

# Anderson County, SC

## Fact Sheet

The county lies just along I-85 in the southern portion of upstate South Carolina, equidistant to Atlanta, GA and Charlotte, NC. Despite its cosmopolitan neighbors, Anderson County retains the benefits of smaller-town living with friendly people and less traffic than nearby metro cities. Blending the old and new, the county seat of Anderson has revitalized its downtown with new facades, cobblestone areas, fountains, and green spaces. This revitalization complements the stately historic courthouse and the modern new courthouse facing each other on Main Street. Companies throughout the county recruit employees who have received specialized training from area schools, including nearby Tri-County Technical College and Clemson University. From a temperate Southern climate and Lake Hartwell to leading universities and a variety of arts programs, greater Anderson County offers an unmatched combination of quality of life features.

### POPULATION

#### Total Population, 2000, 2010, and 2015 Estimate

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
Anderson	165,740	187,126	201,310
Upstate Region*	1,220,542	1,362,073	1,464,635
South Carolina	4,012,012	4,625,364	5,016,816

\*10 County Upstate South Carolina Region

#### Population by Race, 2000, 2010 and 2015 Estimate

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
White	81.6%	80.1%	79.2%
Black	16.6%	16.0%	17.5%
Am. Indian / Alaska Native	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
Asian	0.4%	0.8%	0.8%
Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some Other Race	0.4%	1.3%	0.9%
Two or More Races	0.8%	1.5%	1.4%
Hispanic Origin (Any Race)	1.1%	2.9%	2.9%

#### Population by Age, 2000, 2010 and 2015 Estimate

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
Under Age 5	6.7%	6.5%	6.3%
Age 5 to 9	6.9%	6.6%	6.4%
Age 10 to 14	7.0%	6.7%	6.8%
Age 15 to 19	6.5%	6.5%	6.5%
Age 20 to 34	19.4%	16.7%	16.2%
Age 35 to 44	15.5%	13.9%	13.2%
Age 45 to 54	14.0%	15.2%	14.1%
Age 55 to 64	10.3%	13.1%	13.9%
Age 65+	13.6%	14.8%	16.5%

#### Highest Educational Attainment, Age 25+, 2010

Less than 9th Grade	6.6%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	12.1%
High School Graduate Only	36.4%
Some College, No Degree	17.2%
Associate Degree Only	9.6%
Bachelor's Degree Only	11.9%
Graduate/Professional Degree	6.2%

### HOUSEHOLDS AND HOUSING

#### Households Families, 2000, 2010, and 2015 Estimate

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
# of Households	65,649	73,829	79,966
# of Families	47,276	61,922	55,846

#### Households Families, 2000, 2010, and 2015 Estimate

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
Ave HH Size:	2.48	2.48	2.48
Owner-Occupied:	50,068	56,998	61,134
Renter-Occupied:	15,581	17,687	18,832
Median Age:	37.3	39.7	41.0

Sources: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 and 2010 Census of Population and Housing. ESRI forecasts for 2015 (unless otherwise stated)

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## INCOME

Median Household Income, 2000, 2010, 2015 Est.				Per Capita Income, 2000, 2010, 2015 Estimates			
	2000	2010	2015		2000	2010	2015
Anderson	\$36,685	\$45,807	\$51,606	Anderson	18,365	21,750	23,354
South Carolina	\$37,137	\$47,704	\$53,665	South Carolina	18,795	23,283	25,493

## TOP 5 MANUFACTURING EMPLOYERS

Company	No. of Employees	Major Product
Robert Bosch Corporation	1380	Auto Components (Oxygen Sensors)
Homelight Consumer Products, Inc.	650	Yard Maintenance Tools
Milliken-Cushman Williamston	650	Woven filament fabrics
Timken US Corporation	540	Screw machine parts/bearing rollers
Agy Huntingdon, LLC	385	Fibrous glass

Source: SC Appalachian Council of Governments and County Economic Development Office

## LABOR FORCE

### County Average Monthly Employment by Industry Group, 2010 (Annual Average)

Natural Resources and Mining	130
Construction	2087
Manufacturing	11095
Service-Providing	30182
Wholesale Trade	1778
Retail Trade	8246
Transportation and Warehousing	761
Utilities	567
Information	395
Financial Activities	1608
Professional and Business Services	3709
Education and Health Services	5404
Leisure and Hospitality	6438
Other Services	1275
Total Government	11574

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 and 2010 Census of Population and Housing. ESRI forecasts for 2015 (unless otherwise stated)

## RETAIL SALES

### Gross Retail Sales (Millions) by Fiscal Year

FY 2002-03	\$3,433,546
FY 2003-04	\$3,027,387
FY 2004-05	\$3,863,782
FY 2005-06	\$3,976,937
FY 2006-07	\$4,420,095
FY 2007-08	\$4,978,008
FY 2008-09	\$4,386,917
FY 2009-10	\$4,452,942
FY 2010-11	\$5,006,797

Source: SC Department of Revenue and Taxation

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## TRANSPORTATION

<b>Interstate Access</b>	I-85	<b>Nearest Civil Airport</b>	Anderson Regional Airport
<b>Nearest Commercial Airline</b>	Greenville-Spartanburg International	<b>Port Access</b>	Port of Charleston, 217 miles from City of Anderson
<b>Airlines</b>	Northwest, Continental, United Express, Delta, US Airways, American Eagle	<b>Rail Providers</b>	CSX, NSR, Pickens Railway Co.

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## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

<b>Anderson County Office of Economic Development</b> Burriss Nelson, Director	(864) 260-4386 www.advance2anderson.com
<b>Anderson Area Chamber of Commerce</b> Lee R. Luff, CCE, CAE, President	(864) 226-3454 www.andersonscchamber.com
<b>Innovate Anderson</b> Michael Panasko, Executive Director	(864) 260-1061 www.innovateanderson.com
<b>Upstate Alliance</b> Hal Johnson, President/CEO	(864) 283-2300 www.upstatealliance.com

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## ADDITIONAL SOURCES

www.andersonsc.com  
www.electric-city.net  
www.andersonlibrary.org  
www.southcarolinaparks.com  
www.sciway.net  
www.upstateforever.org

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