**Hartsville Named a Top Area on the Rise**

**in South Carolina**

*NerdWallet considers population, employment and income growth*

**San Francisco, CA (August 14, 2014)** – NerdWallet, a consumer advocacy website, recently conducted a study to find the fastest-growing places in South Carolina – and Hartsville ranked 13th.

To find South Carolina’s fastest-growing communities, NerdWallet evaluated 91 cities, towns and census-designated places and examined the following variables:

* Population growth
* Employment growth
* Income growth

Hartsville is a hub of industry, education and community development that also offers plenty of small town charm. With over 130 acres of parks and green space, there are ample opportunities for recreation and family friendly activities. The South Carolina Governor’s School for Science and Mathematics, one of only 12 specialized residential high schools in the nation, fosters academic excellence. With a 12.1% growth in population and 44.3% increase in employment from 2009 to 2012, this city is poised for further growth and expansion.

"With a low corporate tax rate, South Carolina is attracting large multinational corporations to the region, providing ample opportunities for companies and residents alike,” said Kamran Rosen, an analyst with NerdWallet. "While employment growth was moderate for many of our top cities, median income and population growth were often in the high double digits," said Rosen.

Other places in the top 20 include Seneca and Union. See the full study [here](http://www.nerdwallet.com/blog/cities/economics/cities-rise-south-carolina/).

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