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# Making lives matter

New S.C. project  
to aid mothers, kids  
living in poverty

## SPECIAL TO THE T&D

COLUMBIA – South Carolina is launching the nation's first Pay for Success project aimed at improving health outcomes for mothers and children living in poverty.

The South Carolina Nurse-Family Partnership Pay for Success project will bring Nurse-Family Partnership's evidence-based program to an additional 3,200 first-time mothers and their babies enrolled across South Carolina over the next four years, a significant increase over the 1,200 families currently benefiting from the high-impact intervention.

"This innovative program is going to allow us to improve the health of our children and families, and it's a perfect example of what we can do when leaders from the private sector and public service work together," Gov. Nikki Haley said.

Nurse-Family Partnership pairs vulnerable first-time mothers with registered nurses who have specialized training in maternal and child health.

Through home visits from early in pregnancy to the child's second birthday, the nurses support mothers in having healthy pregnancies, becoming knowledgeable and responsible parents and giving their babies the best possible start in life. By strengthening families and improving early childhood development, Nurse-Family Partnership sparks multigenerational change and helps break cycles of poverty.

"The Pay for Success model changes the way that government does business, by promoting evidence-based policy and making payments contingent upon actual measured outcomes," said Christian L. Soura, director of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, the state agency spearheading the initiative.

"This pioneering South Carolina Pay for Success Initiative will help us reach thousands of new mothers, transforming their lives and those of their children," said Roxane

White, president and CEO of Nurse-Family Partnership. "We also will be developing new, more cost-effective ways to scale our programs."

"Expanding Nurse-Family Partnership is momentous for South Carolinians and for the Pay for Success field," said Tracy Palandjian, CEO and co-founder of Social Finance, the nonprofit that supported the design and financing for the South Carolina initiative. "This project will increase opportunity for mothers and children and unlocks private capital to advance public good. It's a testament to what we can achieve when diverse leaders think creatively and work together."

The South Carolina project has four concrete goals: reducing preterm births, decreasing child hospitalization and emergency department usage due to injury, improving healthy spacing between births and increasing the number of first-time mothers served in the lowest-income communities.

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# South Carolina gets combined \$157M for flood recovery

**SEANNA ADCOX**

Associated Press

COLUMBIA (AP) — South Carolina and two counties hardest hit by last fall's catastrophic flooding will share \$157 million from the federal government, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development announced Monday.

HUD Secretary Julian Castro said the state will receive nearly \$97 million of the disaster recovery aid. Richland County will receive \$23.5 million. The city of Columbia, the state's capital, will get nearly \$20 million, and Lexington County will receive \$16 million.

"After disaster strikes, the most important task is getting folks back to a safe home quickly, so they can return to their daily lives," Castro said in a news release. "We uphold our commitment to helping these communities recover stronger and be better prepared for future disasters."

The money won't be seen for months. Local officials aren't even sure how they can spend it.

HUD will post its rules

for the money "in the weeks ahead." The state and local governments must then submit their plans and go through an approval process, said HUD spokesman Joseph Phillips.

"We're extremely thankful," said Columbia city manager Teresa Wilson. Part of the city's award may pay for water and sewer projects, she said.

Dams that burst amid historic rainfall of up to 2 feet over several days contributed to the flooding in early October.

Breaches in the Columbia Canal left much of the city without clean water for more than a week.

The awards mean South Carolina will receive most of the \$300 million Congress set aside in the federal budget, approved in December, as aid for 2015 flooding disasters. According to HUD, communities in South Carolina and Texas were determined to have the highest need for the aid.

Gov. Nikki Haley had asked the state's congressional delegation for \$140 million to help repair poor residents' homes.

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# GOP split deepens ahead of vote

Trump, Clinton seek  
to increase leads

**JULIE PACE AND JILL COLVIN**

Associated Press

VALDOSTA, Ga. — On the eve of Super Tuesday's crucial primaries, a sharp new divide erupted between Republicans who pledge to fall in line behind Donald Trump if he wins their party's nomination and others who insist they can never back the bombastic billionaire.

The fissure could have major implications beyond the primaries, exposing the looming challenges in uniting the party after the election, no matter who wins.

Nebraska's Ben Sasse, a rising star among conservatives, became the first current senator to publicly raise the prospect of backing a third-party option if Trump clinches the nomination. In a letter posted on Face-

book late Sunday, Sasse urged Republicans to consider whether a party led by Trump would still represent their interests.

"If our party is no longer working for the things we believe in — like defending the sanctity of life, stopping Obamacare, protecting the Second Amendment, etc. — then people of good conscience should stop supporting that party until it is reformed," he wrote.

Other Republican leaders were less explicit, but sent similar messages on Monday, particularly in light of Trump's refusal to immediately disavow former Ku Klux Klan leader David Duke's support.

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## Campaign

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Mitt Romney, the party's 2012 nominee, called that "disqualifying." And South Carolina Gov. Nikki Haley, campaigning in Atlanta alongside Florida Sen. Marco Rubio, said she would "not stop fighting a man who refuses to disavow the KKK."

Trump said he had not understood the interviewer who first raised the question about Duke, and he did later repudiate him. "How many times do I have to continue to disavow people?" he said.

Several high-profile Republicans and conservative writers have embraced an anti-Trump social media campaign, using the Twitter hashtag "NeverTrump."

Trump has won three of four early primary contests, roiling a party that had assumed his populist appeal with voters would fizzle. Instead, he's only grown stronger and appears to be in commanding position heading into Super Tuesday, the biggest single-day delegate haul of the year.

The Associated Press asked Republican senators and governors across the country if they would back Trump if he secured the nomination. Just under half of those who responded would not commit to backing him, foreshadowing a potentially extraordinary break this fall.

"I am increasingly concerned by Donald Trump's statements and behavior, and I have serious concerns about his ability to win the general election

and provide presidential leadership," Indiana Sen. Dan Coats said in a statement to AP.

Tensions boiled over during Trump's rally Monday in Radford, Virginia, where he was repeatedly disrupted by demonstrators, including 20 or more chanting "Black lives matter." At another point, he asked a protester, "Are you from Mexico?" after he was interrupted during remarks about immigration. He ordered several people to be removed, then cast himself as a unifying political force.

"Believe it or not, we're going to unify this country," he said.

If Trump sweeps most of the states up for grabs Tuesday, he could amass a delegate lead that would be difficult for any rival to overcome. Texas Sen. Ted Cruz is banking on a win in his home state to keep him in the race, while Rubio wants to stay close in the delegate count until the primary hits his home state of Florida on March 15.

Meanwhile, Democratic front-runner Hillary Clinton is solidifying her lead. Like Trump, Clinton could begin putting her party's nomination out of reach for rival Bernie Sanders with a strong showing on Super Tuesday.

As Trump has rolled through the early voting states, he's received enthusiastic endorsements from New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie and from Alabama Sen. Jeff Sessions, one of the most

vocal opponents of immigration -law changes on Capitol Hill. Several other party officials have said they would back the real estate mogul if he does become the nominee, though some say their support would be reluctant.

"I'm a Republican and I will support the nominee," Alabama Gov. Robert Bentley said Monday. "I do not think he is our best nominee, but I will support the nominee."

Party leaders are particularly worried about the ripple effect of a Trump nomination on other races. Arkansas Gov. Asa Hutchinson urged Republicans to remember that their White House pick also impacts "the Senate and whether we're going to continue to elect Republican governors across the country."

A new commercial released Monday by Arizona Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick, who is challenging John McCain for his Senate seat, served as a likely preview of how Democrats would seek to link GOP candidates to Trump. The 60-second spot highlighted several of Trump's more incendiary statements and questioned how McCain could say he would support him in the general election.

Some Republicans said Senate candidates and others would have to forgo party unity in order to save themselves.

"It's not going to be a team effort. It's going to be every man for himself," said Matt Mackowiak, a GOP strategist who is unaffiliated in the 2016 race.

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# Backers: KKK flap won't affect Trump

MEG KINNARD

Associated Press

COLUMBIA — Several high-profile South Carolina supporters of Donald Trump say they're still backing the billionaire businessman after a flap over his immediate refusal to denounce an implicit endorsement from a former Ku Klux Klan leader.

Lt. Gov. Henry McMaster, former South Carolina Ports Authority chairman Bill Stern and former Lt. Gov. Andre Bauer said Monday they are standing behind the Republican presidential front-runner even though he has been challenged on his recent reaction to questions about support from former KKK Grand Dragon David Duke and other white

supremacists.

"From what I know of Donald Trump he would not seek an endorsement from a group like this or want to be associated with a David Duke," Stern, now a commercial real estate developer in Columbia, told The Associated Press. "I have confidence in that."

Last week, Duke told his radio followers a vote against Trump was equivalent to "treason to your heritage."

Trump didn't immediately — but did ultimately — distance himself from the support. Stern, the son of Holocaust survivors, said he and Trump have discussed at length the "need

to stand up against racism and intolerance."

Trump's Republican rivals have criticized him for not immediately disavowing the support. U.S. Sen. Tim Scott and Gov. Nikki Haley, Republicans backing Marco Rubio, have said Trump can't unite the party.

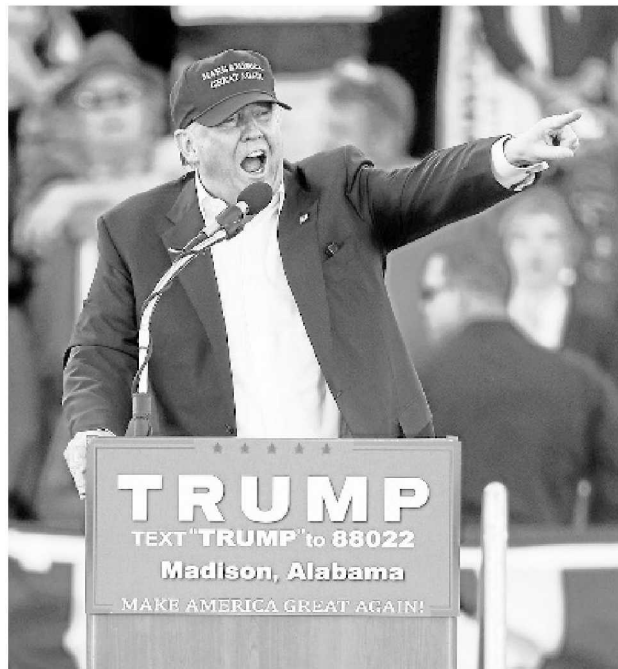
References to the KKK and symbols its supporters utilize strike a particular nerve in South Carolina, which last summer engaged in a heated debate over Confederate emblems following the deaths of nine black churchgoers at the hands of an alleged shooter who embraced the flag.

Legislators ultimately voted to remove the flag from the Statehouse grounds.

McMaster, the highest-profile South Carolina official to back Trump, said that the businessman has never said anything that would lead him to believe that has any racist tendencies.

Andre Bauer, a Republican who served as South Carolina's lieutenant governor for eight years and has endorsed Trump, said politicians, "Say David Duke does support him. He's endorsed Donald Trump's policy. That doesn't mean Donald Trump is endorsing David Duke's policy."

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Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump speaks during a rally Feb. 28, 2016, in Madison, Alabama.



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## THE T&D OPINION

# Senate should stop delaying road repairs

**N**ow that presidential candidates have exited South Carolina, the state's focus on government returns to Columbia – where the rubber is not exactly meeting the road.

While South Carolinians have been hearing all manner of debate about what is broken in Washington, lawmakers on the state level have failed to make progress on the issue deemed paramount during the 2016 legislative session. The state Senate cannot break the logjam on moving ahead to repair the state's roads and bridges.

You remember the situation: The House has passed legislation that would increase the gas tax, cut income taxes, make some changes at the S.C. Department of Transportation and move ahead with new money for road repairs. That came last year and against the backdrop of a threat by Gov. Nikki Haley to veto any plan that did not meet her criteria for cutting taxes in exchange for increasing the gas tax to fund repairs.

Whether the House plan ultimately passes muster with Haley is not really an issue at present because the Senate cannot get road-repair legislation moving. After a filibuster ended any hope of passage in 2015, the Senate prioritized the legislation this year and set about formulating its own plan. The hope was to satisfy senators with concern enough about taxes and DOT reform that they are willing to derail road repairs.

It hasn't worked out so far. Sen. Tom Davis of Beaufort County is again leading a filibuster against legislation that would increase the gas tax. He is adamant about reform that would shift control of the DOT to the governor and away from a legislatively appointed commission. But even more problematic is his insistence that excess state revenues be used for road repairs rather than taxing South Carolinians further through the levy on gas.

For its part, the Democratic minority is not lined up in favor of shifting power to the governor and away from lawmakers regarding DOT. But for now Republican lawmakers are handling opposition without any need for Democrats to join in.

The pressure is growing. As much as South Carolinians may see the need for reforms and oppose any tax increases, they want to move ahead with road repairs.

There is no better evidence of the priority than the S.C. Chamber of Commerce's present campaign on Twitter – #SC-SPEAKSOUT – in which people are telling their horror stories from the road.

And the chamber is asking people to continue pressuring lawmakers, saying that continuing the filibuster and not voting to fix roads must mean lawmakers are for:

- Almost a million tax dollars wasted on paying pothole claims last year.
- More than \$30 million tax dollars wasted on defending claims against DOT, mostly over alleged road defects.
- \$2.6 billion lost to the state economy from traffic congestion.
- 950 traffic deaths last year.
- Nearly 1000 structurally deficient bridges.

"In a nutshell senators must be for millions of wasted tax dollars on car repairs, more traffic congestion, more accidents, and unsafe roads and bridges," the chamber states.

The Senate's rules are designed to be checks against legislative and gubernatorial excesses – a role that is important and should be respected. But in the case of a top state priority in repairing roads, made more necessary by October's flooding, the senators delaying action should accept that new money is needed and getting everything they want with DOT changes are not priorities enough to further delay action.

## Our view

S.C. not willing to see debate over reform, use of surplus funds again derail action

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"A well-regulated militia, being necessary to the security of a free state, the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed," – Second Amendment to the U.S. Constitution (adopted Dec 15, 1791 as part of the Bill of Rights that protect unalienable rights that are endowed to us by the Creator).

Last month, I explained my straightforward, objective and, most importantly, historically factual criteria for evaluating public officials

In addition to the inviolate statement at the top of this commentary, I evaluate those folks in the public arena based on their comprehension of the remaining four major relevant facts concerning gun control and mass shootings:

1. Criminals and terrorists do not obey laws.
2. Virtually all the mass shootings attacked soft targets such as schools, malls and theaters where the only good guys who could legally carry firearms were law enforcement.
3. Nearly all the bad-guy shooters had significant documented mental health problems and/or terrorist ties.
4. Throughout history, one of the first steps that a despot takes to subjugate a free people is to take away their ability for self-defense. Consider Mehmed Talaat Pasha, Hitler, Mussolini, Stalin, Mao Tse-Tung, Pol Pot, Hugo Chavez and Idi Amin.

Here are the grades for our key office-holders who represent Chesterfield

County. These marks use their public statements, candidate endorsements and action regarding gun control. If one backs

Obama, who continues to chip away at the Second Amendment, the best grade one can get is a "D."

S.C. Rep. Jay Lucas: A-; S.C. Rep. Richie Yow: A-; S.C. Rep. Patricia Henegan: F; S.C. Sen. Vincent Sheheen: D; S.C. Sen. Gerald Malloy: F.

Gov. Nikki Haley: A-; S.C. Attorney General Alan Wilson: A-.

U.S. Rep. Tom Rice: A-; U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham: B+; U.S. Sen. Tim Scott: B+.

I gave Lucas, Yow, Haley, Wilson and Rice each an A- because I never give an "A" first time out, thus leaving the recipients something to shoot for. Graham and Scott are also solid supporters of the Bill of Rights as documented by their public statements. This sagacious septet of solons would appreciate those Cedar Creek citizens who recently stepped up to assist in the apprehension of a career criminal.

Haley, whose husband and brother are both Army officers who served at the sharp end of the spear, continues to be a staunch champion of the Second Amendment as evidenced by three gun manufacturers setting up shop in the state during her administration. As a bonus, she posted online a photo of her 2013 Christmas present from her husband, a 9mm pistol, an act that drew the inaccurate fire of left-wing hatemongers everywhere.

Wilson, who served a combat tour as an Army infantry officer in Iraq, is a strict interpreter of the Constitution in the hallowed tradition of the late Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia. 'Nuffsaid.

Yow co-sponsored a constitutional carry bill (H3025) last year that passed the House 90-18 with Lucas' support, while Henegan voted against it. The bill then went to the Senate where it died.

Because she is an ardent acolyte of President Obama, has recently endorsed Hillary Clinton as his successor and voted against Yow's constitutional carry bill, I am flunking Henegan.

And because I am a life-long believer in remediation, if Sheheen, a backer of former presidential candidate Martin O'Malley, publicly repudiates O'Malley's position on the Second Amendment, I will raise his mark to a C (Note: O'Malley pushed and signed some of the toughest gun control restrictions in the country when he was Maryland governor, including the requirement of fingerprints for new buyers of handguns). But, if Sheheen endorses Hillary, I will not be so generous.

By the same token, I will raise the mark of Malloy, an Obama disciple, to a D if he withdraws his two pre-filed bills in this year's legislative session concerning increased erosion of the right to bear arms.

Maggie's drawers or expert? You decide.





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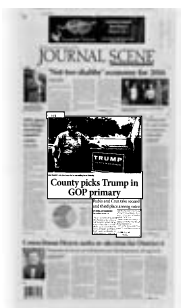




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Monica Kreber/Journal Scene

John Hendrix's car gave away who he was pulling for on Saturday.

# County picks Trump in GOP primary

## Rubio and Cruz take second and third place among voters

**BY JENNA-LEY HARRISON**  
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Nearly a quarter of registered Dorchester County voters visited the polls for the GOP primary on Saturday, ultimately choosing Trump as their fa-

vorite candidate like the rest of South Carolina's Republicans.

Democrats will cast their vote this Saturday and choose among three candidates: Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders and Willie Wilson.

Martin O'Malley's name will

appear on the ballot although he has dropped out.

While the Associated Press called Trump the winner early

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# GOP

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on Saturday after the polls closed, the county's results took longer to come through, due to a glitch in the reporting website.

This year's voter turnout for the county in the GOP primary rose higher than state stats from 2012. Four years ago, voter turnout was 21.6 percent statewide. This year, Dorchester County voter turnout hit 23.76 percent.

By 3 p.m., voter turnout already appeared to be higher than expected, said Joshua

Dickard, executive director of the Dorchester County Board of Elections & Voter Registration.

According to the State Election Commission, 22,173 ballots were cast in Dorchester County. Of those, 31.48 percent favored Trump, 23.76 percent chose Sen. Marco Rubio and 23.56 percent voted for Sen. Ted Cruz. By the time county numbers were posted, former Gov. Jeb Bush, who received 8.8 percent of the county vote, announced he was suspending his campaign. Bush was trailed in the county by former Gov. John Kasich at 6.42 percent and Dr. Ben Carson at 5.94 percent.

## Voters voice their picks

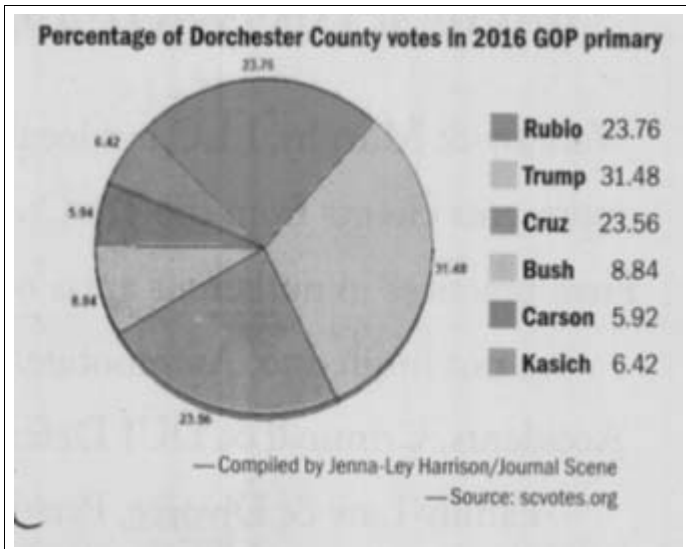
Voting remained steady Saturday at locations in and around Summerville. Poll workers at different locations said they observed pockets of traffic at certain hours, but lines waxed and waned from 7 a.m., when polls opened, to closing time at 7 p.m.

Holly Olsen voted at the Coastal Center and said she chose the winning candidate because she liked Trump's honesty.

Shirley Adkins also voted for Trump, at Spann Elementary, expressing how the financial mogul would be able to "get the United States back on their feet again."

Trump inspired Summerville resident Jeff Chaney, 57, to vote for the first time in his life.

"There's never been any-



body worth wasting my time," he said after voting at Grace Lutheran Church on Trolley Road. Chaney said he preferred Trump because he's not "a puppet."

While Kevin Brewer said he had originally considered Trump, he ultimately voted for Cruz because "he's a constitutional conservative."

Brewer wasn't the only anti-Trump voter.

Alan and Kimberly Gallichio were joined by their 5-year-old granddaughter, Haley Allen, as they cast votes for Rubio.

"He just seems more polished," Kimberly Gallichio said.

Coosaw Creek resident David Ray said he couldn't see most candidates passing legislation in Congress.

"I don't think Cruz or Trump would get anything done in the legislature," he said. Instead, Ray voted for Kasich because he said he's a "solid guy" and "trustworthy."

North Charleston resident Bill Driscoll said he cast his ballot for Cruz because of the Texas politician's consistent record in Congress and willingness to "buck the tide."

Rubio voters also came out in force Saturday. That included Pam Coy who considered Rubio the best candidate to beat Democratic contenders Clinton and Sanders.

"I think he's presidential," Coy said.

She also attended his Summerville rally and said he was

"on point" during his speech.

Rubio appeared at the Dorchester Boat Landing on Feb. 16 with Sen. Tim Scott, a day before landing the endorsement of Gov. Nikki Haley.

The endorsement certainly helped some voters make up their minds, including Eddie Favors of North Charleston. He said Haley and Scott's backing of Rubio "gave me that boost" to choose the Florida senator.

Though few and far between, voters turned out to support Bush and Carson. Like Rubio, Bush also rallied in Summerville the week of the primary.

According to Summerville resident Jim Banks, who voted for Bush at Bethany United Methodist Church just an hour before the polls closed, the former governor "has a lot more integrity than the rest" of the candidates.

Jennifer Franckowiak agreed. "I think (Bush) comes from a family of leaders," she said after voting earlier in the day at Summerville Church of Christ.

Her daughter Tia Garland favored Carson and said she wouldn't mind a Republican ticket with Carson as the vice presidential nominee for Trump.

"He's the most well-rounded," Garland said of the medical candidate.

No major voting issues were reported throughout the county.

But some poll workers said they did encounter voters without updated registrations. Many of those voters said they

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had changed their addresses at the DMV and also marked the box to have their voter information updated. But when they checked in to vote at their individual precincts, their information had not yet made

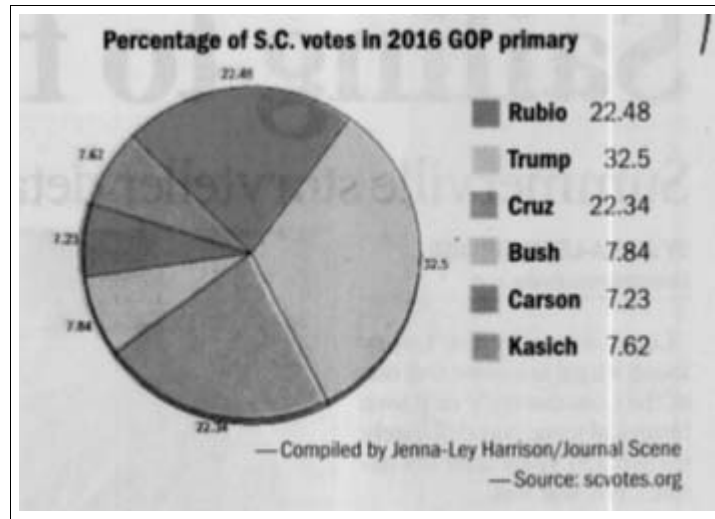
it to the State Election Commission.

Dickard called it an “ongoing issue” that he’s witnessed the last several years.

Dickard said people can vote a provisional ballot, and the

county will ask the DMV to pull the forms to see if they did, in fact, check the box to update their voter registration.

*Monica Kreber and Leslie Cantu contributed to this story.*



Jenna-Ley Harrison/Journal Scene

**Summerville residents cast votes in the GOP primary Saturday at Summerville Church of Christ on Trolley Road.**

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## 148 **South Carolina export sales top \$30 Billion in 2015, achieve sixth consecutive record year**

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For the sixth consecutive year, the State of South Carolina has set a record for total export sales. Recently, Gov. Nikki Haley, the South Carolina Department of Commerce and the South Carolina Ports Authority announced that the State's 2015 export sales totaled \$30.9 billion, according to data from the U.S. Department of Commerce. The figure represents a more than four percent increase over the 2014 total.

"Companies continue to trust the people of South Carolina to build their products because they make up a workforce that has built a remarkable reputation as one of the best in the world," said Gov. Nikki Haley. "The fact that Team South Carolina has accomplished another record year in export sales proves that our economy is on the move, but with new companies investing in our state all the time, it's clear that we're just getting started." With more than \$4.4 billion in export sales, China remained South Carolina's top export partner in 2015. Rounding out the Palmetto State's top ten export partners were Germany, Canada, United Kingdom, Mexico, Japan, Singapore, Australia, Belgium and Korean Republic.

"South Carolina companies continue to produce top-quality products, and the world is taking notice," said Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt. "Looking ahead, the continued growth and development of

our international trade footprint is critical as we seek to keep our state and its economy moving forward."

South Carolina's year-over-year 4.2 percent increase led all Southeastern states. Nationwide, only Hawaii, Nevada, Utah and Arizona boasted a larger percentage increase. The Palmetto State's 2015 growth was boosted by a more than 176 percent increase in the export sales of aircraft. Last year, aircraft and spacecraft accounted for more than \$4 billion in export sales, giving South Carolina approximately 12 percent of the U.S. market share.

"The rising production of export goods in South Carolina is a key driver of SCPA growth above the U.S. port market average. Our Harbor Deepening Project to 52-feet will further support the handling of heavy export cargo, and combined with other planned improvements to our terminals and infrastructure, SCPA is well-poised to meet the needs of our state's exporters and enhance South Carolina's presence in the global marketplace." - Jim Newsome, SCPA president and CEO

The Palmetto State remained the nation's top exporter of completed passenger motor vehicles in 2015. With a 7.8 percent increase over 2014, vehicles accounted for \$9.8 billion in export sales, giving the Palmetto State nearly 18 percent of the total U.S. market share. And, for the fifth con-

secutive year, South Carolina led the nation in the export of tires, comprising more than 28 percent of the nation's tire export market. South Carolina also remained the top exporter of both ball and roller bearings and lawn mowers in 2015.

Recognizing the importance of international trade to the state's economy, the South Carolina Department of Commerce, along with its partners, works with businesses statewide to promote and encourage export activity. Over the last five years, the State's export incentive programs have helped South Carolina companies sell products to more than 25 different countries worldwide. For more information on export support services offered by the State, visit [www.sccommerce.com/export-incentives](http://www.sccommerce.com/export-incentives).

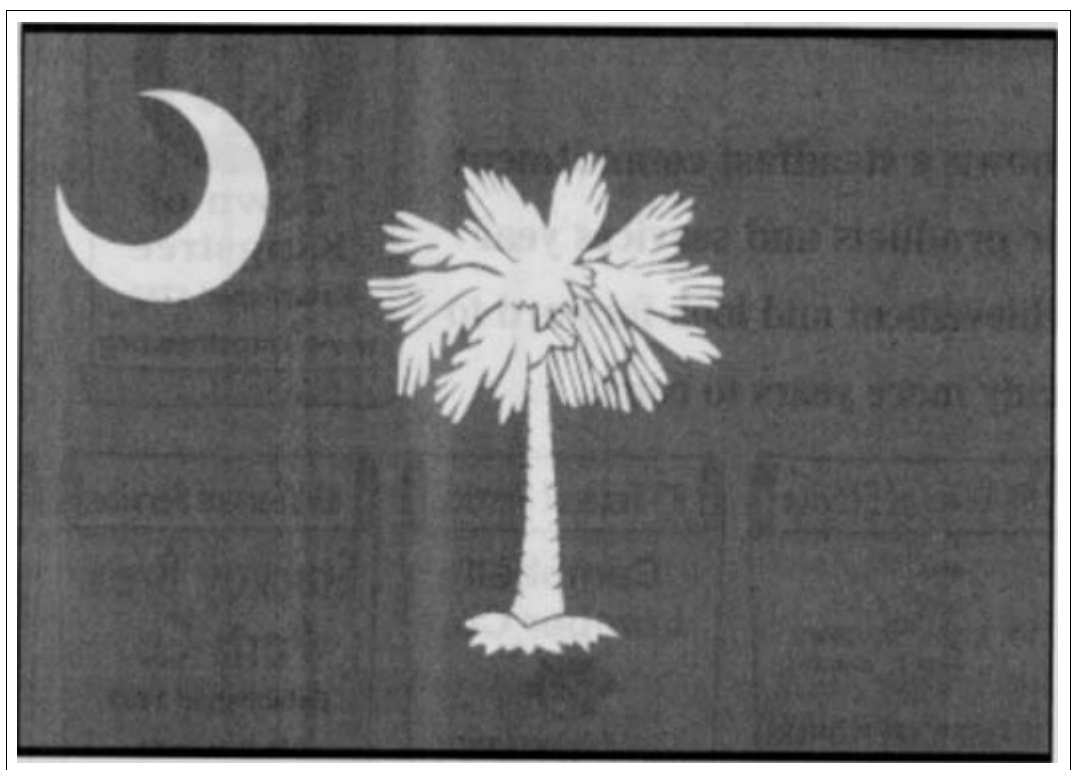
2015 South Carolina export rankings among states:

- Ranked 15th in exports overall
- Ranked as the top Southeastern state for export growth
- Ranked as the top exporter of completed passenger motor vehicles
- Ranked as the top exporter of tires
- Ranked as the top exporter of ball or roller bearings and parts
- Ranked as the top exporter of lawn mowers

The U.S. Department of Commerce is the data source for South Carolina's export statistics.



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"We are focused on implementing programs in South Carolina that are shown to work," Gov. Haley said. "Achieving measurable results will save money, strengthen our communities and help young women and their children chart a path from poverty to opportunity."

More than 280,000 South Carolina children — or about 27 percent — live in families struggling with poverty. And more than half of the babies

in South Carolina are born to low-income mothers who qualify for public health insurance programs. Young mothers living in poverty are at greater risk for poor birth outcomes including delivering babies who are premature or weigh too little. Growing up in poverty can be harmful to a child's cognitive development, health, school performance, and social and emotional wellbeing.

"This pioneering South Carolina Pay for Success Initiative will help us reach thousands of new mothers, transforming their lives and those of their children," said Roxane White, president and CEO of Nurse-Family Partnership. "We also will be developing new, more cost-effective ways to scale our programs."

Pay for Success projects combine nonprofit expertise, private funding and rigorous evaluation to transform how government leaders respond to chronic social problems. Funders provide upfront capital to expand effective social services and governmental entities pay for all or part of the program only if it measurably improves the lives of participants. Independent evaluators measure the effects of a program based on specific, predetermined metrics that benefit both individuals and society and generate value for taxpayers. J-PAL North America, a research center based at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will lead the evaluation of the South Carolina project.

"Expanding Nurse-Family Partnership is momentous for South Carolinians and for the Pay for Success field," said

Tracy Palandjian, CEO and co-founder of Social Finance, the nonprofit that supported the design and financing for the South Carolina initiative. "This project will increase opportunity for mothers and children and unlocks private capital to advance public good. It's a testament to what we can achieve when diverse leaders think creatively and work together."

Private and philanthropic funders for the South Carolina project include:

BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation

The Boeing Company  
The Duke Endowment  
Greenville First Steps  
Laura and John Arnold Foundation

"Investing in effective prevention programs such as Nurse-Family Partnership will lead to substantial cost savings over time," said Minor Shaw, chair of The Duke Endowment and a board member of the BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation. "And as we help parents and children get off to the best start possible, the long-term impact for families and communities is even more significant."

The South Carolina project has four concrete goals: reducing preterm births, decreasing child hospitalization and emergency department usage due to injury, improving healthy spacing between births and increasing the number of first-time mothers served in the lowest-income communities.

"The Pay for Success model changes the way that government does business, by promoting evidence-based policy and making payments contingent upon actual measured

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outcomes," said Christian L. Soura, director of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, the state agency spearheading the initiative.

The project mobilizes \$30 million, with philanthropic funders committing \$17 million to the project.

Medicaid will fund approximately \$13 million via a 1915(b)

Medicaid Waiver awarded to the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

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# 148 S.C. recognized for achievement in foreign direct investment

Governor Nikki Haley and the South Carolina Department of Commerce recently announced that the State of South Carolina has once again been recognized for achievement in foreign direct investment (FDI). This week, fDi Magazine announced the Palmetto State as its national champion.

"In addition to our highly-skilled, loyal workforce, Team South Carolina continues to work hard to create an unparalleled pro-business environment in all regions of our state, and companies from across the globe have taken notice," said Governor Nikki Haley.

"The fact that South Carolina continues to lead the nation in foreign direct investment, speaks to everything we have

to offer as a premier destination for business."

"Bringing jobs and investment from across the world into both our state and nation are critical components of Team South Carolina's economic development strategy," said Secretary of Commerce Bobby Hitt. "With approximately 1,200 international establishments currently operating and employing more than 115,000 workers within our borders, it's clear that the strategy is working."

To determine the inaugural fDi National Champion, data was collected on FDI projects in the United States between September 2014 and August 2015.

Growth data points were also used to compare this data with corresponding FDI data

between September 2013 and August 2014. States were divided into four regions, grouped geographically. Locations scored up to a maximum of 10 points for each data point, and each data point was weighted to give the overall scores.

Competitors that emerged from the four regions were South Carolina, North Carolina, Indiana and California. In addition to winning the fDi National Championship over the other three regional champions, South Carolina also scored the highest of all four states on FDI expansions, per capita.

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