



## SC Department of Employment and Workforce

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### **South Carolina's Employment Situation June 2013**

In June, the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased slightly to 8.1 percent, up from 8.0 percent in May. In June, the number of unemployed people rose by 1,904 for a total of 174,423, and the number of those who are employed decreased by 4,767 bringing the level of employed South Carolinians to 1,991,908. Overall, the labor force declined by 2,863 making a total of 2,166,331 persons in South Carolina who are either working or searching for work.

Nationally, the unemployment rate remained at 7.6 percent.

#### **Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Seasonally Adjusted<sup>1</sup>)**

June's seasonally adjusted, non-farm payrolls increased by 14,300 over the month, to 1,889,500, experiencing the largest monthly gain in South Carolina's workforce since October 2006.

- South Carolina saw marked gains in Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+7,200); Professional and Business Services (+4,400); Leisure and Hospitality (+2,900); Construction (+1,100); and Manufacturing (+1,000).
- Industries experiencing declines were Education and Health Services (-1,200), Financial Activities (-600), Other Services (-300), and Government (-200).

Since June of 2012, seasonally adjusted non-farm jobs were up 31,500.

- Industries with gains were Leisure and Hospitality (+10,700); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+8,500); Financial Activities (+4,100); Construction (+3,300); and Government (+5,100).
- Additional gains occurred in Manufacturing (+1,800), Education and Health Services (+900), and Information (+400).
- Declines were seen in Professional and Business Services (-1,800).

#### **Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Not Seasonally Adjusted<sup>2</sup>)**

The not-seasonally adjusted, non-farm payroll employment in June increased by 10,100 over the month, to 1,906,500. This was the largest May-to-June increase in South Carolina's payroll employment since 2000.

- Firm gains occurred in Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+7,400); Leisure and Hospitality (+6,800); Professional and Business Services (+3,600); Construction (+2,100); and Manufacturing (+1,000). Manufacturing reversed its prior two-month decline.
- Four industries experienced declines: Government (-7,000), Education and Health Services (-3,600), Other Services (-200), and Financial Activities (-100).
- Government's decrease was due to the continued summer ramp down in the Education and Health industry at public and private universities, as well as primary and secondary schools across the state.
- During the last 12 months, not-seasonally adjusted non-farm jobs were up 31,200 overall in South Carolina's workforce.

<sup>1</sup>**Seasonally Adjusted:** Seasonal adjustment removes the effects of events that follow a more or less regular pattern each year (i.e. tourist-related hiring and school closings in the summer). These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other nonseasonal movements in data over time.

<sup>2</sup>**Not Seasonally Adjusted:** Effects of regular or seasonal patterns have not been removed from these data.

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**NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Statewide  
June 2013

Industry	June 2013	May 2013	June 2012	May 2013 to June 2013		June 2012 to June 2013	
				#	%	#	%
				Change	Change	Change	Change
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	1,889,500	1,875,200	1,858,000	14,300	0.76%	31,500	1.67%
Construction	80,500	79,400	77,200	1,100	1.37%	3,300	4.10%
Manufacturing	221,200	220,200	219,400	1,000	0.45%	1,800	0.81%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	362,400	355,200	353,900	7,200	1.99%	8,500	2.35%
Information	26,100	26,100	25,700	0	0.00%	400	1.53%
Financial Activities	102,900	103,500	98,800	-600	-0.58%	4,100	3.98%
Professional and Business Services	236,500	232,100	238,300	4,400	1.86%	-1,800	-0.76%
Education and Health Services	211,100	212,300	210,200	-1,200	-0.57%	900	0.43%
Leisure and Hospitality	227,400	224,500	216,700	2,900	1.28%	10,700	4.71%
Other Services	67,800	68,100	69,200	-300	-0.44%	-1,400	-2.06%
Government	349,800	350,000	344,700	-200	-0.06%	5,100	1.46%

**NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED**

Statewide  
June 2013

Industry	June 2013	May 2013	June 2012	May 2013 to June 2013		June 2012 to June 2013	
				#	%	#	%
				Change	Change	Change	Change
<b>Total Nonfarm Employment</b>	1,906,500	1,896,400	1,875,300	10,100	0.53%	31,200	1.66%
Natural Resources and Mining*	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	0.00%	-100	-2.56%
Construction	82,100	80,000	78,400	2,100	2.63%	3,700	4.72%
Manufacturing	221,600	220,600	220,300	1,000	0.45%	1,300	0.59%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	364,100	356,700	355,900	7,400	2.07%	8,200	2.30%
Information	26,100	26,000	26,100	100	0.38%	0	0.00%
Financial Activities	103,500	103,600	99,500	-100	-0.10%	4,000	4.02%
Professional and Business Services	239,400	235,800	239,200	3,600	1.53%	200	0.08%
Education and Health Services	209,100	212,700	208,600	-3,600	-1.69%	500	0.24%
Leisure and Hospitality	240,800	234,000	229,100	6,800	2.91%	11,700	5.11%
Other Services	68,700	68,900	69,800	-200	-0.29%	-1,100	-1.58%
Government	347,300	354,300	344,500	-7,000	-1.98%	2,800	0.81%

\*This series is not seasonally adjusted.

## NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY AREA, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

### South Carolina & Metropolitan Areas June 2013

AREA	June 2013	May 2013	June 2012	May 2013 to June 2013		June 2012 to June 2013	
				#	%	#	%
				Change	Change	Change	Change
<b>Statewide</b>	1,889,500	1,875,200	1,858,000	14,300	0.76%	31,500	1.67%
Anderson MSA	61,200	60,900	61,000	300	0.49%	200	0.33%
Charleston/North Charleston MSA	309,200	307,300	305,300	1,900	0.61%	3,900	1.26%
Columbia MSA	361,200	359,800	353,000	1,400	0.39%	8,200	2.27%
Florence MSA	82,900	83,500	83,300	-600	-0.72%	-400	-0.48%
Greenville MSA	311,800	309,600	308,400	2,200	0.71%	3,400	1.09%
Myrtle Beach/Conway/N. Myrtle Beach MSA	119,200	117,000	116,300	2,200	1.85%	2,900	2.43%
Spartanburg MSA	125,100	124,300	123,100	800	0.64%	2,000	1.60%
Sumter MSA	37,000	37,900	37,200	-900	-2.43%	-200	-0.54%

*Note: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.*

## NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY AREA, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

### South Carolina & Metropolitan Areas June 2013

AREA	June 2013	May 2013	June 2012	May 2013 to June 2013		June 2012 to June 2013	
				#	%	#	%
				Change	Change	Change	Change
<b>Statewide</b>	1,906,500	1,896,400	1,875,300	10,100	0.53%	31,200	1.66%
Anderson MSA	61,600	61,700	61,100	-100	-0.16%	500	0.82%
Charleston/North Charleston MSA	313,500	311,000	308,700	2,500	0.80%	4,800	1.55%
Columbia MSA	361,900	360,600	352,600	1,300	0.36%	9,300	2.64%
Florence MSA	83,500	83,700	83,500	-200	-0.24%	0	0.00%
Greenville MSA	311,900	310,700	308,600	1,200	0.39%	3,300	1.07%
Myrtle Beach/Conway/N. Myrtle Beach MSA	127,600	122,400	125,600	5,200	4.25%	2,000	1.59%
Spartanburg MSA	124,400	124,700	123,000	-300	-0.24%	1,400	1.14%
Sumter MSA	37,500	37,600	37,200	-100	-0.27%	300	0.81%

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**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS BY COUNTY, MSA, AND STATE  
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)**

AREA	June 2013				May 2013				June 2012				
	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY- MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (%)	
Marion County	↑	11,637	9,744	1,893	16.3	11,388	9,656	1,732	15.2	11,818	9,679	2,139	18.1
Allendale County	↑	3,251	2,748	503	15.5	3,185	2,730	455	14.3	3,280	2,732	548	16.7
Marlboro County	↑	11,394	9,709	1,685	14.8	11,273	9,690	1,583	14.0	11,664	9,649	2,015	17.3
Bamberg County	↑	5,878	5,047	831	14.1	5,784	5,040	744	12.9	5,909	4,966	943	16.0
Barnwell County	↑	8,437	7,261	1,176	13.9	8,314	7,257	1,057	12.7	8,425	7,176	1,249	14.8
Union County	↑	11,497	9,975	1,522	13.2	11,414	9,996	1,418	12.4	11,519	9,875	1,644	14.3
Dillon County	↑	12,890	11,206	1,684	13.1	12,735	11,190	1,545	12.1	13,001	11,080	1,921	14.8
Orangeburg County	↑	40,484	35,288	5,196	12.8	39,931	35,289	4,642	11.6	40,276	34,679	5,597	13.9
Clarendon County	↑	12,257	10,702	1,555	12.7	12,080	10,665	1,415	11.7	12,459	10,660	1,799	14.4
McCormick County	↑	3,394	2,965	429	12.6	3,356	2,967	389	11.6	3,344	2,917	427	12.8
Chester County	↑	14,827	12,973	1,854	12.5	14,782	13,042	1,740	11.8	14,886	12,778	2,108	14.2
Williamsburg County	↑	15,147	13,281	1,866	12.3	14,832	13,193	1,639	11.1	15,189	13,201	1,988	13.1
Hampton County	↑	7,757	6,868	889	11.5	7,663	6,845	818	10.7	7,803	6,811	992	12.7
Chesterfield County	↑	18,905	16,782	2,123	11.2	18,810	16,790	2,020	10.7	19,148	16,635	2,513	13.1
Lee County	↑	8,097	7,198	899	11.1	7,977	7,176	801	10.0	8,142	7,124	1,018	12.5
Cherokee County	↑	25,269	22,499	2,770	11.0	25,145	22,597	2,548	10.1	25,288	22,239	3,049	12.1
Colleton County	↑	17,191	15,330	1,861	10.8	16,966	15,275	1,691	10.0	17,274	15,215	2,059	11.9
Lancaster County	↑	32,543	29,017	3,526	10.8	32,461	29,155	3,306	10.2	32,538	28,608	3,930	12.1
Darlington County	↑	30,434	27,210	3,224	10.6	30,205	27,344	2,861	9.5	31,006	27,278	3,728	12.0
Abbeville County	↑	10,993	9,835	1,158	10.5	10,863	9,840	1,023	9.4	10,926	9,739	1,187	10.9
Fairfield County	↓	10,535	9,467	1,068	10.1	10,578	9,467	1,111	10.5	10,570	9,288	1,282	12.1
Calhoun County	↑	6,776	6,104	672	9.9	6,754	6,103	651	9.6	6,742	5,988	754	11.2
Florence County	↑	63,101	56,884	6,217	9.9	62,587	57,163	5,424	8.7	63,387	57,025	6,362	10.0
Greenwood County	↑	31,018	27,935	3,083	9.9	30,752	27,972	2,780	9.0	30,940	27,599	3,341	10.8
Sumter County	↑	44,746	40,313	4,433	9.9	44,414	40,432	3,982	9.0	45,157	40,202	4,955	11.0
Oconee County	↑	32,089	29,095	2,994	9.3	31,732	29,099	2,633	8.3	31,931	28,848	3,083	9.7
York County	↓	113,264	102,856	10,408	9.2	115,256	104,092	11,164	9.7	113,385	101,309	12,076	10.7
Georgetown County	↑	30,183	27,523	2,660	8.8	29,656	27,264	2,392	8.1	30,223	27,309	2,914	9.6
Spartanburg County	↑	137,194	125,174	12,020	8.8	136,349	125,874	10,475	7.7	138,284	124,700	13,584	9.8
Horry County	↑	138,674	126,781	11,893	8.6	133,401	122,420	10,981	8.2	137,995	124,954	13,041	9.5
Aiken County	↑	77,641	71,007	6,634	8.5	77,107	71,136	5,971	7.7	76,596	70,205	6,391	8.3
Richland County	↑	186,170	170,428	15,742	8.5	183,680	170,422	13,258	7.2	184,880	167,210	17,670	9.6
Edgefield County	↑	11,213	10,282	931	8.3	11,156	10,300	856	7.7	11,161	10,166	995	8.9
Anderson County	↑	85,138	78,138	7,000	8.2	84,567	78,442	6,125	7.2	85,902	77,989	7,913	9.2
Laurens County	↑	30,379	27,895	2,484	8.2	30,242	27,903	2,339	7.7	30,709	27,791	2,918	9.5
Jasper County	↑	10,707	9,842	865	8.1	10,580	9,847	733	6.9	10,711	9,762	949	8.9
Newberry County	↑	18,443	16,946	1,497	8.1	18,241	16,919	1,322	7.2	18,465	16,742	1,723	9.3
Beaufort County	↑	66,246	61,016	5,230	7.9	65,496	61,048	4,448	6.8	66,247	60,520	5,727	8.6
Kershaw County	↑	30,037	27,659	2,378	7.9	29,652	27,657	1,995	6.7	29,902	27,136	2,766	9.3
Pickens County	↑	58,214	53,591	4,623	7.9	57,385	53,607	3,778	6.6	58,685	53,391	5,294	9.0
Berkeley County	↑	88,026	81,291	6,735	7.7	86,890	81,006	5,884	6.8	88,477	80,761	7,716	8.7
Dorchester County	↑	71,671	66,456	5,215	7.3	70,648	66,223	4,425	6.3	71,741	66,023	5,718	8.0
Saluda County	↑	9,097	8,432	665	7.3	9,004	8,432	572	6.4	8,986	8,273	713	7.9
Charleston County	↑	182,933	169,709	13,224	7.2	180,279	169,114	11,165	6.2	183,018	168,604	14,414	7.9
Greenville County	↑	229,977	213,601	16,376	7.1	227,814	213,664	14,150	6.2	230,900	212,804	18,096	7.8
Lexington County	↑	137,053	127,587	9,466	6.9	135,839	127,582	8,257	6.1	135,290	125,177	10,113	7.5
Charleston MSA	↑	342,630	317,456	25,174	7.3	337,817	316,343	21,474	6.4	343,235	315,388	27,847	8.1
Columbia MSA	↑	379,668	349,677	29,991	7.9	375,509	349,664	25,845	6.9	376,369	343,073	33,296	8.8
Florence MSA	↑	93,535	84,094	9,441	10.1	92,792	84,507	8,285	8.9	94,393	84,303	10,090	10.7
Greenville MSA	↑	318,570	295,087	23,483	7.4	315,441	295,174	20,267	6.4	320,293	293,985	26,308	8.2
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED</b>													
South Carolina	↑	2,166,331	1,991,908	174,423	8.1	2,169,194	1,996,675	172,519	8.0	2,166,257	1,965,364	200,893	9.3

BM Year 2012

Current month's estimates are preliminary.

Counties are sorted by current month's unemployment rate in descending order.

↑ Unemployment Rate Up  
↓ Unemployment Rate Down  
- Unemployment Rate =