

## Introduction

South Carolina is located in the Southeast United States with access to the Atlantic Ocean. The name "Carolina" was derived from the Latin word for Charles, "Carolana," for King Charles I of England. South Carolina was primarily an agricultural state until the 20th century and cotton has historically been South Carolina's main cash crop. Today, the state also grows a substantial amount of tobacco and soybeans. Agricultural products also form the foundation of South Carolina's manufacturing sector. The clothing and textile industries rely on cotton grown in the state. Other major products from South Carolina include chemicals, machinery, and automobiles. Apart from manufacturing and agriculture, tourism and the military play a big role in the economy. U.S. military operations in South Carolina include Fort Jackson in Columbia, the Marine Corps at Parris Island and Beaufort, and Air Force bases in Sumter and Charleston.



- Abbreviation:** SC
- Capital:** Columbia
- Nick Name:** Palmetto State
- Time Zone-Standard:** GMT -5
- Time Zone-Daylight Saving:** GMT -4
- Sales Tax Rate:** 6.00%
- Motto:** While I Breathe, I Hope
- Web Site:** <http://sc.gov>

## Government

- Governor:** Henry McMaster (R)
- Senator:** Lindsey Graham (R)
- Senator:** Tim Scott (R)
- Entered Union:** May 23, 1788

## Statistics

Total GDP (Billions):	\$221,045.00 (2021)
Per Capita Real GDP:	\$52,712 (2022)
Population:	5,118,425 (2020)
% of People under Poverty Level:	13.80%
Per Capita Personal Income:	\$52,467
Unemployment Rate:	5.60% (2021)
% of Population with a Bachelor's Degree:	31.50%
Total Exports:	\$29,624,187,799.00 (2014)

## Top 5 Export Partner Countries

Country	Exports
China	\$4,872,186,820
Canada	\$3,711,363,845
Germany	\$3,182,567,787
Mexico	\$1,837,739,095
United Kingdom	\$1,363,130,586

## Top 5 Export Merchandise

Segment	Exports
Transportation Equipment	\$9,763,517,384
Machinery Manufactures	\$3,545,555,854
Chemical Manufactures	\$2,581,744,140
Plastic & Rubber Products	\$2,535,624,047
Paper Products	\$1,298,817,650

## Major Cities

City	Population
Columbia	133,803
Charleston	132,609
North Charleston	108,304

## Main Airports

Code	Name	City
CAE	Columbia Metropolitan Airport	Columbia
CHS	Charleston International Airport	Charleston
FLO	Florence Regional Airport	Florence
GSP	Greenville-Spartanburg International Airport	Greer
MYR	Myrtle Beach International Airport	Myrtle Beach

## Main Ports

Port Charleston, Port of Georgetown, Port of Port Royal

## Corporations

Company	Fortune 1000 Rank	Revenue	City
Sonoco Products	517	\$5,374	Hartsville
Domtar	532	\$5,220	Fort Mill
ScanSource	654	\$3,873	Greenville

**Corporate Marginal Income Tax Rate:** 5% > \$0  
**Individual Income Tax Rate:** 0.00% > \$0 || 3.00% > \$3,070  
 || 4.00% > \$6,150 || 5.00% > \$9,230 || 6.00% > \$12,310  
 || 7.00% > \$15,400

## U.S. Commercial Service

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