

**LET'S
BREAK
NEW
GROUND.**

MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

MISSISSIPPI

MDA UPDATE

2025 Year in Review



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Executive Director

Mission Statement

To be a nationally recognized leader in all domains of responsibility: business retention, recruitment, trade, tourism, film, energy, asset investment and grant administration, military affairs and small business development





locating
a data center in
**SOUTHAVEN,
DESOTO COUNTY**

THE LARGEST

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN MISSISSIPPI'S HISTORY

A CAPITAL INVESTMENT OF
\$20 BILLION
AND
HUNDREDS OF PERMANENT JOBS



PROJECTS ANNOUNCED \$100M+

Q1 2025

Compass Datacenters

\$10B

THOUSANDS OF JOBS

Southeastern Timber Products LLC

\$123.4M

40 JOBS

ROCKWOOL

\$100M

30 JOBS

Ergon

\$400M

20 JOBS

Q2 2025

Howard Industries

\$236.95M

450 JOBS

Q3 2025

AVAIO Digital

\$6B

HUNDREDS OF JOBS

Hood Industries

\$245M

TBA

Q4 2025

Amazon

\$3B

200 JOBS

BWC Terminals

\$316M

25 JOBS

TerraForge Biocarbon Solutions

\$100M

36 JOBS

CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND JOBS

Year	Projects Won	Capital Investment	Job Totals
2026*	1	\$20,000,000,000	100+
2025	33	\$21,536,351,052	2,859
2024	36	\$13,433,816,725	5,305
2023	23	\$1,261,950,720	2,076
2022	42	\$4,896,992,805	5,056
2021	47	\$513,860,538	4,130
2020	37	\$1,626,782,161	4,525
Power Gen.	2	\$3,100,000,000	TBD
TOTAL	219	\$66,369,754,001	24,051+

As of 01/13/26

ANNOUNCED CAPITAL INVESTMENT AND JOBS: 2020 – to date



★ POWER GENERATION

Delta Blues Power Plant - \$1.9B

Vicksburg Advanced Power Station - \$1.2B



\$1.9B



\$20B



\$2.5B



\$10B

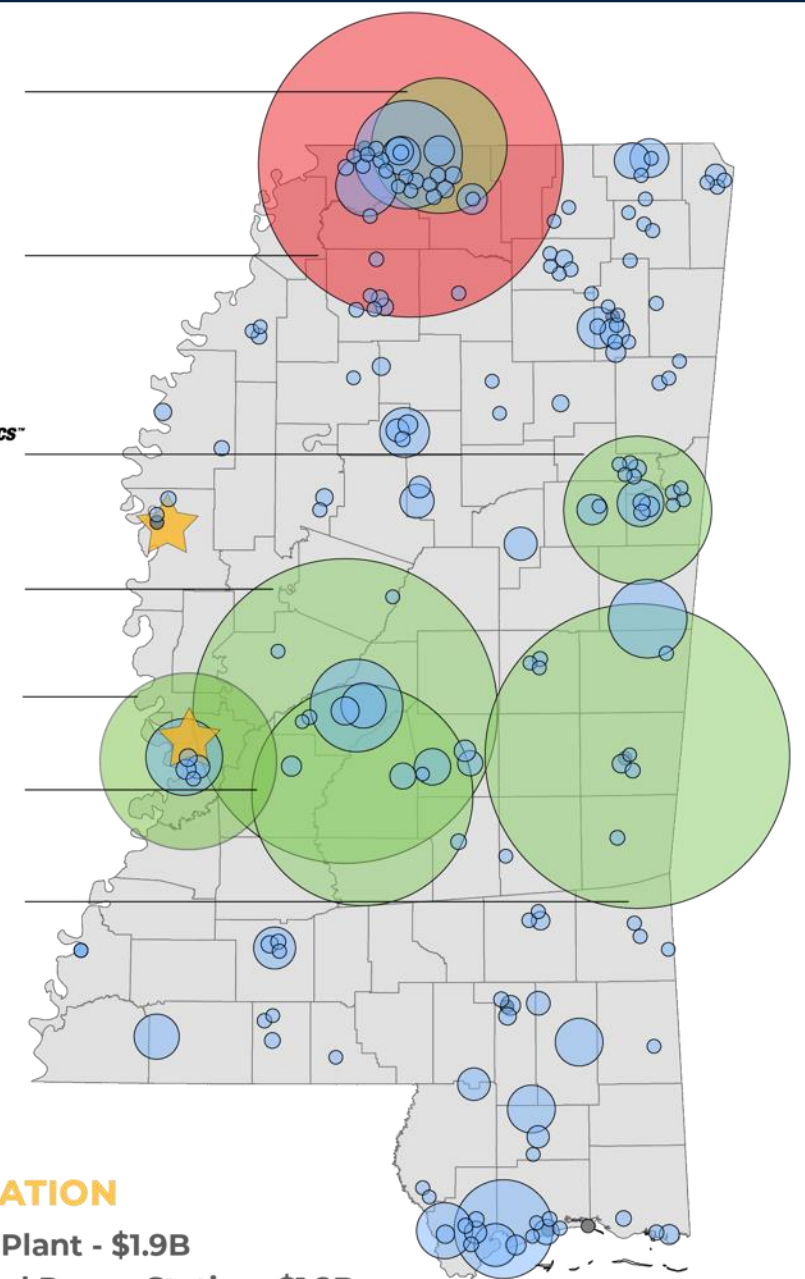
\$3B



\$6B



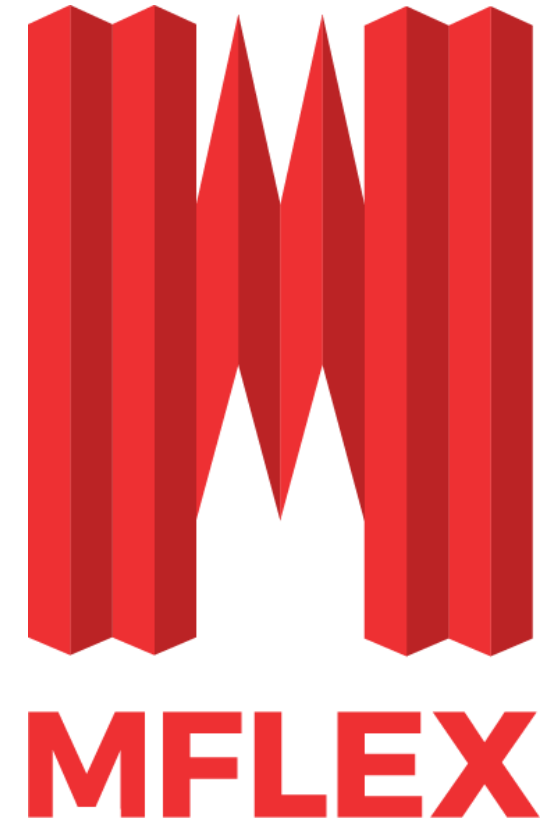
\$10B



MFLEX TOTALS



As of 01/13/26



SITE DEVELOPMENT

84

SITES ASSISTED

48

COUNTIES

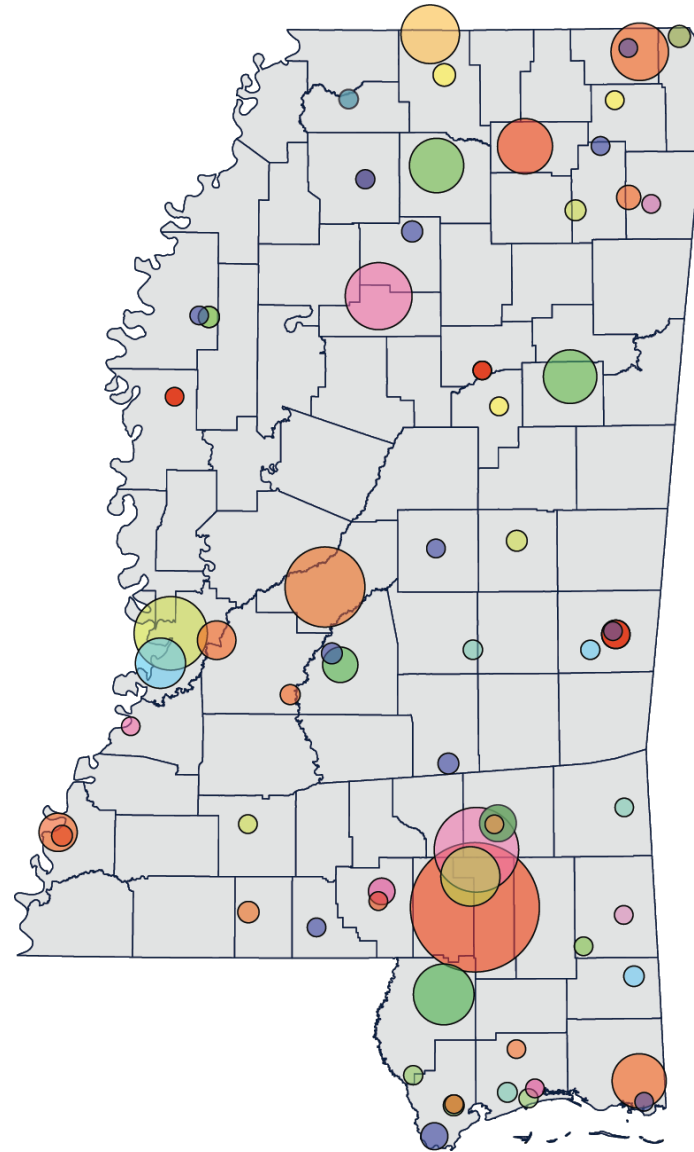
\$143,814,089

GRANTS COMMITTED

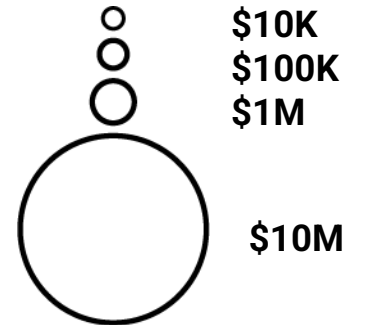
\$248,252,547

TOTAL PROJECT VALUE

As of 01/13/26



Grants through 2025
Total Award



INTERNATIONAL TRADE

TOTAL ANNUAL 2024*
EXPORTS SALES
\$13.85B

EXPORTS TO
186
FOREIGN MARKETS

WE HELPED MISSISSIPPI COMPANIES EXPORT
\$58M

SALES AROUND THE WORLD
2025 YTD

International Trade Office staff provide these highlighted international trade promotion services and more:

- Market Research
- In-Person Trade Missions
- Pre-Arranged Virtual B2B Meetings
- Consultation and Technical Assistance
- Liaison to Key International Trade Facilitators
- Trade Shows (Domestic and International)
- Due Diligence
- Protocol
- Key International U.S. Consulate Office Referrals
- Education/Training
- International In-Bound Missions

*2025 data expected 3/31/26

U.S. STATE EXPORT STATISTICS

(Transport Modes: All Transport Modes) Via States: Mississippi

TOP 10 EXPORTS

1. Mineral Fuels & Mineral Oils
2. Optical, Medical, Surgical Instruments
3. Electrical Machinery & Equipment
4. Nuclear Reactors, Boilers, Machinery
5. Vehicles (Non-Railway)
6. Wood Pulp, Paper & Paperboard
7. Tanning or Dyeing Extracts
8. Cotton
9. Iron & Steel
10. Plastics

*2025 data expected 3/31/26

2024* Total
\$13.85B

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Rank	Trade Partner	2024*
	World	\$13,690,041,898
1	Canada	\$2,067,200,724
2	Panama	\$1,720,410,637
3	Mexico	\$1,643,954,644
4	Honduras	\$812,204,529
5	Belgium	\$698,617,000
6	Netherlands	\$694,572,223
7	Guatemala	\$640,710,438
8	China	\$595,389,232
9	Japan	\$386,060,341
10	Brazil	\$366,869,178

*2025 data expected 3/31/26

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INDO-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL MARITIME EXPO - AUSTRALIA



SEUS-JAPAN - JAPAN



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AUSTRALIA



INGALLS SHIPBUILDING - AUSTRALIA

INTERNATIONAL OFFICES

 OFFICE

 REPRESENTATIVE



STATE SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT INITIATIVE

\$91M

INCREASE CREDIT AND
ACCESS CAPITAL

\$31.5M ALLOCATED

\$54.5M REMAINING

\$15M

ENHANCED SMALL
BUSINESS
LOAN GUARANTY

38 LOANS

\$45M

MS CDFI
SMALL BUSINESS
LOAN FUND

72 LOANS

\$5M

MISSISSIPPI
CONNECT
PROGRAM

\$26M

VENTURE CAPITAL
PROGRAM

15 INVESTMENTS



As of 01/13/26

SMALL BUSINESS CREDIT INITIATIVE

\$15M

ENHANCED SMALL BUSINESS
LOAN GUARANTY

38 LOANS

\$6.2M ALLOCATED

\$8.7M REMAINING

\$45M

MS CDFI SMALL BUSINESS
LOAN FUND

72 LOANS

\$20.2M ALLOCATED

\$24.8M REMAINING

\$26M

VENTURE CAPITAL
PROGRAM

15 INVESTMENTS

\$5M ALLOCATED

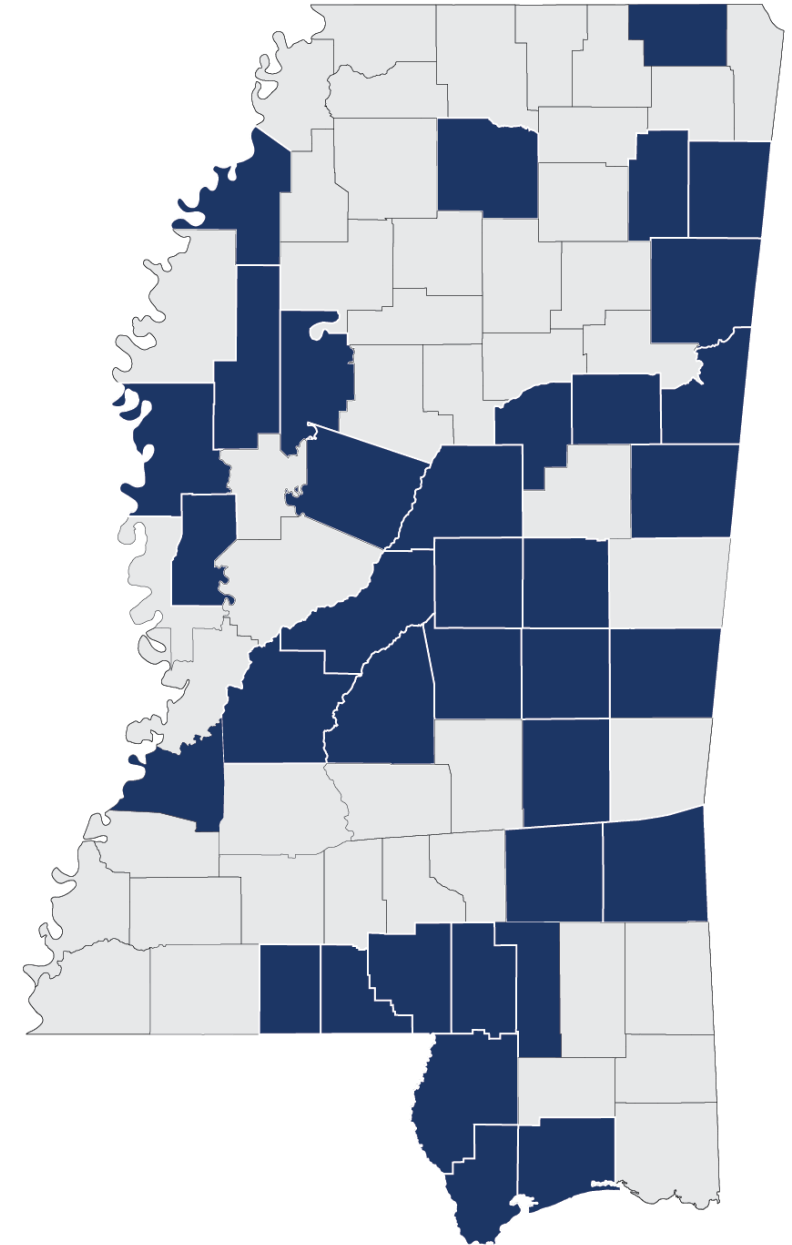
\$20.9M REMAINING

As of 01/13/26

SMALL BUSINESS LOAN GUARANTY PROGRAM

96

Total Loans
Guaranteed
Since 2020



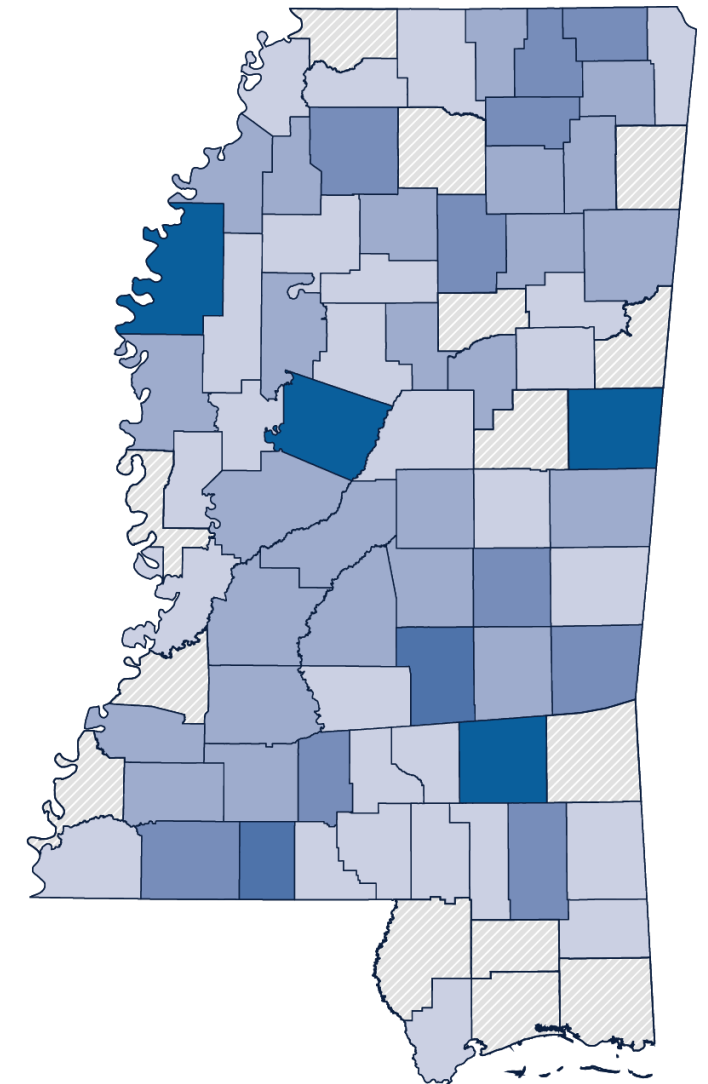
	Loan Amounts	MDA Guaranty
TOTAL	\$58,752,565	\$33,939,923
AVERAGE	\$612,006	\$353,541

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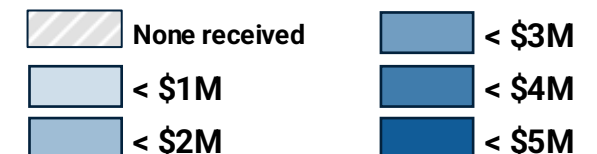
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS

Year*	Awards	Amount
2025*	46	\$24,000,000.00
2024	42	\$22,600,398.58
2023	35	\$18,566,657.35
2022	45	\$26,938,553.83
2021	56	\$27,380,482.45
2020	69	\$29,599,877.31
TOTAL	247	\$149,085,969.52

*2025: 46 new CDBG-PF grants totaling approx. \$24M will be awarded around 3/1/25.



CDBG Grants Totals by County



FILM MISSISSIPPI

FY26

\$7,459,398

TOTAL ALLOCATED FOR UPCOMING
MISSISSIPPI MOTION PICTURE INCENTIVE PROGRAM PROJECTS

37%

OF \$20M FY26
ALLOCATED

\$1,097,688

TOTAL ALLOCATED FOR
MISSISSIPPI EPISODIC TELEVISION INCENTIVE PROGRAM PROJECTS

11%

OF \$10M FY26
ALLOCATED

FILM MISSISSIPPI

Q4 Productions

1. *12 Dates of Christmas* (Clinton)
2. *Alterity* (Jackson)
3. *Before Daylight* (Vicksburg)

Upcoming

1. 16th Annual Clarksdale Film and Music Festival (Jan. 23-25, Clarksdale)
2. Sundance Film Festival (Jan. 22-Feb. 1, Park City, UT)
3. 29th Annual Magnolia Independent Film Festival (Feb. 19-21, Starkville)
4. 23rd Annual Oxford Film Festival (Feb. 26-28, Oxford)
5. Realscreen Summit (Feb. 2-4, Miami, FL)

Special Events

1. 10th anniversary screening of Mississippi-made feature film OZLAND (October, Ridgeland)
2. Desoto Film Festival (November, Southaven)
3. FOCUS 2025 (December, London, UK)

FILM MISSISSIPPI

Recently Released



***Home Town
Season 10***



The Neglected

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES



Mississippi Power Play implementation ongoing.



Governor Reeves chairs the Southern States Energy Board.



MDA's Lisa Campbell recognized as 2025 "Top State Employee" for Mississippi's Energy Security Plan.

ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Available, affordable, reliable and secure energy from a robust energy sector are keys to Mississippi's continued economic growth.

JUNE 2025

ENRD hosted all Mississippi utilities to launch the start of the 40101(d) Grid Resilience Grant.

30%

of applicants are pursuing funds to harden and make more resilient economic development areas.

CURRENT

~\$18M

IN FUNDING
RESULTING

=

\$30M

IN GRID RESILIENCE AND
INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES

UPDATE

~\$12M

EXPECTED DOE FUNDS RELEASED TO
THE STATE IN 2026

VISIT MISSISSIPPI

44.2M

VISITORS

\$11.9B

VISITOR SPENDING

\$1.1B

CONTRIBUTED TO
THE STATE'S
GENERAL FUND

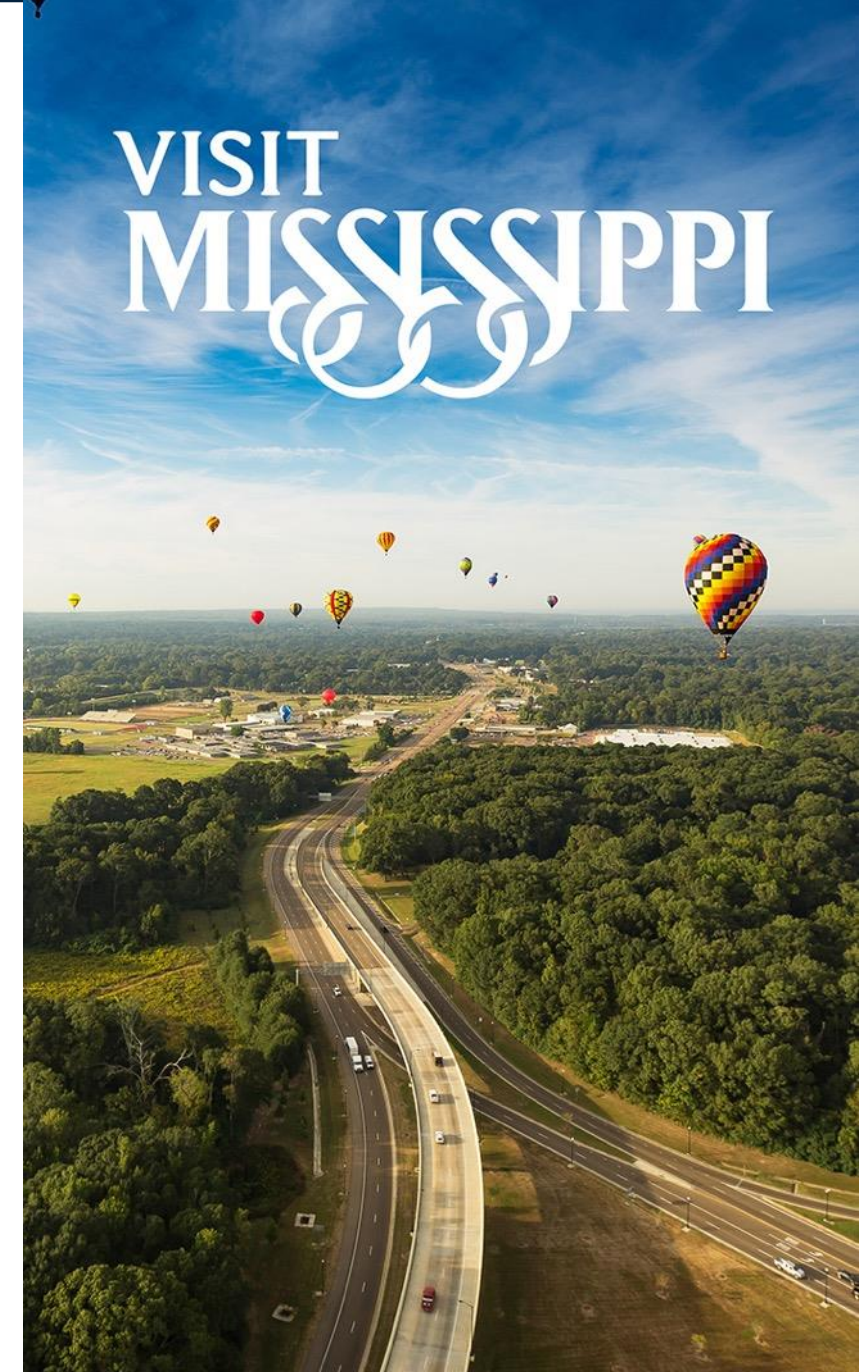
136,094

TOTAL JOBS
SUPPORTED

\$18.1B

TOTAL
ECONOMIC
IMPACT

Numbers for 2024. Data for 2025 expected in Fall of 2026.



Tourism Highlights



Mississippi featured on *50 States in 50 Weeks* series in celebration of America's 250th anniversary.



Morgan Freeman's Symphonic Blues Experience in NYC featured on the *Today Show* – *Living Legends* series and *Good Morning America*, among other outlets.



Ten Mississippi chefs and restaurants featured in the inaugural *Michelin Guide American South*.

Tourism Highlights



**Great Mississippi
Nature Trail
announced.**



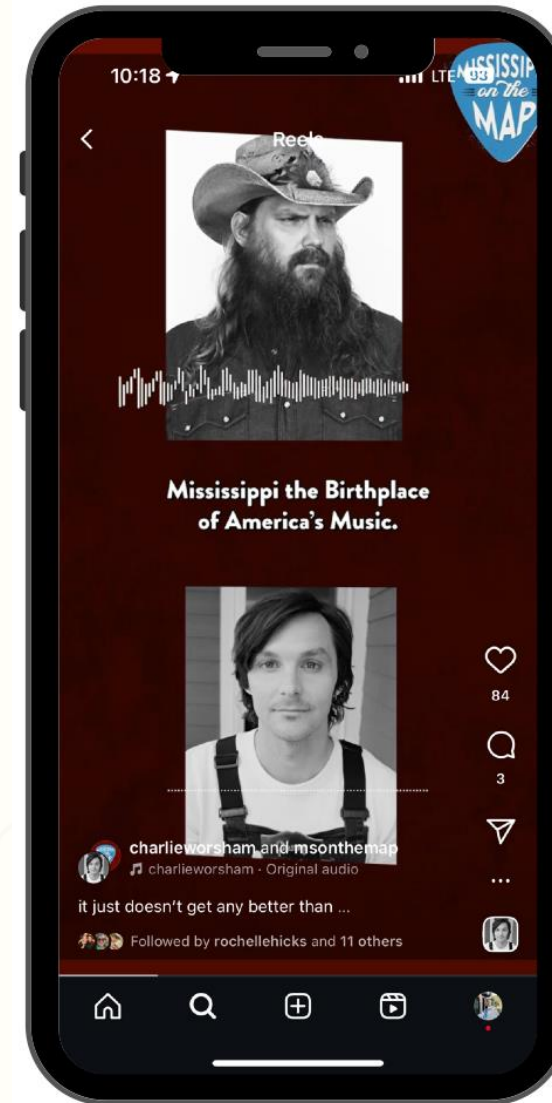
**New cultural trail markers
unveiled and new accompanying
brochures developed for
each trail.**



**America 250 Mississippi:
National Folk Festival,
America250 Airstream, Flag
Sojourn 250 and United
in Song**

Mississippi On The Map Podcast

- 7.8K Podcast Downloads
- Average of 9K Views Per Day
- 1.2 M Video Podcast Views
- 683K Combined Social Views
- 550K Website Visits
- Latest Episodes:
 - Wright Thompson, Writer
 - The Parchman Band





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