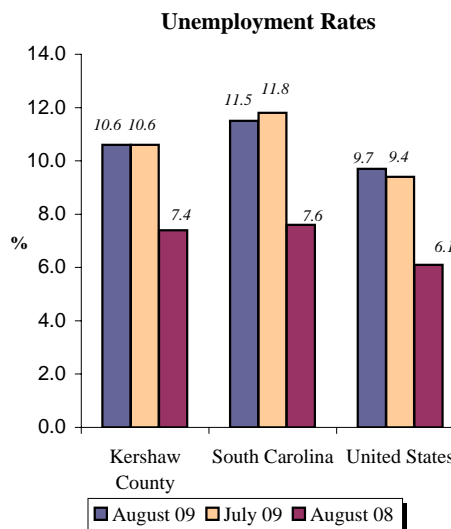


# Economic Indicators

October 2009

<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>August 2009</b>	<b>July 2009</b>	<b>August 2008</b>
Kershaw County	10.6	10.6	7.4
South Carolina	11.5	11.8	7.6
United States	9.7	9.4	6.1

Source: SC Employment Security Commission



<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>August 2009</b>	<b>July 2009</b>	<b>August 2008</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	30,975	31,431	30,249

Source: SC Employment Security Commission

<b>Building Permits - City/County</b>	<b>August 09</b>	<b>July 09</b>	<b>August 08</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Building Permits	16	25	27	159	262
Value of Total Building Permits	\$2,534,496	\$2,487,952	\$3,656,119	\$27,521,413	\$40,971,534
Total Commercial Permits	1	2	0	10	27
Value of Total Commercial Permits	\$1,000,000	\$109,590	\$0	\$12,958,301	\$14,941,471
Total Residential Permits	15	23	27	149	235
Value of Total Residential Permits	\$1,534,496	\$2,378,362	\$3,656,119	\$14,563,112	\$26,030,063

Source: Kershaw County & City of Camden

<b>Gross Retail Sales</b>	<b>August 09</b>	<b>July 09</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Retail Sales	\$102,447,360	\$109,743,605	\$691,975,470	\$926,950,346

Source: SC Dept. of Revenue

<b>New Vehicle Registration</b>	<b>August 09</b>	<b>July 09</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Registrations	293	326	2,225	2,860
Total Assessment	\$3,381,833	\$3,650,666	\$23,364,580	\$33,229,247

Source: Kershaw County