

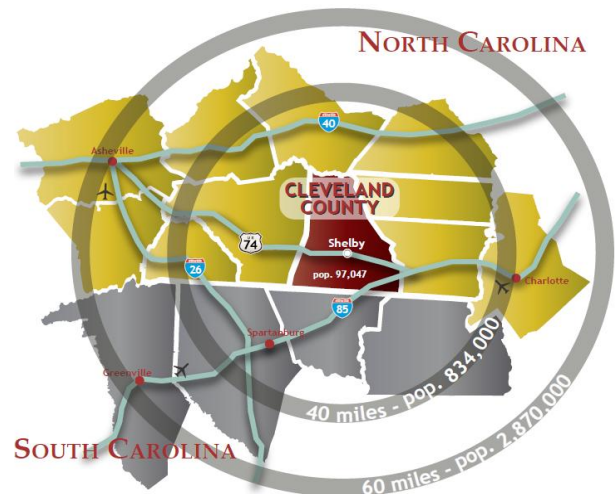
# AUTOMOTIVE

## FAST FACTS:

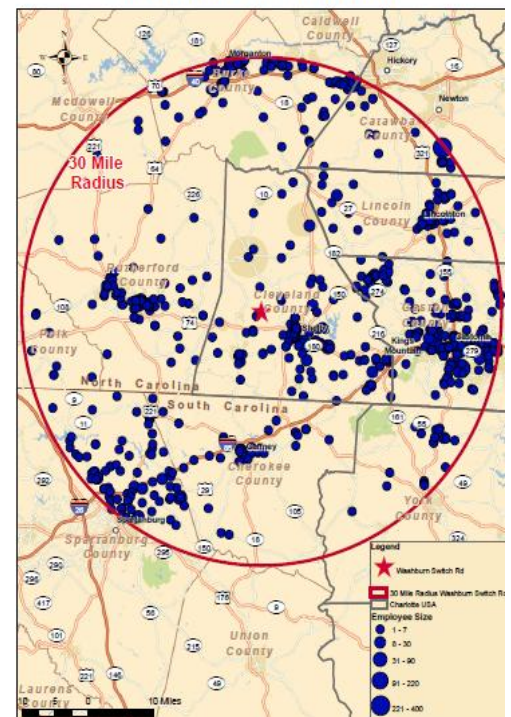
- More than 42,000 workers (500+ firms) in the CLT Region are employed in the automotive industry.
- Cleveland County sites and buildings are geographically located within close proximity to major automotive assembly plants in the Southeast such as: BMW, Daimler, Volvo, GM, Honda and Volkswagen.
- BMW's assembly plant is located only 50 minutes away from most Cleveland County industrial sites.
- The CLT Region is a major automotive supplier hub, and the largest employers include: Daimler North America, Bosch, Dana Corporation, SPX, Continental and Cataler.
- Phenomenal Automotive R&D assets are located near Cleveland County: UNC-Charlotte NC Motorsports & Automotive Research Center, NASCAR Research & Development Center, Polymers Center of Excellence and Clemson University's International Center for Automotive Research (ICAR).

## WHY CLEVELAND COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA?

- **Accessibility**  
 -The CLT Region is a distribution hub for the seventh-largest urban region in the US.
- **Business Strengths**  
 -Growing automotive cluster in Cleveland County.  
 -Accessibility to strong automotive supply chain in CLT Region.  
 -Diversified local economy with strengths in advanced manufacturing.  
 -NC has lowest unionization rate in the US. There are no unionized facilities in Cleveland County.
- **Shovel Ready Sites & Available Buildings**  
 -Sites available from 10-400 acres that can be potentially gifted to companies for development.  
 -Attractive and modern industrial shell buildings available.  
 -Robust and cost efficient electrical, water, sewer and natural gas utilities.
- **Local Government Support**  
 -Expedited & Streamlined Permitting.  
 -Aggressive Financial Incentives.



Automotive - 30 Mile Radius



## CLEVELAND COUNTY LOGISTICAL ADVANTAGES

- **Reliable Air Transportation**  
 -Charlotte Douglass International (CLT)  
 -Greenville Spartanburg International (GSP)
- **Fast Interstate Highway System**  
 -I-85, I-26, I-40 Accessibility
- **Sophisticated Rail Service**  
 -Norfolk Southern Intermodal, Charlotte, NC  
 -Norfolk Southern Inland Port, Greer, SC
- **Well Integrated Port System**  
 -Port of Charleston, SC

