Economic Development Incentives



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Introduction

This report reviews the incentives available under state law that are used to promote economic development. The report serves as an effort to help clarify and improve transparency regarding the use of the incentives. Much of the data utilized here is available and published in summary form elsewhere. Although much time and effort was devoted by several agencies in providing the additional statistics used in this report, further detailed information is not readily available. Without the cooperation of and assistance from the South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development (CCED), the South Carolina Department of Commerce, the South Carolina Department of Employment and Workforce, the South Carolina Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism, the South Carolina Department of Revenue, and the Office of the South Carolina State Treasurer, this report would not be possible. This report provides a basic review of the major economic development incentives and provides insight for further discussion and review.

This report attempts to provide the reader with a better understanding of:

- the scope and use of the major incentives offered by the State
- the criteria and process used for claiming the incentives
- options for further review of the impact of the incentives

This report does not address:

- the impact of federal tax deductions or credits
- the impact of local incentives
- the effectiveness of, or whether the investment would occur but for, the incentive
- a comparison of incentives to other states
- the impact of multiple credits taken by a single taxpayer

This report is divided into five sections:

- the first section provides a brief description of the types of incentives
- the second section provides a review and analysis of incentives requiring an application or negotiation process
- the third section provides a review of the use of incentives generally available under state law
- the fourth section reviews the use of appropriated funds, revenue sources (grants), and general obligation debt as incentives
- the fifth section is an appendix which contains a detailed listing of all economic incentives for FY 2013-14 and a summary of all active Enterprise Zone Act projects by county

Executive Summary

South Carolina offers a host of incentives to promote economic development. These incentives include direct methods such as budgetary programs and indirect methods like tax credits. For Fiscal Year 2013-14, the expenditures on these economic development incentives were

Tax Credits	\$242,426,751
Budgetary Items	\$137,826,792
Total Incentives - FY 2013-14	\$380,253,543

This report summarizes and places into perspective the use and relative magnitude of tax credits and appropriations utilized on the state level to attract business investment and jobs. To the extent other data exists regarding an incentive, this information is also presented to help the reader gain some insight on the incentive. While the report strives to be complete, many other details or facts exist elsewhere that the reader may find useful. A partial list of publications that provide additional technical information is found at the end of the report.

- Of the \$242,426,751 in economic development tax credits in FY 2013-14, \$108,261,890 offset corporate income tax, \$102,229,771 offset employee withholding tax, and \$31,935,090 reduced individual income tax liability. Forty-five tax credits are specified in this report.
- The top five individual, corporate, and withholding tax credits are the Jobs Tax, Jobs Development, Economic Impact Zone Investment, Motion Picture Wage and Supplier Rebates, and Redevelopment Fees. Together, these credits account for 71% of total tax credits in FY 2013-14.

Negotiated or Application Credits:

- More data is available on credits that require an approval or negotiation with the state and these credits account for \$93,929,755 or 39% of the total credits discussed here.
- Of the five negotiated credits, the Job Development Credit (JDC) is the largest at \$75.5 million with 81,041 jobs associated with the credit from active agreements as of July 2015. These 81,041 jobs represent just under 4% of South Carolina total employment at that time.
- Revitalization Agreements (RVA) between a business and the CCED regarding JDCs are based on a cost-benefit analysis; from 2000 to 2014 the applications have promised a minimum of almost 150,000 new jobs and \$37 billion in new investment.

• The 81,041 jobs still considered active as of July 2015 represent about 38% of the minimum jobs estimated in the approved revitalization agreements.

Generally Available Credits:

• Due to taxpayer confidentiality and time constraints, detailed data on the general incentives is not readily available for analysis. This report does include a summary of the qualifying criteria, the number of taxpayers claiming the credits, and the amount of the credits for FY 2008-09 to FY 2013-14 in Part III of the report.

Appropriations and Revenue Sources:

- South Carolina directly appropriated or allocated revenue sources for economic development totaling just over \$80.4 million in FY 2013-14.
- These allocations were used mostly to fund community grants to build new infrastructure or attract new businesses.
- Debt service obligations are another source of economic development funding, totaling just over \$57.3 million in FY 2013-14.
- General obligation debt is used to provide infrastructure funding for significant economic development projects and to provide the three research universities (The Medical University of South Carolina, the University of South Carolina, and Clemson University) with infrastructure to advance economic development and create a knowledge based economy.

I. Major Incentives for Economic Development

South Carolina offers a host of incentives specifically designed to promote economic development. These incentives include both direct methods such as budgetary expenditures and indirect methods through preferential tax treatment. Appendix I provides a detailed list of incentives and the amounts claimed during FY 2013-14. For 2013-14, incentives for economic development were

Tax Credits	\$242,426,751
Budgetary Items	<u>\$137,826,792</u>
Total Incentives - FY 2013-14	\$380,253,543

These tax credits can be grouped into three major areas, Individual Income Tax, Corporate Income Tax, and Withholding Tax Liability. In general, the tax system may offer incentives in the form of tax deductions and exemptions, varying tax rates, and credits. The Department of Revenue's Annual Report for FY 2013-14 lists over \$528 million in income tax credits. Approximately 46% of total credits are identified in this report as incentives for economic development. This report focuses on these credits which are designed to encourage business activity. For FY 2013-14, tax credits totaled (see Figure A in Appendix II)

Individual Income	\$31,935,090
Corporate Income	\$108,261,890
Withholding Tax Liability	\$102,229,771
Total Credits – FY 2013-14	\$242,426,751

Direct methods of providing incentives include budgetary expenditures to provide specific services to encourage economic development. Budgetary items include direct appropriations, allocations from dedicated revenue sources, or debt service for items covered by a bond issue. For FY 2013-14, the budgetary items totaled

Appropriations/Revenue Sources	\$80,429,768
Debt Service	<u>\$57,397,024</u>
Total Budgetary Items	\$137,826,792

Please note that the Appropriations/Revenue Sources indicate the amount of annual appropriations or revenue credited for these programs. Because of grant requirements, timing of project expenses, and other factors, actual fiscal year expenditures may be different than appropriations and revenue figures. This detail is discussed later in this report.

Table 1 summarizes the recent history of these credits in relation to income tax collections. For the individual income tax analysis, only business income from self-employed individuals or income from pass-through entities such as partnerships or Subchapter S corporations is considered.

Table 1 reports:

- Individual income tax (IIT) credits represent less than 10% of individual income tax collections from business activities (see Figure B in Appendix II)
- During the past six years, corporate income tax (CIT) credits represented anywhere from 32% to 74% of net corporate income tax collections. The ratio is more dependent on variations in the economy and corporate net profits (see Figure C in Appendix II)
- Withholding credits represent less than 2.6% of withholding collections each year

Table 1 – Income Taxes and Economic Development Tax Credits

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
IIT (Estimated)	-	-	\$288,559,794	\$319,609,140	\$367,980,644	\$368,892,759
IIT Credits	-	-	\$30,034,128	\$52,314,273	\$29,833,381	\$31,935,090
Net Corp Tax	\$249,241,783	\$148,524,509	\$216,081,851	\$252,903,577	\$386,668,590	\$331,148,048
Corp Credits	\$105,618,246	\$110,735,627	\$142,992,000	\$145,001,100	\$138,351,931	\$108,261,890
Corp Credits Expired	\$2,740,273	\$1,353,395	\$2,916,669	\$5,523,092	\$1,541,434	\$1,835,852
Corp Credits Carry-forward	\$708,376,217	\$721,053,850	\$1,588,739,278	\$854,444,556	\$723,599,876	\$478,741,762
Withholding Taxes - Total	\$3,515,538,351	\$3,544,833,381	\$3,684,805,392	\$3,808,892,471	\$3,970,277,756	\$4,173,683,182
Withholding Credits	\$89,719,222	\$83,850,422	\$90,600,941	\$85,489,901	\$90,470,312	\$102,229,771

Source: SC Department of Revenue Annual Reports, RFA Revenue Reports and tax analysis.

Table 2 details the largest economic development tax credits for FY 2013-14. Given the number of incentives available, this report focuses on those incentives which totaled more than \$1,000,000 in any of the past five years.

Table 2 shows:

- Top five IIT credits (account for approximately 70% of individual income tax credits
- Top five CIT credits account for approximately 63% of the corporate income tax credits
- Top 5 Total Credits are Jobs Tax, Jobs Development, Economic Impact Zone Investment, Motion Picture Wage and Supplier Rebates, and Redevelopment Fees (see Figure D in Appendix II)

Table 2 – Largest Economic Development Tax Credits for FY 2013-14

	Individual		Individual	
	Income	Corporate Income	Withholding	Total
Jobs Tax Credits	\$6,660,084	\$45,322,106	-	\$51,982,190
Jobs Development	ı	=	\$75,528,531	\$75,528,531
Economic Impact Zone Investment	\$676,108	\$19,612,717	-	\$20,288,825
Motion Picture Wage and Supplier Rebates	\$77,940	-	\$15,875,335	\$15,953,275
Conservation	\$6,996,856	=	-	\$6,996,856
Industry Partners	\$5,729,854	=	-	\$5,729,854
Textile Rehabilitation	\$2,180,032	\$641,414	-	\$2,821,446
Infrastructure	ı	\$113,321	-	\$113,321
Job Retraining	-	-	\$1,687,871	\$1,687,871
Redevelopment Fees	-	-	\$9,138,034	\$9,138,034
Tax Moratorium	-	\$2,853,138		\$2,853,138
All Other Credits	\$9,614,216	\$39,719,194	-	\$49,333,410
Total	\$31,935,090	\$108,261,890	\$102,229,771	\$242,426,751

Source: SC Department of Revenue Annual Reports and information provided by the SC Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. This analysis combines the expenditures on motion picture wages and supplier rebates.

A. Tax Credits

In Appendix I, and as discussed in this report, the tax credits are divided into two categories depending on whether the tax credit is offered through an application or negotiation process or if it is generally available under state tax law, as follows.

Negotiated Credits	\$93,929,755
General Credits	\$148,576,688
Total	\$242,426,751

Type I - Negotiated or Application Credits

These incentives are discretionary to the agency that administers the program and requires an application or agency approval as part of the eligibility process to claim the credit in addition to any specific criteria or standards provided by statute. For FY 2013-14, this group of credits totaled \$93.9 million or approximately 25% of total incentives. This category includes four credits – Jobs Development, Job Retraining, and Motion Picture rebates that are credits against individual income withholding payments and Port Volume credits which may offset both individual income withholding payments and corporate income taxes. All port volume credits through FY 2010-11 reduced corporate income tax. The Coordinating Council for Economic Development of the Department of Commerce (DOC) administers these credits except for the Motion Picture Rebates, which are administered by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism, and the Job Retraining credit, which was transferred to the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education (SBTCE) in June of 2014.

The trend in allowing credits against income tax withholding of employees in South Carolina began with the passage of the Enterprise Zone Act of 1995. Prior to this, business incentives were generally limited to income tax and many of these incentives were limited in use. For example, the jobs tax credit is limited to 50% of the taxpayer's liability with the remaining credits carried forward for fifteen years. These limits along with the cyclical nature of corporate net profits resulted in many situations where the business had created new jobs in South Carolina but was unable to utilize the anticipated tax credits. Unused tax credits do not reduce corporate income tax collections. As a result, South Carolina corporate income taxpayers reported over \$450 million in tax credits carried forward from previous years. Large amounts of tax credits carried forward decrease the benefit of tax credits to the businesses that create the new jobs and investments in South Carolina. The trend towards credits against employee withholding allows businesses to more accurately forecast the cash flow implications of the incentives and removes some of the uncertainty of whether the credits will be fully utilized by the eligible businesses.

Type II - General or Open Eligibility

The second category includes credits generally available to taxpayers under the income tax system that satisfy certain statutory criteria but do not involve an application or approval process. A complete list of these credits for FY 2013-14 is contained in Appendix I, and Part II of this report provides detailed discussion on the incentives that total more than \$1,000,000 in a year, ranked by the dollar amount of credits claimed on tax returns. Except in a few circumstances, these credits can only be used to offset the tax liability of an individual or corporation and are not refundable.

Within each of these two categories, incentives may be defined by intent or purpose. These purposes include job creation, general business, industry specific, property rehabilitation, land conservation and environmental, energy conservation and alternatives, or investment.

As more detailed information becomes available, further analysis on the general or open type incentives will be included in future reports.

B. Budgetary Items

The second economic development incentive group involves the grant programs from specified revenue sources, funds appropriated by the General Assembly, and general obligation debt for economic development activities. Most of the grant funding is administrated by the CCED which is chaired by the Secretary of the Department of Commerce. The CCED also receives funding from several specific sources to assist with economic development and community development programs. For FY 2013-14, state appropriations were as follows:

Appropriations/Revenue Sources	\$80,429,768
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Total Budgetary Items	\$137,826,792

The General Assembly also provides up to 1% of the constitutional bonded indebtedness authority to provide infrastructure funding for significant economic development projects and the research universities. For FY 2013-14, state debt service payments for these projects totaled \$57,397,024. Section IV of this report provides greater detail on the annual amount of the grants, revenue sources or appropriations, and annual debt service obligations.

II. <u>Incentives Involving an Application or Negotiated Process</u>

A. Job Development Credit (§12-10-80)

Summary: This rebate of employee withholding tax, at the discretion of the CCED, is available to taxpayers who are primarily engaged in manufacturing, processing, tourism, warehousing, banking, distribution, research and development, certain service related facilities, corporate office, extraordinary retail, agribusiness operations or technology intensive facilities for creating a minimum of ten new full-time jobs¹. The job development credit is a refund of employee withholding, ranging from 2% to 5% of gross wages of the new employees. Once a business reaches the agreed upon new employment and investment levels, job development credits are available for up to fifteen years, but the CCED generally limits the period to ten years. A revitalization agreement approved by the CCED for each project authorizes the qualified credit expenditures by the companies. In general, companies use these credits to fund acquisition and improvements of real estate, improvements to public and private utility systems, pollution control equipment, and training costs.

The credit is limited by the county designation in which the project is located. The credit ranges from 100% of the allowable amount in Tier IV counties and falls to 55% of the allowable amount in Tier I counties. The difference between the maximum credit and the amount determined by the county designation is remitted to the Rural Infrastructure Fund (RIF) as defined in §12-10-85. The CCED administers the RIF and provides reimbursements to businesses for the cost of locating or expanding in South Carolina.

Criteria: To qualify, the taxpayer must:

- 1. be a type of business, that meets statutory provision (listed above)
- 2. submit an application and a \$4,000 fee to the CCED
- 3. offer a health insurance plan comparable to the state insurance plan and pay 50% of employee premiums
- 4. enter into a Revitalization Agreement (RVA) with the CCED which includes mandatory job and investment commitments

¹ Service facilities are required to create more than ten new full-time jobs.

- 5. only jobs with wages equal to or exceeding the average county wage are eligible for the withholding rebate, unless otherwise determined by the CCED
- 6. employee withholdings and rebates must be audited by the Department of Revenue and quarterly reports must be submitted to the CCED
- 7. companies cannot collect more than \$3,250 per job per year unless otherwise permitted by the CCED

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$70,317,528	\$70,279,469	\$65,725,292	\$65,845,088	\$66,485,053	\$75,528,531
Filers	-	215	216	218	217	209

Analysis:

The Job Development Credit (JDC) is one of the two largest incentives allowed under the South Carolina Code. (The other is the Jobs Tax Credit, or JTC, which does not require an application or Revitalization Agreement, and are often taken in conjunction with JDCs.)

1. Cost-Benefit Model

Prior to CCED approval of an application, the CCED staff performs a cost-benefit analysis on the project. This analysis is designed to measure the net cost or net benefit to the State over a ten year period. The model used in the cost-benefit analysis was developed by the Board of Economic Advisors. Table 3 summarizes the data from these models below. The table includes all Enterprise Zone projects approved. However, not all approved projects signed revitalization agreements, and some may no longer be participating in the program.

The key points to be gathered from this table are:

- The economic benefits measured in the model include the increased amount of private sector income earned by South Carolina residents from the direct and indirect benefits of construction of the new buildings, purchases of machinery and equipment, and employee payroll. Public sector benefits include the net increase in state and local tax revenues after the additional costs such as increased educational expenses and the cost of the tax credits and grants are taken into account
- The minimum number of jobs promised by all businesses seeking revitalization agreements averaged over 10,000 per year for the twenty years of the Enterprise Zone Act. Not all jobs are created in the year the agreement was approved, but over time the businesses must achieve their job investment goals or the credits may not be available.

• The increased number of jobs and investment by these firms resulted in \$228.3 billion in total economic benefits for South Carolina as of 2014.

Table 3 - Summary of Cost-Benefit Analysis

Year	Total Minimum	Total Minimum	Total Net Economic
Approved	Number of Jobs	Investment	Impact
1995	12,778	\$2,883,706,002	\$11,936,891,609
1996	18,547	\$2,525,594,514	\$20,336,978,984
1997	11,777	\$1,705,067,135	\$5,338,781,369
1998	12,738	\$1,537,558,067	\$6,792,854,940
1999	12,367	\$1,851,347,747	\$9,294,946,091
2000	11,891	\$1,806,573,919	\$10,141,945,412
2001	6,095	\$2,519,202,560	\$7,347,750,514
2002	6,052	\$1,608,118,675	\$6,124,171,176
2003	6,400	\$878,775,003	\$5,591,277,134
2004	7,064	\$1,472,117,736	\$6,407,837,156
2005	32,341	\$8,633,316,247	\$40,775,061,130
2006	9,014	\$2,558,708,214	\$10,895,258,663
2007	8,092	\$1,658,209,894	\$10,210,721,661
2008	6,681	\$1,882,815,228	\$7,726,747,373
2009	4,981	\$361,623,760	\$4,733,431,374
2010	7,047	\$2,138,755,914	\$8,338,840,831
2011	9,698	\$4,193,039,080	\$13,206,297,751
2012	7,318	\$2,058,799,968	\$9,186,990,281
2013	8,082	\$1,880,638,164	\$9,758,621,244
2014	16,515	\$3,456,582,531	\$24,151,341,709
Grand Total	215,478	\$47,610,550,358	\$228,296,746,402

Source: The South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development

2. Revitalization Agreements

a. Statewide Activity

The following set of tables show data gathered from the CCED regarding project applications and approvals for Job Development Credits. Table 4A shows the number of projects still active by year of initial approval (see Figure E in Appendix II). Overall,

- As of July 2015, 34% of Approved applications are considered Active
- Active means the business was operating under the terms of a revitalization agreement as of July 2015.
- Annual applications have trended down to about half the number experienced in the first five years of the program. One reason this occurred was due to a CCED policy change

concerning the application process. More restrictive policy guidelines were instituted which had the effect of limiting the number of applications to only those with more committed projects

• The smaller percentage of Active for the earlier years was one of the reasons for the policy change to require more commitments from applicants

Table 4A – Enterprise Zone Applicants by Year

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ENTERPRISE ZONE PROJECT APPLICATIONS					
Projects Appr	oved for vs.	Active Projec	ts 1995-2014		
Year Commitment Letter Approved	Projects Approved	Projects Active as of 7/22/2015	Percent Active of Approved		
1995	76	4	5.26%		
1996	160	20	12.50%		
1997	104	16	15.38%		
1998	108	16	14.81%		
1999	120	23	19.17%		
2000	99	17	17.17%		
2001	62	12	19.35%		
2002	68	17	25.00%		
2003	63	21	33.33%		
2004	60	25	41.67%		
2005	99	25	25.25%		
2006	71	20	28.17%		
2007	66	18	27.27%		
2008	56	16	28.57%		
2009	32	17	53.13%		
2010	48	29	60.42%		
2011	54	48	88.89%		
2012	52	48	92.31%		
2013	53	51	96.23%		
2014	80	79	98.75%		
Grand Total	1531	522	34.10%		

Table 4B shows the minimum number of jobs for active projects compared to the total of all approved jobs by initial year of approval (see Figure F in Appendix II). This table shows:

- As of July 2015, roughly 81,000 jobs in the state are within the Enterprise Zone program
- Approximately 38% of the minimum number of jobs committed to by businesses in the approved applications are still active

Table 4B – Enterprise Zone Applicants Minimum Jobs

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ENTERPRISE ZONE MINIMUM JOBS											
Projects Approved for vs. Active Projects 1995-2014											
Approved Sum of											
Year	Applicants	Minimum									
	Sum of	Jobs	Percent of								
Commitme nt Letter	Minimum	Committed	Active								
	-		Approved								
Approved	Jobs	Active									
	Committed	Projects Only	2 700/								
1995	12,778	355	2.78%								
1996	18,547	3,643	19.64%								
1997	11,777	2,195	18.64%								
1998	12,738	2,794	21.93%								
1999	12,367	4,325	34.97%								
2000	11,891	3,482	29.28%								
2001	6,095	1,196	19.62%								
2002	6,052	1,860	30.73%								
2003	6,400	2,752	43.00%								
2004	7,064	3,597	50.92%								
2005	32,341	3,013	9.32%								
2006	9,014	3,125	34.67%								
2007	8,092	1,435	17.73%								
2008	6,681	1,295	19.38%								
2009	4,981	2,898	58.18%								
2010	7,047	3,926	55.71%								
2011	9,698	8,206	84.62%								
2012	7,318	6,729	91.95%								
2013	8,082	7,932	98.14%								
2014	16,515	16,290	98.64%								
Grand Total	215,478	81,048	37.61%								

Table 4C shows the minimum investment of active projects compared to the total value of approved projects by initial year of approval (see Figure G in Appendix II).

This table indicates:

- About 43% of approved applicants remain active in meeting the minimum investment requirements set by the RVA
- The actual percentage may be understated because some firms have already received their maximum tax credits under the RVA's from their expanded employment and investments
- The improvement in the percentage active in 2007 to 2014 suggests that the CCED and business firms are more able to match tax credit usage and business investment

Table 4C – Enterprise Zone Investments

	ENTERPRISE ZONE INVESTMENTS										
Projec	ts Approved for vs.	Active Projects 1995-2	014								
Year Commitment Letter	Approved Applicants Sum of Minimum	Sum of Minimum Investment Active	Percent of Active								
Approved	Investment	Projects Only	Approved								
1995	2,883,706,002	55,431,976	1.92%								
1996	2,525,594,514	567,247,142	22.46%								
1997	1,705,067,135	664,482,042	38.97%								
1998	1,537,558,067	352,539,055	22.93%								
1999	1,851,347,747	815,702,980	44.06%								
2000	1,806,573,919	331,417,771	18.35%								
2001	2,519,202,560	338,831,591	13.45%								
2002	1,608,118,675	323,736,794	20.13%								
2003	878,775,003	592,349,786	67.41%								
2004	1,472,117,736	785,409,724	53.35%								
2005	8,633,316,247	898,374,900	10.41%								
2006	2,558,708,214	909,938,110	35.56%								
2007	1,658,209,894	562,425,800	33.92%								
2008	1,882,815,228	393,746,228	20.91%								
2009	361,623,760	233,157,786	64.48%								
2010	2,138,755,914	1,504,742,477	70.36%								
2011	4,193,039,080	3,970,684,080	94.70%								
2012	2,058,799,968	1,985,537,817	96.44%								
2013	1,880,638,164	1,809,638,164	96.22%								
2014	3,456,582,531	3,454,052,498	99.93%								
Grand Total	47,610,550,358	20,549,446,721	43.16%								

b. County Data

As with most employment, Enterprise Zone Projects are concentrated around other large employment areas. Tables 5-A, 5-B, and 5-C list the counties by the most number of Revitalization Agreements, the largest number of proposed jobs, and the largest amount of proposed investments. Appendix III contains these details regarding all counties.

These tables show:

- In terms of number of projects, the top 10 counties accounted for approximately 61% of all active projects (Table 5-A and Appendix III)
- In terms of jobs, the top 10 counties accounted for approximately 70% of jobs (Table 5-B and Appendix III)
- In terms of investment, the top 10 counties accounted for approximately 84% of investments (Table 5-C and Appendix III)
- Only twelve counties are represented in the three top 10 categories

Table 5A - Top 10 Counties for Enterprise Zone Projects

	ACTIVE ENTERPRISE ZONE PROJECTS										
	COUNTIES WITH >20 PROJECTS										
		(as of July	2015)								
Rank	County	Project	Minimum	Minimum							
Nank	County	Count	Jobs	Investment							
1	Spartanburg	55	8,704	2,788,895,601							
2	Greenville	46	7,660	1,212,522,100							
3	York	40	11,583	988,333,923							
4	Lancaster	35	6,242	458,340,980							
5	Berkeley	31	3,891	1,634,556,555							
6	Charleston	30	4,854	1,095,122,310							
7	Anderson	27	3,482	2,416,166,000							
8	Richland	23	5,335	1,013,875,114							
9	Chester	21	2,815	810,488,903							
10	Aiken	18	2,947	2,021,440,891							
	Grand Total	326	57,513	\$14,439,742,377							

Table 5B – Top 10 Counties for Enterprise Zone Jobs

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	ACTIVE ENTERPRISE ZONE PROJECTS										
	COUNTIES WITH >2,000 JOBS										
		(as of Ju	ıly 2015)								
Rank	County	Project	Minimum	Minimum							
Marik	County	Count	Jobs	Investment							
1	York	40	11,583	988,333,923							
2	Spartanburg	55	8,704	2,788,895,601							
3	Greenville	46	7,660	1,212,522,100							
4	Lancaster	35	6,242	458,340,980							
5	Richland	23	5,335	1,013,875,114							
6	Charleston	30	4,854	1,095,122,310							
7	Berkeley	31	3,891	1,634,556,555							
8	Anderson	27	3,482	2,416,166,000							
9	Lexington	17	2,949	1,056,092,400							
10	Aiken	18	2,947	2,021,440,891							
	Grand Total	322	57.647	\$14.685.345.874							

Source: The South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development

Table 5C - Top 10 Counties for Enterprise Zone Investments

	Tuble 30 Top 10 counties for Enterprise 20the investments									
	ACTIVE ENTERPRISE ZONE PROJECTS									
	COUNTIES WITH >\$500M INVESTMENT									
		(as of Ju	ly 2015)							
Rank	County	Project	Minimum	Minimum						
Nank	County	Count	Jobs	Investment						
1	Spartanburg	55	8,704	2,788,895,601						
2	Anderson	27	3,482	2,416,166,000						
3	Aiken	18	2,947	2,021,440,891						
4	Berkeley	31	3,891	1,634,556,555						
5	Greenville	46	7,660	1,212,522,100						
6	Charleston	30	4,854	1,095,122,310						
7	Lexington	17	2,949	1,056,092,400						
8	Richland	23	5,335	1,013,875,114						
9	York	40	11,583	988,333,923						
10	Laurens	15	2,635	931,733,800						
G	rand Total	302	54,040	\$15,158,738,694						

3. Job Development Credits by Year Approved

As previously noted, the state rebates approximately \$70 million of JDCs to approved businesses on an annual basis. In any one year, these credits correspond to agreements entered into over the past 15 or more years. The following tables show the amount of credits taken each tax year based on the original year the project was approved by the CCED. Data for the most recent year is incomplete or not available as businesses may take up to five years (or more for significant projects) to create the required minimum number of new jobs and make the required minimum investment pursuant to the RVAs and begin to utilize the JDC for up to fifteen years. These credits are based on the additional withholding tax generated from the increased employment, and represent only a portion of the increased withholding tax remitted from the companies.

In general, these tables show that:

- Most credits are from Revitalization Agreements signed in prior years; it takes a few years before companies can expand and start hiring
- The recession of 2007-2009 resulted in a drop in JDCs due to lower employment, but overall, employment was still high enough to continue eligibility for many companies

Annual JDCs against employer withholdings may continue to increase as credits may be earned and taken for up to 15 years.

Table 6A summarizes the total JDCs claimed from 2006 through 2010 by year in which the Revitalization Agreement was certified and the amount attributable to active companies. The table is made possible because of the auditing conducted by DOR. It also shows the amount of income tax withholding which generated the JDCs.

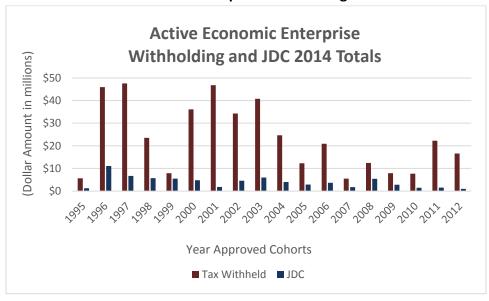
- 87% of the total JDCs taken from 1995-2010 are for companies that were still active as of March 2012. Complete data for JDCs in subsequent years is not available as of yet since it takes companies some time to build and operate facilities and staff personnel.
- The JDCs over this time period represented 19% of the total additional withholding; from employment covered under the Revitalization Agreements
- 70% of taken JDCs are for Revitalization Agreements prior to 2000
- Given the 15 year eligibility period, it will take more time before all eligible businesses complete their RVAs and total credits can be completely analyzed
- Tables 6B shows that in each year approved cohort there are active projects as of now

Table 6A – Active Job Development Credits, Jobs, and Investments

	ECONOMIC ENTERPRISE TOTAL WITHHOLDINGS AND JDC CREDITS CLAIM YEARS 2006-2010											
Year Approved	Total Active	Current Active Withholdings	Current Active JDCs	Total Withholdings	Total JDCs	Sum of Minimum Jobs Committed Active Projects as of 3/31/2012	Sum of Minimum Investment Active Projects as of 3/31/2012					
1995	22	\$250,645,323	\$35,346,753	\$304,634,134	\$57,941,659	3,079	\$431,131,676					
1996	40	\$277,209,481	\$87,338,460	\$345,256,159	\$93,003,948	5,910	\$1,062,391,776					
1997	19	\$209,016,291	\$35,836,462	\$251,603,407	\$38,498,842	2,657	\$686,512,214					
1998	34	\$196,811,004	\$33,258,661	\$230,262,358	\$35,878,808	4,366	\$643,080,072					
1999	23	\$119,920,933	\$31,189,292	\$183,293,421	\$38,927,097	4,335	\$908,270,672					
2000	16	\$118,612,212	\$23,052,388	\$145,404,638	\$24,579,861	3,238	\$265,793,072					
2001	16	\$69,779,088	\$10,142,885	\$71,971,281	\$11,065,497	1,356	\$474,008,805					
2002	21	\$116,848,204	\$19,323,556	\$142,031,244	\$21,283,855	3,428	\$984,405,517					
2003	21	\$132,824,546	\$16,026,881	\$159,778,881	\$19,926,598	3,401	\$666,114,176					
2004	23	\$64,218,643	\$11,239,099	\$69,577,688	\$11,484,284	2,920	\$696,497,865					
2005	31	\$49,084,410	\$6,856,039	\$49,084,410	\$6,856,039	3,926	\$911,042,728					
2006	32	\$49,413,719	\$7,736,511	\$49,413,719	\$7,736,511	4,168	\$491,650,304					
2007	39	\$8,254,819	\$984,109	\$8,402,602	\$1,045,291	5,532	\$912,142,732					
2008	37	\$9,697,418	\$882,814	\$9,697,418	\$882,814	3,403	\$1,226,111,405					
2009	33	\$3,781,649	\$2,480,924	\$3,781,649	\$2,480,924	4,782	\$384,854,037					
2010	38	\$1,553,188	\$668,441	\$1,553,188	\$668,441	6,042	\$2,022,110,914					
Grand Total	445	\$1,677,670,928	\$322,363,275	\$2,025,746,197	\$372,260,469	62,543	\$12,766,117,965					

Source: The South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development and SC Department of Commerce

Table 6B – Active Economic Enterprise Withholding and JDC 2014 Totals



4. Employment

This study attempted to determine the effectiveness of the job development credit enacted by the Enterprise Zone Act of 1995 by comparing the employment growth of participating firms from the time they began taking the credit to similar firms in South Carolina and the nation. Unfortunately, data on participating firms is unavailable before 2005. The Department of Employment and Workforce (DEW) is currently collecting employment data for firm's that began utilizing the job development credit in 2005 and later years. Comparing these firms employment growth to similar firms in South Carolina and the U.S. should shed some light on the effectiveness of this tax credit.

In the interim, an attempt was made to utilize less specific data to measure the effectiveness of the Enterprise Zone credit. This method involved analyzing the change in employment for all firms that are eligible for the tax credit in South Carolina to nationwide employment for similar firms. From the list of economic development projects that have a certified revitalization agreement under the Enterprise Zone Act of 1995, the Department of Employment and Workforce provided the BEA with a list of 301 six-digit level non-duplicated North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes. Employment Data was then gathered for South Carolina and the U.S. from 2001 and 2011 for each of the NAICS codes. The 301 NAICS codes, however, returned data on almost 30,000 South Carolina establishments and over 500,000 employees. Unfortunately, this means that the 301 firms with certified revitalization agreements account for only 1% of this employment history and makes this comparison meaningless.

B. Job Retraining Credits (§12-10-95)

Summary: Prior to June of 2014, approved companies may claim a credit against employee withholding equal up to \$500 per employee per year for a five-year period. The maximum credit per eligible employee cannot exceed \$2,000 during the five-year period. Effective July 1, 2014, the annual amount per employee is increased to \$1,000 and the five-year maximum is increased to \$5,000. Companies may utilize these refunds for retraining qualified employees in order for the business to remain competitive or to introduce new technologies. Companies cannot claim Job Development Credits and Job Retraining Credits for the same employee.

Criteria: An eligible business must be primarily engaged in manufacturing, processing, or technology intensive activity. Qualifying companies must apply to the SBTCE and demonstrate the retraining is necessary for the business to remain competitive or to introduce new technology. Prior to June 2014, the business was required to match the amount claimed as a credit on a dollar-for-dollar basis. Effective July 1, 2014, the business must now match on a dollar-for-dollar and a half basis. In addition, the business must provide a benefits package that includes health care, to the retrained employees. The business must submit a training plan to the SBTCE for approval. The State Board is required to establish policies and procedures to

provide the oversight and administration for the Enterprise Zone Retraining Program. Specific program details can be found in the Enterprise Zone Retraining Manual.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$2,059,613	\$2,195,382	\$2,090,453	\$1,878,607	\$1,589,484	\$1,687,871
Filers	-	22	22	24	24	25

Analysis:

- CCED data report that this program assisted in retraining over 21,000 employees annually from FY 2005-06 through FY 2013-14
- Job retraining credit utilization has fallen from over \$6 million annually in fiscal years 2000-01 and 2001-02 to \$1.7 million in FY 2013-14
- c. Motion Picture Credits or Rebates (§§12-6-2560, 12-6-3570, 12-62-50, 12-62-60)

Summary: The motion picture industry benefits from rebates for payroll and supplier expenses made in South Carolina on a motion picture production. The two rebates are administered by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism. The payroll rebate is up to 20% of the total aggregate South Carolina payroll of persons employed in connection with the production of a motion picture in South Carolina. The supplier rebate is up to 30% of a minimum \$1 million expenditure amount, not including payroll, made in South Carolina on a motion picture production. Motion picture companies typically receive both of these rebates when filming in South Carolina. Because of this fact, we have combined the wage and supplier rebates in our analysis even though the source of revenue for the supplier rebate is an allocation of 26% of General Fund admissions tax collections. The wage rebate is funded through a maximum \$10,000,000 annual appropriation from the state General Fund.

Investment in motion picture productions, facilities, or post production facilities may be eligible for income tax credits. Eligible taxpayers may claim tax credits of 20%, up to \$100,000, of a taxpayer's cash investment in a company that develops or produces a qualified South Carolina motion picture, 20% of an investment in a company that constructs, converts, or equips a motion picture production or post production facility, and 10% of a company's investment in commercial advertising productions for multi-market distribution. The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism must certify that the motion picture project is eligible for the income tax credits.

Criteria: Depending on the specific incentive, companies may be required to meet minimum investment or filming days, and salary limitations.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Income Tax Credits	\$38,823	\$13,060	\$53,300	Not Released by DOR	\$95	\$77,940
Filers	3	3	2	<5	<5	<5
Wage and Supplier Rebates	\$12,905,454	\$7,690,246	\$15,676,574	\$10,615,413	\$13,395,625	\$15,875,335
Filers	3	2	4	2	3	4

Analysis:

- Utilization of the wage and supplier rebate fluctuates due to the number of productions filmed in South Carolina
- The payroll rebates, because of the nature of this industry, do not create permanent full time employees and there is no requirement that the employees be South Carolina residents
- D. Port Volume (§12-6-3375)

Summary: A taxpayer who uses port facilities in this state and increases its port cargo volume by a minimum of 5% in a year over its base volume may claim a credit against income tax in an amount and type determined by the CCED. Beginning January 1, 2011, the CCED may award the credits as a rebate of withholding taxes.

Criteria: A taxpayer must be engaged in manufacturing, warehousing, freight forwarding or handling, goods processing, cross docking, trans-loading, wholesaling of goods, or distribution which uses port facilities in this state. The taxpayer must apply for the credit and provide detailed records on port usage to allow the CCED staff to review and verify the base volume and 5% growth in port cargo volume. The CCED must approve the application and set the amount of the credit per increased shipping container unit. The total credit for all taxpayers per year is limited to eight million dollars.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$1,744,481	\$21,063	\$396,500	\$2,132,125	\$1,408,307	\$760,078
Filers	9	<5	<5	7	5	7

Analysis:

- The income tax credit usage is dependent on income tax liability and growth in port usage volume.
- The use of this credit has fluctuated with the general economic cycle.
- If the taxpayers' port usage does not increase by more than 5% from the previous year, no credit can be awarded.

III. Incentives Generally Available to Taxpayers

The remaining credits are generally available to qualifying individuals or corporations when filing an income or other tax form (see Figure I in Appendix II). State law defines eligibility and there is no application process. As previously noted, Appendix I contains a complete list of these credits which are further categorized by type or purpose. Those credits which totaled more than \$1,000,000 in a year are summarized below.

A. Jobs Tax Credits (§12-6-3360)

Summary: This credit is available to taxpayers who operate manufacturing, tourism, processing, warehousing, distribution, research and development, corporate office, qualifying service-related facilities, extraordinary retail establishments, agribusiness operations qualifying technology intensive facilities, and banks. The credit per job created ranges from \$1,500 to \$8,000 depending on the ranking of the county in which the job is created. Relative per capita income and unemployment rates rank the counties. The lowest ranking counties have the larger tax credits.

Criteria: To qualify, companies must create a monthly average of 10 new jobs² and maintain them for a full year for eligibility for the credit. Businesses may claim the credit for five years and the credit is limited to 50% of the taxpayer's liability. Qualifying taxpayers with ninety-nine or less workers are required to create a monthly average of two jobs. Unused credits may be carried forward for fifteen years.

Recent History:

FY 2008-09 FY 2009-10 FY 2010-11 FY 2011-12 FY 2012-13 FY 2013-14 \$51,248,095 \$41,525,257 \$65,895,003 \$61,373,985 Amount \$55,757,154 \$51,982,190 **Filers** 551 481 548 569 568 550

² Service must create more than 10 new jobs on average.

B. Recycling Facility Tax Credit (§12-6-3460)

Summary: A credit against corporate income or license tax or sales and use tax equal to 30% of an investment in businesses that construct or operate a qualified recycling facility.

Criteria: The facility must manufacture products comprised of 50% or more post-consumer waste. Investment in the facility must reach at least \$300 million within five years of operations.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$7,877,996	\$12,287,073	\$30,977,657	\$13,020,253	\$0	\$0
Filers	<5	<5	<5	<5	0	0

C. Research and Development Credit (§12-6-3415)

Summary: A credit against income taxes or corporate license fees of 5% of qualified research expenses made in South Carolina. The credit is limited to 50% of a taxpayer's liability after all other credits are applied. Credits may be carried forward for ten years.

Criteria: Qualified research expenses are the same as outlined in the Internal Revenue Code §41 and the taxpayer must claim the federal income tax credit for increasing research activities.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$16,098,321	\$13,032,215	\$14,279,733	\$22,362,577	\$25,010,859	\$23,375,053
Filers	138	170	258	289	301	315

D. Credit for investing in qualified manufacturing and productive equipment (§12-14-60)

Summary: A credit of up to 2.5 % of qualifying manufacturing or productive equipment placed in service.

Criteria: The credit ranges from 0.5% to 2.5% based on the applicable recovery period for property under IRC §168(e). Unused credits may be carried forward for ten years. The property basis is reduced for the credit and a prorated portion of the credits may be recaptured if the property is removed from the state before the end of the recovery period.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$24,357,670	\$20,094,540	\$11,625,285	\$32,201,078	\$36,597,689	\$20,288,825
Filers	192	165	198	229	212	254

E. Conservation Credit (§12-6-3515)

Summary: A credit equal to 25% of the federal deduction attributable to the gift of land for conservation or a qualified conservation contribution on real property interest. The credit is 25% of the federal deduction allowable under IRC §170, but is limited to a maximum of \$250 per acre. The total credit claimed by a taxpayer per year cannot exceed \$52,500. Unused credits may be carried forward with no limitation.

Criteria: The property must be located in South Carolina and the contribution must meet the requirements defined in IRC § 170. A qualified appraiser must substantiate the fair market value of the donated land or interest in the property. A taxpayer may transfer unused credits upon application to and approval by the Department of Revenue.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$5,917,680	\$11,578,340	\$7,636,450	\$7,462,021	\$7,466,531	\$6,996,856
Filers	237	300	331	291	302	259

F. Redevelopment Fees (§ 12-10-88)

Summary: The Enterprise Zone Act of 1995 in §12-10-88 requires the Department of Revenue to remit to redevelopment authorities that oversee closed or realigned military installations individual income tax withholding equal to 5% of all South Carolina wages paid to federal employers at the closed or realigned military installations. The redevelopment authorities were established to return these closed or realigned military installations to the local property tax rolls and replace lost jobs. The redevelopment fees may be remitted for fifteen years or through January 1, 2017, whichever occurs last.

Criteria: Closed or realigned military installation means a federal defense site in which permanent employment was reduced by three thousand jobs or more after December 31, 1990, or a military base that was closed or realigned under the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990. The redevelopment authorities for the Charleston Naval Complex,

the Savannah River Site, and the Myrtle Beach Air Force Base qualify for the redevelopment fees.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$4,324,492	\$6,992,574	\$7,251,712	\$9,000,150	\$9,000,150	\$9,138,034
Filers	3	3	3	3	3	3

G. Industry Partnership (§12-6-3585)

Summary: A credit against income taxes or corporate license fees, individual income, bank, or insurance taxes equal to 100% of contributions made to the Industry Partnership Fund administered by the South Carolina Research Authority in collaboration with SC Launch. Contributions to the Industry Partnership Fund are used by SC Launch to support entrepreneurs, start-up companies, and to commercialize research at Clemson University, the Medical University of South Carolina, and the University of South Carolina. Unused credits may be carried forward for ten years.

Criteria: The maximum annual credit is limited to \$2,000,000 per taxpayer and \$6,000,000 in total credits to all taxpayers.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$3,267,051	\$3,422,718	\$4,602,476	\$25,509,008	\$5,981,826	\$5,729,854
Filers	100	125	172	230	249	270

H. Textile Revitalization Credit (§12-65-30)

Summary: A credit is allowed against income, corporate license, insurance premium, or property tax equal to 25% of qualified renovation, improvement, or redevelopment expenses of abandoned textile mills in SC. The credit against income taxes, corporate license, or insurance premiums is claimed in equal installments over five years and is limited to 50% of a taxpayer's liability. Alternatively, the credit against property tax can offset up to 75% of real property taxes due on the mill site each year for eight years. Unused credits may be carried forward for five years.

Criteria: The credit is not available to the taxpayer that abandoned the textile mill. If the credit is taken against property taxes, the county or municipality must determine that the textile mill site and the proposed rehabilitation expenses are eligible for the credit. Additionally, there

must be a public hearing and the municipality or county shall approve the textile mill site for the credit by ordinance.

Recent History: (The amounts below are for credits against income or corporate license taxes. The amount of property tax credits is unavailable.)

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$1,113,010	\$565,802	\$3,904,567	\$3,710,694	\$3,573,711	\$2,821,446
Filers	48	<22	<47	<40	55	68

I. Infrastructure Construction (§12-6-3420)

Summary: A credit is allowed against corporate income or bank taxes equal to 50% of expenses for the construction or improvement of water lines, sewer lines, or road projects.

Criteria: The credit is limited to \$10,000 per project per year with a total project maximum of \$40,000.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$3,043,408	\$2,289,535	\$3,822,142	\$3,399,208	\$2,007,008	\$113,321
Filers	9	10	17	12	11	6

J. Corporate Headquarter Tax Credit (§12-6-3410)

Summary: A credit equal to 20% of the qualifying costs is allowed for establishing or expanding a corporate headquarters in South Carolina.

Criteria: The credit may be taken against corporate income tax, corporate license tax, or bank tax if the company meets specific job and per capita income requirements. Unused credits may be carried forward for ten to fifteen years depending on the number of new jobs created. The company must establish a national or regional headquarters in South Carolina.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$9,287,269	\$422,647	\$727,568	\$1,956,979	\$1,667,724	\$806,432
Filers	5	<5	<5	10	11	9

K. Water Impoundments and Controls (§12-6-3370)

Summary: A credit against income taxes equal to 25% of expenditures incurred for the construction, installation, or restoration of certain ponds, lakes, and other water impoundment and control structures. The maximum credit per taxpayer is \$2,500. Any unused credits may be carried forward for five years.

Criteria: A taxpayer must obtain a construction permit or proof of exemption from the Department of Health and Environmental Control.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount	\$1,109,344	\$50,873	\$178,233	\$97,876	\$143,292	\$22,106
Filers	44	39	<52	<29	14	14

L. Tax Moratorium (§§12-6-3365, 3367)

Summary: A moratorium on corporate income or insurance premium taxes is allowed for qualifying companies who create and maintain at least 100 jobs and invest in certain economically depressed counties in South Carolina. The moratorium is generally for ten years, but can be extended to fifteen if the business creates and maintains at least 200 new jobs.

Criteria: Taxpayer must be a type of business that is qualified for the jobs tax credit and must create and maintain within five years, at least 100 new full-time jobs in a county with an average unemployment rate of at least twice the statewide average, or in one of the three lowest per capita income counties over the last three years. The Department of Revenue designates the counties meeting the unemployment and per capita income requirements annually. The CCED must certify that the facility will have a significant positive economic impact on the region.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Amount		\$2,702,416	\$1,471,063	\$0	\$2,624,680	\$2,853,138
Filers		<10	<10	0	<5	<5

IV. Budgetary Items – Appropriations, Revenue Sources, and Debt Service

Appropriations/Revenue Sources \$80,429,768

Debt Service \$57,397,024

Total Budgetary Items \$137,826,792

A. Appropriations and Revenue Sources

Summary: Several direct appropriations or allocations of revenue sources are used to help provide funding for economic development projects.

- 1) The CCED currently administers the Economic Development Set-Aside Fund which is funded by utility tax revenue. This fund began in 1987 with a \$10,000,000 appropriation from gasoline taxes. The annual appropriation was later increased to \$18,000,000 and in FY 2006-07 to \$20,000,000 from a combination of gasoline and utility taxes. In FY 2007-08, the entire \$20,000,000 revenue source was derived from utility tax revenue. The Set-Aside Fund provides grants to local governments to develop infrastructure for new and expanding businesses. These grants must go through an application process, show the project receiving the grant will have a significant economic impact through a cost-benefit analysis, and receive final approval by the CCED. These grants are discussed in detail below.
- 2) The Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism (PRT) receives 26% of General Fund admission tax revenue to rebate expenses of motion picture production companies. The department also administers the wage rebate available to motion picture production companies. These rebates are funded through a maximum \$10,000,000 reduction in the state's General Fund. Beginning in FY 2010-11, any wage rebate funding under the \$10,000,000 limit not utilized in the prior fiscal year is allocated to destination specific tourism promotion also administered within PRT.
- 3) The DOC administers the South Carolina Community Economic Development Act which provides grants to state certified community development corporations and community development financial institutions. The program received recurring appropriations in FY 2006-07 and FY 2007-08. Appropriations were discontinued the next year.
- 4) The DOC provides funds to regional economic development organizations and individuals not included in a regional economic development organization through nonrecurring appropriations in FY 2007-08 through FY 2015-16. These funds must be matched on a dollar for dollar basis with private funds that had not been previously allocated or designated for economic development from the regional economic development organizations. The DOC acts as the pass-through administration agency for these appropriations.

- 5) The CCED administers the Rural Infrastructure Fund (RIF) which provides financial assistance to local governments in primarily rural counties for infrastructure and other economic development activities. The RIF is funded through job development credits of participating businesses in Tier I, II, and III counties. Businesses in these counties are entitled to claim 55% to 85% of the job development credits from new workers. The Department of Revenue transfers the difference between the full job development credits and the county tier limitation to the RIF. County tier designations are published annually by the Department of Revenue and correspond to the county designation for the jobs tax credit. Grants from this fund are discussed below.
- 6) The CCED has been awarded Closing Fund appropriations in every year since FY 2005-06 except for fiscal years 2008-09 and 2009-10. These funds were appropriated to encourage and facilitate economic development and competitive recruitment purposes. The funds shall be used as approved by the CCED.
- 7) The Tourism Infrastructure Admissions Tax Act specifies that one-fourth of the admission tax revenue remitted from a major tourism or recreation facility must be paid to the county or municipality in which the tourism facility is located. The admissions tax allocation must be used for infrastructure improvements. An additional one-fourth of the admissions tax revenue derived from the tourism facility is administered by the CCED. These funds are used to provide grants to local governments within five miles of the major tourism or recreation area for infrastructure improvements. The amounts in the table below include the two allocations to local governments and the CCED for local grants.
- 8) The Department of Revenue administers the Energy Freedom and Rural Development Act provisions that provide incentive payments for alternative fuel purchases from sales and use tax revenue. These retailer incentives include a five cent rebate on each gallon of E70 fuel and twenty-five cents per gallon of pure biodiesel fuel for road and off-road use. Additional incentives provided from the General Fund, excluding sales and use tax revenue are provided for the production of electricity or energy from biomass resources. Electricity produced from biomass resources is eligible for a rebate of one cent per kilowatt hour, and thirty cents per therm (100,000 Btu) for energy produced from biomass resources.

Table 7A summarizes the appropriations and revenue sources for economic development for FY 2009-10 to FY 2014-15 (see Figure H in Appendix II).

7A – Appropriations and Revenue Sources for Economic Development

Revenue and Administering Agency	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15
Motor Fuel User Fees – (CCED)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Electric Power Tax – (CCED)	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000
Admissions Tax for motion picture supplier rebate - (PRT)	\$6,175,897	\$6,163,235	\$6,671,789	\$6,673,499	\$6,489,637	\$7,720,371
General Fund allocation for motion picture wage rebate – (PRT)	\$4,292,979	\$11,994,184	\$8,073,470	\$9,406,889	\$10,001,738	\$16,394,499
Community Development Corporations and Community Development Financial Institutions – (DOC)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$400,000	\$0
Regional Economic Development Organizations – (DOC)	\$3,450,000	ł	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000
Rural Infrastructure Fund – (CCED)	\$11,400,000	\$12,000,000	\$13,294,935	\$15,244,909	\$18,092,521	\$19,316,182
Closing Fund – (CCED)	-	\$5,000,000	\$5,000,000	\$25,000,000	\$24,000,000	\$45,360,779
Tourism Infrastructure Admission Tax Allocations and Grants – (CCED)	\$2,627,816	\$2,287,873	\$1,207,939	\$968,054	\$1,036,786	\$561,309
Alternative Fuel Incentives – (DOR)	\$475,323	\$555,244	\$2,391,759	\$5,929,922	\$809,483	\$378,745
Total	\$48,422,015	\$58,000,536	\$61,639,892	\$88,223,273	\$85,830,166	\$114,731,886

B. Grants (CCED)

As previously noted, the annual revenue or appropriations are not always expended in the same fiscal year. The following table represents the total expenditure by CCED on grants from its revenue and budget funds on a calendar year basis.

Grants	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Amount	\$26,377,176	\$31,265,057	\$87,114,026	\$37,577,142	\$38,196,386	\$103,270,825
Number	38	49	78	76	58	84

These grants cover two major issues – Community Development and Economic Development. Grants for Community Development are designed to help communities to be economically competitive and provide sustainable economic opportunities. Communities need a plan for economic development, as well as an established inventory of available, development-ready sites and buildings where new or expanding employers can locate. These grants do not require Performance Agreements, as they are not being used as an incentive to encourage project location or expansion decisions. Instead, community development grants are provided to local governments to benefit the community itself, to address obstacles to economic development and to prepare the community and/or its workforce to compete for and win new industrial and business locations.

By comparison, Economic Development Grants, or those required to assist a local community with infrastructure or other requirements needed to attract a new business or facilitate the expansion of an existing business, are considered an incentive to both the business and the community. Performance Agreements have been required for all economic development grants since 2005, with both the business and the local government grant recipient signing the Performance Agreement. Business performance under the Performance Agreement is measured in terms of jobs and/or capital investment benchmarks that the company was required to commit to create, but the grant is made to the local government of the community where the project is locating or expanding.

Funding sources for community development include the state Rural Infrastructure Fund (RIF) and the federal CDBG program. The RIF was initially targeted almost exclusively to developing projects for communities, revitalizing downtowns and developing tourism. Beginning around 2005, RIF revenues had increased while state resources for economic development funds like the Governor's Closing Fund had decreased, and the state began to use RIF funds for both community and economic development. Funds from the federal CDBG program are not reflected in these tables.

Table 7B shows all grants awarded by CCED since 2000 both in terms of volume and funds awarded. Only economic development grants have related Performance Agreements and can be evaluated on the basis of performance by the related companies under those agreements.

Table 7B - Grants Awarded by Purpose

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	Economic	Development		nmunity Hopment		Total			
Year	# Grants	Total Awarded	# Grants Total Awarded		# Grants	Total Awarded			
2005	15	\$10,743,917	19	\$6,862,551	34	\$17,606,467			
2006	26	\$13,445,864	25	\$6,257,225	51	\$19,703,089			
2007	25	\$9,055,251	11	\$4,322,763	36	\$13,378,014			
2008	15	\$17,898,277	7	\$7,620,000	22	\$25,518,277			
2009	24	\$18,384,983	14	\$6,512,193	38	\$24,897,176			
2010	40	\$24,308,213	10	\$4,362,540	50	\$28,670,753			
2011	48	\$82,259,939	22	\$3,967,135	70	\$86,227,074			
2012	67	\$38,060,694	8	\$316,448	75	\$38,377,142			
2013	56	\$37,013,886	3	\$1,482,500	59	\$38,496,386			
2014	60	\$79,275,273	27	\$26,695,552	87	\$105,970,825			
2015	67	\$34,125,000	29	\$50,181,116	96	\$84,306,116			
Total	443	\$364,571,295	175	\$118,580,023	618	\$483,151,318			

Source: The South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development

Because this study focuses on grant funds used as part of an economic development incentive package for new and expanding businesses, the bulk of the data provided below involves economic development grants only and differentiates the data based on the status of the Performance Agreement (PA). Grants may cover up-front costs such as roads, other infrastructure, site preparation, or building improvements for projects that may take several years before being completed. Delays can be experienced during either phase, with timing of the business phase often depending upon unexpected economic conditions or downturns. For these reasons, Performance Agreements define periods for job creation and capital investment based on initial estimates for construction and project implementation timeframes, but extensions are often required and/or interim benefit is often achieved with realization of all planned investment and job creation activity occurring later.

Performance Agreements can therefore be in one of three stages:

- <u>Satisfied</u> -the grant funded improvements are complete and the business has met the job and investment benchmarks
- <u>In Progress</u> the grant funded improvements are underway or complete but the benchmark dates for jobs and investment have not yet been reached

- <u>Past Due</u> the grant funded improvements are complete and the business is operational but investment and job creation are still ongoing and not yet sufficient to meet benchmarks and satisfy the Performance Agreement
- <u>Non-performing</u> the Performance Agreement was not satisfied and the CCED efforts to resolve the non-performance have been unsuccessful

Tables 7C (1-5) reflect the following:

- 80% of the PAs and 89% of the amounts awarded are still in progress or satisfied; only 19% of the PA and 10% of the funding has been terminated
- Of the PAs satisfied, total jobs created exceeded the number of jobs committed and actual total investment exceeded total investment committed
- 67% of the jobs committed and 65% of the investment committed are still in progress

These tables do not include additional benefits that resulted from additional privately generated benefits in the form of jobs and investment.

Table 7C-1
Economic Development Grants with Performance Agreements by Status

	LU	Onomic Develo	Economic Development Grants with Ferrormance Agreements by Status											
	PA ir	n Progress	PA S	Satisfied	PA Ter	minated	PA	A Pending						
Year	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount						
Year	Grants	Awarded	Grants	Awarded	Grants	Awarded	Grants	Awarded						
2005	1	\$150,000	13	\$10,528,917	1	\$65,000	-	-						
2006	3	\$4,831,506	18	\$7,409,358	5	\$1,205,000	-	-						
2007	3	\$482,074	18	\$7,602,976	4	\$970,200	1	1						
2008	4	\$2,335,950	8	\$15,015,000	3	\$547,326	-	-						
2009	4	\$1,299,983	18	\$16,035,000	2	\$1,050,000	-	-						
2010	23	\$16,902,037	16	\$7,381,176	1	\$25,000	1	-						
2011	34	\$79,665,000	13	\$2,444,939	1	\$150,000	-	-						
2012	59	\$34,868,488	6	\$2,942,206	2	\$250,000	-	-						
2013	50	\$35,963,886	4	\$900,000	2	\$150,000	1	1						
2014	55	\$76,625,273	-	-	-	-	5	\$2,650,000						
2015	7	\$3,900,000	-	-	-	-	60	\$30,225,000						
Grand Total	243	\$257,024,197	114	\$70,259,572	21	\$4,412,526	65	\$32,875,000						

Table 7C-2
Economic Development Grants with Performance Agreements by Status
As Percent of Total Number and Funds Awarded as Reported in Table 7B

	PA in P	rogress	PA Satisfied		PA Terminated	
Year	Number	Amount	Number	Amount	Number	Amount
	Grants	Awarded	Grants	Awarded	Grants	Awarded
2005	7%	1%	87%	98%	7%	1%
2006	12%	36%	69%	55%	19%	9%
2007	12%	5%	72%	84%	16%	11%
2008	27%	13%	53%	84%	20%	3%
2009	17%	7%	75%	87%	8%	6%
2010	58%	70%	40%	39%	3%	1%
2011	71%	97%	27%	2%	2%	1%
2012	88%	92%	9%	7%	3%	1%
2013	89%	97%	7%	2%	4%	1%
2014	100%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
2015	100%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Grand Total	70%	80%	26%	19%	5%	1%

Source: The South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development

Table 7C-3 Performance Agreement Satisfied (Grants with Performance Agreements)

Jobs and Investment Committed and Actual

			Jobs		Investm	ent
Veer	Number	Total	Total Jobs	Total Jobs	Total Investment	Total Actual
Year	Grants	Awarded	Committed	Created	Committed	Investment
2005	13	\$10,528,917	1,657	1,955	\$607,033,581	\$562,164,426
2006	18	\$7,409,358	3,224	3,695	\$584,864,414	\$729,914,406
2007	18	\$7,602,976	3,073	2,664	\$353,360,210	\$429,348,273
2008	8	\$15,015,000	2,087	2,008	\$1,299,305,283	\$1,313,905,067
2009	18	\$16,035,000	3,400	3,292	\$628,305,000	\$786,432,552
2010	16	\$7,381,176	2,541	4,304	\$333,815,000	\$464,849,912
2011	13	\$2,444,939	889	1,085	\$261,438,597	\$298,569,058
2012	6	\$2,942,206	348	642	\$423,047,020	\$516,753,986
2013	4	\$900,000	157	292	\$35,633,428	\$45,196,999
2014	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Total	114	\$70,259,572	17,376	19,937	\$4,526,802,533	\$5,147,134,679

Table 7C-4 Performance Agreements in Progress (Grants with Performance Agreements)

Jobs and Investment Committed and Actual

			Jobs		Investm	ent
Year	Number Grants	Total Awarded	Total Jobs Committed	Total Jobs Created*	Total Investment Committed	Total Actual Investment*
2005	1	\$150,000	30	-	\$272,921	-
2006	3	\$4,831,506	371	-	\$226,062,635	\$170,000,000
2007	3	\$482,074	293	-	\$28,000,000	-
2008	4	\$2,335,950	565	-	\$49,300,000	-
2009	4	\$1,299,983	235	-	\$56,000,000	-
2010	23	\$16,902,037	3,833	-	\$656,999,000	\$204,800
2011	34	\$79,665,000	6,153	-	\$1,808,048,200	-
2012	59	\$34,868,488	8,521	5	\$2,157,675,021	\$3,249,983
2013	50	\$35,963,886	7,292	-	\$2,137,106,026	\$13,100,000
2014	55	\$76,625,273	10,938	-	\$2,653,560,738	-
2015	7	\$3,900,000	1,749	-	\$192,020,000	-
Grand Total	243	\$257,024,197	39,980	5	\$9,965,044,541	\$186,554,783

Source: The South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development

Table 7C-5 Performance Agreements Terminated (Grants with Performance Agreements)

Jobs and Investment Committed to Actual

			Jobs		Investme	ent
Year	Number Grants	Total Awarded	Total Jobs Committed	Total Jobs Created*	Total Investment Committed	Total Actual Investment*
2005	1	\$65,000	27	-	\$1,700,000	-
2006	5	\$1,205,000	206	-	\$30,190,928	-
2007	4	\$970,200	140	-	\$28,300,000	\$204,800
2008	3	547,326	475	-	\$429,000,000	-
2009	2	\$1,050,000	287	-	\$7,500,000	-
2010	1	\$25,000	640	-	\$7,400,000	-
2011	1	\$150,000	24	-	\$34,298,000	-
2012	2	\$250,000	130	-	\$127,500,000	-
2013	2	\$150,000	56	-	\$151,006,700	-
2014	-	-	-	-	-	-
2015	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Total	21	\$4,412,526	1,985	-	\$816,895,628	\$204,800

^{*} Interim figures where available from companies

^{*} Jobs and investment reported by companies prior to termination

C. Debt Service for Economic Development

1. South Carolina General Obligation Economic Development Bond Act (§ 11-41-20)

Summary: Act 254 of 2002 and Act 187 of 2004 increased the 5% constitutional limitation on maximum annual debt service on all general obligations bonds of the state to 5.5%. The additional debt service is to provide infrastructure required for significant economic development projects including life science projects. Since the first bonds were issued in 2004, just over \$594 million in G.O. economic development bonds have been issued.

Criteria: The state may issue general obligation bonds for: 1) an economic development project that creates at least 400 new jobs and invests at least \$400 million in the state, 2) a life science project that creates at least 200 new jobs with an average compensation level of at least twice the annual per capita income in the state and invests \$100 million, 3) a tourism training infrastructure facility, including equipment, that provides trained personnel to support the state's tourism industry, and 4) a state owned national or international convention and trade show center. The maximum annual debt service on bonds must not exceed 0.5% of the general fund revenue of the state for the preceding fiscal year.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Debt Service Amount	\$21,229,184	\$21,181,263	\$36,345,128	\$24,523,248	\$24,419,693	\$24,521,236

2. Additional General Obligation Economic Development Bond Act (11-41-50(B)) Summary: Exclusive of economic development bonds subject to the 0.5% constitutional limitation above, additional economic development bonds may be issued with an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$170 million at any time. In addition, no more than \$170 million of the proceeds may be used for any one project.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Debt Service	-	-	\$11,838,075	\$11.588.075	\$11,417,075	\$11,213,325
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3. South Carolina Research University Infrastructure Act (§ 11-51-10)

Summary: Act 187 of 2004 increased the constitutional limitation on maximum annual debt service on all general obligations bonds of the state to 6.0%. The additional debt service is to provide the three research universities with the infrastructure necessary to advance economic development and create a knowledge based economy. Program guidelines for the Research University Infrastructure Act are available on the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education's website www.che.sc.gov. Since 2005, \$233.8 million in bonds have been issued for this program.

Criteria: Eligible expenditures include land acquisition, acquisition, or construction of buildings, equipment, furnishings, site preparation, road and highway improvements, and water and sewer infrastructure. The Research Centers of Excellence Review Board must certify to the SC Budget and Control Board that at least 50% of the research infrastructure project is provided by private sources or non-state government funding. Of the total amount of funds authorized under this Act, the non-research universities may use 12% for deferred maintenance or other infrastructure projects as approved by the Joint Bond Review Committee and the SC Budget and Control Board. The maximum annual debt service on bonds must not exceed 0.5% of the general fund revenue of the state for the preceding fiscal year.

Recent History:

	FY 2008-09	FY 2009-10	FY 2010-11	FY 2011-12	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14
Debt Service Amount	\$13,776,881	\$16,150,615	\$21,018,688	\$20,819,925	\$20,623,819	\$21,662,963

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Appendix I Incentives for Economic Development – FY 2013-14 Amounts

Tax Incentives by Category	<u>Total</u>
Negotiated or Application	
- Jobs Development Credits	\$75,528,631
 Jobs Retraining Credits 	\$1,687,871
 Motion Picture Project and Production Facility 	\$77,940
 Motion Picture Wage and Supplier Rebates 	\$15,875,335
- Port Volume Increase	\$760,078
Jobs and Employees	
- Jobs Tax Credit (Income)	\$51,982,190
- Corporate Tax Moratorium	\$2,853,138
- Redevelopment Authority Fees	\$9,138,034
- Apprenticeship	\$276,789
 Hiring Displaced Workers/Family Ind. Recipients 	\$85,733
- Small Business	\$459,431
General Business	
- Investing in Economic Impact Zone	\$20,288,825
- Corporate Headquarters	\$806,432
- Infrastructure Construction	\$133,321
- Research and Development	\$23,375,053
- Employer Child Care Programs	\$162,001
- Minority Business	0
- Quality Improvement Program	\$250
Industry Specific	
- Commercial Production	0
- Milk Producer	0
- Agriculture – Anhydrous Ammonia	0
- Whole Effluent Toxicity	\$125,417

Appendix I - Continued Incentives for Economic Development – FY 2013-14 Amounts

Tax Incentives by Category	<u>Total</u>
Energy Conservation and Alternatives	
- Solar Energy	\$940,537
- Alternative Motor Fuel	\$69,783
- Plug-in Hybrid Vehicle	\$134,663
- Ethanol or Biodiesel Production	\$12,095
- Ethanol or Biodiesel Research	0
- Biomass Resources	\$231,572
- Renewable Fuels	\$786,113
- Energy Conservation and Renewable Energy	\$47,473
Land Conservation and Environmental	
- Conservation	\$6,996,856
- Water Impoundments and Controls	\$178,233
- Habitat Management	0
- Brownfield Voluntary Cleanup	\$61,726
- Recycling Facility	0
- Mercury Switch Disposal	0
Property Rehabilitation	
- Textile Revitalization	\$2,821,446
- Retail Facility Revitalization	\$1,886,750
- Rehabilitation of Certified Historic Facility	\$1,203,536
Investment Contributions	
- Community Development Corporation	\$502,334
- Venture Capital	\$2,300,000
- Palmetto Seed Capital	\$5,329
- Industry Partnership Fund	\$5,729,854
- Hydrogen Fund	0
Unspecified	\$14,901,982
Subtotal – Credits	\$242,426,751

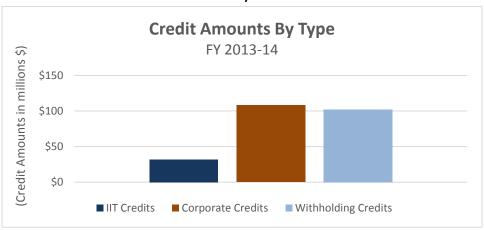
Appendix I - Continued Incentives for Economic Development – FY 2013-14 Amounts

Budgetary Incentives by Category	<u>Total</u>
Appropriations and Revenue Sources	
- Electric Power Tax (CCED)	\$20,000,000
- Rural Infrastructure Fund (CCED)	\$18,092,154
- Closing Fund (CCED)	\$24,000,000
- Tourism Infrastructure admission tax allocation	
(CCED and local governments)	\$1,036,756
 Admissions Tax for motion picture supplier rebates (PRT) 	\$6,489,637
 General Fund allocation for motion picture wage rebates (PRT) 	\$10,001,738
- Alternative fuel incentives (DOR)	\$809,483
Debt Service for Economic Development	424 - 24 226
Economic Development Bond Act	\$24,521,236
Additional Economic Development Bond Act	\$11,213,325
Research University Infrastructure Act	\$21,662,463
Subtotal – Budgetary Incentives	\$137,826,792
Grand Total – Incentives for Economic Development Debt	\$380,253,543

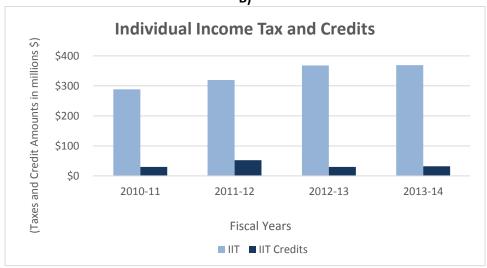
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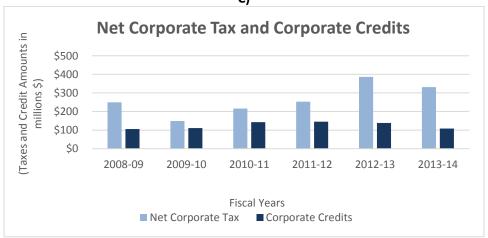
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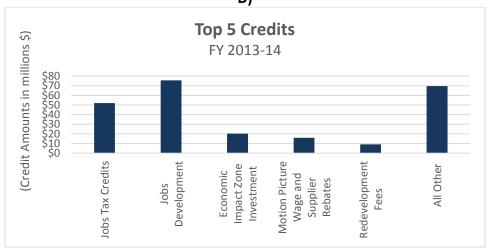


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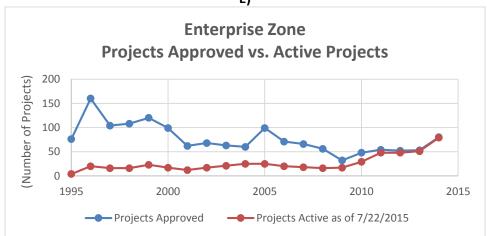


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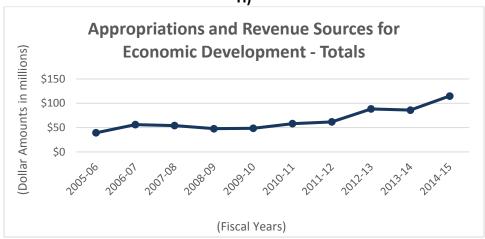


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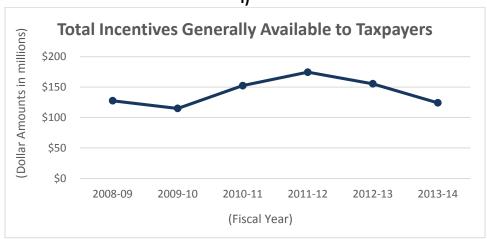
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APPENDIX III Active Enterprise Zone Projects by County

Active* Enterprise Zone Projects by County							
	Approved Calendar Year 1995-2014						
County	Project Count	Minimum Jobs	Minimum Investment				
Aiken	17	2927	1,762,746,891				
Allendale	1	120	206,500,000				
Anderson	28	3495	2,367,757,500				
Bamberg	1	31	1,260,300				
Barnwell	3	189	50,000,000				
Beaufort	3	582	10,900,000				
Berkeley	30	3736	873,875,879				
Calhoun	3	170	6,427,000				
Charleston	30	4854	1,043,285,608				
Cherokee	11	743	140,666,089				
Chester	21	2815	802,994,904				
Chesterfield	10	1254	138,367,038				
Clarendon	7	770	239,223,821				
Colleton	1	120	-				
Darlington	4	199	113,133,408				
Dillon	4	599	52,975,000				
Dorchester	13	958	192,980,404				
Edgefield	1	200	16,500,000				
Fairfield	7	836	69,406,015				
Florence	15	3066	298,460,075				
Georgetown	2	78	10,538,600				
Greenville	50	8249	1,133,540,355				
Greenwood	4	446	307,604,823				
Hampton	1	26	8,500,000				
Horry	5	431	33,050,000				
Jasper	2	185	10,645,271				
Kershaw	6	1131	148,896,000				
Lancaster	36	6302	419,689,900				
Laurens	16	2670	684,434,133				
Lexington	18	3302	1,185,979,000				
Marion	2	315	54,430,000				
Marlboro	6	737	300,816,380				
Newberry	5	376	46,667,300				
Oconee	13	729	272,871,213				
Orangeburg	2	170	21,310,000				
Pickens	8	832	64,750,000				
Richland	26	5642	1,030,064,010				
Saluda	1	75	9,500,000				
Spartanburg	51	8492	2,554,394,290				
Sumter	10	1352	191,720,633				
Union	6	961	172,280,000				
Williamsburg	8	446	43,389,868				
York	46	12209	956,075,099				
Grand Total**	534	82820	18,048,606,808				

^{*}Active is defined as companies operating under a performance agreement as of 2014

^{**}Includes data for counties with under 5 projects

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- <u>Tax Incentives for Economic Development in South Carolina</u>, South Carolina Board of Economic Advisors, February 2014
- Business Incentives, South Carolina Department of Commerce, July 2015
- 2014 Annual Report of Enterprise Act Activity, South Carolina Coordinating Council for Economic Development, May 2015
- <u>South Carolina Tax Incentive for Economic Development</u>, South Carolina Department of Revenue, November 2015
- South Carolina Department of Revenue Annual Report, various years
- South Carolina Motion Picture Incentive Act Policies and Procedures, South Carolina Film Commission, May 2015

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