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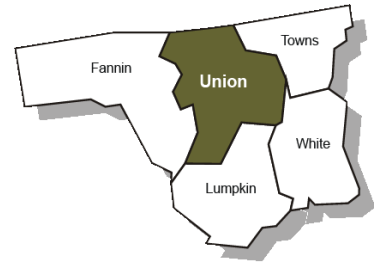


Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Union

County



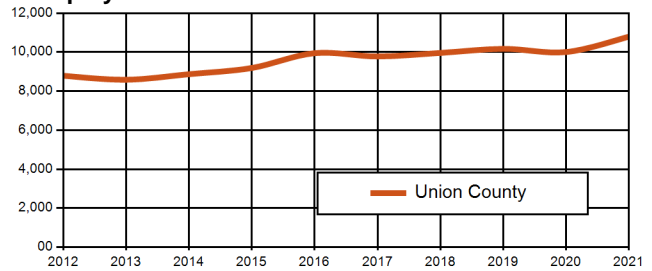
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Annual Labor Force Activity - 2021

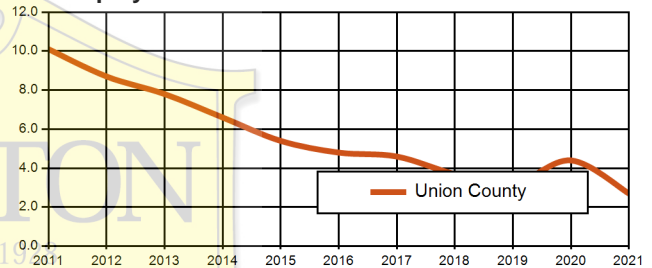
2021 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Union	11,094	10,794	300	2.7%
Fannin	11,797	11,463	334	2.8%
Lumpkin	17,402	16,923	479	2.8%
Towns	4,055	3,895	160	3.9%
White	16,616	16,194	422	2.5%
<b>Union Area</b>	<b>60,964</b>	<b>59,269</b>	<b>1,695</b>	<b>2.8%</b>
Georgia	5,186,969	4,983,732	203,237	3.9%
United States	161,204,000	152,581,000	8,623,000	5.3%
Cherokee, NC	10,592	10,066	526	5.0%
Clay, NC	3,970	3,775	195	4.9%

Employment Trends



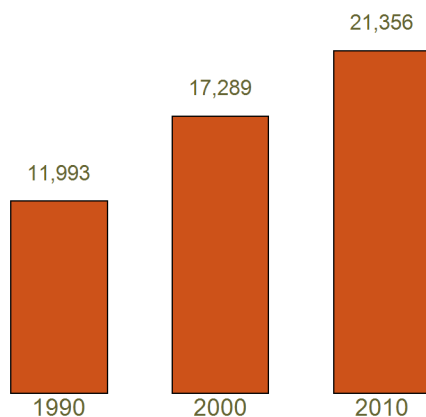
Unemployment Rate Trends



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.

Population Estimates



Population

	2010 Census	2021 Rank	2021 Estimate	% Change 2010-2021	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
<b>Union</b>	<b>21,356</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>25,521</b>	<b>19.5</b>	<b>25,456</b>	<b>19.2</b>
City of Blairsville	652					
<b>Union Area</b>	<b>149,195</b>		<b>167,409</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>181,229</b>	<b>21.5</b>
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
Cherokee, NC	26,250		29,167	11.1	32,693	24.5
Clay, NC	10,326		11,309	9.5	12,947	25.4

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

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# Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2022

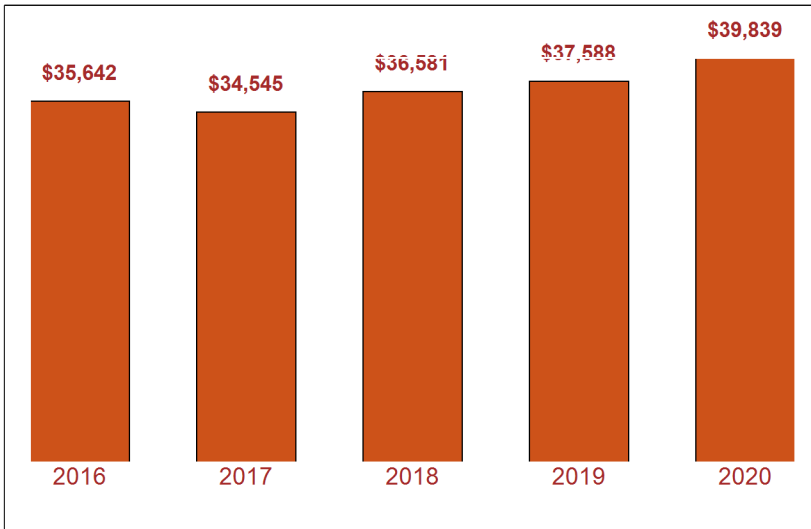
INDUSTRY	Union				Union Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>1,013</b>	<b>13.2</b>	<b>933</b>	<b>542</b>	<b>4,937</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>1,002</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	7	182	2.4	1,097	28	525	1.4	929
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	2	*	*	*	5	64	0.2	1,151
Construction	94	365	4.8	834	362	2,039	5.6	1,042
Manufacturing	32	437	5.7	944	147	2,309	6.4	980
Food	2	*	*	*	15	187	0.5	533
Beverage and Tobacco Product	1	*	*	*	17	240	0.7	578
Apparel	1	*	*	*	3	*	*	*
Wood Product	1	*	*	*	11	155	0.4	950
Printing and Related Support Activities	7	10	0.1	260	11	16	0.0	355
Petroleum and Coal Products	1	*	*	*	2	*	*	*
Chemical	2	*	*	*	9	56	0.2	1,238
Plastics and Rubber Products	1	*	*	*	5	148	0.4	1,000
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	1	*	*	*	5	36	0.1	1,068
Fabricated Metal Product	4	*	*	*	16	418	1.1	1,040
Machinery	2	*	*	*	5	99	0.3	1,003
Computer and Electronic Product	3	7	0.1	617	5	*	*	*
Transportation Equipment	2	*	*	*	10	487	1.3	1,366
Furniture and Related Product	3	6	0.1	552	11	30	0.1	759
Miscellaneous	1	*	*	*	14	73	0.2	661
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	3	3	0.0	198
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	3	141	0.4	843
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>506</b>	<b>4,637</b>	<b>60.5</b>	<b>780</b>	<b>2,649</b>	<b>24,428</b>	<b>67.2</b>	<b>725</b>
Utilities	3	14	0.2	523	10	340	0.9	1,306
Wholesale Trade	26	182	2.4	1,159	94	697	1.9	1,038
Retail Trade	101	1,315	17.1	528	526	5,537	15.2	555
Transportation and Warehousing	21	319	4.2	975	78	760	2.1	973
Information	9	41	0.5	1,264	38	216	0.6	1,166
Finance and Insurance	34	113	1.5	1,109	137	566	1.6	1,160
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	40	111	1.4	806	167	592	1.6	736
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	49	234	3.1	1,393	249	990	2.7	1,041
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3	*	*	*	5	1,068	2.9	1,500
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	30	123	1.6	752	155	837	2.3	764
Educational Services	1	*	*	*	23	1,575	4.3	573
Health Care and Social Assistance	86	683	8.9	1,016	305	3,663	10.1	955
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	7	53	0.7	242	49	474	1.3	501
Accommodation and Food Services	58	894	11.7	401	385	6,079	16.7	448
Other Services (except Public Administration)	38	149	1.9	655	179	834	2.3	656
<b>Unclassified - industry not assigned</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>1,266</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>956</b>
<b>Total - Private Sector</b>	<b>694</b>	<b>5,682</b>	<b>74.1</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>3,191</b>	<b>29,365</b>	<b>80.8</b>	<b>771</b>
<b>Total - Government</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1,988</b>	<b>25.9</b>	<b>970</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>6,984</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>1,006</b>
Federal Government	6	56	0.7	1,203	24	260	0.7	1,269
State Government	15	196	2.6	800	60	1,858	5.1	1,172
Local Government	11	1,736	22.6	982	47	4,866	13.4	928
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	<b>726</b>	<b>7,670</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>852</b>	<b>3,322</b>	<b>36,348</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>816</b>
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia</b>					<b>369,327</b>	<b>4,677,957</b>		<b>1,222</b>

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.

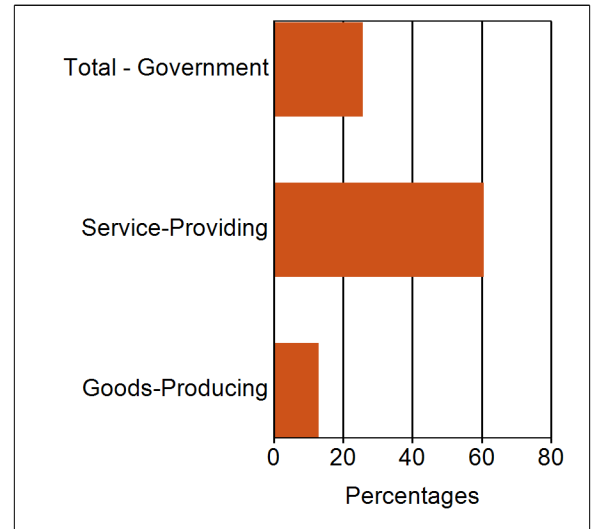
## Union Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



## Union Industry Mix 2022

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



## Top Ten Largest Employers - 2022\*

### Union

Aviagen North America, Inc.  
Chick-Fil-A  
Davenport Transportation, Inc.  
Ingles Markets, Inc.  
Panel Built, Inc.  
Red Lobster  
Regency Hospice of Georgia, LLC  
The Home Depot  
United Community Bank  
Walmart

### Union Area

Freudenberg-NOK General Partnership  
Mountain Education Center, Inc.  
Northeast Ga Health System, Inc.  
Northeast Georgia Medical Center  
Truett-McConnell College  
United Community Bank  
University of North Georgia  
Walmart  
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### COUNTY

White  
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Lumpkin  
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\*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

### Union Area

### PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	6.3%	1.6%	1.6%	4.5%	5.2%	14.0%
Some High School	12.1%	17.8%	13.8%	10.0%	11.1%	11.4%
High School Grad/GED	34.4%	27.5%	37.8%	37.4%	35.2%	33.0%
Some College	23.2%	44.6%	26.1%	19.5%	20.1%	18.3%
College Grad 2 Yr	6.5%	4.8%	6.3%	8.4%	7.9%	4.2%
College Grad 4 Yr	10.5%	3.7%	10.0%	14.0%	11.8%	10.0%
Post Graduate Studies	7.0%	0.0%	4.5%	6.3%	8.9%	9.2%
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



	<b>PUBLIC SCHOOLS</b>	<b>PRIVATE SCHOOLS*</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Fannin	171	--	171
Lumpkin	252	--	252
Towns	73	--	73
Union	179	--	179
White	260	--	260
<b>Union Area</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>935</b>

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

### Union Area

#### Lumpkin

University of North Georgia (Main Campus) [ung.edu/](http://ung.edu/)

#### Union

Blairsville Campus (Satellite campus of North Georgia Technical College) [www.northgatech.edu](http://www.northgatech.edu)

#### White

Truett McConnell University [www.truett.edu](http://www.truett.edu)

#### Towns

Young Harris College [www.yhc.edu](http://www.yhc.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

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°	157	149	147	-5.1	-1.3
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	45	46	39	2.2	-15.2
Aesthetician/Esthetician and Skin Care Specialist°	30	33	30	10.0	-9.1
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°	36	19	22	-47.2	15.8
Architectural Drafting and Architectural CAD/CADD°	2	4	3	100.0	-25.0
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	99	79	85	-20.2	7.6
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	204	248	144	21.6	-41.9
Business Administration and Management, General°	70	177	248	152.9	40.1
CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician°	19	21	10	10.5	-52.4
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	216	134	209	-38.0	56.0
Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician	9	15	10	66.7	-33.3
Commercial Photography°	33	13	9	-60.6	-30.8
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	61	28	50	-54.1	78.6
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	205	267	203	30.2	-24.0

# Technical College Graduates - 2021\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	86	87	80	1.2	-8.0
Culinary Arts/Chef Training	18	9	9	-50.0	0.0
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	14	31	6	121.4	-80.6
Dental Assisting/Assistant	7	10	10	42.9	0.0
Design and Visual Communications, General°	30	20	24	-33.3	20.0
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General°	19	25	7	31.6	-72.0
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	29	32	48	10.3	50.0
Electrical and Power Transmission Installation/Installer, General°	12	13	9	8.3	-30.8
Electrician°	66	72	92	9.1	27.8
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°	190	153	103	-19.5	-32.7
Environmental Control Technologies/Technicians, Other	9	11	11	22.2	0.0
Fire Science/Fire-fighting°	36	28	29	-22.2	3.6
Fire Services Administration	6	3	1	-50.0	-66.7
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant°	26	11	12	-57.7	9.1
Graphic Design°	12	3	9	-75.0	200.0
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician°	22	21	15	-4.5	-28.6
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/°	123	113	113	-8.1	0.0
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	200	218	168	9.0	-22.9
Interior Design°	23	44	64	91.3	45.5
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	69	66	63	-4.3	-4.5
Lineworker°	62	61	81	-1.6	32.8
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	84	69	44	-17.9	-36.2
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	8	10	6	25.0	-40.0
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°	1	15	15	1400.0	0.0
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	76	84	64	10.5	-23.8
Medical/Clinical Assistant	59	90	61	52.5	-32.2
Network and System Administration/Administrator°	39	39	34	0.0	-12.8
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	92	82	110	-10.9	34.1
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant°	9	8	14	-11.1	75.0
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	14	15	38	7.1	153.3
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing°	16	35	45	118.8	28.6
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	19	17	19	-10.5	11.8
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	17	9	9	-47.1	0.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor°	22	32	33	45.5	3.1
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design°	11	7	14	-36.4	100.0

# Technical College Graduates - 2021\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2019	2020	2021	2019-2020	2020-2021
Welding Technology/Welder°	464	289	372	-37.7	28.7

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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