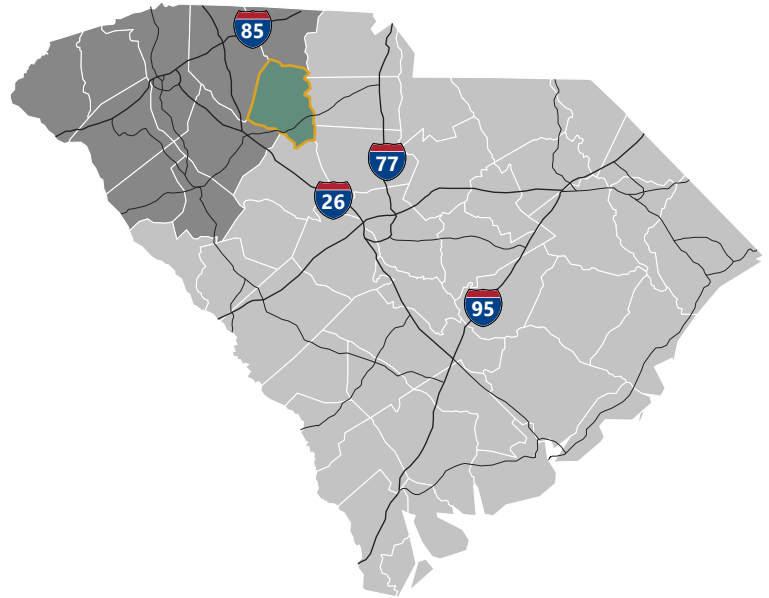


About Union

The seat of the county was organized in 1785 and both were named after the Union Church. Union County has a long history as a pioneer in the textile industry, and textiles still flourish there. Union County has drawn attention for its surge in economic growth in manufacturing, which began in 1994. Located just minutes away from I-77, I-85, and I-26, Union is at the center of a river of commerce running through the Upstate region. Businesses enjoy ready access to the nearby markets of large metropolitan areas and the Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport. Union County residents enjoy small town friendliness close to the attractions of Charlotte, NC, Greenville, the state capital in Columbia, and Spartanburg. The University of South Carolina has a satellite campus located in Union, and Spartanburg Technical College and Greenville Technical College are convenient to residents. Other schools within easy daily commuting distance include Wofford College, Converse College, and Spartanburg Methodist College.



Total Population

	2010	2017	2022
Union County	28,961	28,317	27,666
Upstate SC	1,362,073	1,460,785	1,533,257
South Carolina	4,625,364	5,037,131	5,348,199

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

Population by Age

	2010	2017	2022
Under 5	6.8%	6.0%	5.7%
5 to 9	6.1%	6.1%	5.8%
10 to 14	6.5%	5.9%	6.2%
15 to 24	12.6%	11.7%	11.0%
25 to 34	10.9%	11.7%	11.3%
35 to 44	11.6%	11.0%	11.0%
45 to 54	14.0%	12.2%	11.6%
55 to 64	13.5%	14.1%	13.5%
65+	18.0%	21.3%	24.0%

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

Population by Sex

	2010	2017	2022
Female	4,652	4,367	4,180
Male	3,747	3,649	3,573

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

Population by Race

	2010	2017	2022
White	50.5%	52.9%	52.4%
Black	47.1%	43.9%	43.6%
American Indian/ Alaska Native	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Asian	0.4%	0.5%	0.6%
Hawaiian/ Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some Other Race	0.4%	0.5%	0.7%
Two or More Races	1.4%	1.9%	2.5%
Hispanic Origin (Any Race)	1.2%	1.7%	2.2%

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

Households & Families

	2010	2017	2022
Total Households	11,974	11,632	11,329
Total Families	8,095	7,758	7,511
Average HH Size	2.38	2.39	2.40
Renter Occupied	23.8%	23.9%	23.3%
Owner Occupied	60.8%	59.0%	57.5%

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

Education Attainment, Age 25+

	2017
Less than 9th Grade	5.7%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	15.8%
High School Graduate	29.0%
GED/ Alternative Credential	5.7%
Some College, No Degree	19.1%
Associate Degree	7.5%
Bachelor's Degree	11.9%
Graduate/ Professional Degree	5.4%

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

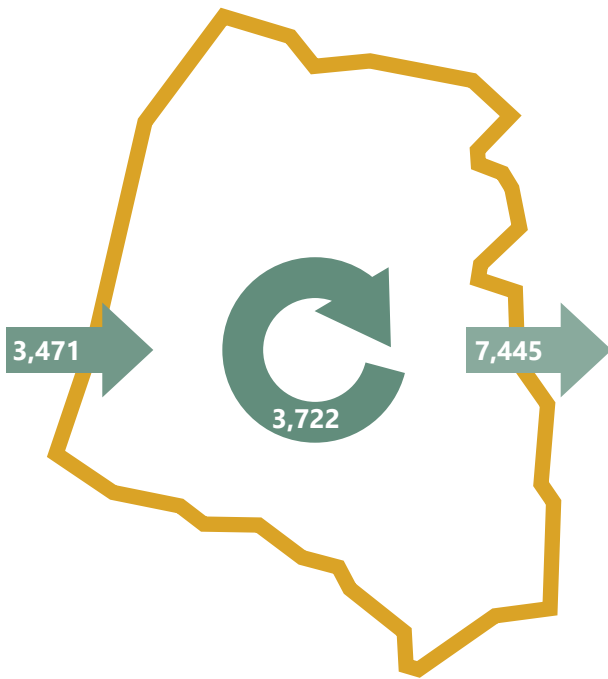


COMMUTING PATTERNS

Travel Distance to Work

Less than 10 miles	27.8%
10-24 miles	23.9%
25-50 miles	27.4%
50 miles or more	21.0%

Worker Inflow/Outflow



Live and Work in Union County	3,722
Commute into Union County	3,471
Commute Out of Union County	7,445

Median Household Income

	2017	2022
Union County	\$38,093	\$43,494
South Carolina	\$48,678	\$54,740
United States	\$56,124	\$62,316

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

Per Capita Income

	2017	2022
Union County	\$21,180	\$24,622
South Carolina	\$26,262	\$29,962
United States	\$30,820	\$34,828

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau

Gross Retail Sales (x\$1,000)

Fiscal Year	Union County
2011 - 2012	\$299,210
2012 - 2013	\$297,160
2013 - 2014	\$299,132
2014 - 2015	\$292,547
2015 - 2016	\$312,718
2016 - 2017	\$340,977

Source: South Carolina Department of Revenue and Taxation

Employment by Industry





Agriculture/Mining	0.3%
Construction	3.7%
Manufacturing	19.7%
Wholesale Trade	5.1%
Retail Trade	10.8%
Transportation/Utilities	2.4%
Information	0.7%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	3.5%
Services	48.0%
Public Administration	5.8%
Total	3,212

Source: ESRI Business Analyst; US Census Bureau; US Bureau of Labor Statistics

Top 5 Manufacturing Employers

Company	Employees	Primary Product(s)
Dollar General Distribution Center	561	Distribution center
Timken	300	Industrial bearings
Gestamp Automoción	262	Metal stamping
Milliken & Co. (Cedar Hill Plant)	225	Woven textiles
Haemonetics	200	Medical devices

Source: South Carolina Appalachian Council of Governments and Union County Development Board

 Airport Access Greenville Spartanburg International - Allegiant Air - American Airlines - Delta - Southwest Airlines - United Airlines Union County/Shelton Field	 Port Access Inland Port Greer - 48 Miles from the City of Union - 253,728 Rail Lifts in 2016 - 1.9% Growth from 2015 Port of Charleston - 175 Miles from the City of Union - 1,996,275 Rail Lifts in 2016 - 1.2% Growth from 2015	 Interstate Access Interstates - 5 Miles to I-26	 Rail Access Rail Providers - Norfolk-Southern - CSX
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