

#120 on U.S. Construction Establishments — ALEX Intelligence 2026

Grand Strand Ranks #120 in U.S. Construction

Despite national slowdowns, Myrtle Beach metro holds steady in building activity

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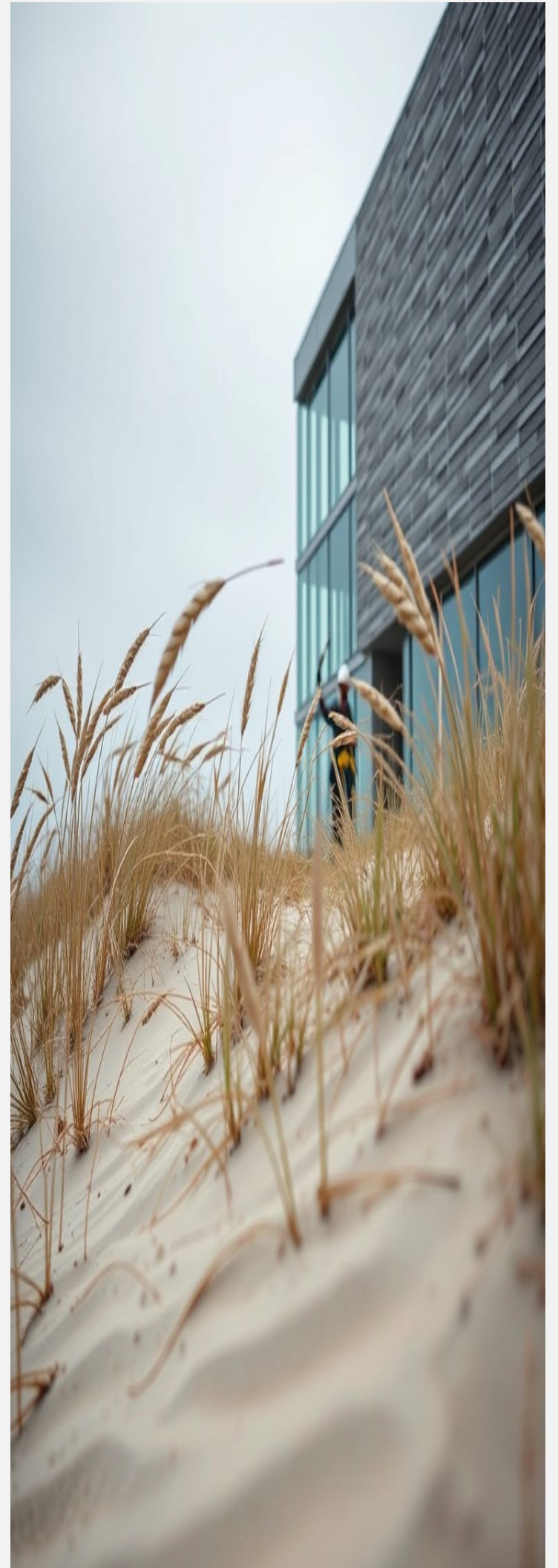
1,133

Construction Establishments (2022)

Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC ranks #120 among 925 U.S. metros on construction establishments.

This number reflects sustained development momentum in the Grand Strand, even as national construction activity slows. With 1,133 active construction establishments, the region maintains a robust foundation for new housing, commercial, and mixed-use projects.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, County Business Patterns 2022, NAICS 23 (Construction) • ALEX Intelligence computation
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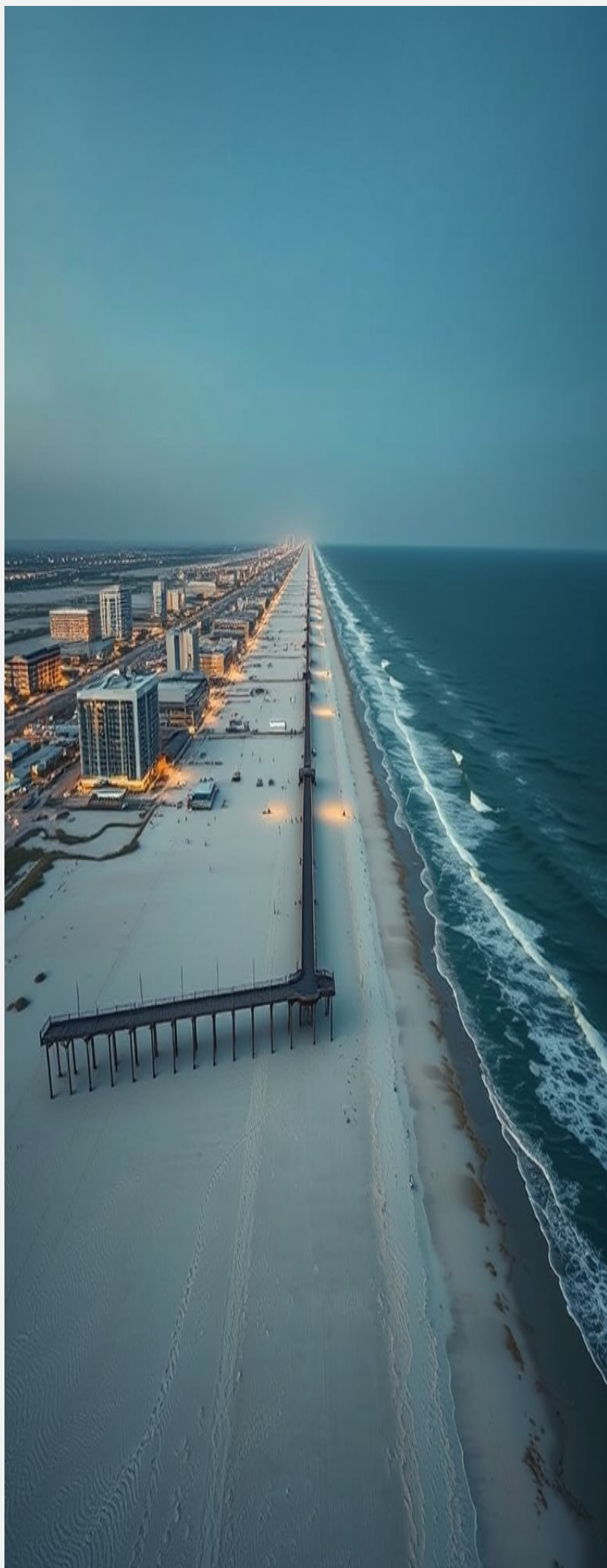
Construction Resilience, Not Scale

The Grand Strand's #120 national ranking isn't a sign of weakness—it's a signal of strategic endurance. Unlike metro areas that rely on massive scale, the Grand Strand sustains development through niche specialization, seasonal demand cycles, and tourism-driven investment. This allows consistent project initiation even during broader economic uncertainty.

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Input Costs Are the Real Gatekeeper

While the number of construction establishments remains stable, the Federal Reserve's recent FEDS Note highlights rising input cost pressure across sectors. In the Grand Strand, where supply chains are more exposed due to coastal logistics, this inflationary momentum threatens margins and project timelines. The real constraint isn't volume—it's cost containment.



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