

## Upper Savannah Regional Workforce Snapshot (Q4 2025)

Abbeville, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Newberry and Saluda Counties

**Total Employment** 109,226

**Unemployment Rate** 5.3%  
(December 2025)

**Adults 18-64 Years** 149,696

**2023-2024 Public High School Enrollment** 9,402

**2023 Fall Postsecondary Credit Enrollment** 15,715



### Top Industries (Q2 2025)

Industry	Employed	% of Total Employment
Manufacturing	22,258	27%
Health Care & Social Assistance	12,039	15%
Educational Services	8,024	10%
Retail Trade	7,833	10%
Accommodation & Food Services	5,866	7%
Public Administration	5,460	7%

### Industry Announced Investment

2020-2024

**Total Announced Investment**

\$1,139,780,000

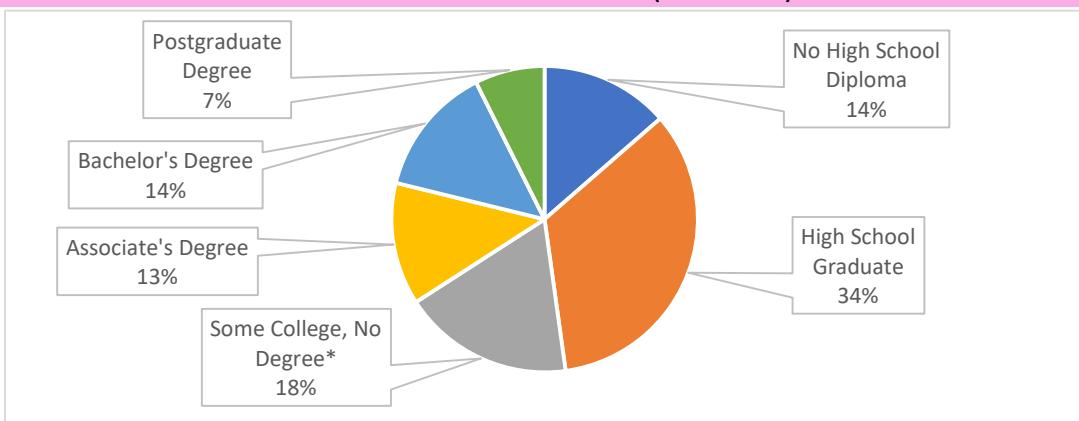
**Jobs Announced**

3,289

### Jobs Announced by Industry

Industry	Number of Jobs	% of Jobs Announcements
Manufacturing	2,760	84%
Warehousing & Distribution	496	15%
Office, HQ, & R&D (Service)	33	1%

### Educational Attainment (Adults 25-64)



\*Includes Certificate level credentials (American Community Survey 2019-2023)

## Upper Savannah Region Education Snapshot (2023-2024)

### Public & Independent Universities and Colleges Enrollment

**Fall 2023 Enrollment (9,001)**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Credit Enrollment</b>
Lander University	4,925
Erskine College	1,162
Newberry College	1,651
Presbyterian College	1,263

### **2023-2024 Public/Independent Colleges and Universities Degrees Awarded (1,679)**

<b>Program (CIP Code)</b>	<b>Degrees</b>	<b>% of Awarded</b>
Business, Management, Marketing, & Related	510	30%
Health Professions & Related Programs	276	16%
Education	193	11%
Parks, Recreation, Leisure, & Fitness Studies	119	7%
Biological & Biomedical Sciences	108	6%

### Technical College(s)

**Fall 2023 Enrollment - Credit & Corporate (6,714) and Community Education (CE) Programs**

<b>Institution</b>	<b>Credit Enrollment</b>	<b>CE Enrollment (2023 Annualized)</b>
Piedmont Technical College	6,714	1,102

### **2023-2024 Technical Colleges Program Completions (2,054 - Credit Awards Only)**

<b>Program</b>	<b># of Credentials</b>	<b>% of Awarded</b>
Health Professions & Related Programs	435	21%
Business, Management, Marketing & Related	359	17%
Liberal A/S, General Studies & Humanities	292	14%
Precision Production	237	12%
Computer & Information Sciences	124	6%

### Public High Schools

**2023-2024 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Student Course Enrollment (10,810)**

<b>CTE Student Cluster</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>% of CTE Enrollment</b>
Information Technology	2,321	21%
Health Science	1,593	15%
Ag., Food & Natural Resources	1,536	14%
Finance	1,196	11%
Business, Management & Admin.	836	8%

### **High School CTE Certifications Awarded\* (3,469)**

<b>Certification Focus</b>	<b>Total Certs Earned</b>	<b>% of Awarded</b>
Microburst EmployABILITY Soft Skills**	743	21%
Health Science	722	21%
OSHA-10**	719	21%
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics (TDL)	621	18%
Ag., Food & Natural Resources	240	7%

\*Students may earn multiple certifications within and across certification focus areas.

\*\*Certifications falling under multiple clusters are reported independently of career clusters.

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