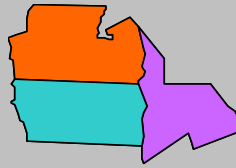


Labor Force Data by
Workforce Investment Area
February 2008



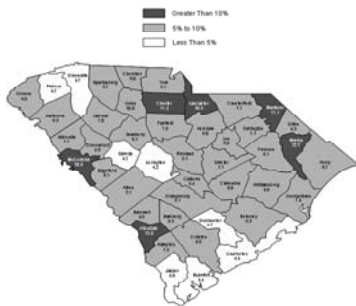
Catawba

Labor Force Data -February 2008

| | Labor Force | Employment | Unemployment | Unemployment Rate |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Catawba WIA | 148,531 | 137,398 | 11,133 | 7.5 |
| Chester County | 15,231 | 13,527 | 1,704 | 11.2 |
| Lancaster County | 29,276 | 26,211 | 3,065 | 10.5 |
| York County | 104,024 | 97,660 | 6,364 | 6.1 |

Unemployment in the Catawba WIA decreased from 8.2% in January to 7.5% in February. Chester County reported the highest rate at 11.2%, while York County had the lowest rate at 6.1%. The state's unemployment rate decreased sharply from 6.1% in January to 5.5% in February.

Unemployment Rates
February 2007 - February 2008



| | Feb-07 | Mar-07 | Apr-07 | May-07 | Jun-07 | Jul-07 | Aug-07 | Sep-07 | Oct-07 | Nov-07 | Dec-07 | Jan-08 | Feb-08 |
|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| — SC | 5.8 | 5.7 | 5.7 | 5.6 | 5.7 | 5.8 | 5.8 | 5.9 | 6.0 | 6.1 | 6.2 | 6.1 | 5.5 |
| — US | 4.5 | 4.4 | 4.5 | 4.5 | 4.6 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.7 | 4.8 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 4.9 | 4.8 |
| — Chester | 11.3 | 9.8 | 10.3 | 10.1 | 11.3 | 12.2 | 11.7 | 11.7 | 11.4 | 11.4 | 12.4 | 12.0 | 11.2 |
| — Lancaster | 9.4 | 8.0 | 8.5 | 8.3 | 9.3 | 9.6 | 9.4 | 10.0 | 10.5 | 10.4 | 11.3 | 10.9 | 10.5 |
| — York | 5.9 | 5.0 | 5.3 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.0 | 5.4 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 5.4 | 5.8 | 6.5 | 6.1 |



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WIA Labor Force Data February 2008

| | LABOR FORCE | | UNEMPLOYMENT | | | % OF LABOR FORCE | | | |
|------------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| | Feb 2008 | Jan 2008 | Feb 2007 | Feb 2008 | Jan 2008 | Feb 2007 | Feb 2008 | Jan 2008 | Feb 2007 |
| Catawba WIA | 148,531 | 150,120 | 163,098 | 11,133 | 12,317 | 10,673 | 7.5 | 8.2 | 6.5 |
| Chester County | 15,231 | 15,567 | 30,031 | 1,704 | 1,978 | 1,781 | 11.2 | 12.7 | 11.3 |
| Lancaster County | 29,276 | 29,751 | 29,669 | 3,065 | 3,414 | 2,825 | 10.5 | 11.5 | 9.4 |
| York County | 104,024 | 104,802 | 103,398 | 6,364 | 6,925 | 6,067 | 6.1 | 6.6 | 5.9 |
| Greenville WIA | 219,804 | 220,674 | 218,296 | 10,347 | 11,202 | 11,271 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| Greenville County | 219,804 | 220,674 | 218,296 | 10,347 | 11,202 | 11,271 | 4.7 | 5.1 | 5.2 |
| Lowcountry WIA | 98,438 | 99,604 | 96,394 | 5,021 | 5,634 | 5,108 | 5.1 | 5.7 | 5.3 |
| Beaufort County | 64,006 | 64,774 | 62,227 | 2,832 | 3,224 | 2,966 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| Colleton County | 16,268 | 16,453 | 16,320 | 1,103 | 1,214 | 1,033 | 6.8 | 7.4 | 6.3 |
| Hampton County | 7,755 | 7,887 | 7,723 | 580 | 669 | 578 | 7.5 | 8.5 | 7.5 |
| Jasper County | 10,409 | 10,490 | 10,124 | 506 | 527 | 531 | 4.9 | 5.0 | 5.2 |
| Lower Savannah WIA | 139,274 | 141,059 | 141,438 | 9,301 | 10,780 | 10,290 | 6.7 | 7.6 | 7.3 |
| Aiken County | 74,264 | 74,918 | 75,076 | 3,808 | 4,403 | 4,446 | 5.1 | 5.9 | 5.9 |
| Allendale County | 3,578 | 3,638 | 3,504 | 496 | 542 | 420 | 13.9 | 14.9 | 12.0 |
| Bamberg County | 6,084 | 6,196 | 6,320 | 578 | 665 | 600 | 9.5 | 10.7 | 9.5 |
| Barnwell County | 8,621 | 8,797 | 8,943 | 821 | 952 | 908 | 9.5 | 10.8 | 10.2 |
| Calhoun County | 7,038 | 7,117 | 7,095 | 377 | 454 | 457 | 5.4 | 6.4 | 6.4 |
| Orangeburg County | 39,689 | 40,393 | 40,500 | 3,221 | 3,764 | 3,459 | 8.1 | 9.3 | 8.5 |
| Midlands WIA | 319,997 | 322,020 | 320,290 | 15,506 | 17,434 | 16,839 | 4.8 | 5.4 | 5.3 |
| Fairfield County | 11,418 | 11,449 | 11,497 | 897 | 925 | 1,012 | 7.9 | 8.1 | 8.8 |
| Lexington County | 131,687 | 132,211 | 131,578 | 5,500 | 5,985 | 5,822 | 4.2 | 4.5 | 4.4 |
| Richland County | 176,892 | 178,360 | 177,215 | 9,109 | 10,524 | 10,005 | 5.1 | 5.9 | 5.6 |
| Pee Dee WIA | 150,372 | 152,216 | 149,584 | 11,597 | 12,900 | 12,848 | 7.7 | 8.5 | 8.6 |
| Chesterfield County | 18,007 | 18,274 | 18,643 | 1,380 | 1,564 | 1,699 | 7.7 | 8.6 | 9.1 |
| Darlington County | 31,831 | 32,026 | 30,802 | 2,252 | 2,365 | 2,228 | 7.1 | 7.4 | 7.2 |
| Dillon County | 12,976 | 13,159 | 13,083 | 1,213 | 1,347 | 1,225 | 9.3 | 10.2 | 9.4 |
| Florence County | 63,413 | 64,052 | 61,821 | 3,870 | 4,345 | 4,302 | 6.1 | 6.8 | 7.0 |
| Marion County | 12,558 | 12,796 | 12,947 | 1,592 | 1,785 | 1,711 | 12.7 | 13.9 | 13.2 |
| Marlboro County | 11,587 | 11,909 | 12,288 | 1,290 | 1,494 | 1,683 | 11.1 | 12.5 | 13.7 |
| WorkLink WIA | 171,571 | 173,521 | 173,926 | 9,936 | 10,645 | 11,187 | 5.8 | 6.1 | 6.4 |
| Anderson County | 83,755 | 84,863 | 85,361 | 5,237 | 5,269 | 5,489 | 6.3 | 6.2 | 6.4 |
| Oconee County | 29,447 | 29,895 | 30,377 | 1,949 | 2,236 | 2,483 | 6.6 | 7.5 | 8.2 |
| Pickens County | 58,369 | 58,763 | 58,188 | 2,750 | 3,140 | 3,215 | 4.7 | 5.3 | 5.5 |
| Santee - Lynchess WIA | 93,645 | 94,707 | 96,650 | 6,909 | 7,475 | 7,025 | 7.4 | 7.9 | 7.3 |
| Clarendon County | 12,358 | 12,597 | 12,856 | 1,084 | 1,248 | 1,171 | 8.8 | 9.9 | 9.1 |
| Kershaw County | 29,881 | 29,838 | 29,669 | 1,792 | 1,740 | 1,676 | 6.0 | 5.8 | 5.6 |
| Lee County | 8,023 | 8,113 | 8,084 | 708 | 768 | 764 | 8.8 | 9.5 | 9.5 |
| Sumter County | 43,383 | 44,159 | 46,041 | 3,325 | 3,719 | 3,414 | 7.7 | 8.4 | 7.4 |
| Trident WIA | 310,157 | 311,086 | 308,616 | 14,459 | 15,408 | 14,687 | 4.7 | 5.0 | 4.8 |
| Berkeley County | 74,926 | 75,000 | 74,375 | 3,957 | 4,036 | 3,831 | 5.3 | 5.4 | 5.2 |
| Charleston County | 173,262 | 173,988 | 172,630 | 7,578 | 8,315 | 7,937 | 4.4 | 4.8 | 4.8 |
| Dorchester County | 61,969 | 62,098 | 61,611 | 2,924 | 3,057 | 2,919 | 4.7 | 4.9 | 4.7 |
| Upper Savannah WIA | 116,639 | 117,956 | 119,666 | 7,842 | 8,723 | 9,103 | 6.7 | 7.4 | 7.6 |
| Abbeville County | 11,025 | 11,157 | 11,783 | 850 | 894 | 1,125 | 7.7 | 8.0 | 9.5 |
| Edgefield County | 10,889 | 11,004 | 11,009 | 661 | 767 | 755 | 6.1 | 7.0 | 6.9 |
| Greenwood County | 29,990 | 30,386 | 31,536 | 2,029 | 2,250 | 2,449 | 6.8 | 7.4 | 7.8 |
| Laurens County | 34,412 | 34,780 | 34,264 | 2,416 | 2,782 | 2,640 | 7.0 | 8.0 | 7.7 |
| McCormick County | 3,490 | 3,528 | 3,574 | 380 | 402 | 417 | 10.9 | 11.4 | 11.7 |
| Newberry County | 17,503 | 17,715 | 18,045 | 1,068 | 1,137 | 1,124 | 6.1 | 6.4 | 6.2 |
| Saluda County | 9,330 | 9,386 | 9,455 | 438 | 491 | 593 | 4.7 | 5.2 | 6.3 |
| Upstate WIA | 168,045 | 169,433 | 170,072 | 10,692 | 11,599 | 11,487 | 6.4 | 6.8 | 6.8 |
| Cherokee County | 24,725 | 24,888 | 25,193 | 1,983 | 2,010 | 1,864 | 8.0 | 8.1 | 7.4 |
| Spartanburg County | 131,923 | 133,036 | 132,957 | 7,569 | 8,394 | 8,358 | 5.7 | 6.3 | 6.3 |
| Union County | 11,397 | 11,509 | 11,922 | 1,140 | 1,195 | 1,265 | 10.0 | 10.4 | 10.6 |
| Waccamaw WIA | 171,178 | 172,001 | 168,836 | 12,087 | 14,054 | 11,310 | 7.1 | 8.2 | 6.7 |
| Georgetown County | 28,986 | 29,393 | 28,766 | 2,136 | 2,458 | 2,147 | 7.4 | 8.4 | 7.5 |
| Horry County | 127,039 | 127,163 | 124,619 | 8,493 | 9,906 | 7,601 | 6.7 | 7.8 | 6.1 |
| Williamsburg County | 15,153 | 15,445 | 15,451 | 1,458 | 1,690 | 1,562 | 9.6 | 10.9 | 10.1 |