

# South Carolina



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## South Carolina Department of Transportation Interstate 26, Spartanburg County

Designed to withstand the impact of 1.6 million ESALS, I-26 in Spartansburg County actually reached that milestone in 1979—and it has endured the impact of an estimated 10.5 million more since that time.

The award-winning pavement is a five-mile section of I-26 running from the North Carolina state line to South Carolina Route 11. Construction of the road started in 1962 and the highway was opened to traffic in 1969.

The road was built with 3.8 inches of aggregate subbase, 7 inches of aggregate base course, 6.3 inches of asphalt aggregate base, 2.4 inches of asphalt intermediate course and 1.4 inches of asphalt surface course. The pavement was resurfaced in 1980 with 2.9 inches of hot-mix asphalt and 0.7 inches of open-graded friction course (OGFC). In 1997, contractors milled 1.9 inches from the surface and replaced it with 1.9 inches of HMA and 0.4 inches of OGFC. There has also been some patching to repair areas gouged by traffic.

The road is currently in good condition and should not need work for several more years.