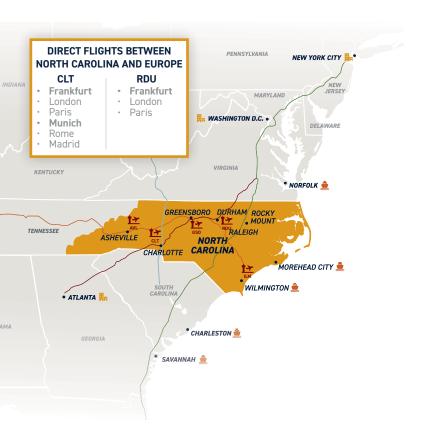


Over the last decade, foreign direct investment has been a key driver to our state's strong economic growth. North Carolina is the 9th most populous state in the US, and has a GDP of \$839 billion which is roughly equivalent to Poland's. More than 1,500 foreign firms call North Carolina home, 515+ of which have announced new or expanding projects over the last 10 years bringing in over 66,000 new jobs and \$44.1 billion in capital investment.

German businesses continue to choose North Carolina for their North American operations. There are 271 German firms with operations in North Carolina, and since 2014, 116 German firms have announced new facilities or expansions creating more than 8,200 new jobs and more than \$2.7 billion in capital investment.



NORTH CAROLINA'S INVESTMENT ADVANTAGE

STATE FOR BUSINESS CNBC, 2024

BUSINESS CLIMATE Business Facilities, 2024

LOW COST OF DOING BUSINESS

CORPORATE INCOME TAX RATE

Tax will be eliminated by 2030

BEST BUSINESS TAX CLIMATE

Tax Foundation, 2024

BOND RATING

NC is one of only sixteen states to earn Standard & Poor's highest rating

LOWER ELECTRICITY COSTS than the national average

POPULATION AND WORKFORCE

TOTAL POPULATION

TOTAL LABOR FORCE

LARGEST MANUFACTURING **WORKFORCE IN THE SOUTHEAST**

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES Graduating 138K each year

GERMAN INVESTMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA (2014-2024)

271

GERMAN FIRMS
IN NORTH CAROLINA

#1

COUNTRY FOR ANNOUNCED NEW COMPANIES

\$6.3B

IN EXPORTED GOODS
Germany to North Carolina

\$977.5M

IN IMPORTED GOODS

North Carolina to Germany

\$2.7B

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

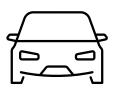
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116 ANNOUNCED PROJECTS

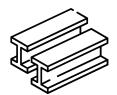
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8,294
ANNOUNCED
JOBS
from Germany

ALIGNED INDUSTRY STRENGTHS



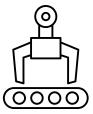
AUTO/EV MANUFACTURING



STEEL/METAL MANUFACTURING



CHEMICAL/PHARMACEUTICALS MANUFACTURING



MACHINERY & MECHATRONICS

GERMAN CULTURE & CONNECTIONS

17.900+

GERMAN BORN RESIDENTS LIVING IN NORTH CAROLINA 34,200

PEOPLE WORK FOR GERMAN FIRMS

3+

DIRECT DAILY FLIGHTS TO FRANKFURT AND MUNICH (FROM CLT AND RDU)

10+

GERMAN BREWERIES AND BIERGARTENS

GERMAN COMPANIES PROSPER IN NORTH CAROLINA

RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIEMENS

BOSCH

SCHOTT



MAJOR GERMAN EMPLOYERS

DAIMLER



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