

# ALABAMA JOBS ACT: JOBS CREDIT AND INVESTMENT CREDIT

Sections 40-18-370 through 40-18-383 of the Code of Alabama 1975 provide for incentives to qualifying projects to stimulate job creation and capital investment through the Jobs Credit and Investment Credit. The incentives are discretionary based on various aspects of the project.

For more information regarding eligibility, qualifications, and procedures for a new or expansion project, please contact the Alabama Department of Commerce.

# **BENEFITS:**

# 1. Jobs Credit

- Cash rebate of up to 3% annually of the previous year's gross payroll (not including fringe benefits) for eligible employees who are Alabama residents. The Jobs Credit is available for up to 10 years. Enhanced benefits include:
  - Up to 4% rebate for qualifying projects locating in a Targeted<sup>1</sup> or Jumpstart<sup>2</sup> County, as defined and listed below.
  - Up to 4% rebate for qualifying projects by a Technology Company<sup>3</sup>, as defined below.
  - Up to 4% for qualifying projects of companies engaged in pharmaceutical, biomedical, medical technology or medical supplies or related research and development activities.

In addition to the maximum percentages provided above, an additional 0.5% rebate is available on the wages of the following:

- Eligible employees who are veterans, for a company whose eligible workforce is at least 12% veterans.
- All eligible employees, for qualifying projects locating within a former active duty military installation closed by the Base Realignment and Closure process (BRAC).

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#### 2. Investment Credit

- Alabama tax credit of up to 1.5% annually of the qualified capital investment in a qualifying project for up to 10 years; or up to 15 years for Qualifying projects locating in a Targeted or Jumpstart County
- The Investment Credit may be taken against Alabama income tax, financial institution excise tax, insurance premium tax, utility tax and/or utility license tax liability.
- The credit can be carried forward for five years.
- At the discretion of the Governor, the first 5 years of the Investment Credit may be transferred to another taxpayer for at least 85% of its face value.

# **ELIGIBILITY**:

Project must have a qualifying business activity listed in Code of Alabama Section 40-18-372(1).

#### Job Creation Threshold:

Type of County/Project	Job Threshold Requirement		
Non-Targeted / Non-Jumpstart County	50 net new full-time jobs		
Targeted or Jumpstart County	10 net new full-time jobs		
Technology Company	10 net new full-time jobs		
Chemical Manufacturing, Data Center, Renewable Energy	Net new full-time job(s)		
Generation, Engineering, Design, or Research, Metal/Machining			
Technology or Toolmaking			

# **Capital Investment Threshold:**

Type of County/Project	Capital Investment Threshold Requirement		
Non-Targeted / Non-Jumpstart County	None		
Targeted or Jumpstart County	\$2,000,000, direct or indirect		

1. "TARGETED COUNTY" is defined as an Alabama County with a population of 60,000 or fewer.

2025 TARGETED COUNTIES							
Barbour	Clarke	Crenshaw	Hale	Marion			
Bibb	Clay	Dale	Henry	Monroe	Tallapoosa		
Bullock	Cleburne	Dallas	Jackson	Perry	Washington		
Butler	Coffee	Escambia	Lamar	Pickens	Wilcox		
Chambers	Colbert	Fayette	Lawrence	Pike	Winston		
Cherokee	Conecuh	Franklin	Lowndes	Randolph			
Chilton	Coosa	Geneva	Macon	Russell			
Choctaw	Covington	Greene	Marengo	Sumter			

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2. "JUMPSTART COUNTY" is defined as any Alabama County that (1) does not qualify as a Targeted County, (2) has experienced negative population growth over the last 5 years, and (3) contains no more than two Opportunity Zones.

No county qualifies as a "Jumpstart County" in 2025.

- **3.** "TECHNOLOGY COMPANY" is defined as any company that meets the following criteria:
  - Alabama is or will become the company's headquarters; and
  - Alabama is or will become the place of residence for the top 3 executives; and
  - Alabama is or will become the place of residence for at least 75% of employees; and
  - Company must earn at least 75% of its revenue from one of the following business activities:
    - NAICS Codes:
      - 5112 (Software Publishers)
      - 5121 (other than 51213) (Motion Picture & Video Industries (other than Motion Picture Video Exhibition))
      - 518 (Data Processing, Hosting, & Related Services)
      - 51913 (Internet Publishing & Broadcasting & Web Search Portals)
      - 5415 (Computer Systems Design & Related Services)
      - 5417 (Scientific Research & Development Services)
    - The use of technology to develop new coding or processes for the creation or delivery of goods or services in at least one of these fields:

Education

Nutrition

Aerospace

Automotive

Financial Services

STEM

Robotics

Healthcare

Energy

Agriculture

Infrastructure

 Educating and mentoring early-stage Technology Companies recruited to Alabama, with the goal of accelerating their development and growth.