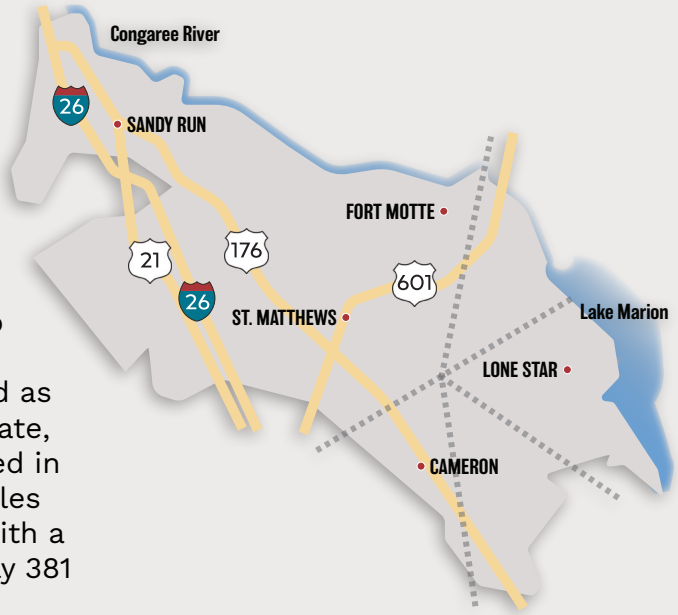
# At A Glance:
# CALHOUN COUNTY

Nestled between the capital city of Columbia, SC and the Port of Charleston, Calhoun County attracts globally-recognized businesses like Starbucks, Devro and Zeus Industrial Products. Formed in 1908, the county was named after John C. Calhoun who served as U.S. Vice President, Secretary of War, Secretary of State, and Senator. The county seat, St. Matthews, is located in the geographical center of the county and just 32 miles from Columbia. Calhoun County is business ready, with a mix of industrial acreage and buildings across roughly 381 square miles of business-friendly soil.




## INFRASTRUCTURE

The Central SC Region is home to four major interstates, all easily accessible throughout the region: I-20, I-26, I-77, I-95. These interstates make for smooth travel when commuting to the region's major airport and the state's major port.

26 Located along the western side of the county and providing access to I-95 and I-77.

95 32 miles SW

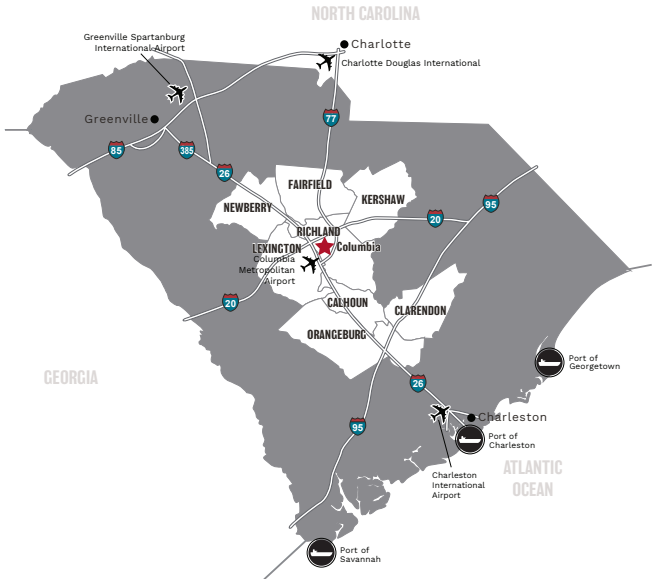
77 33 miles NW

20 37 miles NW

Columbia Metropolitan Airport (CAE): within as little as a 20 minute drive away, it features the Southeast Regional UPS air hub and Foreign Trade Zone 127.

Port of Charleston: less than a 90 minute drive; nationally recognized as one of the most efficient and effective ports. New Hugh Leatherman Terminal opened in 2021 to accomodate larger neo-Panamax vessels.

Rail system served by Norfolk Southern.




## 60-MINUTE DRIVE TIME

### POPULATION

| 2010 Census | 2022 Estimate | 2027 Forecast |
|---|---|---|
| 900,632 | 959,498 | 977,445 |

| Age 15+ 2022 Estimate | Age 18+ 2022 Estimate |
|---|---|
| 82.1% | 78.6% |

| HS Diploma/GED & higher Age 25+, 2022 Estimate | Bachelor's Degree & higher Age 25+, 2022 Estimate |
|---|---|
| 90.6% | 34.1% |

Source: US Census Bureau, Census 2010 Summary File 1. Esri forecasts for 2022 and 2027.

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# EXISTING INDUSTRY

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 100% | $854 WEEKLY | ALL INDUSTRIES |
| 41% | $1,283 WEEKLY | MANUFACTURING |
| 13% | $961 WEEKLY | CONSTRUCTION |
| 10% | $671 WEEKLY | PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION |
| 7% | $410 WEEKLY | RETAIL TRADE |
| 6% | $738 WEEKLY | AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING |
| 5% | $594 WEEKLY | HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE |
| 5% | $946 WEEKLY | ADMINISTRATIVE & WASTE SERVICES |
| 3% | $1,169 WEEKLY | WHOLESALE TRADE |
| 2% | $1,552 WEEKLY | UTILITIES |
| 2% | $695 WEEKLY | OTHER SERVICES (EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION) |
| 2% | $1,036 WEEKLY | PROFESSIONAL SERVICES |
| 2% | $433 WEEKLY | ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICES |
| 1% | $734 WEEKLY | ALL OTHERS |

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, QCEW 2021

# TOP PRIVATE EMPLOYERS

| COMPANY | EMPLOYEES |
|---|---|
| DAK Americas LLC | 430 |
| Zeus Industrial Products (Gaston & Columbia) | 325 |
| Devro, Inc. | 300 |
| Starbucks Roasting Plant | 101 |
| Alaglass Pools | 100 |
| Lineage Logistics | 90 |
| The Fitts Company | 79 |
| Cameron Lumber Co. | 62 |
| Tri-County Electric Cooperative | 58 |
| Cablecraft Motion Controls | 54 |
| Stier Supply Co. | 50 |

Source: Central SC records and Reference USA

# EMPLOYMENT: AUGUST 2022

**Labor Force:** 6,348

**Unemployment Rate:** 3.6%

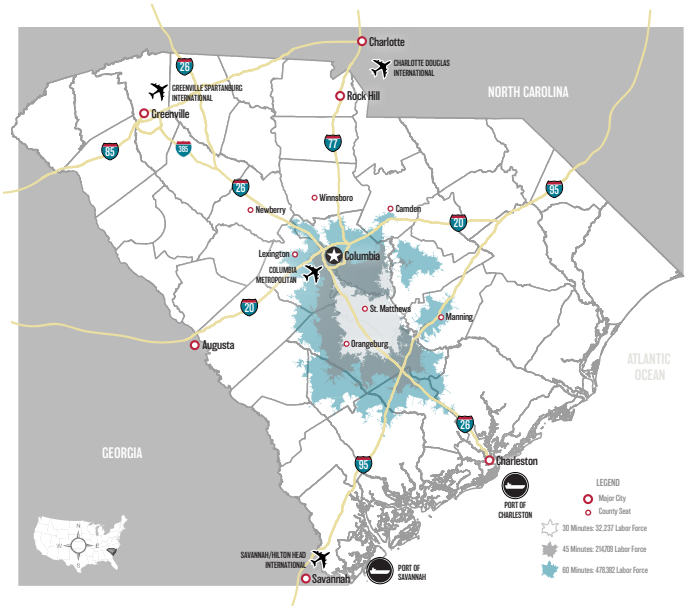
**Per Capita Income:** $44,655

**Employment:** 6,119

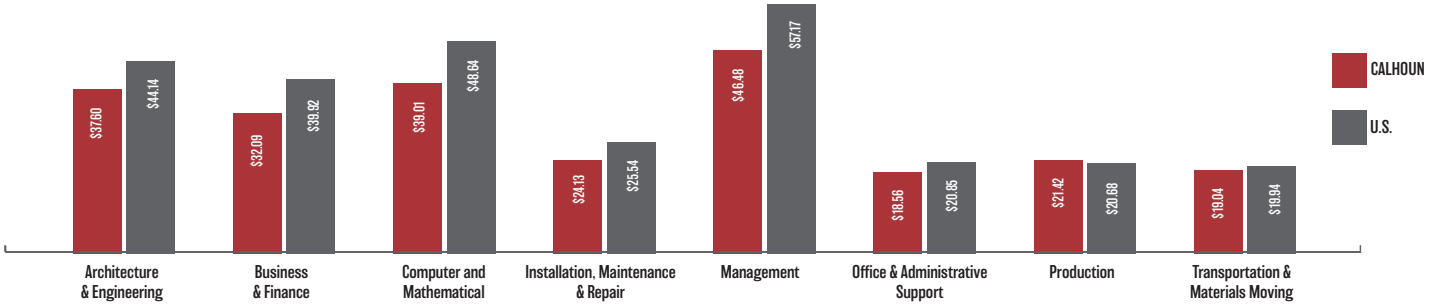
**Unemployment:** 229

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics

# DRIVE TIME LABOR FORCE




# HOURLY WAGES FOR SELECT OCCUPATIONS




Source: JobsEQ, Occupation Wages 2021, Average Hourly Earnings

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