

BERKELEY COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

Available and Qualified Labor Force

The Berkeley County area has a household population of approximately 756,500; a civilian labor force of approximately 394,500; and a pool of approximately 43,800 unemployed persons who are actively seeking work. In total, the Berkeley County area has approximately 163,000 available workers for new or expanding businesses. *Source: The Berkeley County, South Carolina Area Labor Availability Report, September, 2009*

Qualified workers are easy to find in Berkeley County. We are proud to have number of nationally recognized, quality higher education options nearby. From trade and technical schools and colleges to major universities, Berkeley County offers a number of educational institutions for employers to partner with to recruit qualified workers.

readySC™, a component of the South Carolina Technical College Program, is often the key element that allows companies to start-up rapidly, operate efficiently and productively, and succeed in today's global environment. readySC™ services are provided through state funding usually at little to no cost to companies producing new full-time, permanent jobs to the state.

"South Carolina went out of its way to make us feel welcome, even offering training services or future employees. South Carolina is also a lower cost place to do business, which helps save us and our customer's money...we were also impressed with the low level of bureaucracy and ease of getting things done. We look forward to doing business in South Carolina." Tom Pherson, Cargo Composites



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