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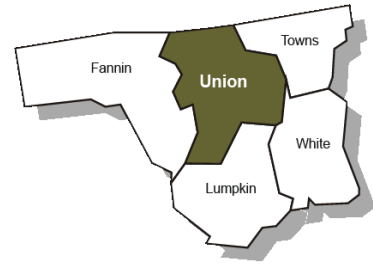


Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Union

County



Updated: Nov 2023

Labor Force Activity

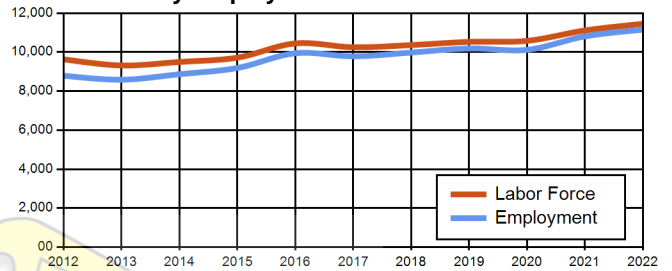
October 2023

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Union	11,958	11,642	316	2.6%
Fannin	12,568	12,224	344	2.7%
Lumpkin	19,560	19,009	551	2.8%
Towns	4,484	4,292	192	4.3%
White	17,701	17,272	429	2.4%
Union Area	66,271	64,439	1,832	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%

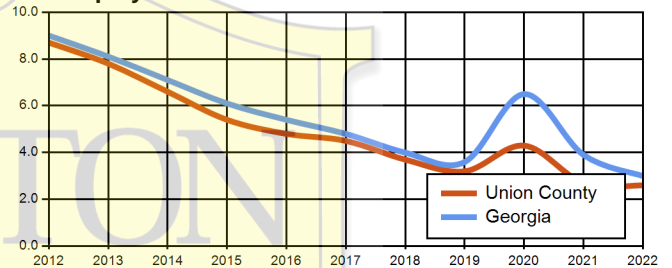
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Union County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

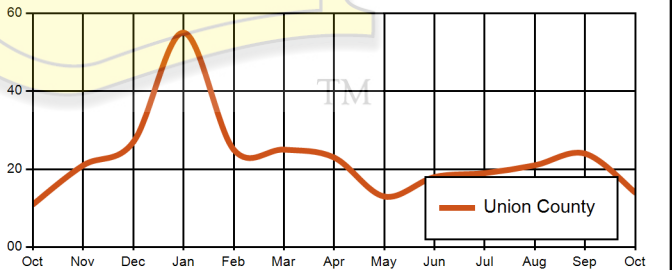


Initial Claims Activity

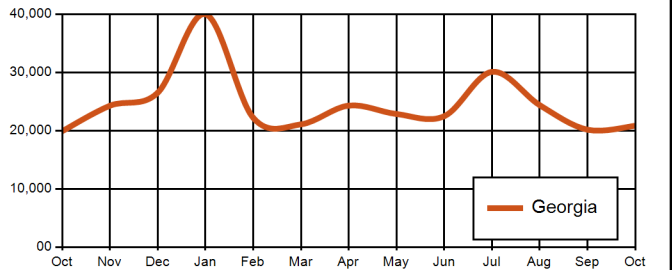
	October 2023	September 2023	August 2023	Total
Union	14	24	21	59
Fannin	18	11	16	45
Lumpkin	34	16	47	97
Towns	7	5	8	20
White	27	32	22	81
Union Area	100	88	114	302

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

Initial Claim Trends



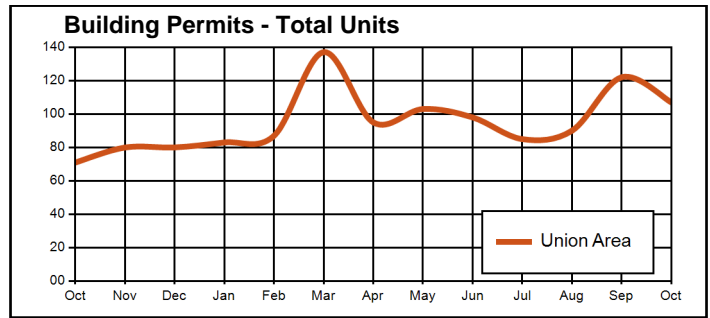
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

	Union Area			
	October 2023	September 2023	August 2023	Total
Totals	107	122	90	319
Family residential	107	119	85	311
Multi family resident	0	3	5	8

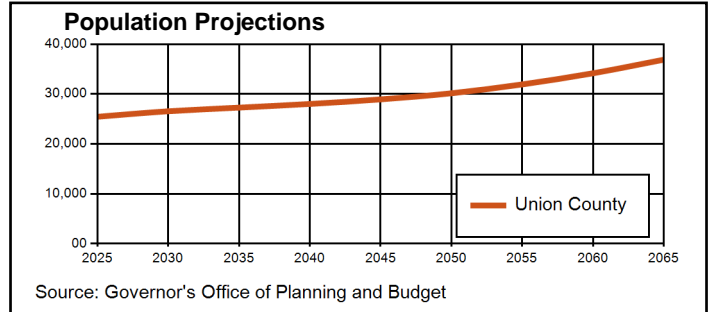
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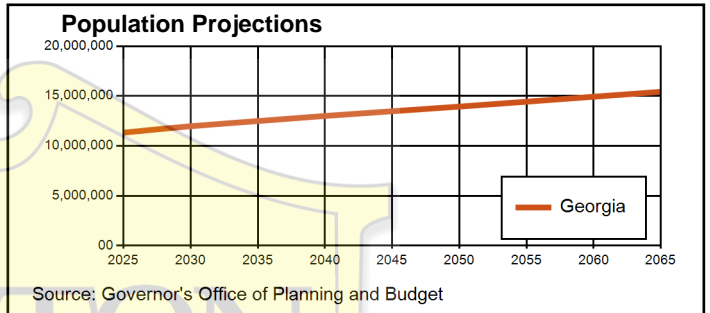
Population Activity

	Annual 2022	Annual 2021	Difference
Union	26,388	25,521	867
Fannin	25,737	25,817	-80
Lumpkin	34,796	34,278	518
Towns	12,972	12,875	97
White	28,806	28,442	364
Cherokee	29,512	29,167	345
Clay	11,614	11,309	305
Union Area	169,825	167,409	2,416
Georgia	10,912,876	10,799,566	113,310
United States	333,287,557	331,893,745	1,393,812
Cherokee	29,512	29,167	345
Clay	11,614	11,309	305

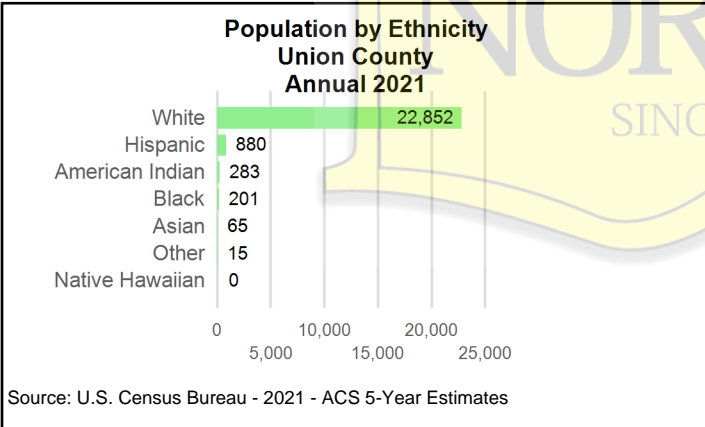
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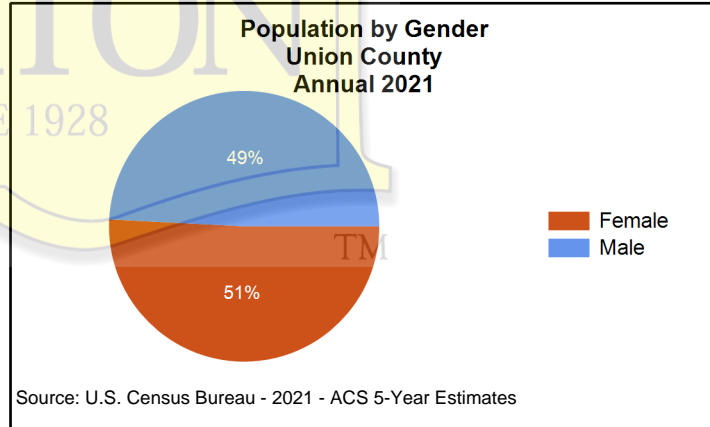
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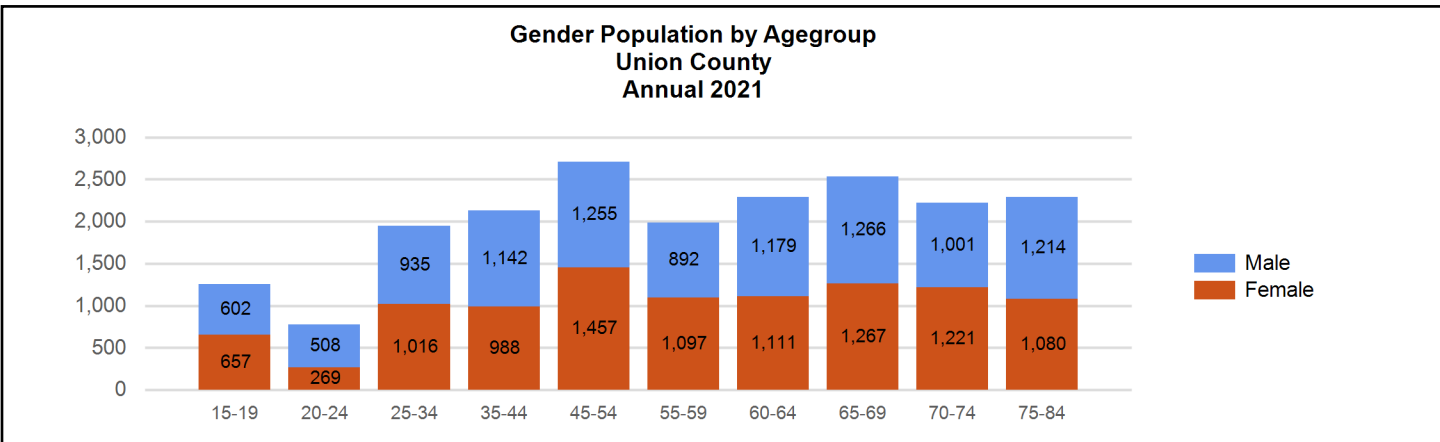
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2023

INDUSTRY	Union				Union Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE
		NUMBER	PERCENT			NUMBER	PERCENT	
Goods-Producing	133	1,033	13.4	991	553	5,384	14.8	1,027
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	7	174	2.3	1,181	30	528	1.5	943
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	2	*	*	*	6	51	0.1	1,317
Construction	93	365	4.7	895	363	2,315	6.4	1,079
Manufacturing	31	476	6.2	971	154	2,490	6.8	989
Food	3	7	0.1	492	15	190	0.5	562
Beverage and Tobacco Product	2	*	*	*	24	309	0.8	591
Apparel	1	*	*	*	3	*	*	*
Printing and Related Support Activities	4	10	0.1	262	8	17	0.0	365
Petroleum and Coal Products	1	*	*	*	2	*	*	*
Chemical	2	*	*	*	10	63	0.2	1,145
Plastics and Rubber Products	1	*	*	*	5	142	0.4	1,062
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	1	*	*	*	5	40	0.1	1,105
Fabricated Metal Product	4	*	*	*	16	463	1.3	1,095
Machinery	2	*	*	*	5	92	0.3	1,063
Computer and Electronic Product	3	5	0.1	1,141	4	*	*	*
Transportation Equipment	2	*	*	*	12	505	1.4	1,165
Furniture and Related Product	3	7	0.1	504	11	29	0.1	691
Miscellaneous	2	*	*	*	16	69	0.2	763
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	3	157	0.4	868
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	4	*	*	*
Wood Product	0	0	0.0	0	9	159	0.4	967
Service-Providing	505	4,587	59.6	832	2,428	23,643	65.0	709
Utilities	3	13	0.2	566	10	340	0.9	1,225
Wholesale Trade	27	214	2.8	1,145	91	746	2.1	1,122
Retail Trade	104	1,281	16.7	582	522	5,401	14.8	592
Transportation and Warehousing	21	348	4.5	1,026	73	605	1.7	889
Information	9	45	0.6	1,114	40	246	0.7	1,126
Finance and Insurance	32	121	1.6	1,193	145	626	1.7	1,229
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	43	107	1.4	827	171	573	1.6	674
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	53	218	2.8	1,688	241	918	2.5	1,114
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3	*	*	*	5	503	1.4	1,385
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	26	107	1.4	830	163	874	2.4	795
Educational Services	1	*	*	*	24	1,645	4.5	505
Health Care and Social Assistance	82	700	9.1	972	300	3,450	9.5	934
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	7	52	0.7	236	56	506	1.4	544
Accommodation and Food Services	53	829	10.8	448	402	6,317	17.4	467
Other Services (except Public Administration)	41	164	2.1	745	185	893	2.5	723
Unclassified - industry not assigned	94	69	0.9	2,550	410	281	0.8	1,440
Total - Private Sector	732	5,689	74.0	882	3,391	29,308	80.6	775
Total - Government	31	2,002	26.0	935	127	7,072	19.4	941
Federal Government	5	53	0.7	1,153	20	259	0.7	1,210
State Government	15	193	2.5	785	60	1,875	5.2	1,075
Local Government	11	1,756	22.8	945	47	4,938	13.6	876
ALL INDUSTRIES	763	7,692	100.0	895	3,518	36,378	100.0	807
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					384,496	4,793,199		1,247

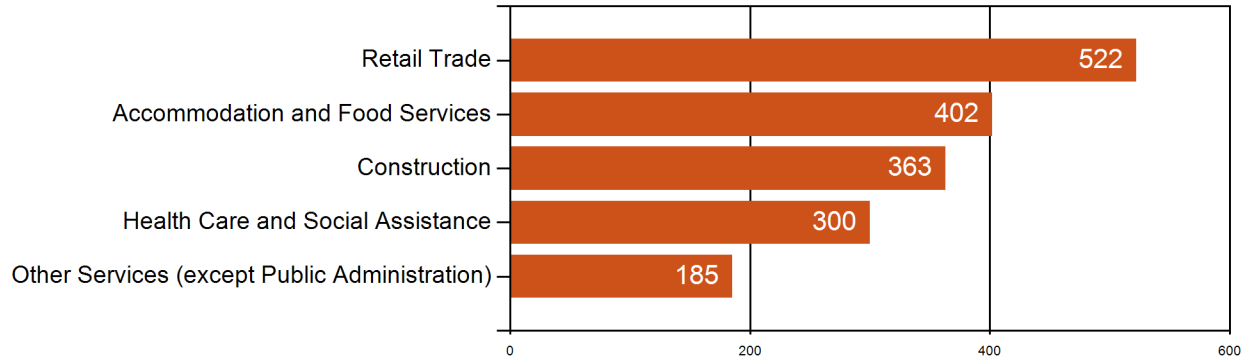
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average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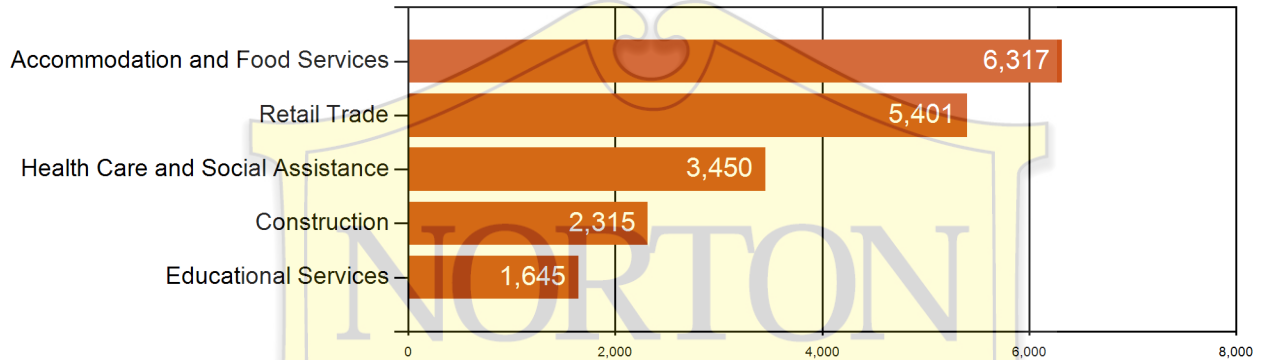
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2023

Union Area

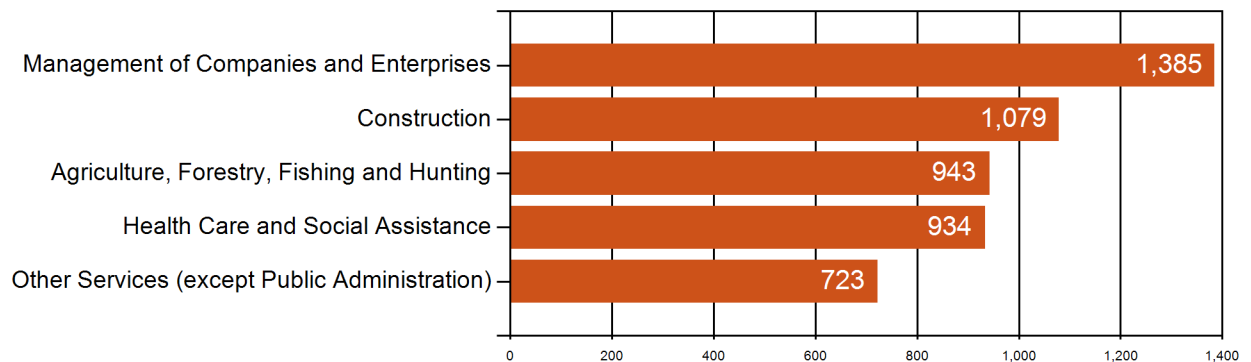
Top Industries by Firms



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
Child Care Provider/Assistant	134	209	170	56.0	-18.7
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	218	129	161	-40.8	24.8
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	165	146	160	-11.5	9.6
Welding Technology/Welder	229	317	155	38.4	-51.1
Business Administration and Management, General	109	155	145	42.2	-6.5
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	155	109	124	-29.7	13.8
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide	82	110	107	34.1	-2.7
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	79	81	88	2.5	8.6
Lineworker	61	81	76	32.8	-6.2
Electrician	47	58	69	23.4	19.0

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
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	102	57	72	-44.1	26.3
Medical/Clinical Assistant	90	61	67	-32.2	9.8
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	66	63	63	-4.5	0.0
Welding Technology/Welder	60	55	43	-8.3	-21.8
Business Administration and Management, General	26	41	39	57.7	-4.9
Electrician	25	34	29	36.0	-14.7
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	39	23	28	-41.0	21.7
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	32	21	25	-34.4	19.0
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	49	21	24	-57.1	14.3
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	58	59	23	1.7	-61.0

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
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	34	28	36	-17.6	28.6
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	45	56	35	24.4	-37.5
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	37	35	26	-5.4	-25.7
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	29	21	18	-27.6	-14.3
Network and System Administration/Administrator	20	17	17	-15.0	0.0
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
Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician	15	10	13	-33.3	30.0

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2023*

Union County

Aviagen North America, Inc.
 Chick-Fil-A
 Davenport Transportation, Inc.
 DT Express, LLC
 Ingles Markets, Inc.
 Nelson Tractor Co, Inc.
 Panel Built, Inc.
 The Home Depot
 United Community Bank
 Walmart

*Note: Aviagen North America, Inc.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Union Area

	COUNTY
Chatuge Regional Hospital, Inc.	Towns
Freudenberg-NOK General Partnership	White
Mountain Education Center, Inc.	White
Truett-McConnell College	White
United Community Bank	Union
University of North Georgia	Lumpkin
Walmart	White
Walmart	Union
Walmart	Lumpkin
Walmart	Fannin

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	3.0%	0.7%	2.8%	4.4%	2.6%	3.9%
Some High School	8.8%	8.0%	9.5%	12.0%	8.1%	8.4%
High School Grad/GED	32.1%	40.4%	33.5%	26.8%	31.2%	30.9%
Some College	24.6%	40.6%	23.0%	23.9%	22.2%	21.3%
College Grad 2 Yr	8.1%	6.3%	10.3%	8.6%	9.1%	6.8%
College Grad 4 Yr	14.1%	4.1%	15.2%	13.7%	16.9%	15.3%
Post Graduate Studies	9.3%	0.0%	5.7%	10.6%	9.9%	13.5%
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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