





Area Labor Profile

Barrow

County



Updated: Dec 2025

Labor Force Activity

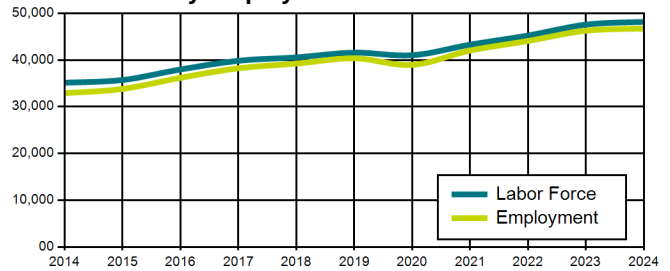
September 2025

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Barrow	48,084	46,708	1,376	2.9%
Clarke	66,062	63,885	2,177	3.3%
Gwinnett	518,200	501,589	16,611	3.2%
Hall	109,367	106,410	2,957	2.7%
Jackson	45,357	44,084	1,273	2.8%
Oconee	21,814	21,233	581	2.7%
Walton	52,794	51,156	1,638	3.1%
Barrow Area	861,678	835,065	26,613	3.1%
Georgia	5,408,978	5,225,359	183,619	3.4%
United States	171,217,000	163,894,000	7,324,000	4.3%

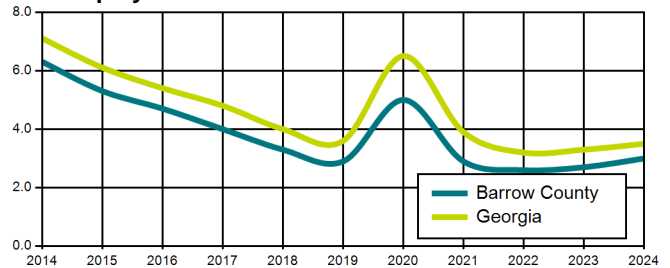
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Barrow County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

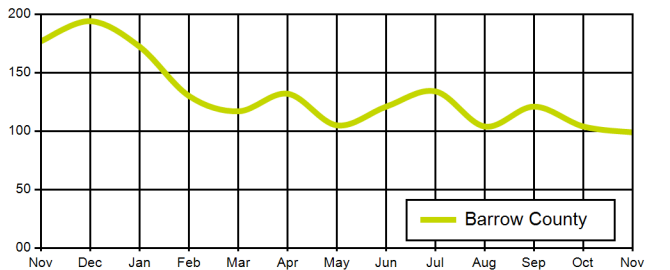


Initial Claims Activity

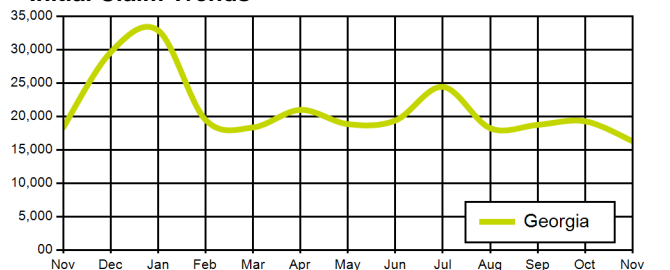
	November 2025	October 2025	September 2025	Total
Barrow	99	104	121	324
Clarke	98	119	131	348
Gwinnett	1,100	1,357	1,386	3,843
Hall	185	417	434	1,036
Jackson	73	143	119	335
Oconee	16	25	15	56
Walton	98	131	121	350
Barrow Area	1,669	2,296	2,327	6,292

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

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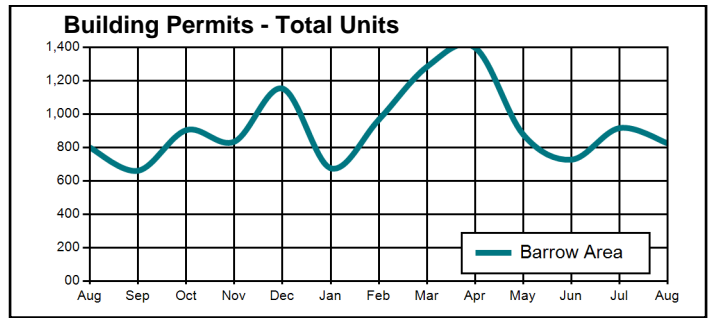
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

	August 2025	July 2025	June 2025	Total
Totals	825	916	727	2,468
Family residential	759	646	713	2,118
Multi family resident	66	270	14	350

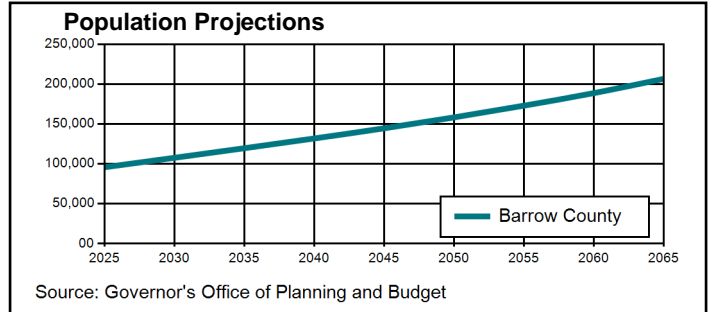
Source: U.S. Census Bureau.



Population Activity

	Annual 2024	Annual 2023	Difference
Barrow	96,294	92,792	3,502
Clarke	129,995	129,933	62
Gwinnett	1,003,869	983,526	20,343
Hall	221,745	217,267	4,478
Jackson	93,825	88,615	5,210
Oconee	44,751	44,182	569
Walton	109,792	106,702	3,090
Barrow Area	1,700,271	1,663,017	37,254
Georgia	11,180,878	11,029,227	151,651
United States	340,110,988	334,914,895	5,196,093

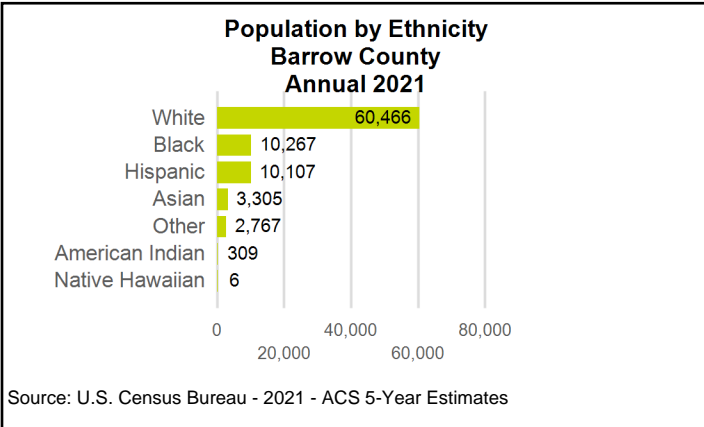
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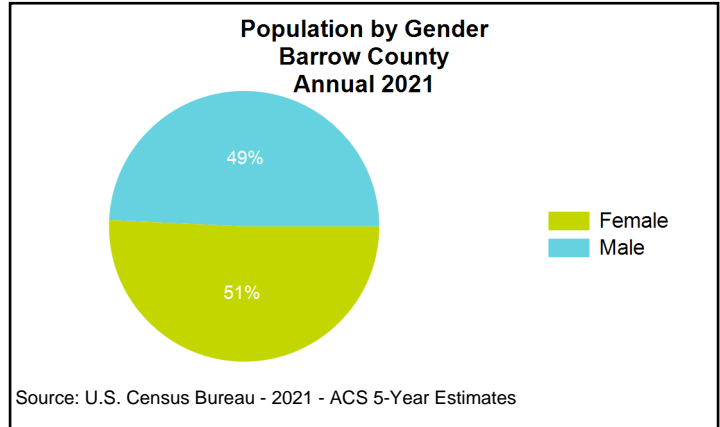
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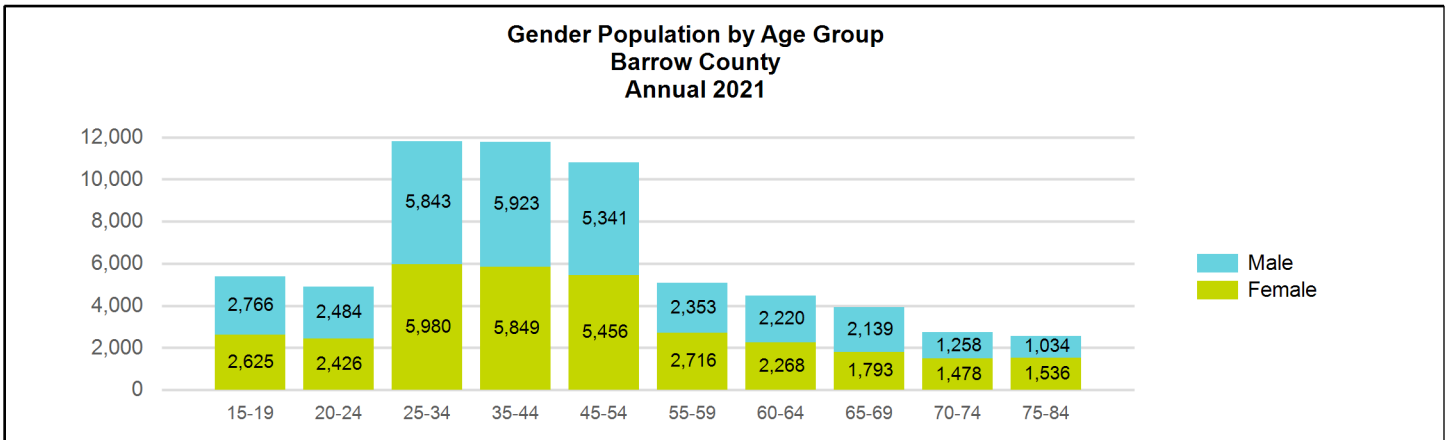
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2025

INDUSTRY	Barrow				Barrow Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
Goods-Producing	354	4,727	18.9	1,361	7,612	119,975	17.6	1,386
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	6	*	*	*	170	1,442	0.2	1,006
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	3	20	0.1	1,235	28	340	0.0	2,194
Construction	262	2,048	8.2	1,458	5,506	44,240	6.5	1,521
Manufacturing	83	2,579	10.3	1,294	1,908	73,953	10.9	1,309
Food	5	*	*	*	172	21,383	3.1	992
Beverage and Tobacco Product	1	*	*	*	54	1,310	0.2	1,149
Apparel	1	*	*	*	15	*	*	*
Wood Product	2	*	*	*	64	2,410	0.4	1,290
Paper	1	*	*	*	33	1,607	0.2	1,373
Printing and Related Support Activities	1	*	*	*	175	2,185	0.3	1,180
Chemical	6	278	1.1	2,389	161	4,443	0.7	1,627
Plastics and Rubber Products	2	*	*	*	75	4,434	0.7	1,259
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	7	463	1.9	1,475	101	2,575	0.4	1,539
Primary Metal	4	196	0.8	2,084	20	833	0.1	1,740
Fabricated Metal Product	23	165	0.7	1,141	224	5,375	0.8	1,270
Machinery	8	96	0.4	1,209	141	6,552	1.0	1,570
Computer and Electronic Product	1	*	*	*	118	3,711	0.5	2,227
Transportation Equipment	6	6	0.0	778	67	5,859	0.9	1,278
Furniture and Related Product	9	133	0.5	1,039	113	1,660	0.2	1,172
Miscellaneous	6	25	0.1	931	220	2,616	0.4	1,407
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	6	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	9	76	0.0	1,604
Textile Mills	0	0	0.0	0	20	656	0.1	1,080
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	41	602	0.1	1,134
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	79	5,567	0.8	1,418
Service-Providing	1,251	16,629	66.6	933	36,675	468,625	68.9	1,156
Utilities	4	50	0.2	1,341	45	1,461	0.2	2,113
Wholesale Trade	82	2,052	8.2	1,334	3,196	48,622	7.1	1,620
Retail Trade	213	5,168	20.7	1,019	5,215	81,764	12.0	817
Transportation and Warehousing	55	421	1.7	1,136	1,650	31,523	4.6	1,099
Information	24	119	0.5	987	1,058	7,951	1.2	2,034
Finance and Insurance	77	308	1.2	1,367	2,497	15,884	2.3	1,749
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	69	159	0.6	1,104	2,344	11,059	1.6	1,251
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	149	690	2.8	1,214	6,461	37,750	5.5	1,873
Management of Companies and Enterprises	4	6	0.0	1,546	235	9,071	1.3	2,410
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	125	1,428	5.7	807	3,512	46,773	6.9	957
Educational Services	21	291	1.2	352	635	8,764	1.3	824
Health Care and Social Assistance	126	1,936	7.8	1,080	5,191	84,231	12.4	1,195
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	22	267	1.1	539	745	8,047	1.2	1,413
Accommodation and Food Services	148	2,999	12.0	469	3,965	60,999	9.0	483
Other Services (except Public Administration)	132	735	2.9	685	3,533	16,816	2.5	1,029
Unclassified - industry not assigned	129	74	0.3	1,162	3,935	2,439	0.4	1,071
Total - Private Sector	1,734	21,430	85.8	1,027	51,829	593,129	87.2	1,202
Total - Government	53	3,537	14.2	1,104	713	87,100	12.8	1,216
Federal Government	10	184	0.7	1,482	148	4,765	0.7	1,600
State Government	13	177	0.7	720	168	21,383	3.1	1,267
Local Government	30	3,176	12.7	1,103	397	60,952	9.0	1,168
ALL INDUSTRIES	1,787	24,968	100.0	1,039	52,542	680,231	100.0	1,205
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					394,870	4,899,057		1,339

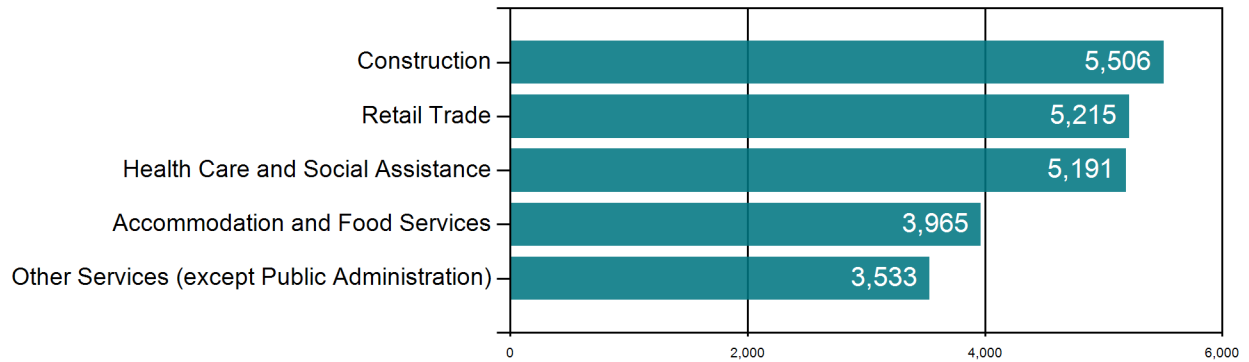
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average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

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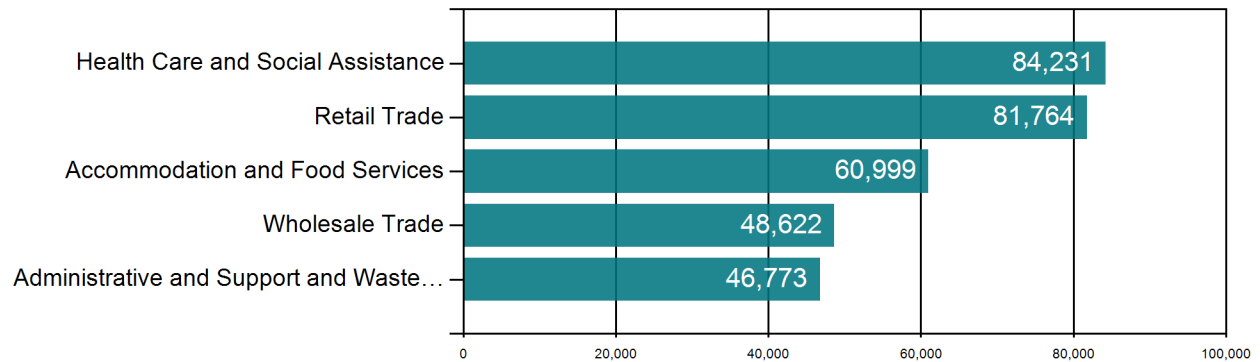
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2025

Barrow Area

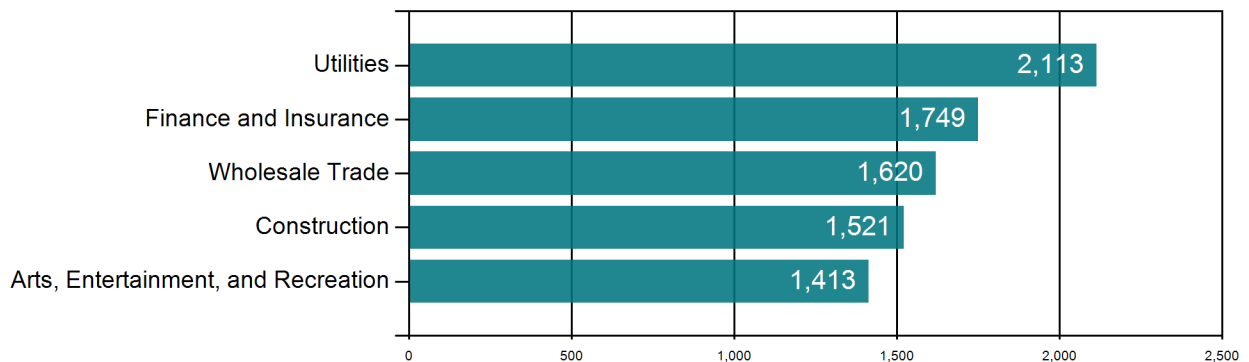
Top Industries by Firms



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
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	610	623	636	2.1	2.1
Welding Technology/Welder	186	349	488	87.6	39.8
Child Care Provider/Assistant	258	315	430	22.1	36.5
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	206	257	300	24.8	16.7
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician	222	228	268	2.7	17.5
Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance	163	164	255	0.6	55.5
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	253	299	246	18.2	-17.7
Business Administration and Management, General	107	103	179	-3.7	73.8
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	190	171	174	-10.0	1.8
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	104	139	168	33.7	20.9

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	97	120	105	23.7	-12.5
Business Administration and Management, General	86	53	81	-38.4	52.8
Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance	67	59	77	-11.9	30.5
Medical/Clinical Assistant	67	70	61	4.5	-12.9
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	74	58	60	-21.6	3.4
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	59	47	58	-20.3	23.4
Welding Technology/Welder	37	55	58	48.6	5.5
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	88	56	50	-36.4	-10.7
Network and System Administration/Administrator	43	39	48	-9.3	23.1
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	46	62	40	34.8	-35.5

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Technical College Degree Graduates - 2024

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2022	2023	2024	2022-2023	2023-2024
Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	98	118	119	20.4	0.8
Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance	84	79	106	-6.0	34.2
Business Administration and Management, General	126	97	104	-23.0	7.2
Network and System Administration/Administrator	71	55	72	-22.5	30.9
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	72	57	66	-20.8	15.8
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	71	79	65	11.3	-17.7
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	69	53	59	-23.2	11.3
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	44	51	54	15.9	5.9
Interior Design	33	23	33	-30.3	43.5
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	27	25	32	-7.4	28.0

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2025*

Barrow County

Akin Ford Corp
 Carvana, LLC
 Chico's Distribution Services, LLC
 Harrison Poultry, Inc.
 Ingles Markets, Inc.
 Johns Manville International, Inc.
 Publix Super Markets, Inc.
 Sheraton Buckhead
 Walmart
 Waterfield Labor Solutions

*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

Barrow Area

	COUNTY
Amazon Services, Inc.	Jackson
Athens Regional Medical Center	Clarke
Fieldale Farms Corporation	Hall
Northeast Georgia Medical Center, Inc.	Hall
Northside Hospital, Inc.	Gwinnett
Publix Super Markets, Inc.	Gwinnett
Sk Battery America, Inc.	Jackson
The Kroger Company	Gwinnett
University Of Georgia	Clarke
Walmart	Gwinnett

Education of the Labor Force

Barrow Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT					
	OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	5.7%	2.0%	4.4%	7.6%	6.4%	6.6%
Some High School	7.2%	11.2%	6.4%	7.1%	6.0%	7.3%
High School Grad/GED	25.7%	32.5%	24.0%	22.0%	24.2%	29.6%
Some College	21.6%	39.2%	20.2%	17.5%	18.6%	19.1%
College Grad 2 Yr	8.1%	4.7%	9.2%	9.3%	9.0%	6.4%
College Grad 4 Yr	20.3%	9.8%	25.7%	22.0%	21.9%	17.6%
Post Graduate Studies	11.5%	0.7%	10.2%	14.5%	13.9%	13.4%
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.

Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

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