



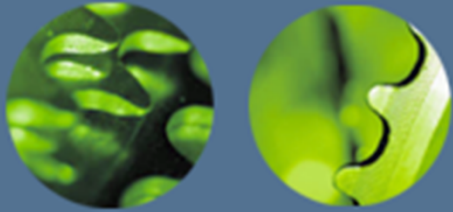
Economic Development





Mission

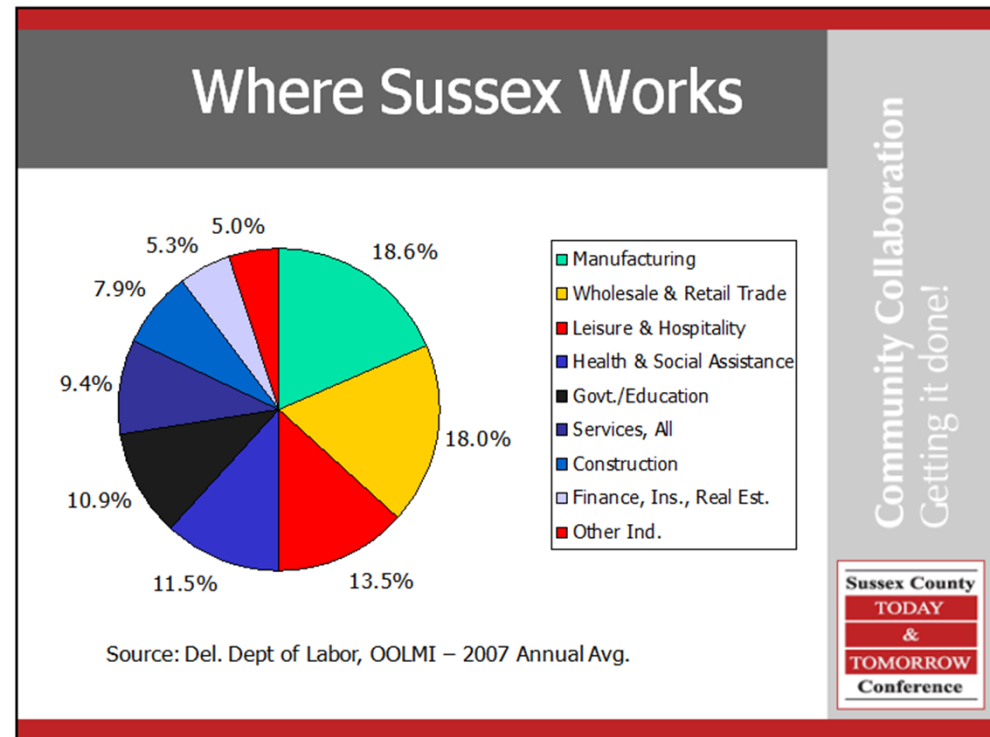
- Improve the well-being and quality of life for Sussex Countians by creating and/or retaining jobs, growing incomes and improving the tax base.
- Accomplished by coordinating efforts of SEDAC, Towns, Chambers, Southern Delaware Tourism, Businesses, State of Delaware and the Region.



Target Industries

Diversity across major industries helps Sussex County weather economic change.

- Manufacturing
- Agriculture
- Tourism
- Healthcare





Manufacturing

Manufacturing jobs traditionally are higher paying and have a higher multiplier effect on support jobs than others.

- Alternative Energy
- Aeronautics & Aviation
- Nylon Polymers
- Electrical Equipment/Switches
- Robotics



Agriculture

Agribusiness is the backbone of Sussex County Economic Development.

- Poultry Growing & Processing
- Grain Production
 - Corn
 - Soy Beans
- Truck Crops



Tourism

A great number of jobs are in Tourism. Although they are traditionally lower paying, job losses within the industry proportionately effect more households.

- Continue Supporting Beach Promotion
- Agritourism, Ecotourism
- Museums, Festivals
- Conference Centers



Healthcare

With the growing number of retirees, healthcare opportunities are increasing. Beebe currently has 40 openings for general practitioners.

- Biotechnology
- Nursing
- Home Health Providers
- Assisted Living Facilities



Opportunity: Enhanced Transportation

Enhance transportation methods to support Economic Development, making Sussex County more competitive.

- Rail
- Air
- Water
- Roads



Opportunity: Adequate Infrastructure

In addition to enhanced transportation, economic growth gravitates to proximities where there is availability of water and sewer. Industrially friendly zoning is also required. Established Business Parks in Sussex County are virtually full. Municipal park availability is almost nil. Private developers are attempting to fill the void.