**TRANSITIONING WORKERS TO TOMORROW'S CAREERS**

The Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) Program is administered by the Employment and Training Administration to provide adversely affected workers with opportunities to obtain the skills, credentials, resources, and support necessary to (re)build skills for future jobs. Each fiscal year, the TAA Program invests in training funds to serve workers impacted by foreign trade and helps those eligible for TAA get ready to work through tailored training for new skills that create pathways to well-paying, middle-class jobs.

This state profile uses TAA Program data in fiscal year 2021 and other publicly available administrative data from 2017–2021 to show both a snapshot and trends over time of the program.

**KEY BENEFITS OF TAA**

- Up to 2 years of tuition-free training
- Job search allowances
- Income support while in training
- Health coverage tax credit
- Wage supplements for older workers
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**TAA PETITIONS CERTIFIED**

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**ESTIMATED WORKERS COVERED BY TAA**

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**TAA FEDERAL FUNDS ALLOCATED**

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**EMPLOYMENT TRENDS IN THE THREE LARGEST INDUSTRIES IN SOUTH CAROLINA**

(Numbers in thousands)

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**TRENDS IN TAA OUTCOMES IN SOUTH CAROLINA BY FISCAL YEAR**

- **TAA participants who found new jobs**
  - FY 2017: 75%
  - FY 2018: 73%
  - FY 2019: 73%
  - FY 2020: 71%
  - FY 2021: 66%

- **Credential Attainment Rate**
  - FY 2017: 55%
  - FY 2018: 62%
  - FY 2019: 59%
  - FY 2020: 59%
  - FY 2021: 58%


To learn more about TAA, visit [https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/tradeact/](https://www.dol.gov/agencies/eta/tradeact/)

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