

South Carolina

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“South Carolina is truly becoming the “It” state when it comes to economic development and job creation — not just in the United States, but worldwide.”

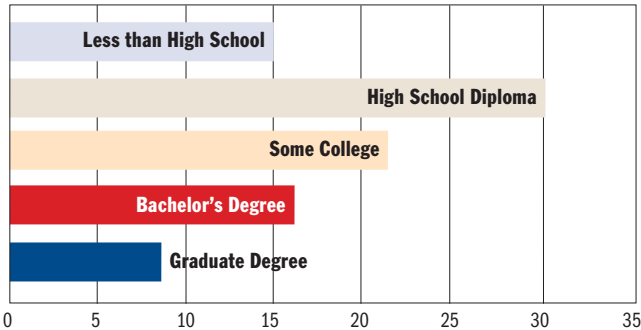
— From Gov. Haley’s state of the state address,
Jan. 16, 2013

Governor: Nikki Haley (R) sccommerce.com

Right-to-work state: Yes

Population 2013: 4,748,531 Population growth forecast 2013 thru 2018: 3.62% Median household income: \$49,235 Median age: 38.2

Work Force Education by Percentage



Rankings that Matter

GDP	27 (\$150,596*)
Business Tax Climate	37
Small Business Policy	17
Career Readiness Certificates	3 (199,916)
High School Graduation	49
Health	43

* Real GDP in US millions

Legislative Update

- Gov. Haley signed HB3360 providing \$600 million for interstate expansion, bridge repair and highway resurfacing. The bill provides the first meaningful increase in funding for transportation infrastructure since 1987, when fewer than 1 million people lived in South Carolina.
- The South Carolina High Growth Small Business Access to Capital Act provides tax incentives to investors offering early stage capital for emerging high-growth enterprises.
- Almost \$3.8 million will fund a Manufacturing Skills Standard Council Certification program in the state’s 16 technical colleges.