

Comparing New Mexico to South Carolina

DEMOGRAPHICS	South Carolina	New Mexico
Population, Age and Sex		
Population estimates, July 1, 2016	4,961,119	2,081,015
Population, percent change - April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2016	7.3%	1.1%
Female persons, percent, July 1, 2015	51.4%	50.4%
Male persons, percent, July 1, 2015	48.6%	49.6%
Persons under 5 years, percent, July 1, 2015	5.9%	6.5%
Persons under 18 years, percent, July 1, 2015	22.3%	23.8%
Persons 65 years and over, percent, July 1, 2015	16.2%	15.8%
Race and Hispanic Origin		
White alone, percent, July 1, 2015	68.4%	82.5%
Black or African American alone, percent, July 1, 2015	27.6%	2.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone, percent, July 1, 2015	0.5%	10.5%
Asian alone, percent, July 1, 2015	1.6%	1.7%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, percent, July 1, 2015	0.1%	0.2%
Two or More Races, percent, July 1, 2015	1.8%	2.5%
Hispanic or Latino, percent, July 1, 2015	5.5%	48.0%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino, percent, July 1, 2015	63.8%	38.4%
Foreign born persons, percent, 2011-2015	4.8%	9.8%
Language other than English spoken at home, % of persons age 5 years+, 2015	6.9%	35.7%
Cumulative Estimates of the Components of Resident Pop Change, April 1, 2010 - July 1, 2016		
Total Population Change	335,709	21,817
Births	358,823	165,723
Deaths	277,145	106,138
Natural Increase	81,678	59,585
Total Net Migration	243,861	(37,780)
International	36,963	15,183
Domestic	206,898	(52,963)
Housing Units and Households		
Housing units, July 1, 2015	2,210,082	914,952
Owner-occupied housing unit rate, 2011-2015	68.6%	68.1%
Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2011-2015	\$139,900	\$160,300
Median selected monthly owner costs -with a mortgage, 2011-2015	\$1,183	\$1,227
Median selected monthly owner costs -without a mortgage, 2011-2015	\$347	\$327
Median gross rent, 2011-2015	\$790	\$777
Families and Living Arrangements		
Households, 2011-2015	1,815,094	763,603
Persons per household, 2011-2015	2.56	2.67
Single-family housing price index, 2015	189.29	222.89
Single-family housing price index, 2014	178.06	216.28
Percent Change, 2014-2015	6.3%	3.1%

INCOME	South Carolina	New Mexico
Median household income (in 2015 dollars), 2011-2015	\$45,483	\$44,963
Per capita income in past 12 months (in 2015 dollars), 2011-2015	\$24,604	\$24,012
Population per square mile, 2016	165.0	17.2
Land area in square miles, 2010	30,061	121,298

BUSINESS CLIMATE

Corporate Income Tax Rate, 2016 - Lowest	5.0%	4.8%
Corporate Income Tax Rate, 2016 - Highest	5.0%	6.6%
State Individual Income Tax Rate, 2016 - Lowest	0.0%	1.7%
State Individual Income Tax Rate, 2016 - Highest	7.0%	4.9%
State Sales Tax Rate, 2016	6.0%	5.1%
Average Local Rate, 2016	1.2%	2.4%
Gasoline (cents per gallon), 2016	16.75	18.88
Diesel (cents per gallon), 2016	16.75	22.88
Taxes & Fees on Wireless Service, Combined State/ Local Rate, 2016	10.6%	11.3%

State Sales Tax Exemptions for Business-to-Business Transactions as of July 1, 2016

Farm Equipment	Exempt	Taxable
Office Equipment	Taxable	Taxable
Manufacturing Machinery	Exempt	Taxable
Manufacturing Raw Materials	Exempt	Exempt
Fuel & Utilities	Exempt	Taxable
Business Lease & Rentals	Taxable	Taxable
Information Services	Taxable	Taxable

State Unemployment Insurance Tax Rates in Effect on July 1, 2016

Minimum Rate	0.06%	0.33%
Maximum Rate	10.03%	6.40%
Taxable Wage Base	\$14,000	\$24,100
Most Favorable Schedule - Minimum Rate	0%	0.03%
Most Favorable Schedule - Maximum Rate	5.40%	6.40%
Least Favorable Schedule - Minimum Rate	0%	2.70%
Least Favorable Schedule - Maximum Rate	5.46%	6.40%

Worker's Compensation Premium Rate

Index Rate, 2016	1.94	1.92
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State Property Tax Rates and Capital Stock Tax Rates (as of July 1, 2016)

Property Tax Collections Per Capita	\$1,077	\$685
Property Tax as a Percentage of Personal Income	3.04%	1.94%
Capital Stock Tax Rate	0.1%	None
Capital Stock Max Payment	Unlimited	n.a.
Payment Options for CST and CIT	Pay both	n.a.

State Property Tax Bases (as of July 1, 2016)	South Carolina	New Mexico
Intangible Property Tax	No	No
Inventory Tax	No	No
Real Estate Transfer Tax	Yes	No
Estate Tax	No	No
Inheritance Tax	No	No
Generation-Skipping Transfer Tax	No	No
Gift Tax	No	No

WORKFORCE

Civilian Labor Force, 2015	2,257,077	919,889
Civilian Labor Force, 2014	2,216,782	921,380
Employment, 2015	2,122,573	859,242
Employment, 2014	2,074,277	859,305
Unemployment, 2015	134,504	60,647
Unemployment, 2014	142,505	62,075
Unemployment Rate, 2015	6.0%	6.6%
Unemployment Rate, 2014	6.4%	6.7%
Average Earnings per Job, 2015	\$47,429	\$47,290
Average Earnings per Job, 2011	\$42,615	\$45,802
Percent Change, 2011-2015	11.3%	3.2%

Transportation

Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16 years+, 2011-2015	23.9	21.6
Right-to-Work State	Yes	No

Union Affiliation of Employed Wage & Salary Workers, 2016

Members of Unions, Percent of Employed	1.6%	6.3%
Represented by Unions, Percent of Employed	2.6%	8.2%

EDUCATION

Mean SAT scores of college-bound seniors and percentage of graduates taking SAT, 2014-15		
Critical reading score	488	551
Mathematics score	487	544
Writing score	467	528
Percent taking SAT, 2014-2015	65.4%	12.1%

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), 2015

Average Mathematics Scale Score, grade 8 for all students, 2015	276	271
Average Reading Scale Score, grade 8 for all students, 2015	260	253
Average Science Scale Score, grade 8 for all students, 2015	151	143
Pupil/teacher ratio, 2014-2015	15.5	15.3

Educational Attainment, 2015, 1 year estimates**South Carolina New Mexico**

High school graduate or higher, percent of persons age 25 years+, 2015	86.3%	84.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher, percent of persons age 25 years+, 2015	26.8%	26.5%
Graduate or professional degree, percent of persons age 25 years+, 2015	2.4%	3.7%

UTILITIES**Electricity prices - cents per kilowatthour*****Average retail price of electricity, 2015***

Residential	12.57	12.47
Commercial	10.21	10.30
Industrial	6.05	6.33

Average retail price of electricity, 2014

Residential	12.45	12.28
Commercial	10.28	10.27
Industrial	6.29	6.61

Natural gas prices - Dollars per Thousand Cubic Feet***Average annual price of natural gas (2015)***

Residential	12.65	8.63
Commercial	8.49	6.32
Industrial	4.64	4.62

Average annual price of natural gas (2014)

Residential	12.65	10.13
Commercial	9.55	7.87
Industrial	6.14	6.18