

Spotlight on Trident...



Location & Climate

Located in the southeastern area of the state, the Trident WIA is comprised of three counties: Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester. This area experiences average temperatures in the low to mid 60s and has 49.36 to 50.7 inches of precipitation annually.

Population

Total Area Population 2004: 583,434
Male: 49.1% **Female:** 50.9%
White: 65.1% **Nonwhite:** 34.9%

Employment

Average monthly employment in 2004 for counties across the Trident WIA ranged from 50,667 in Dorchester County to 157,051 in Charleston County.

Labor Force

The labor force in the Trident area reached 290,125 in 2004. The Trident WIA counties had unemployment rates spanning from 4.9% to 5.5% in 2004, showing an increase since 2003.

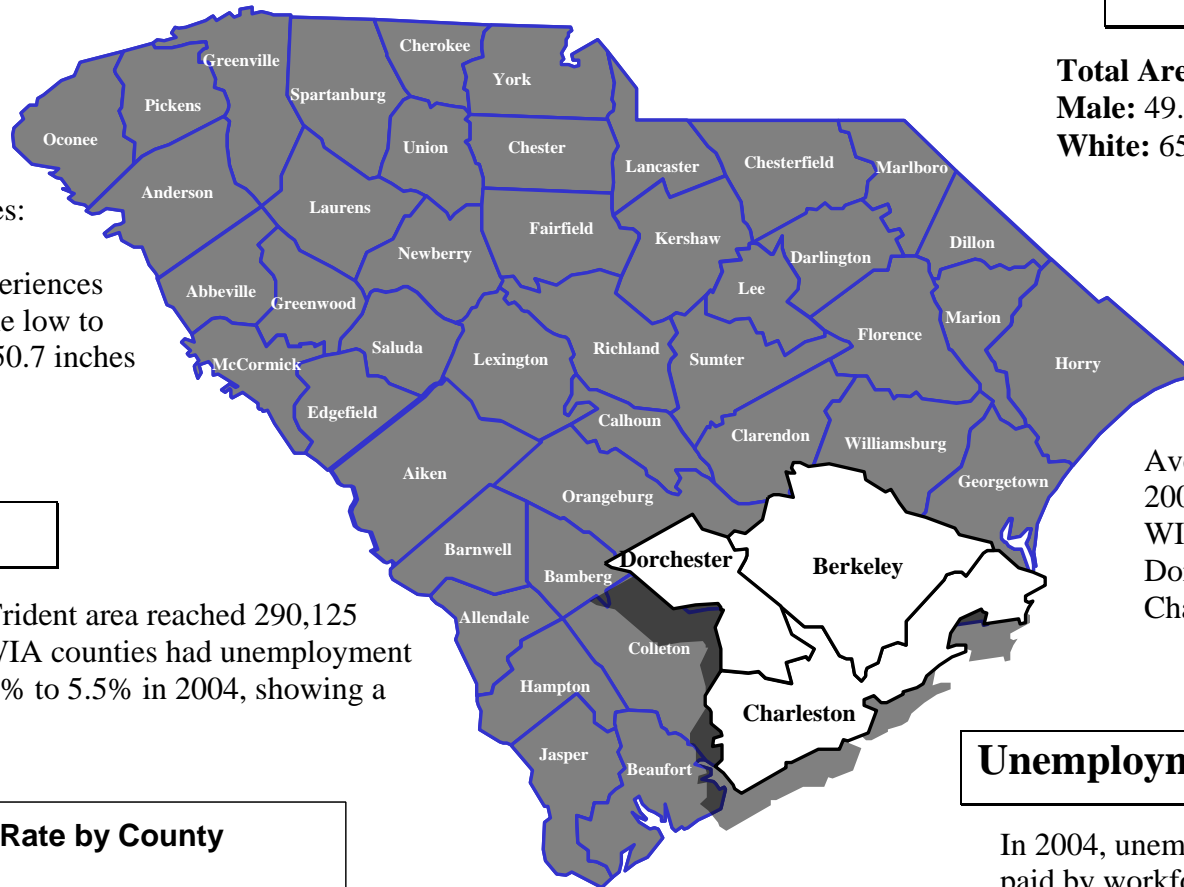
Unemployment Insurance Benefits

In 2004, unemployment insurance benefits paid by workforce centers in the Trident WIA reached a total of \$30,719,739.

Per Capita Income

Per capita income for Trident WIA counties in 2003 ranged from \$23,441 to \$30,951, between 90% and 118% of the state's PCI of \$26,144

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Unemployment Rate by County

