Table A-45: The economic contribution of the data center industry in South Carolina, 2023-2024

Metric	Type of contribution	2023	2024	Growth
Employment (jobs)	Direct contribution	10,790	10,780	0%
	Indirect and induced without the spillover effect[a]	26,160	33,340	27%
	Operational	15,010	15,520	3%
	Capital spending	11,150	17,820	60%
	Total contribution without the spillover effect[a]	36,950	44,120	19%
	Cross-state spillover	17,290	19,840	15%
	Total contribution with the spillover effect[a]	54,240	63,960	18%
Labor income ($millions)	Direct contribution	$1,162	$1,257	8%
	Indirect and induced without the spillover effect[a]	$1,526	$2,043	34%
	Operational	$765	$809	6%
	Capital spending	$760	$1,234	62%
	Total contribution without the spillover effect[a]	$2,687	$3,301	23%
	Cross-state spillover	$1,059	$1,286	21%
	Total contribution with the spillover effect[a]	$3,746	$4,586	22%
GDP ($millions)	Direct contribution	$1,917	$2,047	7%
	Indirect and induced without the spillover effect[a]	$2,700	$3,556	32%
	Operational	$1,473	$1,570	7%
	Capital spending	$1,227	$1,986	62%
	Total contribution without the spillover effect[a]	$4,617	$5,603	21%
	Cross-state spillover	$1,945	$2,361	21%
	Total contribution with the spillover effect[a]	$6,562	$7,964	21%
Tax payments[b] ($millions)	State, without cross-state spillover effect[a]	$239	$283	19%
	Local, without cross-state spillover effect[a]	$164	$195	19%
	State and local, without cross-state spillover effect[a]	$403	$478	19%
	State, with cross-state spillover effect[a]	$339	$411	21%
	Local, with cross-state spillover effect[a]	$233	$283	21%
	State and local, with cross-state spillover effect[a]	$572	$694	21%

Source: PwC calculations using the IMPLAN modeling system and public data. Details may not sum to totals due to rounding.

[a] The spillover effect refers to the indirect and induced effects in a state attributable to the industry's direct activity in all other states.
[b] Tax contribution includes all state and local taxes directly or indirectly resulting from the industry's U.S. construction and operations (including direct, indirect, and induced economic effects) benefiting the state.

1. The industry's total annual employment contribution in South Carolina (without the cross-state spillover effect) increased by 19 percent from 36,950 jobs in 2023 to 44,120 jobs in 2024. Including the cross-state spillover effect, the industry's total annual employment contribution in South Carolina was 54,240 jobs and 63,960 jobs in 2023 and 2024, respectively.
2. The industry's total annual labor income contribution in South Carolina (without the cross-state spillover effect) increased by 23 percent from $2.7 billion in 2023 to $3.3 billion in 2024. Including the cross-state spillover effect, the industry's total annual labor income contribution in South Carolina was $3.7 billion and $4.6 billion in 2023 and 2024, respectively.
3. The industry's total annual GDP contribution in South Carolina (without the cross-state spillover effect) increased by 21 percent from $4.6 billion in 2023 to $5.6 billion in 2024. Including the cross-state spillover effect, the industry's total annual GDP contribution in South Carolina was $6.6 billion and $8.0 billion in 2023 and 2024, respectively.
4. The industry's total state and local tax contribution in South Carolina (without the cross-state spillover effect) of $478 million in 2024 would have been sufficient to fund nearly one-third of the state's expenditures toward health services including outpatient health services, other than hospital care, based on the latest available government spending data (2023).