





Newton

County



Updated: Dec 2025

Area Labor Profile

Labor Force Activity

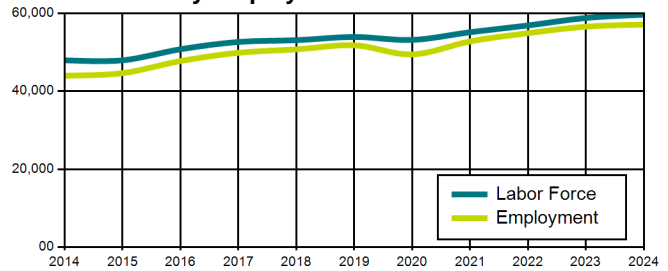
September 2025

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Newton	59,569	57,095	2,474	4.2%
Butts	11,354	10,989	365	3.2%
Henry	130,553	125,634	4,919	3.8%
Jasper	7,480	7,229	251	3.4%
Morgan	10,708	10,419	289	2.7%
Rockdale	47,820	45,874	1,946	4.1%
Walton	52,794	51,156	1,638	3.1%
Newton Area	320,278	308,396	11,882	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%

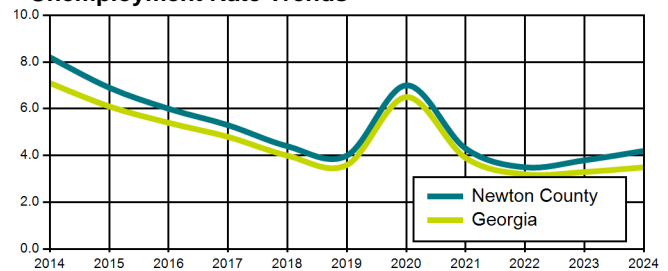
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Newton County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

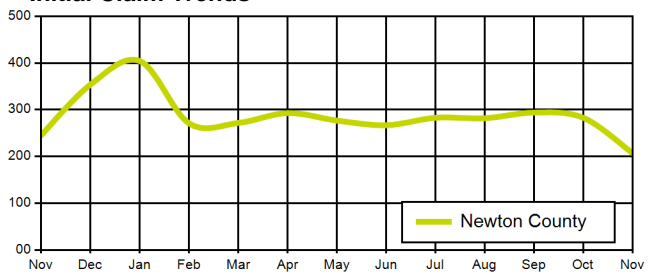


Initial Claims Activity

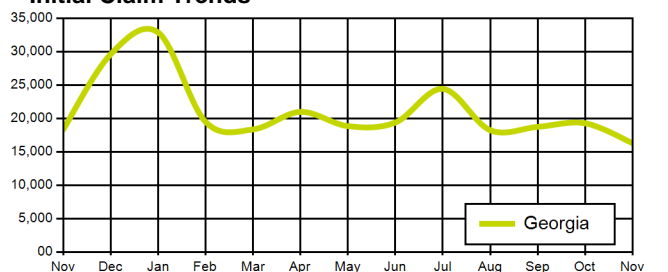
	November 2025	October 2025	September 2025	Total
Newton	207	283	294	784
Butts	33	39	35	107
Henry	523	542	560	1,625
Jasper	16	17	16	49
Morgan	18	21	17	56
Rockdale	184	202	211	597
Walton	98	131	121	350
Newton Area	1,079	1,235	1,254	3,568

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

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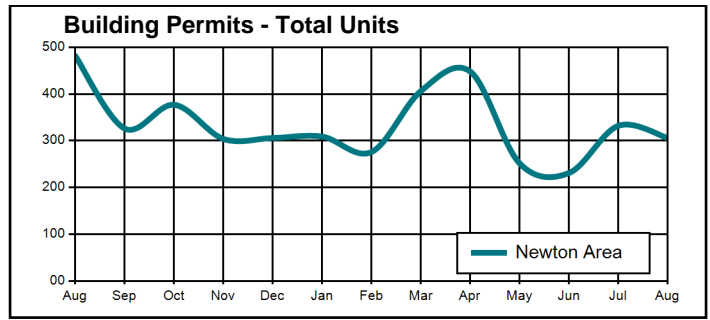
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

	August 2025	July 2025	June 2025	Total
Newton Area				
Totals	306	332	231	869
Family residential	306	332	231	869
Multi family resident	0	0	0	0

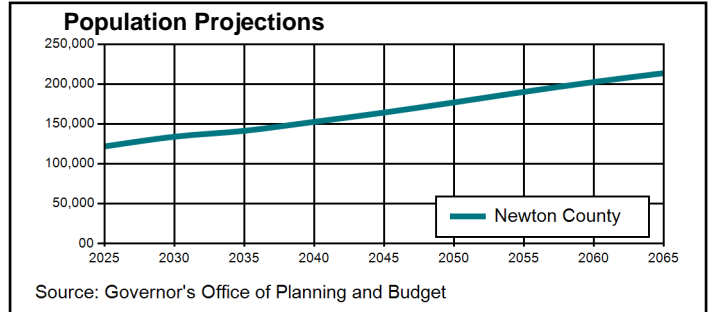
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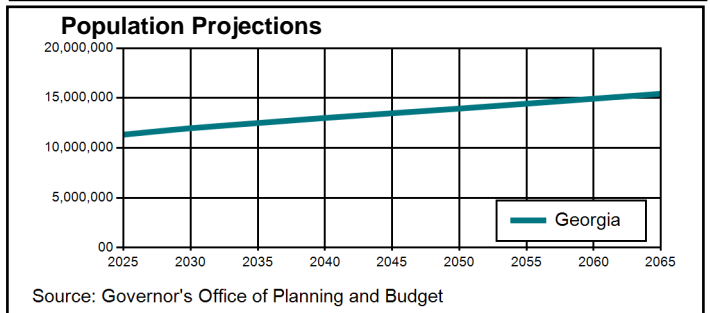
Population Activity

	Annual 2024	Annual 2023	Difference
Newton	124,010	120,135	3,875
Butts	27,127	26,887	240
Henry	259,315	254,613	4,702
Jasper	17,219	16,455	764
Morgan	21,940	21,460	480
Rockdale	97,610	95,987	1,623
Walton	109,792	106,702	3,090
Newton Area	657,013	642,239	14,774
Georgia	11,180,878	11,029,227	151,651
United States	340,110,988	334,914,895	5,196,093

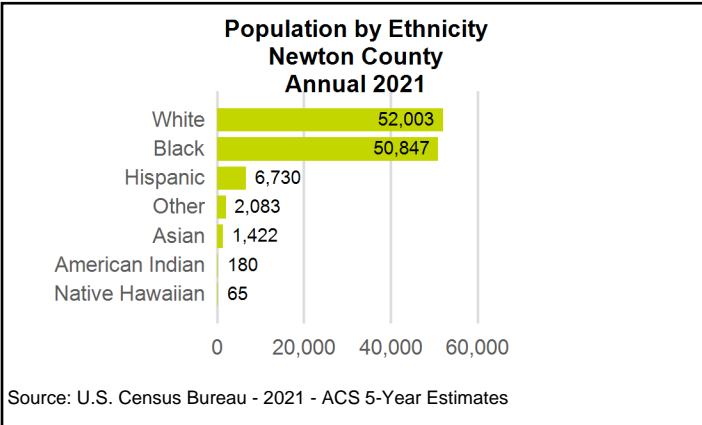
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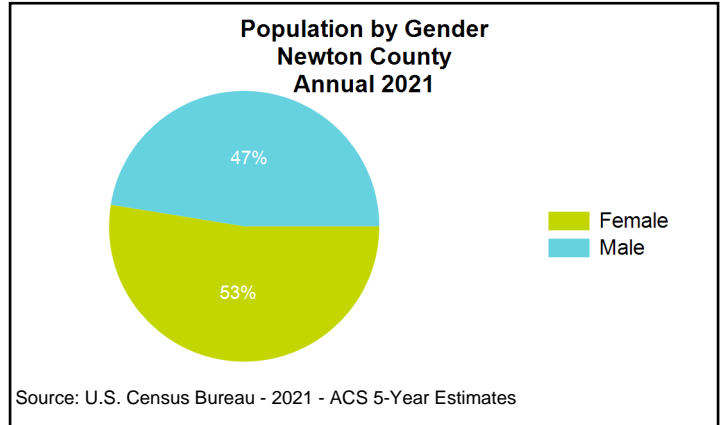
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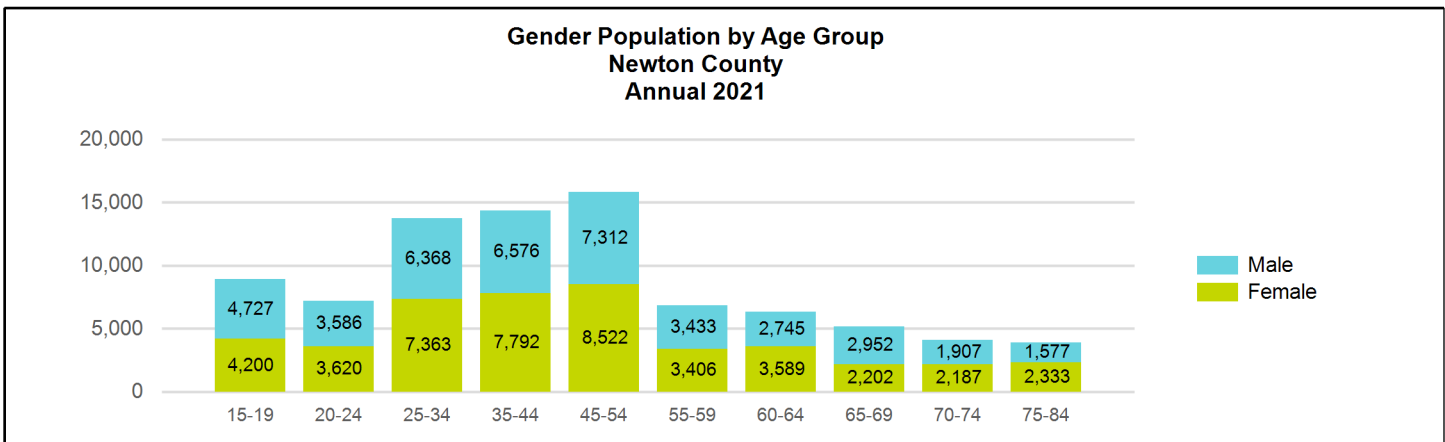
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2025

INDUSTRY	Newton				Newton Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE
		NUMBER	PERCENT			NUMBER	PERCENT	
Goods-Producing	386	6,375	22.8	1,436	2,073	33,002	17.8	1,382
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	10	54	0.2	1,008	79	724	0.4	774
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0.0	0	8	98	0.1	1,736
Construction	270	2,030	7.3	1,476	1,538	12,647	6.8	1,451
Manufacturing	106	4,291	15.4	1,423	448	19,533	10.6	1,360
Food	7	*	*	*	35	2,797	1.5	1,300
Beverage and Tobacco Product	2	*	*	*	5	5	0.0	1,445
Textile Mills	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*
Wood Product	6	46	0.2	796	22	1,055	0.6	1,377
Paper	6	720	2.6	1,295	21	2,325	1.3	1,405
Printing and Related Support Activities	3	11	0.0	936	33	302	0.2	1,093
Petroleum and Coal Products	1	*	*	*	3	90	0.0	1,534
Chemical	11	585	2.1	1,619	43	1,908	1.0	1,439
Plastics and Rubber Products	5	294	1.1	1,565	32	1,984	1.1	1,421
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	8	*	*	*	26	1,023	0.6	1,449
Primary Metal	3	80	0.3	1,022	9	300	0.2	1,382
Fabricated Metal Product	23	345	1.2	1,091	75	1,293	0.7	1,246
Machinery	9	338	1.2	2,161	31	1,618	0.9	1,524
Computer and Electronic Product	4	13	0.0	2,613	9	34	0.0	1,957
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	1	*	*	*	15	963	0.5	1,857
Transportation Equipment	3	572	2.0	1,102	15	1,574	0.9	1,226
Furniture and Related Product	6	166	0.6	1,131	31	1,651	0.9	1,047
Miscellaneous	7	*	*	*	31	337	0.2	1,190
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	5	*	*	*
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	6	24	0.0	776
Service-Providing	1,528	16,817	60.2	1,005	10,795	124,153	67.1	931
Utilities	6	*	*	*	25	1,600	0.9	1,722
Wholesale Trade	92	1,696	6.1	2,226	519	7,406	4.0	1,685
Retail Trade	246	3,268	11.7	619	1,727	25,291	13.7	655
Transportation and Warehousing	98	467	1.7	927	651	13,356	7.2	1,070
Information	40	330	1.2	1,296	189	1,460	0.8	1,579
Finance and Insurance	82	581	2.1	1,350	643	3,242	1.8	1,347
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	94	255	0.9	1,251	616	2,546	1.4	1,297
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	189	936	3.4	1,414	1,225	5,569	3.0	1,350
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6	228	0.8	1,344	44	1,036	0.6	1,467
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	147	1,136	4.1	797	1,037	8,814	4.8	858
Educational Services	17	397	1.4	2,078	147	2,028	1.1	948
Health Care and Social Assistance	190	3,450	12.4	983	1,566	23,234	12.6	1,133
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	24	*	*	*	172	1,959	1.1	532
Accommodation and Food Services	167	3,012	10.8	418	1,247	21,833	11.8	423
Other Services (except Public Administration)	130	521	1.9	835	987	4,779	2.6	920
Unclassified - industry not assigned	181	91	0.3	1,109	948	482	0.3	973
Total - Private Sector	2,095	23,283	83.4	1,123	13,816	157,637	85.2	1,025
Total - Government	69	4,648	16.6	1,088	370	27,317	14.8	1,183
Federal Government	13	269	1.0	1,524	62	1,863	1.0	2,257
State Government	21	233	0.8	960	110	2,049	1.1	1,002
Local Government	35	4,146	14.8	1,067	198	23,405	12.7	1,113
ALL INDUSTRIES	2,164	27,930	100.0	1,118	14,186	184,952	100.0	1,049
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					394,870	4,899,057		1,339

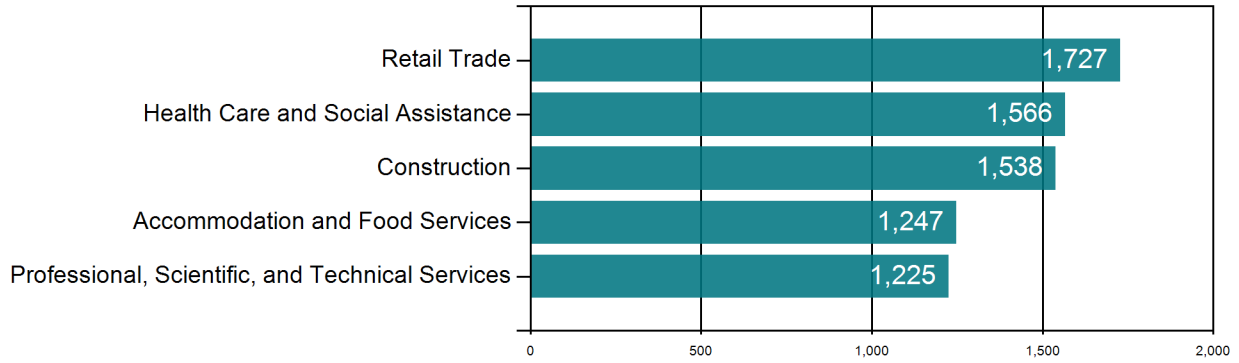
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average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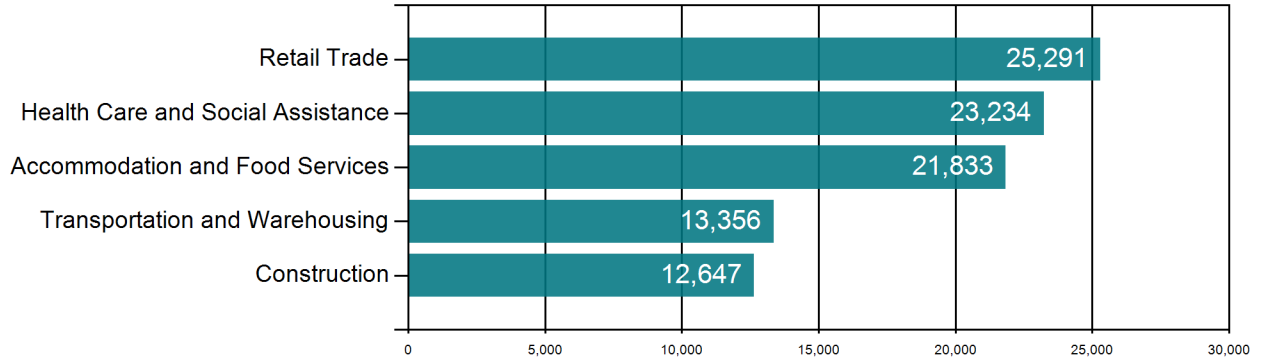
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2025

Newton Area

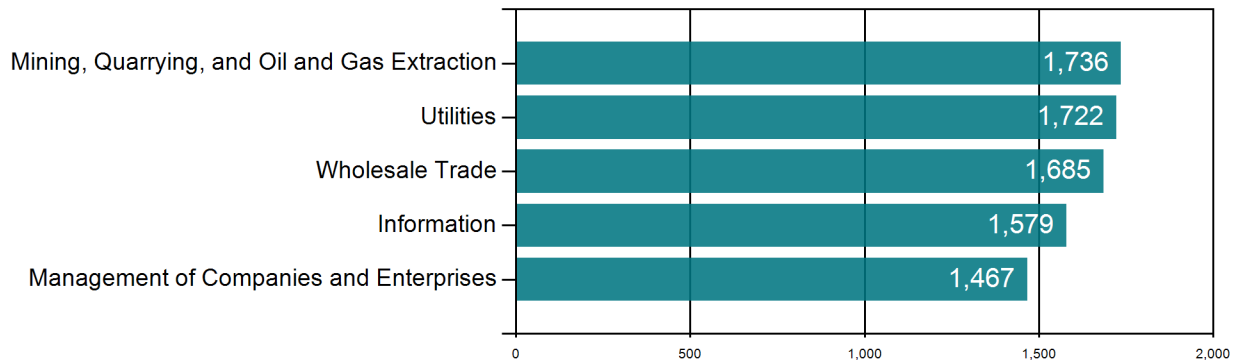
Top Industries by Firms



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	400	406	448	1.5	10.3
Child Care Provider/Assistant	303	381	405	25.7	6.3
Welding Technology/Welder	276	225	357	-18.5	58.7
Business Administration and Management, General	352	257	286	-27.0	11.3
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	163	256	277	57.1	8.2
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	221	198	259	-10.4	30.8
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing	450	460	246	2.2	-46.5
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	110	121	190	10.0	57.0
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician	282	118	180	-58.2	52.5
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	230	164	172	-28.7	4.9

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
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	96	95	105	-1.0	10.5
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	83	83	90	0.0	8.4
Business Administration and Management, General	65	69	66	6.2	-4.3
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	35	48	52	37.1	8.3
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	35	47	50	34.3	6.4
Welding Technology/Welder	36	45	50	25.0	11.1
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	63	49	47	-22.2	-4.1
Medical/Clinical Assistant	57	46	47	-19.3	2.2
Electrician	23	15	30	-34.8	100.0
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	40	32	29	-20.0	-9.4

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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	94	81	87	-13.8	7.4
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	73	45	52	-38.4	15.6
Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	41	46	50	12.2	8.7
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician	59	42	44	-28.8	4.8
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	45	42	34	-6.7	-19.0
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	47	31	34	-34.0	9.7
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	17	23	31	35.3	34.8
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	23	26	26	13.0	0.0
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	19	12	22	-36.8	83.3
Surgical Technology/Technologist	16	20	22	25.0	10.0

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2025*

Newton County

Bxl Covington
 General Mills Operations, Inc.
 McDonalds
 Newton Health System, Inc.
 Nisshinbo Automotive Manufacturing, Inc.
 Pactiv Corporation
 Publix Super Market, Inc.
 The Kroger Company
 Wagner Staffing
 Walmart

Newton Area

Bxl Covington
 Henry Medical Center, Inc.
 Hitachi Automotive Products USA, Inc.
 Piedmont Rockdale Hospital, Inc.
 Pike Electric, LLC
 Publix Super Markets, Inc.
 Target
 The Home Depot
 Walmart
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*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

Education of the Labor Force

Newton Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT					
	OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	2.8%	1.3%	1.7%	2.3%	2.4%	5.9%
Some High School	8.4%	17.2%	7.3%	6.4%	6.2%	9.8%
High School Grad/GED	33.4%	38.1%	32.6%	28.7%	33.0%	36.1%
Some College	23.9%	31.8%	25.3%	23.0%	22.9%	20.4%
College Grad 2 Yr	8.6%	4.0%	8.5%	10.3%	9.6%	7.9%
College Grad 4 Yr	14.7%	7.5%	18.5%	17.6%	15.6%	11.8%
Post Graduate Studies	8.3%	0.1%	6.2%	11.7%	10.3%	8.1%
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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