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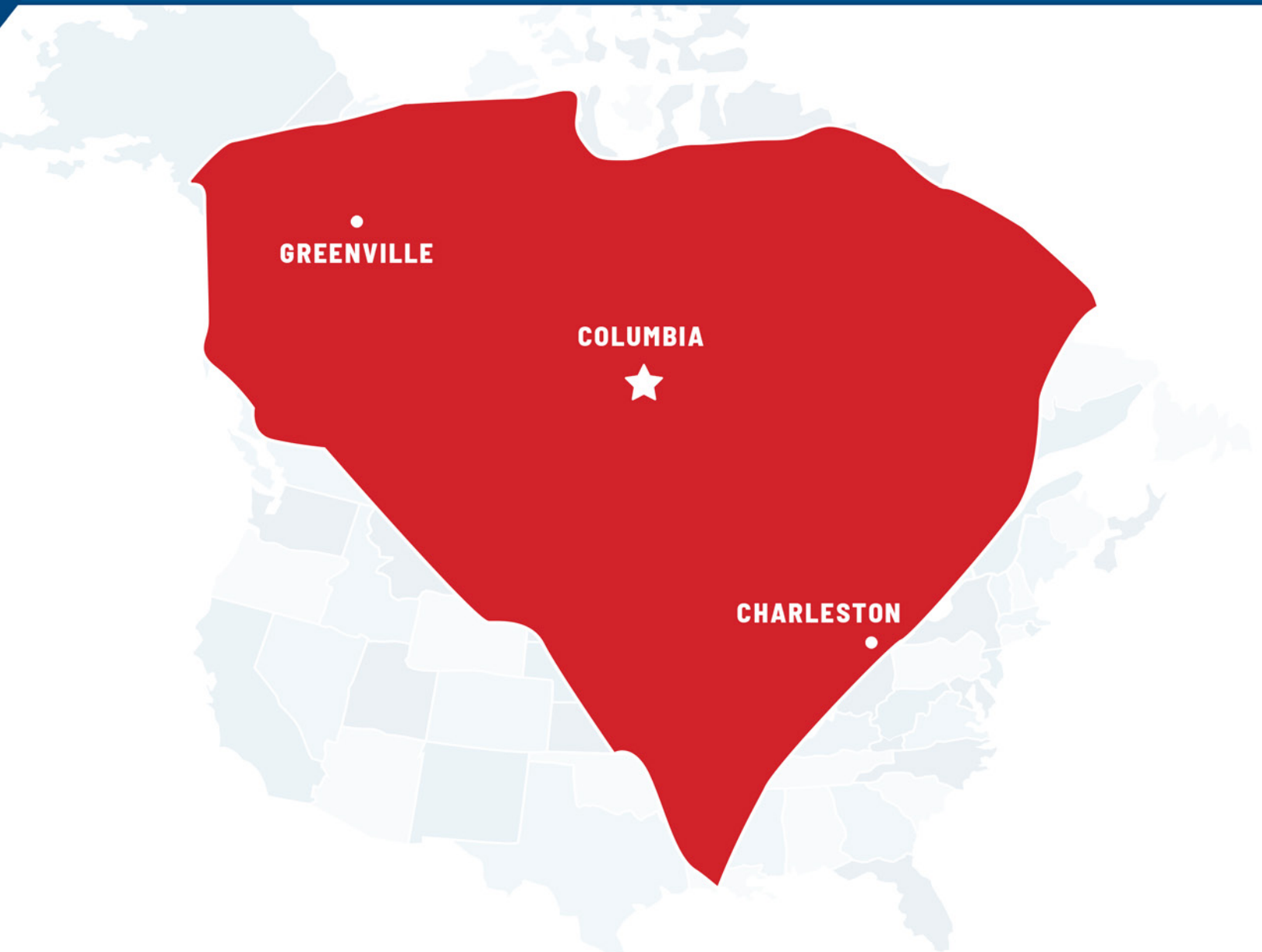
2019 QUICK GUIDE TO SOUTH CAROLINA



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1 STATE OVERVIEW

Brief History: Located in the American southeast, South Carolina shares its borders with North Carolina to its north and Georgia to its south. The Atlantic Ocean lies to the east of South Carolina and is what creates the state's famed coastline. South Carolina's population is average as far as US states go and is the 23rd most populous state. The Greenville metropolitan area which includes Anderson and Mauldin accounts for the largest area by population in South Carolina with nearly 900,000 people calling it home. South Carolina's largest single city however, is Charleston with 134,875 residents. Columbia, South Carolina's capital is home to 133,114 people. A historic state, South Carolina was the eighth state to ratify the United States Constitution in 1788. Prior to the official start of the Civil War, South Carolina was the first state to vote for secession from the Union in 1860. Upon the Civil War's end, the state was readmitted to the United States in June of 1868. South Carolina's name is derived from the Latin for "Charles" due to King Charles I of England first establishing the English colony. South Carolina is home to a picturesque southern charm that is reflected in its beautiful and extensive coastline, lovely gardens, historic sites, and plantations.

Major industries:

- Aerospace
- Agribusiness
- Automotive
- Manufacturing
- Technology

State Motto: Dum Spiro Spero (Latin), "While I breathe I hope."

State Nickname(s): The Palmetto State

State Bird: Carolina Wren

State Anthem: "Carolina"

State Flower: Yellow Jessamine

State Capitol: Columbia

Population:

Total Population: 5,084,127
Population Density: 157/square mile

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2 GOVERNMENT OVERVIEW

Governor: Henry McMaster (R)

Senators:

- Lindsay Graham (R)
- Tim Scott (R)

Department of State:

Edgar Brown Building - 1205 Pendleton Street Suite 525 | Columbia, SC 29201
Phone Number: (803) 734-2170
Website

3 ENTERTAINMENT

National & State Parks (Top 5):

1. **HUNTINGTON BEACH STATE PARK**
   16148 Ocean Hwy | Murrells Inlet, SC 29576
   Phone Number: (843) 237-4440
   Website

2. **MYRTLE BEACH STATE PARK**
   4401 S Kings Hwy | Myrtle Beach, SC 29575
   Phone Number: (843) 238-5325
   Website

3. **CONGAREE NATIONAL PARK**
   100 National Park Rd | Hopkins, SC 29061
   Phone Number: (803) 776-4396
   Website

4. **TABLE ROCK STATE PARK**
   158 E ELLISON LN | PICKENS, SC 29671
   PHONE NUMBER: (864) 878-9813
   Website

5. **CAESARS HEAD STATE PARK**
   8155 Geer Hwy | Cleveland, SC 29635
   Phone Number: (864) 836-6115
   Website

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Entertainment, continued...

Sports Teams:

BASKETBALL

Charlotte Hornets
(represent North and South Carolina)
NBA, Eastern Conference, Southeast Division
Website

FOOTBALL

Carolina Panthers
(represent North and South Carolina)
NFL, NFC South
Website

HOCKEY

Carolina Hurricanes
(represent North and South Carolina)
NHL
Website

BASEBALL

The Charlotte Knights
AAA, Minor League
Website

SOCCER

Charleston Battery
USL
Website

Annual State Fair:

South Carolina State Fair
1200 Rosewood Dr | Columbia, SC 29201
Month: October
Website

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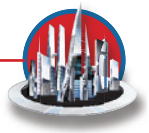

Major cities in South Carolina:

- Charleston
- Columbia
- Greenville

Quick Guide to Charleston

Brief Overview: Both the largest and the oldest city in South Carolina, Charleston is located on Charleston Harbor, an inlet formed by the Atlantic Ocean and the joining of the Wando, Cooper, and Ashley rivers. The city of Charleston is home to approximately 134,875 residents with the larger metropolitan area having 761,155 people. Founded in 1670 as Charles Town in honor of England's Charles II, initially, the city was located on Ashley river's west bank but was moved to its present location in 1680. Within ten years of this move, present-day Charleston became the fifth largest city in colonial North America but remained unincorporated. At the end of the Revolutionary War in 1783, Charleston took on its current spelling and incorporated as a city. Previous to 1788, Charleston was home to the state's government but as the population grew further east within the state, Columbia became the new capital as it remains today. Charleston is famous for its extensive history, famous dining, warm people, and beautiful architecture. A popular destination for tourists, Charleston has been named "America's Most Friendly City", "The Most Polite and Hospitable City in America", and "The World's Best City" by major publications.

Major industries:

- Aerospace
- IT & Defense
- Automotive
- Energy
- Life Sciences

City Motto: Ædes Mores Juraque Curat (Latin: "She Guards Her Temples, Customs, and Laws")

City Nickname(s): "The Holy City"

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School Districts:

Charleston County School District
Phone Number: (843) 937-6300
Website

Crime Statistics: Website

Cost of Living Index Link: Website

Local Police Numbers:

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: (843) 743-7200

Main Fire Department:

1622 Camp Rd | Charleston, SC 29412
Phone number: (843) 720-1981
Website

Area Hospitals & Locations:

Bon Secours St. Francis Hospital
2095 Henry Tecklenburg Dr | Charleston, SC 29414
Phone number: (843) 402-1000
Website

MUSC Health-University Medical Center
169 Ashley Avenue | Charleston, SC 29425
Phone number: (843) 792-2300
Website

Utilities:

LOCAL ELECTRIC COMPANIES

SCE&G
P.O. Box 100255 | Columbia SC 29202
Phone number: (800) 251-7234
Website

Berkeley Electric Coop
Website

Johns Island
3351 Maybank Highway, P.O. Box 128
Johns Island, SC 29455
Phone number: (843) 559-2458

Goose Creek
2 Springhall Drive, P.O. Box 1549
Goose Creek, SC 29445
Phone number: (843) 553-5020

Awendaw
7200 Highway 17 | North Awendaw, SC 29429
Phone number: (843) 884-7525

Moncks Corner
551 Rembert C. Dennis Blvd, P.O. Box 1234
Moncks Corner, SC 29461
Phone number: (843) 761-8200

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MUNICIPAL WATER COMPANY

Charleston Water System
103 St. Phillip Street | Charleston, SC 29403
Phone number: (843) 727-6800
Website

LOCAL CABLE COMPANIES

Xfinity by Comcast
Phone number: (800) 934-6489
Website

WoW Cable
Phone number: (843) 225-1000
Website

Home Telecom
Phone number: (843) 277-7307
Website

Spectrum
Phone number: (866) 874-2389
Website

DirecTV
Phone number: (855) 403-3473
Website

Dish Network
Phone number: (877) 699-9710
Website

Local Waste/Dump/Recycle:

WASTE

City of Charleston
2150 Milford Street | Charleston, SC 29405
Phone number: (843) 724-7364
Website

Carolina Waste
4285 Pace Street | North Charleston, SC 29405
Phone number: (843) 576-1100
Website

DUMPS

Bees Ferry Landfill
1344 Bees Ferry Road | Charleston (West Ashley)
Phone number: (843) 571-0929
Website

RECYCLING

Charleston County Environmental Management
13 Romney Street | Charleston, SC 29403
Phone number: (843) 720-7111
Website

Carolina Waste
4285 Pace Street | North Charleston, SC 29405
Phone number: (843) 576-1100
Website

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Quick Guide to Columbia

Brief Overview: As the second largest city in the state and South Carolina's capital, Columbia holds an important governmental and historical significance for its state. Home to approximately 134,309 residents, Columbia is the county seat for Richland County with a section of the city also extending into Lexington County. Columbia is the main city in what is referred to as the "Midlands" area of the state, the name for the towns and cities in central South Carolina. Known as "River City", Columbia rests at the confluence of the Broad and Saluda Rivers which intersect to form the Congaree River. Columbia is home to the state's first university and its largest, the University of South Carolina. The largest United States Army installation, Fort Jackson is located in Columbia and serves as a basic combat training center. Famously, Columbia was the location where, in 1860, South Carolina held its Secession Convention where it first withdrew from the Union and sparked the events that led up to the Civil War.

Major industries:

- Advanced Manufacturing
- Healthcare
- Insurance Information and Technology
- Green Energy Production
- Transportation and Logistics
- Research, Development, and Discovery

City Motto: Justitia Virtutum Regina
(Latin: "Justice, the Queen of Virtues")

City Nickname(s): "River City", "Cola City", "Soda Town"

School Districts:

Richland County School District One
Phone Number: (803) 231-7000
Website

Crime Statistics: Website

Cost of Living Index Link: Website

Local Police Numbers:

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: (803) 252-2911

Main Fire Department:

Columbia FOIA Office
1401 Main Street | Columbia, SC 29201
Phone number: (803) 545-3700
Website

Area Hospitals & Locations:

Prisma Health Richland Hospital
5 Medical Park Rd | Columbia, SC 29203
Phone number: (803) 434-7000
Website

Prisma Health Baptist Hospital
Taylor at Marion Street | Columbia, SC 29220
Phone number: (803) 296-5010
Website

Providence Health
2435 Forest Dr | Columbia, SC 29204
Phone number: (803) 256-5300
Website

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Utilities:

LOCAL ELECTRIC COMPANIES

General Electric Power Cooperative
20 Cooperative Way | Columbia, SC 29210
Phone number: (803) 779-4975
Website

Mid-Carolina Electric Cooperative

Lexington
254 Longs Pond Road | Lexington, SC 29072

Dutch Fork
7524 Broad River Road | Irmo, SC 29063

Phone number: (803) 749-5056
By mail: P.O. Box 669 | Lexington, SC 29071
Website

SCE&G
Columbia Customer Service Office:
1213 Flora Street | Columbia, SC 29201
Phone number: (800) 251-7234
By mail: P.O. Box 100255 | Columbia, SC 29202
Website

Tri-County Electric Cooperative
6473 Old State Rd | St. Matthews, SC 29135
Phone number: (803) 874-1215
By Mail: PO Box 217 | St. Matthews, SC 29135
Website

MUNICIPAL WATER COMPANY

City of Columbia
1136 Washington St | Columbia, SC 29201
Phone number: (803) 545-3300
Website

LOCAL CABLE COMPANIES

AT&T U-verse
Phone number: (888) 757-6500
Website

DIRECTV (AT&T)
Phone number: (800) 531-5000
Website

Dish Network
Phone number: (877) 699-9710
Website

HughesNet
Phone number: (877) 286-2406
Website

Spectrum
Phone number: (866) 874-2389
Website

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Local Waste/Dump/Recycle:

WASTE

Richland County
2020 Hampton Street
P.O. Box 192 | Columbia, SC 29201
Phone number: (803) 576-2440
Website

City of Columbia
2910 Colonial Drive | Columbia, SC 29203
Phone number: (803) 545-3800
Website

Capital Waste Services
1450 Bluff Road | Columbia, SC 29201
Phone number: (803) 291-5745
Website

Advanced Disposal
49 Palmetto Court | Gaston, SC 29053
Phone number: (803) 256-7276
Website

DUMPS

C&D Landfill and Drop-off Center
1070 Caughman Road | North Columbia, SC 29203
Phone number: (803) 576-2390
Website

RECYCLING

Richland County
2020 Hampton Street
P.O. Box 192 | Columbia, SC 29201
Phone number: (803) 576-2440
Website

City of Columbia
2910 Colonial Drive | Columbia, SC 29203
Phone number: (803) 545-3800
Website

Capital Waste Services
1450 Bluff Road | Columbia, SC 29201
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Advanced Disposal
49 Palmetto Court | Gaston, SC 29053
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Quick Guide to Greenville

Brief Overview: The seat of Greenville County and its largest city, Greenville, South Carolina is home to approximately 68,219 residents. Greenville is the fastest growing urban area in South Carolina and recently has gained recognition within several major publications. It has been named one of the "Top 10 Fastest Growing Cities in the U.S." by Bloomberg and Forbes ranked it as one of the "Best Cities for Young Professionals". Greenville is located in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains and is home to a landscape of rolling hills. It is also located on the Brevard Fault Line which results in occasional minor earthquakes to the city. Despite being a relatively small city, Greenville has a made a name for itself in the worlds of art, culture, and music. The growing city's economy was once based almost entirely upon textiles, winning it the nickname of the "textile capital of the world". Today, Greenville is home to several major corporations such as Michelin, Hubbell Incorporated, AVX Corporation, Southern Tide, Concentrix, Confluence Outdoor, and several others.

Major industries:

- Technology
- Manufacturing
- Health Care
- Distribution

City Nickname(s): "Textile Capital of the World"

School Districts:

Greenville County School District
Phone Number: (864) 355-3100
Website

Crime Statistics: Website

Cost of Living Index Link: Website

Local Police Numbers:

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: (864) 271-5333

Main Fire Department:

107 Cedar Lane Rd | Greenville, SC 29601
Phone number: (864) 467-4445
Website

Area Hospitals & Locations:

Bon Secours St. Francis Health System-Greenville
One St. Francis Drive | Greenville, SC 29601
Phone number: (864) 255-1000
Website

Prisma Health Greenville Memorial Hospital
701 Grove Road | Greenville, SC 29605
Phone number: (864) 455-7000
Website

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Utilities:

LOCAL ELECTRIC COMPANIES

Duke Energy
425 Fairforest Way | Greenville, SC 29607
Phone number: (800) 777-989
Website

Blue Ridge Electric Co-Op

Pickens:
734 W Main Street | Pickens, SC 29671

Oconee:
2328 Sandifer Blvd | Westminster, SC 29693

Phone number: (864) 242-6350
Website

Laurens Electric Co-Op

Laurens:
2254 Hwy 14, P.O. Box 700 | Laurens, SC 29360

Mauldin:
1201 East Butler Road | Greenville, SC 29607

Joanna (Drive-thru only):
406 North Main Street | Joanna, SC 29351

Woodruff (Drive-thru only):
11471 Hwy 221 | Woodruff, SC 29388

Phone number: (800) 942-3141
Website

MUNICIPAL WATER COMPANY

Greenville Water System
407 West Broad Street | Greenville, SC 29601
Phone number: (864) 241-6000
Website

LOCAL CABLE COMPANIES

Spectrum
Phone number: (866) 874-2389
Website

DIRECTV (AT&T)
Phone number: (800) 531-5000
Website

Dish Network
Phone number: (877) 699-9710
Website

Local Waste/Dump/Recycle:

WASTE

City of Greenville
475 Fairforest Way | Greenville, SC 29607
Phone number: (864) 467-4345
Website

Palmetto Waste Services
P.O. Box 2534 | Greer, SC 29652
Phone number: (864) 616-6790
Website

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LOCAL DUMPS

Blackberry Valley Residential Waste and Recycling Center
409 Blackberry Valley Rd | Greenville, SC 29617
Phone number: (864) 243-9672
Website

Republic Services Greenville Landfill
684 Mauldin Rd | Greenville, SC 29607
Phone number: (864) 277-6500
Website

RECYCLING COMPANIES

City of Greenville
475 Fairforest Way | Greenville, SC 29607
Phone number: (864) 467-4345
Website

Palmetto Waste Services
P.O. Box 2534 | Greer, SC 29652
Phone number: (864) 616-6790
Website

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