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Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Dawson

County



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Labor Force Activity

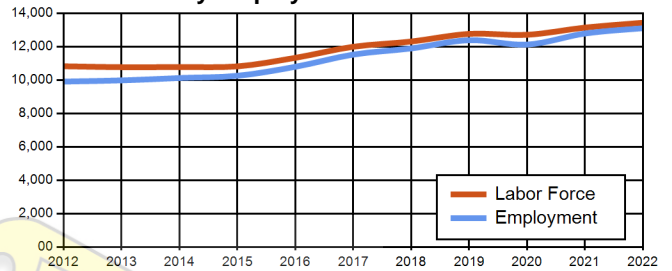
October 2023

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Dawson	13,781	13,405	376	2.7%
Cherokee	146,562	142,429	4,133	2.8%
Fannin	12,568	12,224	344	2.7%
Forsyth	133,651	129,855	3,796	2.8%
Gilmer	12,755	12,340	415	3.3%
Hall	110,579	107,616	2,963	2.7%
Lumpkin	19,560	19,009	551	2.8%
Pickens	16,319	15,826	493	3.0%
Dawson Area	465,775	452,704	13,071	2.8%
Georgia	5,359,846	5,173,829	186,017	3.5%
United States	167,774,000	161,676,000	6,098,000	3.6%

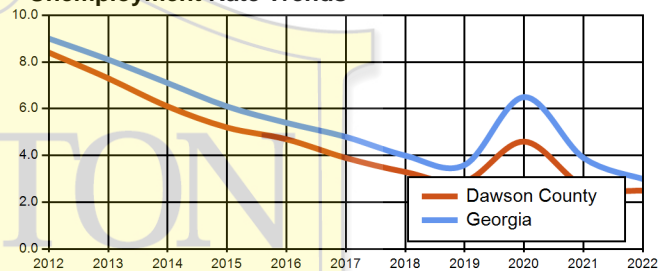
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Dawson County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

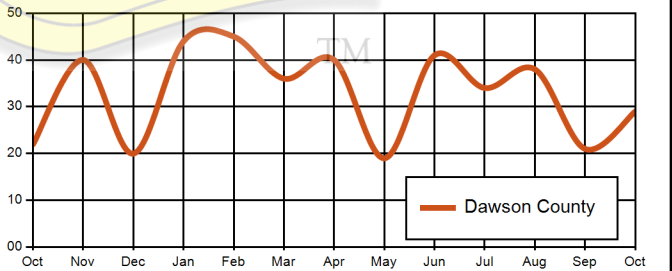


Initial Claims Activity

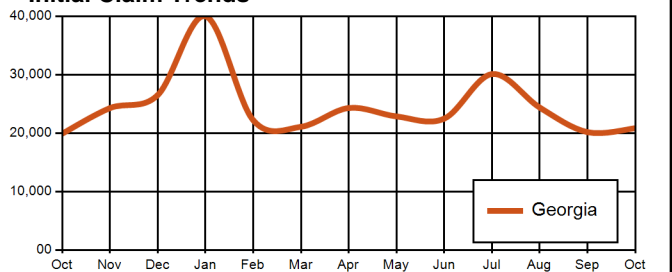
	October 2023	September 2023	August 2023	Total
Dawson	29	21	38	88
Cherokee	306	298	362	966
Fannin	18	11	16	45
Forsyth	259	220	268	747
Gilmer	26	18	28	72
Hall	292	254	273	819
Lumpkin	34	16	47	97
Pickens	36	28	37	101
Dawson Area	1,000	866	1,069	2,935

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

Initial Claim Trends



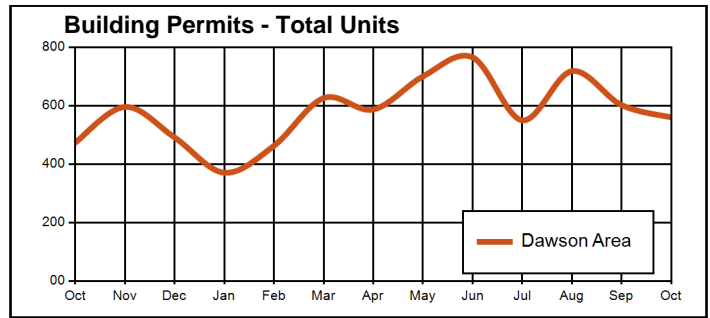
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

	Dawson Area			
	October 2023	September 2023	August 2023	Total
Totals	560	602	718	1,880
Family residential	541	551	583	1,675
Multi family resident	19	51	135	205

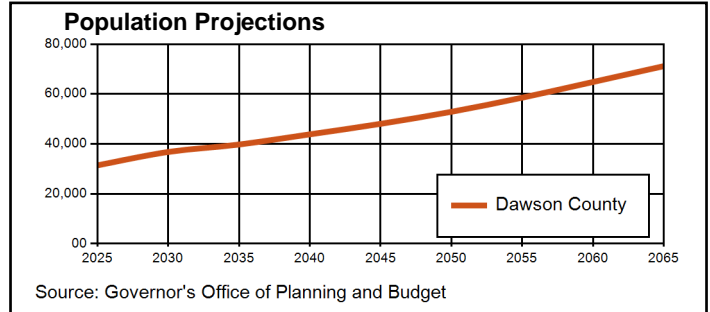
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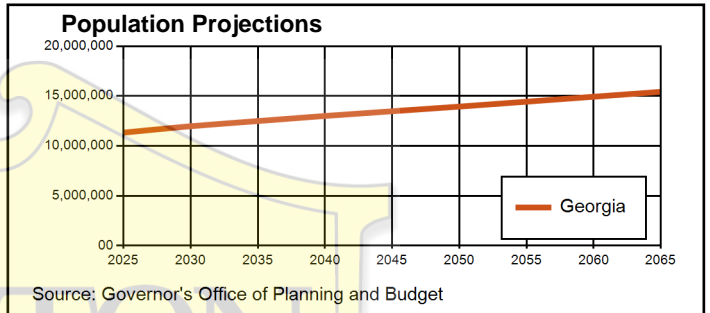
Population Activity

	Annual 2022	Annual 2021	Difference
Dawson	30,138	28,497	1,641
Cherokee	281,278	274,615	6,663
Fannin	25,737	25,817	-80
Forsyth	267,237	260,206	7,031
Gilmer	32,407	32,026	381
Hall	212,692	207,369	5,323
Lumpkin	34,796	34,278	518
Pickens	34,826	34,024	802
Dawson Area	919,111	896,832	22,279
Georgia	10,912,876	10,799,566	113,310
United States	333,287,557	331,893,745	1,393,812

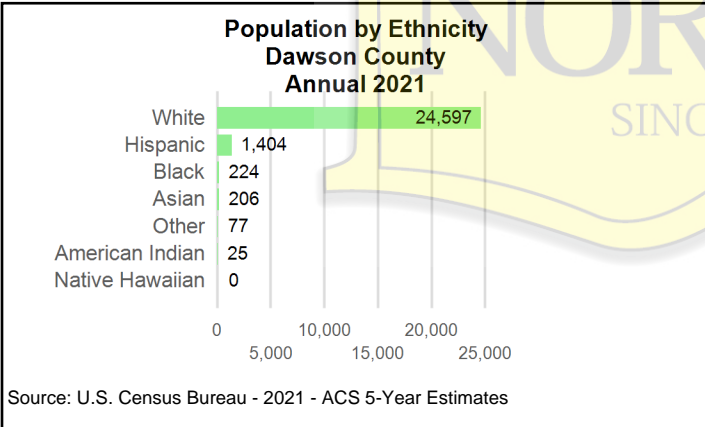
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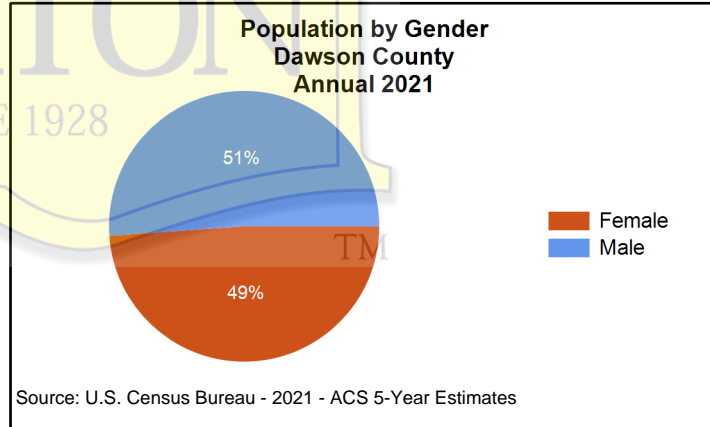
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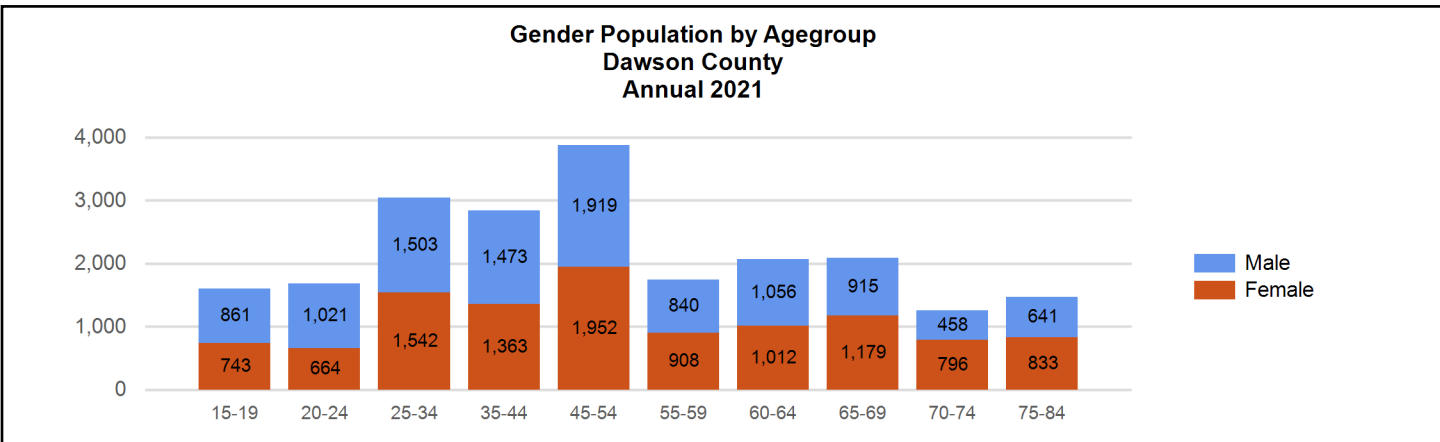
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2023

INDUSTRY	Dawson				Dawson Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE
		NUMBER	PERCENT			NUMBER	PERCENT	
Goods-Producing	131	1,169	11.7	1,090	3,837	64,031	21.5	1,194
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	6	16	0.2	670	114	719	0.2	877
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0.0	0	21	391	0.1	1,437
Construction	94	538	5.4	1,057	2,635	20,246	6.8	1,351
Manufacturing	31	615	6.2	1,130	1,067	42,675	14.3	1,122
Food	2	*	*	*	102	16,162	5.4	921
Beverage and Tobacco Product	3	4	0.0	1,108	47	891	0.3	995
Apparel	2	*	*	*	11	331	0.1	1,542
Printing and Related Support Activities	2	*	*	*	76	1,571	0.5	1,240
Chemical	1	*	*	*	73	1,391	0.5	1,369
Plastics and Rubber Products	1	*	*	*	38	1,793	0.6	1,091
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	5	71	0.7	1,025	61	781	0.3	1,279
Primary Metal	1	*	*	*	10	1,023	0.3	1,320
Fabricated Metal Product	5	119	1.2	1,221	139	3,516	1.2	1,287
Machinery	2	*	*	*	85	3,690	1.2	1,358
Furniture and Related Product	2	*	*	*	66	966	0.3	1,084
Miscellaneous	5	15	0.2	1,384	119	1,499	0.5	1,175
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	3	*	*	*
Paper	0	0	0.0	0	5	36	0.0	1,799
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	6	*	*	*
Textile Mills	0	0	0.0	0	9	288	0.1	1,082
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	28	453	0.2	984
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	33	4,637	1.6	992
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	38	993	0.3	1,649
Wood Product	0	0	0.0	0	52	936	0.3	951
Computer and Electronic Product	0	0	0.0	0	66	1,685	0.6	1,855
Service-Providing	718	7,512	75.3	691	18,080	195,222	65.5	1,022
Utilities	1	*	*	*	35	910	0.3	1,850
Wholesale Trade	33	293	2.9	855	1,336	13,796	4.6	1,628
Retail Trade	183	3,106	31.2	575	2,527	40,572	13.6	710
Transportation and Warehousing	19	94	0.9	1,093	522	6,835	2.3	1,254
Information	9	79	0.8	1,133	397	3,442	1.2	1,569
Finance and Insurance	44	230	2.3	1,617	1,240	6,087	2.0	1,472
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	35	84	0.8	1,029	1,089	3,091	1.0	1,080
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	86	352	3.5	1,255	3,221	13,460	4.5	1,508
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3	*	*	*	72	2,391	0.8	2,430
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	50	337	3.4	834	1,552	17,859	6.0	899
Educational Services	10	27	0.3	550	320	3,460	1.2	643
Health Care and Social Assistance	66	589	5.9	954	2,264	39,913	13.4	1,223
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	16	279	2.8	474	370	5,120	1.7	1,323
Accommodation and Food Services	93	1,724	17.3	475	1,672	31,056	10.4	456
Other Services (except Public Administration)	70	292	2.9	766	1,463	7,229	2.4	844
Unclassified - industry not assigned	123	75	0.8	937	3,756	2,256	0.8	1,214
Total - Private Sector	972	8,756	87.8	746	25,673	261,508	87.8	1,065
Total - Government	24	1,214	12.2	932	436	36,456	12.2	1,016
Federal Government	2	39	0.4	1,134	68	1,455	0.5	1,498
State Government	11	163	1.6	876	140	4,919	1.7	984
Local Government	11	1,012	10.1	933	228	30,082	10.1	998
ALL INDUSTRIES	996	9,971	100.0	769	26,109	297,969	100.0	1,059
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					384,496	4,793,199		1,247

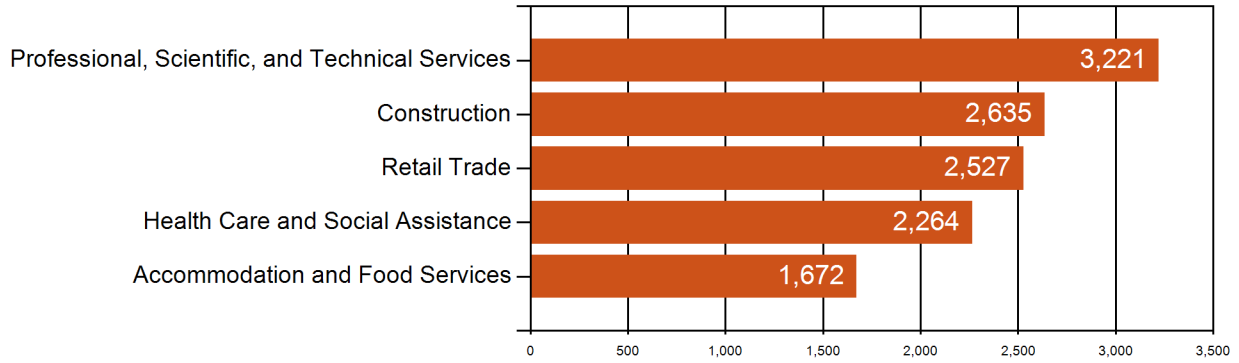
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average 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 2023.

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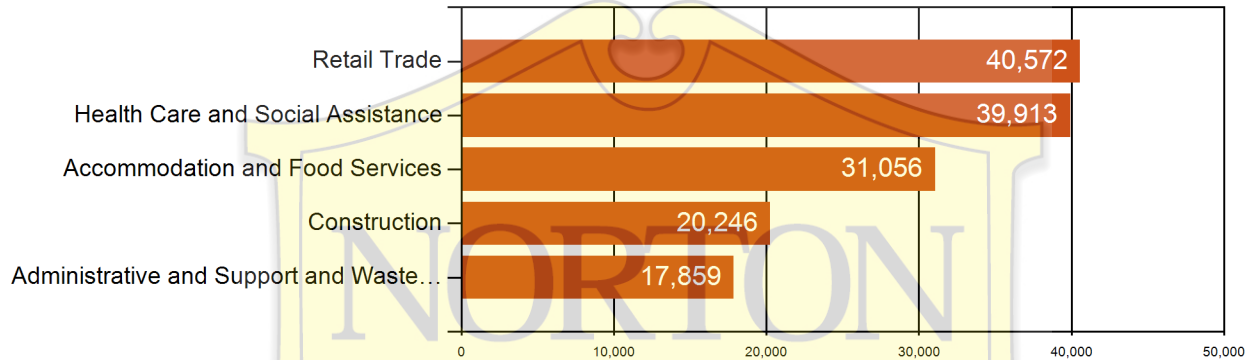
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2023

Dawson Area

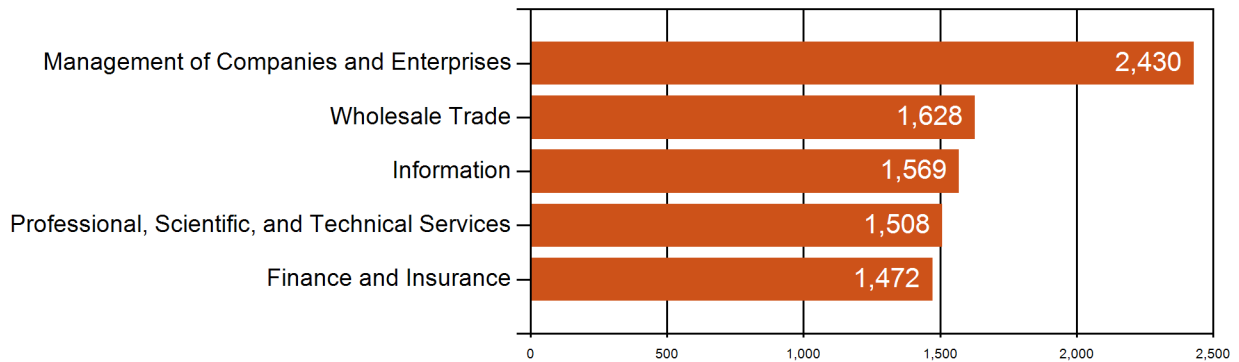
Top Industries by Firms



Top Industries by Employment



Top Industries by Weekly Wages



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Technical College Certificate Graduates - 2022

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2020	2021	2022	2020-2021	2021-2022
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	128	95	111	-25.8	16.8
Child Care Provider/Assistant	103	115	103	11.7	-10.4
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide	82	101	103	23.2	2.0
Welding Technology/Welder	191	245	94	28.3	-61.6
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	152	109	79	-28.3	-27.5
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	149	67	68	-55.0	1.5
Aesthetician/Esthetician and Skin Care Specialist	33	30	54	-9.1	80.0
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist	75	60	52	-20.0	-13.3
Business Administration and Management, General	49	103	44	110.2	-57.3
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing	31	44	38	41.9	-13.6

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

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

Technical College Diploma Graduates - 2022

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2020	2021	2022	2020-2021	2021-2022
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	58	44	45	-24.1	2.3
Business Administration and Management, General	26	41	39	57.7	-4.9
Medical/Clinical Assistant	57	40	36	-29.8	-10.0
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	34	25	30	-26.5	20.0
Welding Technology/Welder	41	31	25	-24.4	-19.4
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	30	20	22	-33.3	10.0
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	48	56	19	16.7	-66.1
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	18	20	17	11.1	-15.0
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	24	12	13	-50.0	8.3
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	13	11	11	-15.4	0.0

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

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Technical College Degree Graduates - 2022

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2020	2021	2022	2020-2021	2021-2022
Business Administration and Management, General	42	52	47	23.8	-9.6
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	28	38	26	35.7	-31.6
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	28	22	23	-21.4	4.5
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	17	19	17	11.8	-10.5
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	14	28	15	100.0	-46.4
Interior Design	9	13	14	44.4	7.7
Design and Visual Communications, General	8	1	11	-87.5	1000.0
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	13	16	11	23.1	-31.3
Surgical Technology/Technologist	8	7	11	-12.5	57.1
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	15	11	9	-26.7	-18.2

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2023*

Dawson County

Chick-Fil-A
 Gold Creek Processing, LLC
 Longhorn
 Premier Surplus, Inc.
 Publix Super Market, Inc.
 Sleeve Co., Inc.
 The Home Depot
 The Kroger Company
 Under Armour Retail, Inc.
 Walmart

*Note: Chick-Fil-A

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Dawson Area

	<u>COUNTY</u>
Fieldale Farms Corporation	Hall
Fox Racing Shox	Hall
Gold Creek Processing, LLC	Hall
Kubota Manufacturing of America Corporation	Hall
Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.	Hall
Northside Hospital, Inc.	Forsyth
Northside Hospital, Inc.	Cherokee
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	Hall
Publix Super Markets, Inc.	Forsyth
Walmart	Cherokee

Education of the Labor Force

Dawson Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	4.8%	2.1%	3.9%	6.8%	4.8%	5.0%
Some High School	6.7%	12.4%	6.3%	6.3%	5.1%	6.9%
High School Grad/GED	24.7%	37.3%	23.7%	16.9%	23.2%	28.2%
Some College	21.8%	34.3%	21.8%	18.4%	20.0%	21.0%
College Grad 2 Yr	7.2%	4.3%	8.2%	7.2%	7.9%	6.7%
College Grad 4 Yr	23.1%	9.0%	26.9%	26.8%	26.2%	19.4%
Post Graduate Studies	11.8%	0.6%	9.3%	17.6%	12.7%	12.8%
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

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021: ACS 5-Year Estimates.

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