SOUTH DAKOTA STATE FACT SHEET

Each year, South Dakota businesses host international college students and graduates participating in the Department of State’s J-1 visa Summer Work Travel, Intern, Trainee, Au Pair, and Camp Counselor programs. This collaboration offers myriad diplomacy and national security benefits to our country, and significant economic benefits – including vital tax revenue – to communities across South Dakota.

Economic Impact of Summer Work Travel Participants:
$5.9 million
*Source: Summer Work Travel (SWT) Program Review by EurekaFacts, August 2018

Economic Impact of Intern and Trainee Participants:
$1 million
*Source: Intern and Trainee Exchange Program Review by EurekaFacts, June 2017

Prominent Host Communities:
Custer, Deadwood, Keystone, Rapid City, Wall

Prominent Host Employers:
Capitol Management
Governors Inn (Pierre)
Presidential Hospitality, LLC
The Rushmore Hotel

American Students Abroad:
708
*Total number of U.S. Study Abroad Students enrolled through institutions in the state, 2016/2017. Source: Open Doors 2018

Total Number of Participants:
• Au Pair
  4
• Camp Counselor
  30
• Intern
  33
• Summer Work Travel
  1098
• Trainee
  13
*Source: U.S. Department of State, 2018

International Students in the State:
2,096
*Number of international students enrolled at colleges/universities in the state. Source: Open Doors 2018