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Percent of the number of tourists visiting Alabama beaches during the last July 4 holiday compared with a typical year

Source: Alabama Gulf Coast Convention and Visitors Bureau, as cited in *EconSouth's* article, "The Gulf Coast Cleans Off"

5,600

Number of new private-sector jobs that the Port of Jacksonville's 90-acre container facility will create by its 2014 completion

Source: Jacksonville Ports Authority

1519

Year the first European, Alvarez de Pineda, sailed along the northern coast of the Gulf of Mexico

Source: U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement



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Amount, in billions of dollars, the Alabama Gulf Coast lost in tourism dollars in summer 2010 as a result of the oil spill

Source: Alabama Gulf Coast Convention and Visitors Bureau, as cited in *EconSouth's* article, "The Gulf Coast Cleans Off"

2.4

Number, in millions, of TEUs (twenty-foot-equivalent unit containers) handled by the Georgia Ports Authority in 2009

Source: Georgia Ports Authority, as cited in *EconSouth's* article, "Full Steam Ahead: Southeast Ports Prepare for Panama Canal Expansion"



52,000

Number of jobs in the Southeast supported by the cotton industry in 2007

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, as cited in *EconSouth's* article, "King Cotton Still Part of Southeast's Fabric"



53

Percent of all roads in the United States that are unpaved

Source: U.S. Department of Transportation

closing



49

Gallons of water required to produce one cup of orange juice

Source: U.S. Department of the Interior's Bureau of Reclamation

72¢

Per-pound spot price of cotton in the first six months of 2010, compared with 52 cents in the same period of 2009

Source: Cotton Incorporated, as cited in *EconSouth's* article, "King Cotton Still Part of Southeast's Fabric"