South Carolina has been a leader of export sales for 10 consecutive years!

The South Carolina Department of Commerce’s International Trade team provides a range of services, programs and grants to help both new and experienced South Carolina exporters grow their international sales.

- **Customized Export Counseling**: Providing trade counseling on export potential, methods, procedures and logistics.
- **Training**: Organizing export-related training seminars and conferences.
- **Trade Missions**: Organizing export-related training webinars, B2B meetings with international distributors, end users and/or partners.
- **International Trade Shows**: Providing exhibit space and B2B meetings across the globe.
Grants to Support Existing Industry

- **Export Incentives Program**: Helps small and medium-sized businesses enter and/or increase their exporting activities in new markets. The program reimburses eligible S.C. companies for specific export-related expenses through the State Trade Expansion Program (STEP) or the South Carolina Opportunities for Promoting Exports (SCOPE) program.

**S.C.’s Top Export Commodities in 2022**

- **Passenger Vehicles**: $10.1 billion
- **Nuclear Reactors, Boilers and Machinery**: $3 billion
- **Plastics**: $2.3 billion
- **Aircraft, Spacecraft and Parts**: $2.1 billion
- **Rubber**: $2 billion

**Export Facts**

- In 2021, South Carolina exported to 196 countries and territories.
- Canada was the state’s top destination for exports at $4.4 billion.
- South Carolina was ranked 1st in export sales of completed passenger vehicles.
- South Carolina remains the national leader in the export of tires.