



LIFE SCIENCES

Charleston
South Carolina

Built for Innovation.

Charleston is a globally competitive market for life science, home to 450+ medical device and pharmaceutical manufacturers, research labs, and specialized service providers.

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Among Mid-Sized U.S. Metros
for Prime- Age Labor
Force (25-54)

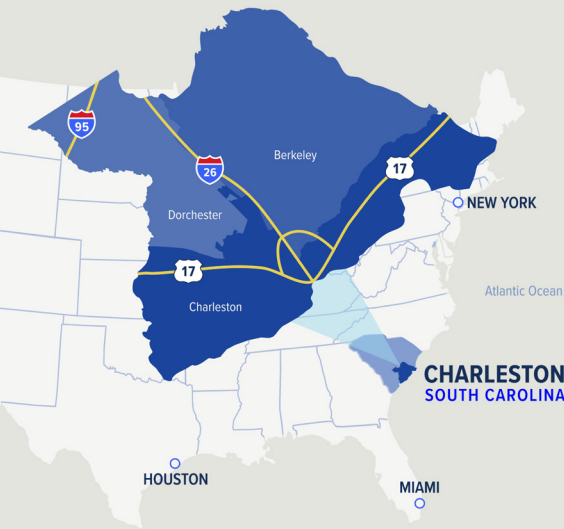
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

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Medical University of South
Carolina designated as
a Carnegie R1 Research
Institution

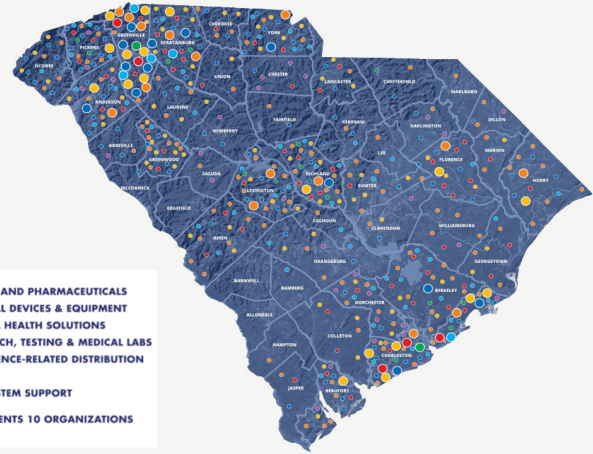
\$350M

Annual Research Funding
at Medical Univeristy of
South Carolina



Why South Carolina for Life Sciences?

Biotech, medtech, and healthcare thrive in the Charleston region, supported by a Tier 1 academic and research institution, a deep and growing talent pool, and a highly collaborative industry environment. Across South Carolina, life sciences is the **fastest-growing innovation sector**, expanding by 42% since 2019. The state is home to more than 1,000 companies supporting 87,000+ jobs and **generating a \$25.7 economic impact**, with average wages exceeding \$102,000.



- Nonstop air service offering 100+ daily flights to 50+ cities across North America.
- 8th largest U.S. container port, with the deepest harbor on the East Coast at 52 feet.
- An integrated transportation network allows shipments to reach most domestic markets within 48 hours.

Skilled Workforce & Talent

Charleston offers a deep and rapidly growing talent pool to support life sciences companies at every stage.

The region's labor force is expanding three times faster than the U.S. average, with 40+ new residents arriving daily. With 45,000+ students enrolled in local colleges and universities and over 3,000 annual graduates in life sciences and healthcare fields, Charleston provides a consistent pipeline of skilled talent.

The region is also highly educated, with 42% of adults age 25+ holding a bachelor's degree or higher, exceeding the national average.



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