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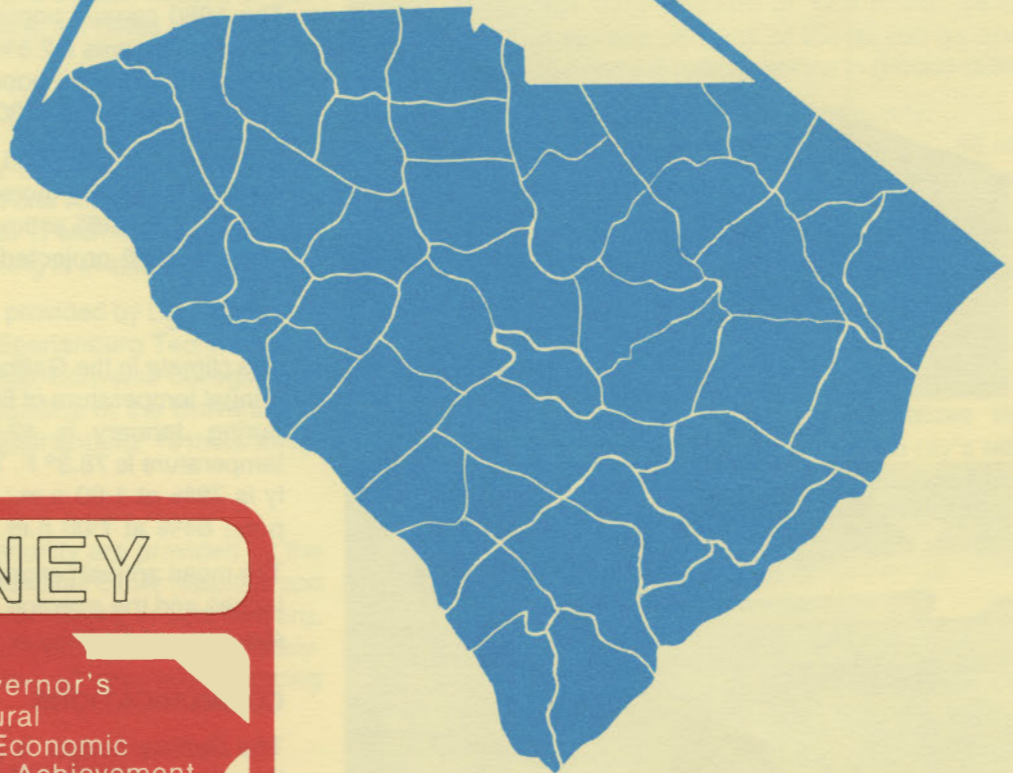
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STATE DOCUMENTS



GOVERNMENT

The community has a council form of municipal government. The six city council members and the mayor are elected for four-year terms. Cherokee County is governed by a council-administrator. The seven council members are elected for four-year terms.

POLICE AND FIRE

The Gaffney Police Department has 20 full-time police officers. The department operates six radio equipped patrol cars. The Gaffney Fire Department has 20 full-time firemen who operate five pumper trucks, an 85-foot ladder truck and two minitrucks. A trained rescue squad with a rescue truck is provided. Gaffney's insurance rating is Class 5.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Gaffney has three banks and two savings and loan associations to serve the financial needs of the community. The banks have total assets of \$5.1 billion, while the savings and loans have assets of \$998 million.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

The community has three motels with a total of 152 overnight accommodations.

CHURCHES

Gaffney has over 35 Protestant churches. A Catholic church is located in the city, and Jewish houses of worship are located in Spartanburg, 19 miles away.

EDUCATION

Gaffney, which is included in the Cherokee County Schools, has 12 elementary schools; two junior high schools; two high schools; and one vocational school. The student/teacher ratio is 15.0 to 1, with 494 teachers and 7,415 students. Private schooling is available in the area.

Higher education facilities are provided by Limestone College, located in the city. The Spartanburg Technical College, Spartanburg Junior College, Converse College, Wofford College and a regional campus of the University of South Carolina are located in Spartanburg, 19 miles away.

MEDICAL SERVICES

Medical services for the community are provided by the 162-bed Cherokee Memorial Hospital. Other hospitals and medical treatment facilities are located in Spartanburg, 19 miles from Gaffney. The community has 25 privately-practicing medical doctors and 10 privately-practicing dentists.

RECREATION AND CIVIC FACILITIES

Recreation facilities consist of six parks equipped with playground equipment, outdoor cooking and picnic facilities. The county employs a full-time recreation director and has 11 parks. The Gaffney Country Club, two miles away, has a nine-hole golf course, tennis courts, clubhouse, fishing lakes and pool. The Cherokee National Golf &

Recreational Club, five miles away, has an 18-hole golf course, tennis courts, clubhouse and pool. The city has two indoor movie theaters. Lake Whelchel, the city's 200-acre raw water reservoir, provides areas for picnicking, boating and water skiing. The Cherokee County YMCA offers modern facilities for family recreation on the campus of Limestone College.

POWER

Electric power is available to the community from the Gaffney Board of Public Works. Duke Power Company and Broad River Electric Co-Op also provide electrical service in areas outside the City of Gaffney. Electrical service is provided to any industrial customer at rates that are among the lowest in the nation.

Electric company representatives are available to assist industry in its economic application of electricity and in analyzing their electrical needs and usages.

FUELS

Natural gas is supplied by the United Cities Gas Company.

WATER

The community obtains its municipal water supply from Lake Whelchel. The filter plant is capable of supplying water at a maximum rate of 12.0 million gallons per day, with an average daily demand of 12.0 million gallons. Treated water storage consists of 2.4 million gallons in elevated storage and 2.5 million gallons in ground storage.

Analysis of water supplied in the community:

Total solids	46 mg/L
Alkalinity	5 mg/L
Calcium	2.1 mg/L
Hardness	11 mg/L
Iron	.05 mg/L
pH	7.0

SEWER

The Gaffney Board of Public Works utilizes three wastewater treatment plants to dispose of the city's wastewater. The capacities and average daily use of these plants are 3.6 million gpd and 2.2 million gallons; 3.0 million gpd and 1.4 million gallons; and 1.35 million gpd and .96 million gallons.

LABOR

Because labor information may change in this area, a current labor availability report prepared and kept up to date by the S. C. State Development Board will be furnished to prospective manufacturers at their request. The comprehensive report will include sources of recruitable labor, labor force characteristics, work force skill levels, earnings data and other pertinent information. The S. C. State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education has the resources to recruit and train workers in accordance with a company's entry criteria. This training is at little or

no cost to the employer. A lead-time schedule is developed to coordinate recruiting, testing, selecting, and training. This assures that persons will be able to move from training to their respective jobs at the time the plant is ready for initial production.

TRANSPORTATION

Gaffney is served by one interstate highway, I-85, one United States highway and four South Carolina highways. The community is served by the Norfolk Southern Railroad Corporation. Gaffney is served by 46 authorized motor carriers, one of which has terminal facilities in the community.

Freight Delivery Times:

To:	By Rail:	By Truck:
Atlanta	2 days	1 day
Baltimore	3 days	3 days
Chicago	4 days	3 days
Houston	6 days	3 days
New York	4 days	4 days
St. Louis	4 days	4 days
San Francisco	6 days	5 days

Douglas International Airport in Charlotte, North Carolina, 45 miles away, offers regularly scheduled commercial airline service on Eastern, Piedmont, Delta, Ozark, U.S. Air, United, Pan Am, and People Express.

The Greenville-Spartanburg Airport, 40 miles away, offers regularly scheduled commercial airline service on Eastern, Bankair, American, Sunbird, Delta, Piedmont and U.S. Air. Private aircraft utilize the Spartanburg Downtown Memorial Airport, 20 miles away, which has paved and lighted runways of 3,400 and 5,203 feet. Spartanburg's downtown airport offers services that include RBn, major airframe and major powerplant repairs, 100LL and Jet A

fuel, Unicom and Vortac.

FOREIGN TRADE ZONE

A Foreign Trade Zone is located in Summerville, South Carolina, 25 miles from the Port of Charleston and 184 miles from the community. The Foreign Trade Zone allows manufacturers to store, manufacture, or process goods without paying U.S. Customs duties or worrying about quota compliance. This Foreign Trade Zone is served by a multimode transportation network which provides excellent accessibility to market areas.

TAXES

The assessment on industrial property in South Carolina is 10.5% of the market value. New industry is granted a five-year moratorium on general county taxes (with the exception of school taxes). The city tax rate is \$9.30 per \$100 of assessed value. The county rate is \$15.38 per \$100 of assessed value. The effective city tax rate (tax liability per \$100 of market value) is \$.98. The effective county rate is \$1.61. The state has no tax on a manufacturer's inventories, goods-in-process, raw materials or finished goods. Treatment facilities or equipment of manufacturing plants which control water or air pollution are exempt from all property taxation.

INDUSTRIAL SITES

Industrial sites are available in Gaffney with a wide range of geographic and topographic features. In all probability, a site that will meet the needs of most industries' requirements has been identified, catalogued, and entered into the State Development Board's Computerized Site Selection System. Detailed site information is available and will be furnished upon request.

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Name	Product or Service	Employees
Cherokee Finishing Co.	Textile printing and finishing	344
Hamrick Mills	Print cloth and sheeting	310
Litton Industries Union — Butterfield Div.	Twist drills	141
M. Lowenstein Corp. (2 plants)	Broadwoven fabrics — polyester	694
Oxford of Gaffney	Ladies' sportswear	495
Southeastern-Kusan, Inc.	Molded plastic products	225
Stouffer Foods Corp.	Frozen prepared foods	1,700
The Timken Co.	Roller bearings	1,000

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