

South Carolina Regional Commuting Patterns

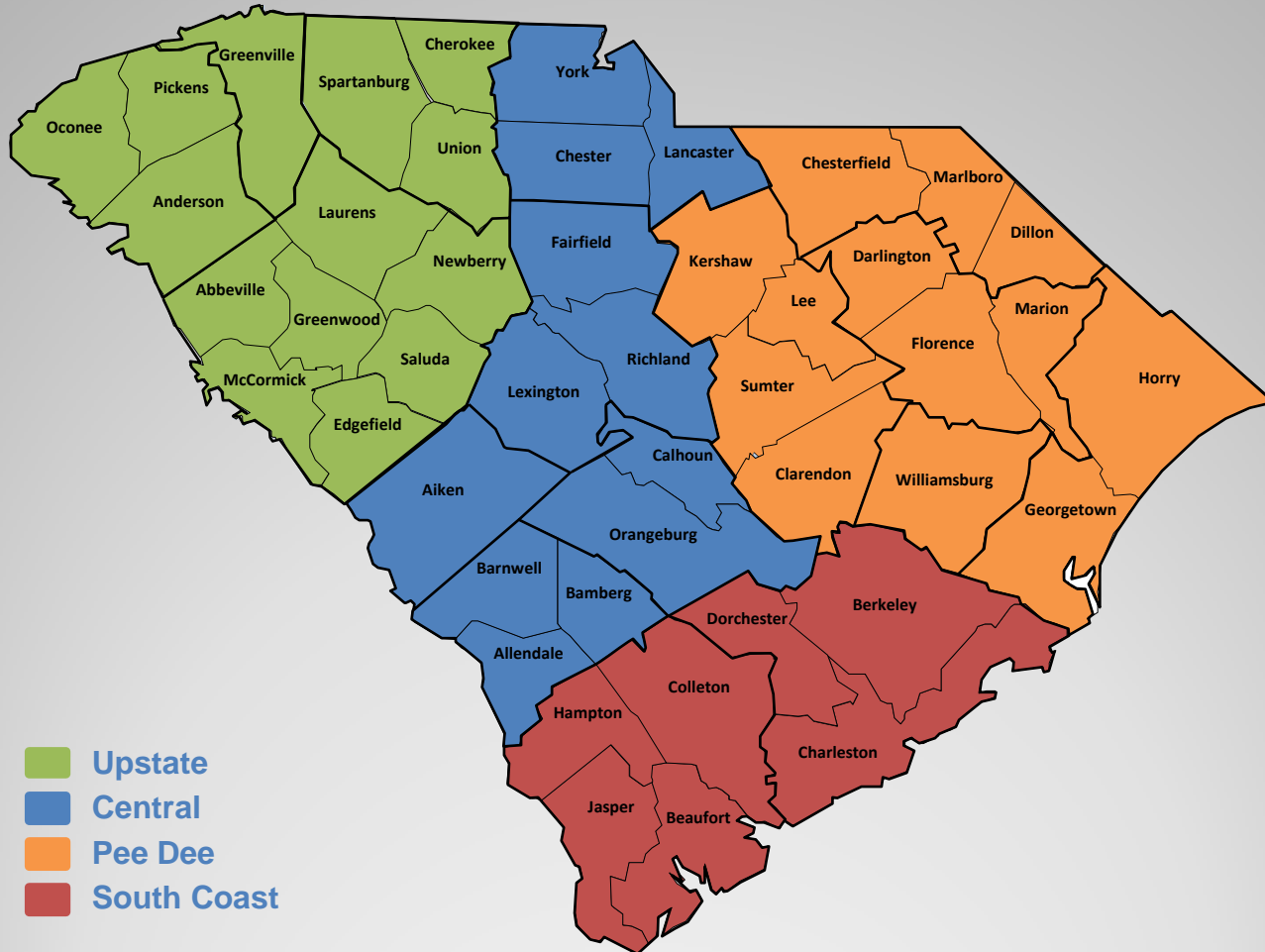
*An In-depth Analysis of the State's Workforce
Part 2 – Worker Demographics*



South Carolina Regional Commuting Patterns

- In the fall of 2015, the South Carolina State Workforce Development Board approved a regional system for workforce planning in accordance with the federal law *Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 (WIOA)*.
- Commuting patterns were part of the information used to determine the regional system.
- This presentation is the second of four in the commuting pattern series and focuses on the demographic characteristics of the workers who hold the regions' jobs.

South Carolina WIOA Regions



Upstate Region

Commuting Patterns

- In 2013, the Upstate region had nearly 562,000 jobs.
- Fifty-six percent were held by workers aged 30-54, and 21.5 percent of workers were aged 55+.
- Forty-one percent of workers made between \$1,251-\$3,333 monthly.
- Most of the workers were male.
- Over three-fourths of workers were white, while 21 percent were black.



Work Area Profile Report

Total Primary Jobs

	2013	
	Count	Share
Total Primary Jobs	561,905	100.0%

Jobs by Worker Age

	2013	
	Count	Share
Age 29 or younger	126,879	22.6%
Age 30 to 54	314,458	56.0%
Age 55 or older	120,568	21.5%

Jobs by Earnings

	2013	
	Count	Share
\$1,250 per month or less	125,647	22.4%
\$1,251 to \$3,333 per month	233,855	41.6%
More than \$3,333 per month	202,403	36.0%

Jobs by Worker Sex

	2013	
	Count	Share
Male	289,495	51.5%
Female	272,410	48.5%

Jobs by Worker Race

	2013	
	Count	Share
White Alone	430,893	76.7%
Black or African American Alone	117,201	20.9%
American Indian or Alaska Native Alone	1,487	0.3%
Asian Alone	8,254	1.5%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Alone	286	0.1%
Two or More Race Groups	3,784	0.7%

Central Region

Commuting Patterns

- In 2013, the Central region had nearly 517,000 jobs.
- Fifty-six percent were held by workers aged 30-54, and 21.6 percent of workers were aged 55+.
- Forty-one percent of workers made between \$1,251-\$3,333 monthly.
- Most of the workers were female.
- Nearly two-thirds of workers were white, while 31 percent were black.



Work Area Profile Report

Total Primary Jobs

	2013	
	Count	Share
Total Primary Jobs	516,591	100.0%

Jobs by Worker Age

	2013	
	Count	Share
Age 29 or younger	114,512	22.2%
Age 30 to 54	290,605	56.3%
Age 55 or older	111,474	21.6%

Jobs by Earnings

	2013	
	Count	Share
\$1,250 per month or less	113,931	22.1%
\$1,251 to \$3,333 per month	211,297	40.9%
More than \$3,333 per month	191,363	37.0%

Jobs by Worker Sex

	2013	
	Count	Share
Male	251,374	48.7%
Female	265,217	51.3%

Jobs by Worker Race

	2013	
	Count	Share
White Alone	341,256	66.1%
Black or African American Alone	161,626	31.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native Alone	1,927	0.4%
Asian Alone	7,614	1.5%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Alone	281	0.1%
Two or More Race Groups	3,887	0.8%

Pee Dee Region

Commuting Patterns

- In 2013, the Pee Dee region had nearly 300,000 jobs.
- Fifty-four percent were held by workers aged 30-54, and 23.3 percent of workers were aged 55+.
- Forty-five percent of workers made between \$1,251-\$3,333 monthly.
- Most of the workers were female.
- Two-thirds of workers were white, while 31 percent were black.



Work Area Profile Report

Total Primary Jobs

	2013	
	Count	Share
Total Primary Jobs	299,531	100.0%

Jobs by Worker Age

	2013	
	Count	Share
Age 29 or younger	66,685	22.3%
Age 30 to 54	163,080	54.4%
Age 55 or older	69,766	23.3%

Jobs by Earnings

	2013	
	Count	Share
\$1,250 per month or less	82,772	27.6%
\$1,251 to \$3,333 per month	134,852	45.0%
More than \$3,333 per month	81,907	27.3%

Jobs by Worker Sex

	2013	
	Count	Share
Male	143,625	47.9%
Female	155,906	52.1%

Jobs by Worker Race

	2013	
	Count	Share
White Alone	200,789	67.0%
Black or African American Alone	91,739	30.6%
American Indian or Alaska Native Alone	1,546	0.5%
Asian Alone	3,203	1.1%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Alone	149	0.0%
Two or More Race Groups	2,105	0.7%

South Coast Region

Commuting Patterns

- In 2013, the South Coast region had nearly 345,000 jobs.
- Fifty-five percent were held by workers aged 30-54, and 20.7 percent of workers were aged 55+.
- Forty percent of workers made between \$1,251-\$3,333 monthly.
- Most of the workers were female.
- Seventy-one percent of workers were white, while 26 percent were black.



Work Area Profile Report

Total Primary Jobs

	2013	
	Count	Share
Total Primary Jobs	344,622	100.0%

Jobs by Worker Age

	2013	
	Count	Share
Age 29 or younger	83,099	24.1%
Age 30 to 54	190,079	55.2%
Age 55 or older	71,444	20.7%

Jobs by Earnings

	2013	
	Count	Share
\$1,250 per month or less	77,729	22.6%
\$1,251 to \$3,333 per month	139,338	40.4%
More than \$3,333 per month	127,555	37.0%

Jobs by Worker Sex

	2013	
	Count	Share
Male	166,809	48.4%
Female	177,813	51.6%

Jobs by Worker Race

	2013	
	Count	Share
White Alone	244,589	71.0%
Black or African American Alone	89,542	26.0%
American Indian or Alaska Native Alone	1,389	0.4%
Asian Alone	5,825	1.7%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander Alone	275	0.1%
Two or More Race Groups	3,002	0.9%

Data Source and Notes

- **Data Source: U. S. Census Bureau, 2015. OnTheMap Application. Longitudinal-Employer Household Dynamics (LEHD) Program.** <http://onthemap.ces.census.gov/>
- The LEHD data infrastructure is based upon several core datasets provided by state partners. These datasets include Unemployment Insurance (UI) wage data and the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) as well as federal civilian workers. Coverage currently excludes several groups of workers: uniformed military, self-employed workers and informally employed workers.
- For the purposes of *OnTheMap*, LEHD defines a job as a link between a worker and a firm at which the worker has been employed during the reference quarter (Quarter 2 [April-June] 2013) *and* during the quarter *prior* to the reference quarter. This definition of "job" is sometimes called a "Beginning of Quarter" job because it is assumed that the worker was employed at that firm on the first day of the reference quarter. Jobs are associated with both a home census block for the worker and a jobsite census block in an origin-destination format.
- This presentation uses the "primary job" variable. A primary job is the highest paying job for an individual worker for the year. The count of primary jobs is the same as the count of workers.

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