

You're Cleared to Land in South Carolina



South Carolina is home to more than 400 private aerospace firms

A STRONG AEROSPACE PRESENCE

25.1%

SC Aerospace average annual revenue growth 2010-2017

In 2018, SC ranked **#5** in export sales of aircraft, spacecraft & parts thereof with a total of **\$7.9 billion** (a 25.5 % increase from 2017)



Majority-owned, foreign-affiliated companies employ more than **140,400 South Carolinians** - 7% of the state's private industry employment



SC is home to over **400 private aerospace firms** and **4 military bases**

SOUTH CAROLINA is JUST RIGHT for AEROSPACE

As a right-to-work state with a visible commitment to developing a qualified workforce, South Carolina is recognized as one of the best places for aerospace companies to do business.

While unionization rates are low, training and education programs are at an all-time high with aerospace and manufacturing related curriculum in place from the elementary to college levels. This includes 7 aerospace engineering high schools; a variety of aircraft maintenance, welding and mechatronics programs at all 16 technical colleges; and highly ranked automotive and aerospace degree programs at Clemson University and the University of South Carolina.

The University of South Carolina McNAIR Center for Aerospace Innovation and Research has received international recognition as a leader in advanced composite materials and manufacturing. The center's research is focused on key areas in advanced composite materials, combustion, digital transformation, predictive maintenance, and unmanned vehicles and how they can be applied to meet the ever-changing needs of the aerospace industry.

Additionally, South Carolina's readySC™ program includes recruiting, screening and training as well as a tailored curriculum to fit a company's specific needs, at no cost to the company.

To learn more about how South Carolina is Just Right for your business, visit www.sccommerce.com and www.scaerospace.com.

A ROBUST ECONOMIC IMPACT

\$24.8 BILLION

Total economic impact of aerospace in SC

The aerospace industry adds **\$14.1 BILLION** to the state gross domestic product

SC has more than **55,000** aerospace employees



\$78,526

Annual total employee compensation for aerospace employees in SC (salary & benefits)

A READY WORKFORCE

Over **180,000** students are enrolled, on a full-time basis, in SC's public & private learning institutions



SC energy costs are approx. **12% less** than the national average



70 MILLION TONS of freight move through SC each year. Thanks to our extensive rail service, including **2 Class 1 railroads** - CSX Transportation & Norfolk Southern- SC also has 7 independent lines to service nearly 2,300 miles of rail

COMPETITIVE BUSINESS ENVIRONMENT

South Carolina's **Port of Charleston**, in addition to being **one of the busiest container ports along the Southeast** and Gulf coasts, is also recognized as one of the most productive - averaging 40+ moves per hour, per crane - well **above the US port standard of 25-27**

