

COMMUNITY PROFILE

Chester County



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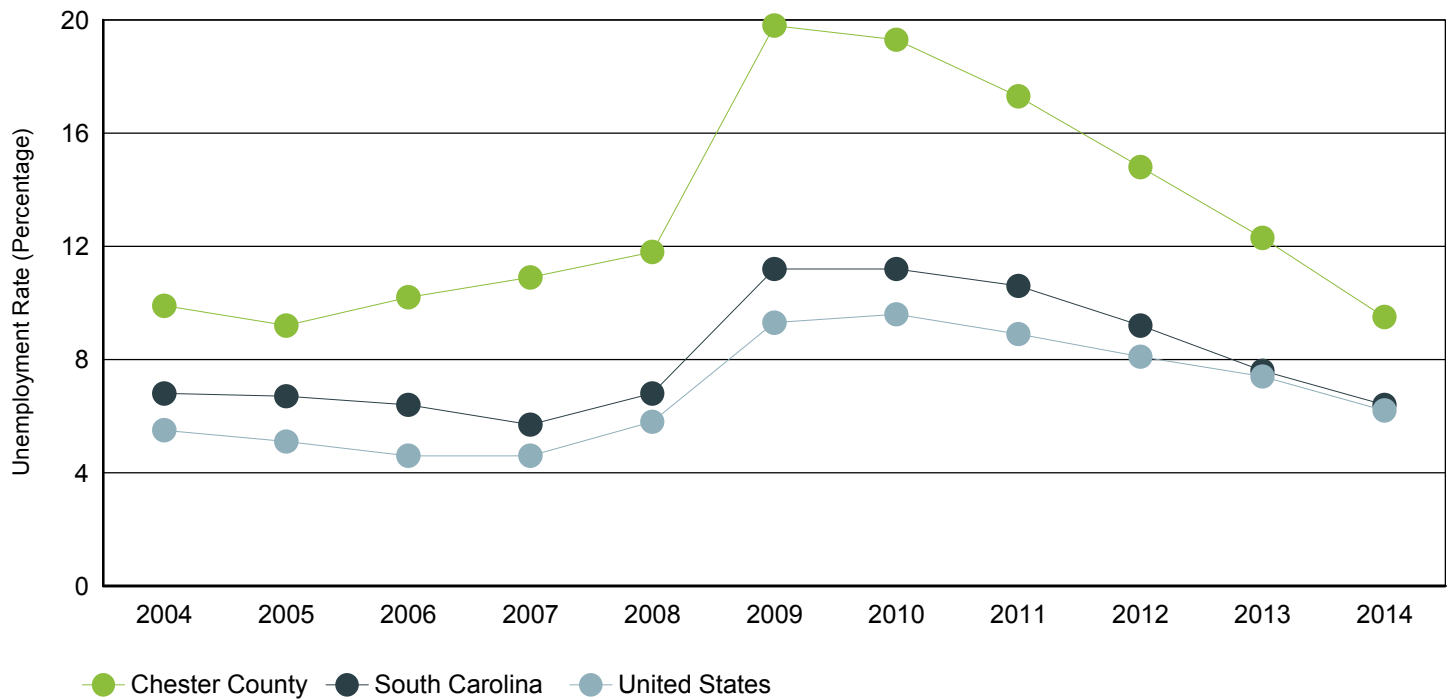
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Annual Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Trends

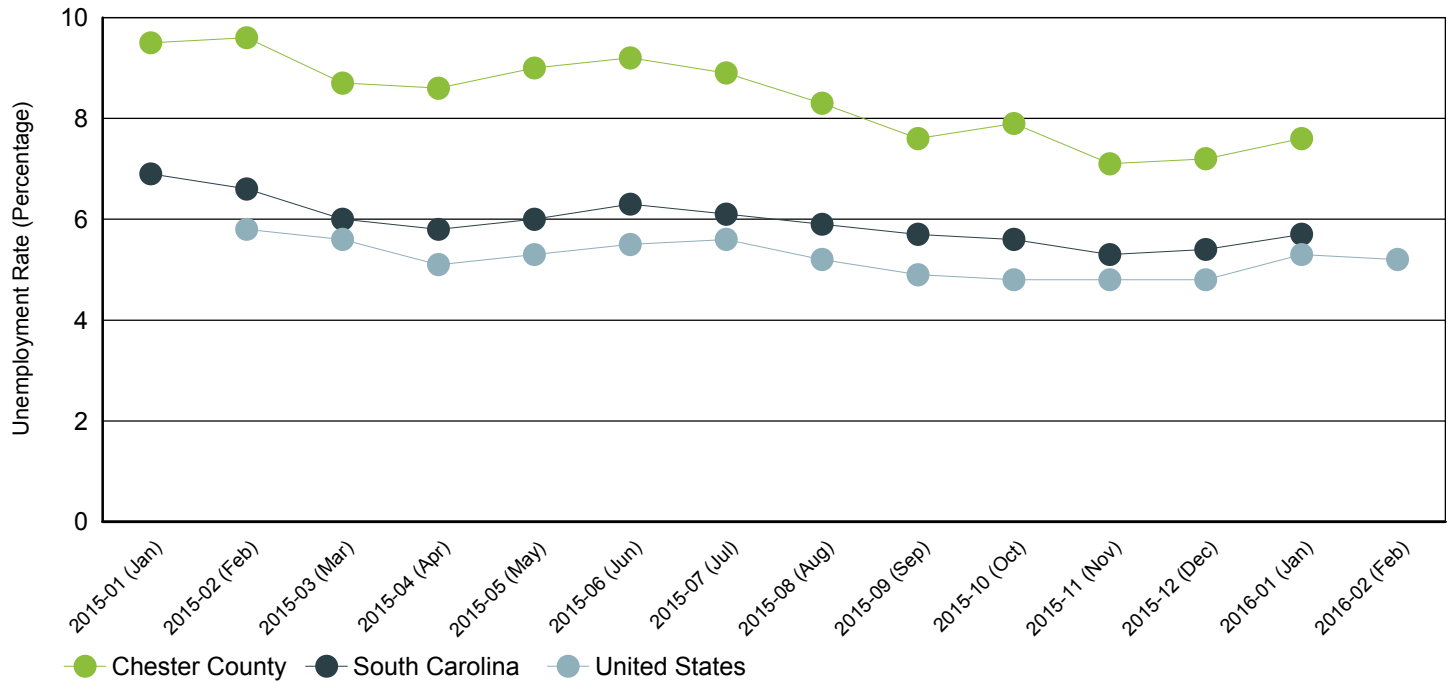


Year	Chester County			South Carolina			United States		
	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate	Employment	Unemp	Rate
2014	12,311	1,297	9.5%	2,074,277	142,505	6.4%	146,305,000	9,617,000	6.2%
2013	11,941	1,673	12.3%	2,022,444	166,924	7.6%	143,929,000	11,460,000	7.4%
2012	11,913	2,064	14.8%	1,983,506	200,607	9.2%	142,469,000	12,506,000	8.1%
2011	11,887	2,491	17.3%	1,945,900	229,623	10.6%	139,869,000	13,747,000	8.9%
2010	11,855	2,829	19.3%	1,915,045	240,623	11.2%	139,064,000	14,825,000	9.6%
2009	12,534	3,098	19.8%	1,910,670	242,075	11.2%	139,877,000	14,265,000	9.3%
2008	13,505	1,809	11.8%	1,996,409	145,823	6.8%	145,362,000	8,924,000	5.8%
2007	13,788	1,687	10.9%	2,005,686	120,205	5.7%	146,047,000	7,078,000	4.6%
2006	14,511	1,648	10.2%	1,973,337	135,760	6.4%	144,427,000	7,001,000	4.6%
2005	14,437	1,459	9.2%	1,929,233	139,366	6.7%	141,730,000	7,591,000	5.1%
2004	14,093	1,542	9.9%	1,894,141	139,169	6.8%	139,252,000	8,149,000	5.5%

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Monthly Unemployment Rate (Unadjusted)

Past 13 Months



Period	Chester County	South Carolina	United States
Jan 2016	7.6%	5.7%	5.3%
Dec 2015	7.2%	5.4%	4.8%
Nov 2015	7.1%	5.3%	4.8%
Oct 2015	7.9%	5.6%	4.8%
Sep 2015	7.6%	5.7%	4.9%
Aug 2015	8.3%	5.9%	5.2%
Jul 2015	8.9%	6.1%	5.6%
Jun 2015	9.2%	6.3%	5.5%
May 2015	9.0%	6.0%	5.3%
Apr 2015	8.6%	5.8%	5.1%
Mar 2015	8.7%	6.0%	5.6%
Feb 2015	9.6%	6.6%	5.8%
Jan 2015	9.5%	6.9%	

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Area Job Openings

Period	Chester County				South Carolina			
	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings	Employed	Unemployed	Unemp. Rate	Job Openings
Jan-16	12,647	1,037	7.6%		2,149,850	124,650	5.5%	
Dec-15	12,948	1,003	7.2%	272	2,138,997	124,433	5.5%	60,418
Nov-15	12,875	977	7.1%	261	2,136,651	124,159	5.5%	73,219
Oct-15	12,867	1,106	7.9%	275	2,133,670	124,395	5.5%	71,138
Sep-15	12,769	1,043	7.6%	250	2,130,209	125,030	5.5%	71,372
Aug-15	12,903	1,173	8.3%	274	2,126,323	126,465	5.6%	71,760
Jul-15	12,769	1,240	8.9%	253	2,122,043	129,098	5.7%	73,050
Jun-15	12,818	1,295	9.2%	224	2,117,636	132,841	5.9%	73,702
May-15	12,795	1,261	9.0%	191	2,113,381	137,045	6.1%	71,340
Apr-15	12,665	1,186	8.6%	195	2,109,476	140,935	6.3%	73,570
Mar-15	12,592	1,203	8.7%	189	2,106,031	143,919	6.4%	71,879
Feb-15	12,501	1,332	9.6%	150	2,102,897	145,750	6.5%	63,628
Jan-15	12,473	1,308	9.5%	147	2,099,736	146,778	6.5%	62,305

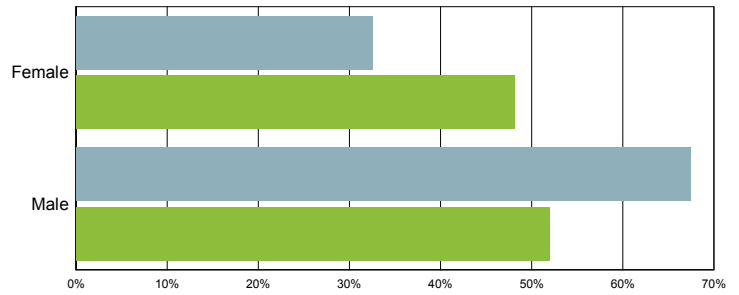
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Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claimants

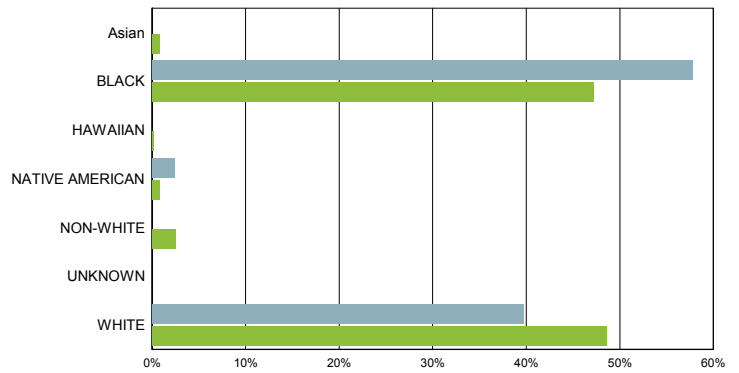
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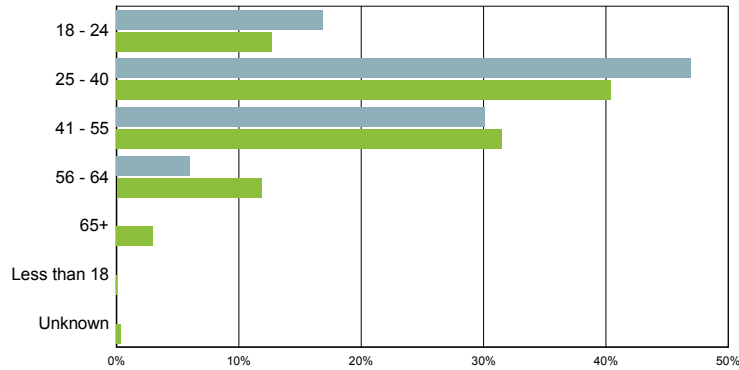
Gender	Chester County	South Carolina
Female	27	4,016
Male	56	4,336



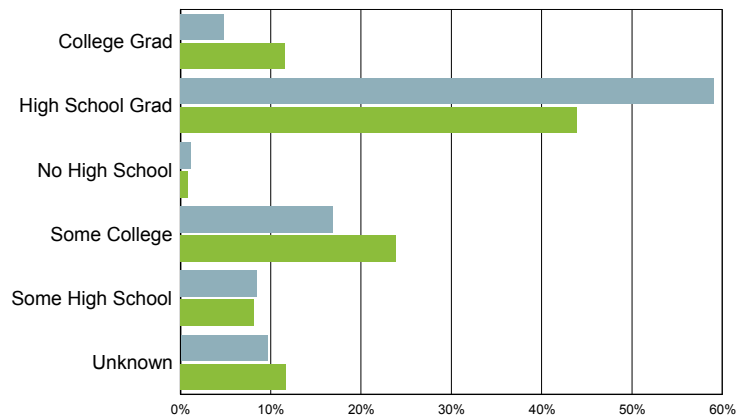
Race	Chester County	South Carolina
Asian	0	62
BLACK	48	3,943
NATIVE AMERICAN	2	68
WHITE	33	4,054



Age Group	Chester County	South Carolina
18 - 24	14	1,063
25 - 40	39	3,379
41 - 55	25	2,632
56 - 64	5	991
Unknown	0	250
Less than 18	0	6
Unknown	0	31



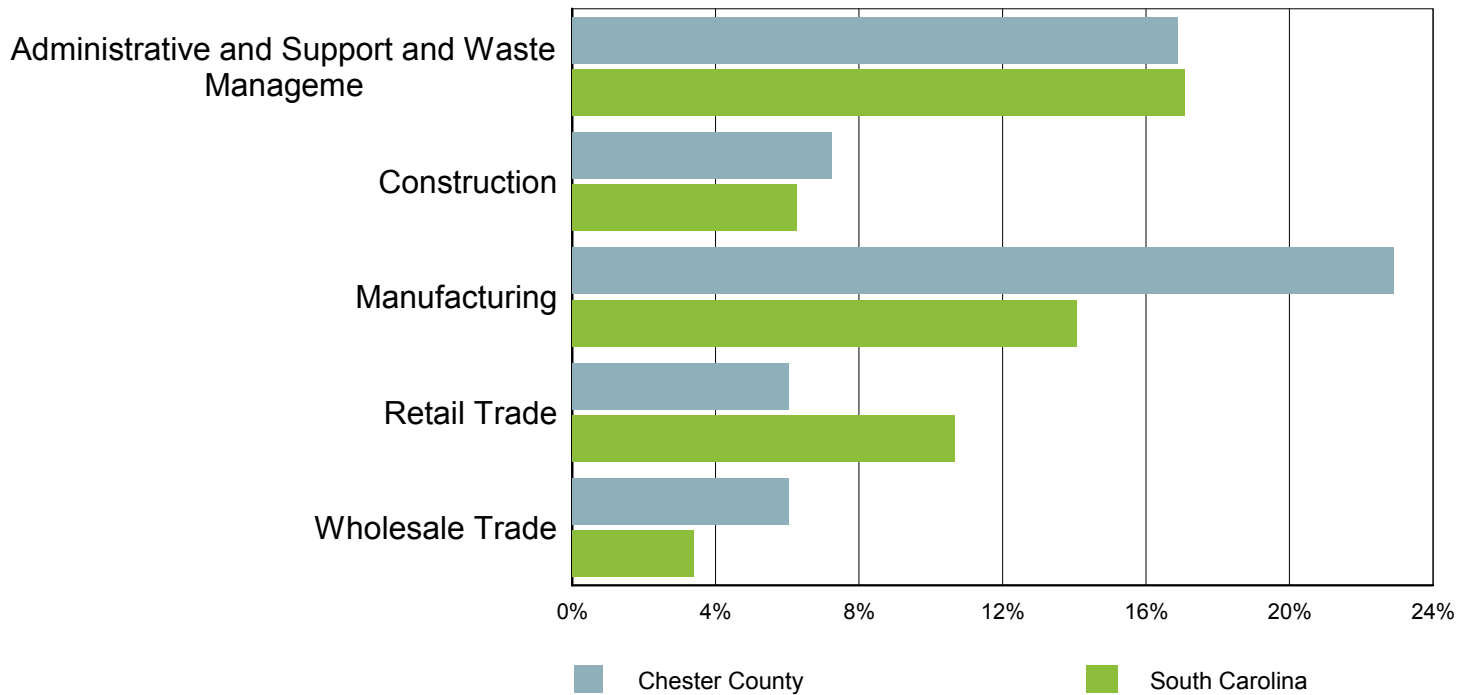
Education	Chester County	South Carolina
College Grad	4	966
Some College	14	1,990
High School Grad	49	3,666
Some High School	7	680
No High School	1	71
Unknown	8	979



Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Industry

Industry Groups With Largest Number of Claims
February 2016

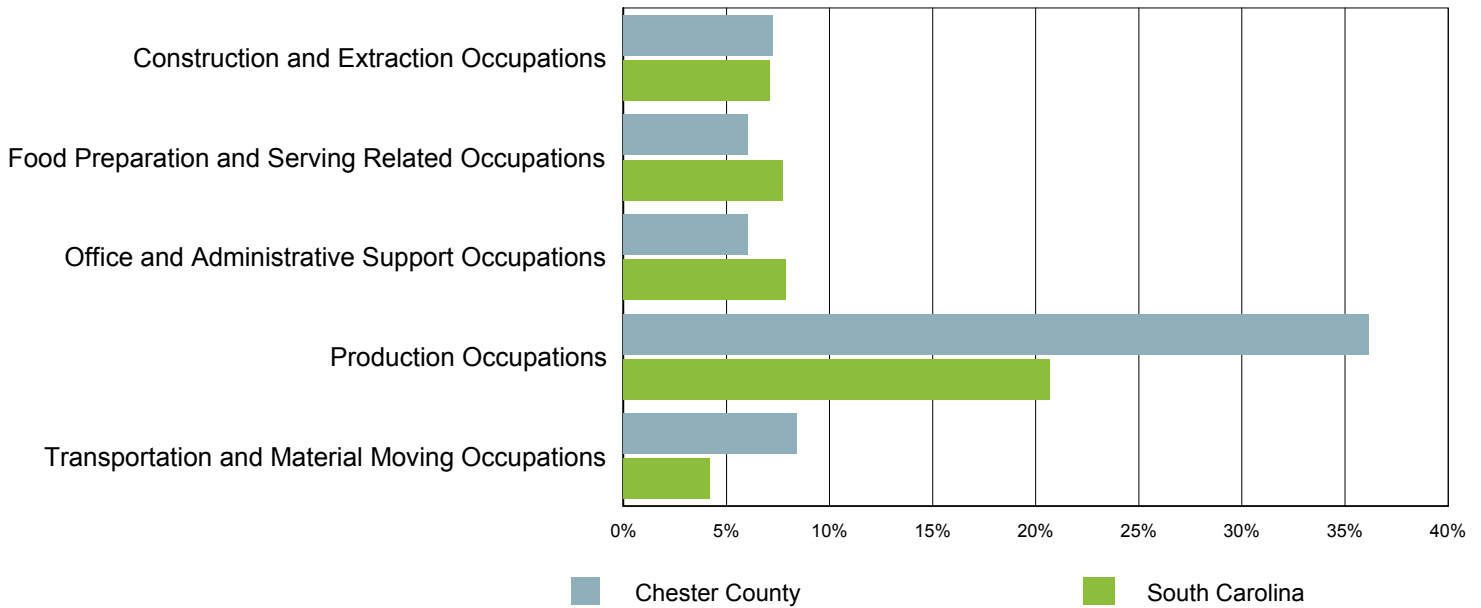


Industry	Chester County	South Carolina
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	1	8
Construction	6	523
Manufacturing	19	1,177
Wholesale Trade	5	283
Retail Trade	5	891
Transportation and Warehousing	1	277
Finance and Insurance	1	184
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	2	150
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi	1	429
Administrative and Support and Waste Manageme	14	1,427
Health Care and Social Assistance	1	624
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2	57
Accommodation and Food Services	3	703
Other Services (except Public Administration)	3	191
Public Administration	2	144
Unknown	17	968

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Characteristics of Unemployment Insurance Claims by Occupation

Occupation Groups With Largest Number of Claims
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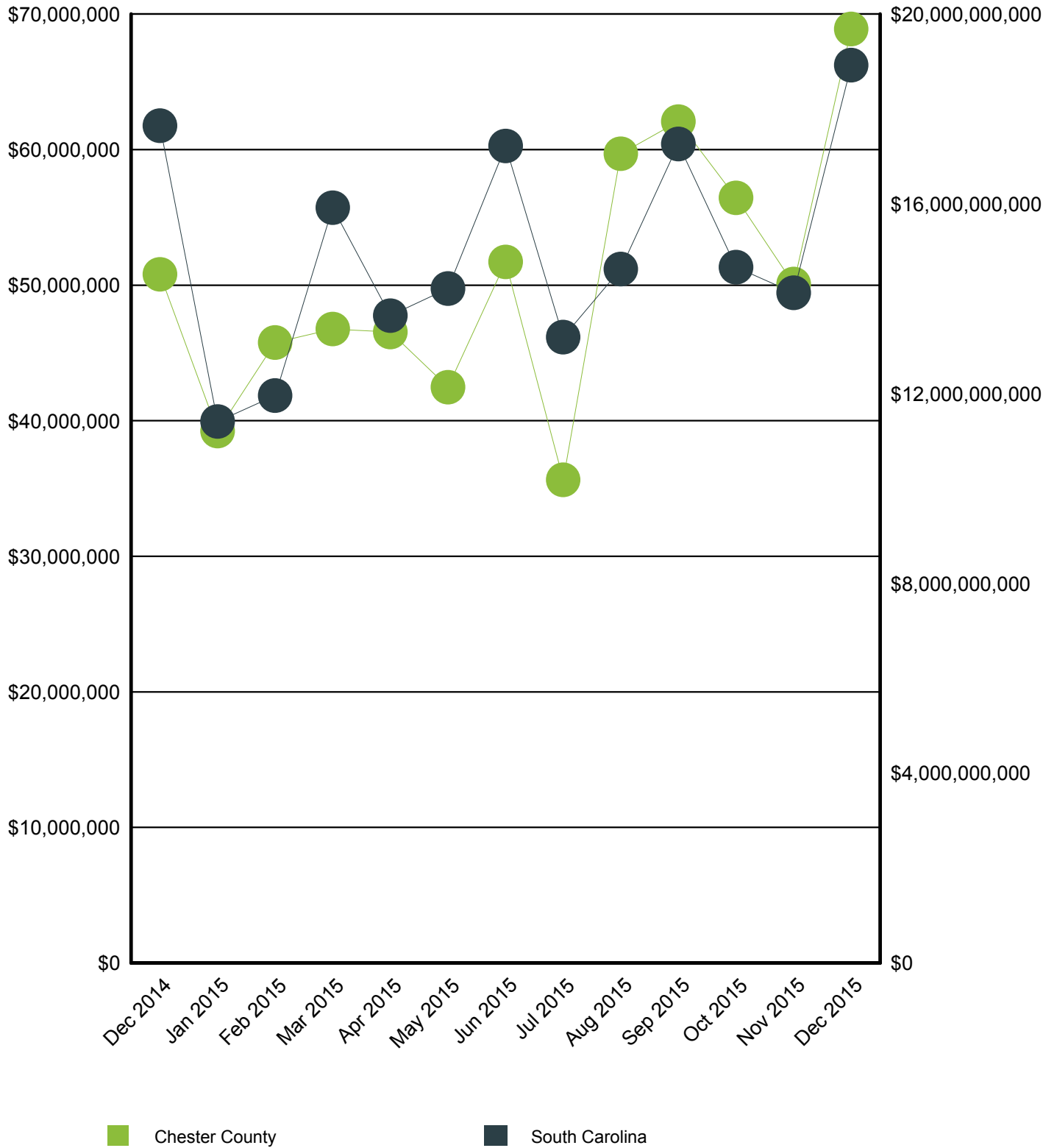
Occupation	Chester County	South Carolina
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	1	115
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occu	2	307
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	2	284
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	1	155
Construction and Extraction Occupations	6	595
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	1	43
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	5	649
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	1	184
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	4	263
Management Occupations	4	555
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	5	658
Personal Care and Service Occupations	1	113
Production Occupations	30	1,731
Sales and Related Occupations	4	910
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	7	349
Unknown	9	665

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce

Retail Sales

Chester County

South Carolina



Source: S.C. Department of Revenue

Population by Age



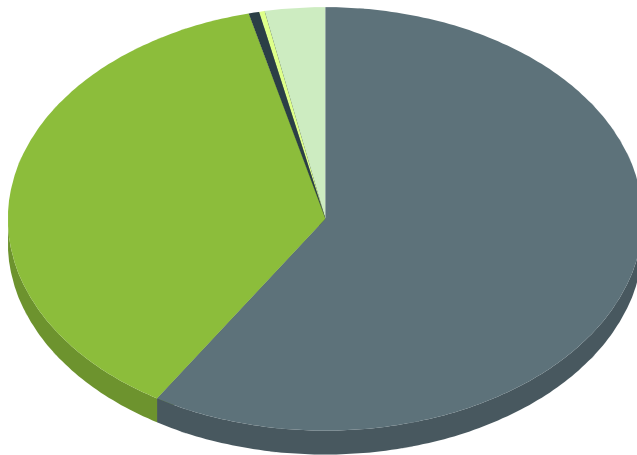
Age Range	Chester County	South Carolina	United States
0-4	2,094	298,242	20,052,112
5-9	1,961	302,111	20,409,060
10-14	2,280	297,443	20,672,609
15-19	2,266	321,540	21,715,074
20-24	1,994	342,237	22,099,887
25-29	1,767	305,167	21,243,365
30-34	1,846	293,464	20,467,912
35-39	1,916	291,183	19,876,161
40-44	2,149	308,158	20,998,001
45-49	2,436	325,660	22,109,946
50-54	2,479	329,431	22,396,322
55-59	2,554	309,061	20,165,892
60-64	2,096	289,690	17,479,211
65-69	1,866	229,251	13,189,508
70-74	1,117	165,797	9,767,522
75-79	932	117,187	7,438,750
80-84	748	82,223	5,781,697
85 and older	378	71,757	5,673,565

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

Population by Race

Race	Chester County		South Carolina		United States	
		%		%		%
White	19,704	59.9%	3,144,146	66.0%	230,592,579	72.0%
Black	12,375	37.6%	1,298,534	27.3%	39,167,010	12.2%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	183	0.6%	14,732	0.3%	2,540,309	0.8%
Asian	69	0.2%	61,097	1.3%	15,231,962	4.8%
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	8	0.0%	2,128	0.0%	526,347	0.2%
2 or more races	1,008	3.1%	169,670	3.6%	17,464,666	5.5%
Other	36	0.1%	74,130	1.6%	14,746,054	4.6%

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



White	59.0%
Black	37.1%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	0.6%
Asian	0.2%
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	0.0%
2 or more races	3.0%
Other	0.1%
Total:	100.0%

Population by Gender

Gender	Chester County	South Carolina	United States
Male	15,930	2,276,305	153,247,412
Female	16,949	2,403,297	158,289,182

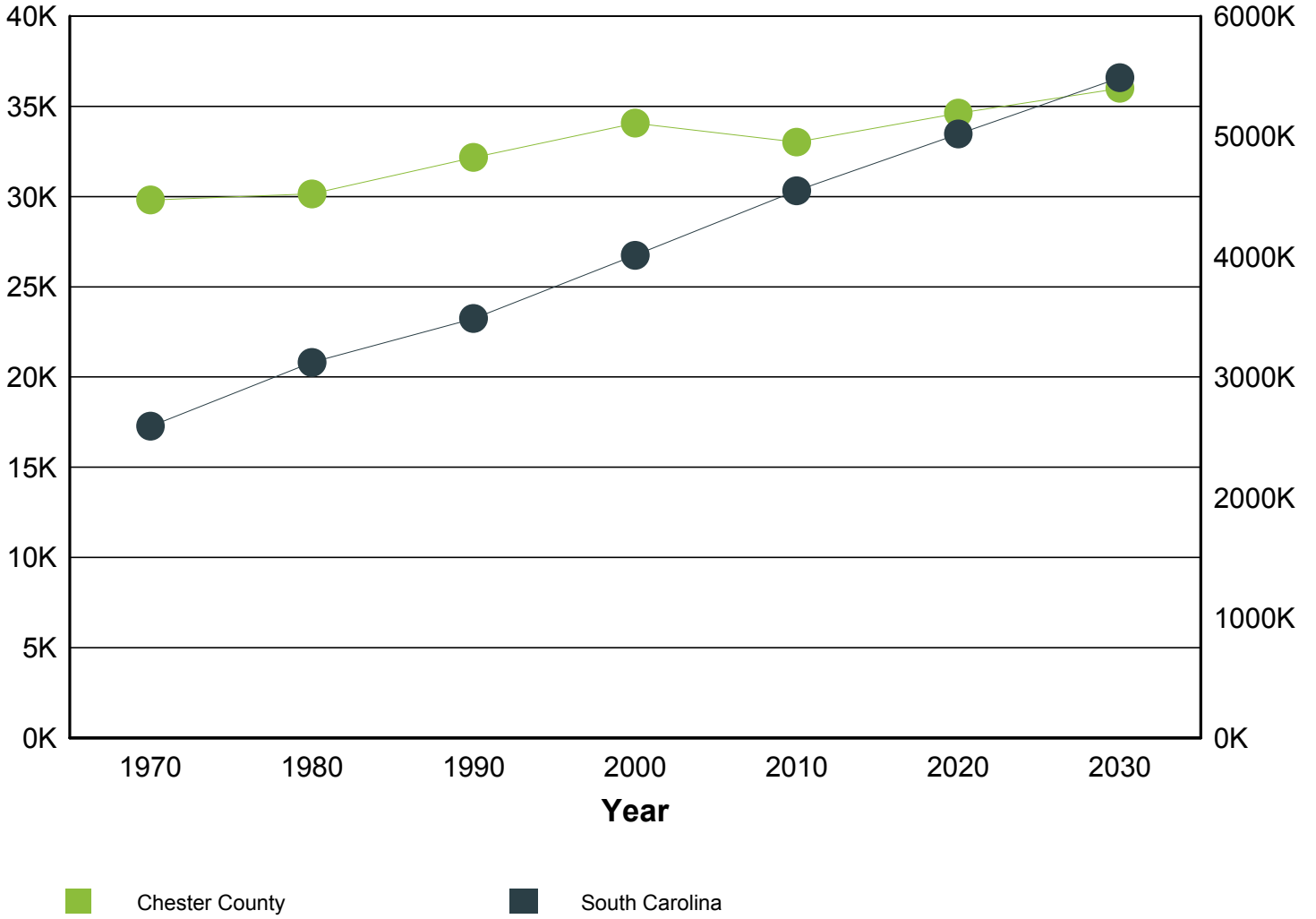
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Population Change

Historical and Projected

Chester County

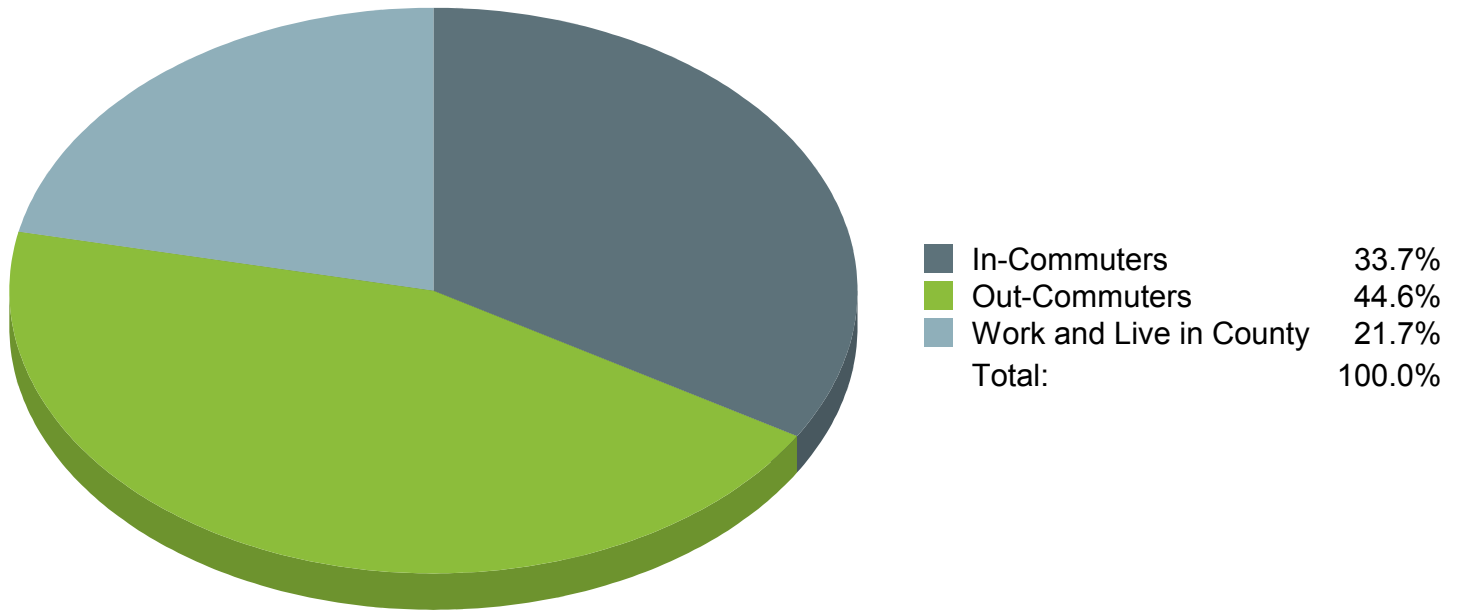
South Carolina



Year	Chester County	South Carolina
1970	29,811	2,590,713
1980	30,148	3,121,820
1990	32,170	3,486,310
2000	34,068	4,012,012
2010	33,020	4,549,150
2020	34,620	5,020,400
2030	36,000	5,488,460

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Commuting Patterns



Commuting Patterns	Workers
Work and Live in County	6,093
In-Commuters	9,444
Out-Commuters	12,496

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting To

Area	Workers
York County, SC	3,301
MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NC	1,027
Lancaster County, SC	786
Fairfield County, SC	338
Richland County, SC	235
Union County, SC	102
GASTON COUNTY, NC	74
Lexington County, SC	55
Newberry County, SC	47
CABARRUS COUNTY, NC	47

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

Top 10 Places Residents Are Commuting From

Area	Workers
York County, SC	1,366
Lancaster County, SC	1,105
Fairfield County, SC	347
Union County, SC	117
Richland County, SC	85
UNION COUNTY, NC	50
MECKLENBURG COUNTY, NC	42
CLEVELAND COUNTY, NC	41
Clarendon County, SC	35
ST. JOSEPH COUNTY, IN	29

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010

Employers by Size of Establishment

Employees	Chester County	South Carolina
0 to 4	288	69,754
5 to 9	117	19,794
10 to 19	67	14,201
20 to 49	42	10,723
50 to 99	14	4,239
100 to 249	10	2,714
250 to 499	6	830
500 to 999	0	357
1000 +	0	291

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2015 Q2

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Employment by Size of Establishment

Employees	Chester County	South Carolina
0 to 4	504	108,371
5 to 9	788	131,286
10 to 19	939	193,065
20 to 49	1,217	328,855
50 to 99	1,013	291,157
100 to 249	1,353	406,563
250 to 499	1,806	284,930
500 to 999	0	242,362
1000 +	0	731,589

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2015 Q2

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20 Largest Employers

(Listed Alphabetically)

Corporation Name

BOISE CASCADE COMPANY

BORAL STONE PRODUCTS LLC

CHESTER COUNTY

CHESTER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

CHESTER HMA INC

CHESTER TELEPHONE COMPANY

CITY OF CHESTER

GUARDIAN INDUSTRIES CORPORATION

HADDON HOUSE FOOD PRODUCTS INC

INDUSTRIAL PIPING INC

LIPPERT COMPONENTS MANUFACTURING IN

MCDONALDS RESTAURANTS OF SC INC

MORCON INC

OMNOVA SOLUTIONS INC

PPG INDUSTRIES FIBER GLASS PRODUCTS

S C DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION

SCHNEIDER NATIONAL CARRIERS INC

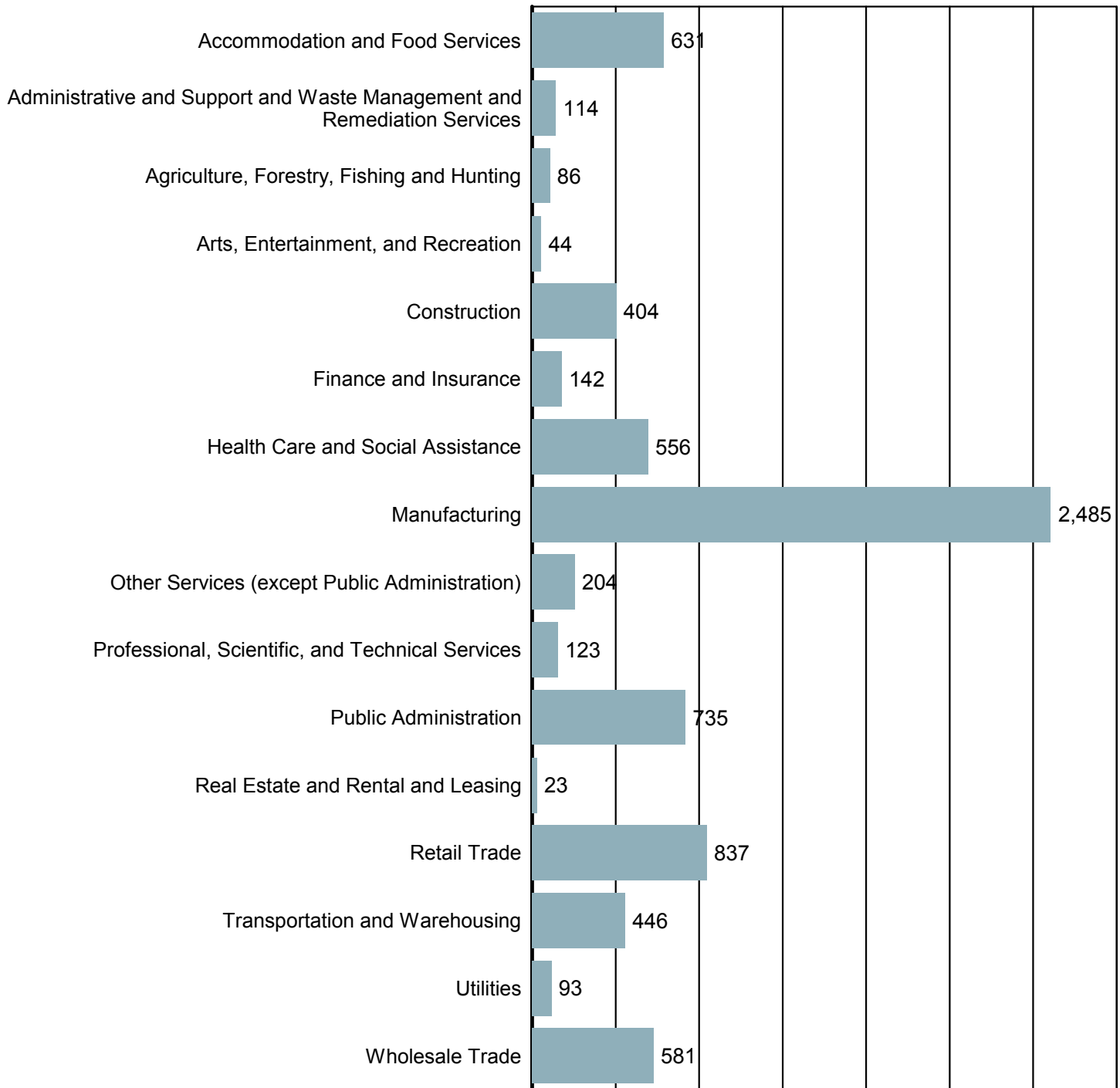
TDY INDUSTRIES LLC

UNITED INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP INC

WAL-MART ASSOCIATES INC

Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce - 2015 Q2

Employment by Industry

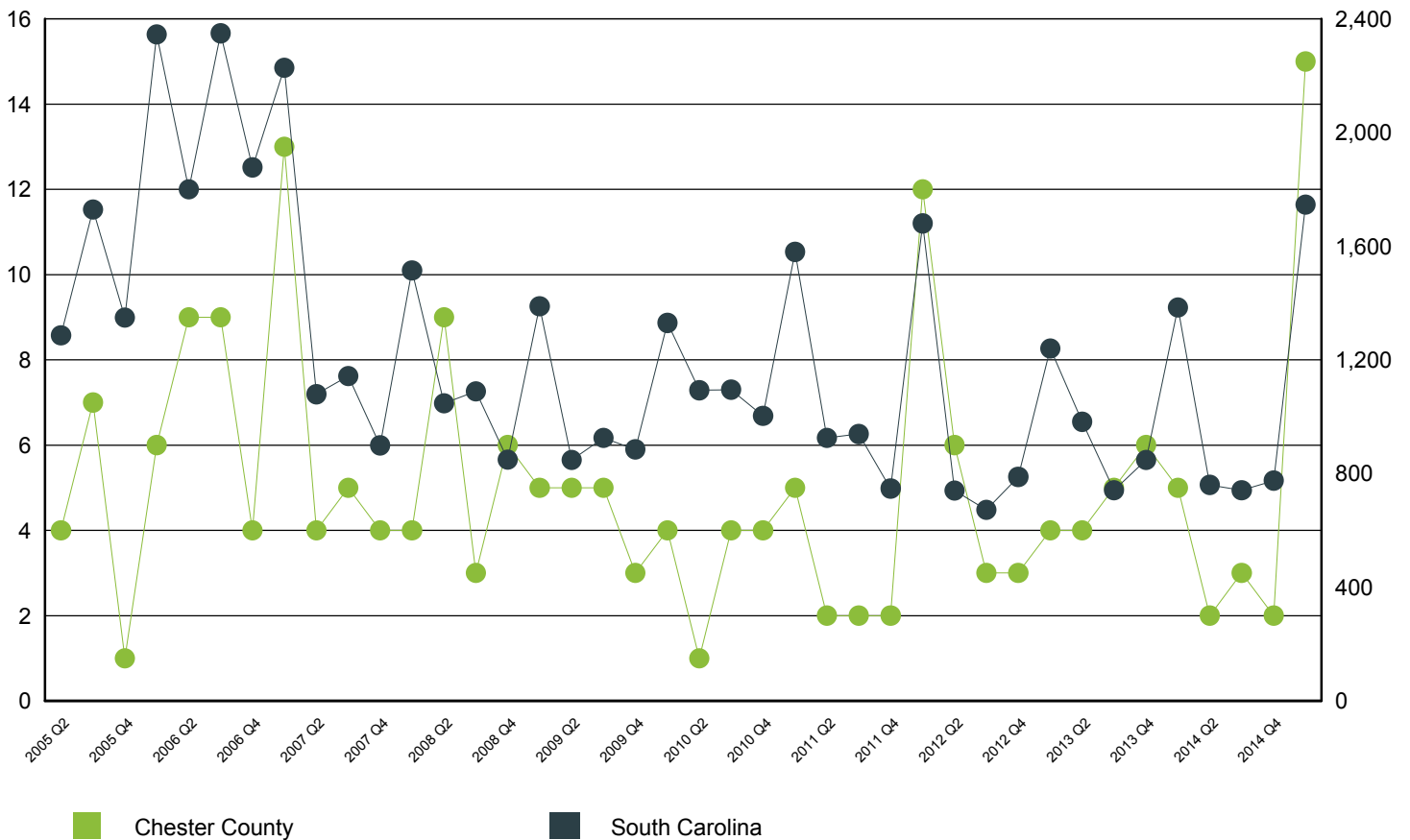


Source: S.C. Department of Employment & Workforce
 Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) - 2015 Q3

New Startup Firms

Chester County

South Carolina



Quarter	Chester County	South Carolina
2015 Q1	15	1,746
2014 Q4	2	775
2014 Q3	3	741
2014 Q2	2	760
2014 Q1	5	1,384
2013 Q4	6	848
2013 Q3	5	741
2013 Q2	4	982
2013 Q1	4	1,240
2012 Q4	3	788
2012 Q3	3	672
2012 Q2	6	740
2012 Q1	12	1,680
2011 Q4	2	747
2011 Q3	2	939
2011 Q2	2	925
2011 Q1	5	1,580
2010 Q4	4	1,003
2010 Q3	4	1,095
2010 Q2	1	1,093

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

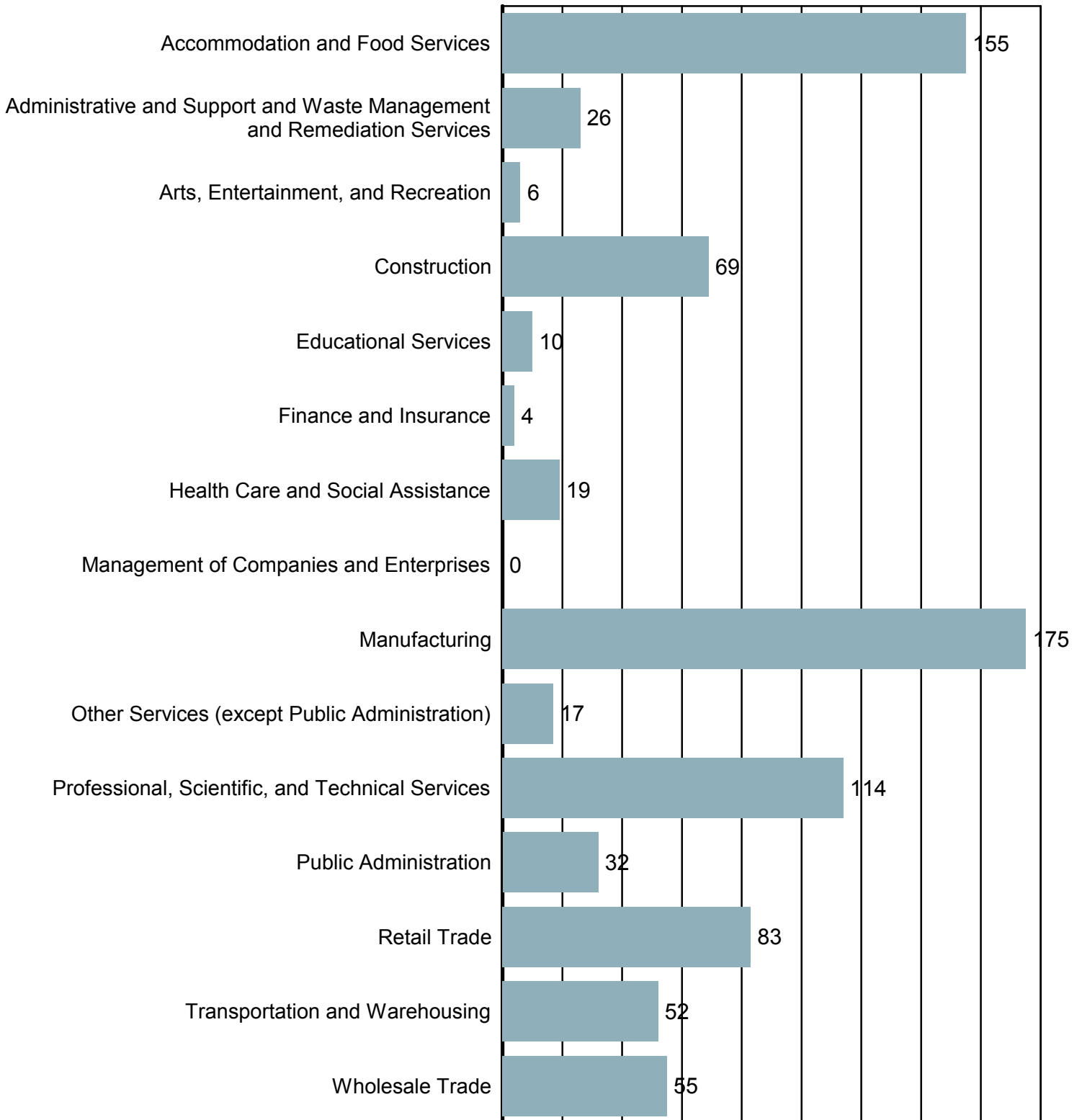
Top 20 Occupational Openings

*Chester County
December-2015*

Occupation Name (Soccode)	Job Openings
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers (53-3032)	41
Registered Nurses (29-1141)	22
Physical Therapists (29-1123)	18
Occupational Therapists (29-1122)	17
Combined Food Preparation and Serving Workers, Including Fast Food (35-3021)	8
Family and General Practitioners (29-1062)	8
Customer Service Representatives (43-4051)	7
Physicians and Surgeons, All Other (29-1069)	7
Medical and Health Services Managers (11-9111)	6
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers (41-1011)	5
Construction Laborers (47-2061)	4
First-Line Supervisors of Food Preparation and Serving Workers (35-1012)	4
First-Line Supervisors of Production and Operating Workers (51-1011)	4
Highway Maintenance Workers (47-4051)	4
Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses (29-2061)	4
Retail Salespersons (41-2031)	4
Social and Human Service Assistants (21-1093)	4
Bus and Truck Mechanics and Diesel Engine Specialists (49-3031)	3
Civil Engineers (17-2051)	3
Construction Managers (11-9021)	3

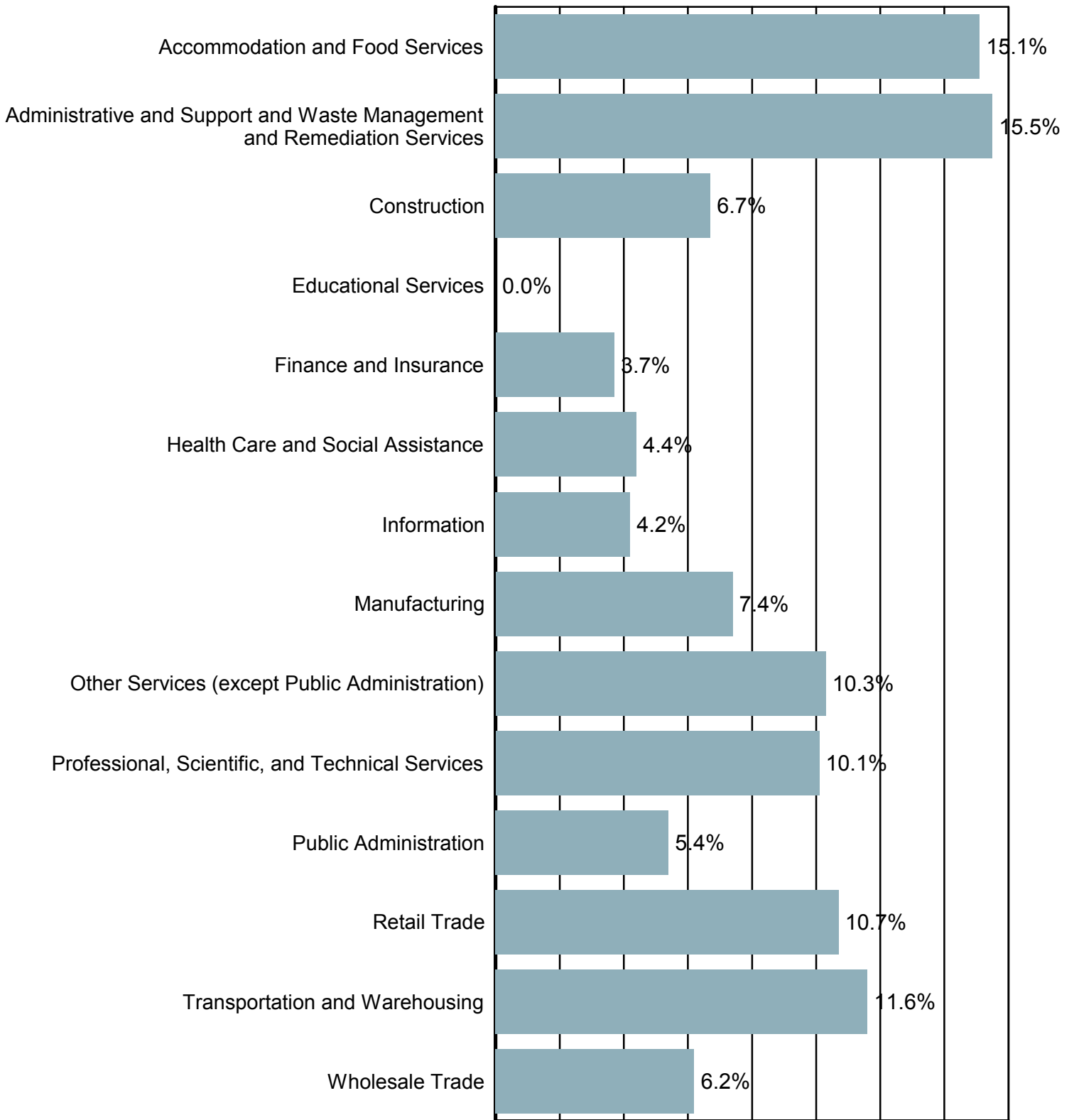
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New Hires by Industry



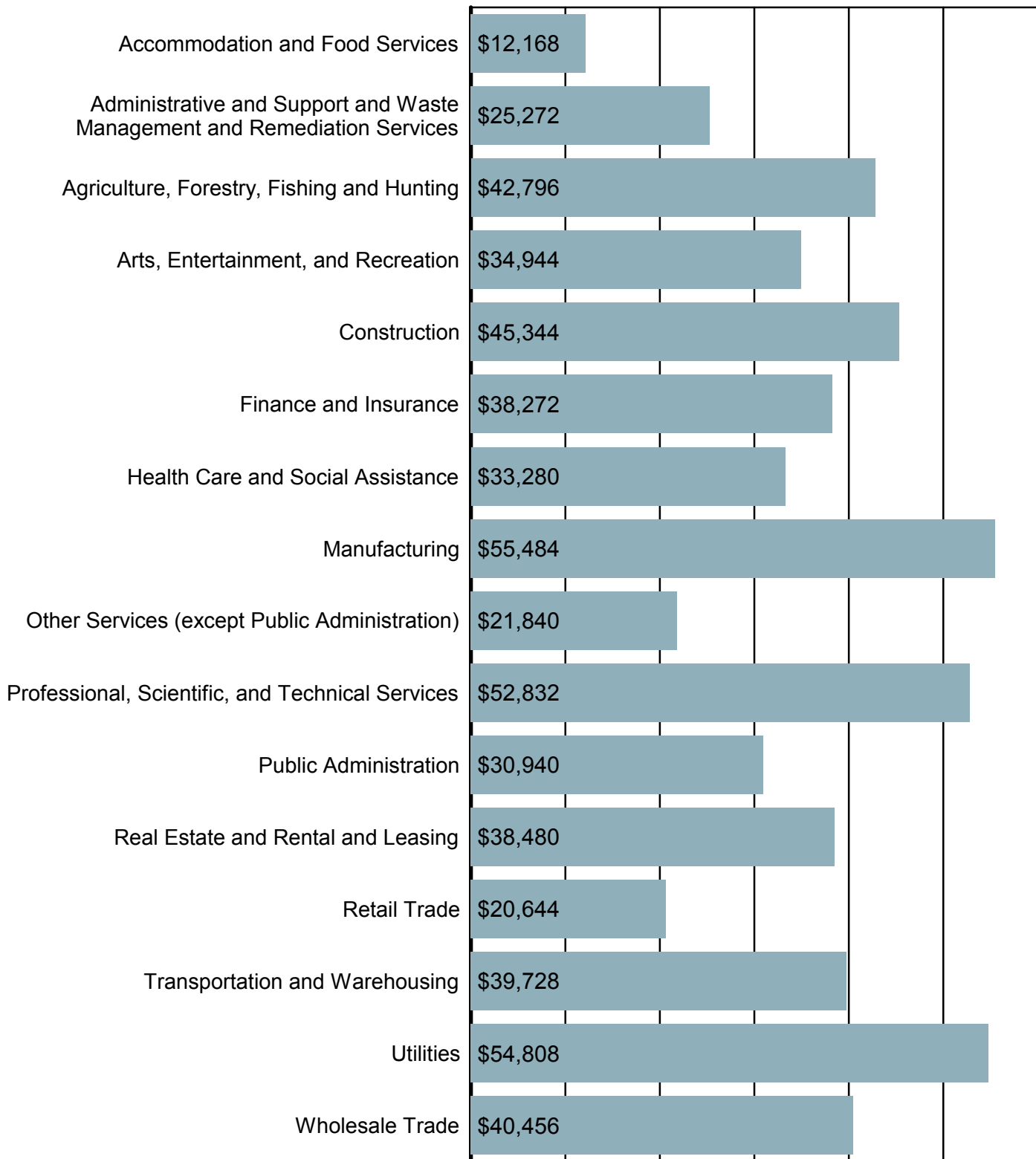
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - 2014 Q1

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) - 2015 Q3

Age of Workers by Industry

Industry	14-18	19-21	22-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Total, All Industries	78	227	385	1,530	1,817	1,986	1,478	455
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	0	0	0	19	13	15	14	5
Utilities	0	0	0	14	15	26	23	7
Construction	0	4	9	68	94	135	85	37
Manufacturing	0	49	99	440	631	665	413	52
Wholesale Trade	0	20	34	128	110	106	81	27
Retail Trade	27	68	68	167	112	166	120	47
Transportation and Warehousing	0	2	15	48	86	102	89	19
Information	0	0	3	30	29	29	23	10
Finance and Insurance	0	0	6	31	38	34	23	10
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	0	0	0	3	5	5	3	4
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Servi	0	5	7	26	41	44	50	12
Management of Companies and Enterprises	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Administrative and Support and Waste Manageme	0	0	4	16	13	17	13	10
Educational Services	0	0	37	146	215	207	188	60
Health Care and Social Assistance	0	0	11	103	128	130	130	45
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	0	0	0	3	5	8	10	3
Accommodation and Food Services	45	63	60	129	88	89	40	16
Other Services (except Public Administration)	0	4	4	32	31	59	42	30
Public Administration	0	4	24	127	164	151	129	60

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics - 2014 Q1

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.

Catawba Industry	2012 Estimated Employment	2022 Projected Employment	Change	Percent Change	Annual Percent
Total Employment, All Jobs	113,199	132,167	18,968	16.76	1.56
Health care and social assistance	11,114	14,512	3,398	30.57	2.70
Accommodation and food services	9,004	11,225	2,221	24.67	2.23
Retail Trade	14,307	16,212	1,905	13.32	1.26
Educational services; state, local, and private	10,338	11,788	1,450	14.03	1.32
Administrative and support and waste management and remediat	6,468	7,838	1,370	21.18	1.94
Finance and insurance	5,641	6,825	1,184	20.99	1.92
Manufacturing	15,008	16,187	1,179	7.86	0.76
Construction	3,452	4,414	962	27.87	2.49
Other services (except public administration)	4,791	5,619	828	17.28	1.61
Wholesale trade	4,269	4,910	641	15.02	1.41
Government	6,588	6,916	328	4.98	0.49
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	1,922	2,134	212	11.03	1.05
Information	1,793	1,964	171	9.54	0.92
Real estate and rental and leasing	1,002	1,150	148	14.77	1.39

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.

Catawba	2012	2022			
Occupation	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Openings (Replace)	Openings (Growth)	Annual Openings
Total, all occupations	113,199	132,167	2,691	1,936	4,627
Management occupations	7,125	7,984	136	90	226
Business and financial operations occupations	4,426	5,378	88	95	183
Computer and mathematical occupations	1,612	2,078	27	47	74
Architecture and engineering occupations	1,560	1,825	38	26	64
Life, physical, and social science occupations	698	779	22	8	30
Community and social service occupations	1,084	1,257	24	17	41
Legal occupations	467	534	8	7	15
Education, training, and library occupations	6,964	8,079	155	112	267
Arts, design, entertainment, sports, and media occupations	1,253	1,416	28	18	46
Healthcare practitioners and technical occupations	5,580	6,944	114	136	250
Healthcare support occupations	2,858	3,850	54	99	153
Protective service occupations	2,067	2,225	58	16	74
Food preparation and serving related occupations	9,251	11,457	327	221	548
Building and grounds cleaning and maintenance occupations	3,555	4,146	73	59	132
Personal care and service occupations	5,173	6,388	124	122	246
Sales and related occupations	12,617	14,351	397	175	572
Office and administrative support occupations	18,318	20,620	407	239	646
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	1,459	1,712	41	27	68
Construction and extraction occupations	3,533	4,483	60	95	155
Installation, maintenance, and repair occupations	5,153	5,979	117	83	200
Production occupations	12,058	13,370	246	152	398
Transportation and material moving occupations	6,388	7,312	149	93	242

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.

Catawba Occupation	2012	2022	Percent Change	Replace	Growth	Total	Average Salary
	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment					
Mobile heavy equipment mechanics, except engines	47	99	111	1	5	6	\$ 43,543
Chemical engineers	50	88	76	1	4	5	\$ 114,641
Construction and building inspectors	65	106	63	2	4	6	\$ 48,250
Personal financial advisors	29	46	59	0	2	2	\$ 61,124
Home health aides	935	1,403	50	18	47	65	\$ 18,816
Physician assistants	44	66	50	1	2	3	\$ 107,160
Insurance sales agents	214	321	50	5	11	16	\$ 36,736
Taxi drivers and chauffeurs	38	56	47	0	2	2	\$ 21,285
Diagnostic medical sonographers	29	42	45	0	1	1	\$ 54,004
Software developers, applications	179	257	44	2	8	10	\$ 79,635
Information security analysts	37	53	43	1	2	3	\$ 63,210
Medical secretaries	400	569	42	5	17	22	\$ 32,796
Nurse practitioners	46	65	41	1	2	3	\$ 96,993
Social and community service managers	30	42	40	1	1	2	\$ 57,719
Computer systems analysts	461	645	40	7	18	25	\$ 76,338
Physical therapist assistants	37	51	38	1	1	2	\$ 53,593
Operations research analysts	14	19	36	0	0	0	\$ 73,944
Dental hygienists	165	223	35	4	6	10	\$ 52,146
Pharmacy technicians	518	698	35	5	18	23	\$ 25,765
Medical and clinical laboratory technicians	82	110	34	2	3	5	\$ 35,077

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)

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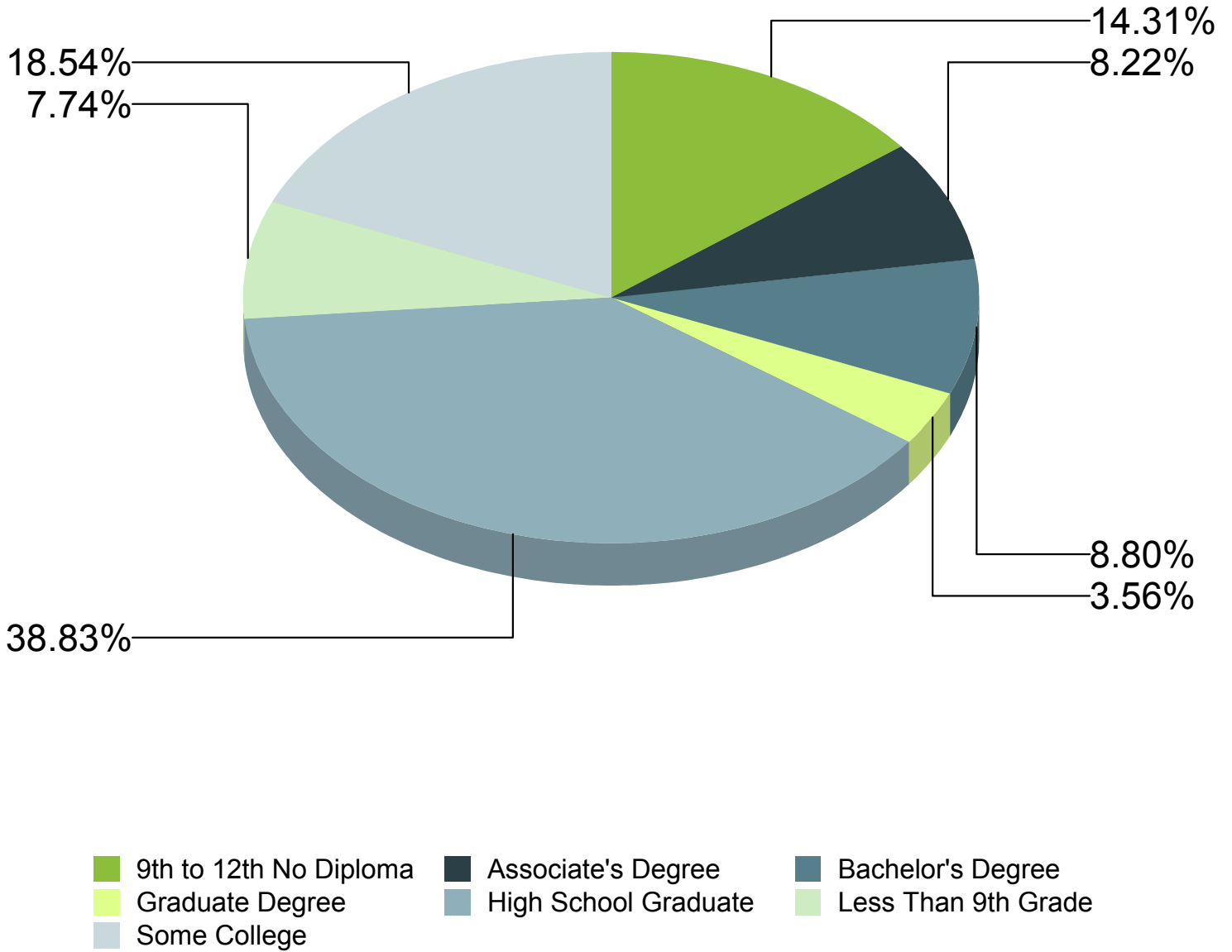
Catawba	2012	2022					
Occupation	Estimated Employment	Projected Employment	Percent Change	Replace	Growth	Total	Average Salary
Data entry keyers	99	78	-21	1	0	1	\$ 30,631
Textile cutting machine setters, operators, and tenders	12	10	-17	0	0	0	\$ 29,429
Meter readers, utilities	44	38	-14	1	0	1	\$ 33,961
Travel agents	94	82	-13	1	0	1	\$ 29,207
Chemical plant and system operators	263	234	-11	10	0	10	\$ 40,182
Computer operators	20	18	-10	0	0	0	\$ 44,680
Switchboard operators, including answering service	234	217	-7	4	0	4	\$ 24,071
Sewing machine operators	144	134	-7	1	0	1	\$ 26,378
Postal service clerks	58	54	-7	1	0	1	\$ 52,419
Printing press operators	123	116	-6	2	0	2	\$ 32,082
Extruding and drawing machine setters, operators, and tender	157	149	-5	3	0	3	\$ 28,889
Extruding and forming machine setters, operators, and tender	100	95	-5	2	0	2	\$ 43,166
Lathe and turning machine tool setters, operators, and tende	260	249	-4	5	0	5	\$ 35,272
Chemical equipment operators and tenders	92	89	-3	3	0	3	\$ 36,723
File clerks	75	73	-3	2	0	2	\$ 28,063
Cutting, punching, and press machine setters, operators, and	263	256	-3	2	0	2	\$ 43,301
Order clerks	100	99	-1	3	0	3	\$ 30,021
Postal service mail carriers	327	327	0	11	0	11	\$ 50,603
Mail clerks and mail machine operators, except postal servic	28	28	0	1	0	1	\$ 23,001
Postmasters and mail superintendents	16	16	0	0	0	0	\$ 67,709

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

Graduate Trends

(Based On Graduates From Area Schools)

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

Educational Institutions

Degrees Awarded:

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