

NEWSLETTER



South Carolina Is Building. Here's What That Means for Fasteners.

South Carolina's manufacturing boom keeps landing close to home. Red Metals' \$70M copper plant, Keel Defense's \$67M expansion, Google's \$9B Dorchester County investment.

Every one of those projects runs on fasteners: structural bolts, anchors, threaded rod, studs, thousands of them, correctly specified. That's exactly where **Warren Fastenings** comes in: stocking the grades, finishes, and thread standards this region's builders need, right here in North Charleston.

Nationally, the Fastener Distributor Index is up 12 straight months, with the Southeast leading growth.

Productivity vs. Performance: What's Actually Moving the Needle

Global employee engagement hit its lowest point since 2020 last year, even as companies poured billions into productivity tools with little measurable payoff. The real driver of results isn't the tech, it's whether people have a manager who supports them through change. It's the same lens we use at **Warren Fastenings**: the goal isn't more activity, it's making sure our team's work is actually pointed at what matters to our customers.



Fastener 101: What Those Marks on a Bolt Head Actually Mean

Ever notice the raised lines on a bolt head? That's the grade marking, and it tells you the material strength at a glance: no marks means Grade 2 (general use), three radial lines mean Grade 5 (most common for machinery), six lines mean Grade 8 (high-stress structural use).

Grabbing the wrong grade is one of the most common and costly mistakes on a job site. Check the head before you check out, or ask our counter team at **WFS** if you're not sure.



National Wellness Month: A Habit Worth Stocking



August is **National Wellness Month**, a good prompt to build small habits that actually stick rather than one-off resolutions. Hydration is the easiest one to act on, and it's also where **Warren Fastenings** already shows up: we're an authorized distributor of **All Sport® Hydration Nation™** products, including electrolyte powders, sticks, and Body Quencher freezer pops. Stock the break room or the water cooler on the floor. A small, steady habit that's easy to keep going all month.

Product Spotlight: Cutting Tools

This month's spotlight: Cutting Tools.

Warren Fastenings stocks jobber and mechanics-length drills (Black & Gold HSS, Silver & Deming), taps, dies, E-Z Outs, masonry and specialty bits, plus a full line of cutting fluids and lubricants.

With 60,000+ SKUs and counter/will-call service in North Charleston, most orders ship same day.