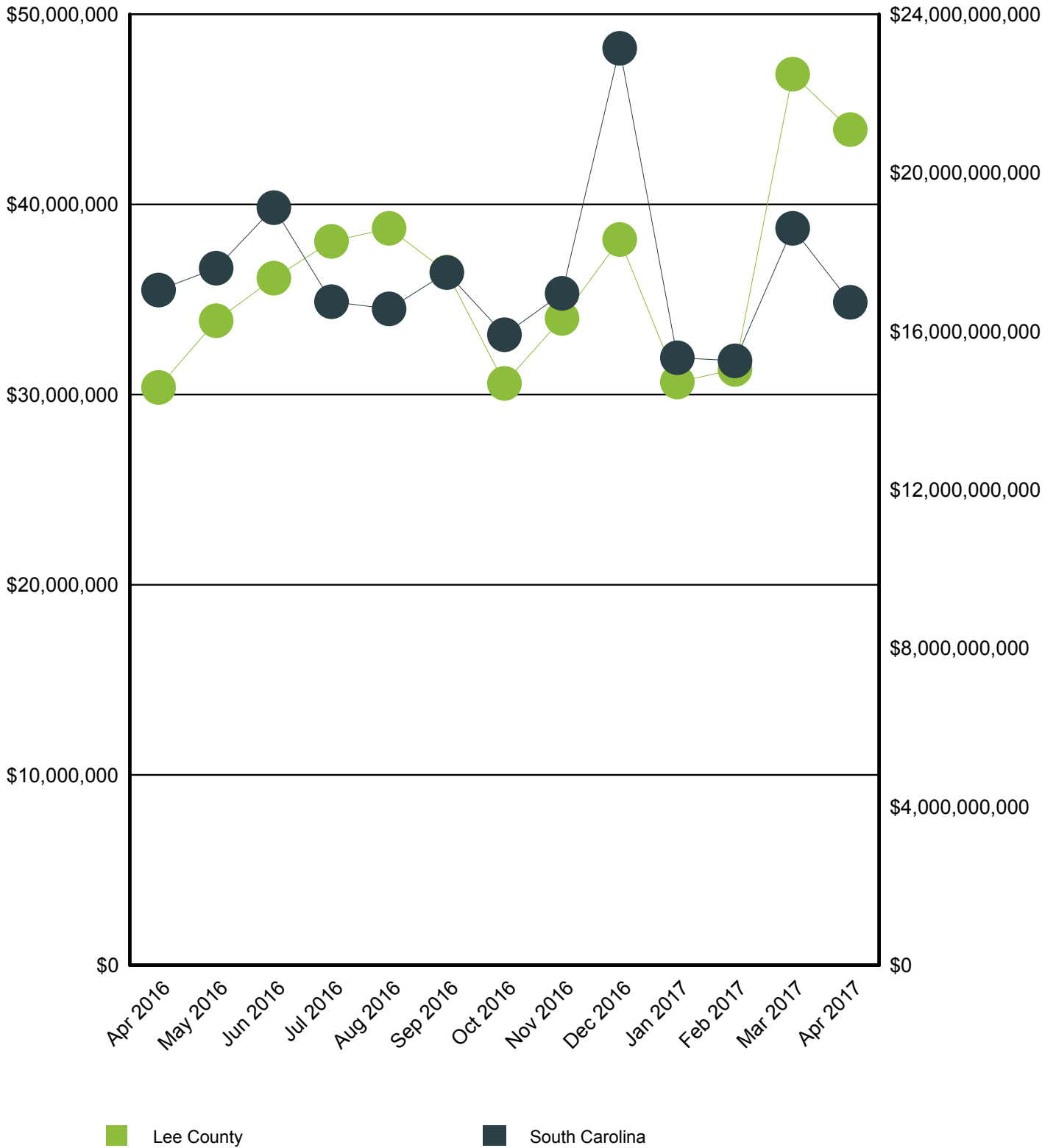
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# Retail Sales

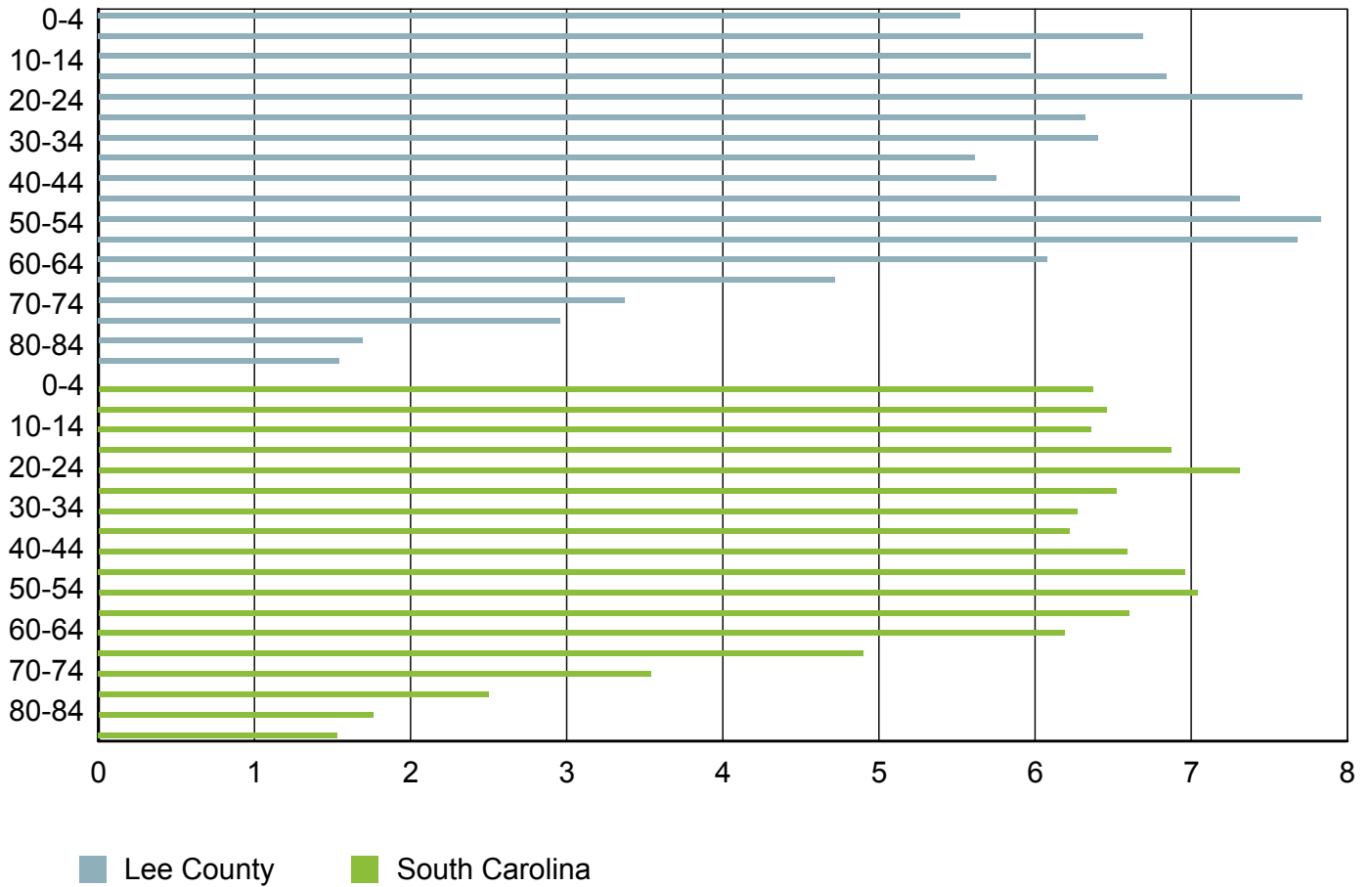
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Source: S.C. Department of Revenue

### Population by Age



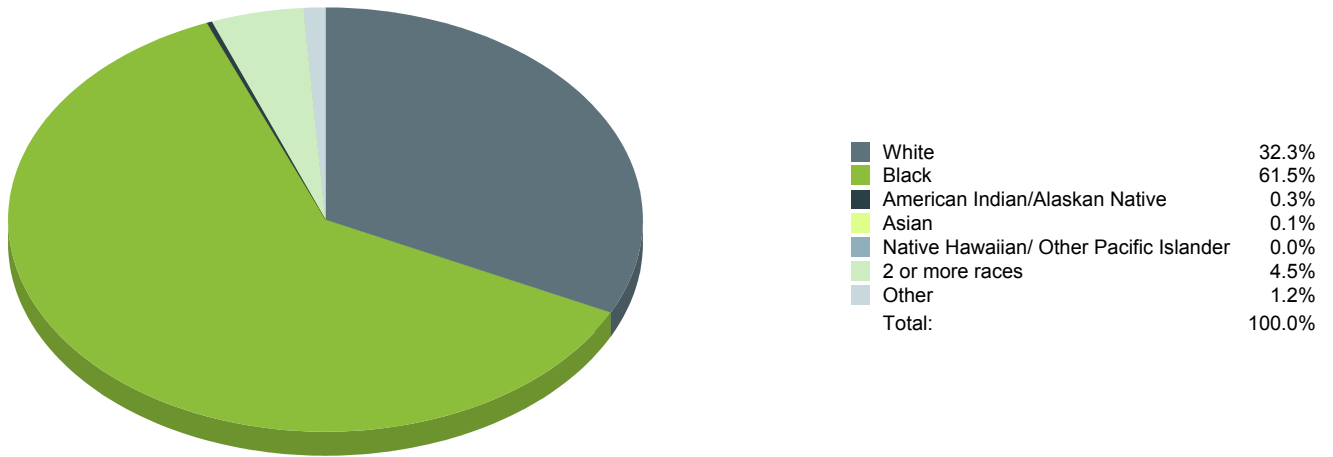
Age Range	Lee County	South Carolina	United States
0-4	1,043	298,242	20,052,112
5-9	1,264	302,111	20,409,060
10-14	1,127	297,443	20,672,609
15-19	1,293	321,540	21,715,074
20-24	1,457	342,237	22,099,887
25-29	1,194	305,167	21,243,365
30-34	1,209	293,464	20,467,912
35-39	1,059	291,183	19,876,161
40-44	1,086	308,158	20,998,001
45-49	1,381	325,660	22,109,946
50-54	1,480	329,431	22,396,322
55-59	1,450	309,061	20,165,892
60-64	1,148	289,690	17,479,211
65-69	892	229,251	13,189,508
70-74	637	165,797	9,767,522
75-79	560	117,187	7,438,750
80-84	319	82,223	5,781,697
85 and older	291	71,757	5,673,565

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

### Population by Race

Race	Lee County	%	South Carolina	%	United States	%
White	6,248	33.1%	3,144,146	66.0%	230,592,579	72.0%
Black	11,892	63.0%	1,298,534	27.3%	39,167,010	12.2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	58	0.3%	14,732	0.3%	2,540,309	0.8%
Asian	24	0.1%	61,097	1.3%	15,231,962	4.8%
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%	2,128	0.0%	526,347	0.2%
2 or more races	870	4.6%	169,670	3.6%	17,464,666	5.5%
Other	233	1.2%	74,130	1.6%	14,746,054	4.6%

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



### Population by Gender

Gender	Lee County	South Carolina	United States
Male	9,859	2,276,305	153,247,412
Female	9,031	2,403,297	158,289,182

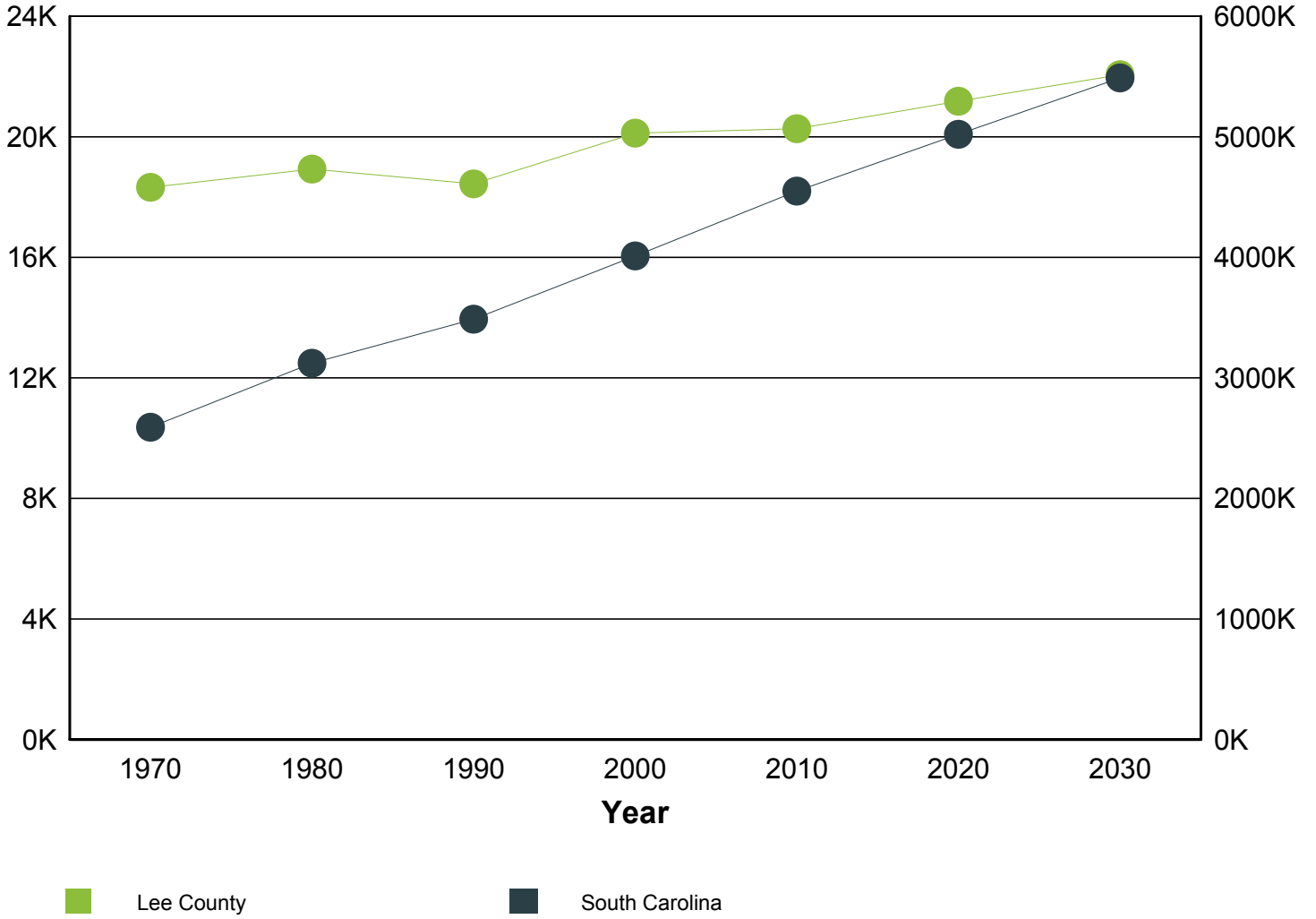
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# Population Change

Historical and Projected

Lee County

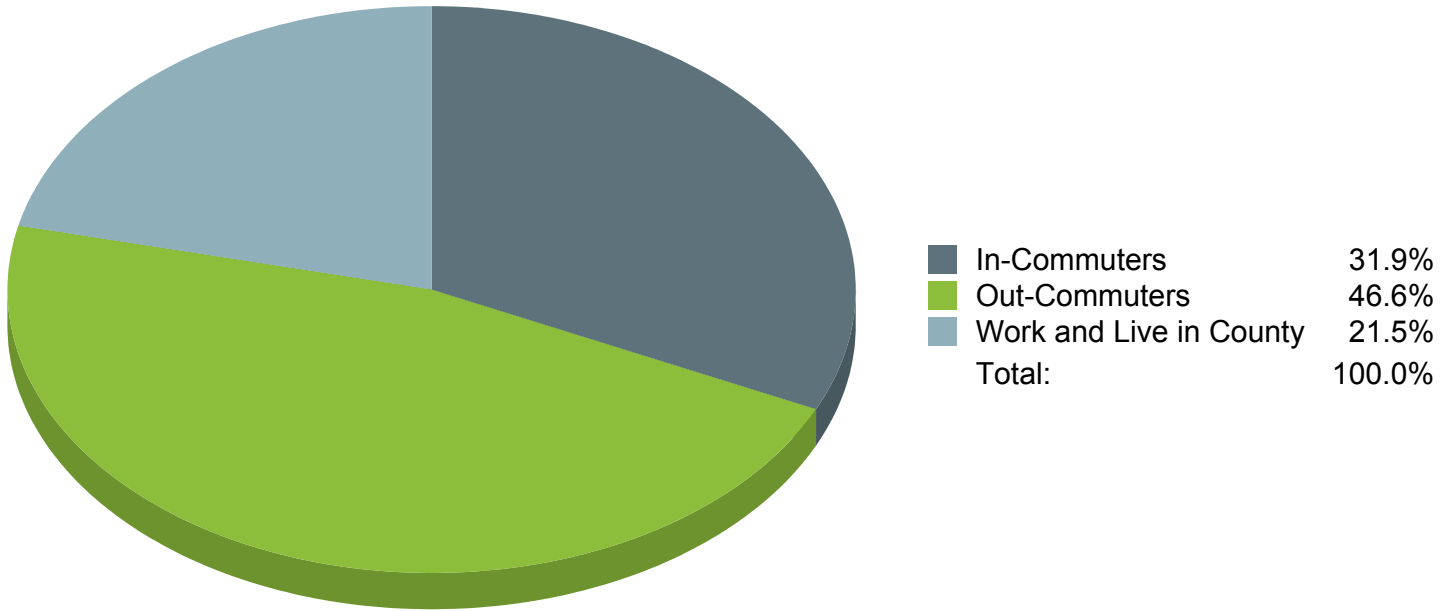
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Year	Lee County	South Carolina
1970	18,323	2,590,713
1980	18,929	3,121,820
1990	18,437	3,486,310
2000	20,119	4,012,012
2010	20,270	4,549,150
2020	21,180	5,020,400
2030	22,060	5,488,460

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

## Commuting Patterns



Commuting Patterns	Workers
Work and Live in County	2,676
In-Commuters	3,966
Out-Commuters	5,791

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

## Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting To

Area	Workers
Sumter County, SC	816
Kershaw County, SC	683
Florence County, SC	490
Darlington County, SC	488
Richland County, SC	332
Lexington County, SC	97
Lancaster County, SC	58
Clarendon County, SC	43
Horry County, SC	36
Chesterfield County, SC	18

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

## Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting From

Area	Workers
Sumter County, SC	374
Darlington County, SC	363
Kershaw County, SC	207
Florence County, SC	178
Richland County, SC	32
Aiken County, SC	27
Chesterfield County, SC	23
Clarendon County, SC	22
Lexington County, SC	22
York County, SC	20

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

## Employers by Size of Establishment

Employees	Lee County	South Carolina
0 to 4	164	73,908
5 to 9	59	20,075
10 to 19	26	14,598
20 to 49	35	11,233
50 to 99	8	4,380
100 to 249	6	2,757
250 to 499	0	834
500 to 999	0	382
1000 +	0	297

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2016 Q4  
 - Indicates that the requested data is suppressed

## Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Lee County	South Carolina
0 to 4	235	110,956
5 to 9	394	133,646
10 to 19	356	198,475
20 to 49	1,015	342,297
50 to 99	465	301,791
100 to 249	764	415,922
250 to 499	0	289,015
500 to 999	0	261,477
1000 +	0	762,450

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

(Listed Alphabetically)

### Corporation Name

ARDAGH METAL BEVERAGE USA INC

CARESOUTH CAROLINA INC

CARLYLE SENIOR CARE OF BISHOPVILLE

CAROLINA FUNDING LLC

CAROLINA INDUSTRIAL SVCS OF SUMTER

CCBCC INC

FOOD LION LLC

KELLEY GROUNDS MAINTENANCE INC

LEE COUNTY

LEE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

LEE COUNTY DISABILITIES & SPECIAL N

MCLEOD PHYSICIAN ASSOCIATES II

RED CLASSIC TRANSIT LLC

ROBERT E LEE ACADEMY

S C DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION

SC DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS

SENSOR ENTERPRISES INC

SPEEDWAY LLC

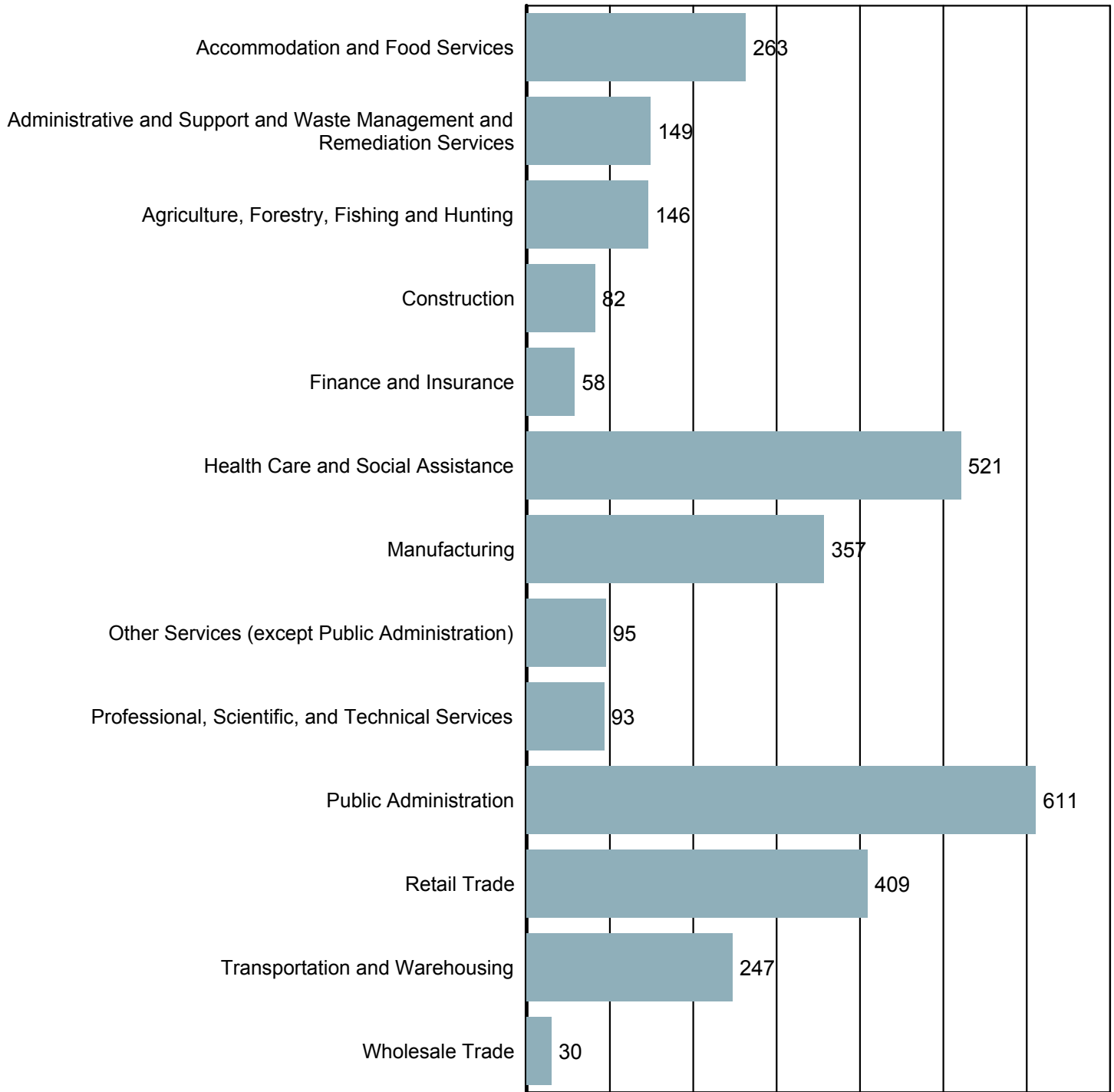
TOWN OF BISHOPVILLE

WILLIAM & TAYLOR TOBACCO CO INC

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



### Employment by Industry

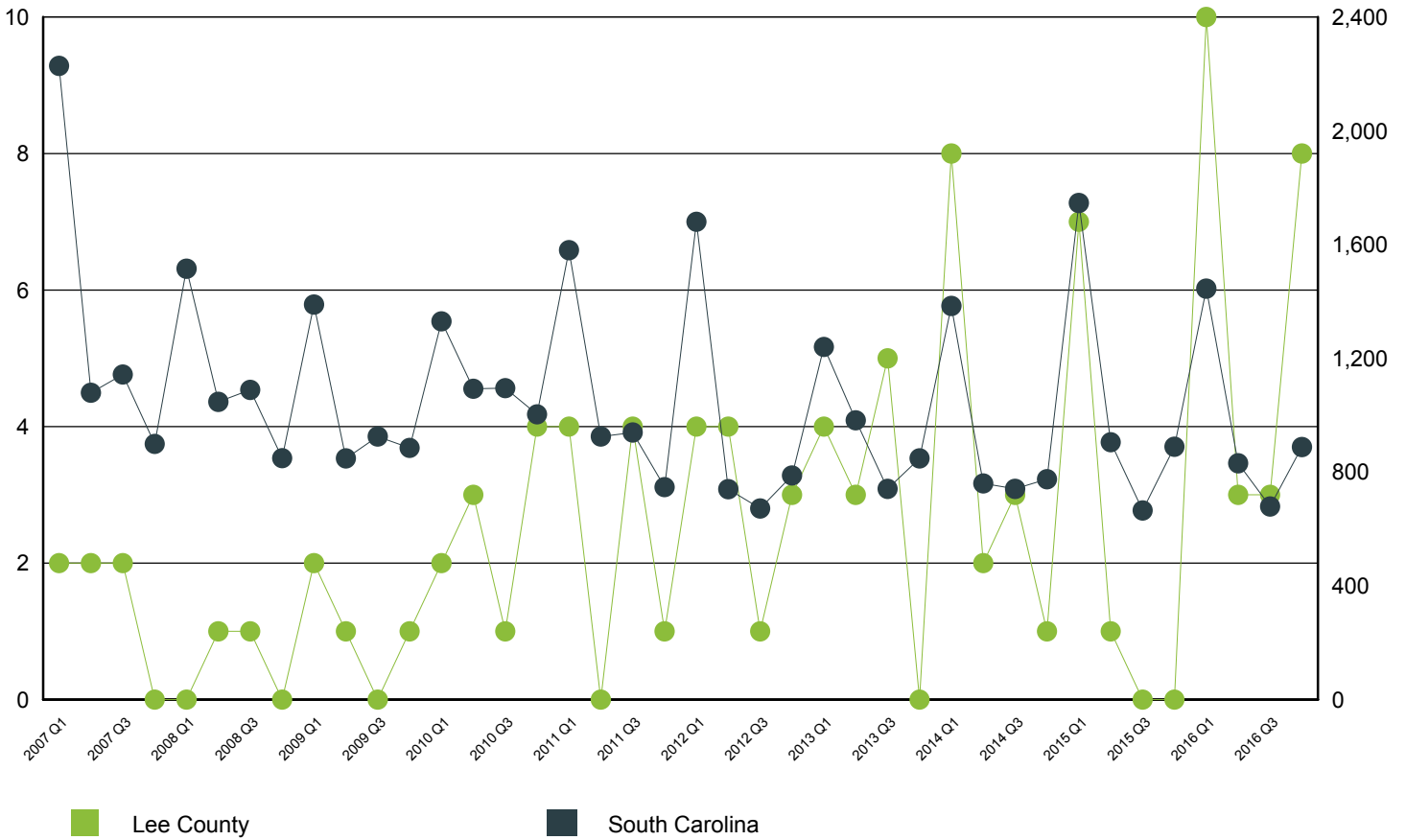


Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce  
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2016 Q4

# New Startup Firms

Lee County

South Carolina



Quarter	Lee County	South Carolina
2016 Q4	8	888
2016 Q3	3	679
2016 Q2	3	831
2016 Q1	10	1,445
2015 Q4	0	889
2015 Q3	0	665
2015 Q2	1	905
2015 Q1	7	1,746
2014 Q4	1	775
2014 Q3	3	741
2014 Q2	2	760
2014 Q1	8	1,384
2013 Q4	0	848
2013 Q3	5	741
2013 Q2	3	982
2013 Q1	4	1,240
2012 Q4	3	788
2012 Q3	1	672
2012 Q2	4	740
2012 Q1	4	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

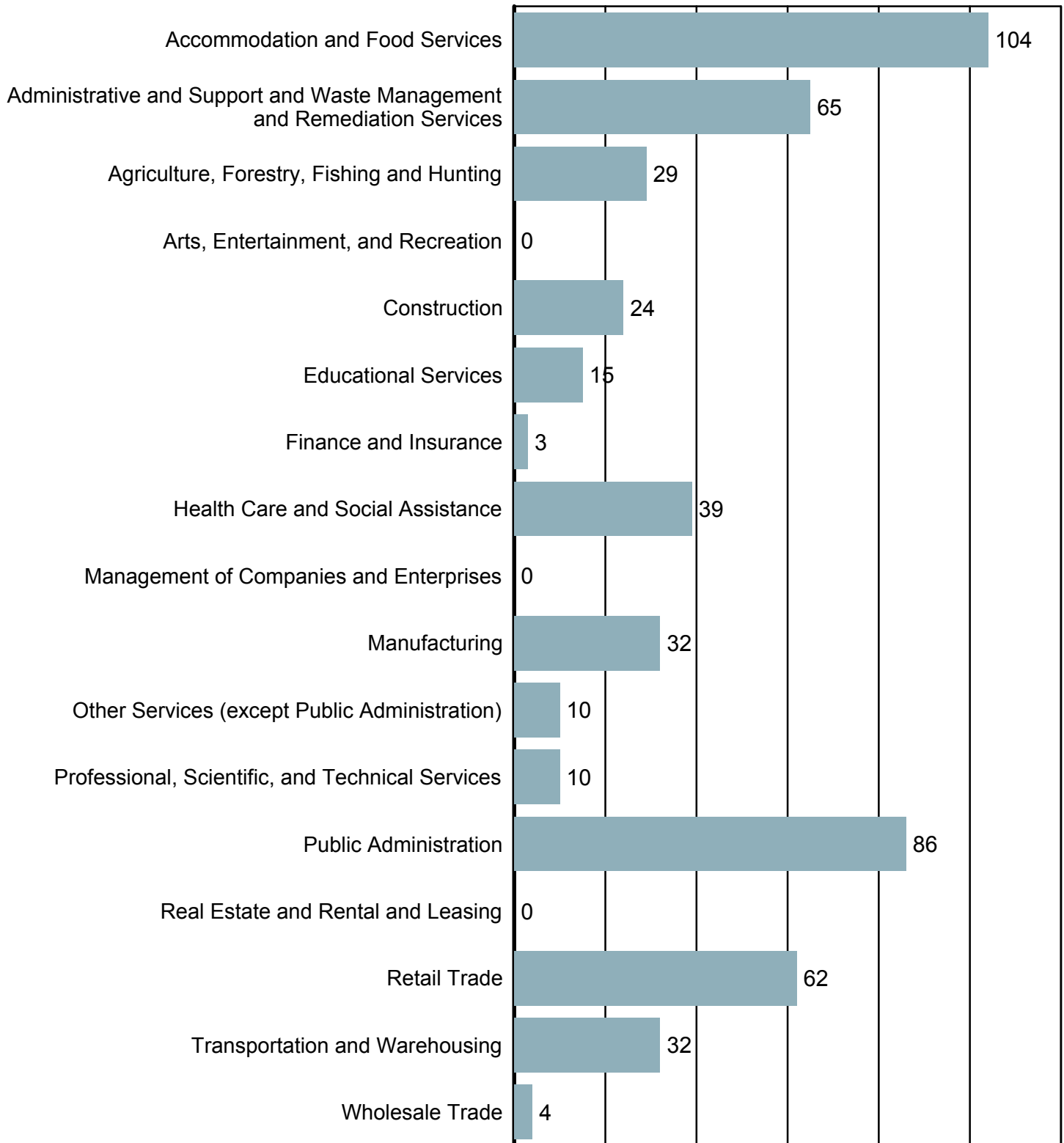
## Top 11 Occupational Openings

Lee County  
April-2016

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	6
Mental Health Counselors (21-1014)	6
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants (43-6011)	5
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists (49-3031)	4
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food (35-3021)	4
Occupational Therapists (29-1122)	4
Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093)	4
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)	3
First-Line Supervisors of Office and Administrative Support Workers (43-1011)	3
Maintenance and Repair Workers, General (49-9071)	3
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	3

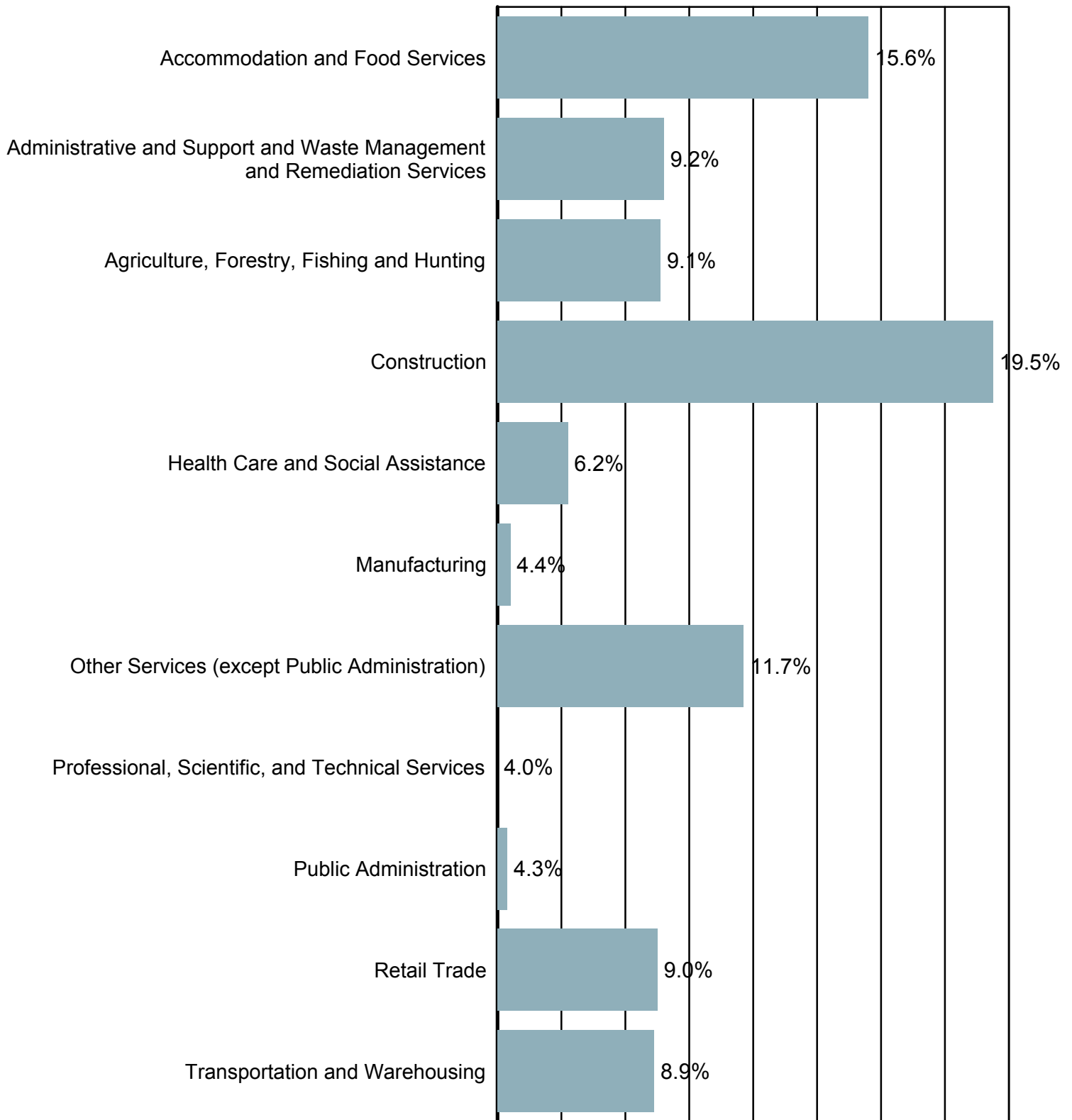
Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce & The Conference Board's Help Wanted OnLine® data series

### New Hires by Industry



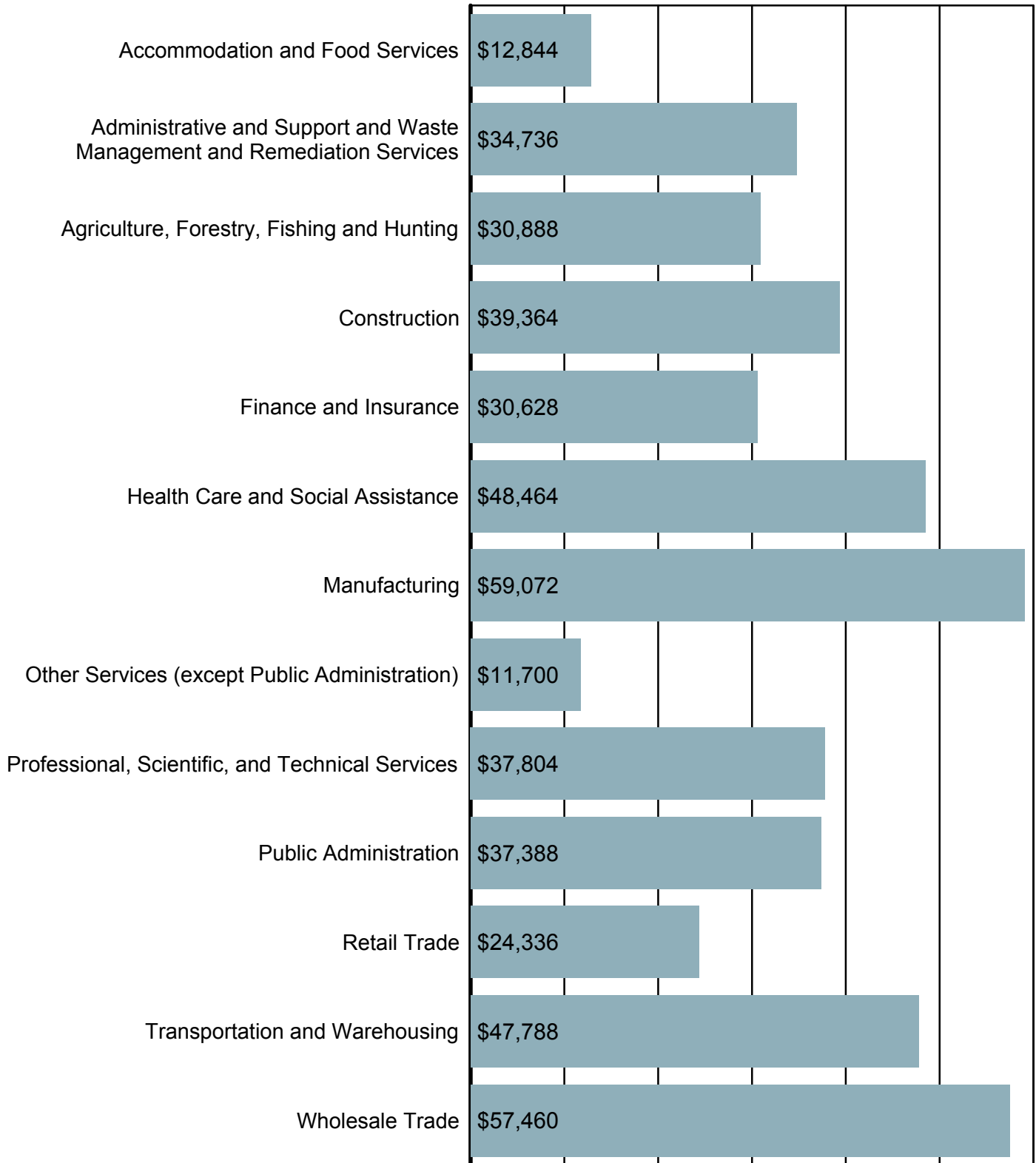
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - 2016 Q2

## 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	58	98	168	612	734	919	782	277
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	0	0	3	18	17	40	33	17
Construction	0	2	4	10	21	14	22	0
Manufacturing	0	8	19	61	94	104	66	16
Wholesale Trade	0	0	0	3	9	7	19	9
Retail Trade	17	28	21	71	68	92	91	36
Transportation and Warehousing	0	5	0	22	68	91	48	13
Finance and Insurance	0	0	3	12	8	14	9	6
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi	0	0	4	18	14	16	26	8
Management of Companies and Enterprises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and Support and Waste Manageme	0	4	3	30	39	49	32	9
Educational Services	0	0	20	66	95	117	131	35
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	10	20	95	121	116	101	26
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Accommodation and Food Services	34	32	32	68	44	41	23	6
Other Services (except Public Administration)	0	0	5	16	13	26	20	15
Public Administration	0	3	33	122	120	190	159	79

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.

Santee-Lynches Industry	2014 Estimated Employment	2024 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total Employment, All Jobs	70,942	78,105	7,163	10.10	0.97
Health care and social assistance	9,760	11,923	2,163	22.16	2.02
Administrative and support and waste management and remediat	4,218	5,297	1,079	25.58	2.30
Educational services; state, local, and private	6,284	7,254	970	15.44	1.45
Construction	3,300	4,006	706	21.39	1.96
Accommodation and food services	5,525	6,110	585	10.59	1.01
Retail Trade	8,317	8,834	517	6.22	0.60
Professional, scientific, and technical services	1,669	2,097	428	25.64	2.31
Transportation and Warehousing	1,391	1,597	206	14.81	1.39
Manufacturing	10,285	10,488	203	1.97	0.20
Wholesale trade	957	1,124	167	17.45	1.62
Other services (except public administration)	2,405	2,547	142	5.90	0.58
Finance and insurance	1,377	1,494	117	8.50	0.82
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	542	585	43	7.93	0.77
Real estate and rental and leasing	336	368	32	9.52	0.91
Information	363	387	24	6.61	0.64
Management of companies and enterprises	227	246	19	8.37	0.81
Utilities	163	164	1	0.61	0.06

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.

Santee-Lynches	2014	2024			
Occupation	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Openings (Replace)	Openings (Growth)	Annual Openings
Total, all occupations	70,942	78,105	1,690	809	2,499
Management occupations	4,539	4,695	96	28	124
Business and financial operations occupations	1,650	1,760	34	13	47
Computer and mathematical occupations	468	574	7	11	18
Architecture and engineering occupations	519	584	14	7	21
Life, physical, and social science occupations	434	490	12	6	18
Community and social service occupations	1,685	2,055	38	37	75
Legal occupations	323	370	6	5	11
Education, training, and library occupations	3,984	4,667	88	69	157
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations	574	606	13	4	17
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	4,831	5,548	102	72	174
Healthcare support occupations	2,183	2,751	49	57	106
Protective service occupations	2,771	3,079	63	31	94
Food preparation and serving related occupations	5,596	6,160	192	66	258
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	3,158	3,679	63	52	115
Personal care and service occupations	1,979	2,362	43	38	81
Sales and related occupations	7,234	7,800	239	57	296
Office and administrative support occupations	8,051	8,468	166	55	221
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	2,105	1,760	54	0	54
Construction and extraction occupations	2,967	3,456	47	49	96
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	2,998	3,442	75	45	120
Production occupations	7,986	8,471	169	63	232
Transportation and material moving occupations	4,907	5,328	120	44	164

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.

Santee-Lynches Occupation	2014	2024	Percent Change	Replace	Growth	Total	Average Salary
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment					
Electrical power-line installers and repairers	267	389	46	11	12	23	\$ 47,252
Home health aides	822	1,183	44	19	36	55	\$ 18,800
Ambulance drivers and attendants, except emergency medical t	67	92	37	1	2	3	\$ 22,415
Personal care aides	389	533	37	3	14	17	\$ 20,494
Nurse practitioners	20	27	35	0	1	1	\$ 94,791
Occupational therapists	62	81	31	1	2	3	\$ 53,933
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs	20	26	30	0	1	1	\$ 18,796
Physician assistants	27	35	30	1	1	2	\$ 98,330
Preschool teachers, except special education	199	254	28	6	6	12	\$ 32,821
Electronics engineers, except computer	11	14	27	0	0	0	\$ 105,195
Substance abuse and behavioral disorder counselors	33	42	27	1	1	2	\$ 35,527
Rehabilitation counselors	129	164	27	3	4	7	\$ 27,929
Computer network architects	15	19	27	0	0	0	\$ 78,874
Helpers--electricians	129	163	26	2	3	5	\$ 22,836
Sales representatives, services, all other	48	60	25	1	1	2	\$ 52,719
Compensation, benefits, and job analysis specialists	12	15	25	0	0	0	\$ 49,157
Cooks, restaurant	283	353	25	8	7	15	\$ 19,794
Computer user support specialists	102	127	25	1	2	3	\$ 44,201
Childcare workers	506	628	24	15	12	27	\$ 17,881
Database administrators	13	16	23	0	0	0	\$ 57,795

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.

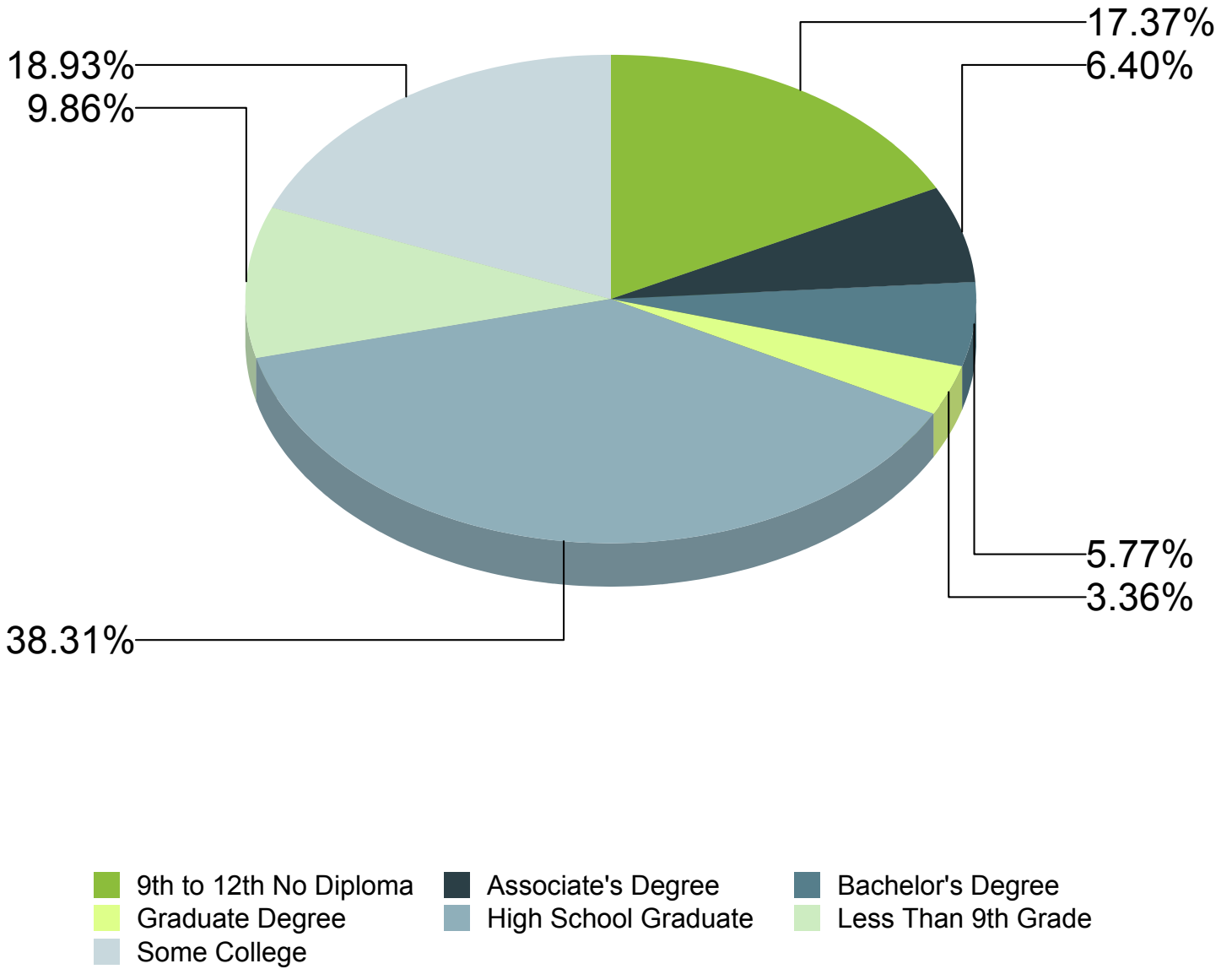
Santee-Lynches	2014	2024					
Occupation	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Percent Change	Replace	Growth	Total	Average Salary
Logging equipment operators	253	163	-36	6	0	6	\$ 40,571
Postal service mail sorters, processors, and processing mach	16	12	-25	0	0	0	\$ 33,501
First-line supervisors of farming, fishing, and forestry wor	138	106	-23	3	0	3	\$ 52,558
Word processors and typists	16	13	-19	0	0	0	\$ 32,273
Computer operators	16	13	-19	0	0	0	\$ 36,187
Heat treating equipment setters, operators, and tenders, met	17	14	-18	0	0	0	\$ 34,304
Postal service clerks	36	30	-17	0	0	0	\$ 46,782
Farmworkers and laborers, crop, nursery, and greenhouse	996	845	-15	26	0	26	\$ 22,048
Postal service mail carriers	203	173	-15	4	0	4	\$ 49,822
Meter readers, utilities	22	19	-14	0	0	0	\$ 28,938
Medical transcriptionists	33	29	-12	1	0	1	\$ 34,462
Postmasters and mail superintendents	17	15	-12	0	0	0	\$ 67,276
Cooks, fast food	1,096	996	-9	29	0	29	\$ 17,258
Computer occupations, all other	25	23	-8	0	0	0	\$ 69,821
Data entry keyers	51	47	-8	1	0	1	\$ 28,872
Textile bleaching and dyeing machine operators and tenders	210	194	-8	2	0	2	\$ 21,945
Business operations specialists, all other	185	171	-8	2	0	2	\$ 72,847
Claims adjusters, examiners, and investigators	29	27	-7	1	0	1	\$ 66,921
Surveying and mapping technicians	16	15	-6	0	0	0	\$ 53,373
Bookkeeping, accounting, and auditing clerks	675	636	-6	7	0	7	\$ 32,428

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

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

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# 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

Degrees Awarded:

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