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Gilmer County

Georgia Area Labor Profile

Updated: Nov 2022

Annual Labor Force Activity - 2021

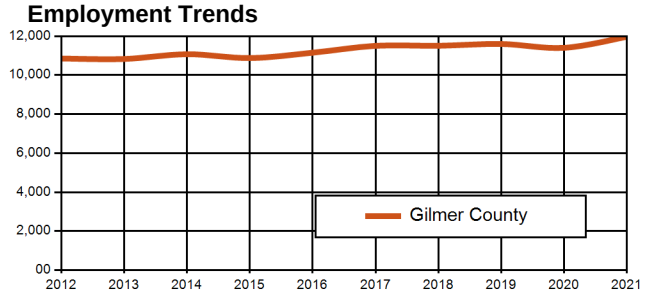
2021 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Gilmer	12,343	11,969	374	3.0%
Dawson	13,115	12,765	350	2.7%
Fannin	11,797	11,463	334	2.8%
Gordon	28,846	27,923	923	3.2%
Lumpkin	17,402	16,923	479	2.8%
Murray	15,477	14,812	665	4.3%
Pickens	15,533	15,099	434	2.8%
Gilmer Area	**114,513**	**110,954**	**3,559**	**3.1%**
Georgia	5,186,969	4,983,732	203,237	3.9%
United States	161,204,000	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%

Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Employment Trends



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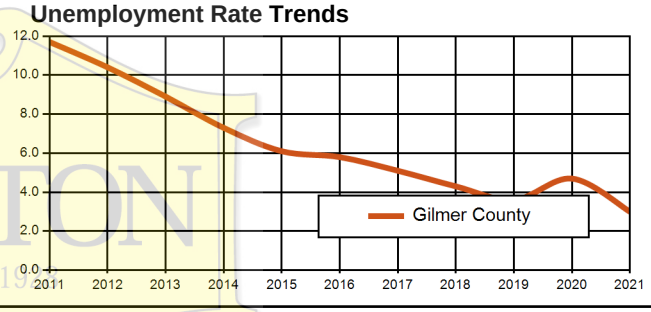

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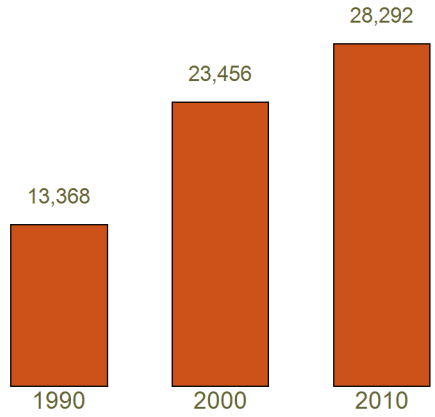

Population

	2010 Census	2021 Rank	2021 Estimate	% Change 2010-2021	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
Gilmer	**28,292**	**58**	**32,026**	**13.2**	**32,402**	**14.5**
City of Ellijay	1,619					
Gilmer Area	**228,515**		**252,830**	**10.6**	**265,481**	**16.2**
Georgia	9,687,653		10,799,566	11.5	11,335,283	17.0
United States	308,745,538		331,893,745	7.5	349,439,199	13.2

Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, *Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2022

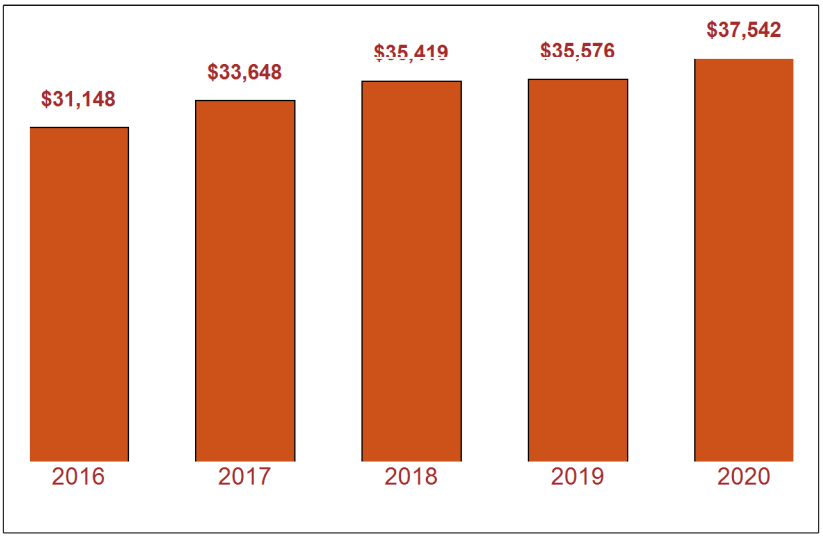
INDUSTRY	Gilmer NUMBER OF FIRMS	Gilmer EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	Gilmer EMPLOYMENT PERCENT	Gilmer WEEKLY WAGE	Gilmer Area NUMBER OF FIRMS	Gilmer Area EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	Gilmer Area EMPLOYMENT PERCENT	Gilmer Area WEEKLY WAGE
Goods-Producing	**134**	**1,685**	**23.3**	**874**	**1,008**	**19,842**	**27.1**	**1,060**
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	7	42	0.6	470	59	435	0.6	760
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	4	79	1.1	1,381	8	244	0.3	1,470
Construction	78	316	4.4	1,089	559	3,285	4.5	1,047
Manufacturing	45	1,247	17.2	801	382	15,877	21.7	1,064
Food	4	*	*	*	24	1,619	2.2	946
Beverage and Tobacco Product	8	63	0.9	866	23	246	0.3	783
Textile Product Mills	1	*	*	*	73	6,526	8.9	1,131
Wood Product	7	119	1.6	734	19	573	0.8	1,017
Printing and Related Support Activities	1	*	*	*	17	554	0.8	753
Petroleum and Coal Products	1	*	*	*	2	*	*	*
Chemical	2	*	*	*	30	648	0.9	1,440
Plastics and Rubber Products	1	*	*	*	16	1,470	2.0	1,141
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	2	*	*	*	20	310	0.4	1,470
Fabricated Metal Product	3	*	*	*	42	749	1.0	1,042
Machinery	4	7	0.1	1,403	17	177	0.2	1,174
Computer and Electronic Product	3	*	*	*	5	*	*	*
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	1	*	*	*	5	88	0.1	846
Furniture and Related Product	2	*	*	*	21	428	0.6	1,134
Miscellaneous	5	15	0.2	1,034	24	171	0.2	797
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Paper	0	0	0.0	0	5	144	0.2	728
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	6	215	0.3	1,385
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	8	137	0.2	819
Textile Mills	0	0	0.0	0	22	1,603	2.2	850
Service-Providing	**511**	**4,190**	**57.9**	**697**	**4,454**	**42,219**	**57.7**	**795**
Utilities	2	*	*	*	11	257	0.4	1,537
Wholesale Trade	31	161	2.2	1,205	255	3,298	4.5	1,050
Retail Trade	97	1,352	18.7	570	901	11,650	15.9	598
Transportation and Warehousing	17	44	0.6	825	135	1,074	1.5	889
Information	8	*	*	*	45	402	0.5	1,103
Finance and Insurance	26	131	1.8	1,077	244	1,365	1.9	1,250
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	36	96	1.3	974	243	700	1.0	837
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	55	187	2.6	1,060	418	1,804	2.5	1,017
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1	*	*	*	15	*	*	*
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	36	149	2.1	685	262	2,477	3.4	723
Educational Services	8	47	0.6	666	37	*	*	*
Health Care and Social Assistance	66	475	6.6	865	486	6,814	9.3	1,239
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	6	*	*	*	78	925	1.3	523
Accommodation and Food Services	78	1,035	14.3	460	533	8,525	11.6	433
Other Services (except Public Administration)	44	196	2.7	641	325	1,587	2.2	693
Unclassified - industry not assigned	**71**	**67**	**0.9**	**948**	**466**	**395**	**0.5**	**925**
Total - Private Sector	**716**	**5,942**	**82.1**	**750**	**5,462**	**62,061**	**84.8**	**880**
Total - Government	**40**	**1,293**	**17.9**	**871**	**228**	**11,163**	**15.2**	**1,004**
Federal Government	6	85	1.2	1,258	44	512	0.7	1,348
State Government	17	148	2.0	873	83	2,252	3.1	1,145
Local Government	17	1,060	14.7	840	101	8,399	11.5	945
ALL INDUSTRIES	**756**	**7,235**	**100.0**	**772**	**5,690**	**73,223**	**100.0**	**899**
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					**369,327**	**4,677,957**		**1,222**

Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System(NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average number of employees who had earnings; average earnings are then divided by the number of weeks in a reporting period to obtain weekly figures. Figures in other columns may not sum accurately due to rounding. All figures are 2nd Quarter of 2022.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor. These data represent jobs that are covered by unemployment insurance laws.

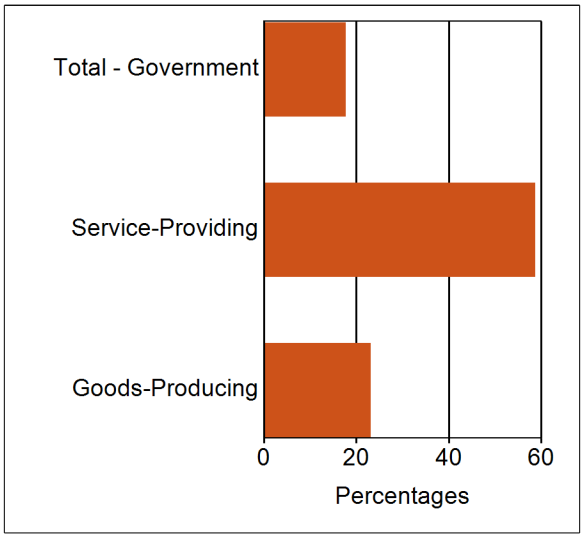
Gilmer Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Gilmer Industry Mix 2022

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



Top Ten Largest Employers - 2022*

Gilmer	Gilmer Area	
		COUNTY
Chick-Fil-A		
Ellijay Telephone Company		
Ingles Markets, Inc.	Apache Mills, Inc.	Gordon
International House Of Pancakes	Engineered Floors, LLC	Gordon
Longhorn	Gordon Hospital	Gordon
Lowe's Home Centers, Inc.	Mannington Carpets	Gordon
Parkside Center For Nursing	Mohawk Carpet Distribution, L.P.	Gordon
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	Mohawk Carpet Distribution, L.P.	Murray
Walmart	Northeast Ga Health System, Inc.	Lumpkin
Whitepath Fab Tech, Inc.	Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	Gilmer
	Shaw Industries Group, Inc.	Gordon
	University of North Georgia	Lumpkin

*Note: Represents employment covered by unemployment insurance excluding all government agencies except correctional institutions, state and local hospitals, state colleges and universities. Data shown for the Second Quarter of 2022. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Education of the Labor Force

Gilmer Area

		PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
	PERCENT OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	8.6%	2.8%	6.2%	8.8%	6.5%	18.6%
Some High School	15.5%	19.9%	16.6%	14.8%	14.1%	15.1%
High School Grad/GED	37.2%	36.6%	38.3%	39.1%	38.5%	31.7%
Some College	20.4%	33.7%	21.6%	19.3%	18.8%	14.9%
College Grad 2 Yr	4.8%	3.4%	5.1%	4.9%	5.9%	3.4%
College Grad 4 Yr	8.9%	3.5%	9.3%	8.8%	10.1%	9.6%
Post Graduate Studies	4.7%	0.1%	2.9%	4.4%	6.1%	6.7%
Totals	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Note: Totals are based on the portion of the labor force between ages 18 - 65+. Some College category represents workers with some college with no degree less than two years.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010 Decennial Census.

High School Graduates - 2021

	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS*	TOTAL
Dawson	242	--	242
Fannin	171	--	171
Gilmer	240	--	240
Gordon	693	--	693
Lumpkin	252	--	252
Murray	434	--	434
Pickens	284	--	284
Gilmer Area	**2,316**	**--**	**2,316**

Note: Public schools include city as well as county schools systems.

* Private schools data is not available for 2021 from Georgia Independent School Association.

Source: The Governor's Office of Student Achievement of Georgia.

Colleges and Universities

Gilmer Area

Lumpkin

University of North Georgia (Main Campus) — ung.edu/

Pickens

Appalachian Campus (Satellite campus of Chattahoochee Technical College) — www.chattahoocheetech.edu

Gordon

Gordon County Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College) — www.gntc.edu

Dawson

Dawson Campus (Satellite campus of Lanier Technical College) — www.laniertech.edu

Note: The colleges and universities listed include public and private institutions. This list is updated periodically as information becomes available.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

Technical College Graduates - 2021*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°	548	584	607	6.6	3.9
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	114	125	105	9.6	-16.0
Aesthetician/Esthetician and Skin Care Specialist°	30	33	30	10.0	-9.1
Aircraft Powerplant Technology/Technician°	15	24	28	60.0	16.7
Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician°	2	22	17	1000.0	-22.7
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°	71	32	37	-54.9	15.6
Architectural Drafting and Architectural CAD/CADD°	2	4	3	100.0	-25.0
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	152	121	117	-20.4	-3.3
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	724	689	683	-4.8	-0.9
Business Administration and Management, General°	810	926	910	14.3	-1.7
CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician°	55	44	40	-20.0	-9.1
Cardiovascular Technology/Technologist	10	8	7	-20.0	-12.5

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PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Carpentry/Carpenter°	6	4	10	-33.3	150.0
Child Care and Support Services Management°	62	21	39	-66.1	85.7
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	523	412	487	-21.2	18.2
Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician	15	22	21	46.7	-4.5
Commercial Photography°	33	13	9	-60.6	-30.8
Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance°	104	114	187	9.6	64.0
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	279	242	205	-13.3	-15.3
Computer Programming, Specific Applications°	49	59	47	20.4	-20.3
Computer Programming/Programmer, General	37	54	48	45.9	-11.1
Construction Management°	12	47	7	291.7	-85.1
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	478	680	619	42.3	-9.0
Criminal Justice/Police Science°	4	13	14	225.0	7.7
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	221	289	297	30.8	2.8
Culinary Arts/Chef Training	33	33	22	0.0	-33.3
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation°	11	12	3	9.1	-75.0
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General°	355	228	12	-35.8	-94.7
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	95	118	41	24.2	-65.3
Dental Assisting/Assistant	21	11	37	-47.6	236.4
Design and Visual Communications, General°	165	169	155	2.4	-8.3
Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Sonographer and Ultrasound Technician	15	18	19	20.0	5.6
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General°	79	88	39	11.4	-55.7
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	151	167	162	10.6	-3.0
Electrical and Power Transmission Installation/Installer, General°	12	13	9	8.3	-30.8
Electrical, Electronic and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician	14	11	21	-21.4	90.9
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General°	39	18	3	-53.8	-83.3
Electrician°	110	175	185	59.1	5.7
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°	353	237	259	-32.9	9.3
Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies°	1	2	3	100.0	50.0
Environmental Control Technologies/Technicians, Other	9	11	11	22.2	0.0
Fire Science/Fire-fighting°	37	28	29	-24.3	3.6
Fire Services Administration	9	3	3	-66.7	0.0
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant°	83	53	47	-36.1	-11.3
Graphic Design°	12	3	9	-75.0	200.0
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician°	67	83	112	23.9	34.9
Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General°	216	493	381	128.2	-22.7
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/°	335	438	442	30.7	0.9

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Technical College Graduates - 2021*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Human Resources Management/Personnel Administration, General°	102	121	114	18.6	-5.8
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	888	841	1,101	-5.3	30.9
Instrumentation Technology/Technician°	62	68	87	9.7	27.9
Interior Design°	155	226	168	45.8	-25.7
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	158	156	129	-1.3	-17.3
Lineworker°	62	61	81	-1.6	32.8
Logistics and Materials Management°	52	89	80	71.2	-10.1
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	123	121	65	-1.6	-46.3
Mammography Technician/Technology°	2	2	1	0.0	-50.0
Marketing/Marketing Management, General	41	41	42	0.0	2.4
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	14	18	14	28.6	-22.2
Mechanical Drafting and Mechanical Drafting CAD/CADD°	14	14	9	0.0	-35.7
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°	23	26	30	13.0	15.4
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	126	114	149	-9.5	30.7
Medical/Clinical Assistant	121	176	131	45.5	-25.6
Network and System Administration/Administrator°	136	118	89	-13.2	-24.6
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	102	83	120	-18.6	44.6
Occupational Therapist Assistant	14	18	10	28.6	-44.4
Operations Management and Supervision°	18	21	28	16.7	33.3
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant°	9	8	14	-11.1	75.0
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	37	15	49	-59.5	226.7
Physical Therapy Technician/Assistant	17	21	13	23.5	-38.1
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing°	2,071	788	592	-62.0	-24.9
Radio and Television Broadcasting Technology/Technician°	205	106	121	-48.3	14.2
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	52	48	49	-7.7	2.1
Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	71	79	84	11.3	6.3
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	13	15	14	15.4	-6.7
Social Work, Other°	38	19	25	-50.0	31.6
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	40	58	46	45.0	-20.7
Teacher Assistant/Aide°	11	12	6	9.1	-50.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor°	180	127	153	-29.4	20.5
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Desig	5	7	6	40.0	-14.3
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design°	23	24	46	4.3	91.7

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Technical College Graduates - 2021*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Welding Technology/Welder°	1,000	930	1,015	-7.0	9.1

Definition: All graduates except those listed as technical certificates(°) are diploma and degree graduates. Diploma and degree programs are one to two years in length. Technical certificates are less than a year in length. Duplication may occur due to graduates with multiple awards.

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

*Data shown represents Annual 2019, 2020, and 2021.

Note: Please visit TCSG website for any college configuration changes.

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