

Spotlight on Darlington County...

Location & Climate

- Located in the northeast area of the state
- Surrounded by Chesterfield, Marlboro, Florence, Lee, and Kershaw counties
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 63.3 degrees and experiences 46.31 inches of precipitation

Population

- 67,577 in 2004
- 57% white and 43% nonwhite (Census 2000)
- Median age was 36 years old (Census 2000)
- Estimated growth of 70,880 by 2015

Labor Force

- Increased from 29,189 in 2003 to 32,322 in 2004
- Unemployment rate rose from 7.9% in 2003 to 8.0% in 2004

Employment

- Average monthly employment for the county was 29,723 in 2004, compared to 26,450 in 2003

Per Capita Income

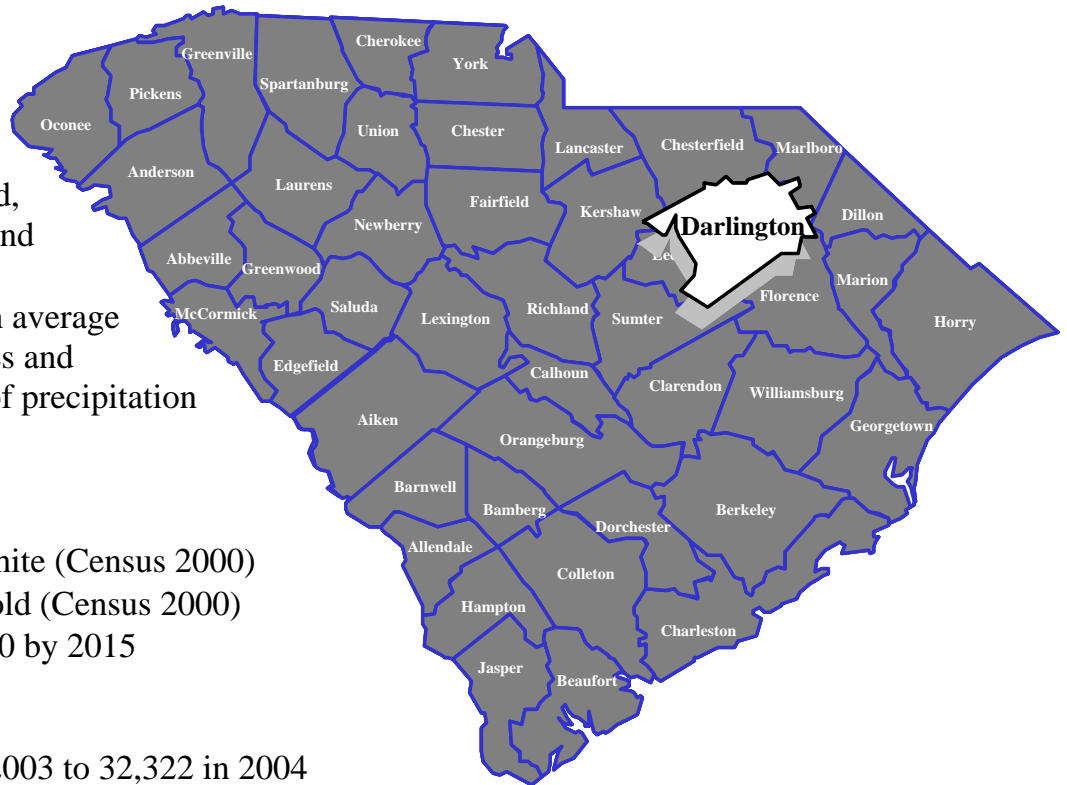
- Per capita income for the county was \$23,797 in 2003
- It was 91% of the state's PCI of \$26,144

Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Hartsville Workforce Center, which serves Darlington County, paid \$6,387,733 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2004.

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