



## SC Department of Employment and Workforce

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### **SC Department of Employment and Workforce Executive Director Abraham J. Turner's Statement on the State's October Unemployment Rate:**

#### **Unemployment Rate Falls from 9.1 Percent to 8.6 Percent**

The state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate dropped significantly in October to 8.6 percent from the September estimate of 9.1 percent.

"Today's announcement marks the state's lowest unemployment rate in nearly four years, as well as the second consecutive month that the unemployment rate has continued a steady decline," said SC Department of Employment and Workforce Executive Director Abraham J. Turner. "While this is certainly welcome news, DEW will continue to work diligently with businesses as it remains steadfast and focused on its efforts to put South Carolinians back to work."