Lower Savannah Regional Workforce Snapshot (Q1 2024)

Aiken, Allendale, Bamberg, Barnwell, Calhoun and Orangeburg Counties

4.1%

125,980

Unemployment Rate (March 2024)

Total Employment

Adults 18-64 Years 181,263

2021-2022 Public High 12,091 **School Enrollment**

2021 Fall

Postsecondary Credit 17,433

Enrollment



Jobs Announced

3,397

Top Industries (Q3 2023)			
Industry	Employed	% of Total Employment	
Manufacturing	16,925	16%	
Retail Trade	13,011	12%	
Health Care & Social Assistance	12,891	12%	
Admin Support, Waste Mgmt & Remediation	n 10,942	10%	
Accommodation & Food Services	10,220	10%	
Educational Services	9,389	9%	

Industry Announced Investment 2019-2023

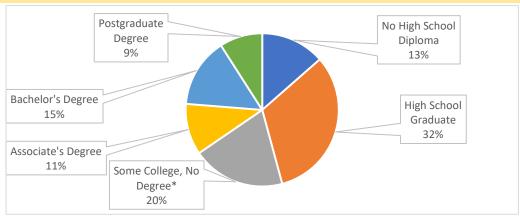
Total Announced Investment

\$1,018,065,000

Jobs Announced by Industry

Industry	Number of Jobs	% of Jobs Announcements
Manufacturing	3,074	90%
Warehousing & Distribution	323	10%

Educational Attainment (Adults 25-64)



^{*}Includes Certificate level credentials (American Community Survey 2017-2021)

Lower Savannah Region Education Snapshot (2021-2022)

Public & Independent Universities and Colleges Enrollment

Fall 2021 Enrollment (10,882)

Institution	Credit Enrollment
South Carolina State University	2,637
U.S.C Aiken	4,686
U.S.C Salkehatchie	996
Claflin University	2,127
Voorhees College	436

2021-2022 Public/Independent Colleges and Universities Degrees Awarded (1,796)

Program (CIP Code)	Degrees	% of Awarded
Business, Management, Marketing, & Related	513	29%
Health Professions & Related Programs	227	13%
Biological & Biomedical Sciences	141	8%
Education	132	7%
Psychology	113	6%

Technical College(s)

Fall 2021 Enrollment - Credit (6,551) & Corporate and Community Education (CE) Programs

Institution	Credit Enrollment	CE Enrollment (2021 Annualized)
Aiken Technical College	2,607	2,095
Orangeburg-Calhoun Technical College	3,049	620
Denmark Technical College	895	251

2021-2022 Technical Colleges Program Completions (1,214 -Credit Awards Only)

Program	# of Credentials	% of Awarded
Health Professions & Related Programs	512	42%
Liberal A/S, General Studies & Humanities	283	23%
Computer & Info. Sciences/Support Services	64	5%
Homeland Security, Law Enforcement & Related	59	5%
Business, Management, Marketing & Related	52	4%

Public High Schools

2021-2022 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Student Course Enrollment (10,716)

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CTE Student Cluster	Enrollment	% of CTE Enrollment
Information Technology	3,089	29%
Business, Management & Admin.	1,472	14%
Finance	936	9%
Ag., Food & Natural Resources	894	8%
Health Science	889	8%

High School CTE Certifications Awarded* (2,519)

Certification Focus	Total Certs Earned	% of Awarded
OSHA-10**	736	29%
Health Science	590	23%
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics (TDL)	412	16%
ServSafe® Food Handler**	223	9%

^{*}Students may earn multiple certifications within and across certification focus areas.

Sources: SCDEW, US Census, QCEW, SC Commerce, SC Tech, SC Dept. of Education & SC Commission on Higher Education

^{**}Certifications falling under multiple clusters are reported independently of career clusters.