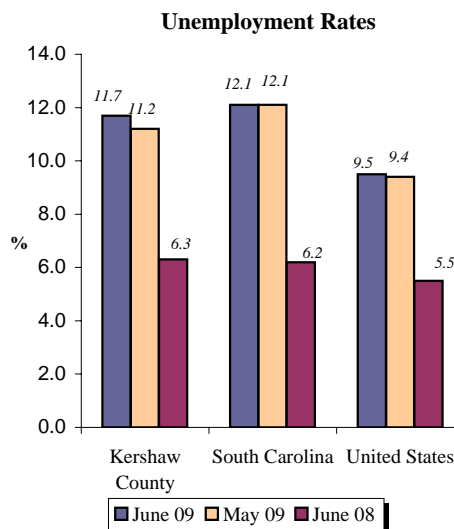


# Economic Indicators

August 2009

<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>June 2009</b>	<b>May 2009</b>	<b>June 2008</b>
Kershaw County	11.7	11.2	6.3
South Carolina	12.1	12.1	6.2
United States	9.5	9.4	5.5

Source: SC Employment Security Commission



<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>June 2009</b>	<b>May 2009</b>	<b>June 2008</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	31,395	31,367	30,365

Source: SC Employment Security Commission

<b>Building Permits - City/County</b>	<b>June 09</b>	<b>May 09</b>	<b>June 08</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Building Permits	27	31	31	118	212
Value of Total Building Permits	\$11,150,670	\$4,610,713	\$10,588,609	\$22,498,965	\$34,223,309
Total Commercial Permits	3	2	1	7	24
Value of Total Commercial Permits	\$8,817,711	\$1,724,000	\$7,273,000	\$11,848,711	\$14,265,083
Total Residential Permits	24	29	30	111	188
Value of Total Residential Permits	\$2,332,959	\$2,886,713	\$3,315,609	\$10,650,254	\$19,958,226

Source: Kershaw County & City of Camden

<b>Gross Retail Sales</b>	<b>June 09</b>	<b>May 09</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Retail Sales	\$28,638,669	\$96,903,361	\$479,785,069	\$684,426,206

Source: SC Dept. of Revenue

<b>New Vehicle Registration</b>	<b>June 09</b>	<b>May 09</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Registrations	162	206	1573	2,154
Total Assessment	\$1,939,666	\$2,226,000	\$16,332,081	\$25,403,914

Source: Kershaw County