

Greenville, SC

Fact Sheet

Originally part of the Cherokee Nation, Greenville was founded by Captain Richard Pearis as a trading post in the latter part of the 18th century. Greenville County was subsequently formed in 1786. The Village of Greenville was chartered in 1831, then accepted incorporation under general law in 1907. Greenville evolved into a textile manufacturing center in the 1820's, and in 1915 the city hosted its first Southern Textile Exposition. Today Greenville is located at the center of one of the country's fastest growing areas. It is consistently ranked among the best places in the nation to live and work.

POPULATION

Total Population, 1990, 2000 & 2006 Estimate

	<u>1990</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2006</u>
City of Greenville	58,256	56,002	57,428
Greenville County	20,127	379,616	417,166
Upstate Region	1,063,372	1,220,542	1,297,943
State	3,699,943	4,012,012	4,321,249

Population by Age, 2000

Under Age 5	5.6%
Age 5 to 9	5.6%
Age 10 to 14	5.5%
Age 15 to 19	7.2%
Age 20 to 34	26.6%
Age 35 to 44	14.5%
Age 45 to 54	14.4%
Age 55 to 64	7.9%
Age 65+	14.4%

Households & Families, 2000

Number of Households	24,382
Number of Families	12,573

Population by Race, 2000

White	34,788	62.1%
Black	19,008	33.9%
Amer. Indian / Alaska Native	77	0.1%
Asian	709	1.3%
Hawaiian / Pacific Islander	35	0.1%
Some Other Race	766	1.4%
Two or More Races	619	1.1%

Highest Educational Attainment, Age 25+, 2000

Less than 9th Grade	7.5%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	13.4%
High School Graduate Only	20.5%
Some College, No Degree	18.7%
Associate Degree Only	5.7%
Bachelor's Degree Only	22.1%
Graduate or Professional Degree	12.1%

Source of Population Data: US Census Bureau

Population & Households, 2000, 2007 & 2012, Municipality & Surrounding Census Block Groups*

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2012</u>
Population	62,091	62,637	63,330
Number of Households	27,198	27,988	28,621

* This information is based on a demographic report of the census block groups that are contained within and intersected by municipal boundaries. This information is provided for reference only, and should be used with discretion.

Source: Claritas, Incorporated

HOUSING

Characteristics of Housing, 2000

Total Number of Housing Units	27,295
Total Number of Occupied Units	24,382
Percentage of Owner-Occupied	47.0%
Percentage of Renter-Occupied	53.0%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

INCOME

Income, 2005 Greenville County

Per Capita Income*	\$31,759
Median Household Income (Estimate)**	\$42,714
Percent w/ Income Below Poverty**	13.0%

*Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

**Source: U. S. Bureau of the Census

RETAIL SALES

Gross Retail Sales (x \$1 million)

	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
City of Greenville	\$3,279.8	\$2,717.7	\$2,558.4	\$2,560.1	\$3,200.3	\$3,343.2
Greenville County	\$10,116.2	\$10,339.8	\$11,008.9	\$11,305.2	\$12,995.1	\$14,382.2

Source: SC Department of Revenue and Taxation

LABOR MARKET

Greenville County Average Monthly Employment by Industry Group, 2006 (Annual Average)

Industry Description	Ave. Monthly Employment	Industry Description	Ave. Monthly Employment
Natural Resources and Mining	642	Information	5,586
Construction	13,408	Financial Activities	11,280
Manufacturing	30,946	Professional and Business Services	42,595
Wholesale Trade	10,982	Education and Health Services	19,823
Retail Trade	31,417	Leisure and Hospitality	22,410
Transportation and Warehousing	8,751	Other Services	6,228
Utilities	794	Total Government	26,506

Source: 2005 Covered Employment and Wages (Annual Average), SC Employment Security Commission

CLIMATE

	GSP Airport	Caesars Head
Annual Average Maximum Temperature	70.8 (F)	63.3 (F)
Annual Average Minimum Temperature	49.5 (F)	45.6 (F)
Annual Average Mean Temperature	60.0 (F)	54.2 (F)
Annual Precipitation	50.12 inches	75.49 inches

* Represents nearest weather observation station

Source: National Oceanic Atmospheric Association

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Greenville Area Development Corporation

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Upstate Alliance

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ADDITIONAL SOURCES

Web sites

www.greatergreenville.com
www.greenvillecounty.org
www.greenvillelibrary.org (county library)
www.southcarolinaparks.com
www.sciway.net
www.upstateforever.org

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