

South Carolina's Agribusiness Industry



South Carolina's agricultural industry has been a vital component of the Palmetto State's economy for hundreds of years. The agriculture and forestry industries collectively represent one of the largest economic sectors in the state of South Carolina.

- Annual impact of nearly \$51.8 billion.
- Supports over 259,000 jobs.
- Includes food processing, livestock and produce, wood, paper and forestry-related companies.



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The Agribusiness Industry Calls South Carolina Home

South Carolina's growing network of agribusiness-related companies and suppliers, distributed across the state, includes family-owned and operated farms, large scale private farms, livestock producers, major food manufacturers and processors, and timber-related companies of all sizes.

- Starbucks Coffee
- Perdue
- McCalls Farms
- Georgia Pacific
- International Paper
- Tyson Prepared Foods
- Pilgrims Pride
- Sonoco
- Nestle
- Kraft
- First Quality Tissue

Workforce, Training and Education

South Carolina is committed to growing and developing its world-class agribusiness industry and workforce. Clemson University's College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences offers many degree programs, both undergraduate and graduate, related to the agribusiness industry, like agricultural education, agricultural business, forest resources management and food packaging science.

Additionally, South Carolina is home to 16 technical colleges, five of which offer degree programs in topics related to agribusiness.

New and Expanding Agribusiness Companies

Since 2017, companies in the agribusiness industry have announced over 9,500 jobs and have invested \$4 billion in South Carolina.

In 2021 alone, almost 1,900 jobs were announced along with \$845 million in investments.



Expanding companies include: Tyson Prepared Foods, Inc.; Ruiz Food Products, Inc.; Maxwood Furniture, Inc.; Lineage Logistics Services, Inc.; Silgan Containers; Paper Converters, Inc.; Refresco North America (Cott Beverages); Lowcountry Kettle Potato Chips, LLC; McClancy Seasoning; Nestle Prepared Foods Company; and Sonoco Products Co.

New companies include: Setterstix Corporation; Mark Anthony Brewing; Yield SC, LLC; Sumter Original Brewery, LLC; Niagara Bottling, LLC; E & J Gallo Winery; Prestage Farms; and Pee Dee Extractors, LLC.



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