

NEWBERRY  
COUNTY  
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

*2009*



# ADEPT PARTNERS

What is the Central SC Alliance? It is an alliance of ten counties and one city joined together for the purpose of marketing our assets together as a region to procure capital investment and jobs. Who is the Central SC Alliance? We are your adept partner in the site selection process. A group of highly educated and certified professionals that will be able to guide you through the difficult process of building or relocating your business.

As you read throughout this document you will get an in-depth look at the many reasons why Newberry County, a member of the Central SC Alliance, is the place for growing your business. Ranging from our convenient and accessible interstate systems to a nationally recognized worker training program, we have all the right resources for a successful expansion. Not only do we have these tangible resources, but we have an attitude of cooperation and partnership. Everyone involved in economic development - the public and private sectors, educators, elected officials, allies - have been willing to work together in order to achieve economic growth for the county. This cooperation remains one of the greatest strengths of our county and is something that will be seen and felt from the first day you meet with us. We hope that you will find this document informative and helpful in your decision making process.

## CSCA Assets

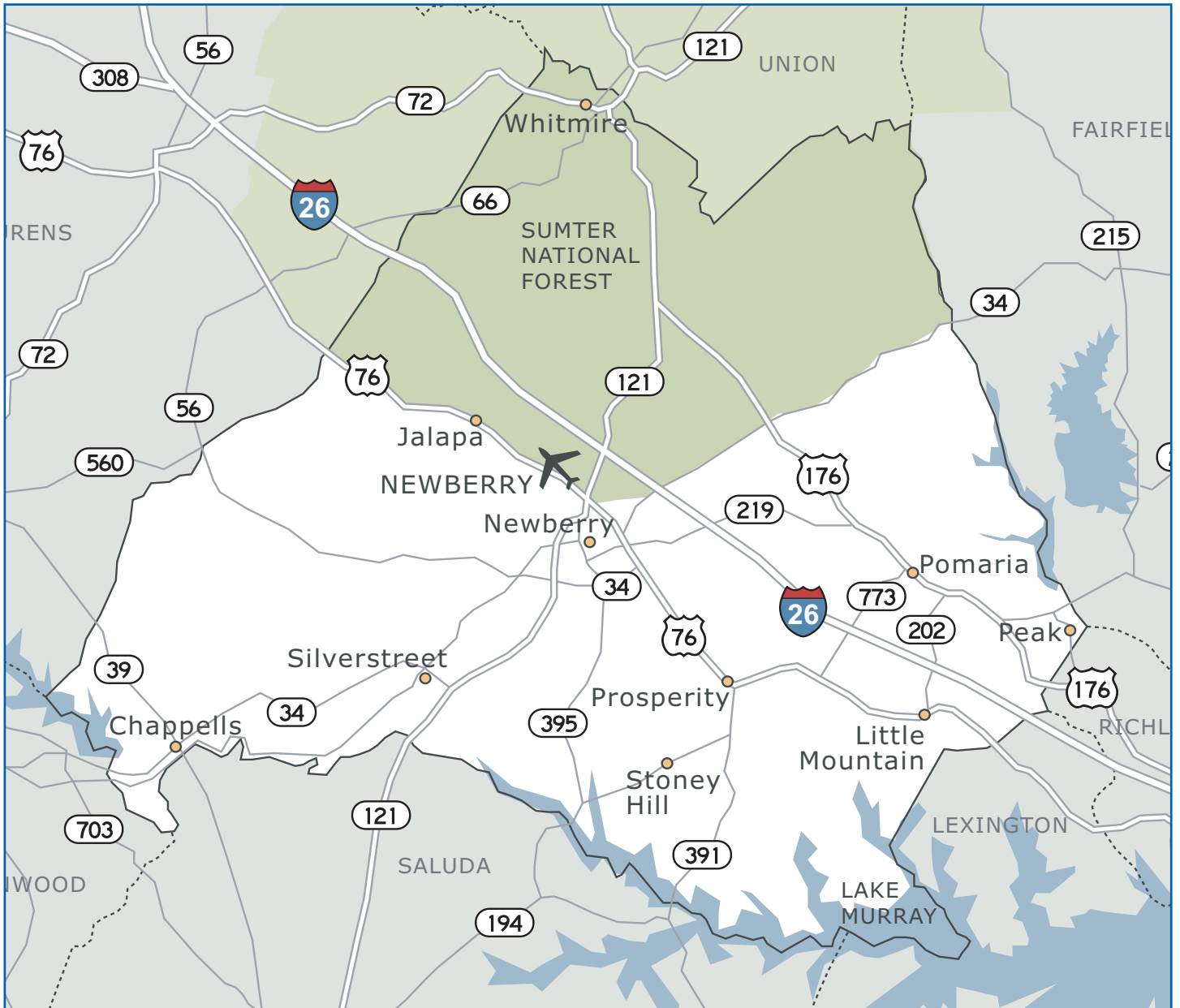
- Strategic East Coast Location
- Population approaching 1 million people
- Over 480,000 in the labor force
- 16 institutions of higher learning
- Aggressive incentives
- Lowest industrial electric rates in the Southeast
- Lowest corporate income tax rate in the Southeast
- One stop permitting
- Abundant infrastructure
- Ample supply of shovel-ready sites
- Toll free interstate Highways (I 20, I 26, I 77, I 95)
- United Parcel Service Southeast U.S. Air Hub
- Close proximity to Port of Charleston
- Cost of living well below the national average

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# LOCATION

*Newberry*



Newberry County is located in the Midlands region of South Carolina. It is uniquely positioned halfway between New York and Miami, within 24 hour ground access to more than 70 percent of the U.S. market. The total area of the county is 631 square miles. The county seat, which is the City of Newberry, is located approximately 40 miles from the state's capital, Columbia.

# TRANSPORTATION

Newberry

## Highways

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Interstates in Newberry County:	I-26 ( 6 interchanges)		
Other Interstates Near Newberry County:	I-77, 31 miles; I-20, 22 miles; I-95, 85 miles		
US & State Highways in Newberry County:	US76, 176 SC39, 34, 395, 391, 202, 773, 219, 121, 72, 66		
Delivery Days To:			
Atlanta:	1	Chicago:	3
Houston:	4	New York:	4
San Francisco:	5	St. Louis:	4

## Airports

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Newberry Municipal Airport: This airport is located just 3 miles from downtown Newberry and has one paved runway (3,500 ft..).

Columbia Metropolitan Airport: Located 42 miles from Newberry and offers regularly scheduled commercial airline services. There are 53 scheduled arrivals and departures per day from Columbia Metropolitan. The Columbia Metropolitan Airport recently completed a \$48 million renovation project.

Scheduled Airlines Serving Columbia Metro .....American Eagle, Delta, Delta Connection, Continental, Northwest, US Airways Express, United Express.

Air Freight Operators .....Airborne Express, Bankair, Federal Express, Mountain Air Cargo, Piedmont, United Parcel Service\*

\*In the Summer of 1994, UPS selected Columbia as the new home of a \$45 million southeast regional air cargo hub. Today, the hub handles 42,000 packages per hour and holds many unique advantages for Columbia area businesses.

Runway Lengths .....8,602 ft. and 8,000 ft..



## Ports & Rail

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The Port of Charleston is 153 miles from Newberry County. The county's rail system is served by CSX and Norfolk Southern.

# DEMOGRAPHICS

## Population

POPULATION 1970-2013							
	1970	1980	1990	2000	% Change 90-00	2008 Estimates	2013 Projection
Newberry County	29,273	31,149	33,172	36,108	8.9%	38,326	39,764
City of Newberry	n/a	9,866	10,663	10,580	-0.8%	10,842	11,047
South Carolina	2,590,516	3,121,820	3,486,703	4,012,012	15%	4,422,320	4,671,503
United States	203,211,926	226,542,199	248,709,873	281,421,906	12%	305,316,813	319,924,911

Source: US Census and Demographicsnow.com

POPULATION BY AGE 1990-2013						
Years	1990 Census	2000 Census	% change 90-00	2008 Estimate	2008 as a %	2013 Projection
0 to 4	2,244	2,326	3.7%	2,439	6.4%	2,420
5 to 14	4,642	4,868	4.9%	4,942	12.9%	5,033
15 to 24	5,167	5,058	-2.0%	5,174	13.6%	5,112
25 to 34	4,916	4,661	-5.2%	4,969	13.0%	5,284
35 to 44	4,684	5,316	13.5%	5,084	13.3%	4,902
45 to 54	3,450	4,993	44.7%	5,310	13.9%	5,450
55 to 64	2,946	3,563	9.9%	4,679	12.2%	5,070
65 to 74	2,972	2,662	-10.4%	2,989	7.8%	3,674
75 to 84	1,676	1,955	16.6%	1,839	4.8%	1,990
85+	475	706	48.6%	904	2.4%	833

2008 Estimated Median Age 38.5

Source: US Census and Demographicsnow.com

POPULATION WITHIN COMMUTING DISTANCE 1990-2013					
City of Newberry	1990	2000	% Change '90-'00	2008 Estimates	2013 Projection
15 mile radius	33,236	36,733	10.5%	38,793	40,128
30 mile radius	198,091	239,064	20.7%	264,203	278,396
45 mile radius	730,929	847,730	16.0%	918,212	961,006

Source: Demographicsnow.com

**POPULATION BY SEX & RACE**  
**1990-2013**

	1990	2000	% Change '90-'00	2008 Estimates	2008 as a %	2013 Projection
Male	15,852	17,421	10.1%	18,905	49.3	19,834
Female	17,347	18,687	7.7%	19,421	50.7	19,930
White	21,488	23,115	7.6%	24,544	64.0	25,491
Black	11,507	11,958	3.9%	12,599	32.9	13,016
American/ Alaska Native	45	102	126.7%	104	0.3	99
Asian/ Pacific Islander	92	139	51.1%	164	0.4	181
Some Other Race	40	470	1,075.0%	544	1.4	648
Two or More Races	n/a	324	n/a	971	1.0	329
Hispanic	147	1,533	942.9%	3,280	8.6	4,397

Source: Demographicsnow.com

## Income & Households

Per Capita Income (2006) \$24,669  
 Median Household Income (2008 Estimate) \$40,799

**HOUSEHOLD INCOME DISTRIBUTION**  
**1990-2013**

	1990	2000	Change '90-'00	2008 Estimate	2013 Projections
\$0 - \$14,999	3,947	3,259	-17.4%	2,716	2,532
\$15,000 - \$24,999	2,538	1,995	-21.4%	1,725	1,544
\$25,000 - \$34,999	2,315	2,133	-7.9%	1,832	1,605
\$35,000 - \$49,999	2,011	2,564	27.5%	2,421	2,400
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,056	2,334	283.9%	2,875	3,065
\$75,000 - \$99,999	273	1,027	276.2%	1,352	1,526
\$100,000 - \$149,999	135	565	318.5%	1,166	1,485
\$150,000 +	51	149	192.2%	409	622
Average	\$27,958	\$40,526	45.0%	\$46,837	\$50,870

Source: Demographicsnow.com

**AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD CONSUMER EXPENDITURES  
2008**

Apparel	\$1,999.34	Shelter	\$8,058.62
Contributions	\$1,440.66	Household Supplies	\$627.29
Education	\$931.61	Personal Insurance	\$403.32
Entertainment	\$2,311.79	Property Taxes	\$1,352.85
Food & Beverage	\$6,568.65	Transportation	\$8,435.50
Gifts	\$1,045.72	Personal Care Services	\$407.26
Health Care	\$2,664.56	Gasoline & Oil	\$1,933.07
Household Services	\$255.19	Electric & Natural Gas	\$1,543.83
Total Average Household Expenditure: \$44,187			
<i>Source: Demographicsnow.com</i>			

**HOUSEHOLDS  
1990-2013**

Newberry	1990	2000	Change '90-'00	2008 Estimates	2013 Projections
Total	12,314	14,026	13.9%	14,496	14,779
<i>Source: Demographicsnow.com</i>					

**HOUSING UNITS  
1990-2013**

	Total	Owner Occupied	Renter Occupied
1990	14,455	9,376	2,938
2000	16,805	10,776	2,779
Change '90-'00	16.3%	14.9%	10.6%
2008 Estimates	17,686	11,008	3,488
2013 Projections	18,224	11,151	3,628
<i>Source: Demographicsnow.com</i>			

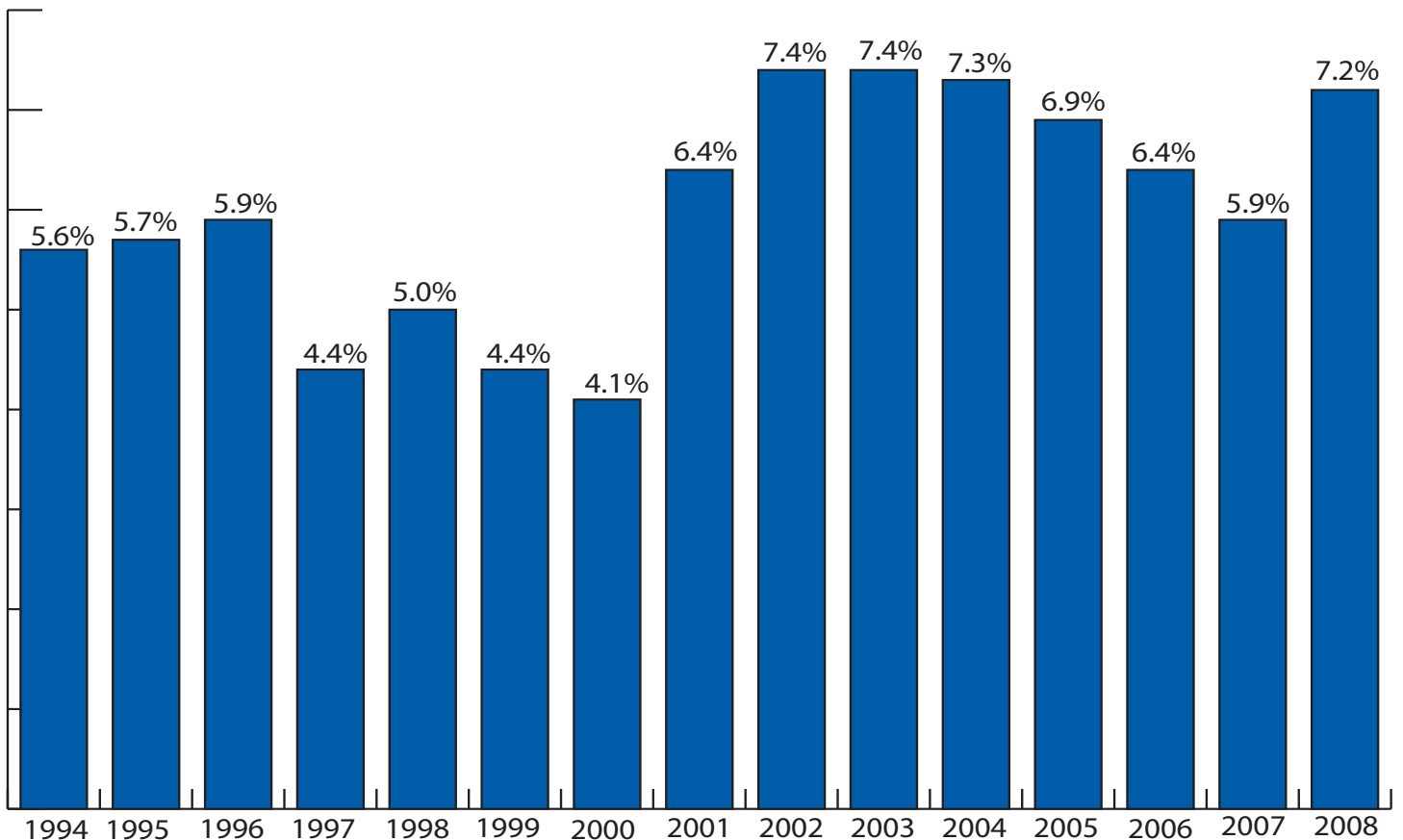
# LABOR & EMPLOYMENT

## Labor Force & Employment

LABOR FORCE & EMPLOYMENT 1998-2008				
	Unemployment Rate	Labor Force	Unemployed	Employed
1998	5.0%	17,799	885	16,914
1999	4.4%	18,013	796	17,217
2000	4.1%	17,295	717	16,578
2001	6.4%	17,216	1,106	16,110
2002	7.4%	17,139	1,260	15,879
2003	7.4%	17,914	1,318	16,596
2004	7.3%	17,504	1,281	16,223
2005	6.9%	17,934	1,253	16,681
2006	6.4%	18,151	1,205	16,913
2007	5.9%	18,050	1,064	16,986
2008	7.2%	18,533	1,326	17,207

Source: SC Employment Security Commission

### UNEMPLOYMENT TREND 1994-2008



# Industry Sectors

PRIVATE NONFARM EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY SECTOR 2008		
Industry Sector	Employment (%)	Employment (#)
Construction	5.7%	823
Manufacturing	36.3%	5,226
Service-Providing	36.7%	5,286
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	13.6%	1,953
Information	0.6%	85
Financial Activities	1.6%	234
Professional and Business Services	5.0%	726
Education and Health Services	8.9%	1,281
Leisure and Hospitality	5.2%	752
Total Government	17.5%	2,526

*Source: SC Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information Division*

## Worker Training



In a recent issue of *Expansion Management Magazine* South Carolina was listed as number one on its annual ranking for the top 15 states for workforce training.

The reason behind the number one ranking is the Ready SC. More recently in an issue of *The Manufacturer*, SC's Ready SC program was featured as one of the best state training programs in the US. Created in 1961, Ready SC is one of the longest running and most experienced worker training programs in the nation. The Ready SC program focuses on the training needs of new and existing business and industry in South Carolina. They provide recruiting, assessment, training development, management

and implementation services to customers who are creating new jobs with competitive wages and benefits. These services are provided through state funds at little or no cost to the company. Working in concert with Ready SC in Newberry County is the Piedmont Technical College. PTC is recognized as a community-based, lifelong learning institution effectively serving Newberry by providing quality and affordable educational courses and programs that are responsive to both area citizens and employers. The college offers several continuing education and worker training programs that can be customized to fit any employers needs.

From 1994 to 2003 Ready SC has trained 734 workers at companies in Newberry County including: *Special Banking Furniture, Louis Rich, Shakespeare, Trucast Inc., Renfro Corporation, and InSite Support Services.*

## Unions

South Carolina is a right-to-work state and ranks the lowest in the nation in union membership as a percentage of non-agricultural employment. In 2005, there were 230 members in Newberry County's non-farm employees. The unionization rate was 1.7%. Companies with union membership include:

American Fiber & Finishing	UTWA	PCA	PACE
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## Wages

WAGES 2008	
Industry Sector	Average Weekly Wage
Construction	\$662
Manufacturing	\$695
Service-Providing	\$437
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	\$490
Information	\$1,026
Financial Activities	\$519
Professional and Business Services	\$367
Education and Health Services	\$473
Leisure and Hospitality	\$210
Other Services	\$440
<b>Total Average Weekly Wage</b>	<b>\$583</b>
<i>Source: SC Employment Security Commission, Labor Market Information Division</i>	

## Industrial Employers

INDUSTRIAL DIRECTORY 2007				
Company Name	Employment	SIC	NAICS	Product Description
Kraft Foods Global Inc.	1,478	2015	311615	Processed turkey
Georgia-Pacific Corp	390	2436	321212	Southern pine plywood
Komatsu America Corp, Newberry Mfg	100	3531	33312	Backhoe loaders
Shakespeare Composites	200	3648	335129	Lighting equipment
International Paper-Newberry Lumber Mill	84	2421	321912	Lumber

ISE America Inc	130	2015	311999	Egg processing & egg products
Trucast Inc	140	3511	333611	Investment casting--foundry
McKechnie Vehicle Components	50	3714	336399	Automotive wheel trim
PCA	100	2653	322211	Corrugated shipping containers
Georgia-Pacific Corp	360	2421	321999	Lumber & chips
Kiswire Inc	90	3315	331222	Bead wire
International Paper	85*	2672	322222	Extrusion coated paperboard
MacLean Fiberglass	75	3229	326199	Fiberglass reinforced plastics
Pleasurecraft Marine Engine Co	36	3799	333618	Marine engines
Metal Masters Inc	80	3545	333515	Precision machine parts
Charles K Doolittle Inc	65	2411	113310	Logging
200 Park Inc dba ArctiChill Inc	30*	3585	333415	Water chillers
Newberry Observer	28	2711	511110	Newspapers
Newberry Feed & Farm Center Inc	28	2048	311611	Animal feed
Industrial Pine Products	7	2431	321113	Specialized wood products
Olin Lominick Timber Inc	3	2411	113310	Logging
James C Doolittle Logging Company Inc	24	2411	113310	Logging
Quality Woodtruss Inc	12	2439	321214	Wood roof trusses
Palmetto Pallet Co Inc	13	2448	321920	Wood pallets
Quality Woodworks Inc	12	2448	321920	Pallets & skids
Counts Sausage Co Inc	17	2013	311613	Pork & beef products
William B Lominick Logging Inc	15	2411	113310	Logging
Redline Precision Machining	12	3599	332710	Machine shop
Westvaco Corp	13	2421	321999	Wood chips
Carolina Concrete Co Inc	5	3273	327320	Ready-mixed concrete
John S Brooks Logging Inc	12	2411	113310	Logging
International Silverstreet Paper Chip Mill	10	2421	321999	Pine Wood chips
A & L Logging Inc	6	2411	113310	Logging
John R Frazier Inc	7	2411	113310	Pulpwood
K T Manufacturing Inc	6	2299	313312	Pet beds
Cousins Ag Products Inc	3	2875	325314	Fertilizer mixing
Sun Printing Co Of Newberry Inc	4	2759	323114	Commercial job printing
Armfield's Printing Inc	4	2752	323110	Commercial printing, lithographic
MCP DaviSound	3	3651	334310	Professional audio equipment

Source: Company Representatives (Am \* is pending an update)

# Commuting

COMMUTING PATTERNS 2000		
	Commuting into Newberry From:	Commuting Out of Newberry To:
County	Total Number	Total Number
Calhoun	10	2
Clarendon	6	0
Fairfield	363	221
Kershaw	55	3
Lee	0	0
Lexington	606	1,386
Orangeburg	23	14
Richland	694	1,930
Sumter	108	0
<b>CSCA Region Subtotal</b>	<b>1,865</b>	<b>3,556</b>
Abbeville	0	27
Aiken	31	18
Anderson	12	15
Beaufort	16	8
Charleston	10	15
Chester	16	7
Edgefield	49	8
Greenville	58	96
Greenwood	94	252
Lancaster	6	19
Laurens	370	772
Pickens	20	2
Saluda	471	92
Spartanburg	22	156
Union	190	229
York	34	25
Outside SC	82	113
Subtotal	1,481	1,854
Total	3,346	5,410
% of Labor Force Commuting out of Newberry County		14.90%
Average Commute Time		25
<i>Source: US Census County to County Worker Flow Files - counties totaling more than 20 commuters (excluding the CSCA Region)</i>		

# LIVING HERE

Newberry

## Festivals & Events

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Every year on the third weekend of October is Newberry's **OktoberFest**. A favorite of Newberry's residents, this festival offers fun for both adults and children alike. There is live entertainment on both nights as well as on Saturday afternoon. Past performers have included bands such as the Embers, and the Dick Goodwind Quartet - the ompah band. Two favorite activities at the Festival are the livernips cook-off and the apple pie bake off. Another favorite festival in Newberry County is the **Little Mountain Reunion**. Held during the late summer, in the first weekend of August, the festival celebrates this small community and those who are from it. There is a parade, fun



run, street dances, crafts, children's games and great southern cooking. This is a great festival that is sure to entertain the entire family. Lastly, Newberry's newest festival, which has vastly become a midland's favorite, is **Prosperity's Hoppin'**. Established in 2001, this festival celebrates the Prosperity community and the great people who live in and around the beautiful town. The festival is held at the Town Center and includes all day entertainment, rides, crafts, 5K run/walk, antique tractor show, and a street dance. Prior to the festival a golf tournament is held at Mid-Carolina Country Club and the annual Prosperity's Hoppin' Pageant queens is crowned.

## Recreation

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South Carolina is known for its golf and temperate weather that allows us to play this favorite pastime year round, and Newberry is no exception. There are two beautiful championship courses in Newberry with several others within a 30 minute drive. One of the best and newer courses in Newberry is the **Country Club of Newberry**. Built in 1992, there are water hazards that come into play on at least six holes. The signature hole is #14, a 511-yard, par 5, requiring an approach shot over a large pond. This beautiful 18 hole course is challenging for golfers of all skill levels. Another golf course in Newberry is the **Mid-Carolina Golf Course**. The fairways are relatively tight, plus ponds and lakes come into play on seven holes. This course's most difficult hole is #10, a 430-yard, par 4, requiring a tee shot up a dogleg left fairway, with a pond at the curve, then an uphill approach shot to the green. The large greens are undulating, and the terrain is rolling. The course is open to the public



on weekdays. For the outdoor and water sport enthusiast there is an unending amount of trails to hike, forest to explore, bass to catch, game to hunt, and acres of water to ski and swim. A favorite of Newberrians and all South Carolinians alike is **Lake Murray**. This 50,000 acre midland lake starts just north of Columbia and ends in Newberry. It is one of the most popular and largest lakes in South Carolina. Hundreds of bass fishing tournaments as well as boat festivals are held on this lake each year. The land around this lake is surrounded mostly by beautiful lake front homes, a few public beaches, and there are plenty of restaurants and bars located at the marinas. Also located on Lake Murray is the **Dreher Island State Recreation Area**. This park brings everyone the experience of spending the weekend at the lake with the high cost of owning their own lake front home. The park consists of three islands linked to the mainland by a causeway and two bridges. Its 348 acres and 12 miles of shoreline provide guests with a variety of outdoor water recreation opportunities. The park offers lake side camping, picnicking, lake side villas and a nature trail. Another popular state

park is the beautiful **Lake Greenwood State Park** in the western part of the county. This 914-acre park covers five peninsulas that provide 212 miles of shoreline for lakeside camping, fishing and picnicking. Boating and hiking are other popular activities at the park. Built in 1938 by the Civilian Conservation Corps, the park still boasts evidence of the CCC craftsmanship in two picnic shelters, the retaining wall at the lake, a boathouse and a water fountain. Yet another state park located in Newberry County is **Lynches Woods**. Located just minutes outside of the city of Newberry behind Piedmont College, this park is also deeply rooted in the



history of the CCC. This 276-acre woodland area began as a project of the CCC in the 1930's. A 4.7 mile scenic road is complimented by hiking and equestrian trails.

Recent additions to the park include a sheltered picnic area, restrooms and two primitive campsites. Even though the parks located throughout the county are



magnificent and draw outdoor enthusiasts from the around the state, the crown jewel of Newberry's outdoor recreation has to be the **Sumter National Forest**. The Sumter National Forest covers about 56,595 acres of the Northeastern corner of the county. There are so many things to do in this forest you could probably stay there for an entire year and still not have seen and done all there is to do.

- Bird Watching
- Canoeing
- Camping
- Several Waterfalls
- Picnicking
- Hiking
- Fishing
- Hunting
- Rafting
- Target Shooting
- The Chattooga National Wild & Scenic River

## Places to Visit



**Carter and Holmes Orchids** began selling orchids as cut flowers in the years following World War II when corsage flowers were in great demand for Valentine's Day, Easter, and Mother's Day. As lifestyles became less formal in the 1960's and the demand

for cut flowers decreased, they began producing orchids for home growing. C & H has developed their own modern laboratory for seed and tissue culture and their hybridizing program has resulted in worldwide recognition as a source for outstanding orchids. Today, they are one of the largest orchid farms in the world with 18 green houses on 2 acres. This place is definitely a must see in Newberry. **Newberry Opera House** Built in 1881, this historic opera house currently serves as a modern performing arts



facility, with state-of-the-art technology. Many Broadway plays, community productions and national music acts have performed at the Opera House. Performances have included: Bill Pickney and the Original Drifters,



Arlo Guthrie, Charo, The Kingston Trio and the Vienna Boys Choir. **Wells Japanese Gardens** is a small park on Lindsay St. in Newberry that was designed in 1930 by the Wells family as a private garden. With two ponds, bridges, pagodas, lotuses and exotic plants, this park offers a lot of nature in a small space. The garden is an on-going restoration project of the Newberry Council of Garden Clubs and is open daily from 7:00 AM until 7:00 PM.

## Healthcare

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Founded in 1925 as a 25 bed community facility the NCMH has grown to a 103 bed fully operational hospital. Today, the mission of NCMH is to promote a healthy community and to provide exceptional healthcare with a personal touch. The hospital accomplishes this mission through several of their community programs and their quality healthcare. The hospital offers a very active community wellness program called Healthy Happenings at NCMH. There is also an Able Community Walking Track located on the hospital campus. Other services include: 24-hour Emergency Department, Emergency Medical



Service (ambulance), Ambulatory Care Unit, Surgical Nursing Unit, Prepared Childbirth Classes, Industrial Wellness Program, Outpatient Surgery and Testing, Social Services, Respiratory Therapy, Medical Nursing Unit, Cardiac Rehabilitation Program (certified), Physical Therapy (Inpatient and Outpatient), New Beginnings Birthing Unit (LDRP), Laboratory (CAP certified), Lifeline® (A Personal Emergency Response System), Living with Diabetes Education Program, Pain Therapy, Radiology (Including CT-Scan, Ultrasound, Nuclear Medicine, & Teleradiology).

## Religion

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Religion is an important part of life in Newberry County as there are over 230 congregations within the county. Some of the different denominations include: Associated Reformed Presbyterian, Episcopal, African Methodist Episcopal, Roman

Catholic, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Assembly of God, Jehovah's Witness and many other non-denominational and independent churches. The nearest Synagogue is 42 miles away.

## Climate

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Newberry County is usually more about blue skies than powdery snow. April holds the highest percentage of sunshine with 69 percent of the days sunny, while January registers the lowest at 57 percent of sunshine for the month. There are, on average, 109 days each year that include some form

of precipitation and the county receives around 50 inches of precipitation annually. The average temperatures are 44.7 degrees in January, 63.8 degrees in April, 81 degrees in July and 53.2 degrees in October.

## Housing

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Newberry offers a variety of architectural styles from contemporary structures to gracious historic homes and even small farms. Quality housing is available and affordable to everyone. There are several real estate agencies located through out Newberry

County as well as neighboring counties that should be able to assist in finding a dream home. Please visit <http://www.newberrycounty.org/realestate.html> for a listing of real estate agencies in the newberry area.

## Shopping

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Downtown Newberry is the perfect place for a Saturday afternoon full of shopping. There are antiques shops lining both sides of the main drag through Newberry. There are also several specialty shops and quaint deli's and eateries to pop into. But if antiquing and downtown shopping



aren't for you then the just a short drive down I-26 is Columibana Center. It will definitely feed any avid shopper's cravings with national stores like Banana Republic, William Sonoma, Old Navy, Abercrombie and Fitch, and Arden B.

## Government

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Newberry County is governed under a Council/Administrator format. The Council consists of five members representing individual districts and

a Chairman who is elected at-large. The County Council serves four-year terms.

## Police & Fire

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### *Newberry County Sheriff's Department*

28 officers  
28 patrol cars  
32 total personnel

### *City of Newberry Police Department*

39 officers  
50 patrol cars \*  
92 total personnel  
\*including jail

### *Newberry County Fire Department*

300 volunteers  
12 fire stations  
ISO Ratings from 7 to 10

### *City of Newberry Fire Department*

20 paid personnel/firefighters  
18 volunteers  
2 fire stations  
4 pumpers, 1 aerial, 1 hazmat truck, 1 service truck, several other trucks

## Utilities

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### *Water & Wastewater Services*

City of Newberry  
Average Daily Use            5.2 million gpd  
Total Capacity                8.1 million gpd  
Average Daily Use            2.4 million gpd  
Total Capacity                3.2 million gpd  
\*An expansion to the plant has been authorized to increase capacity to 4.8 over the next five years

### *Telephone Services*

BellSouth

### *Gas Suppliers*

City of Newberry, Clinton-Newberry Natural Gas, SCE&G

### *Electric Suppliers*

Broad River Electric Co-op, City of Newberry, Commission of Public Works, Duke Power, Laurens Electric Co-op, Newberry Electric Co-op, SCE&G

## Media

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Published daily, *The State* is the largest newspaper and covers the entire state of South Carolina. Newberry County's daily newspaper is *The Newberry Observer*. Cable is provided by Comcast Communications and Time Warner Cable.

# EDUCATION

Newberry

## Primary & Secondary Education

Newberry County has one public district which encompasses 13 public schools: 7 elementary schools, 2 middle schools, 3 high schools and 1 school that is K-12.

PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT STATISTICS 2008				
District	Enrollment	Total SAT Score	Pupil/Teacher Ratio	Expenditure per Pupil
Newberry	5,960	971	18.9 to 1	\$9,467
South Carolina	694,584*	980	20.6 to 1*	\$7,434*

Source: SC Department of Education (\* = 2005 data)

PRIVATE SCHOOLS 2008			
Private School	Enrollment	Grades	Denomination
Newberry Academy	231	K - 12	Secular
Newberry Christian Academy	15	K - 12	Non-Denominational Christian

Source: SC Department of Education

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT AGES 25+ 2008		
	Number	Percent
High school or higher degree	18,374	71.3%
High school graduate	9,024	35.0%
Some college, no degree	3,712	14.4%
Associate degree	1,749	6.8%
Bachelor's degree	2,800	10.9%
Graduate degree	1,089	4.2%

Source: Demographicsnow.com

# Higher Education

There are two institutions for higher education in Newberry County with the state's flagship university, the University of South Carolina, located only 40 minutes away in Columbia. **Newberry College** is a four-year private liberal arts college located in downtown Newberry. This small Lutheran college offers a small class room setting for students that guarantees individual attention that is not available at larger universities. Also located in Newberry County



is a branch campus of the **Piedmont Technical College**. Piedmont Tech is part of the nationally recognized SC tech school system. It offers several degree programs for students that prepare them for the work force. The school also offers degrees and programs designed to help students to transfer to a four-year college or university. Piedmont Tech also works closely with area business and ReadySC to help train employees from anywhere from specific technical training to managerial training.



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Institution	Type	Enrollment	Graduation	Location	Website
Midlands Technical College	Public Technical	11,234	1,704	Columbia	<a href="http://www.mid.tec.sc.us">www.mid.tec.sc.us</a>
Newberry College	Private Liberal Arts	973	134	Newberry	<a href="http://www.newberry.edu">www.newberry.edu</a>
Piedmont Technical College	Public Technical	4,959	1,098	Newberry	<a href="http://www.ptc.edu">www.ptc.edu</a>
University of South Carolina	Public Flagship	27,488	6,175	Columbia	<a href="http://www.sc.edu">www.sc.edu</a>
<i>Source: South Carolina Commission of Higher Education</i>					