

South Carolina was recently named the most patriotic state in the nation, according to a national study by the real estate research firm Movoto. The Palmetto State received the ranking based on the study's measure of: veterans per capita, national historic landmarks per capita; money spent to fund veterans; percent of residents who voted in the last Presidential election; people who Google for American flags to buy; and people who list America as an interest on Facebook.

It's true that in South Carolina, we respect and honor those who have served our country . . . and everyone knows that in South Carolina, we make sure our voices are heard on Election Day. What the research firm's study missed, though, is that in South Carolina we don't just wave the American flag, we produce it.

The 98 employees at Carolina Visuals' manufacturing facility in Smoaks, South Carolina, proudly produce more than 10,000 American flags per week for the Valley Forge Flag Company.

In the Southern Carolina region, our workforce is proud to carry the banner (and make it!) for companies like Valley Forge because we realize that manufacturing is the backbone of our communities, providing good jobs that bring prosperity and growth.

So join us in waving the American flag more often. After all, chances are that flag not only symbolizes American pride and patriotism, it represents another product made here in the Southern Carolina region.

To learn more about the Southern Carolina region of South Carolina and our manufacturers, please visit our website at: www.SouthernCarolina.org.

CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAY SEASON IN THE SOUTHERN CAROLINA REGION,
OUR THOUGHTS TURN GRATEFULLY TO THOSE WHO HAVE MADE OUR PROGRESS POSSIBLE
AND THE MUTUAL GOALS THAT BRING US TOGETHER.

IT IS IN THIS SPIRIT THAT WE WISH YOU

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BEST WISHES FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

AND A

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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