

IF TEXTILES & APPAREL
ARE DEAD IN
SOUTH CAROLINA...

THEN 810
INNOVATIVE
COMPANIES
REFUSE TO LISTEN.

And they have a \$21.9 billion economic
impact to prove it.

In 2007, New Carolina commissioned a study on the economic impact of textiles on South Carolina's economy. The results prove we can stop the doom and gloom around the textile and apparel industry.

Textiles in South Carolina are thriving.

The Textile cluster continues to adapt and incorporate innovations across

traditional industry lines, creating new products and mutually beneficial relationships within the industry. Take composites, for example. Did you know that textile technology has led directly to synthetic fiber technology, which is also used in fiber and chemical composites in products from kayaks to the new Boeing 787 Dreamliner?

New Carolina believes in the power of South Carolina business. We support looking forward - playing to the strengths of our core industries to propel us toward a brighter economic future with the potential to move us toward a New Carolina.

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Consider This ...

- 16 major textile industry headquarters in SC
- 80 other industry sectors affected by textiles
- 46 out of 46 counties in SC with at least one textile related business
- 664 US patents generated by Milliken Research in the past 10 years
- 2200 US patents generated by Milliken Research since they opened in 1955
- #1 in U.S. patents by a privately held U.S. company over the last 20 years: Milliken Research
- 63,000 jobs in the Textile and Apparel Industry
- 113,258 jobs from the Textile and Apparel Cluster and complementary business
- 912 company location/branches through out the state

How will you help? Contact Jim Rogers, the Textile and Apparel Cluster Change Agent to get involved. 864-706-3309 or jrogers@newcarolina.org

