

Snapshot

County Snapshot 2007

County Seat:	Saluda
Population (2008 estimate):	19,012
Labor Force (2008):	9,195
Unemployment (2008):	5.9%
Major Highways:	I-20 (23 miles); 1-26 (33 miles); I-77 (55 miles)
Major Employers:	Amick Farms (1,400)
	State Employees (119)
	Carolina By Products (115)
	Gentry's Poultry Co Inc (100)
	International Paper Co. (66)
County ED Online:	http://www.saludacounty.org

Population

Population by Year

Year	Population	% Change
1980	16,100	--
1990	16,464	2.3%
2000	19,181	16.5%
2008 Estimates	19,012	-0.88%
2013 Projection	18,909	-0.54%

Source: US Census and
Demographicsnow.com

Population Radius 2008

Estimate

City	15 Mile Radius	30 Mile Radius
Town of Saluda	28,769	249,199

Source: Demographicsnow.com

Population by Age 2008

Estimate

Age	Population	County %
19 & Under	4,851	25.5%
20-34	3,835	20.2%
35-44	2,493	13.1%
45-54	2,640	13.9%
55-64	2,325	12.2%
65 & Over	2,867	15.1%
Total Population	19,011	100.0%

Median Age	38.40
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Source: US Census



Population by Race 2008

Estimate

Race	Population	County %
White	12,499	57.4%
Black	5,653	26.0%
Native American / Alaskan	42	0.2%
Asian / Pacific Islander	8	0.0%
Other	675	3.1%
Two or More Races	135	0.6%
Hispanic	2,749	12.6%
Total Population	21,761	100%

Source: U.S. Census 2000

Labor & Employment

Unemployment & Labor

Force

Annual Average	Unemployment Rate	Labor Force
1998	4.30%	9,038
1999	5.20%	9,006
2000	3.60%	9,350
2001	5.20%	9,190
2002	5.90%	9,160
2003	6.40%	9,220
2004	7.40%	9,273
2005	6.10%	9,460
2006	6.20%	9,397
2007	5.40%	9,475
2008	5.90%	9,195

Source: U.S. Department of Labor,
Bureau of Labor Statistics

Employment by Industry

Sector 2008 (3rd Quarter)

Industry Sector	Employment (%)	Employment (#)
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, and Hunting	20.4%	512
Construction	6.3%	158
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	18.1%	453
Financial Activities	6.2%	155
Professional and Business Services	4.0%	99
Education and Health Services	6.8%	171
Leisure and Hospitality	3.8%	94
Total Government	34.4%	862
Total	100%	2,504

Source: SC Employment Security
Commission, Labor Market Information
Division

Unions 2008

Union Members	0
% of Labor Force	0

Source: SC Department of Commerce



Wages 2008 (3rd Quarter)

Industry Sector	Average Weekly Wage
Construction	\$594
Service-Providing	\$473
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$470
Financial Activities	\$569
Professional and Business Services	\$578
Education and Health Services	\$519
Leisure and Hospitality	\$208
Other Services	\$329
Total Average Weekly Wage	\$515

Source: SC Employment Security
Commission, Labor Market Information
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Major Manufacturing

Employers 2007

Employer	# Employees
Amick Farms Inc	1,400
Carolina By Products	115
Gentry's Poultry Co Inc	100

Source: Company Representatives;
Saluda County

Location

Location Overview

County Seat	Saluda
Nearest MSA	Columbia

Distance to Cities

City	Miles
Columbia	47
New York	746
Miami	672
Atlanta	183
Chicago	784



Commuting Patterns 2000

County	Commuting to Saluda	Commuting from Saluda
Calhoun	5	6
Clarendon	0	0
Fairfield	0	34
Kershaw	0	7
Lee	0	8
Lexington	218	1,591
Newberry	92	474
Orangeburg	0	16
Richland	43	634
Sumter	0	0
Commute within the CSCA Region	358	2,770
Aiken	266	460
Anderson	0	10
Chester	14	0
Edgefield	187	422
Greenville	0	26
Greenwood	117	708
Horry	0	15
Lancaster	0	24
Laurens	0	56
McCormick	0	11
Pickens	0	20
Spartanburg	0	15
Outside SC	75	151
Commute outside the CSCA Region	659	1,918
Total Commuters	1,017	4,688
Percentage of Labor Force	65.38%	
Commuting out of Saluda		
Average Commute Time	28 min	

Source: 2000 US Census County to County Worker Flow Files

Counties listed had a commuter base of ten or more persons. Excluding those counties in the CSCA Region.

Education

Public Education 2007

District	Saluda
Number Public Schools	5
Dollars per Student	\$7,959
Enrollment	2,183
Pupil/Teacher Ratio	21.6:1
SAT Math	477
SAT Verbal	474
Web Site	Visit

Source: South Carolina Department of Education

Higher Education 2007

Institution	Type	Enrollment	Graduation	Location
Lander University	Public	3,000	473	Greenwood
Midlands Technical College	Public	10,706	824	Columbia
Newberry College	Private	918	132	Newberry
Piedmont Technical College	Public	4,880	490	Greenwood
University of South Carolina - Aiken	Public	3,267	492	Aiken
University of South Carolina	Flagship Public	27,272	6,086	Columbia

Source: South Carolina Commission of Higher Education

Educational Attainment

2007 Estimate Ages 25+

	Number	Percent
High school or higher degree	9,130	71.37%
High school graduate	5,027	39.30%
Some college, no degree	1,695	13.25%
Associate degree	825	6.45%
Bachelor's degree	1,166	9.12%
Graduate degree	417	3.26%

Source: US Census 2000

Private Schools 2007

School Name	Grades	Enrollment	Religious Affiliation
W Wyman King Academy	K - 12	254	Secular

Source: South Carolina Department of
Education

Transportation

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Interstates:	I-20 (23 miles); 1-26 (33 miles); I-77 (55 miles)
Local Airport:	Saluda County Airport
Runway length:	3,200
Commercial Airport:	Columbia Metropolitan (CAE)
Distance To:	40
Available Airlines:	American Eagle ASA/Delta Connection Comair/Delta Connection Freedom Airlines/Delta Connection ExpressJet Airlines/Continental Express Delta Spirit Airlines Pinnacle Airlines/Northwest Airlin Air Wisconsin/US Airways Express Piedmont Airlines/US Airways Express PSA Airlines/US Airways Express Mesa Airlines/United Express
Nearest Foreign Trade Zones:	Columbia
Port Facility:	Port of Charleston, 150 mi
Railroads:	Norfolk Southern



Utilities

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Water Suppliers	Saluda County Water and Sewer Authority
	Town of Monetta
	Town of Batesburg-Leesville
	Town of Ridge Spring
Sewer Suppliers	Saluda County Water and Sewer Authority
	Town of Monetta
	Town of Batesburg-Leesville
	Town of Ridge Spring
Electric Companies	SCE&G
	Aiken Electric Co-op
	Mid Carolina Electric Co-op
Natural Gas Company	SCE&G
Local Telephone Service	AT&T
	Sprint

Lifestyle

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Newberry County Medical Center	103
Protestant Churches	24
Catholic Churches	1
Attractions	Saluda County Historical Museum and Theatre
	The Big Mo Drive In
Recreation	Persimmon Hill Golf Club
	Sumter National Forest
	Lake Greenwood State Recreation Area

Location Map

