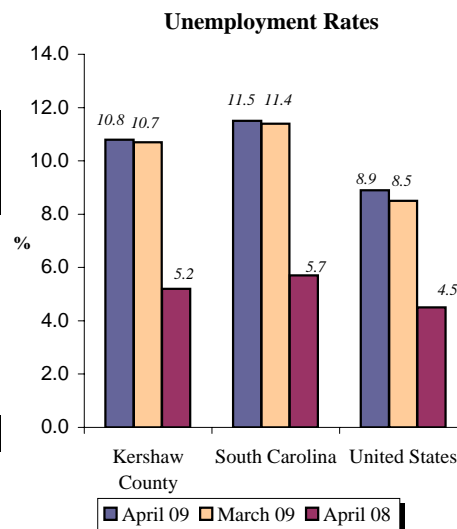


# Economic Indicators

June 2009

| <b>Unemployment Rate</b> | <b>April 2009</b> | <b>March 2009</b> | <b>April 2008</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Kershaw County           | 10.8              | 10.7              | 5.2               |
| South Carolina           | 11.5              | 11.4              | 5.7               |
| United States            | 8.9               | 8.5               | 4.5               |

Source: SC Employment Security Commission



| <b>Labor Force</b>         | <b>April 2009</b> | <b>March 2009</b> | <b>April 2008</b> |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 31,219            | 30,996            | 29,668            |

Source: SC Employment Security Commission

| <b>Building Permits - City/County</b> | <b>April 09</b> | <b>March 09</b> | <b>April 08</b> | <b>YTD 09</b> | <b>YTD 08</b> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Total Building Permits                | 14              | 27              | 35              | 60            | 156           |
| Value of Total Building Permits       | \$2,196,017     | \$2,614,133     | \$5,900,086     | \$6,737,582   | \$20,001,119  |
| Total Commercial Permits              | 1               | 1               | 6               | 2             | 20            |
| Value of Total Commercial Permits     | \$997,000       | \$310,000       | \$2,834,382     | \$1,307,000   | \$5,697,276   |
| Total Residential Permits             | 13              | 26              | 29              | 58            | 136           |
| Value of Total Residential Permits    | \$1,199,017     | \$2,304,133     | \$3,065,704     | \$5,430,582   | \$14,303,843  |

Source: Kershaw County & City of Camden

| <b>Gross Retail Sales</b> | <b>April 09</b> | <b>March 09</b> | <b>YTD 09</b> | <b>YTD 08</b> |
|---------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Total Retail Sales        | \$101,304,489   | \$112,265,636   | \$354,243,039 | \$463,586,043 |

Source: SC Dept. of Revenue

| <b>New Vehicle Registration</b> | <b>April 09</b> | <b>March 09</b> | <b>YTD 09</b> | <b>YTD 08</b> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Total Registrations             | 311             | 329             | 1205          | 1,568         |
| Total Assessment                | \$3,099,666     | \$2,955,833     | \$12,166,415  | \$18,337,915  |

Source: Kershaw County