



# TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION & LOGISTICS

**Central/SC**  
*Business Friendly. Business Ready.*



# MOVING GOODS & SERVICES BY AIR, SEA & LAND:

**HOME DEPOT'S 465,000** square foot distribution center located in the Lexington County Industrial Park, was completed in 28 weeks, employs approximately 200 workers, and serves 90 stores in SC, NC, GA and VA.

Area Development magazine's special publication, *LDW Logistics Distribution & Warehousing 2009*, named **Orangeburg** a Top 10 Emerging Logistics Location. **The Port of Charleston** was also named a Top 10 Port-Related Intermodal Site.

Source: Area Development & LDW Logistics Distribution & Warehousing, 2009.



**INTERSTATES:** Locating in Central SC has tremendous logistical advantages for TDL companies. Four major interstate highways converge on the region—including I-20, I-26, I-77 and I-95—allowing for easy north/south and east/west ground access. Central SC has nearly 300 miles of interstate which account for approximately 35% of all interstates miles in South Carolina.



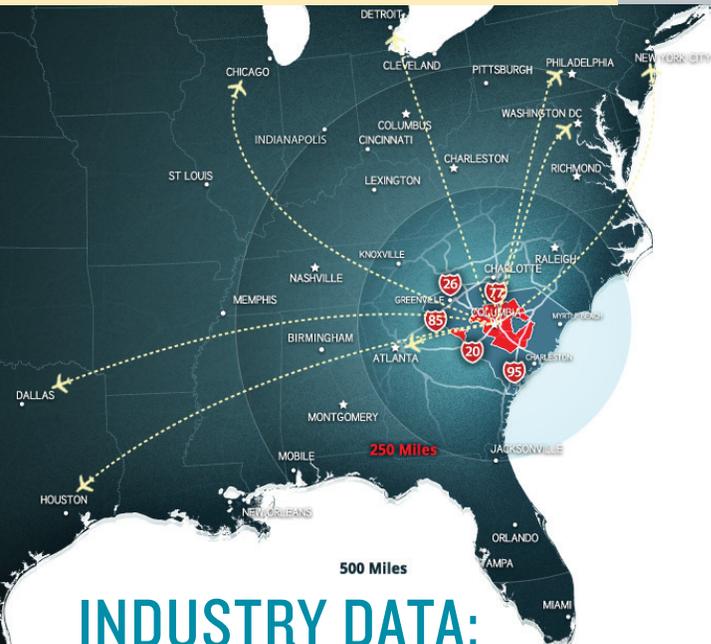
**RAIL:** Rail service within the region is provided by two carriers, CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern; together, these two rail providers offer more than 1,900 route miles throughout the state. Passenger rail service is provided by Amtrak which operates eight trains (north/south) over three routes owned by Norfolk Southern and/or CSX Transportation. From Central SC, businesses can conveniently ship products and supplies to and from locations throughout the world.



**AIRPORTS:** South Carolina is home to six commercial service and 61 public-use general aviation airports. In the midlands, the Columbia Metropolitan Airport (CAE) offers convenient commercial airline service to eleven popular destinations daily. Delta, USAirways, United Express and American Eagle Airlines operate 40 daily departures. The UPS S.E. Regional Air Hub and FedEx provide air cargo services at CAE. In addition to airline and air cargo services, CAE has two fixed-base operators who provide charter flights, transient aircraft services and aircraft storage and maintenance services. Each Midlands County has at least one general aviation airport to serve the non-commercial aeronautical needs of its residents.



**PORT OF CHARLESTON:** The largest container port on the U.S. Southeast and Gulf coasts—Port of Charleston—is located less than an hour from the Central South Carolina region. The Port of Charleston is the 8th largest in the United States for cargo value and one of only a handful of ports to have received the Presidential "E" and "E-Star" awards for excellence in exporting.



## FOREIGN TRADE ZONE (FTZ):

U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) operates the Port of Columbia at the Columbia Metropolitan Airport. CBP Officers assigned to the Port are available to assist local firms with their international shipping needs. In addition to international shipping, the Port of Columbia and the Columbia Metropolitan Airport jointly offer Foreign-Trade Zone services for firms who actively import and export domestic and international goods.

The Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) program allows American companies to defer, reduce or eliminate duties and tariffs on imported goods under certain conditions. Working collaboratively, CBP and Airport staff can help firms establish in and operate general purpose zones in industrial parks, or individual user-driven zone sites at individual locations. Existing FTZs in Central SC include: #127, Site #21, and Subzone #21D.

## INDUSTRY DATA:

- According to the US Bureau of Labor Statistics Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages, Central SC has over 410 establishments in Transportation & Warehousing that **employ over 8,000 workers**.
- Since 2000, Transportation and Distribution related companies have announced nearly **\$7 billion in capital investment** in Central SC.

# EMPLOYMENT & WAGES

OCCUPATION	EMPLOYMENT	MEAN HOURLY WAGE
Transportation & Material Moving Occupations	19,730	\$14.50
Aircraft Cargo Handling Supervisors	**	\$22.79
First-Line Supervisors of Helpers, Laborers	430	\$24.03
Driver/Sales Workers	880	\$12.86
Heavy and Tractor-Trailer Truck Drivers	3,970	\$18.38
Light Truck or Delivery Services Drivers	2,600	\$14.34
Conveyor Operators and Tenders	50	\$14.43
Crane and Tower Operators	140	\$18.66
Excavating and Loading Machine	80	\$15.41
Industrial Truck and Tractor Operators	810	\$13.62
Cleaners of Vehicles and Equipment	890	\$9.01
Laborers and Freight, Stock	6,080	\$12.37
Machine Feeders and Offbearers	290	\$13.41
Packers and Packagers, Hand	740	\$11.67
		<b>\$15.39 (Average)</b>

Source: US Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2011 Occupation Employment Survey. \*\* indicates employment estimate not available.

## THE CENTRAL SC ADVANTAGE



**LOCATION:** Locating in Central SC has tremendous logistical advantages for distribution companies; our region is located halfway between New York City and Miami and is within 24-hour ground access to two-thirds of the national population.



### PROXIMITY TO PORT OF CHARLESTON:

The Port of Charleston is less than an hour's drive from Central SC and at 45 ft. mean low tide, is one of the deepest ports on the east coast and is big ship ready now.



### LOW TRANSPORTATION COSTS:

South Carolina has the fourth lowest Diesel motor fuel taxes in the Country; at just 41.2 cents per gallon, South Carolina's Diesel fuel tax is 23% lower than the national average of 53.8 cents per gallon.



### NEW TDL COUNCIL:

The TDL Council is a collaborative effort between public and private sector leaders to boost South Carolina's economy, and continue to position the state as a global leader in the TDL industry. One of the objectives of the Council is to guide systematic investments in the state's infrastructure, such as the Port of Charleston through a cohesive, integrated plan that better serves the needs of the business community in South Carolina.

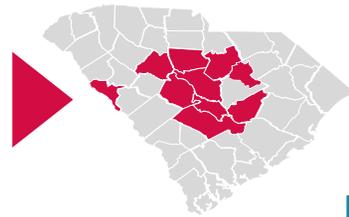


### GLOBAL LOGISTICS TRIANGLE (GLT):

Formed by the intersections of I-95, I-26, and U.S. Hwy. 301, the GLT has nearly 2,000 acres of available land ready for development. Orangeburg County was recently awarded a \$12 million TIGER grant to enhance the I-95/301 interchange.



**AVAILABLE PROPERTY:** Central SC has more than 60 available industrial buildings between 10,000-350,000 square feet. There are nearly 100 industrial sites with available acreage, and new building construction costs are just \$20-\$60 per square foot.



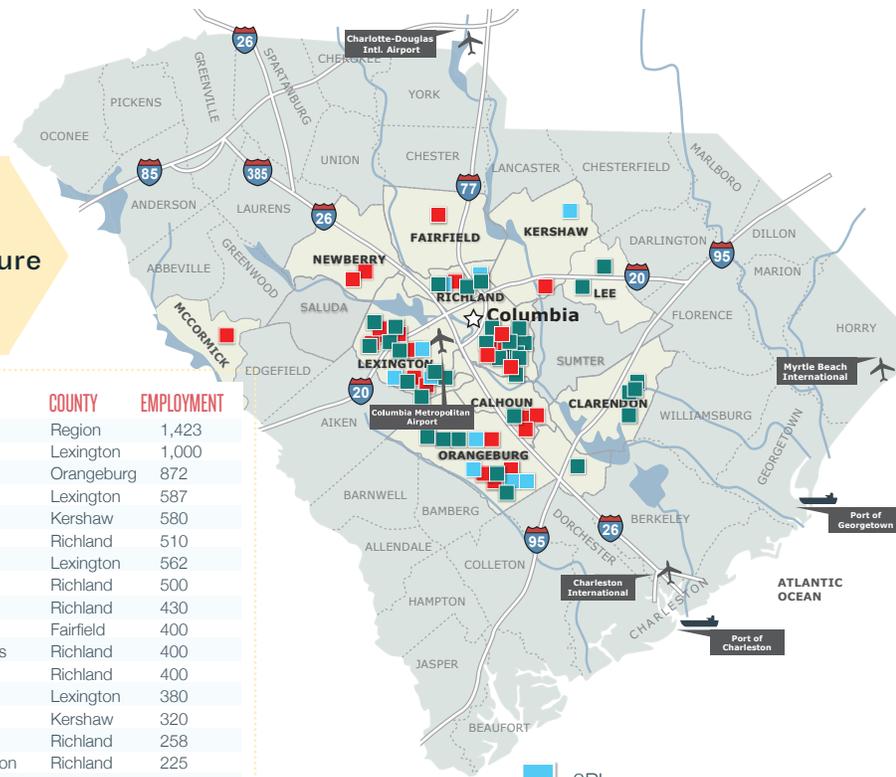
**DID YOU KNOW?**



**AMAZON.COM** has **FIVE MILES** of conveyor belts moving merchandise inside their 1.2 million+ square foot state-of-the-art facility located in the Saxe Gotha Industrial Park, Cayce, SC.



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**RANKED SC 3<sup>RD</sup>** in Infrastructure  
 and Global Access



**TARGET'S**  
**1.8 MILLION**  
 square foot distribution  
 center—located in the  
 Heritage Point Industrial  
 Park in Lugoff, SC—  
 includes 7.5 miles of  
 conveyors, 238 overhead  
 doors and serves stores in  
 SC, NC, GA and VA.



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COMPANY	PRODUCT and/or SERVICE	COUNTY	EMPLOYMENT
United Parcel Service	Freight & package distribution	Region	1,423
Amazon.com Fulfillment Center	Online retail product distribution	Lexington	1,000
Food Lion Distribution Center	Grocery and distribution	Orangeburg	872
Southeastern Freight Lines	LTL services	Lexington	587
Target Corporation	Retail product distribution	Kershaw	580
Belk Distribution Center	Retail product distribution	Richland	510
Republic National Distributing Co. (RNDC)	Wine & spirits distribution	Lexington	562
Thomas & Howard Co.	Convenience store food distributor	Richland	500
Sysco	Food distribution	Richland	430
Ben Arnold Sunbelt Beverage Co.	Beverage products distribution	Fairfield	400
Intertape Polymer Group	Manufactures & distributes stencil & duct tapes	Richland	400
McEntire Produce	Food processor & distributor	Richland	400
CMC Steel	Heat treating & distribution of metals	Lexington	380
Uti Integrated Logistics	Third party logistics (3PL)	Kershaw	320
Ellett Brothers	Office & distribution center	Richland	258
Southern Wine & Spirits	Wine and distilled alcoholic beverage distribution	Richland	225
Home Depot DC 5088	Store products distribution center	Lexington	210
Golden State Foods Corp	Food distribution for McDonalds	Lexington	201
Pure Fishing	Headquarters, fishing tackle	Richland	150
Trimaco Industries	Manufacture & distribute paint sundries	Clarendon	143
South Atlantic Cannery (SAC) Coca Cola	Soft drink manufacturing & distribution	Lee	130
Georgia Pacific	Manufacture & distribute paint sundries	Clarendon	110
TCM Manufacturing USA Inc	Sales, service & distribution of forklift trucks	Lexington	100
REXAM	Can manufacturer & distributor	Lee	100
Southeast Frozen Foods	Cod storage & food distribution	Calhoun	90
UTI Integrated Logistics (Standard Corp.)	Third party logistics (3PL)	Richland	90
Do It Best Corp.	Distribution of hardware & tools	Lexington	88
H T Hackney	Distribution to convenience stores	Orangeburg	86
Howden North America Inc	Sales & service of fans, blowers & compressors	Richland	85
Patterson Dental Supply Inc	Wholesale medical/hospital equipment	Richland	80
Universal Trade Solutions (UTS)	Third party logistics (3PL)	Orangeburg	75
Merritt Veterinary Supplies	Headquarters, suppliers to licensed veterinarians	Richland	75
Husqvarna Outdoor Products Inc.	Distribution center for outdoor power equipment	Lexington	72
Charleston Aluminum LLC	Distributor for aerospace, defense & marine	Calhoun	45
Century Fasteners Corp.	Stocking center for industrial supplies	Lexington	35
Orangeburg Coca Cola Bottling	Coca-Cola distribution	Orangeburg	32
Ellett Brothers	Distribution of sporting products	Newberry	30
CMI Industrial	Distribution of brake components	Lexington	30
DB Schenker	Freight transportation arrangement	Lexington	30
Hagemeyer North America Inc.	Distributor of electrical & industrial products	Lexington	30
Vendor's Supply Inc.	Distribution of vending machine food products	Richland	25
BDI Pharma Inc	Distributes pharmaceuticals to veterinary industries	Richland	25
Blue Bell Creameries	Distribution of ice cream products	Lexington	25
WW Williams Co.	Remanufacture & service of diesel engines	Lexington	25
Chipco Computer Distributors Inc	Mfg & distribution of personal computers & laptops	Richland	24
Powell Valves	Manufacture & distribute valves	Clarendon	21
Sun Gro Horticulture Distribution Inc	Bark-based growing mixes distribution	McCormick	20
Prologix	Distribution of magazines & periodicals	Orangeburg	20
Janpak Inc	Supplier of cleaning & packaging solutions	Lexington	20
Helena Chemical Co	Distributor of agricultural chemicals and fertilizer	Lexington	20
Amware Logistics Services	Warehousing, distribution, logistics, services	Orangeburg	19
PrimeSource Building Products Inc.	Supplier of building materials	Richland	18
Roller Bearing Corp of America (RBC) DC	Roller bearing distribution	Lee	15
Dillon Supply Co.	Industrial supplies distributor	Lexington	15
Schilli Distribution Services, Inc.	Third party logistics provider (3PL)	Newberry	14
Treleoni	Manufacture & distribute non-woven fabric	Clarendon	13
SL Munson & Co.	Manufactures & distributes abrasive grinding wheels	Richland	13
Ferguson Enterprises	Supplier of plumbing fixtures	Richland	13
Quadco Inc	Metal fabrication of wood harvesting equipment	Lexington	13
Helena Chemical Co	Distributor of agricultural chemicals & fertilizer	Calhoun	12
PSM Fastener Group	Distribution of fasteners	Newberry	12
ACO	Warehousing & distribution	Orangeburg	11
Olympian Generator	Distributor of gas and generator sets	Orangeburg	10
Crop Production Services	Farm supply manufacturer & wholesaler	Richland	10
SABIC Polymershapes Inc	Wholesale plastic products	Richland	10

**CENTRAL SC MEMBERS**

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 Orangeburg / Richland / University of South Carolina