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South Carolina's Employment Situation
June 2014

Unemployment Rate Unchanged for Second Consecutive Month

The state's seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate held firm at 5.3 percent in June, reflecting no change since April. An estimated 115,583 people were unemployed, showing an increase of 630 people over the month while the number of employed decreased by 847 people totaling 2,050,128. Over the month, the labor force declined by 217 people to 2,165,711.

Since June 2013, the state's unemployment rate fell by 2.5 percentage points. More than 35,000 people have found work, and the labor force has decreased by 20,082 people. Nationally, the unemployment rate declined to 6.1 percent in June from 6.3 percent in May.

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Seasonally Adjusted[1])

June's seasonally adjusted, non-farm payroll employment reported its fourth seasonal employment increase this year with an increase of 4,400 over the month to reach the level of 1,933,100.
- Upticks in employment were in Professional and Business Services (+2,700); Education and Health Services (+ 1,600); Leisure and Hospitality (+ 1,600); and Other Services (+1,000). Smaller increases occurred in Manufacturing (+300) and Information (+200).
- Drops occurred in Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (-1,500); Construction (-600); Government (-600); and Financial Services (-400).

Between June 2013 and June 2014, seasonally adjusted non-farm jobs increased 42,500.
- Industries with noticeable growth were Professional and Business Services (+11,400); Leisure and Hospitality (+8,100); Manufacturing (+7,800); Education and Health Services (+7,200); and Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+5,200). Government grew (+2,300), along with Construction (+1,500) and Information (+600).
- Declines over the year were reported in Financial Activities (-1,500) and Other Services (-100).

Nonagricultural Employment by Industry (Not Seasonally Adjusted[2])

The not-seasonally adjusted, non-farm payroll employment in June increased slightly adding 3,500 over the month to a total of 1,949,600. Growth was focused in Leisure and Hospitality (+6,600); Professional

and Business Services (+3,400); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+2,300); Manufacturing (+1,200); Construction (+900); and Other Services (+800). Other increases were seen in Information (+200) and Natural Resources and Mining (+100). Drops were reported in Government (-9,900) and Education and Health Services (-1,900) as public and private educational institutions continue their usual summer decline.

Since June 2013, not-seasonally adjusted non-farm jobs were up 41,600. Robust annual gains came from Professional and Business Services (+11,300); Leisure and Hospitality (+7,600); Manufacturing (+7,400); Trade, Transportation, and Utilities (+6,200); and Education and Health Services (+6,200). Government (+3,100); Construction (+1,800); and Information (+600) also had upticks. Financial Activities (-2,000) and Other Services (-600) registered declines over the year.

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[1]**Seasonally Adjusted:** Seasonal adjustment removes the effects of events that follow a more or less regular pattern each year (i.e. tourist-related hiring and school closings in the summer). These adjustments make it easier to observe the cyclical and other nonseasonal movements in data over time.

[2]**Not Seasonally Adjusted**: Effects of regular or seasonal patterns have not been removed from these data.

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NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Statewide
June 2014

Industry	June 2014	May 2014	June 2013	May 2014 to June 2014		June 2013 to June 2014	
				# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Total Nonfarm Employment	1,933,100	1,928,700	1,890,600	4,400	0.23%	42,500	2.20%
Construction	80,700	81,300	79,200	-600	-0.74%	1,500	1.86%
Manufacturing	232,000	231,700	224,200	300	0.13%	7,800	3.36%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	366,900	368,400	361,700	-1,500	-0.41%	5,200	1.42%
Information	26,800	26,600	26,200	200	0.75%	600	2.24%
Financial Activities	93,800	94,200	95,300	-400	-0.43%	-1,500	-1.60%
Professional and Business Services	250,800	248,100	239,400	2,700	1.08%	11,400	4.55%
Education and Health Services	224,200	222,600	217,000	1,600	0.71%	7,200	3.21%
Leisure and Hospitality	230,800	229,200	222,700	1,600	0.69%	8,100	3.51%
Other Services	70,700	69,700	70,800	1,000	1.41%	-100	-0.14%
Government	352,600	353,200	350,300	-600	-0.17%	2,300	0.65%

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

Statewide
June 2014

Industry	June 2014	May 2014	June 2013	May 2014 to June 2014		June 2013 to June 2014	
				# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Total Nonfarm Employment	1,949,600	1,946,100	1,908,000	3,500	0.18%	41,600	2.18%
Natural Resources and Mining	3,800	3,700	3,800	100	2.70%	0	0.00%
Construction	82,300	81,400	80,500	900	1.11%	1,800	2.24%
Manufacturing	232,400	231,200	225,000	1,200	0.52%	7,400	3.29%
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	369,900	367,600	363,700	2,300	0.63%	6,200	1.70%
Information	27,000	26,800	26,400	200	0.75%	600	2.27%
Financial Activities	94,600	94,800	96,600	-200	-0.21%	-2,000	-2.07%
Professional and Business Services	254,000	250,600	242,700	3,400	1.36%	11,300	4.66%
Education and Health Services	221,600	223,500	215,400	-1,900	-0.85%	6,200	2.88%
Leisure and Hospitality	244,100	237,500	236,500	6,600	2.78%	7,600	3.21%
Other Services	71,100	70,300	71,700	800	1.14%	-600	-0.84%
Government	348,800	358,700	345,700	-9,900	-2.76%	3,100	0.90%

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY AREA, SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

South Carolina & Metropolitan Areas
June 2014

AREA	June 2014	May 2014	June 2013	May 2014 to June 2014		June 2013 to June 2014	
				# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Statewide	1,933,100	1,928,700	1,890,600	4,400	0.23%	42,500	2.20%
Anderson MSA	66,400	66,300	64,200	100	0.15%	2,200	3.31%
Charleston/North Charleston MSA	310,000	311,700	308,300	-1,700	-0.55%	1,700	0.55%
Columbia MSA	364,000	364,700	361,200	-700	-0.19%	2,800	0.77%
Florence MSA	85,900	85,600	84,300	300	0.35%	1,600	1.86%
Greenville MSA	319,600	321,000	312,700	-1,400	-0.44%	6,900	2.16%
Myrtle Beach/Conway/N. Myrtle Beach MSA	124,500	123,400	118,300	1,100	0.88%	6,200	4.98%
Spartanburg MSA	130,800	130,900	128,000	-100	-0.08%	2,800	2.14%
Sumter MSA	37,900	38,300	37,600	-400	-1.06%	300	0.79%

NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY AREA, NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED

South Carolina & Metropolitan (Not Seasonally Adjusted)
June 2014

AREA	June 2014	May 2014	June 2013	May 2014 to June 2014		June 2013 to June 2014	
				# Change	% Change	# Change	% Change
Statewide	1,949,600	1,946,100	1,908,000	3,500	0.18%	41,600	2.18%
Anderson MSA	66,700	66,800	64,400	-100	-0.15%	2,300	3.57%
Charleston/North Charleston MSA	314,400	315,000	312,400	-600	-0.19%	2,000	0.64%
Columbia MSA	364,900	366,000	359,600	-1,100	-0.30%	5,300	1.47%
Florence MSA	86,200	86,100	84,500	100	0.12%	1,700	2.01%
Greenville MSA	319,900	321,400	313,700	-1,500	-0.47%	6,200	1.98%
Myrtle Beach/Conway/N. Myrtle Beach MSA	133,100	127,500	127,600	5,600	4.39%	5,500	4.31%
Spartanburg MSA	130,400	131,000	127,800	-600	-0.46%	2,600	2.03%
Sumter MSA	38,200	38,400	37,500	-200	-0.52%	700	1.87%

Note: Employment estimates have been rounded to the nearest hundred. Sum of detail may not equal totals due to rounding or the exclusion of certain industries from publication. All data are subject to revision.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
LOCAL AREA UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS BY COUNTY, MSA, AND STATE
(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)

AREA		LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY-MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY-MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	RATE (%)	LABOR FORCE	EMPLOY-MENT	UNEMPLOYMENT LEVEL	RATE (%)
		June 2014				May 2014				June 2013			
Allendale County	↑	3,196	2,873	323	10.1	3,129	2,836	293	9.4	3,278	2,805	473	14.4
Marion County	↑	11,473	10,313	1,160	10.1	11,206	10,135	1,071	9.6	11,852	10,053	1,799	15.2
Bamberg County	↑	5,699	5,162	537	9.4	5,559	5,096	463	8.3	5,816	5,023	793	13.6
Barnwell County	↑	8,269	7,528	741	9.0	8,137	7,465	672	8.3	8,470	7,352	1,118	13.2
Dillon County	↑	12,653	11,568	1,085	8.6	12,394	11,406	988	8.0	12,880	11,286	1,594	12.4
Clarendon County	↑	12,189	11,170	1,019	8.4	11,961	11,064	897	7.5	12,410	10,931	1,479	11.9
Marlboro County	↑	11,252	10,311	941	8.4	11,092	10,198	894	8.1	11,658	10,056	1,602	13.7
Orangeburg County	↑	39,691	36,345	3,346	8.4	38,860	35,912	2,948	7.6	40,372	35,410	4,962	12.3
McCormick County	↑	3,318	3,062	256	7.7	3,274	3,031	243	7.4	3,393	2,980	413	12.2
Chester County	↑	14,814	13,721	1,093	7.4	14,717	13,666	1,051	7.1	15,125	13,366	1,759	11.6
Hampton County	↑	7,705	7,133	572	7.4	7,583	7,047	536	7.1	7,799	6,951	848	10.9
Union County	↑	11,699	10,832	867	7.4	11,554	10,746	808	7.0	12,021	10,570	1,451	12.1
Williamsburg County	↑	15,683	14,552	1,131	7.2	15,404	14,343	1,061	6.9	15,980	14,204	1,776	11.1
Darlington County	↑	30,410	28,250	2,160	7.1	29,858	27,989	1,869	6.3	30,806	27,736	3,070	10.0
Fairfield County	↑	10,133	9,423	710	7.0	10,098	9,397	701	6.9	10,335	9,323	1,012	9.8
Lee County	↑	8,031	7,475	556	6.9	7,886	7,392	494	6.3	8,173	7,330	843	10.3
Chesterfield County	↑	18,874	17,587	1,287	6.8	18,594	17,447	1,147	6.2	19,186	17,162	2,024	10.5
Sumter County	↑	44,218	41,258	2,960	6.7	43,803	41,188	2,615	6.0	44,857	40,606	4,251	9.5
Cherokee County	↑	25,523	23,839	1,684	6.6	25,244	23,671	1,573	6.2	25,887	23,229	2,658	10.3
Colleton County	↑	17,089	15,962	1,127	6.6	16,826	15,800	1,026	6.1	17,419	15,639	1,780	10.2
Lancaster County	↑	33,890	31,670	2,220	6.6	33,578	31,508	2,070	6.2	34,254	30,865	3,389	9.9
Abbeville County	↑	10,961	10,255	706	6.4	10,826	10,165	661	6.1	11,085	9,982	1,103	10.0
Edgefield County	↑	10,956	10,256	700	6.4	10,921	10,285	636	5.8	11,004	10,124	880	8.0
Florence County	↑	63,237	59,234	4,003	6.3	62,404	58,686	3,718	6.0	64,106	58,156	5,950	9.3
Greenwood County	↑	31,052	29,105	1,947	6.3	30,586	28,828	1,758	5.7	31,279	28,332	2,947	9.4
Oconee County	↑	32,082	30,082	2,000	6.2	31,598	29,835	1,763	5.6	32,228	29,364	2,864	8.9
Calhoun County	↑	6,423	6,033	390	6.1	6,378	6,016	362	5.7	6,609	5,969	640	9.7
Richland County	↑	184,343	173,200	11,143	6.0	182,283	172,730	9,553	5.2	186,549	171,368	15,181	8.1
York County	↓	112,240	105,737	6,503	5.8	113,392	106,321	7,071	6.2	113,267	103,251	10,016	8.8
Georgetown County	↑	30,094	28,385	1,709	5.7	29,473	27,869	1,604	5.4	30,196	27,641	2,555	8.5
Spartanburg County	↑	139,544	131,610	7,934	5.7	138,221	131,443	6,778	4.9	141,044	129,483	11,561	8.2
Beaufort County	↑	66,839	63,123	3,716	5.6	65,723	62,531	3,192	4.9	66,705	61,618	5,087	7.6
Laurens County	↑	30,129	28,440	1,689	5.6	29,921	28,392	1,529	5.1	30,349	27,976	2,373	7.8
Aiken County	↓	76,860	72,647	4,213	5.5	77,259	72,855	4,404	5.7	78,047	71,709	6,338	8.1
Berkeley County	↑	87,742	82,879	4,863	5.5	86,889	82,601	4,288	4.9	89,280	82,680	6,600	7.4
Horry County	–	140,632	132,897	7,735	5.5	133,845	126,513	7,332	5.5	139,302	127,806	11,496	8.3
Kershaw County	↑	29,423	27,803	1,620	5.5	29,073	27,727	1,346	4.6	29,792	27,509	2,283	7.7
Pickens County	↑	58,075	54,935	3,140	5.4	57,375	54,842	2,533	4.4	58,444	54,038	4,406	7.5
Anderson County	↑	88,219	83,570	4,649	5.3	87,350	83,324	4,026	4.6	88,152	81,431	6,721	7.6
Dorchester County	↑	70,003	66,266	3,737	5.3	69,168	66,044	3,124	4.5	71,150	66,107	5,043	7.1
Jasper County	↑	10,806	10,231	575	5.3	10,623	10,135	488	4.6	10,827	9,987	840	7.8
Newberry County	↑	18,325	17,368	957	5.2	18,035	17,193	842	4.7	18,351	16,923	1,428	7.8
Charleston County	↑	179,531	170,806	8,725	4.9	177,994	170,234	7,760	4.4	183,173	170,396	12,777	7.0
Saluda County	↑	8,909	8,471	438	4.9	8,830	8,448	382	4.3	9,016	8,382	634	7.0
Greenville County	↑	232,966	221,770	11,196	4.8	231,237	221,395	9,842	4.3	234,003	218,148	15,855	6.8
Lexington County	↑	136,158	129,682	6,476	4.8	135,008	129,329	5,679	4.2	137,427	128,310	9,117	6.6
Charleston MSA	↑	337,275	319,951	17,324	5.1	334,050	318,879	15,171	4.5	343,603	319,183	24,420	7.1
Columbia MSA	↑	375,389	354,611	20,778	5.5	371,671	353,648	18,023	4.8	379,728	350,861	28,867	7.6
Florence MSA	↑	93,647	87,484	6,163	6.6	92,262	86,675	5,587	6.1	94,912	85,892	9,020	9.5
Greenville MSA	↑	321,170	305,145	16,025	5.0	318,533	304,629	13,904	4.4	322,795	300,162	22,633	7.0
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED													
South Carolina	–	2,165,711	2,050,128	115,583	5.3	2,165,928	2,050,975	114,953	5.3	2,185,793	2,015,106	170,687	7.8

Current month's estimates are preliminary.

Counties are sorted by current month's unemployment rate in descending order.

↑ Unemployment Rate Up
↓ Unemployment Rate Down
– Unemployment Rate =