Upstate Regional Workforce Snapshot (Q2 2025)

Cherokee, Spartanburg and Union Counties

Total Employment 195,571

Unemployment Rate (June 2025)

4.8%

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Adults 18-64 Years 245,665

2022-2023 Public High

School Enrollment 18,259

2022 Fall

Postsecondary Credit 22,801

Enrollment



Top Industries (Q4 2024)				
	Industry	Employed	% of Total Employment	
	Manufacturing	44,459	24%	
	Health Care & Social Assistance	24,403	13%	
	Retail Trade	21,169	12%	
	Educational Services	15,598	9%	
	Accommodation & Food Services	15,189	8%	
	Transportation & Warehousing	11,648	6%	

Industry Announced Investment 2020-2024

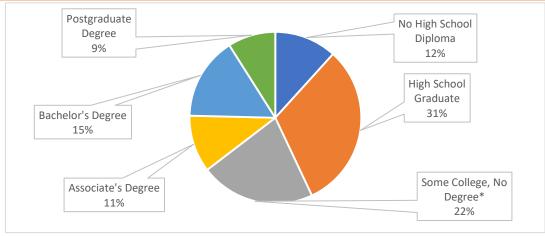
Total Announced Investment Jobs Announced

\$4,722,066,000 6,570

Jobs Announced by Industry

Industry	Number of Jobs	% of Jobs Announcements
Manufacturing	5,122	78%
Warehousing & Distribution	1,172	18%
Office, HQ, & R&D (Service)	276	4%

Educational Attainment (Adults 25-64)



^{*}Includes Certificate level credentials (American Community Survey 2019-2023)

Upstate Region Education Snapshot (2022-2023)

Public & Independent Universities and Colleges Enrollment

Fall 2022 Enrollment (14,445)

Institution	Credit Enrollment
U.S.C Upstate	5,598
U.S.C Union	1,370
Wofford College	1,863
Converse College	2,391
Limestone College	2,053
Spartanburg Methodist College	1,170

2022-2023 Public/Independent Colleges and Universities Degrees Awarded (2,676)

Program	Degrees	% of Awarded
Business, Management, Marketing & Related	530	20%
Health Professions & Related Programs	385	14%
Liberal A/S, General Studies & Humanities	345	13%
Education	266	10%

Technical College(s)

Fall 2022 Enrollment - Credit (8,356) & Corporate and Community Education (CE) Programs

Institution Credit Enrollment CE Enrollment (2022 Annualized)

Spartanburg Community College 8,356 1,367

2022-2023 Technical Colleges Program Completions (1,286 - Credit Awards Only)

Program	# of Credentials	% of Awarded
Liberal A/S, General Studies & Humanities	373	29%
Engineering Tech. & Engineering-Related	190	15%
Health Professions & Related Programs	167	13%
Business, Management, Marketing & Related	158	12%
Percision Production	118	9%

Public High Schools

2022-2023 Career and Technical Education (CTE) Student Course Enrollment (15,990)

CTE Student Cluster	Enrollment	% of CTE Enrollment	
Information Technology	5,141	32%	
Health Science	1,775	11%	
Business, Management & Admin.	1,448	9%	
Finance	1,242	8%	
Arts, Audio, Video Tech & Coms.	994	6%	

High School CTE Certifications Awarded* (4,531)

Certification Focus	Total Certs Earned	% of Awarded
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics (TDL)	1,369	30%
OSHA-10**	1,232	27%
Health Science	677	15%
Microburst EmployABILITY Soft Skills**	357	8%
Ag., Food and Natural Resources	189	4%

^{*}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.