

McCORMICK COUNTY

Date Formed:	1916
Land Area (square miles):	360
Form of Government:	Council-Administrator
Council Members:	5
Method of Election:	Single Member
Term Length:	4 yrs.
Council of Government:	Upper Savannah
County Seat:	McCormick
Other Cities and Towns:	Parksville, Plum Branch



Population Trends

2020 Census	9,526	2021 Pop. Estimate	9,760
2010 Census	10,233	2020 Pop. Estimate	9,513
2000 Census	9,958	Numeric Change 2020-2021	247
Numeric Change 2000-2020	-707	Percent Change 2020-2021	2.60%
Persons Per Square Mile	26.5		

Economic Data

2021 Jobs	1,665	Avg. Wage Per Job, 2021	\$36,132
2020 Jobs	1,576	Avg. Wage, % of U.S., 2021	52.5%
2010 Jobs	1,844	Per Capita Personal Income, 2020	\$42,422
Percent Change 2020-2021	5.3%	Per Capita Personal Income % of U.S., 2020	71.3
Avg. Ann. Growth Rate, 2010-2020	-1.7%	Per Capita Personal Income % of S.C., 2020	88.3
Avg. Annual % Unemployed, 2021	4.8		

Tax Data

Total Assessed Property, 2020	\$52,785,984	Local Sales Tax Rate, if applicable:	
Per Capita Assessed Property, 2020	\$5,541	Local Option	1.0%
County Millage Rate, 2021	0.1421	Capital Projects	1.0%
Value of a County Mil, 2021	\$45,496	School District	*
State Accommodations Tax, FY 2021	\$51,905	Transportation	*
State Admissions Tax, FY 2021	\$65,155	Edu. Capital Improvement	*

County Finance & Employment Data

Total Revenues FY 2020	\$10,735,779	Per Capita Revenues	\$1,127
Total Expenditures FY 2020	\$8,276,793	Per Capita Expenditures	\$869
General Fund Budget FY 2022	\$10,388,813	Per Capita General Fund Budget	\$1,091
Total Debt Outstanding FY 2021	\$6,264,217	Per Capita Total Debt FY 2021	\$680
Payroll FY 2022	\$5,274,520	County Credit Ratings:	
Full-Time Employment FY 2022	128	Fitch FY 2021	*
Full-Time Employment Per 1,000 Residents	13	Moody's FY 2021	*
Part-Time Employment FY 2022	57	S&P FY 2021	*

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.