

SOUTH CAROLINA

Nickname.....	The Palmetto State
Motto.....	<i>Animis Opibusque Parat (Prepared in Mind and Resources)</i> and <i>Dum Spiro Spero (While I breathe, I Hope)</i>
Flower	Yellow Jessamine
Bird.....	Carolina Wren
Tree.....	Palmetto
Song.....	<i>Carolina and South Carolina on My Mind</i>
Entered the Union.....	May 23, 1788
Capital.....	Columbia

STATISTICS

Land Area (square miles).....	30,061
Rank in Nation.....	40
Population.....	4,896,146
Rank in Nation.....	23
Density per square mile	162.9
Capital City.....	Columbia
Population.....	132,067
Rank in State.....	1
Largest City	Columbia
Population.....	132,067
Number of Representatives in Congress	7
Number of 2016 Electoral Votes	9
Number of County Governments.....	46
Number of Municipal Governments	270
Number of School Districts	83
Number of Special Districts	279

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Legislative Body	General Assembly
President of the Senate	Lt. Gov. Henry McMaster
President Pro Tem of the Senate.....	Hugh K. Leatherman
Secretary of the Senate	Jeffrey Gossett (Clerk of the Senate)
Speaker of the House.....	James H. Lucas
Speaker Pro Tem of the House	Thomas E. Pope
Clerk of the House	Charles F. Reid

2016 Regular Session.....	Jan. 12 – June 2, 2016
Number of Senatorial Districts	46
Number of Representative Districts	124

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

Governor	Nikki Haley
Lieutenant Governor	Henry McMaster
Secretary of State.....	Mark Hammond
Attorney General	Alan Wilson
Treasurer.....	Curtis Loftis
Auditor.....	George Kennedy
State Comptroller	Richard Eckstrom (Comptroller General)

Governor's Present Term.....	1/2011 – 1/2019
Number of Elected Officials in the Executive Branch.....	9
Number of Members in the Cabinet	15

JUDICIAL BRANCH

Highest Court.....	Supreme Court
Supreme Court Chief Justice.....	Costa M. Pleicones
Number of Supreme Court Judges	5
Number of Intermediate Appellate Court Judges.....	9
Number of U.S. Court Districts.....	1
U.S. Circuit Court.....	4th Circuit