

# Spartanburg County, SC

***Estimate of Economic Activity/Impacts Generated  
by Construction Project Expenditures to be  
Developed Utilizing Proposed Capital Project Sales  
Tax Revenues***

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# Background

- The Spartanburg Area Chamber of Commerce requested an estimate of the economic activity/impacts of the proposed Judicial and City/County Government Complex.
- Impacts (jobs supported, labor income, state and local government revenues, and total output) of the \$217 million project were calculated using IMPLAN, an input-output model for assessing economic impacts.

# Economic Impacts

Impact Category	Result
Direct Effect	\$195.3 million
Jobs Supported	1839
Labor Income	\$87.03 million
State & Local Government Revenues	\$16.81 million
Total Output/Impact	\$ 240.2 million

# Narrative

If approved, the \$217 million in construction projects will have a direct effect of \$195 million support 1839 jobs and generate \$87.03 million in labor income, \$16.81 million in state and local government revenues, and have a total impact/output of \$240.2 million on the Spartanburg County/Upstate economy during the six year construction project.

Total impact/output includes induced and indirect effects of the \$217 million being spent and re-spent within the economy by businesses and employees who are compensated due to these projects.

# Other Analysis/Comment

- According to data obtained from reports available through the SC Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism and Spartanburg County Profiles and tax data, tourists (visitors from at least 50 miles away) account for approximately 28% of retail sales in Spartanburg County. While there is not data available to determine the proportion of total sales generated by people who live outside Spartanburg County but within 50 miles, it is safe to conclude that a minimum of 28% of the capital projects tax revenue will be generated by visitors/tourists. The actual proportion of revenue generated by people who live outside of Spartanburg County is probably more along the lines of 30-35% or possibly more.

# Assumption

- All revenue generated from the capital projects sales tax will be spent in the Upstate region/Spartanburg County.