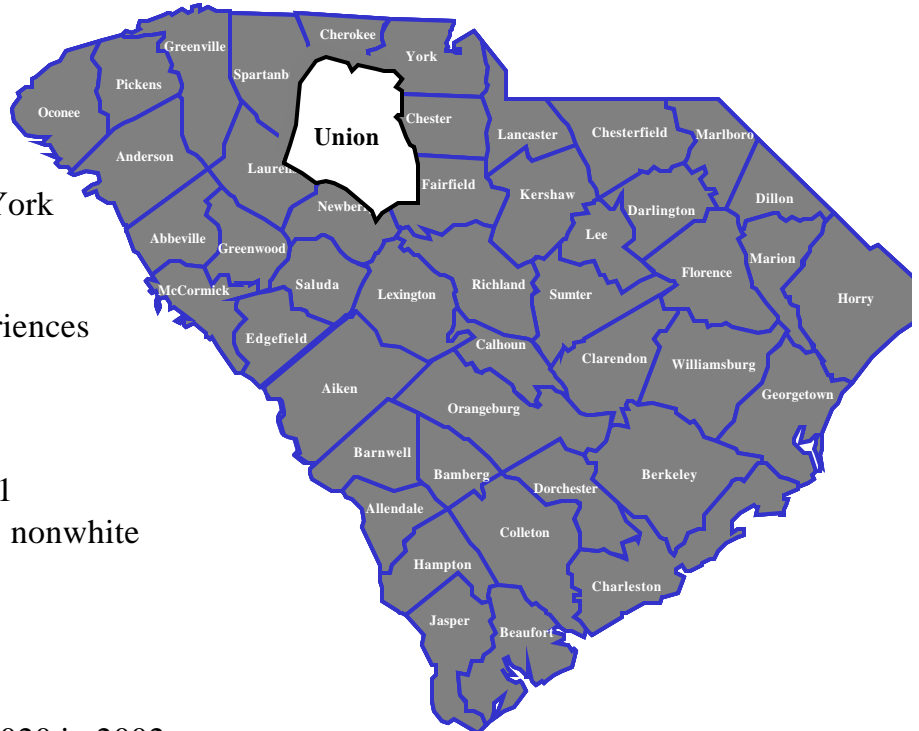


# Spotlight on Union County...

## Location & Climate

- Located in the Northwestern area of the state
- Surrounded by Cherokee, Chester, Fairfield, Laurens, Spartanburg, and York Counties
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 59.4 degrees and experiences 48.21 inches of precipitation annually



## Population

- Equaled approximately 29,548 in 2001
- Comprised of 67.8% white and 32.2% nonwhite
- Median age was 38.6 years old
- Estimated to grow to 30,500 by 2005

## Labor Force

- Decreased from 14,530 in 2001 to 14,020 in 2002
- Unemployment rate rose from 10.9% in 2001 to 12.4% in 2002

## Employment

- Average monthly employment for the County was 12,290 in 2002

## Per Capita Income

- Per capita income for the County was \$20,723 in 2001
- It was 83% of the state's PCI of \$24,840

## Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Union Workforce Center paid \$6,108,183 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2002.

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