





Area Labor Profile

Clayton

County



Updated: Dec 2025

Labor Force Activity

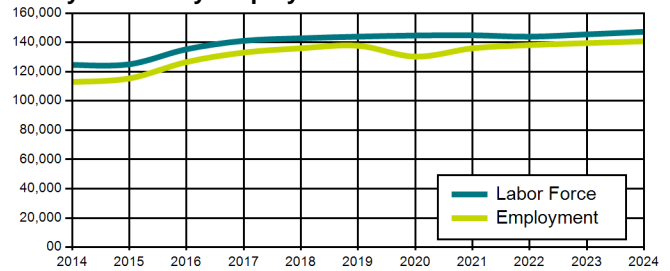
September 2025

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Clayton	147,225	140,744	6,481	4.4%
DeKalb	403,823	389,342	14,481	3.6%
Fayette	59,233	57,255	1,978	3.3%
Fulton	600,531	579,118	21,413	3.6%
Henry	130,553	125,634	4,919	3.8%
Spalding	31,624	30,397	1,227	3.9%
Clayton Area	1,372,989	1,322,490	50,499	3.7%
Georgia	5,408,978	5,225,359	183,619	3.4%
United States	171,217,000	163,894,000	7,324,000	4.3%

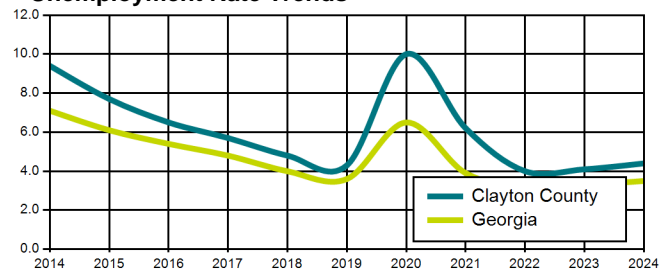
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Clayton County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

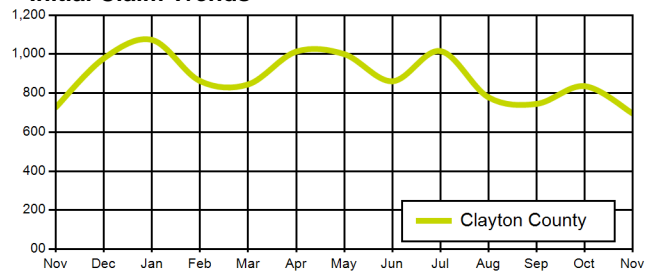


Initial Claims Activity

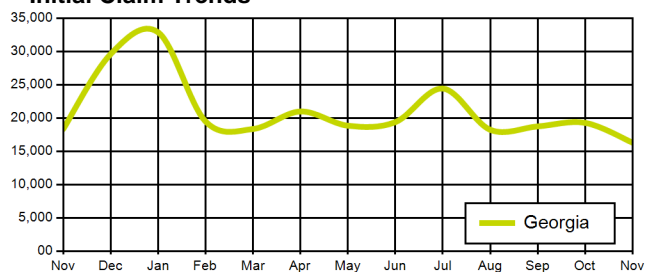
	November 2025	October 2025	September 2025	Total
Clayton	696	836	745	2,277
DeKalb	1,347	1,620	1,627	4,594
Fayette	116	132	135	383
Fulton	2,062	2,372	2,411	6,845
Henry	523	542	560	1,625
Spalding	138	129	148	415
Clayton Area	4,882	5,631	5,626	16,139

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

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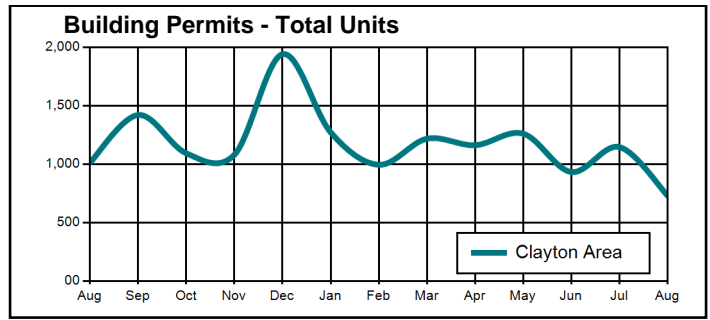
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Building Permit Construction Activity

Clayton Area				
	August 2025	July 2025	June 2025	Total
Totals	731	1,147	933	2,811
Family residential	475	595	573	1,643
Multi family resident	256	552	360	1,168

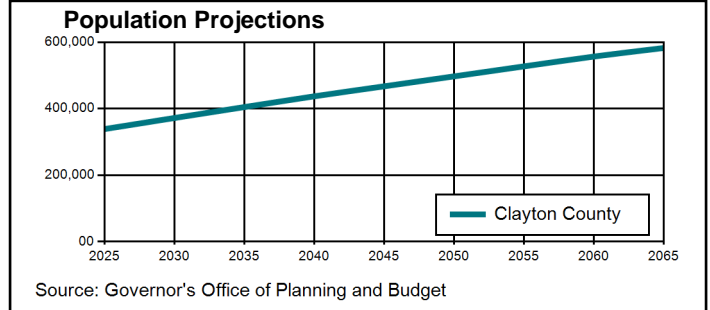
Source: U.S. Census Bureau.



Population Activity

	Annual 2024	Annual 2023	Difference
Clayton	297,703	298,300	-597
DeKalb	770,307	762,992	7,315
Fayette	125,107	123,351	1,756
Fulton	1,090,354	1,079,105	11,249
Henry	259,315	254,613	4,702
Spalding	70,292	69,946	346
Clayton Area	2,613,078	2,588,307	24,771
Georgia	11,180,878	11,029,227	151,651
United States	340,110,988	334,914,895	5,196,093

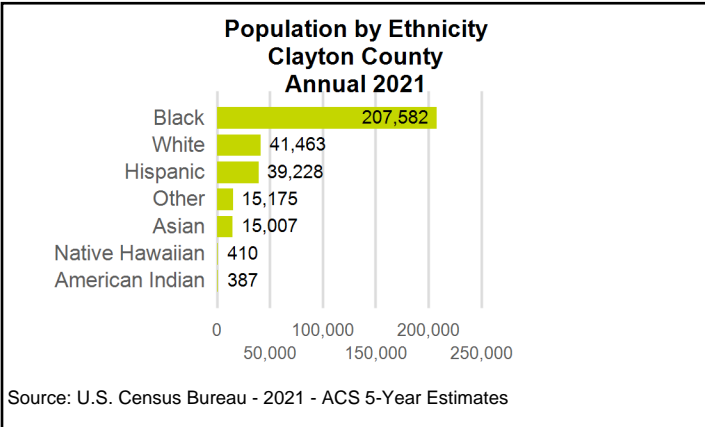
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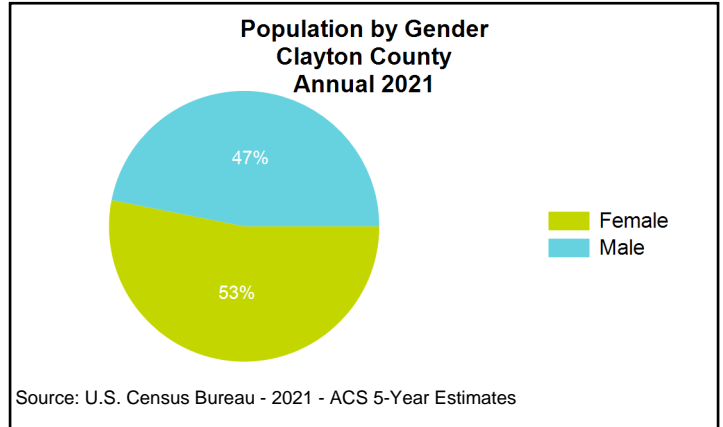
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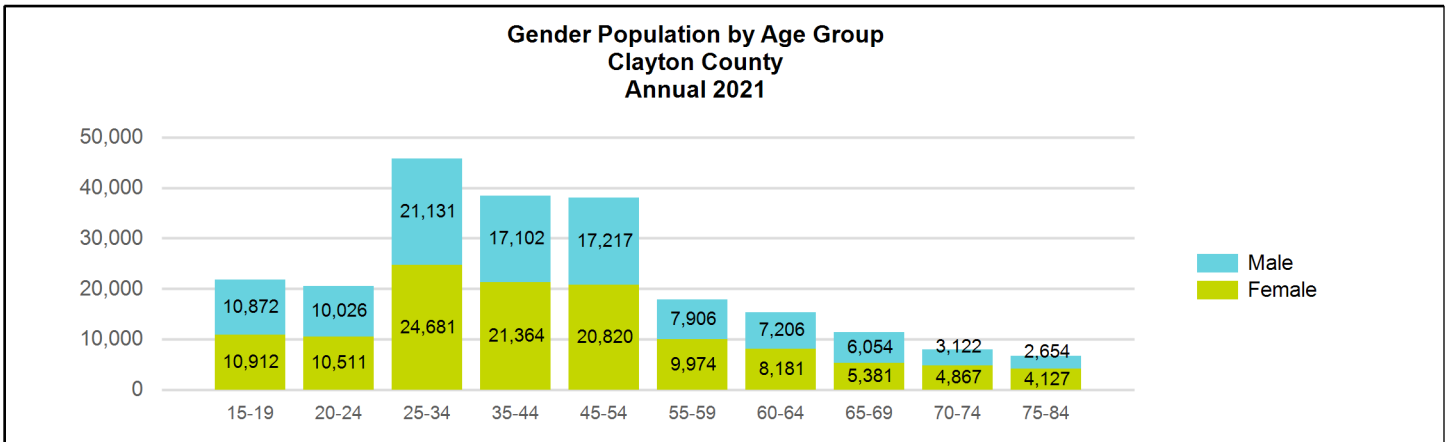
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2025

INDUSTRY	Clayton				Clayton Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE
		NUMBER	PERCENT			NUMBER	PERCENT	
Goods-Producing	412	9,567	7.4	1,430	9,053	102,379	6.6	1,691
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	4	12	0.0	673	137	900	0.1	1,216
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	2	*	*	*	48	847	0.1	2,064
Construction	277	3,804	2.9	1,576	5,732	43,846	2.8	1,772
Manufacturing	129	5,617	4.3	1,325	3,136	56,786	3.7	1,632
Food	14	1,900	1.5	1,001	337	10,070	0.7	1,235
Beverage and Tobacco Product	1	*	*	*	118	3,124	0.2	1,244
Textile Mills	1	*	*	*	22	295	0.0	2,846
Textile Product Mills	3	*	*	*	41	756	0.0	931
Apparel	1	*	*	*	35	245	0.0	1,115
Wood Product	7	104	0.1	883	90	2,222	0.1	1,714
Paper	5	163	0.1	1,635	69	2,544	0.2	2,067
Printing and Related Support Activities	13	49	0.0	917	243	2,107	0.1	1,392
Petroleum and Coal Products	1	*	*	*	17	529	0.0	1,826
Chemical	11	771	0.6	1,799	300	4,567	0.3	1,836
Plastics and Rubber Products	9	567	0.4	1,334	161	5,669	0.4	1,355
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	11	732	0.6	1,575	132	2,688	0.2	1,892
Primary Metal	2	*	*	*	37	536	0.0	1,351
Fabricated Metal Product	20	210	0.2	1,363	283	4,848	0.3	1,511
Machinery	9	316	0.2	1,314	197	3,644	0.2	1,567
Computer and Electronic Product	2	*	*	*	187	2,493	0.2	2,992
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	1	*	*	*	144	2,635	0.2	1,671
Transportation Equipment	8	*	*	*	138	2,186	0.1	2,881
Furniture and Related Product	5	*	*	*	135	2,086	0.1	1,351
Miscellaneous	5	174	0.1	1,244	438	3,449	0.2	1,601
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	12	95	0.0	1,771
Service-Providing	4,257	105,310	81.4	1,489	97,202	1,240,148	80.5	1,676
Utilities	13	*	*	*	150	6,356	0.4	2,379
Wholesale Trade	257	5,248	4.1	1,398	5,040	59,368	3.9	2,129
Retail Trade	816	11,432	8.8	767	8,796	120,618	7.8	868
Transportation and Warehousing	480	52,814	40.8	2,017	3,422	126,913	8.2	1,527
Information	63	593	0.5	1,579	3,787	63,780	4.1	2,942
Finance and Insurance	191	1,144	0.9	1,126	6,541	83,411	5.4	2,522
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	239	1,865	1.4	1,291	6,290	35,968	2.3	1,632
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	332	2,150	1.7	1,323	23,875	148,522	9.6	2,491
Management of Companies and Enterprises	14	*	*	*	831	52,254	3.4	3,028
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	338	6,059	4.7	863	7,211	96,637	6.3	1,342
Educational Services	39	1,691	1.3	990	1,814	46,007	3.0	1,848
Health Care and Social Assistance	545	8,255	6.4	1,137	11,930	196,530	12.8	1,453
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	43	273	0.2	410	2,095	26,257	1.7	868
Accommodation and Food Services	537	10,458	8.1	573	7,762	136,171	8.8	633
Other Services (except Public Administration)	350	2,201	1.7	893	7,658	41,356	2.7	1,077
Unclassified - industry not assigned	347	136	0.1	996	13,187	6,751	0.4	1,795
Total - Private Sector	5,016	115,013	88.9	1,483	119,442	1,349,278	87.6	1,678
Total - Government	152	14,345	11.1	1,284	1,365	191,429	12.4	1,541
Federal Government	29	986	0.8	1,944	272	47,012	3.1	2,076
State Government	26	1,659	1.3	1,165	390	46,061	3.0	1,480
Local Government	97	11,700	9.0	1,245	703	98,356	6.4	1,314
ALL INDUSTRIES	5,168	129,359	100.0	1,462	120,807	1,540,707	100.0	1,661
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					394,870	4,899,057		1,339

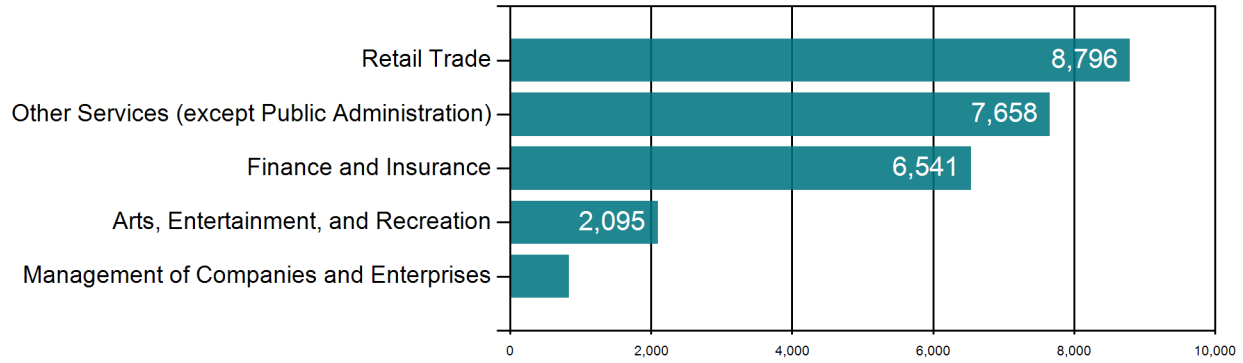
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average 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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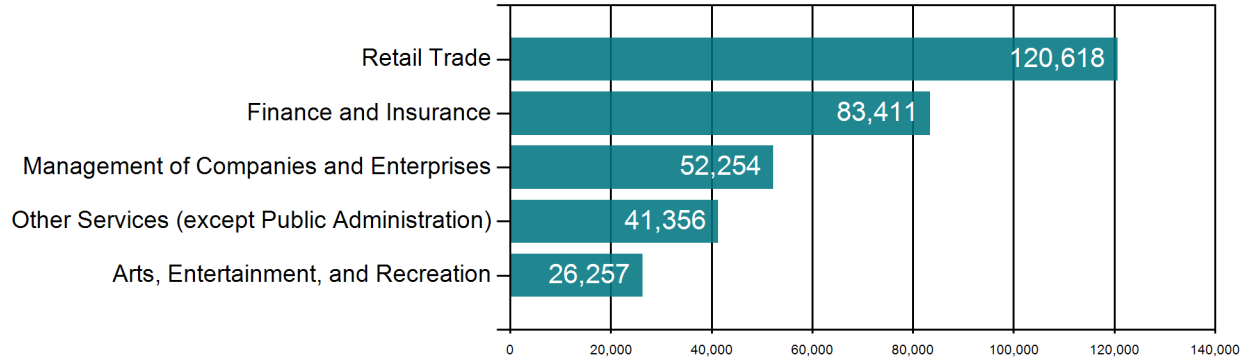
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2025

Clayton Area

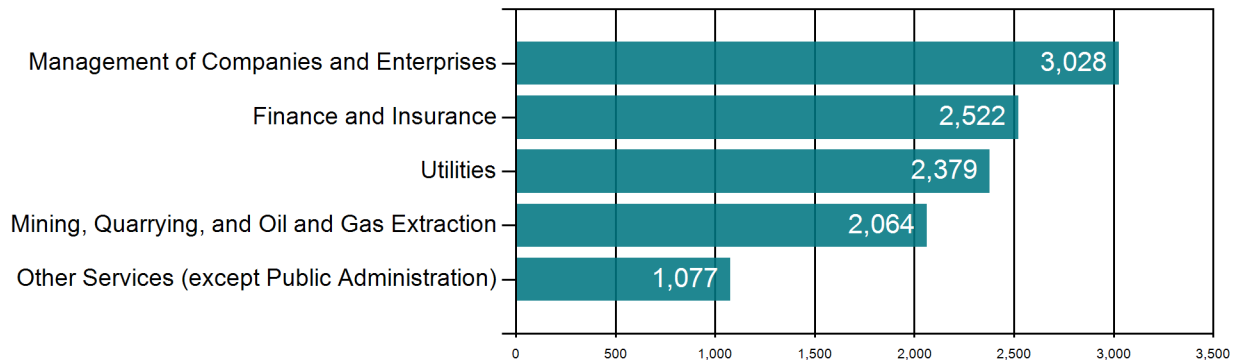
Top Industries by Firms



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	430	433	556	0.7	28.4
Welding Technology/Welder	442	308	432	-30.3	40.3
Child Care Provider/Assistant	343	409	406	19.2	-0.7
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	257	244	330	-5.1	35.2
Business Administration and Management, General	376	282	320	-25.0	13.5
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	157	213	260	35.7	22.1
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing	450	460	245	2.2	-46.7
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	80	132	197	65.0	49.2
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician	252	146	191	-42.1	30.8
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	246	151	181	-38.6	19.9

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	74	73	100	-1.4	37.0
Business Administration and Management, General	86	96	92	11.6	-4.2
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	67	73	81	9.0	11.0
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	53	42	68	-20.8	61.9
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	30	40	53	33.3	32.5
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	71	66	40	-7.0	-39.4
Medical/Clinical Assistant	57	44	40	-22.8	-9.1
Welding Technology/Welder	34	35	31	2.9	-11.4
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	41	28	30	-31.7	7.1
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	26	30	30	15.4	0.0

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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	98	89	98	-9.2	10.1
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	85	65	45	-23.5	-30.8
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician	56	51	41	-8.9	-19.6
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	28	24	31	-14.3	29.2
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	17	23	31	35.3	34.8
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	38	36	30	-5.3	-16.7
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	29	24	27	-17.2	12.5
Computer Programming/Programmer, General	28	23	24	-17.9	4.3
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	19	12	22	-36.8	83.3
Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance	11	14	19	27.3	35.7

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2025*

Clayton County

Delta Air Lines, Inc.
 FedEx
 Fresh Express, Inc.
 Georgia Cyber Academy
 Georgia Power Company
 Newrest Atl, LLC
 Rehab Employee Services, LLC
 Southwest Airlines Company
 Spirit Airlines
 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

Clayton Area

Amazon Services, Inc.
 Children's Healthcare of Atlanta
 Delta Air Lines, Inc.
 Delta Air Lines, Inc.
 Emory Healthcare, Inc.
 Emory Healthcare, Inc.
 Emory University
 Georgia Institute Of Technology
 Grady Health System
 Northside Hospital, Inc.

COUNTY

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Education of the Labor Force

Clayton Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT					
	OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	3.1%	1.7%	2.3%	3.7%	3.0%	5.0%
Some High School	6.1%	12.3%	4.4%	5.3%	5.0%	7.1%
High School Grad/GED	22.6%	29.5%	19.9%	18.9%	22.4%	25.4%
Some College	19.5%	36.1%	17.8%	15.6%	17.4%	18.2%
College Grad 2 Yr	7.0%	4.0%	6.9%	7.8%	7.6%	7.2%
College Grad 4 Yr	25.2%	15.1%	32.6%	26.8%	25.9%	19.7%
Post Graduate Studies	16.5%	1.3%	16.1%	22.0%	18.7%	17.4%
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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