

MCCORMICK COUNTY

Date Formed	1916	Form of Government	Council-Administrator
Land Area (Sq. Mi.)	360	Council Members	5
Council of Government	Upper Savannah	Term Length	4 years
County Seat	McCormick	Method of Election	Single Member
Other Municipalities	Parksville, Plum Branch		



Population Trends

Population Estimate 2017	9,545	Numeric Change 2016 - 2017	-24
Population Estimate 2016	9,569	Percent Change 2016 - 2017	-0.3%
Census Population 2010	10,233	Numeric Change 2010 - 2017	-688
Census Population 2000	9,958	Avg. Annual Growth Rate 2010 - 2017	-1.0%
Census Population 1990	8,868	Numeric Change 1990 - 2010	1,365
Persons Per Square Mile	28.43	Avg. Annual Growth Rate 1990 - 2010	0.8%

Economic Data

Jobs 2016	1,834	Personal Income 2016, in thousands	\$337,182
Jobs 2015	1,848	Per Capital Personal Income 2016	\$34,967
Jobs 2010	1,844	Per Cap Personal Income 2016, % of U.S.	71.0%
Jobs 2000	2,495	Average Wage Per Job 2016	\$34,128
Jobs 2000 - 2010, Ann. Avg. Growth Rate	-2.6%	Average Wage Per Job 2016, % of U.S.	64.0%
Jobs 2015 - 2016, Percent Change	-0.8%	Unemployment Rate, Ann. Avg. 2017	4.6%

Tax Data

Assessed Property 2016	\$44,274,422	Additional Sales Tax, if applicable:	
Per Capita Assessed Propert Tax 2016	\$4,327	Local Option	1.0%
County Base Millage Rate 2017	.16410	Capital Projects	1.0%
Value of One Mil 2017	\$39,424	School District	
Net Taxable Sales FY 2016	\$21,959,319	Transportation	
State Admissions Tax Collected FY 2016	\$7,818	Education Capital Improvement	
State Accommod. Tax Collected FY 2016	\$31,462		

County Finance and Employment

Total Revenues FY 2016	\$8,350,262	Per Capita Revenues FY 2016	\$816
Total Expenditures FY 2016	\$6,849,761	Per Capita Expenditures FY 2016	\$669
General Fund Budget FY 2018	\$8,097,886	Per Capita General Fund Budget FY 201	\$791
Total Debt Outstanding FY 2017	\$3,189,721	Per Capita Debt Outstanding FY 2018	\$281
Payroll FY 2018	\$3,746,317	Credit Ratings FY 2018, if applicable:	
Full-Time Employees FY 2018	99	Moody's	
Part-Time Employees FY 2018	45	Standard and Poor's	
Full-Time Employees/1,000 Residents	9.7	Fitch	

County History

Named for inventor Cyrus Hall McCormick (1809-1884), McCormick County was formed in 1916 from parts of Edgefield, Abbeville, and Greenwood counties. The area was settled in the mid-18th century by Scotch-Irish, French Huguenot, and German farmers. The British built Fort Charlotte to protect the region after early inhabitants were massacred by Cherokee Indians at Long Cane in 1760; this fort was one of the first to be seized by the Americans during the Revolutionary War. Around 1850, gold was discovered where the town of McCormick now stands. In 1871, Cyrus McCormick donated land from the Dorn Gold Mine for the town, which was named for him. S.C. Governor and U.S. Senator George McDuffie (1790-1851), Unionist leader James Louis Petigru (1789-1863), and Willington Academy educator Moses Waddel (1770-1840) resided in the county. John C. Calhoun (1782-1850), U.S. Vice President, Secretary of War, Secretary of State, and Senator, was born in McCormick County.

County histories obtained from the S.C. State Library Reference Room at www.statelibrary.sc.gov/sc-counties. All other sources listed in the county comparison tables in the appendix.