

SOUTH CAROLINA.

Population 1,151,149.....Dem. Plur. in 1892, 41,347

Dem. vote, 54,692; Rep. 13,845; Peop. 2,407.

STATE CAPITAL, COLUMBIA.

SOUTH CAROLINA is bounded north and northeast by North Carolina, southeast by the Atlantic Ocean, west and southwest by Georgia. Its greatest length from east to west is about 275 miles, and its greatest breadth about 210 miles; land area, 30,170 square miles. The surface presents nearly the same features as that of North Carolina. The coast for 100 miles inland is low and level, with sandy soil, numerous swamps, and extensive pine forests; then follows a tract of low sand hills, the soil of which is moderately productive. The land rises abruptly on the western edge of this belt, and continues to rise until it terminates in the Blue Ridge, the highest peak of which, Table Mountain, is 4,000 feet above the sea. The swamps embrace over 1,000,000 acres, and the pine lands 6,000,000. The sea islands are mainly devoted to sea island cotton and rice, and the palmetto grows on them; the tidal swamps to rice; inland swamps, when drained, to rice, cotton, corn and peas; the salt marshes to long cotton; the oak and pine and oak and hickory lands to corn and cotton; and the pine barrens to fruits and vegetables. Rice, cotton, and corn thrive best in the central and southern counties. The northwestern region produces corn, wheat, barley, oats, tobacco, and many fruits. Stock raising and wool growing are carried on with profit. Figs and pomegranates grow in the lower counties, and the peach and grape thrive over the State generally; strawberries abundant. The manufactures are principally cotton goods, flour, lumber, machinery, tar, turpentine, carriages, and fertilizers. Commerce is mainly confined to Charleston, Georgetown, and Beaufort. Exports are chiefly rice, cotton, lumber, phosphate, naval stores, cotton seed and its oil, oil cake, fish, and spring vegetables. Considerable shad and oyster fishing. The mineral wealth, though large, has not been much developed. Considerable gold is found in the northwestern counties; there were four mines worked in 1887 yielding \$100,000; there are large deposits of excellent iron ore in Greenville, Pickens, Spartanburg, and Union Counties; manganese, copper, lead, and bismuth are also found, mainly in the northwest; white and colored marbles and limestones, granites and cyanites, soapstones, flagging stones, and baub stone abundant. During 1886 and 1887 there was a rapid development of the quarries, especially in Fairfield Co., where is found, what is claimed to be, the finest granite in the United States. It is of beautiful appearance, great strength and fine quality. Aiken County contains immense beds of the finest porcelain clay. A little coal is found in Chesterfield County. The most valuable mineral at the present day is, however, a bone phosphate marl, a fossil deposit of recent origin and one of the best of fertilizers, found in the lowlands and river beds near Charleston; on the Stono, Ashepoo and Edisto Rivers; also near St. Helena Sound. This product had grown from 13,000 tons in 1868-70 to 422,757 tons in 1887. In the year ending August 31, 1889, 212,101 tons were taken from the beds of navigable streams. There are 25 Counties in South Carolina; newspapers are published in all.

ABBEVILLE CO. (W.).....Pop. 46,854

Dem. vote in 1892, 2,359; Rep. 133; Peo. 1.

Undulating; soil fertile. Minerals undeveloped. Gold, copper, sulphur and pyrites. Products—Cotton, corn, wheat, oats, sweet potatoes. COUNTY SEAT, Abbeville Court House, pop. 1,696.

Medium.....Dem.....Abbeville C.H.†	550
Press and Banner.....Dem....."	1,150
Associate Reformed } Presb. Due West.....†	12,338
Presbyterian.....Dem.....Greenwood.....	
Journal.....Dem.....Greenwood.....	
Times.....Ind. Dem.....McCormick.....	

AIKEN CO. (W.).....Pop. 31,822

Dem. vote in 1892, 1,892; Rep. 306; Peo. 70.

Hilly; soil fertile. Products—Cotton, corn, pork; live stock; chalk. There are three cotton factories, and a paper mill. COUNTY SEAT, Aiken, pop. 2,262.

Journal and Review.....Dem.....Aiken †	536
Recorder (s-wkly).....Dem....."	1812
Times.....Farm. All....."	1,600
News.....Dem.....Wagener.....	500

ANDERSON CO. (N.W.).....Pop. 43,696

Dem. vote in 1892, 2,248; Rep. 193; Peo. 144.

Uneven; soil fertile. Products—Corn, cotton, oats, clover, sweet potatoes, butter, wool; live stock. COUNTY SEAT, Anderson Court House, pop. 3,018.

Intelligencer.....Dem.....Anderson C.H.†	11,960
Journal.....Dem....."	615
People's Advocate.....Dem....."	11,784
Chronicle.....Dem.....Honea Path.....	1850

BARNWELL CO. (S.W.).....Pop. 44,613

Dem. vote in 1892, 2,137; Rep. 548; Peo. 40.

Hilly; soil fertile. Products—Cotton, rice, corn, oats, wheat, peas, beans, sweet potatoes, molasses. COUNTY SEAT, Barnwell, pop. 937.

Herald.....Dem.....Bamberg.....	515
People.....Dem.....Barnwell †	1950
Sentinel.....Dem....."	1920
Times.....Dem.....Denmark.....	542

CIRCULATION: † Publishers' reports. Roman figures—estimated. * Sworn.
POPULATION: Census of 1890. * Estimated. † County Seat.