

Regional REMI Summary for the South-Atlantic (SA) Region (Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia)

## National Highlights in 2025:

- 2.1 million more jobs with Fee and Dividend (F&D).
- 90,000 American lives saved from better air quality.
- CO2 emissions 31% below 1990 levels. \$80 \$90 annual billion increase in GDP.

## SA-Specific Findings:

## Gross Regional Product (GRP):

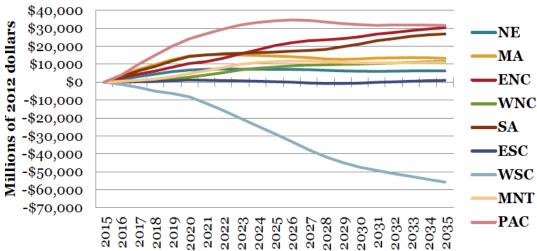


Figure 1: Gross Regional Product (GRP) Changes in the Nine Regions (p. 21). SA sees an increase in GRP after 10 years of \$15.1 billion and an increase after 20 years of \$23.7 billion (p. 94). Ambulatory health care services is the industry that becomes the largest positive contributor to GRP across all time. [Note: all numbers for this graph, and all graphs, are relative to the baseline \$0 carbon fee scenario in the models.]

### 2025: Top 3 Industry Winners (GRP)

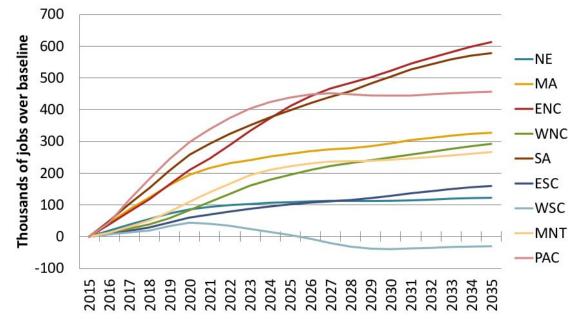
- 1) Ambulatory Health Services (+\$4.7 billion (b) to GRP)
  - 2) Real Estate (+\$4.0b)
  - 3) Retail Trade (+\$3.0b)

### 2025: Top 3 Industry Losers (GRP)

- 1) Mining (-\$3.3b)
- 2) Utilities (-\$2.3b)
- 3) Air Transportation (-\$1.8b)

*Net of all industries in 2025:* +\$15.1 *billion to regional GRP.* Count of the industries considered in 2025: 43 add to and 24 subtract from GRP.

### **Employment:**



**Figure 2: Regional breakdown of employment increases (p. 20).** SA sees very strong job growth throughout the policy, gaining 576,000 jobs by 2035, second only to ENC (p. 95).

2025: Top 3 Job Winners

1) Ambulatory Health Services (+61 thousand (k) jobs)

2) Retail Trade (+49)

3) Construction (+41 k)

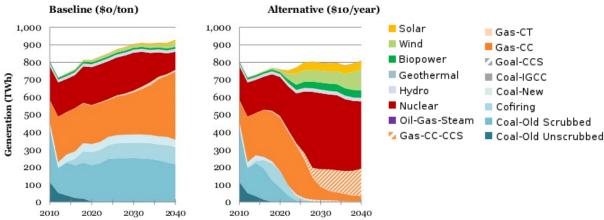
<u>2025: Top 3 Job Losers</u>

- 1) Mining (-8k)
- 2) Air Transportation (-5k)
- 3) Scenic and sightseeing transp.; support activities for transp. (-4k) (see p. 95)

*Net of all industries in 2025: +398,000 jobs.* 

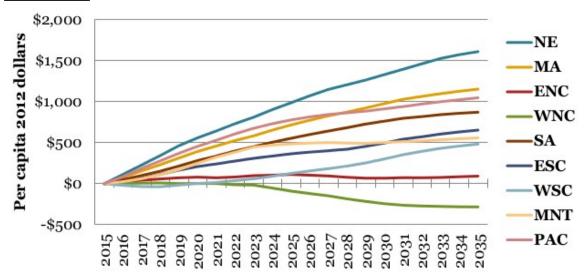
Count of the industries considered in 2025: 40 add jobs, 10 lose jobs, 17 have no change.

# **Energy Production:**



**Figure 3: Electrical Power Generation (p. 93).** Nuclear overwhelms the options for renewable power and replaces coal and gas. Additionally, SA has a greater quantity of solar generation than is typical in other regions owing to the sunshine in Florida and some other states (p. 93).

#### Real Income:



**Figure 4: Real Income Per Capita (p. 38).** This reflects the increase in income per person after accounting for increased cost of living (up by 1.9% in 2025; p. 33), increased energy prices (peaking in 2026; p. 34), net of the impact to the labor market, F&D checks, as well as population and demographic trends. SA sees a sizable increase in real income per capita at approximately \$550 after 10 years and \$900 after 20 years. This is partly explained by the slight population decrease in this region as a result of the policy (-250,000 by 2025; p.44). Also worth noting is that the inflation over the entire 20-year period for the region is equivalent to adding one "extra" year of average annual inflation.

### Other notable findings:

The biggest growth occupations for the region in 2025 are retail sales workers (+29,000), health diagnosing and treating practitioners (+23,000 jobs), and construction trade workers (+21,000 jobs). The job gain in any one of these industries is more than the job losses in the three hardest-hit sectors combined. These occupations are winners because of the dividend, which boosts consumer spending, and thus results in job gains in labor-intensive industries. While many of these jobs are entry-level, they beat unemployment, and indeed the poorest 20% of Americans see the largest boost in employment (p. 36).

#### Conclusions:

SA has a net gain in GRP of \$15.1 billion by 2025 (3<sup>rd</sup> highest among all regions), a net increase in jobs by 400,000 (2<sup>nd</sup> among all regions), and a sizeable increase in real income per capita (4<sup>th</sup> among all regions). Improved air quality also results in the prevention of around 1,000 premature deaths annually by 2025. Overall, Fee and Dividend is a clear winner for SA!

 $\textbf{Full report: } \underline{\text{http://citizensclimatelobby.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/06/REMI-carbon-tax-report-} \underline{\text{62141.pdf}}$ 

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