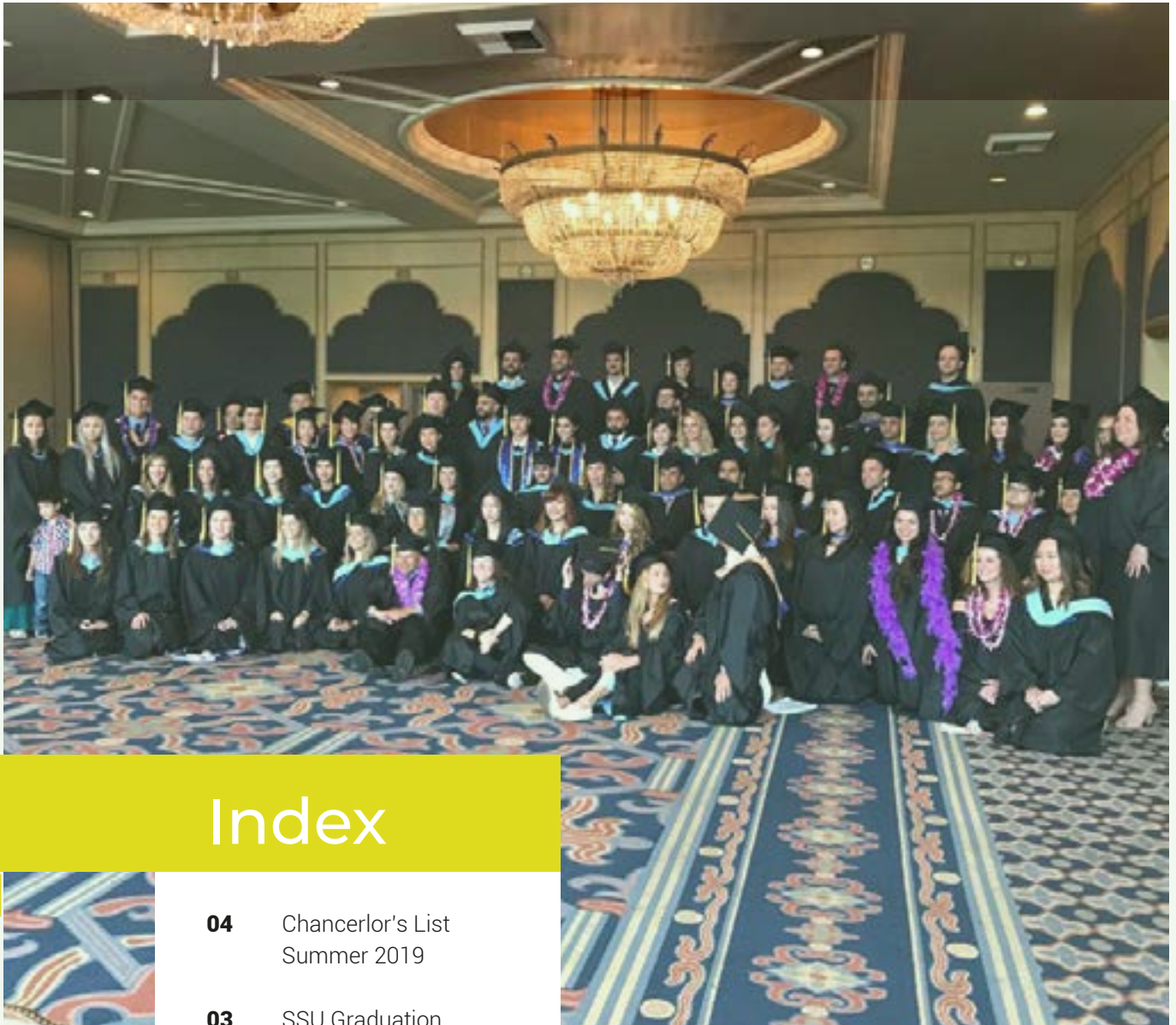




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### SSU GRADUATION CEREMONY

June 23, 2019 San Diego Bahia Resort.

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# CHANCELLOR'S LIST. SUMMER 2019



SSU regularly recognizes students who have achieved a GPA of 3.8 or higher during the previous quarter by including their names on the Chancellor's List. Students listed here achieved this honor in the Spring 2019 quarter. The high caliber of scholarship achieved by these students enhances the quality of education for all of our students at our learning community. I congratulate them for their contribution to scholarly life at Southern States University. - John D. Tucker, Chancellor

## San Diego - BBA

Akshay Aswani

## San Diego - Certificates

Isabella Lacerda Vinaud Amaral

## San Diego - MBA

Muharrem Aral  
Ugur Bayraktar  
Maria Cuevas Padilla Bertha  
Begum Nur Demir  
Muharrem Eskiturk  
Fuat Kamis  
Aliya Kim  
Gamze Kucukcancabas  
Glazielle Moreira Porciuncula  
Ezgi Ozturk  
Patrik Puska  
Indrajeet Shekhwa  
Adem Sipahioglu  
Renata Venturini Pereira  
Mariana De Araujo Ferreira

## San Diego - MSIT

Arabella De Guzman Del Mundo  
James Jacob  
Cynthia Mock  
Laxman Nayak  
Ayoub Arafat Ayoub Nueirat  
Mehmet Saka  
Inder Singh  
Ibrahim Vidinli

Irvine - BBA  
Hong Ge  
Juliana Hanna

## Irvine - Certificates

Beate Berg  
Nurman Dairabayev  
Fabiana Cristina Saturnino

## Irvine - MBA

Akram Abdel Rahman  
Sadok Abdelli  
Luis Adorno Bandeira Assumpcao  
Abd Aftah Wael Ahmad Amin  
Laith Alfaouri  
Marwan Alkhaleel  
Mekan Atayev  
Hani Banoub  
Kaan Baytar  
Mohammed Abd Elrahem Ben Mansour  
Paulo Bortolucci Dos Santos  
Bruna Da Silva Arruda Farinha  
Ozgun Dal  
Farida Dora  
Serkan Dursun  
Mark Tristan Enriquez  
Fernanda Ferreira Novais  
Emanuele Ferreira Salvador  
Gorkem Gen  
Zubeda Jumbe Ijlal  
Yury Ishin  
Chananya Jintanayakanon  
Gulce Kabakci  
Dickson Andrew Kadele  
Aynur Kenjaeva  
Alper Kilic  
Aysun Kilic  
Gulsun Kilic  
Bilel Kochlef

Vladyslava Kozachyshche  
Luciana Longhi Morelato  
Sutinee Metatranukul  
Mohammed Munshi  
Mustafa Park  
Luciana Pinheiro Barile  
Khadija Rabeh EP Zouari  
Wiem Radhouane  
Giselle Ramos Pimenta  
Paula Sartorio Gava Flavia  
Radwan Serageldin  
Irem Sorguc  
Natsumi Takahashi  
Hiroya Tamaki  
Busra Topaloglu  
Anh Tuan Truong Nguyen  
Kim Phuong Tu  
Ibraheem Zamel  
Fernando Zapparoli

## Irvine: MSIT

Abdulaziz Majri J Alsebaie  
Nurbol Batkhan  
Sathish Bere  
Renat Chindaliyev  
Waleed Dandan  
Ranem Basher A Elmangosh  
Serife Kiran  
Beamy Kuchii  
Marlon Montes  
Tariq Mohd Khier I Talafha  
Ahmad Zamil



Do not miss a thing! Follow SSU on your favorite Social Media and keep yourself updated with our newsletter.

## FOLLOW US!



## DOWNLOAD THE MOODLE APP

We are pleased to announce that we recently upgraded Moodle to the latest version (3.6). With this new version, you will experience better capabilities and less bugs. One important feature that you can make use of is the MOODLE APP for mobile devices.

You can download it for free on:



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(949) 527-1253

### Las Vegas:

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## SSU GRADUATION CEREMONY

The 2019 SSU Commencement was held at the beautiful Bahia Hotel in Mission Bay, on Sunday, June 23, 2019. An exceptionally high number of students and guests took part in this time-honored university tradition to commemorate the academic achievements of our SSU graduates.



## LUNCH TALK



With Javier Wedekind Flores, DBA  
Irvine Campus



## HOW TO FORMAT CORRECTLY IN APA STYLE WITH JAVIER FLORES, DBA.

Javier Flores has been working in finance and management since 1999. He has held positions in operations, sales, and finance management with the last position in post-secondary education. Javier received his Bachelor of Science in Business Management (BSBM) in 2009 and his Masters in Business Administration with concentration in Human Resource management (MBA) in 2011 from the University of Phoenix. He received his Doctorate of Business Administration with a concentration in Business Management (DBA) in 2018 from Argosy University, being the first person in his entire family to complete a graduate degree. Javier has over 25 years of business knowledge in a variety of business fields. He has worked for Bank of America as a Business Operations Manager and HSBC as a Business Sales Manager for over 12 years, and his last job was in the finance department at Argosy EDMC.



## NEW EMPLOYEES



**Austin Tureaud** is a veteran of the United States Coast Guard. In 2012, after 5 years of service, he decided to end his enlistment and concentrate on furthering his education. He started out by attending San Diego City College, then transferred to the University of Portland where he received a Bachelor of Business Administration in Marketing as well as Entrepreneurship & Innovation Management.



**Samuel Tavares** assists with office tasks at the SSU Las Vegas campus, takes care of marketing and provides translation services. Samuel is from Sao Paulo, Brazil and graduated with a degree in Accounting. He decided to come to Las Vegas to study English. Other languages: Portuguese and Spanish



**Ivy Santana Jurczyk** is an Academic/Career Services Advisor at Southern States University. She is from Salvador, Brazil and has a Bachelor's degree in Public Relations and a Master's degree in Teaching Methods in Higher Education. Ivy works at the Las Vegas campus.

## VISIT ILLUMINA

On August 9th, we had a company tour to Illumina. Illumina is a leading developer, manufacturer, and marketer of life science tools and integrated systems for large-scale analysis of genetic variation and function. The mission of Illumina is to improve human health by unlocking the power of the genome. We were able to see their line of products and machines that analyze DNA up close and personal. An experience unlike any other!

We had an incredible tour guide, Paula, who is an international woman from Brazil. Paula has been working with Illumina for 6 years, and the students were amazed by all of her knowledge about the company, and impressed that she was able to answer many of their hard questions about landing a job at such an amazing company. Paula showed us the newer Illumina I3 building, and then took us on the company bus to the older building.

Illumina has developed systems that are enabling studies that were not even imaginable just a few years ago, and moving us closer to the realization of personalized medicine. With rapid advances in technology taking place, it is mission-critical to offer solutions that are not only innovative, but flexible, and scalable, with industry-leading support and service. The entire experience was amazing. Thank you to the wonderful staff at Illumina for showing us an amazing time!



## AMAZON FULLFILLMENT



SSU students went to another tour at the Amazon Fulfillment Center in San Bernardino, CA on Monday, September 9, 2019.

We got a glimpse of one of the largest companies in the world!

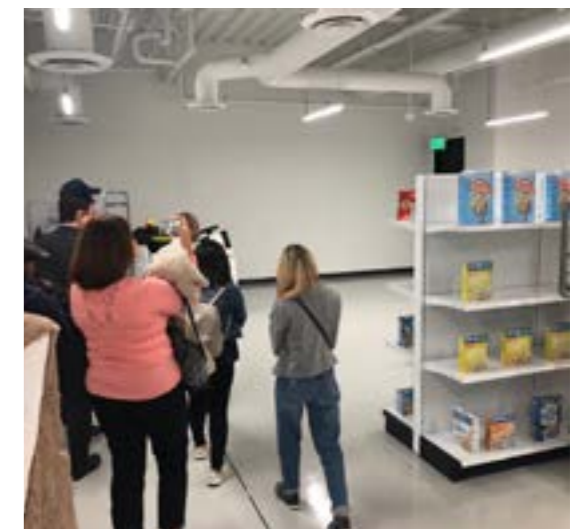
We saw the day-to-day company operations, how the departments join their forces to achieve the business goals and meet deadlines.

## VISIT TO BRAIN CORP

On November 22nd SSU students visited Brain Corp, a San Diego-based technology company specializing in the development of intelligent, autonomous navigation systems for everyday machines.

Brain Corp is funded by the Softbank Vision Fund and Qualcomm Ventures, the investment arm of mobile technology leader, Qualcomm Inc.

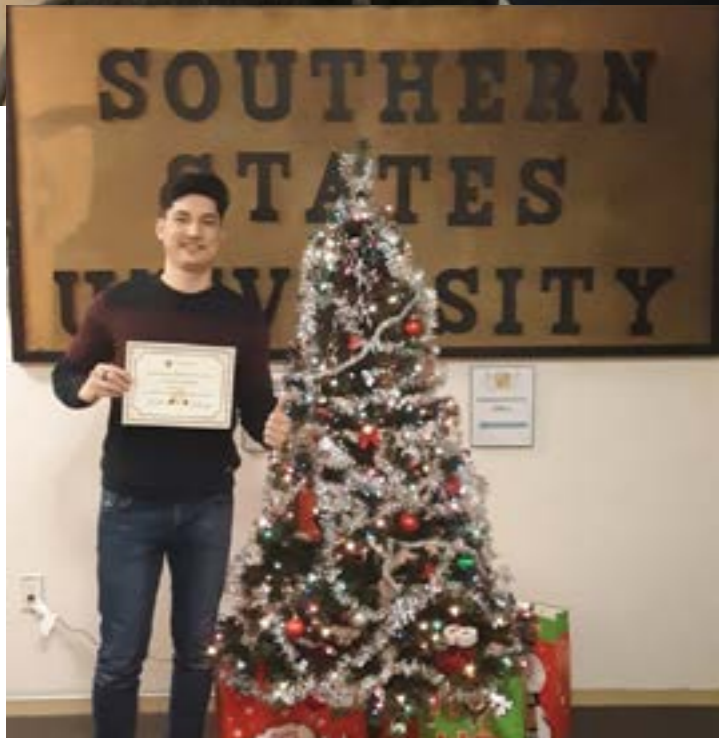
Brain Corps greatest strength is their people and their diversity. Brilliant people from all over the world working together on some of the most exciting challenges in robotics and AI. All in beautiful San Diego, California.



# STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION:



Inder Singh of the San Diego Campus was honored for his academic excellence.



Mekan Atayev of the Irvine Campus was honored for his 4.0 cumulative GPA.

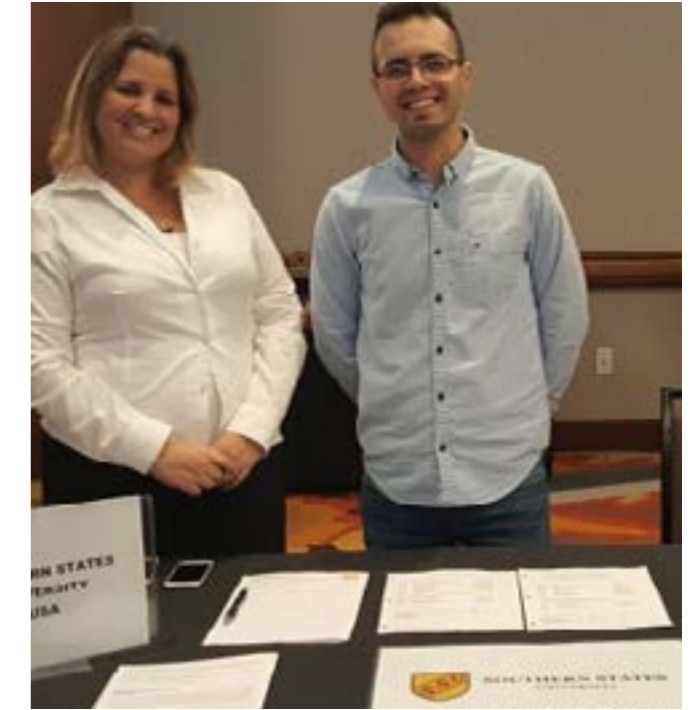


# SSU AT THE QS WORLD MBA TOUR IN SAN DIEGO

## EVENT: 24 HOUR SWIM FUNDRAISING



On August 24th, one of our SSU staff members Juliano participated in this fundraiser swim event on behalf of SSU. The fundraiser is a 24-hour team relay event for swimmers of all abilities to raise money for DROWNING PREVENTION in San Diego County. At SSU, we encourage community involvement. Juliano represented SSU by swimming for the cause, incorporating our SSU logo in the photos, and by giving a \$\$ donation. Since we are currently building our recreational sports teams for social engagement throughout the school, this was a great way to start. We had fun socializing with the swimmers, meeting some of the kids, getting our name out there to new people, and MOST IMPORTANTLY, helping our community. Please look at the Swim24Challenge website below to understand why this fundraiser was so important, and a beautiful event for SSU to be a part of. <http://preventdrowningfoundation.org/swim-24challenge>



SSU was represented at the QS World MBA Tour in San Diego by Academic Advisor Aisha Cunha, Veterans Affairs Coordinator Austin Tureaud, and Student Ambassador Patrik Puska. The Largest World MBA Tour provides the attendees with the opportunity to attend informative MBA admissions seminars and network with alumni, as well as accessing a pool of MBA scholarships. An MBA is a distinction in the workplace and a designation in the world of business. However, more importantly it's a confidence booster, a way of thinking analytically and critically, and a training ground for making better personal and professional decisions. This event was set to answer all MBA-related questions through presentations, networking opportunities, and valuable interactions with recruiters from 30+ top business schools. In addition, attendees received for free: a professional LinkedIn Headshot, resume reviewed, access to a pool of scholarships worth \$7M and much more.

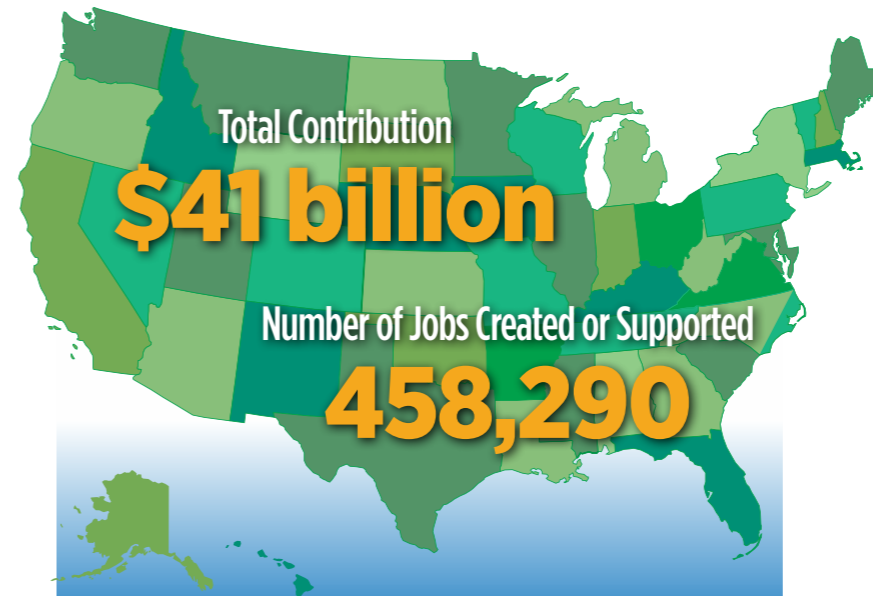
**FINAL PRESENTATIONS AT THE SSU IRVINE CAMPUS. GOOD JOB EVERYONE!**



**RESUME BUILDING WORKSHOP WITH CAREER SERVICES COORDINATOR AISHA AT THE IRVINE CAMPUS**



**THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**  
Benefits from International Students



International students studying at U.S. colleges and universities contribute nearly **\$41 billion** to the U.S. economy and support **458,290 jobs\***. For every seven international students, **three U.S. jobs are created** and supported by spending occurring in the higher education, accommodation, dining, retail, transportation, telecommunications and health insurance sectors.

The economic contributions of international students are in addition to the immeasurable academic and cultural value these students bring to our campuses and local communities. For a more detailed analysis by state and congressional district level, access NAFSA's *International Student Economic Value Tool* at [www.nafsa.org/economicvalue](http://www.nafsa.org/economicvalue).

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NOTE: Enrollment and dollars total includes data from Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. They are not listed, as the U.S. Department of Commerce does not include them in the datasets used for our jobs analysis.

\*Sources used in NAFSA's economic analysis for 2018-2019 Academic Year: U.S. Department of Education, U.S. Department of Commerce, and the *Open Doors* Report.

State	Int'l Students	U.S. Dollars	Jobs
Alabama	9,326	\$313.7 million	3,164
Alaska	406	\$14.1 million	110
Arizona	22,741	\$727.6 million	8,745
Arkansas	6,817	\$156.4 million	1,409
California	161,693	\$6.8 billion	74,814
Colorado	11,888	\$470.7 million	6,029
Connecticut	14,832	\$588.9 million	6,916
Delaware	7,395	\$180.5 million	1,940
District of Columbia	12,545	\$587.4 million	5,997
Florida	45,957	\$1.6 billion	16,458
Georgia	23,623	\$850.6 million	10,259
Hawaii	4,078	\$121.0 million	1,011
Idaho	3,429	\$82.8 million	762
Illinois	53,724	\$2.0 billion	25,855
Indiana	29,083	\$985.4 million	11,324
Iowa	12,624	\$409.7 million	3,596
Kansas	9,339	\$271.2 million	2,507
Kentucky	12,776	\$444.6 million	3,195
Louisiana	7,428	\$264.9 million	2,996
Maine	1,335	\$51.1 million	421
Maryland	20,345	\$796.1 million	9,458
Massachusetts	71,098	\$3.2 billion	38,799
Michigan	33,236	\$1.2 billion	13,855
Minnesota	15,279	\$482.5 million	4,497
Mississippi	3,312	\$84.6 million	863
Missouri	22,428	\$637.8 million	7,572
Montana	1,581	\$52.5 million	490
Nebraska	5,628	\$177.6 million	1,738
Nevada	2,520	\$80.8 million	834
New Hampshire	4,333	\$143.5 million	1,786
New Jersey	23,456	\$823.1 million	9,674
New Mexico	3,208	\$91.0 million	835
New York	124,277	\$5.3 billion	59,586
North Carolina	21,954	\$722.3 million	9,043
North Dakota	2,114	\$53.4 million	471
Ohio	37,314	\$1.3 billion	14,575
Oklahoma	7,935	\$262.5 million	2,598
Oregon	11,373	\$427.4 million	4,454
Pennsylvania	51,818	\$2.1 billion	27,530
Rhode Island	5,376	\$263.7 million	2,649
South Carolina	6,064	\$205.9 million	2,071
South Dakota	2,064	\$45.4 million	320
Tennessee	9,267	\$348.3 million	4,358
Texas	81,893	\$2.2 billion	25,034
Utah	7,946	\$219.3 million	2,185
Vermont	1,692	\$80.6 million	777
Virginia	20,452	\$757.9 million	9,143
Washington	27,472	\$956.1 million	8,818
West Virginia	4,152	\$131.7 million	1,250
Wisconsin	13,067	\$448.5 million	5,309
Wyoming	1,033	\$25.8 million	211
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,095,299</b>	<b>\$41.0 billion</b>	<b>458,290</b>