

Spotlight on Waccamaw...

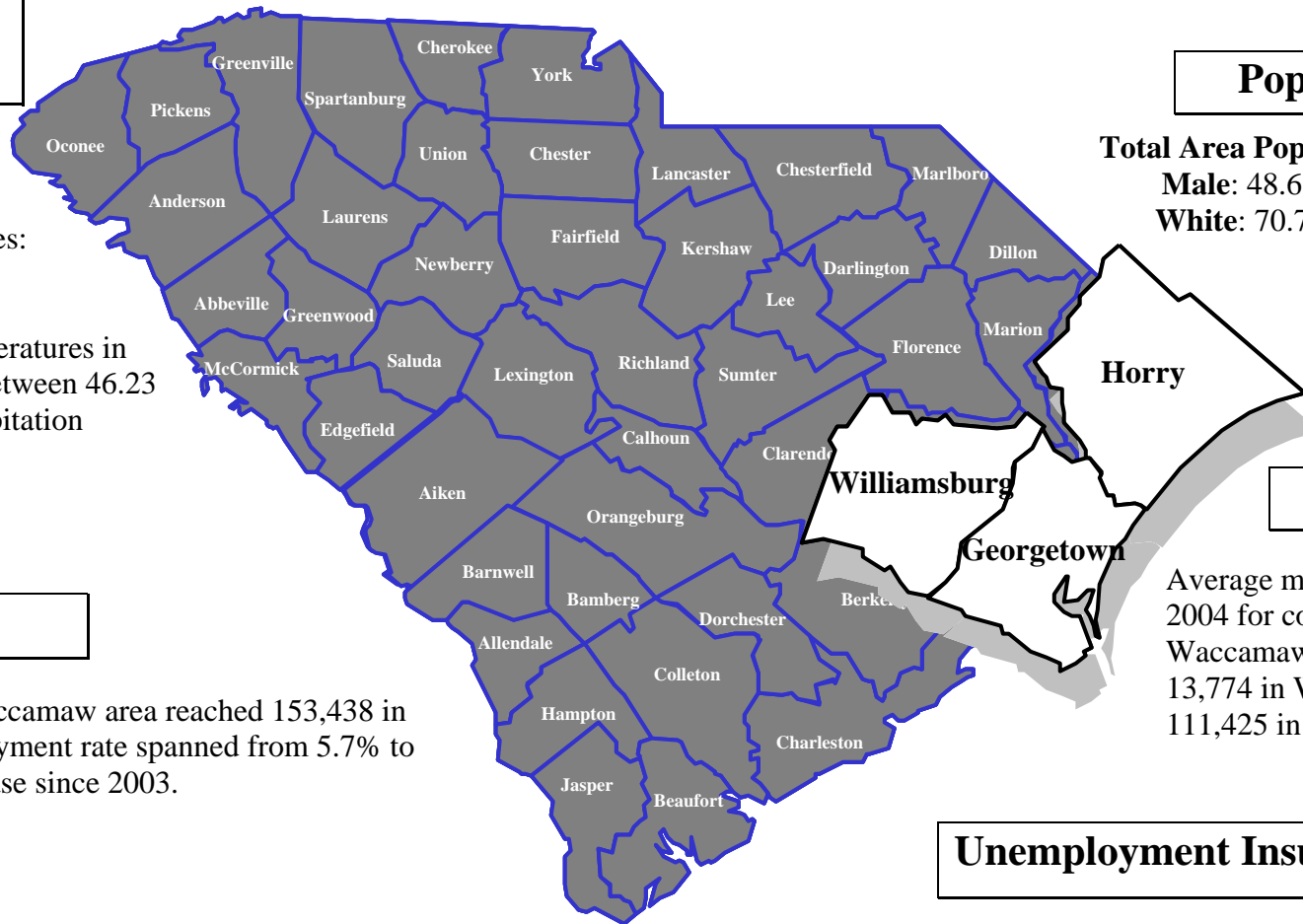


Location & Climate

Located in the eastern area of the state, the Waccamaw WIA is comprised of three counties: Horry, Georgetown, and Williamsburg. This area experiences average temperatures in the low to mid 60s, and between 46.23 and 51.68 inches of precipitation annually.

Population

Total Area Population 2004: 312,770
Male: 48.6% **Female:** 51.4%
White: 70.7% **Nonwhite:** 29.3%



Employment

Average monthly employment in 2004 for counties across the Waccamaw WIA ranged from 13,774 in Williamsburg County to 111,425 in Horry County.

Labor Force

The labor force in the Waccamaw area reached 153,438 in 2004. The 2004 unemployment rate spanned from 5.7% to 12.0%, showing an decrease since 2003.

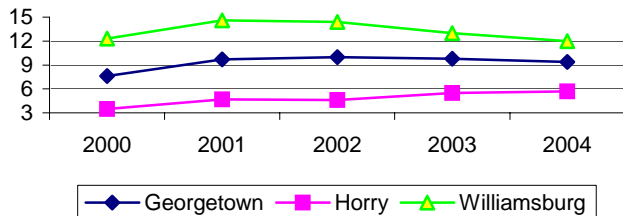
Unemployment Insurance Benefits

In 2004, unemployment insurance benefits paid by workforce centers in the Waccamaw WIA reached a total of \$33,292,541.

Per Capita Income

Per capita income for Waccamaw WIA counties in 2003 ranged from \$18,298 in Williamsburg County to \$26,614 in Horry County, between 70% and 102% of the state's PCI of \$26,144

Unemployment Rate by County



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