

The 2000 South Carolina 100®

This year marks the 15th year of the South Carolina 100®, a ranking of the state's largest privately held companies. Total revenues for the 1999 South Carolina 100® were \$11.6 billion. Milliken and Company of Spartanburg remains the top company in the ranking as the state's largest privately held business.

Other companies in the top 10 include: The InterTech Group Inc. and Affiliates in North Charleston (No. 2), Piggly Wiggly Carolina Co. Inc. of North Charleston (No. 3), Builder Marts of America Inc. of Greenville (No. 4), Southeastern Freight Lines Inc. of Columbia (No. 5), CMI Industries Inc. of Columbia (No. 6), JM Smith Corp. of Spartanburg (No. 7), TNS Mills Inc. of Greenville (No. 8), Thomas & Howard Co. Inc. of Columbia (No. 9), and Volume Services America of Spartanburg (No. 10).

There are 12 companies that have been part of the South Carolina 100® ranking for each of the past 15 years: Builder Marts of America Inc., Climatic Corp., Cox Industries Inc., Defender Services Inc., Kline Iron & Steel Co. Inc., Mayfair Mills Inc., McCrory Construction Co. Inc., Milliken and Company, Orders Distributing Co. Inc., Southeastern Freight Lines Inc., Thomas & Howard Co. Inc. and Young Pecan Co.

This year, there are four companies in the ranking for the first time. These are Edens & Avant of Columbia (No. 29), Advanced Automation Inc. of Greenville (No. 77), Ame Inc. of Fort Mill (No. 91) and FB Johnston Group of Chapin (No. 96).

Ten companies are returning to the ranking after an absence. These companies are Mashburn Construction Co. Inc. of Columbia (No. 78), Piedmont Mechanical Inc. of Spartanburg (No. 87), Cregger Co. Inc. of Columbia (No. 88), Central Textiles Inc. of Central (No. 89), Eagle Construction Co. Inc. of Newberry (No. 93), General

Wholesale Distributors Inc. of Greenville (No. 94), Boozer Lumber Co. Inc. of Columbia (No. 95), Park Place Corp. of Greenville (No. 97), GMK Associates Inc. of Columbia (No. 98), and Sands Investments Inc. of Myrtle Beach (No. 99).

The 10 companies with the largest rank increases are: Carolinas Recycling Group, L.L.C., climbed 38 spots to No. 52 from No. 90; H.G. Reynolds Co. Inc. up 32 places to 57 from 89; Utilities Construction Co. Inc. of South Carolina at No. 67, 29 places higher than last year's No. 96; Gregory Electric Co. Inc. in at No. 71, up from No. 98; Blackbaud Inc. at No. 40 from No. 63; Teleco Inc. at No. 75, up from No. 97; S.E.I. Inc.'s No. 53 was up 22 spots from No. 75; VyTech Industries Inc. at No. 62, 19 rankings above last year's No. 81; EIDeCo Inc. at No. 42 this year and No. 60 the past year; and Kline Iron & Steel Co. Inc. at No. 32, 17 spots higher than a year ago at No. 49.

Participation in the South Carolina 100® is voluntary, and companies are ranked based upon their net revenues for their most recently completed fiscal year. To qualify, companies must be privately held, headquartered in South Carolina, and cannot be a subsidiary or division of another company. Financial institutions, insurance companies, real estate and other brokerages, health care organizations and companies primarily engaged in retail are not eligible for the South Carolina 100® listing.

The South Carolina 100® is compiled, in cooperation with the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce, by Arthur Andersen's Columbia office under the direction of Mark Ballew and Randolph Smith. To learn more about this year's survey, please contact Rebecca Gould, marketing events coordinator for Arthur Andersen's Carolinas offices at (704) 332-1380.

Rank	Company	City	CEO	Description
Revenue Range: More than \$1 billion				
1	Milliken and Company	Spartanburg	Roger Milliken	Manufacturer of textile products and chemicals
Revenue Range: \$100 million to \$999 million				
2	The InterTech Group Inc. and Affiliates	North Charleston	Jerry Zucker	Manufacturer of high-performance polymer and elastomeric materials and composites
3	Piggly Wiggly Carolina Co. Inc.	North Charleston	Joseph T. Newton III	Wholesale grocery distribution
4	Builder Marts of America Inc.	Greenville	Richard E. Ingram	Wholesaler of building materials and lumber products
5	Southeastern Freight Lines Inc.	Columbia	William T. Cassels Jr.	Trucking transportation
6	CMI Industries Inc.	Columbia	Joseph L. Gorga	Manufacturer of woven fabrics and upholstery, elasticized fabrics and bedding products
7	J M Smith Corp.	Spartanburg	William R. Cobb	Provider of computer systems and data processing services as well as wholesale distributor of pharmaceuticals
8	TNS Mills Inc.	Greenville	Kiyohiro Tsuzuki	Textile manufacturer of yarn and fabric
9	Thomas & Howard Co. Inc.	Columbia	David R. Clark	Food distributor
10	Volume Services America	Spartanburg	John T. Dee	Provider of food, catering, merchandise and facility management services for sports and entertainment venues and convention centers
11	M.B. Kahn Construction Co. Inc.	Columbia	William Neeley (President)	Commercial, industrial, institutional, general construction and construction management services
12	Consolidated Systems Inc.	Columbia	Steven E. Holtschlag	Steel fabricator

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13	Ben Arnold-Sunbelt Beverage Co. of South Carolina, L.L.P.	Ridgeway	Harvey Belson	Importer and distributor of whiskey and wine
14	Diamond Hill Plywood Co. Inc.	Darlington	John C. Ramsey	Wholesale distributor of building products
15	Paradyme Human Resources Corp.	Columbia	Joseph M. Blubaugh	Professional employer organization
16	Inman Mills	Inman	Robert H. Chapman III	Textile manufacturer of woven fabrics
17	Mayfair Mills Inc.	Arcadia	Frederick B. Dent	Textile manufacturer of premium-quality fabrics
18	Climatic Corp.	Columbia	John H. Bailey	Wholesale distributor of heating and air conditioning, electronics, appliances and gas grills
19	Carolina Eastern Inc.	Charleston	T. Ashton Phillips	Wholesale and retail distribution of fertilizer and agricultural chemicals
20	Knight Textiles	Saluda	Talmadge Knight	Ladies apparel
21	Spartanburg Forest Products Inc.	Spartanburg	Stephen W. Michael	Pressure-treated lumber and related items
22	William M. Bird & Co. Inc.	Charleston	D. Maybank Hagood	Distributor of floor-covering products throughout the South
23	Amick Farms Inc.	Batesburg	Bill L. Amick	Integrated producer, processor and distributor of fresh and frozen poultry products
24	Stevens Aviation Inc.	Greenville	Thomas A. Foley	Aircraft maintenance and refurbishment, aircraft sales and charter services
25	Young Pecan Co.	Florence	James W. Swink Jr.	Shelling and processing of pecans and other nuts

Revenue Range: \$50 million to \$99 Million

26	Cox Industries Inc.	Orangeburg	W. B. Cox Jr.	Manufacturer and distributor of pressure-treated wood products and outdoor leisure furniture
27	Standard Corp.	Columbia	Claude M. Walker Jr.	Third party provider of distribution, manufacturing, transportation and integrated logistics solutions
28	Vendors Supply Inc.	Columbia	James H. Sikes	Wholesale food vending distributor
29	Edens & Avant	Columbia	Joe Edens	Fully integrated commercial real estate company that owns, develops, acquires, leases, manages, brokers and asset manages commercial real estate throughout the Eastern United States
30	Defender Services Inc.	Columbia	G. Hollis Cone	Provider of maintenance and security services to commercial and industrial properties
31	The Loxcreen Co. Inc.	West Columbia	John W. Parrish Jr.	Manufacturer of aluminum & plastic profile extrusions & building products/distributor of stainless, copper & aluminum sheet metal
32	Kline Iron & Steel Co. Inc.	Columbia	Jerry Kline	Fabricators of structure steel for buildings, bridges and towers for the communications industry
33	Para-Chem Southern Inc.	Simpsonville	John W. Jordan III	Manufacturer of adhesives, polymers and latex coating
34	Wilbur Smith Associates	Columbia	Robert J. Zuelsdorf	Consulting engineers, planners and economists
35	Ostrow Textile LLC	Rock Hill	Joel J. Ostrow	Wholesaler and retailer of "Crafted with Pride in the USA" linens and domestics
36	IMIC Hotels	Columbia	E. L. (Bert) Pooser	Hotel owners and operators
37	Pearlstine Distributors Inc.	Charleston	Susan Pearlstine-Foster	Wholesale beverage distributor
38	United Forest Products Inc.	Inman	Jeff Davis	Distributor of building materials and manufacturer of specialty wood products
39	Ellcon-National Inc.	Greenville	Emil P. Kondra	Manufacturer of transportation products for the railroad, mass transit and trucking industries
40	Blackbaud Inc.	Charleston	Anthony E. Bakker	Leading provider of fund-raising, accounting and education administration computer software designed specifically for nonprofit organizations

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41	Specialty Timber Inc.	Greenville	Greg Cassidy	Lumber remanufacturing and wholesale distribution
42	EIDeCo Inc.	Greenville	Larry A. McKinney	Electrical contractor
43	McCrory Construction Co. Inc.	Columbia	James T. Tharp	General contractor specializing in commercial, industrial, institutional, and multi-family construction
44	Owsley & Sons Inc.	Fort Mill	T. Reed Owsley	Construction equipment distributor
45	Cheraw Yarn Mills Inc.	Cheraw	Wm. Manning Malloy	Manufacturer of cotton, poly/cotton and synthetic yarns; ring and open-end spun
46	Korn Industries Inc.	Sumter	W. M. Tisdale	Residential bedroom and dining room furniture
47	The Mungo Co.	Columbia	M. Stewart Mungo	Land development and single-family construction
48	The Beach Co.	Charleston	Charles Way	Charleston's largest full service real estate firm: development, brokerage, management and construction
49	Cullum Mechanical Construction Inc.	North Charleston	Furman R. Cullum	Mechanical/electrical contractor specializing in industrial, institutional and commercial construction and maintenance services
50	G&P Trucking Co. Inc.	Gaston	G. Clifton Parker	Trucking transportation
51	Capital/Piedmont Wine & Beverage Dist Co.	West Columbia	Peter G. Fawcett	Beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverage distribution
52	Carolinas Recycling Group, LLC	Lyman	James W. Knight Jr.	Scrap iron and metal processing
53	S.E.I. Inc.	Rock Hill	Jake D. Smith	Packager of bath gifts, gourmet foods and Easter baskets
54	Piedmont Travel Inc.	Greenville	R. Scott Townes	Travel management providing all areas of travel services to various companies across the United States
55	Package Supply & Equipment Co. Inc.	Greenville	Gary L. Daniels	Distributor of containers and closures for the packaging industry
Revenue Range: Less than \$50 Million				
56	Harper Corp. - General Contractors	Greenville	C. Douglass Harper	Commercial, industrial and institutional contractor serving the Carolinas, Georgia, Tennessee and Virginia
57	H.G. Reynolds Co. Inc.	Aiken	Jeffrey G. Reynolds	General contractor specializing in institutional, industrial and commercial construction
58	Columbia Lumber & Manufacturing Co.	Columbia	William L. Otis Jr.	Distributor of building materials, pressure treated lumber
59	Office Equipment Wholesale Inc.	Hanahan	Max B. Hellman	Wholesaler of office furniture
60	IH Services Inc.	Greenville	Ryan D. Hendley	Industrial and commercial contract maintenance services
61	T&S Brass & Bronze Works Inc.	Travelers Rest	Claude I. Theisen	Manufacturer of institutional faucets, fittings and plumbing specialties
62	VyTech Industries Inc.	Anderson	Clifford J. Gandis	Manufacturer of vinyl fabricated products
63	Vercon Construction Inc.	Greenville	Robert R. Vergnolle	General contractor - multi-family, commercial, and industrial construction
64	Martin Engineering Inc.	White Rock	James M. Martin	General contractor with majority of work school related
65	Ambac International Corp.	Columbia	Robert P. Isherwood	Manufacturer of precision hydraulics and diesel fuel injection systems and components
66	Orders Distributing Co. Inc.	Greenville	C. Michael Smith	Distributor of floor-covering products
67	Utilities Construction Co. Inc. of South Carolina	Charleston	James C. Murray	Electrical contractor for utility, commercial & industrial companies; wholesale distribution of tools/supplies to utility companies

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68	Shealy Electrical Wholesalers Inc.	Greenville	William E. DeLoache III	Distributor of electrical products and inventory reduction services
69	Terminix Service Inc.	Columbia	T.P. Knox Jr.	Structural pest control and related services
70	American Fast Print, Limited	Spartanburg	J. S. Fryml	Printer and dyer of textile fabrics
71	Gregory Electric Co. Inc.	Columbia	Robert E. Livingston, Jr.	Commercial and industrial building wiring and telephone and electric utilities installation
72	Henry J. Lee Distributors Inc.	Charleston	Dennis J. Lee	Beverage wholesaler
73	JHM Hotels	Greenville	Hasmukh P. Rama	Ownership and management of hotels
74	Gateway Supply Co. Inc.	Columbia	Sam P. Williams Jr.	Wholesale distribution of plumbing and heating supplies, air conditioning and related products
75	Teleco Inc.	Greenville	William M. Rogers	Telecommunications manufacturer and distributor; phone systems, voice processing; local, long distance and Internet
76	DeWolff, Boberg & Associates Inc.	Charleston	Timothy Boberg	Productivity, cultural change, cost reduction consultants
77	Advanced Automation Inc.	Greenville	Scott McCrary	Design and build special purpose automation systems
78	Mashburn Construction Co. Inc.	Columbia	Harry L. Mashburn	General contractor
79	Wolverine Brass Inc.	Conway	Lloyd W. Coppedge	Manufacturer and distributor of plumbing fittings
80	The Gower Corp.	Greenville	R. Hunter Park	Manufacturer of software, material handling equipment and electrical cable support systems
81	Enterprise Computer Systems Inc.	Greenville	James R. Sobeck	Software for construction, building material dealers, and building products wholesalers
82	Southeastern Paper Group	Spartanburg	E. Lewis Miller Jr.	Wholesale distribution of paper plastic and janitorial products
83	Piedmont Home Textiles Corp.	Walhalla	Alfred Mizhir	Home textile manufacturer
84	The Ducane Gas Grills Inc.	Columbia	John Ducate	Manufacturer of gas grills
85	Morrison Textile Machinery Co.	Fort Lawn	John M. White Jr.	Designers and builders of complete line of textile finishing machinery
86	First Sun Management Corp.	Clemson	Joseph J. Turner Jr.	Wendy's franchisee
87	Piedmont Mechanical Inc.	Spartanburg	Gene Smith	Mechanical contractor
88	Cregger Co. Inc.	Columbia	Morris M. Cregger	Wholesale/retail distributor of plumbing products
89	Central Textiles Inc.	Central	James M. McKinnon	Woven textiles
90	American House Spinning Inc.	Central	Adel Taleb Agha	Textile yarn manufacturer selling to the knitted apparel trade
91	Ame Inc.	Fort Mill	F.S. Campbell	Industrial contractors-general contractors crane rentals, heavy rigging, heavy concrete, plant relocations
92	Cogsdill Tool Products Inc.	Camden	William J. Westerman	Manufacturer of precision metalworking tools for industrial use in machine tools
93	Eagle Construction Co. Inc.	Newberry	Alfred D. Spotts	Highway-heavy construction and public utility work
94	General Wholesale Distributors Inc.	Greenville	William K Bryan Jr.	HVAC wholesaler for TRANE/American Standard
95	Boozer Lumber Co. Inc.	Columbia	Robert S. Jones	Lumber yard with emphasis on manufacturing floor and roof trustees and wall panel systems for the home construction industry.
96	F B Johnston Group	Chapin	Fred B Johnston II	Manufacturer of graphic products for POP, OEM, and fleet markets
97	Park Place Corp.	Greenville	James B. Orders III	Manufactures mattresses and furniture

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98	GMK Associates Inc.	Columbia	Robert H. Kennedy Jr.	Architecture, engineering, construction services, interiors and design
99	Sands Investments Inc.	Myrtle Beach	Leslie M. Morris Jr.	Property management and property rental
100	Conway Acquisition Corp. D.B.A. Uniblend Spinners Inc.	Conway	Randy Jenkins	Manufacturer of specialty and character yarn