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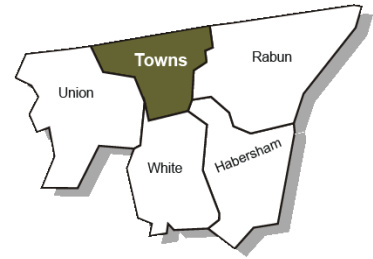


Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Towns

County



Updated: Nov 2023

Labor Force Activity

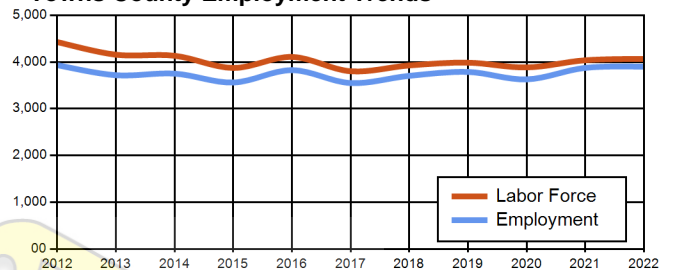
October 2023

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Towns	4,484	4,292	192	4.3%
Habersham	19,356	18,725	631	3.3%
Rabun	8,136	7,904	232	2.9%
Union	11,958	11,642	316	2.6%
White	17,701	17,272	429	2.4%
Towns Area	61,635	59,835	1,800	2.9%
Georgia	5,359,846	5,173,829	186,017	3.5%
United States	167,774,000	161,676,000	6,098,000	3.6%

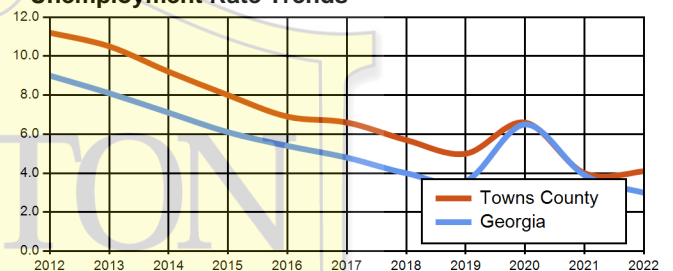
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Towns County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

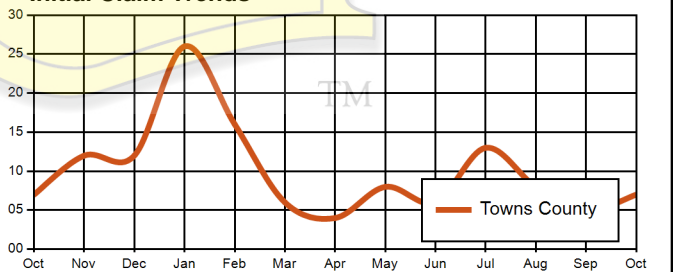


Initial Claims Activity

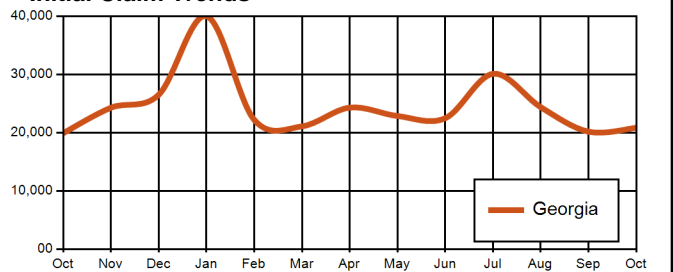
	October 2023	September 2023	August 2023	Total
Towns	7	5	8	20
Habersham	57	96	50	203
Rabun	13	10	26	49
Union	14	24	21	59
White	27	32	22	81
Towns Area	118	167	127	412

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

Initial Claim Trends



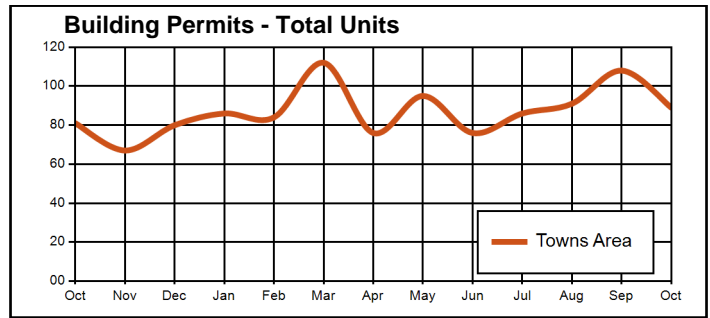
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

	Towns Area			
	October 2023	September 2023	August 2023	Total
Totals	89	108	91	288
Family residential	89	105	80	274
Multi family resident	0	3	11	14

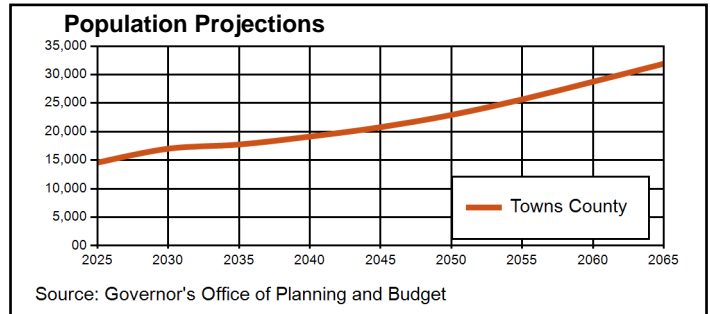
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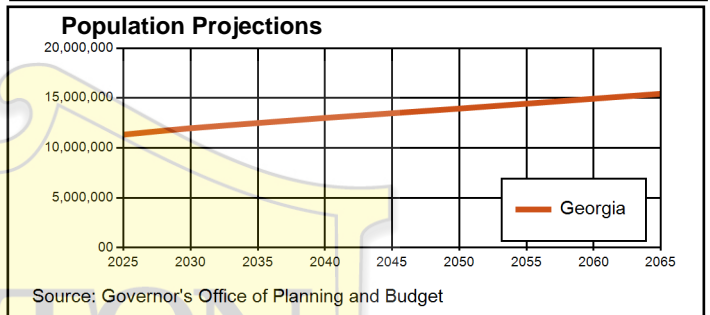
Population Activity

	Annual 2022	Annual 2021	Difference
Towns	12,972	12,875	97
Habersham	47,475	46,774	701
Rabun	17,206	17,119	87
Union	26,388	25,521	867
White	28,806	28,442	364
Clay	11,614	11,309	305
Towns Area	144,461	142,040	2,421
Georgia	10,912,876	10,799,566	113,310
United States	333,287,557	331,893,745	1,393,812
Clay	11,614	11,309	305

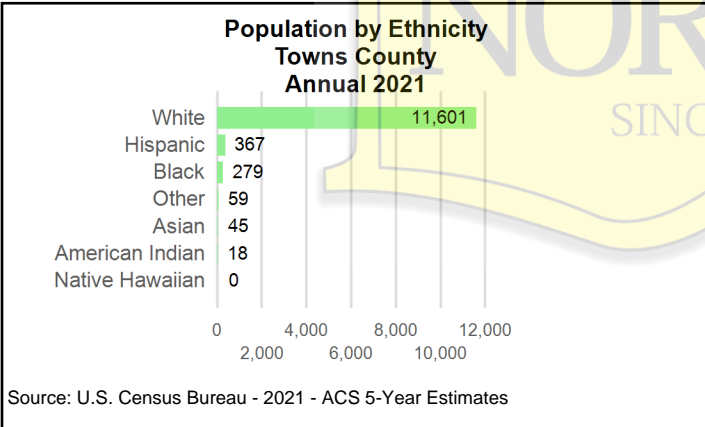
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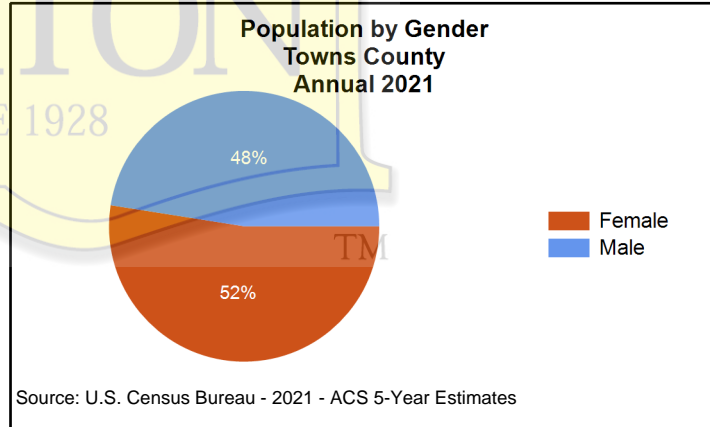
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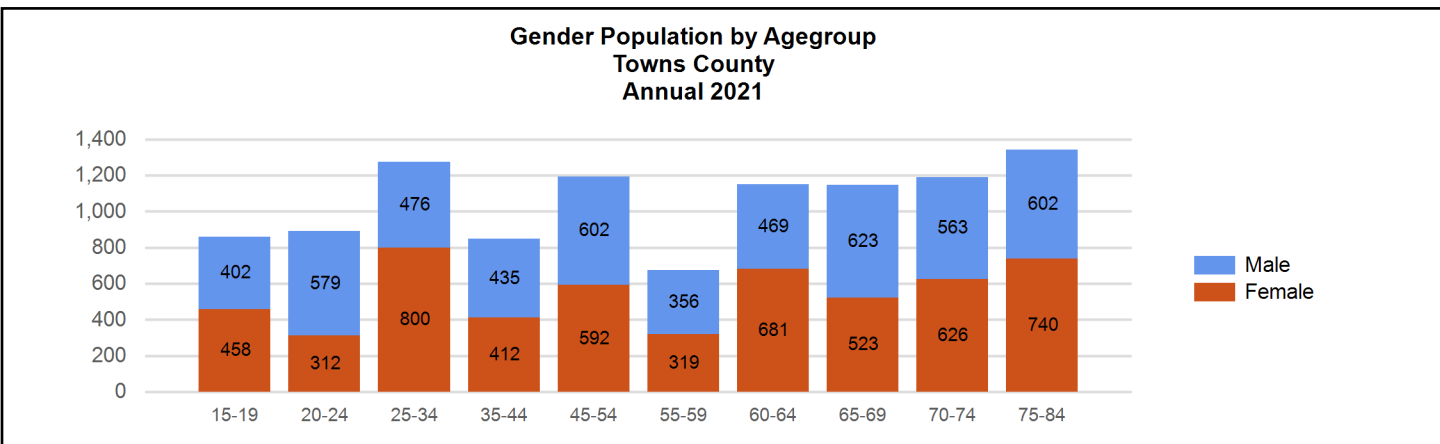
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2023

INDUSTRY	Towns				Towns Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE
		NUMBER	PERCENT			NUMBER	PERCENT	
Goods-Producing	54	403	11.5	962	636	7,751	18.8	1,039
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	1	*	*	*	43	669	1.6	1,032
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	2	*	*	*	6	66	0.2	1,484
Construction	37	191	5.5	1,138	411	2,091	5.1	981
Manufacturing	14	205	5.9	801	176	4,925	12.0	1,059
Beverage and Tobacco Product	3	49	1.4	533	16	165	0.4	655
Textile Product Mills	1	*	*	*	5	41	0.1	622
Printing and Related Support Activities	1	*	*	*	13	58	0.1	669
Chemical	3	11	0.3	725	9	*	*	*
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	1	*	*	*	9	78	0.2	1,004
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	1	*	*	*	2	*	*	*
Furniture and Related Product	1	*	*	*	14	37	0.1	775
Miscellaneous	3	12	0.3	1,244	19	997	2.4	1,268
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Textile Mills	0	0	0.0	0	3	*	*	*
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	3	34	0.1	688
Plastics and Rubber Products	0	0	0.0	0	5	171	0.4	1,249
Machinery	0	0	0.0	0	6	99	0.2	1,232
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	8	*	*	*
Computer and Electronic Product	0	0	0.0	0	8	12	0.0	890
Wood Product	0	0	0.0	0	8	124	0.3	1,026
Food	0	0	0.0	0	21	*	*	*
Fabricated Metal Product	0	0	0.0	0	25	467	1.1	1,044
Service-Providing	246	2,539	72.7	691	2,541	25,725	62.5	697
Utilities	1	*	*	*	15	510	1.2	1,417
Wholesale Trade	5	15	0.4	1,131	105	810	2.0	1,041
Retail Trade	56	407	11.6	475	556	6,422	15.6	577
Transportation and Warehousing	9	32	0.9	682	63	551	1.3	981
Information	3	21	0.6	669	40	*	*	*
Finance and Insurance	16	65	1.9	1,065	160	743	1.8	1,268
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	18	118	3.4	749	148	567	1.4	684
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	29	99	2.8	1,148	267	931	2.3	1,180
Management of Companies and Enterprises	0	0	0.0	0	8	*	*	*
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	12	66	1.9	608	183	1,221	3.0	722
Educational Services	2	*	*	*	24	2,305	5.6	631
Health Care and Social Assistance	29	410	11.7	896	312	3,256	7.9	881
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2	*	*	*	48	518	1.3	457
Accommodation and Food Services	54	818	23.4	424	411	6,239	15.2	438
Other Services (except Public Administration)	10	17	0.5	600	201	854	2.1	667
Unclassified - industry not assigned	43	26	0.7	1,359	384	264	0.6	1,472
Total - Private Sector	343	2,968	84.9	734	3,561	33,740	81.9	782
Total - Government	16	527	15.1	734	168	7,438	18.1	886
Federal Government	2	26	0.7	1,221	30	275	0.7	1,216
State Government	8	57	1.6	847	69	1,103	2.7	877
Local Government	6	444	12.7	691	69	6,060	14.7	873
ALL INDUSTRIES	359	3,494	100.0	734	3,729	41,177	100.0	800
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					384,496	4,793,199		1,247

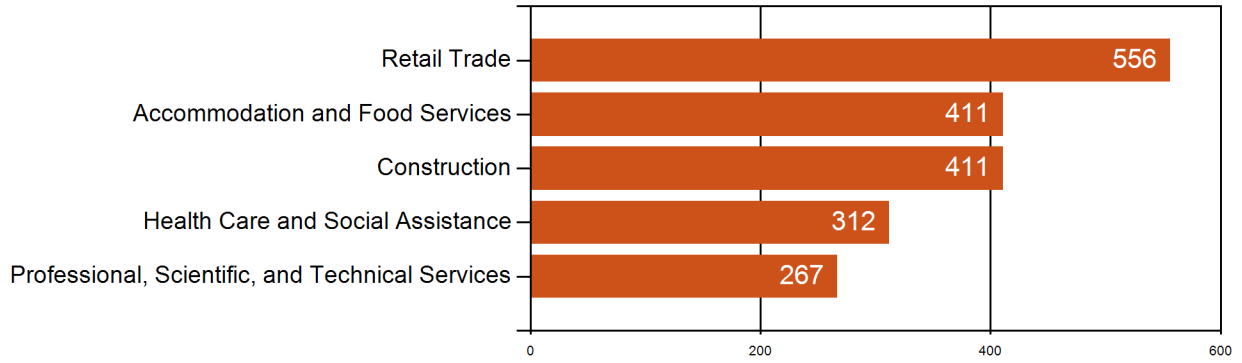
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average 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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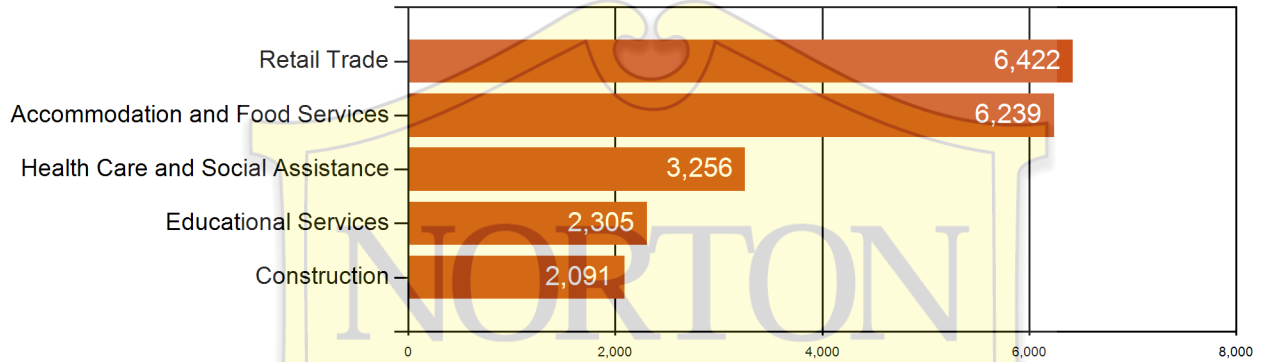
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2023

Towns Area

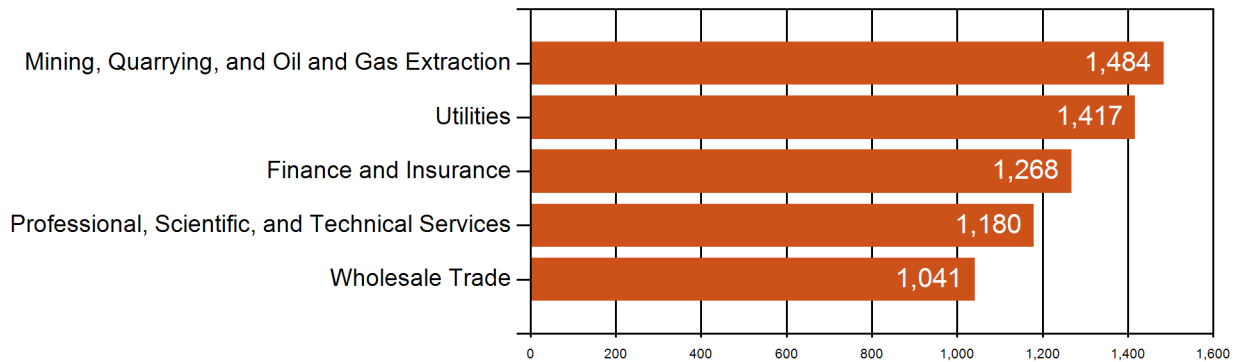
Top Industries by Firms



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
Business Administration and Management, General	60	52	101	-13.3	94.2
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	69	62	93	-10.1	50.0
Lineworker	61	81	76	32.8	-6.2
Child Care Provider/Assistant	31	94	67	203.2	-28.7
Welding Technology/Welder	38	72	61	89.5	-15.3
Electrician	36	39	53	8.3	35.9
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	45	52	52	15.6	0.0
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	37	51	49	37.8	-3.9
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	32	33	42	3.1	27.3
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	17	25	41	47.1	64.0

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
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	32	38	33	18.8	-13.2
Medical/Clinical Assistant	33	21	31	-36.4	47.6
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	44	13	27	-70.5	107.7
Electrician	20	28	19	40.0	-32.1
Welding Technology/Welder	19	24	18	26.3	-25.0
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	15	11	15	-26.7	36.4
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	11	8	14	-27.3	75.0
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	11	9	9	-18.2	0.0
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	9	12	7	33.3	-41.7
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant	6	2	5	-66.7	150.0

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
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	24	19	15	-20.8	-21.1
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	6	6	13	0.0	116.7
Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician	15	10	13	-33.3	30.0
Commercial Photography	6	6	12	0.0	100.0
Environmental Control Technologies/Technicians, Other	11	11	11	0.0	0.0
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	21	9	10	-57.1	11.1
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	17	18	9	5.9	-50.0
Network and System Administration/Administrator	9	8	9	-11.1	12.5
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	5	5	7	0.0	40.0
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	6	9	6	50.0	-33.3

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2023*

Towns County

Advanced Digital Cable, Inc.
 Blue Ridge Mountain Electric Membership Corporation
 Brasstown Valley Resort
 Brother's At Willow Ranch
 Brown Haven Homes, LLC
 Chatuge Regional Hospital, Inc.
 Ingles Markets, Inc.
 Sodexo Service
 The Ridges Resort
 Young Harris College

*Note: Advanced Digital Cable, Inc.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Towns Area

Ethicon, Inc.
 Fieldale Farms Corporation
 Freudenberg-NOK General Partnership
 Ingles Markets, Inc.
 Mountain Education Center, Inc.
 Piedmont College
 United Community Bank
 Walmart
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Education of the Labor Force

Towns Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	5.5%	4.5%	4.9%	6.8%	4.9%	6.2%
Some High School	9.8%	12.6%	10.3%	11.7%	8.3%	9.4%
High School Grad/GED	32.6%	35.2%	34.4%	34.3%	33.4%	29.5%
Some College	22.1%	35.2%	21.7%	19.9%	21.5%	19.0%
College Grad 2 Yr	7.5%	6.3%	9.6%	7.1%	7.8%	6.8%
College Grad 4 Yr	13.1%	5.3%	11.9%	10.7%	14.7%	15.8%
Post Graduate Studies	9.4%	1.0%	7.3%	9.5%	9.4%	13.3%
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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