

Biogas State Profile: South Carolina



South Carolina ranks #21 out of 50 states for its biogas production potential of 50.6 billion ft³/yr.

Biogas Capture Systems in South Carolina



A full build-out of South Carolina's biogas industry offers these benefits:

Energy Benefits

Up to **27.9 billion ft**³ of methane (renewable natural gas) could be produced each year for energy, heat, fuel, and more!

- or 3.7 billion kWh equivalent to the annual electricity usage of 343,600 households
- or 2,712 million kWh electricity and 1,056 million BTU/h heat (engine)
- or **4,536 million kWh** electricity and **7,560 million kWh** heat (fuel cell)
- or **0.4 GW** Nameplate Capacity equivalent to **8 U.S. power stations** (avg. size)
- or 28.9 million MMBtu/yr equivalent to energy consumption of 376,871 homes
- or 240.8 million gallons of GGE, enough to fuel 136,456 delivery trucks for one year

Economic Benefits	Climate Benefits	Recycling Benefits
\$4.9 billion in capital investment	Equivalent to the GHG emissions avoided by taking 35,688 cars off the road	104,755 tons/yr of dairy manure, which could produce 0.2 billion ft ³ of biogas each year
8,695 construction jobs to build the systems	Equivalent to the carbon sequestered by 153,100 acres of forest	229,282 tons/yr of swine manure, which could produce 0.15 billion ft ³ of biogas each year
570 long-term jobs to operate the systems	Equivalent emission reductions to 1,081 U.S. football fields of solar panels Equivalent to the GHG emissions avoided by running 46 U.S. wind turbines (avg. size) for a year	388,083 tons/yr of poultry manure, which could produce 18.1 billion ft³ of biogas each year 908,000 tons/yr of food waste, which could produce 2.4 billion ft³ of biogas each year 604 million gallons/day of wastewater, which could produce 2.1 billion ft³ of biogas each year