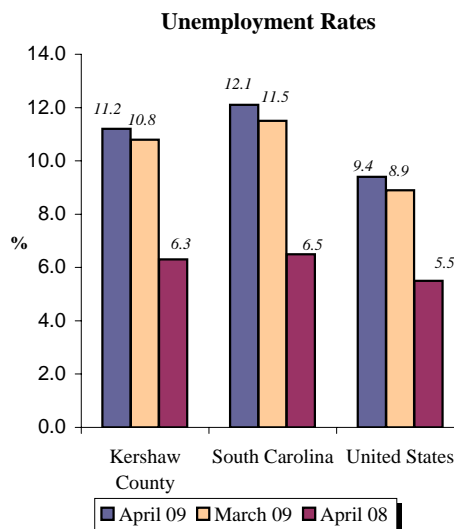


# Economic Indicators

July 2009

<b>Unemployment Rate</b>	<b>May 2009</b>	<b>April 2009</b>	<b>May 2008</b>
Kershaw County	11.2	10.8	6.3
South Carolina	12.1	11.5	6.5
United States	9.4	8.9	5.5

Source: SC Employment Security Commission



<b>Labor Force</b>	<b>May 2009</b>	<b>April 2009</b>	<b>May 2008</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	31,367	31,219	30,291

Source: SC Employment Security Commission

<b>Building Permits - City/County</b>	<b>May 09</b>	<b>April 09</b>	<b>May 08</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Building Permits	31	14	25	91	181
Value of Total Building Permits	\$4,610,713	\$2,196,017	\$3,633,581	\$11,348,295	\$23,634,700
Total Commercial Permits	2	1	3	4	23
Value of Total Commercial Permits	\$1,724,000	\$997,000	\$1,294,807	\$3,031,000	\$6,992,083
Total Residential Permits	29	13	22	87	158
Value of Total Residential Permits	\$2,886,713	\$1,199,017	\$2,338,774	\$8,317,295	\$16,642,617

Source: Kershaw County & City of Camden

<b>Gross Retail Sales</b>	<b>May 09</b>	<b>April 09</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Retail Sales	\$96,903,361	\$101,304,489	\$451,146,401	\$574,716,133

Source: SC Dept. of Revenue

<b>New Vehicle Registration</b>	<b>May 09</b>	<b>April 09</b>	<b>YTD 09</b>	<b>YTD 08</b>
Total Registrations	206	311	1411	1,862
Total Assessment	\$2,226,000	\$3,099,666	\$14,392,415	\$21,924,748

Source: Kershaw County