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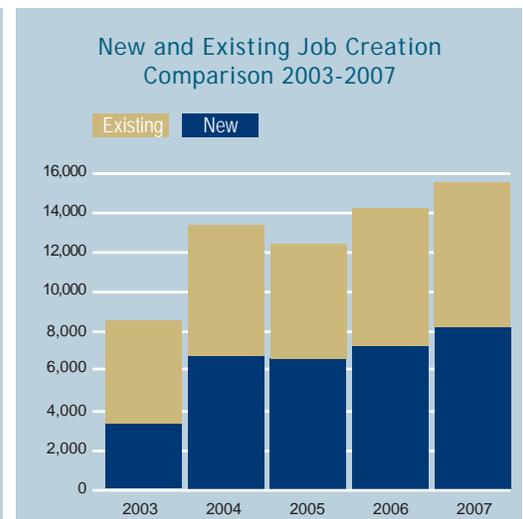
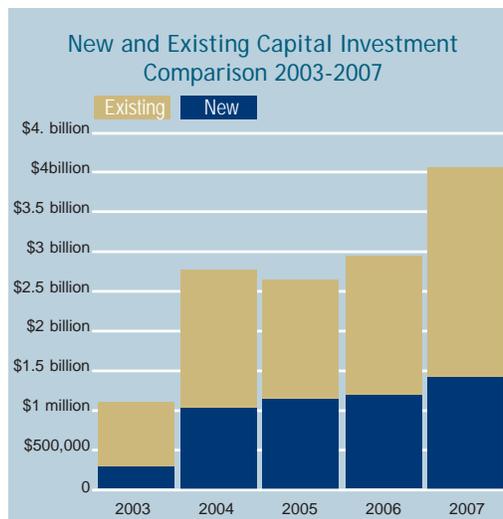
2007 Was a Record Year for Industry Recruitment and Job Creation |

2007 Announcements:

Achieva Rubber Corp.	Spartanburg
ACO Distribution & Warehousing	Orangeburg
ADC	Lexington
Adidas America Inc.	Spartanburg
Advanced Composite Materials LLC	Greenville
Agilis	Kershaw
Ahlstrom	Darlington
AmbioPharm	Aiken
Amerigroup Corp.	Richland
American Wood Moulding	Clarendon
Arcadia Publishing	Charleston
Asahi Kasei Spandex America Inc.	Berkeley
Atlas Copco Compressors	York
AT&T	Orangeburg
Awesome Raceware Inc.	Horry
BAE Systems	Aiken
Baja Broadband	Lancaster
Beacon Medical Products	York
Bear Park Models	Clarendon
Bericap	Cherokee
BMB Steering	Lancaster
Bridge Terminal Transport	Berkeley
Builders Supply	Chester
Burnstein von Seelen	Abbeville
Calder Brothers	Greenville
Capsugel	Greenwood
Carolina Door	Beaufort
Carolina Fabrication	Abbeville
Carolina Metal Finishing	Lee
Citi Trends	Darlington
Collexis Inc.	Richland
Continental Tire NA Inc.	Lancaster
Crescent Biodiesel	Anderson
CSC Corp.	Richland
Custom Fiber Inc.	Sumter
Cytec Industries Inc.	Greenville
Datran	Greenville
Dave Steel Co.	Spartanburg
Dayco Products LLC	Barnwell
DSE Inc.	Cherokee
Duck Creek Technologies	Richland
DuPont	Berkeley
Eagle Eye Analytics	Richland
Eastman Chemical Co.	Calhoun
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EchoStar Technologies Corp.	Spartanburg
Electra-Finish Inc.	Spartanburg
Elkay Cabinet Division	Barnwell
Farmers & Truckers Biodiesel	Aiken
Fisher Barton	Laurens
Flakeboard America Ltd.	Marlboro
Fluid Routing Solutions	Pickens
Force Protection	Dorchester
Freightliner	York
Genesis Technology Solutions Inc.	Anderson
Glen Raven	Anderson
Google	Richland
Greenlight Biofuels	Laurens
Guardian Industries	Greenwood
Hahl Inc.	Lexington
Harsco Track Technologies	Lexington
Innovative Fibers	Spartanburg
Intec	Greenville
Integrated Healthcare Solutions	Lancaster
International Fibre Resources Inc.	Orangeburg
IntraBond Corp.	Clarendon
iQor	Dorchester
Johnson Controls	Florence
JRS Custom Fabrication	Chester
JSJ Pharmaceuticals	Charleston

2007: Another Recording-Breaking Year for South Carolina

The South Carolina Department of Commerce was involved in recruiting 15,666 jobs and \$4.05 billion in capital investment to the state in 2007. The numbers point to strong economic activity, large job creation levels in non-urban areas, world-class companies choosing to invest heavily in South Carolina, growth in the state's manufacturing sector and a diversity of industry investments. On average in 2007, the state saw either a new company decide to locate in South Carolina or an existing business commit to expand operations in the state more than three times each week of the year.

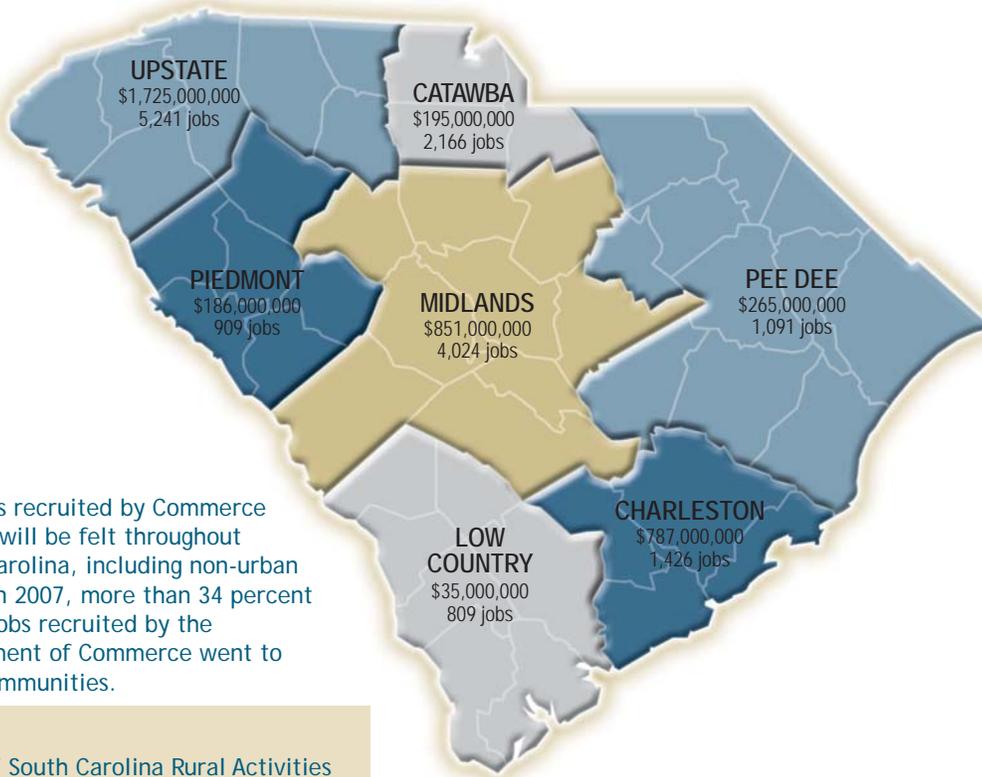


\$4.05 Billion in Capital Investment.

Industry Growth Brings Opportunities to South Carolina

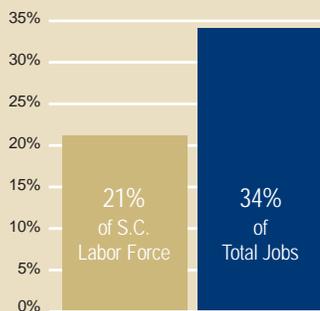
South Carolina's market access, business-friendly climate and quality infrastructure - including the Port of Charleston - presented new opportunities for the state in 2007. Last year South Carolina witnessed growth in new distribution centers. Major private investors like Hillwood, Jafza, Rockefeller and others have over 23 million square feet either permitted or in the process of being permitted. Companies like Starbucks and adidas announced new distribution centers in South Carolina, while QVC and Walgreens celebrated the opening of their own distribution centers in the state.

2007 South Carolina Regional Overview of Investments and Jobs



The jobs recruited by Commerce in 2007 will be felt throughout South Carolina, including non-urban areas. In 2007, more than 34 percent of the jobs recruited by the Department of Commerce went to rural communities.

2007 South Carolina Rural Activities



2007 Announcements Continued:

- Kelve Group
 - Kicking Horse
 - Kraft Foods
 - Krah NA
 - LA Darling
 - Lesco Restorations Inc.
 - Linder Equipment
 - Loccioni Group
 - Lowcountry Paver
 - Luigi Bormioli
 - Mack Molding Co.
 - Magna International
 - Mathson Industries Inc.
 - Mediterranean Shipping Co.
 - Metso Power
 - Michelin NA Inc.
 - Michelin NA Inc.
 - Michelin NA Inc.
 - Mid-Atlantic Drainage
 - Midway Specialty Vehicles
 - Mohawk Industries
 - Monteferro America
 - Nasmyth Group
 - National Choice Bakery
 - National Starch & Chemical
 - Nationwide Express Inc.
 - Natural Balance
 - Okonite
 - Ortec Inc.
 - Otis Spunkmeyer Inc.
 - Palmetto Synthetics
 - PCI Group
 - Peddinghaus Corp.
 - Performance Food Group
 - Phoenix Recycling
 - Pioneer Frozen Foods
 - Precision Castings Corp.
 - Prysman Cables
 - Q-Tires
 - Quality Models
 - Raycom
 - Richard Fritz GBMH
 - Rivers Edge Forest Products
 - Roche Carolina
 - Rubber Recycling Technology
 - Saber Corp.
 - SC Yutaka Technologies
 - Schweitzer-Mauduit
 - Sherbrooke OEM Ltd.
 - Sims Bark LLC
 - Sloan Industries
 - SOCAR
 - Southeast Frozen Foods
 - Southern Color
 - Southern Milling & Lumber
 - Specialty Polymers Inc.
 - Starbucks Coffee Co.
 - Synermed Select Partners
 - Synnex Corp.
 - Timbersil
 - Timken Corp.
 - TrailerMakers LLC
 - Trantech Radiator Products Inc.
 - Triple Canopy
 - TTI NA Inc.
 - TWL Precision Ltd.
 - United Resource Recovery Corp.
 - United Synthetics
 - Venture Aerobearings LLC
 - Veracity Payment Solutions
 - Watson Engineering
 - X-Calibur Plant Health Co.
 - Yoder Stone Co.
 - Zephyr International LLC
- Lee
 - Bamberg
 - Newberry
 - Greenwood
 - York
 - Cherokee
 - Dorchester
 - Richland
 - Georgetown
 - Barnwell
 - Spartanburg
 - Spartanburg
 - Greenwood
 - Charleston
 - Lancaster
 - Anderson
 - Lexington
 - Spartanburg
 - Horry
 - Charleston
 - Marlboro
 - Orangeburg
 - Newberry
 - Chesterfield
 - Spartanburg
 - Charleston
 - Saluda
 - Orangeburg
 - Anderson
 - Lexington
 - Williamsburg
 - Lancaster
 - Williamsburg
 - Lexington
 - Williamsburg
 - Newberry
 - Abbeville
 - Abbeville
 - Greenville
 - Orangeburg
 - Horry
 - Spartanburg
 - McCormick
 - Florence
 - Greenville
 - Richland
 - Kershaw
 - Newberry
 - Williamsburg
 - Orangeburg
 - Chester
 - Florence
 - Calhoun
 - Dorchester
 - Calhoun
 - Chester
 - Calhoun
 - Clarendon
 - Greenville
 - Greenville
 - Union
 - Marion
 - Edgefield
 - Marlboro
 - Pickens
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Workforce Development Continued to Make Strides in 2007

The Department of Commerce has renewed its commitment to workforce development. In 2007, South Carolina introduced a host of new opportunities to further enhance the state's workforce. With Workforce Empowerment and Quick Job Centers and new programs like JAG-SC and WorkKeys®, the state's potential is greater than ever before.

- **Two additional Workforce Empowerment Centers**

opened during 2007 joining the three centers currently in operation. These centers now serve approximately 250 members of their communities by offering technology training and other services.

- **Quick Job Centers**, created through a new investment strategy for Community Development Block Grants, will provide skills training in communities without an adequate technical college facility presence. Quick Jobs Centers will be created with funding from Community Development Block Grants and operated by the state's technical college system. The centers will offer opportunities to enhance skills, education and training within a home community.

- **Jobs for South Carolina Graduates (JAG-SC)**, an affiliate of the highly successful national Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG) program, received recognition as a "Top 5 High Performing State Organization" in achieving a 95% Return to School Rate. Youth participants in this program have raised their GPAs and passed more classes, while decreasing their absences and suspensions.

- Commerce and the Governor's State Workforce Investment Board launched a statewide nationally affiliated Career Readiness Certificate program based on **WorkKeys®**. The certificate will identify a worker's skills and assist businesses in screening of potential applicants. All of these accomplishments support the Department of Commerce's goal of building a world-class, competitive workforce in South Carolina.



SELECTED 2007 HIGHLIGHTS |

- South Carolina Workers' Compensation reform enhances the South Carolina business climate by limiting rising insurance costs.
- S.C. Industry Appreciation Week was a success with 46 Ambassadors for Economic Development recognized and 32 Industry Appreciation Events held statewide.
- The Division of Public Railways announced that they will use a cleaner burning ultra low sulfur diesel fuel well ahead of the mandated requirement of 2012.
- The Division of Aeronautics acquired 27 automated weather observation systems (AWOS) and 13 ground communications systems that provide real-time weather and air traffic information to pilots.
- The Business Recycling Assistance Program was rebranded as the Smart Business Recycling Program to publicize



resources available to assist with conservation and improving profitability through reuse and recycling.

- Commerce dedicated \$2 million to the Village Renaissance program to enhance successful downtown revitalization projects.
- The Film Commission recruited "Leatherheads" with George Clooney, the first large-budget film produced by a major studio in the Greenville-area.
- The S.C. Production Fund, a collaborative training project between independent producers and other entertainment industry professionals, produced its first two film projects, "Punkin Brown" and "Tander Welch."

GLOBAL HIGHLIGHTS |

- Foreign investment comprised 26% of all projects recruited in 2007 and accounted for 31% of all jobs recruited. Commerce assisted 15 South Carolina companies with a reported \$417.2 million in export sales to such countries as Australia, Canada, the Czech Republic, Chile, China, Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Japan, Mexico, Guyana and Uruguay.
- South Carolina opened its fourth state office abroad. In August of 2007, Secretary Taylor and Ambassador David Wilkins, U.S. Ambassador to Canada and a South Carolina native, officially opened South Carolina's office in Toronto.
- In 2007, Governor Sanford and Secretary Taylor welcomed Wang Chao, Assistant Secretary of the Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China, and a Chinese delegation to South Carolina



for a trade and investment forum. Governor Sanford and dignitaries with China's Ministry of Commerce signed the first ever Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Chinese government and the state of South Carolina establishing South Carolina to be a preferred location for Chinese investment.

- Governor Sanford and Secretary Taylor joined Peter Smith, Chairman and Chief Executive of the U.K.'s Nasmyth Group at the Paris Air Show to announce the company's decision to locate its North American headquarters and a major manufacturing facility in Newberry, South Carolina.

South Carolina. We mean business.

2007 was a record year for industry recruitment and job creation.

Johnson Controls • Cytec Industries, Inc. • Farmers & Truckers Biodiesel • Guardian Industries
 Google™ • New Millennium Building Systems • Citi Trends, Inc. • Natural
 Balance Pet Foods • Recycling, Inc. • **McCALL FARMS** SINCE 1838 • Otis Spunkmeyer, Inc. • Phoenix
 Capsugel • Duck Creek Technologies • International • **adidas** Bag •
 Resources, Inc. • Precision Castings Corp. • Synermed Select Partners, Inc. • BAE Systems •
Haier EchoStar Technologies Corp. • Bear Park Models • Electra-Finishing, Inc. • Medallion Cabinetry,
 Inc. • Ortec, Inc. • BellSouth/AT&T • JRS Custom Fabrication • Palmetto **EASTMAN**
 Synthetics, LLC • adidas Group • **NATIONWIDE EXPRESS** Midway Specialty Vehicles •
 Starbucks Coffee Company • **STAPLES** Krah Pipe Systems • Glen Raven Custom
 Fabrics • Roche Carolina, **MIDWAY** Inc. • Datran •
 Bericap **that was easy.™** Mathson Industries • Pegasus Steel • **Specialty Vehicles, LLC** Nasmyth Group •
 Pioneer Frozen Foods • **STARBUCKS COFFEE** • Custom Fiber, Inc. • Veracity Payment
 Solutions • Greenlight Biofuels, LLC • Specialty Polymers, Inc. •
 Kraft Foods • Lesco • Dayco Products, LLC • Mediterranean
 Shipping Co. • Harsco Track Technologies • Watson Engineering, Inc. • Southeast
 Frozen Foods • iQor • Peddinghaus Corp. • **MSC** **MEDITERRANEAN SHIPPING COMPANY**
ELKAY Mauduit International, Inc. • Southern Milling &
 Lumber, Inc. • The Okonite Co. • TWL Precision Kicking Horse • **KRAFT** Triple Canopy, Inc. •
 LLC • Rubber Recycling Technologies, LLC • South Carolina Yutaka Technologies, Inc. • Michelin
 North America, Inc. • Carolina **API** Fabrication • Mohawk Industries, Inc. • Saber Corp. •
 AmbioPharm, Inc. • DSE, Inc. • Genesis Press, Inc. • X-Calibur Plant Health Company •
3M Quality Models Plastics • Nationwide Express, **Cytec** Inc. • Zephyr **URRC**
 International, LLC • Crescent Biodiesel • Luigi **ENGINEERED MATERIALS** Bormioli,
 Corp. • Monteferro USA • Prysmian Power Cables and
 Systems **Citi Trends** • AMERIGROUP Corp. • Loccioni Group • National Choice
 Bakery • Eastman Chemical Co. • Collexis Holdings, Inc. • Atlas Copco Compressors,
 LLC • Venture Aerobearing, LLC (SKF Group/GE Aviation) • Agilis Engineering, Inc. • Dave Steel Co., Inc.
 • Performance Food Group • Mid-Atlantic Drainage **Nasmyth** • National Adhesives
GenPhar • Q-Tire • Yoder Stone, Co. **GROUP LTD** • Freightliner, LLC **FREIGHTLINER** **LLC**
 • Kellve U.S., Inc. • Calder Brothers, Corp. • The
 Timken Co. • DuPont • BMB Steering Innovation, Inc. • United Resource Recovery Corporation

South Carolina enjoyed tremendous success in recruiting capital investment and jobs in 2007. The numbers demonstrate that the Palmetto State is a destination of choice for businesses looking to succeed in today's global economy. South Carolina means business and it shows.

