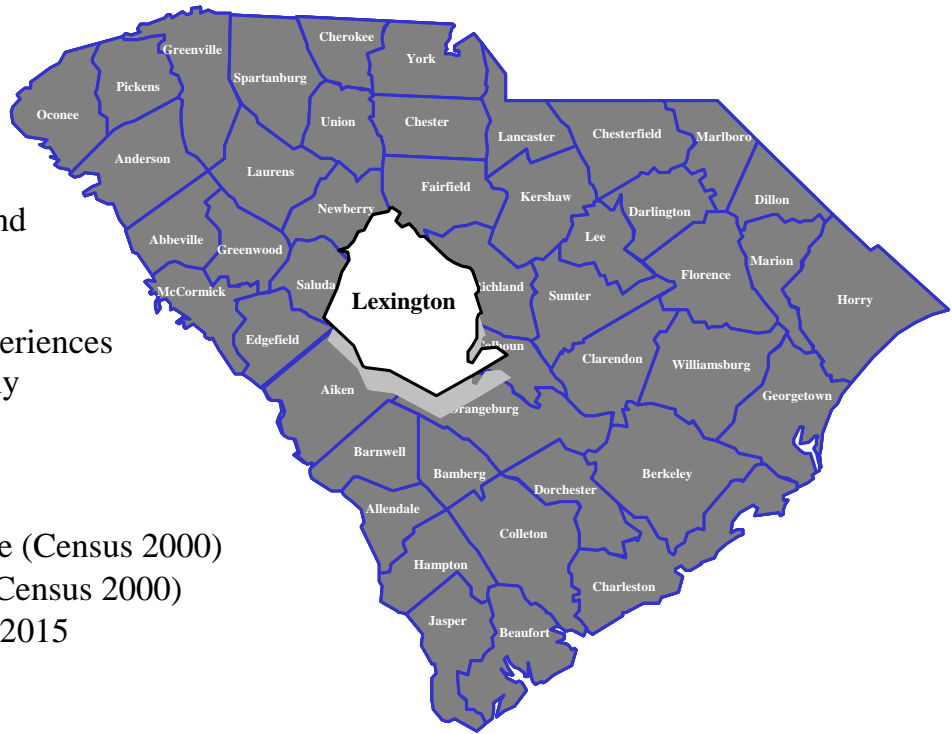


# Spotlight on Lexington County...

## Location & Climate

- Located in the central area of the state
- Surrounded by Aiken, Calhoun, Newberry, Orangeburg, Richland, and Saluda counties
- This climatic region has an average temperature of 63.4 degrees and experiences 48.05 inches of precipitation annually



## Population

- 231,057 in 2004
- 84.2% white and 15.8% nonwhite (Census 2000)
- Median age was 35.7 years old (Census 2000)
- Estimated growth of 272,440 by 2015

## Labor Force

- Increased from 122,988 in 2003 to 124,321 in 2004
- Unemployment rate rose from 4.5% in 2003 to 4.9% in 2004

## Employment

- Average monthly employment for the county was 118,279 in 2004, compared to 118,279 in 2003

## Per Capita Income

- Per capita income for the county was \$30,048 in 2003
- It was 115% of the state's PCI of \$26,144

## Unemployment Insurance Benefits

The Lexington Workforce Center office paid \$9,591,556 in regular U.I. benefits during calendar year 2004.

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