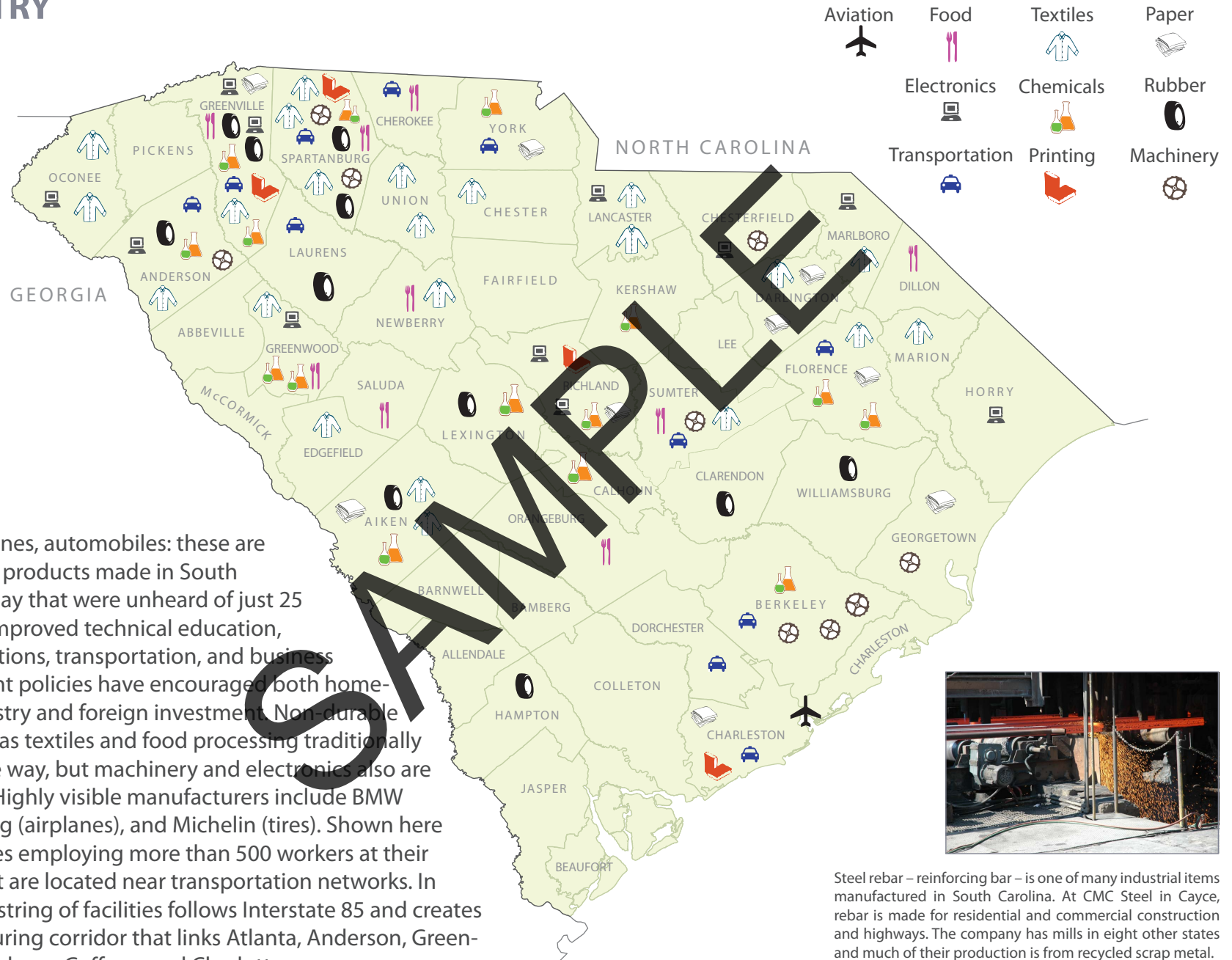


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Tires, airplanes, automobiles: these are some of the products made in South Carolina today that were unheard of just 25 years ago. Improved technical education, communications, transportation, and business development policies have encouraged both home-grown industry and foreign investment. Non-durable goods such as textiles and food processing traditionally have led the way, but machinery and electronics also are important. Highly visible manufacturers include BMW (cars), Boeing (airplanes), and Michelin (tires). Shown here are industries employing more than 500 workers at their facility. Most are located near transportation networks. In particular a string of facilities follows Interstate 85 and creates a manufacturing corridor that links Atlanta, Anderson, Greenville, Spartanburg, Gaffney, and Charlotte.



Steel rebar – reinforcing bar – is one of many industrial items manufactured in South Carolina. At CMC Steel in Cayce, rebar is made for residential and commercial construction and highways. The company has mills in eight other states and much of their production is from recycled scrap metal.