





Area Labor Profile

Banks

County



Updated: Dec 2025

Labor Force Activity

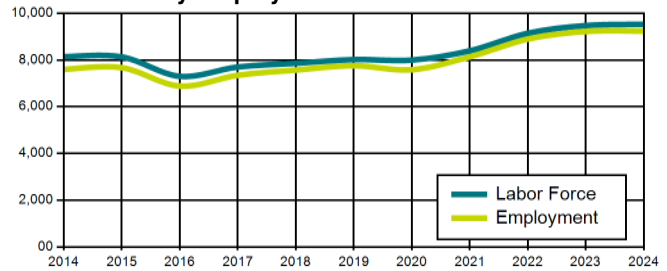
September 2025

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Banks	9,752	9,490	262	2.7%
Franklin	10,386	10,058	328	3.2%
Habersham	22,929	22,290	639	2.8%
Hall	109,367	106,410	2,957	2.7%
Jackson	45,357	44,084	1,273	2.8%
Madison	14,161	13,711	450	3.2%
Stephens	10,709	10,271	438	4.1%
Banks Area	222,661	216,314	6,347	2.9%
Georgia	5,408,978	5,225,359	183,619	3.4%
United States	171,217,000	163,894,000	7,324,000	4.3%

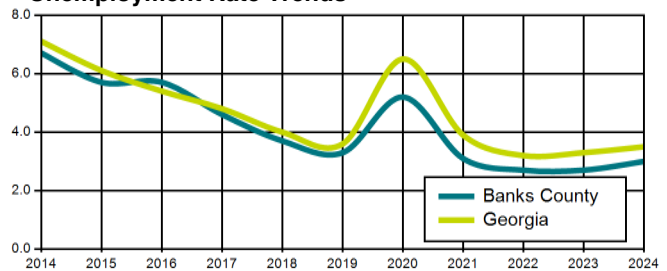
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Banks County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

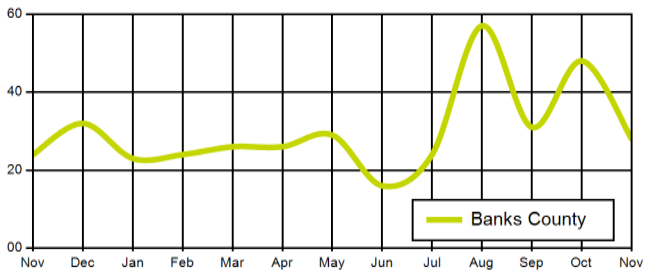


Initial Claims Activity

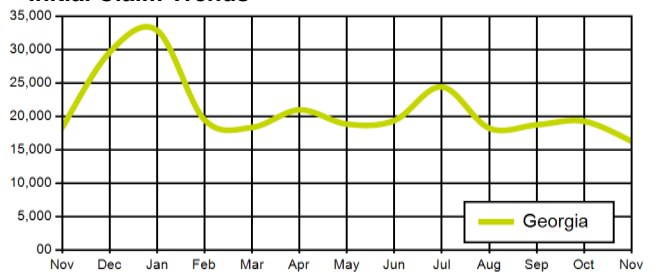
	November 2025	October 2025	September 2025	Total
Banks	28	48	31	107
Franklin	26	30	26	82
Habersham	48	57	61	166
Hall	185	417	434	1,036
Jackson	73	143	119	335
Madison	24	53	40	117
Stephens	33	42	50	125
Banks Area	417	790	761	1,968

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

Initial Claim Trends



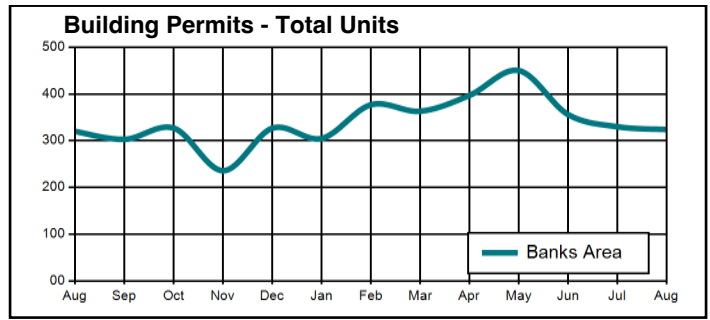
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

	August 2025	July 2025	June 2025	Total
Banks Area				
Totals	324	330	356	1,010
Family residential	304	317	356	977
Multi family resident	20	13	0	33

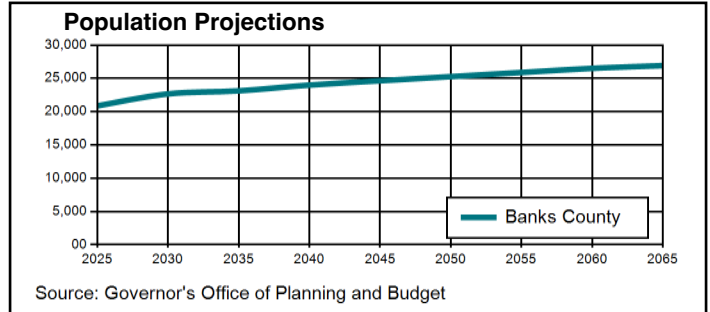
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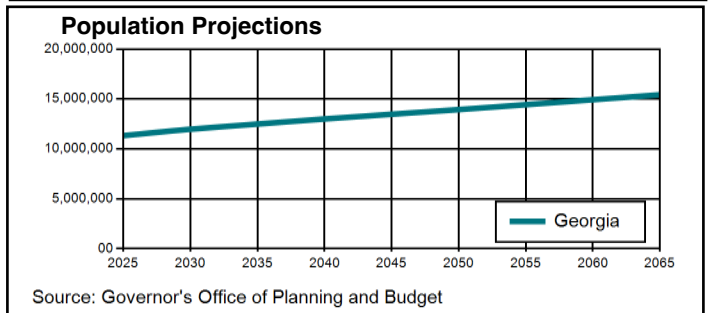
Population Activity

	Annual 2024	Annual 2023	Difference
Banks	20,318	19,789	529
Franklin	25,208	24,782	426
Habersham	49,665	48,757	908
Hall	221,745	217,267	4,478
Jackson	93,825	88,615	5,210
Madison	32,771	32,191	580
Stephens	27,498	27,228	270
Banks Area	471,030	458,629	12,401
Georgia	11,180,878	11,029,227	151,651
United States	340,110,988	334,914,895	5,196,093

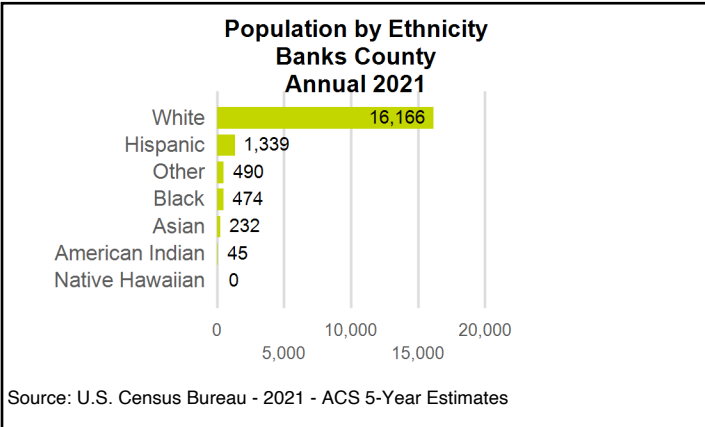
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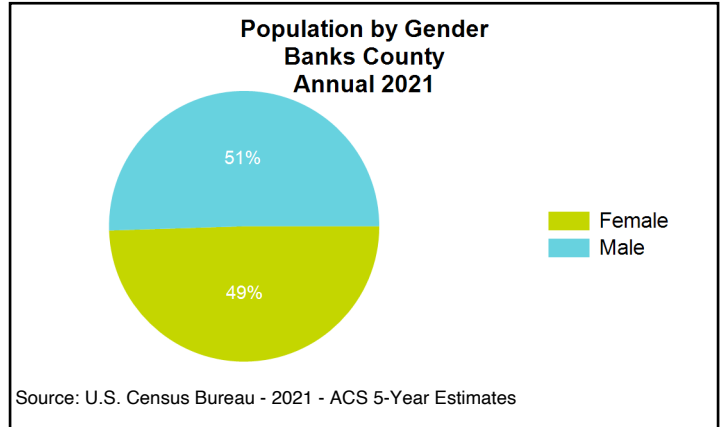
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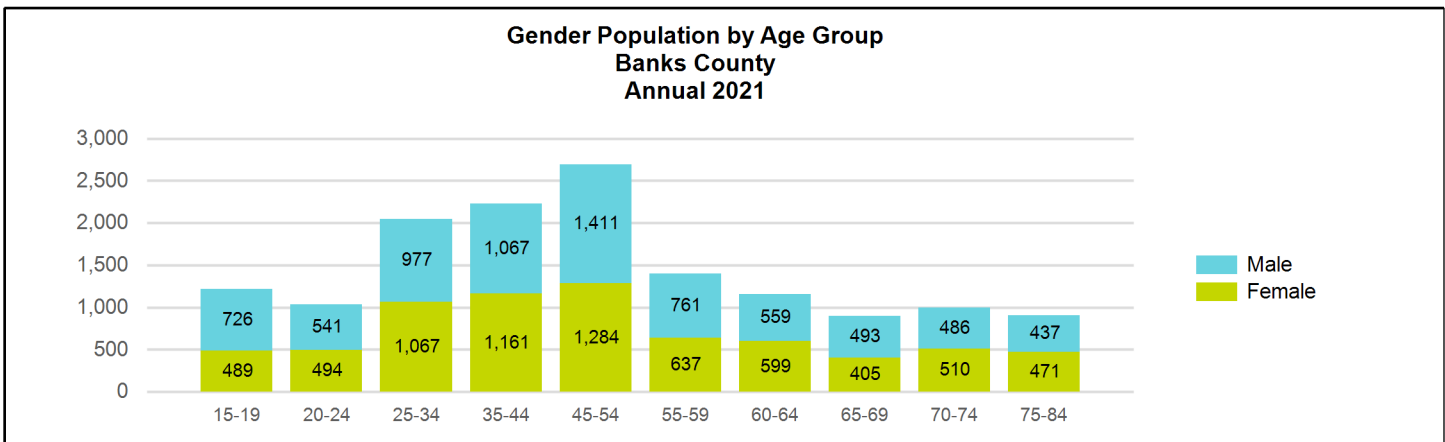
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2025

INDUSTRY	Banks				Banks Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
Goods-Producing	80	1,024	19.8	1,066	2,109	52,979	27.8	1,199
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	12	207	4.0	1,210	129	1,338	0.7	1,078
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	1	*	*	*	8	118	0.1	1,637
Construction	53	275	5.3	1,170	1,327	8,819	4.6	1,343
Manufacturing	14	533	10.3	952	645	42,704	22.4	1,172
Food	4	308	6.0	891	87	18,335	9.6	993
Textile Mills	1	*	*	*	14	898	0.5	1,143
Wood Product	3	15	0.3	1,010	45	832	0.4	1,264
Fabricated Metal Product	5	57	1.1	1,133	113	2,739	1.4	1,400
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	1	*	*	*	18	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	3	10	0.0	1,226
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	5	*	*	*
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	5	27	0.0	702
Paper	0	0	0.0	0	7	116	0.1	869
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	7	641	0.3	1,508
Computer and Electronic Product	0	0	0.0	0	14	123	0.1	1,285
Beverage and Tobacco Product	0	0	0.0	0	18	424	0.2	1,390
Plastics and Rubber Products	0	0	0.0	0	28	1,474	0.8	1,181
Printing and Related Support Activities	0	0	0.0	0	32	406	0.2	1,178
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	0	0	0.0	0	32	449	0.2	1,097
Furniture and Related Product	0	0	0.0	0	32	889	0.5	1,162
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	32	4,250	2.2	1,276
Chemical	0	0	0.0	0	39	1,491	0.8	1,438
Machinery	0	0	0.0	0	52	4,771	2.5	1,313
Miscellaneous	0	0	0.0	0	62	1,456	0.8	1,388
Service-Providing	264	3,194	61.7	776	8,439	114,631	60.1	1,091
Utilities	0	0	0.0	0	20	826	0.4	2,144
Wholesale Trade	17	161	3.1	1,605	551	9,054	4.8	1,364
Retail Trade	66	862	16.7	595	1,510	20,379	10.7	729
Transportation and Warehousing	13	70	1.4	903	370	18,992	10.0	1,010
Information	2	*	*	*	155	1,068	0.6	1,465
Finance and Insurance	8	24	0.5	1,282	586	2,960	1.6	1,573
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	10	11	0.2	827	469	2,509	1.3	946
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	22	*	*	*	981	4,775	2.5	1,393
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1	*	*	*	44	2,075	1.1	3,045
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	26	251	4.9	983	754	8,342	4.4	870
Educational Services	2	*	*	*	95	2,273	1.2	759
Health Care and Social Assistance	20	176	3.4	922	1,060	21,057	11.0	1,391
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	6	87	1.7	519	141	1,613	0.8	4,186
Accommodation and Food Services	46	906	17.5	501	896	15,156	8.0	467
Other Services (except Public Administration)	25	91	1.8	910	807	3,552	1.9	922
Unclassified - industry not assigned	15	2	0.0	1,610	689	414	0.2	1,183
Total - Private Sector	359	4,220	81.6	846	11,237	168,024	88.2	1,125
Total - Government	24	954	18.4	883	354	22,560	11.8	1,000
Federal Government	2	18	0.3	1,232	65	1,080	0.6	1,413
State Government	7	23	0.4	983	101	3,545	1.9	997
Local Government	15	913	17.6	874	188	17,935	9.4	976
ALL INDUSTRIES	383	5,174	100.0	854	11,591	190,580	100.0	1,111
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					394,870	4,899,057		1,339

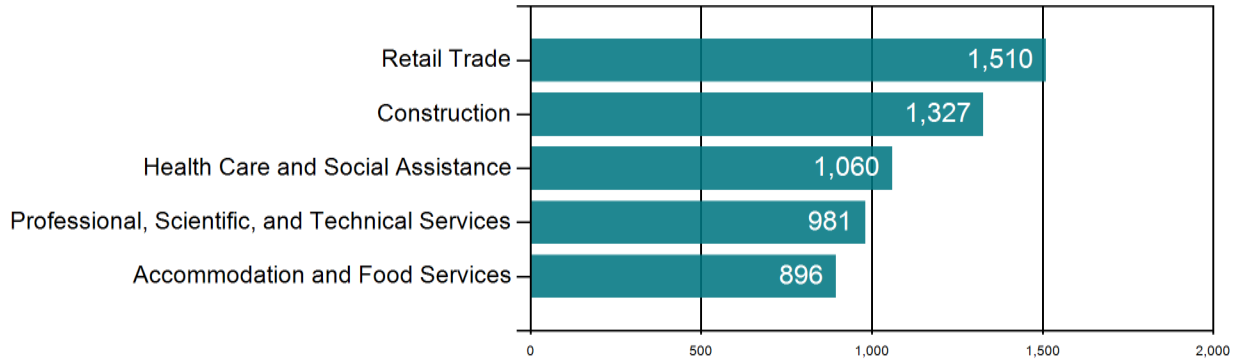
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average 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 2025.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor. These data represent jobs that are covered by unemployment insurance laws.

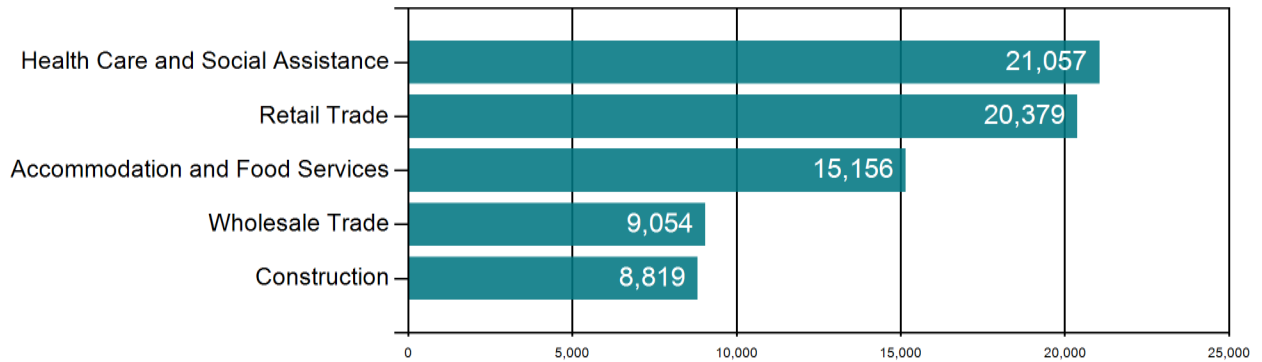
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2025

Banks Area

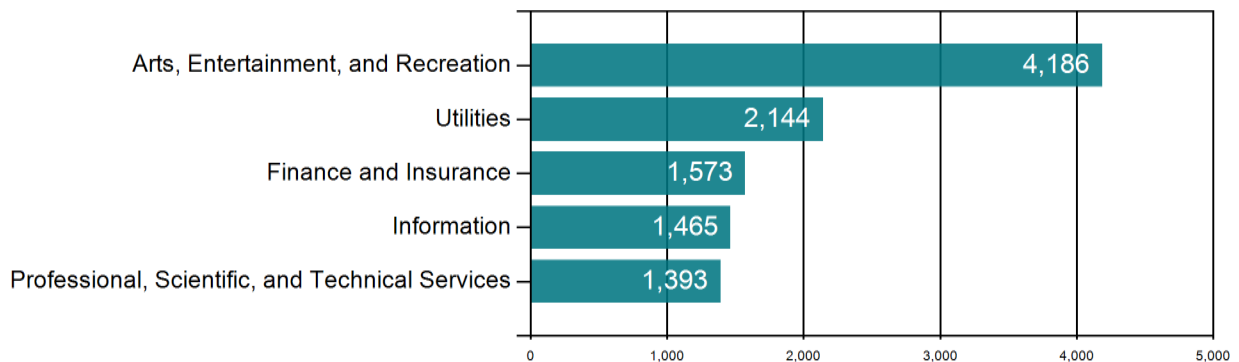
Top Industries by Firms



Top Industries by Employment



Top Industries by Weekly Wages



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Technical College Certificate Graduates - 2024

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2022	2023	2024	2022-2023	2023-2024
Welding Technology/Welder	155	365	484	135.5	32.6
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	161	273	338	69.6	23.8
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	160	275	326	71.9	18.5
Business Administration and Management, General	145	162	248	11.7	53.1
Child Care Provider/Assistant	170	252	201	48.2	-20.2
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide	107	176	147	64.5	-16.5
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	124	145	142	16.9	-2.1
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	42	89	99	111.9	11.2
Electrician	69	105	95	52.2	-9.5
Lineworker	76	58	84	-23.7	44.8

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

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

Technical College Diploma Graduates - 2024

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2022	2023	2024	2022-2023	2023-2024
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	72	102	100	41.7	-2.0
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	63	51	72	-19.0	41.2
Welding Technology/Welder	43	64	65	48.8	1.6
Medical/Clinical Assistant	67	59	54	-11.9	-8.5
Business Administration and Management, General	39	24	49	-38.5	104.2
Electrician	29	47	33	62.1	-29.8
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	23	20	24	-13.0	20.0
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	10	14	21	40.0	50.0
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	24	24	17	0.0	-29.2
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	28	18	17	-35.7	-5.6

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Technical College Degree Graduates - 2024

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2022	2023	2024	2022-2023	2023-2024
Business Administration and Management, General	47	41	60	-12.8	46.3
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	35	40	32	14.3	-20.0
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	26	22	24	-15.4	9.1
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	36	23	24	-36.1	4.3
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	17	18	22	5.9	22.2
Computer and Information Systems Security	4	8	16	100.0	100.0
Network and System Administration/Administrator	17	10	14	-41.2	40.0
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	18	15	13	-16.7	-13.3
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	15	14	12	-6.7	-14.3
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	9	13	11	44.4	-15.4

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2025*

Banks County

Axiom Staffing Group, Inc.
 Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, Inc.
 Fieldale Farms Corporation
 Hodie Meats, Inc.
 Kerry, Inc.
 Lumite, Inc.
 Midwest Poultry Services
 Nexien, Inc.
 The Home Depot
 Walmart

*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 2025. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Banks Area

	<u>COUNTY</u>
Amazon Services, Inc.	Jackson
Fieldale Farms Corporation	Hall
Fieldale Farms Corporation	Habersham
Gold Creek Processing, LLC	Hall
Kubota Manufacturing of America Corporation	Hall
Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.	Hall
Northeast Georgia Physicians Group	Hall
Pilgrim's Pride Corporation	Hall
Sk Battery America, Inc.	Jackson
Soulshine Farms, LLC	Hall

Education of the Labor Force

Banks Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT					
	OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	8.0%	3.5%	5.8%	11.7%	8.7%	8.1%
Some High School	10.1%	14.2%	9.4%	10.6%	8.4%	10.9%
High School Grad/GED	32.2%	39.4%	32.0%	28.0%	32.3%	31.5%
Some College	21.4%	31.0%	22.4%	17.8%	20.7%	19.1%
College Grad 2 Yr	7.1%	5.3%	9.9%	7.9%	7.3%	5.2%
College Grad 4 Yr	13.3%	5.6%	15.4%	15.1%	13.4%	14.3%
Post Graduate Studies	7.9%	1.0%	5.1%	9.0%	9.2%	10.9%
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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