



THE PALMETTO STATE RECYCLING INDUSTRY SNAPSHOT

More than **350** Recycling Businesses in South Carolina

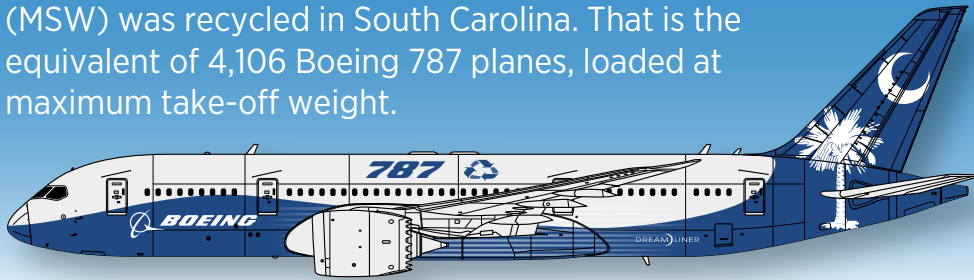


Annual Industry Economic Impact
(2022 Economic Impact Study)

From 2021 to 2025, the recycling industry in South Carolina announced **\$6.9 billion** in capital investment, representing **5,378** new jobs in the state.

YEAR	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	TOTALS
CAPITAL	\$523M	\$4.2B	\$1.7B	\$45.7M	\$438.5M	\$6.9B
NEW JOBS	536	1,852	2,178	164	648	5,378
COMPANIES	6	11	10	4	8	39

In FY2023, 1,135,905 tons of Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) was recycled in South Carolina. That is the equivalent of 4,106 Boeing 787 planes, loaded at maximum take-off weight.



South Carolina's MSW recycling rate was **20.9%** in FY2023.

The above economic data is from the South Carolina Department of Commerce's internal records. The MSW data is from the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services.

S.C. Commerce's Recycling Market Development Advisory Council supports the recycling industry's economic growth by building recycling markets, promoting the recycling value chain and increasing material recovery.