





Pike

County



Area Labor Profile

Updated: Nov 2024

Labor Force Activity

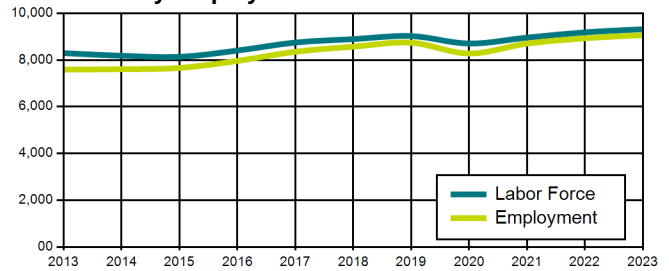
September 2024

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Pike	9,492	9,225	267	2.8%
Lamar	8,708	8,365	343	3.9%
Meriwether	9,246	8,907	339	3.7%
Spalding	30,393	29,105	1,288	4.2%
Upson	11,815	11,393	422	3.6%
Pike Area	69,654	66,995	2,659	3.8%
Georgia	5,410,794	5,226,303	184,491	3.4%
United States	168,569,000	162,046,000	6,524,000	3.9%

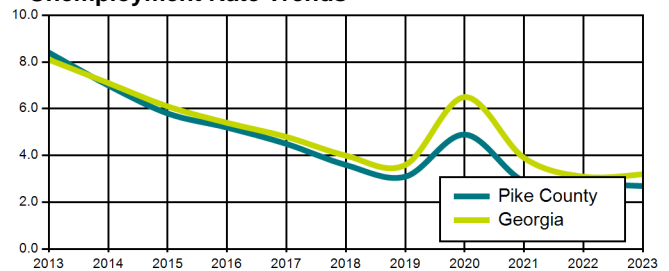
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Pike County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

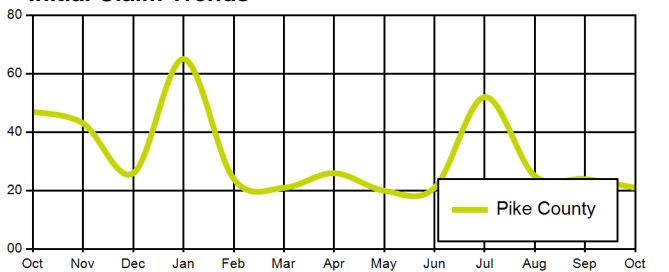


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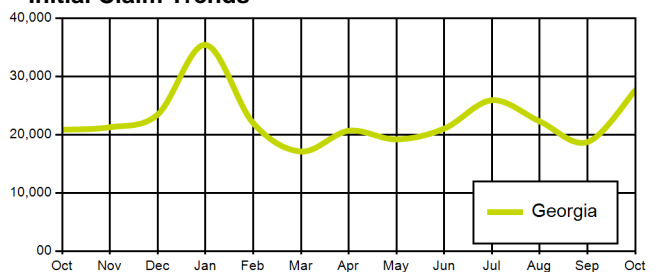
	October 2024	September 2024	August 2024	Total
Pike	21	24	25	70
Lamar	31	44	23	98
Meriwether	46	47	42	135
Spalding	166	161	176	503
Upson	74	56	50	180
Pike Area	338	332	316	986

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

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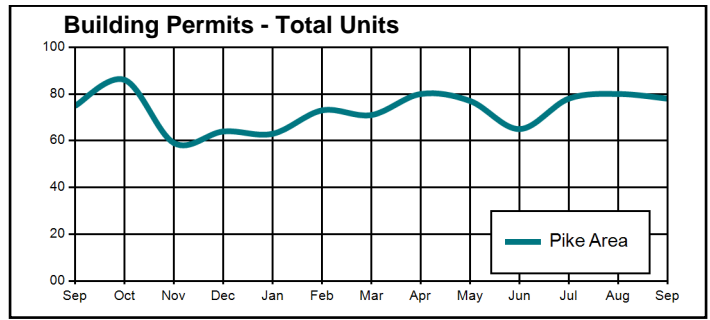
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

	Pike Area			
	September 2024	August 2024	July 2024	Total
Totals	78	80	78	236
Family residential	78	80	78	236
Multi family resident	0	0	0	0

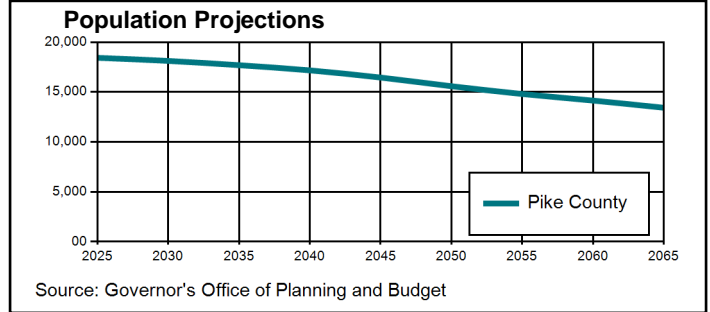
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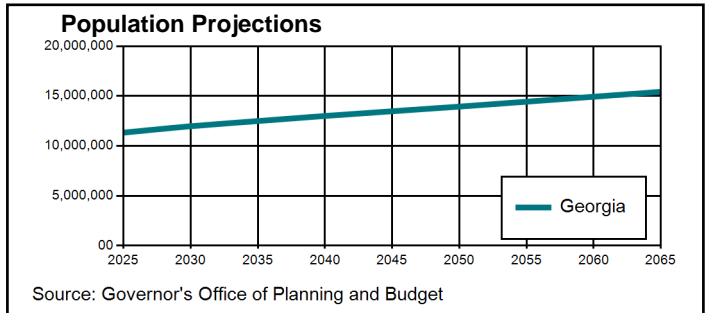
Population Activity

	Annual 2023	Annual 2022	Difference
Pike	20,461	19,990	471
Lamar	20,401	19,467	934
Meriwether	20,931	20,845	86
Spalding	69,946	68,919	1,027
Upson	28,263	28,086	177
Pike Area	160,002	157,307	2,695
Georgia	11,029,227	10,912,876	116,351
United States	334,914,895	333,287,557	1,627,338

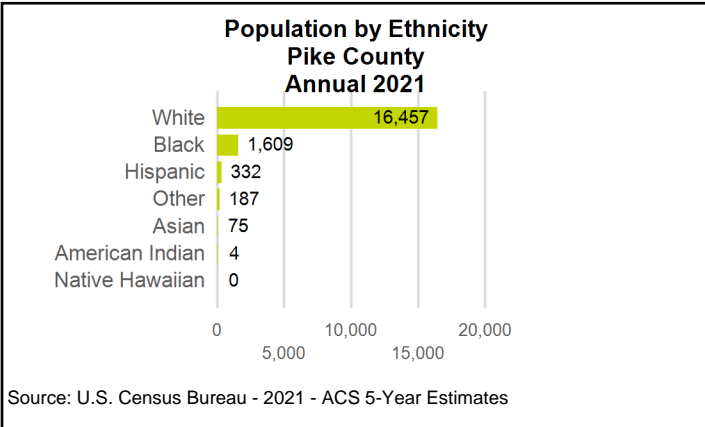
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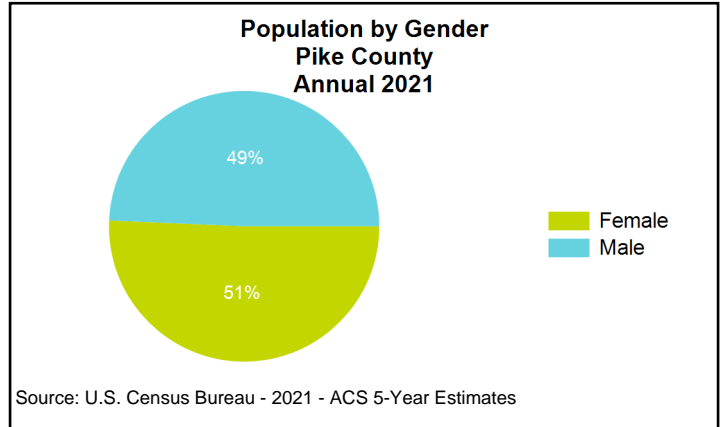
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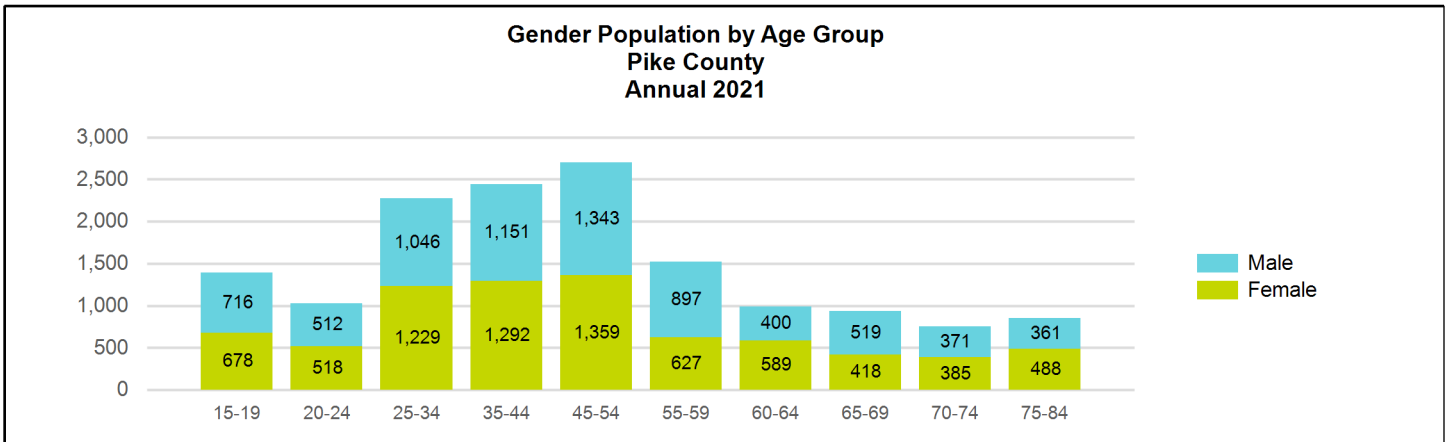
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2024

INDUSTRY	Pike				Pike Area			
	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY
	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE
Goods-Producing	98	1,133	32.5	1,115	526	9,089	21.0	1,197
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	7	36	1.0	975	45	291	0.7	873
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	1	*	*	*	4	40	0.1	1,548
Construction	74	635	18.2	1,107	323	2,389	5.5	1,175
Manufacturing	16	434	12.4	1,100	154	6,369	14.7	1,218
Textile Mills	1	*	*	*	6	435	1.0	1,197
Wood Product	1	*	*	*	15	402	0.9	1,376
Plastics and Rubber Products	1	*	*	*	15	597	1.4	1,385
Fabricated Metal Product	8	81	2.3	1,334	24	539	1.2	1,000
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	1	*	*	*	3	*	*	*
Transportation Equipment	2	*	*	*	16	1,230	2.8	1,022
Miscellaneous	2	*	*	*	11	67	0.2	1,092
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Computer and Electronic Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Beverage and Tobacco Product	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	3	*	*	*
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	3	174	0.4	1,194
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	0	0	0.0	0	4	26	0.1	958
Printing and Related Support Activities	0	0	0.0	0	5	*	*	*
Furniture and Related Product	0	0	0.0	0	6	21	0.0	758
Chemical	0	0	0.0	0	6	266	0.6	1,312
Paper	0	0	0.0	0	7	377	0.9	1,241
Food	0	0	0.0	0	10	107	0.2	1,314
Machinery	0	0	0.0	0	13	344	0.8	1,370
Service-Providing	237	1,522	43.6	735	2,259	24,594	56.9	828
Utilities	3	*	*	*	11	189	0.4	1,614
Wholesale Trade	20	185	5.3	1,151	112	1,249	2.9	1,502
Retail Trade	43	263	7.5	489	509	5,370	12.4	581
Transportation and Warehousing	12	25	0.7	911	89	672	1.6	1,133
Information	3	14	0.4	778	35	168	0.4	988
Finance and Insurance	12	73	2.1	972	141	773	1.8	1,229
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	15	22	0.6	876	96	207	0.5	841
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	24	76	2.2	844	234	1,866	4.3	938
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1	*	*	*	8	137	0.3	1,276
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	23	96	2.8	784	185	1,831	4.2	758
Educational Services	3	*	*	*	27	334	0.8	625
Health Care and Social Assistance	22	181	5.2	984	290	6,639	15.3	992
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2	*	*	*	27	170	0.4	762
Accommodation and Food Services	27	346	9.9	350	277	3,716	8.6	381
Other Services (except Public Administration)	27	92	2.6	1,028	218	1,273	2.9	1,078
Unclassified - industry not assigned	23	16	0.5	1,039	179	99	0.2	1,049
Total - Private Sector	358	2,671	76.6	898	2,964	33,782	78.1	928
Total - Government	26	815	23.4	822	231	9,468	21.9	917
Federal Government	5	32	0.9	1,132	26	286	0.7	1,364
State Government	10	65	1.9	984	98	3,424	7.9	922
Local Government	11	718	20.6	793	107	5,758	13.3	892
ALL INDUSTRIES	384	3,487	100.0	880	3,195	43,251	100.0	926
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					392,216	4,866,656		1,297

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 2024.

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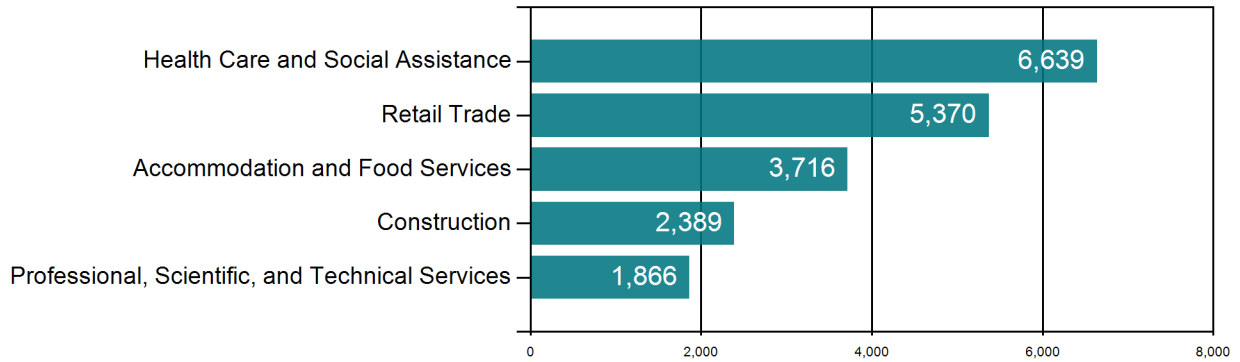
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2024

Pike Area

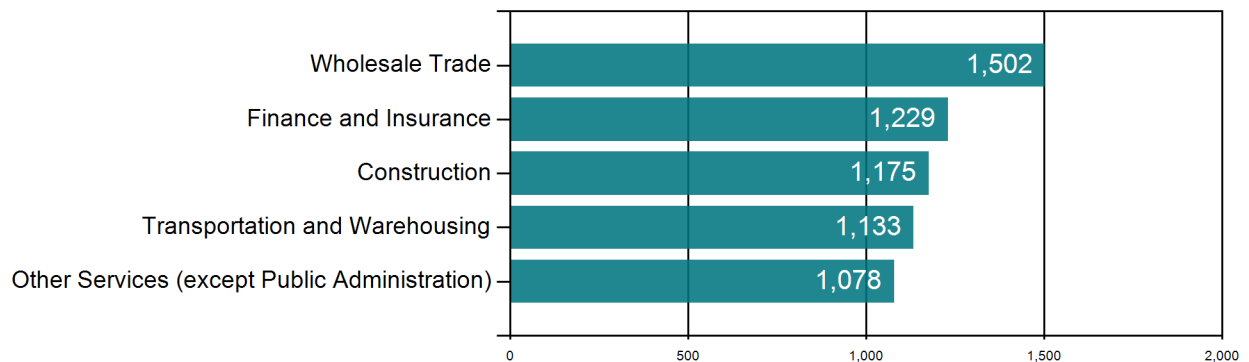
Top Industries by Firms



Top Industries by Employment



Top Industries by Weekly Wages



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Technical College Certificate Graduates - 2023

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2021	2022	2023	2021-2022	2022-2023
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing	69	438	453	534.8	3.4
Business Administration and Management, General	246	289	214	17.5	-26.0
Child Care Provider/Assistant	183	143	197	-21.9	37.8
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	126	116	127	-7.9	9.5
Small Business Administration/Management	124	127	117	2.4	-7.9
Welding Technology/Welder	118	196	114	66.1	-41.8
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	33	63	109	90.9	73.0
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	96	33	88	-65.6	166.7
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	126	132	86	4.8	-34.8
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide	60	64	86	6.7	34.4

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

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

Technical College Diploma Graduates - 2023

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2021	2022	2023	2021-2022	2022-2023
Business Administration and Management, General	54	52	56	-3.7	7.7
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	63	46	45	-27.0	-2.2
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	42	32	38	-23.8	18.8
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	25	24	24	-4.0	0.0
Welding Technology/Welder	13	21	23	61.5	9.5
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	33	20	21	-39.4	5.0
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	50	13	13	-74.0	0.0
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	16	21	12	31.3	-42.9
Dental Assisting/Assistant	8	14	11	75.0	-21.4
Legal Assistant/Paralegal	11	8	11	-27.3	37.5

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Technical College Degree Graduates - 2023

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2021	2022	2023	2021-2022	2022-2023
Business Administration and Management, General	53	59	49	11.3	-16.9
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician	31	53	40	71.0	-24.5
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	31	30	22	-3.2	-26.7
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	18	20	16	11.1	-20.0
Rehabilitation and Therapeutic Professions, Other	19	14	14	-26.3	0.0
Surgical Technology/Technologist	9	13	14	44.4	7.7
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	7	10	13	42.9	30.0
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	17	18	13	5.9	-27.8
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	13	12	13	-7.7	8.3
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	18	10	12	-44.4	20.0

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2024*

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Convenience Stores, Inc.
 Double P Grading, Inc.
 Freshway Market - Zebulon
 Georgia Department of Corrections
 Johnson Battery Co, Inc.
 K & K Manufacturing, Inc.
 McLeroy Equipment, LLC
 Southern Mills, Inc.
 United Bank
 Wabash National, LP

*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 2024. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Pike Area

Caterpillar, Inc.
 Griffin Technical College
 Homenurse, Inc.
 Impact Outsourcing Solutions IX, LLC
 Mando America Corporation
 Personnel Options
 Ranew Management Co., Inc.
 Upson Regional Medical Center
 Walmart
 Wellstar Health System, Inc.

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Education of the Labor Force

Pike Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	3.6%	1.6%	3.4%	2.2%	2.0%	7.9%
Some High School	12.5%	16.5%	8.3%	12.2%	13.2%	12.6%
High School Grad/GED	38.2%	40.5%	39.1%	33.3%	38.6%	39.1%
Some College	22.2%	32.1%	24.5%	23.0%	20.4%	18.1%
College Grad 2 Yr	7.7%	3.9%	9.6%	9.1%	8.7%	5.9%
College Grad 4 Yr	9.8%	5.2%	11.0%	12.3%	10.3%	8.6%
Post Graduate Studies	6.0%	0.2%	4.1%	7.8%	6.9%	7.8%
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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