

Greer, SC

Fact Sheet

Prior to the Revolutionary War, the area now known as Greer was a part of the Cherokee Nation. Although this area was obtained by the state shortly after the Revolution, significant growth did not occur until the arrival of the railroad in 1873. The railway established a flag station on land owned by Manning Greer and named it Greer's Station. The town was incorporated in 1876, and the name eventually became Greer. Situated between the cities of Greenville and Spartanburg, Greer is considered a very desirable location for both commercial and residential development.

POPULATION

Total Population, 2000, 2010, and 2015 Estimates

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015**</u>
Greer	24,557	10,322	16,843
Greenville	379,616	451,225	496,675
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

** 2015 ESRI Projections, 2000 and 2010 US Census

Households Families, 2000, 2010, and 2015 Estimates

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
# of Households	6,714	8,783	9,695
# of Families	4,510	5,847	6,407

Population Estimates by Race, 2000, 2010 and 2015

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
White	73.4%	72.9%	72.2%
Black	19.5%	15.8%	15.6%
Am. Indian / Alaska Native	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%
Asian	1.2%	1.6%	1.9%
Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Some Other Race	4.4%	7.3%	7.8%
Two or More Races	1.3%	1.9%	2.1%
Hispanic Origin (Any Race)	8.2%	14.1%	16.1%

Population Estimates by Age, 2000, 2010 and 2015

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
Under Age 5	7.8%	7.1%	7.0%
Age 5 to 9	6.9%	6.8%	6.8%
Age 10 to 14	6.3%	6.6%	6.7%
Age 15 to 19	6.4%	6.3%	6.1%
Age 20 to 34	24.7%	19.4%	19.2%
Age 35 to 44	15.3%	14.9%	14.0%
Age 45 to 54	11.0%	14.2%	13.4%
Age 55 to 64	7.9%	11.3%	12.1%
Age 65+	13.6%	13.3%	14.6%

Highest Educational Attainment, Age 25+, 2009

Less than 9th Grade	10.1%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	13.5%
High School Graduate Only	32.3%
Some College, No Degree	17.5%
Associate Degree Only	6.2%
Bachelor's Degree Only	14.2%
Graduate/Professional Degree	6.3%

INCOME

Median, Average, and Per Capita Income, 2000, 2010, and 2015

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
Median HH Income	33,063	46,822	54,401
Average HH Income	42,662	57,397	62,767
Per Capita Income	17,546	23,085	25,279

Households by Income, 2000, 2010, and 2015

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2015</u>
<\$15,000	23.0%	16.4%	14.0%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	16.2%	12.1%	11.2%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	13.1%	9.9%	8.1%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	16.2%	14.2%	11.2%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	16.9%	19.0%	23.5%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	7.8%	15.2%	15.3%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	4.9%	9.5%	12.2%
\$150,000 - \$199,999	1.2%	2.2%	2.7%
\$200,000+	0.7%	1.5%	1.7%

Source: ESRI forecasts for 2009, 2010 and 2015; U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (unless otherwise noted)

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LABOR FORCE

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

Industry Description	Ave. Monthl Employment
Natural Resources and Mining	515
Construction	8984
Manufacturing	28050
Wholesale Trade	10749
Retail Trade	26805
Transportation and Warehousing	7832
Utilities	250
Information	5443
Financial Activities	11790
Professional and Business Services	43454
Education and Health Services	24231
Leisure and Hospitality	22382
Other Services	6239
Total Government	28292

Source: *Employment and Wages, 2008 Annual Averages, SC Employment Security Commission*

RETAIL SALES

Gross Retail Sales (Thousands)

Fiscal Year	Greer Municipality	Greenville County
2005	\$501,635	\$14,137,466
2006	\$525,099	\$14,547,546
2007	\$536,021	\$15,127,862
2008	\$483,528	\$13,764,523
2009	\$1,259,873	\$12,968,004
2010	\$477,730	\$13,416,069

Source: *SC Department of Revenue and Taxation*

CLIMATE

2010 Annual Averages

Greenville County

Temperature Annual Averages (1981-2010)

Maximum:	70 F
Minimum:	51 F
Mean:	60.5 F

Precipitation (1981-2010)

Annual Ave. Rainfall (inches):	50.8"
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Source: *National Oceanic Atmospheric Association*

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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ADDITIONAL SOURCES

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www.sciway.net
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