At A Glance:
KERSHAW COUNTY

Formed in 1791, Kershaw County was named after early settler Joseph Kershaw. The county seat, Camden, is the oldest inland city in South Carolina, full of history and culture. Kershaw County's close proximity to the state's capital city of Columbia allows it to take advantage of its highly skilled workforce, transportation infrastructure, and quality of life amenities. With a leading rail-served megasite, a growing technical college that's developing a strong worker pipeline, and more than half a million workers in a 60-minute drive time, Kershaw County is business ready.

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.

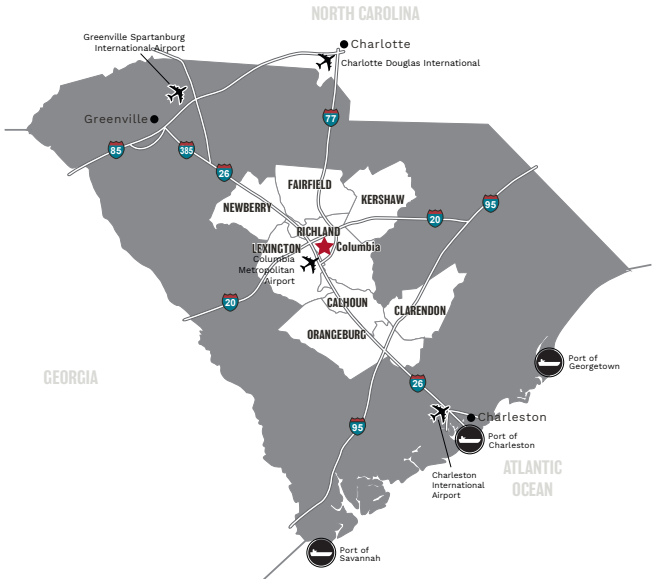
Crossing east to west over the southern edge of the county, Interstate 20 connects with I-77, I-26 and I-95 just a short ways outside the county's borders.

- 77: 26 miles W
- 26: 36 miles W
- 95: 45 miles E

Columbia Metropolitan Airport (CAE): within a 45 minute drive, it features a UPS air hub and Foreign Trade Zone 127.

Port of Charleston: 2 hour 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 CSX.



COUNTY POPULATION

US Census & Forecasting

2010 Census	2020 Estimate	2025 Forecast
61,697	68,425	72,159

60 Minute Drive Time Estimate (2020): 1,109,785

2020 Estimate Age 15+: 81.8%

2020 Estimate Age 18+: 78.3%

Age 25+ with Bachelor's Degree or Higher: 29.9%

Source: US Census Bureau, Census 2010 Summary File 1. Esri forecasts for 2020 and 2025.

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EXISTING INDUSTRY

100% $752 WEEKLY ALL INDUSTRIES	18% $564 WEEKLY RETAIL TRADE	16% $1,110 WEEKLY MANUFACTURING	14% $801 WEEKLY HEALTH CARE & SOCIAL ASSISTANCE
9% $272 WEEKLY ACCOMMODATION & FOOD SERVICES	6% $652 WEEKLY PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	6% $731 WEEKLY ADMINISTRATIVE & WASTE SERVICES	5% $912 WEEKLY CONSTRUCTION
4% $982 WEEKLY ALL OTHERS	3% $787 WEEKLY TRANSPORTATION & WAREHOUSING	2% $926 WEEKLY PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	2% $941 WEEKLY FINANCE & INSURANCE
2% $819 WEEKLY AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	2% $474 WEEKLY OTHER SERVICES (EXCEPT PUBLIC ADMINISTRAITON)		

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, QCEW Q2 2020

TOP PRIVATE EMPLOYERS

COMPANY	EMPLOYEES
INVISTA	1,000
Target Distribution Center	850
Hengst	250
GE Appliances, A Haier Company	200
Canfor Southern Pine	177
Mancor SC Inc.	175
Cardinal Health	172
Suominen Nonwovens	146
TB Kawashima USA Inc.	140
WeylChem US	125

Source: Central SC records and Reference USA

EMPLOYMENT: MARCH 2021

Labor Force: 29,458

Unemployment Rate: 6.8%

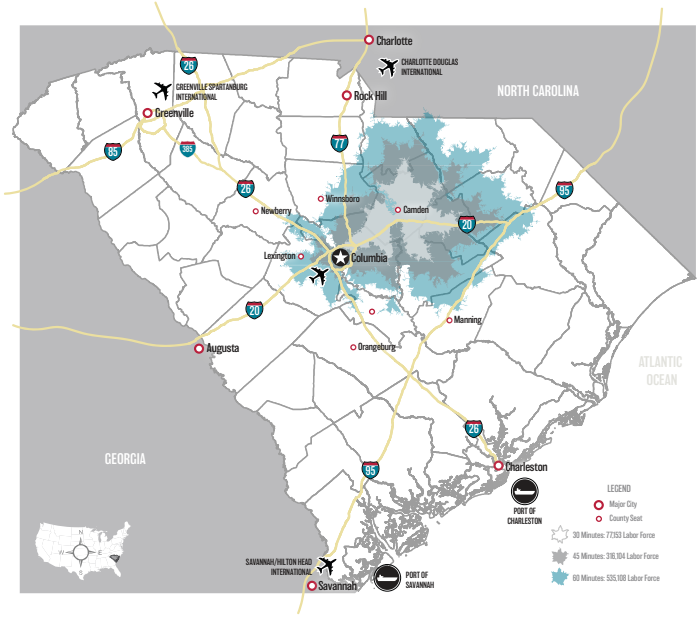
Per Capita Income: $42,929

Employment: 28,146

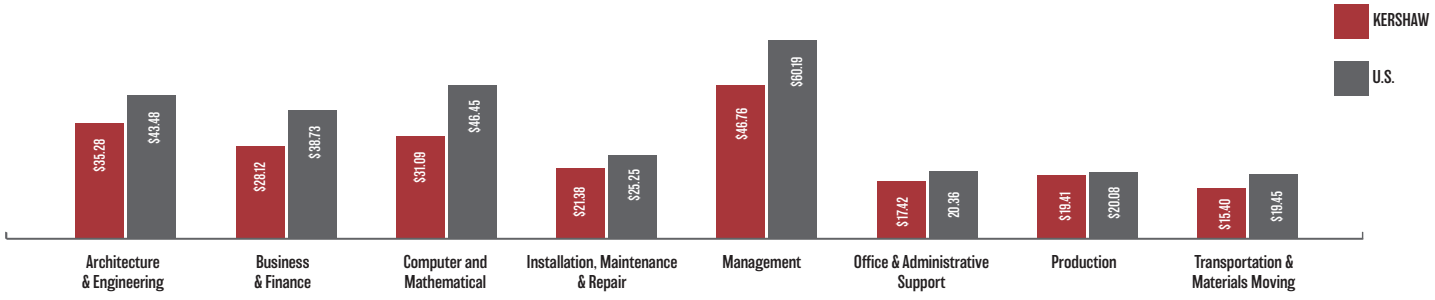
Unemployment: 1,312

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

DRIVE TIME LABOR FORCE



HOURLY WAGES FOR SELECT OCCUPATIONS



Source: EMSI, Occupation Table 2020-2021, Average Hourly Earnings

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