

In the heart of South Carolina.



LEXINGTON COUNTY

CENTRAL
south carolina

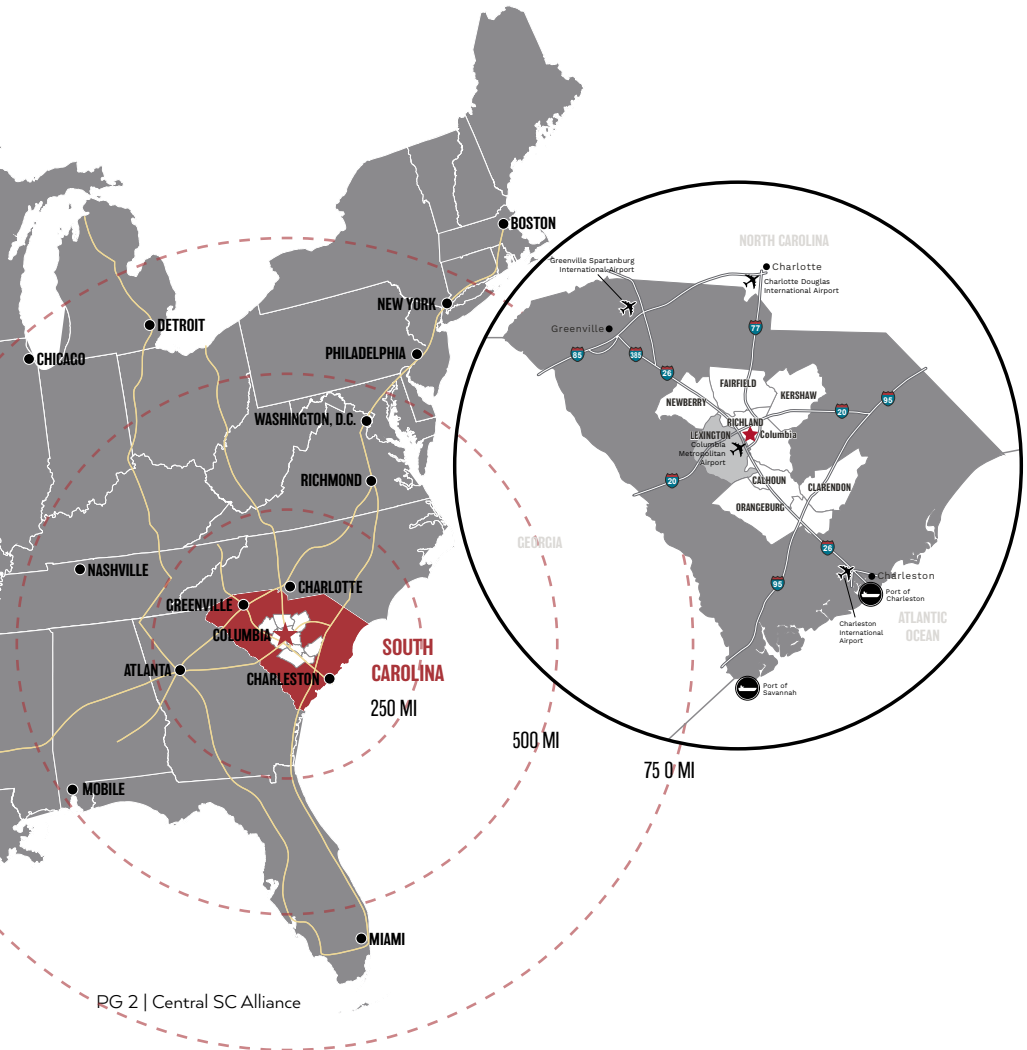
Business Friendly. Business Ready.

**Executive
Summary**

WHY CENTRAL SC?

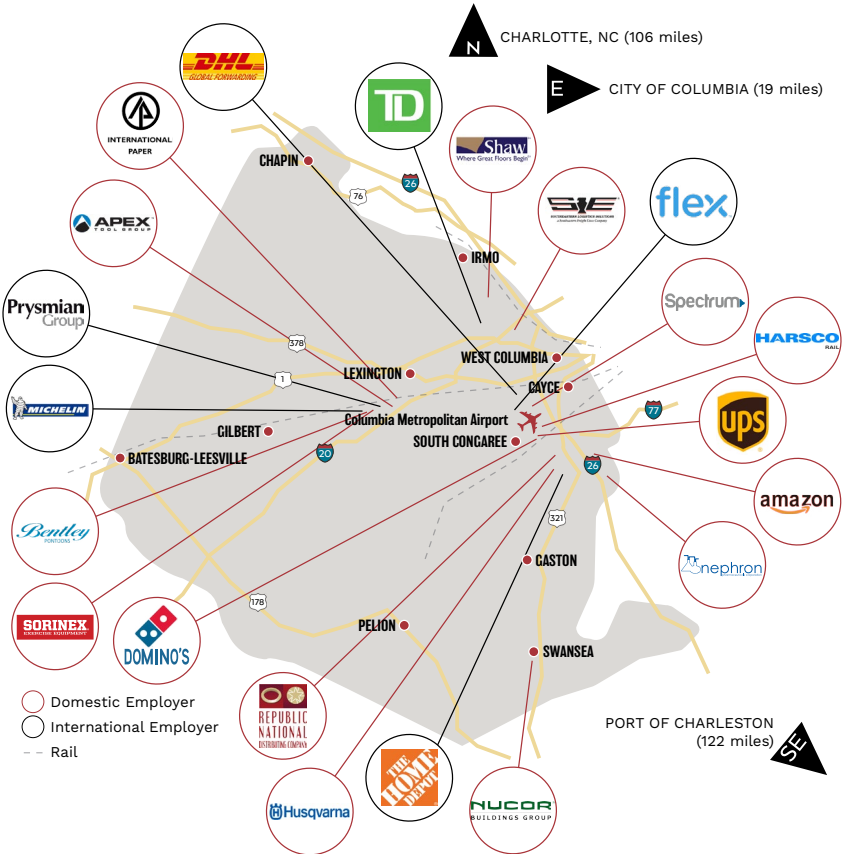
Located in the heart of South Carolina, the Central SC Region is composed of South Carolina's capital city, Columbia, and eight surrounding counties: Calhoun, Clarendon, Fairfield, Kershaw, Lexington, Newberry, Orangeburg and Richland. Together, these areas host an average workforce of 460,000 dedicated professionals.

Conveniently positioned in the center of the state and halfway between New York and Miami, the Central SC Region is crossed by four major interstates, providing unrivaled speed to market.



LEXINGTON COUNTY

Just a stone's throw from our state capital and situated in the center of the state, Lexington County is ripe for businesses looking for convenience and a bustling business environment. Key transportation assets, like the Columbia Metropolitan Airport and 3 major interstates, are within the county, while the Charlotte Douglas International Airport and the Port of Charleston are located within a two-hour drive. These resources, combined with the presence of leading local educational institutions, have contributed to landing some of the world's most recognizable brands like Amazon, Michelin North America, and Home Depot.

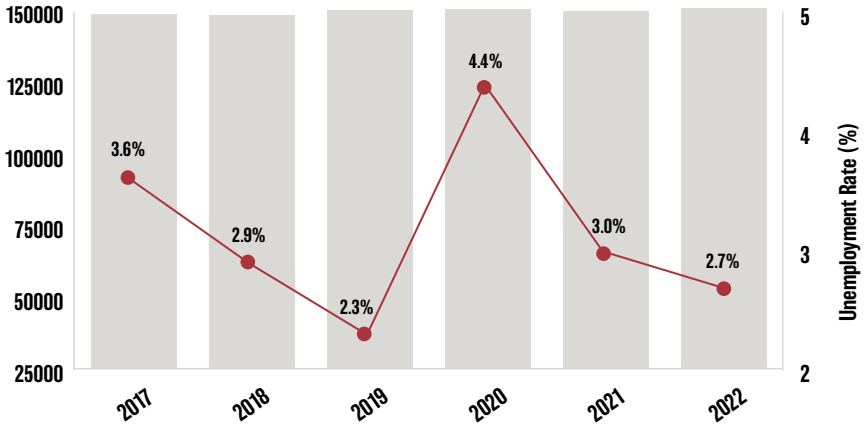


20 26 77 PASS THROUGH LEXINGTON COUNTY

95 ACCESSIBLE 42 MILES SE

OUR PEOPLE

LABOR FORCE & UNEMPLOYMENT TRENDS



COMMUTING PATTERNS

**71,427
OUTBOUND**

Top 5 Locations:
 Richland County
 Greenville County
 Charleston County
 Aiken County
 Spartanburg County



**77,906
INBOUND**

Top 5 Locations:
 Richland County
 Aiken County
 Orangeburg County
 Greenville County
 Charleston County

57,130 Live & Work in Lexington County

DRIVE TIME POPULATION



555,301



807,131



1,121,888

INTERNATIONAL PRESENCE



Japan, France,
U.K., Germany
11.8% (t)



Ireland, Canada,
Switzerland
8.3%



Colombia, Italy,
Australia
5.6% (t)

ALL OTHERS:
China, Denmark,
Finland, Netherlands,
Singapore
2.8% (t)

LEXINGTON COUNTY
IS HOME TO
TWO STATE-OF-THE-ART
MICHELIN MANUFACTURING
PLANTS

MARQUEE COMPANIES

DOMESTIC BRANDS



INTERNATIONAL BRANDS



view all Lexington employers



PONTOON BOATS
BENTLEY PONTOONS



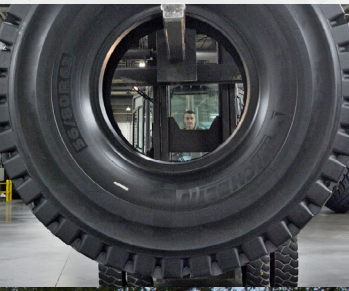
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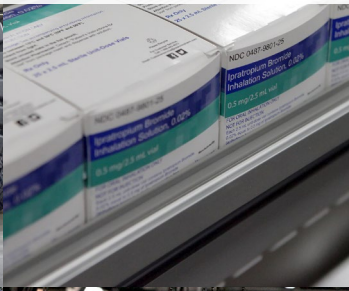
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AMAZON



EARTHMOVER & PASSENGER TIRES
MICHELIN N.A. INC #7 & #5



RESPIRATORY MEDICATION
NEPHRON PHARMACEUTICALS



BANK ADMIN & OPERATIONS
TD BANK TECHNOLOGY CTR



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NYLON & POLYMERS FOR CARPET
SHAW INDUSTRIES



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PREFAB METAL BUILDINGS
NUCOR BUILDING SYSTEMS

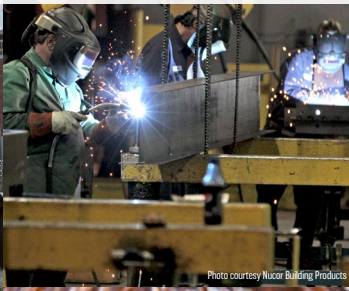


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PET FOOD
DIAMOND PET FOODS



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DOUGH PRODUCTION & SUPPLIES
DOMINO'S PIZZA



ENERGY & POWER CABLES
PRYSMIAN GROUP



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HOME DEPOT



LIVING IN LEXINGTON

FEATURES & ATTRACTIONS

The "Jewel of South Carolina"

FORMALLY KNOWN AS LAKE MURRAY, THIS POPULAR WATERING HOLE BOASTS ROUGHLY 500 MILES OF SHORELINE IN THE HEART OF SOUTH CAROLINA. NOT ONLY IS THE LAKE A SKIING, BOATING AND SWIMMING PARADISE, IT'S ALSO HOME TO SOME OF THE BEST FISHING IN THE NATION AND HOSTS NUMEROUS LOCAL, SC AND NATIONAL FISHING TOURNAMENTS.

Lake Murray 4th of July Boat Parade & Fireworks

HELD FOR THE PAST THREE DECADES ON LAKE MURRAY, THIS ANNUAL TRADITION DRAWS THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE FOR A BOAT PARADE AND A MASSIVE FIREWORKS FESTIVAL TO CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY.

SC State Farmers Market

THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE FARMERS MARKET HAS SET A NEW STANDARD FOR A CHERISHED AMERICAN TRADITION. THE STATE-OF-THE-ART MARKETPLACE PROVIDES SOUTH CAROLINA'S AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY A ONE-OF-A-KIND SHOWCASE, WHILE OFFERING AREA RESIDENTS AN ATTRACTIVE COMBINATION OF SHOPPING, DINING AND ENTERTAINMENT.

Congaree River

47-MILE RIVER FLOWING THROUGH LEXINGTON AND NEIGHBORING RICHLAND AND CALHOUN COUNTIES WITH FREE SCENIC ACCESS AT THE WEST COLUMBIA RIVERWALK & ROSEWOOD LANDING.

South Carolina Peanut Party

GET TO KNOW THE "CAVIAR OF THE SOUTH" AT THIS LONG-RUNNING FESTIVAL IN PELION. SOUTH CAROLINIANS HAVE GROWN TO LOVE THESE SALTY LITTLE "GOOBERS" SO MUCH THAT THEY WERE NAMED THE STATE SNACK IN 2006.

Okra Strut

NOT ONLY DO SOUTHERNERS LOVE FOOD, BUT WE LOVE TO CELEBRATE IT, TOO! THIS FESTIVAL IN LEXINGTON COUNTY PAYS HOMAGE TO THE CRUNCHY GREEN VEGETABLE, SERVING IT UP IN EVERY POSSIBLE WAY.

An Explosive History

REFERRED TO AS "BOMB ISLAND" BY LOCALS, THIS ISLAND IN LAKE MURRAY WAS AMONG SEVERAL SITES ON THE LAKE USED FOR BOMBING PRACTICE RUNS DURING WORLD WAR II.

Riverbanks Zoo & Garden

THE RIVERBANKS ZOO AND GARDEN IS A 170-ACRE ZOO, AQUARIUM, AND BOTANICAL GARDEN LOCATED ALONG THE SALUDA RIVER. THE BOTANICAL GARDEN ENTRANCE PROVIDES A SCENIC ENTRANCE FROM LEXINGTON COUNTY.

Purple Martin Sanctuary

WITH THE LARGEST ROOSTING SITE IN NORTH AMERICA, THE PURPLE MARTIN SANCTUARY ON LAKE MURRAY IS A SUMMER GETAWAY FOR THOUSANDS OF BIRDS FLOCKING FROM THEIR WINTER DESTINATIONS.

**CERVAIS STREET
BRIDGE DINNER**



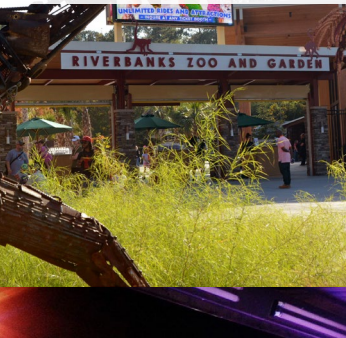
**ICEHOUSE
AMPHITHEATER**



**SOIRÉE ON
STATE STREET**



**RIVERBANKS ZOO
& GARDEN**



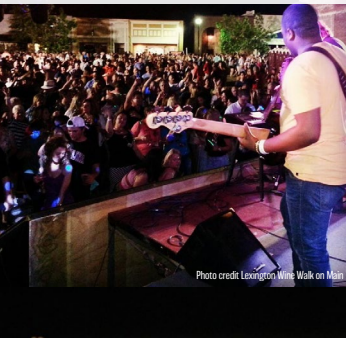
**LAKE MURRAY,
THE "JEWEL OF SOUTH CAROLINA"**



**CAFE STRUDEL,
TRENDY DINING SCENE**



**LEXINGTON
WINE WALK**



**STEEL HANDS
BREWERY**



**ABUNDANT
GREENSPACE**



**BLOWFISH
BASEBALL**



**COLUMBIA METROPOLITAN
AIRPORT (CAE)**



**COLORFUL
ART SCENE**



Colorful Art Scene

BOUTIQUE SHOPS AND STORES AREN'T THE ONLY PLACE TO SPOT SOMETHING APPEALING TO YOUR EYE. REGULAR ARTISAN MARKETS AND FESTIVALS ARE KNOWN TO POP UP THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, FILLING STREETS WITH COLORFUL DISPLAYS OF CREATIVITY.

Home of Blowfish Baseball

NEW TO LEXINGTON COUNTY IN 2015, THE BLOWFISH BASEBALL TEAM HAS HAD A PRESENCE IN THE MIDLANDS OF SOUTH CAROLINA FOR MORE THAN A DECADE. THEIR MOVE TO THE COUNTY HAS BEEN EMBRACED BY LOCALS AND HAS HELPED ENLIVEN THE ATMOSPHERE.

Three Rivers Greenway

A WATER LOVER WOULD BE HARD PRESSED TO NOT FIND SOMEWHERE TO TAKE IN THE NATURAL WONDERS OF LEXINGTON ALONG ONE OF THE THREE LOCAL RIVERS. WHETHER IT'S COOLING YOUR FEET ON A HOT SUMMER DAY, CHALLENGING YOURSELF ON THE RAPIDS OR JUST TAKING IN THE VIEW, THE SALUDA, BROAD AND CONGAREE RIVERS ARE SIGHTS TO BEHOLD.

Soirée on State Street & Festival of the Arts

THIS ANNUAL DAY-LONG STREET BASH SPREADS FIVE CITY BLOCKS IN CAYCE AND FEATURES MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT AND KIDS' ACTIVITIES. THE FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS IS PART OF THE FESTIVAL FUN WITH LOCAL ARTISTS' WORK ON DISPLAY.

Cayce Historical Museum

SHOWCASING EXHIBITS ON THE HISTORY OF THE FIRST EUROPEAN SETTLEMENTS IN THE REGION, AS WELL AS NATIVE AMERICAN ARTIFACTS DATING BACK THOUSANDS OF YEARS.

Lexington County Museum

RELIVE THE HISTORY OF LEXINGTON COUNTY FROM THE 1770S THROUGH THE DAYS OF THE CIVIL WAR.

Burgeoning Brewery Scene

ANCHORED BY HOMETOWN FAVORITES STEEL HANDS, HAZLEWOOD BREWING, SAVAGE CRAFT AND ANGRY FISH BREWING, LEXINGTON IS QUICKLY MAKING A NAME FOR ITSELF IN THE CRAFT BEER MARKET.

Icehouse Amphitheater

OPENED IN 2016, THIS OUTDOOR VENUE HAS BROUGHT AN EXTRA BOOST OF ACTIVITY TO THE BUSTLING DOWNTOWN STREETS OF THE CITY OF LEXINGTON THROUGH FAMILY-FRIENDLY FESTIVALS AND PERFORMANCES. A NEW PAVILION COMPLETED IN 2021 EXPANDS THE FACILITY'S CAPABILITIES.

Year-Round Golf

A PARADISE FOR THE GOLF ENTHUSIAST, TAKE YOUR CLUBS OUT TO THE GREENS OF NEARLY A DOZEN PUBLIC AND PRIVATE COURSES IN LEXINGTON COUNTY.

Ease of Travel

TAKING A TRIP? THE COLUMBIA METROPOLITAN AIRPORT IS LOCATED WITHIN THE COUNTY AND BOASTS NONSTOP DAILY FLIGHTS TO 9 MAJOR AIRPORTS.

Peachtree Rock Nature Preserve

450-ACRE HERITAGE PRESERVE FEATURING DIVERSE ECOSYSTEMS, UNIQUE ROCK FORMATIONS, AND A WATERFALL IN LEXINGTON COUNTY.

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The Central SC Alliance (CSCA) is a full-service professional economic development organization, founded in 1994 as a 501(c) (3) not-for-profit, public/private partnership, engaged in the recruitment of capital investment and jobs to the heart of South Carolina. Services provided by CSCA include: Marketing, Research, Project Management and Economic Development Consulting.

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