

South Carolina Employment Situation Summary

National Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 5,875,000 jobs have been created nationwide, an average of 588,000 created each month.
- In the month of November, the latest for which national data are available, 210,000 jobs were created, and the unemployment rate dropped to 4.2%, outperforming expectations and reaching a new pandemic-era low.
- The unemployment rate went down for adult men (4.0%), adult women (4.0%), white workers (3.7%), Asian workers (3.8%), Hispanic workers (5.2%) and Black workers (6.7%).

State Employment Data

- Since President Biden took office, 53,500 jobs have been created in South Carolina.
- In the month of November, the latest for which state-level data are available, 4,600 jobs were created in South Carolina.

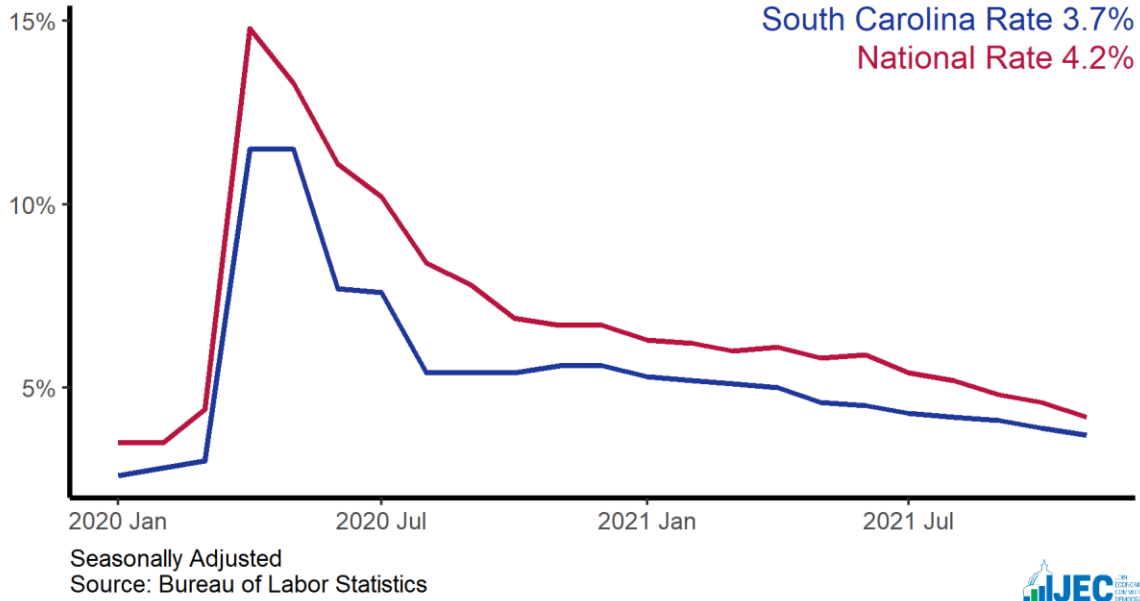
Sector	Change in Total Jobs in November	Jobs Recovered	Change in Total Jobs Since January
Total Nonfarm, South Carolina	4,600	88%	53,500
Leisure and Hospitality, South Carolina	2,500	81%	12,000
Professional and Business Services, South Carolina	2,100	89%	2,300
Construction, South Carolina	1,100	134%	5,300
Government, South Carolina	300	65%	7,400
Education and Health Services, South Carolina	200	83%	4,600
Manufacturing, South Carolina	-2,000	81%	4,900
Retail Trade, South Carolina	-2,100	120%	4,800

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: Positive change reflects net job creation. "Recovered" refers to the share of jobs recovered since the pandemic low point as a share of jobs lost during the pandemic. Jobs lost during the pandemic are measured as the difference between the number of jobs in the industry in February 2020 and the number at the "low point" of the pandemic--the month with the fewest people employed in a given industry. The month of the low point varies by industry.

South Carolina Unemployment Rate

State and national unemployment rates, since January 2020



South Carolina Jobs Recovery

Total employment since January 2020, in thousands

