





Pike

County



Area Labor Profile

Updated: Dec 2025

Labor Force Activity

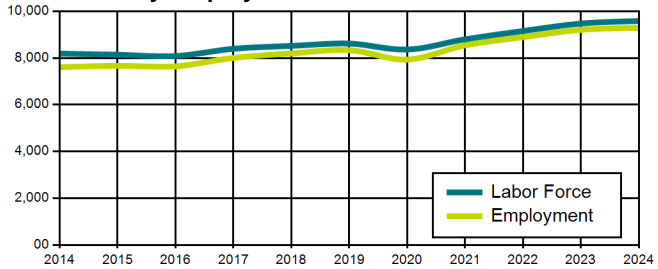
September 2025

| | Labor Force | Employed | Unemployed | Rate |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| Pike | 9,557 | 9,285 | 272 | 2.8% |
| Lamar | 7,787 | 7,451 | 336 | 4.3% |
| Meriwether | 8,563 | 8,221 | 342 | 4.0% |
| Spalding | 31,624 | 30,397 | 1,227 | 3.9% |
| Upson | 12,840 | 12,441 | 399 | 3.1% |
| Pike Area | 70,371 | 67,795 | 2,576 | 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% |

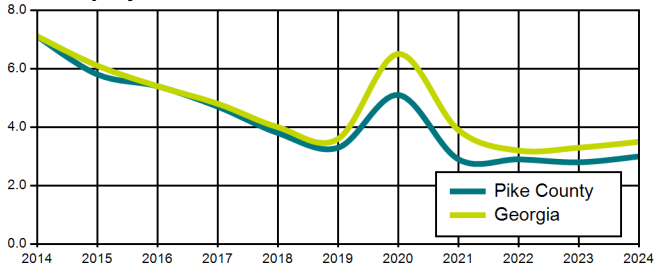
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Pike County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

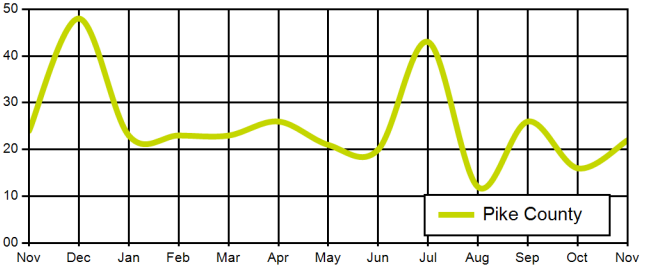


Initial Claims Activity

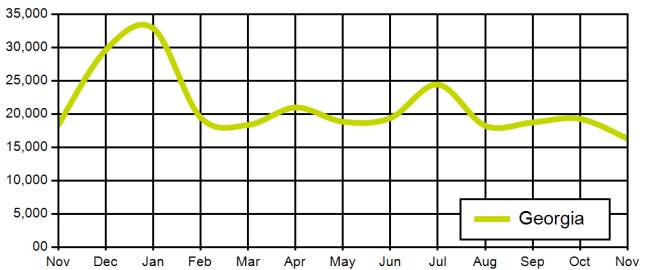
| | November 2025 | October 2025 | September 2025 | Total |
|------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|------------|
| Pike | 22 | 16 | 26 | 64 |
| Lamar | 27 | 21 | 33 | 81 |
| Meriwether | 21 | 22 | 43 | 86 |
| Spalding | 138 | 129 | 148 | 415 |
| Upson | 65 | 28 | 31 | 124 |
| Pike Area | 273 | 216 | 281 | 770 |

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

Initial Claim Trends



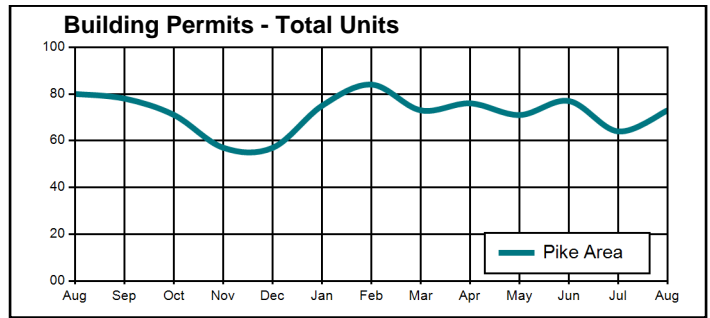
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

| | Pike Area | | | |
|-----------------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | August 2025 | July 2025 | June 2025 | Total |
| Totals | 73 | 64 | 77 | 214 |
| Family residential | 73 | 64 | 77 | 214 |
| Multi family resident | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

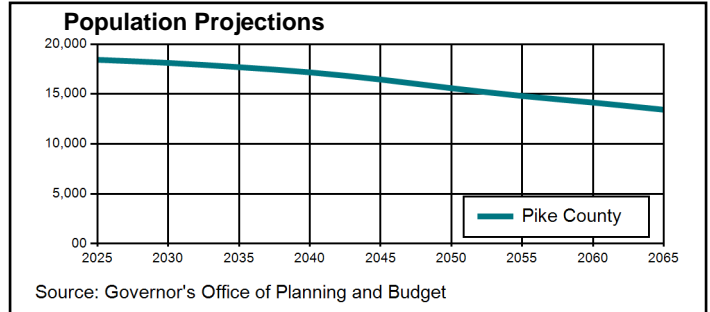
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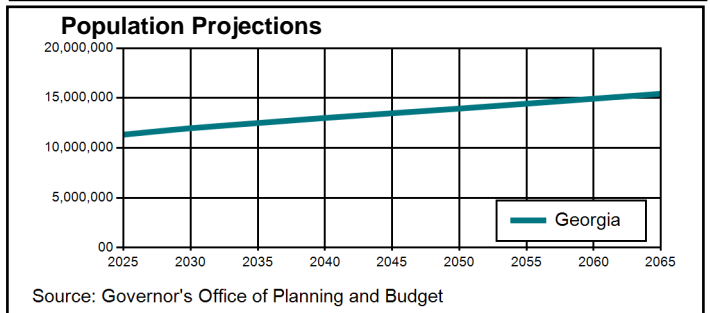
Population Activity

| | Annual 2024 | Annual 2023 | Difference |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Pike | 20,669 | 20,461 | 208 |
| Lamar | 20,690 | 20,401 | 289 |
| Meriwether | 21,439 | 20,931 | 508 |
| Spalding | 70,292 | 69,946 | 346 |
| Upson | 28,358 | 28,263 | 95 |
| Pike Area | 161,448 | 160,002 | 1,446 |
| Georgia | 11,180,878 | 11,029,227 | 151,651 |
| United States | 340,110,988 | 334,914,895 | 5,196,093 |

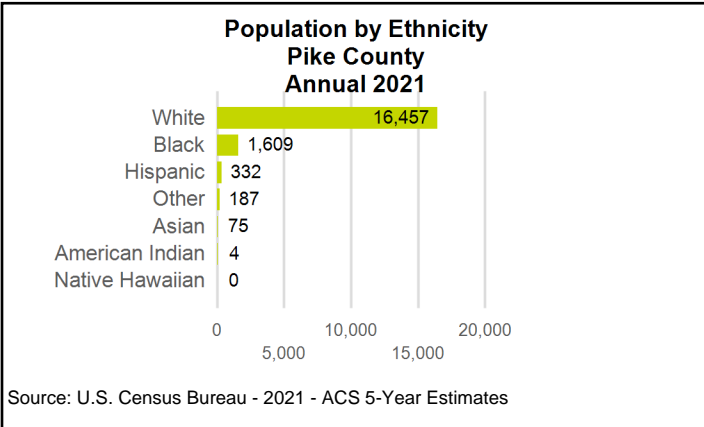
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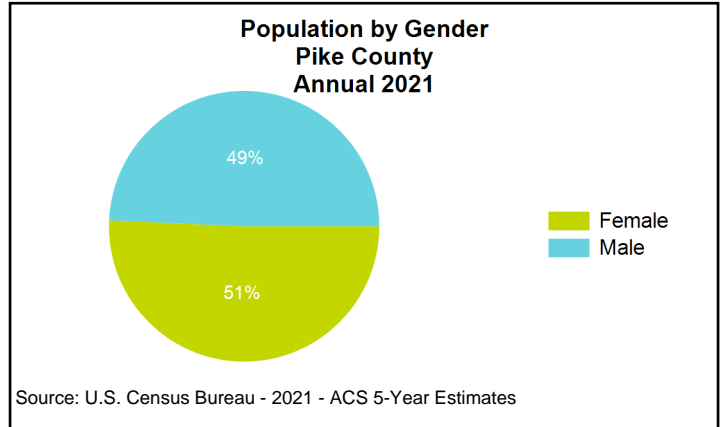
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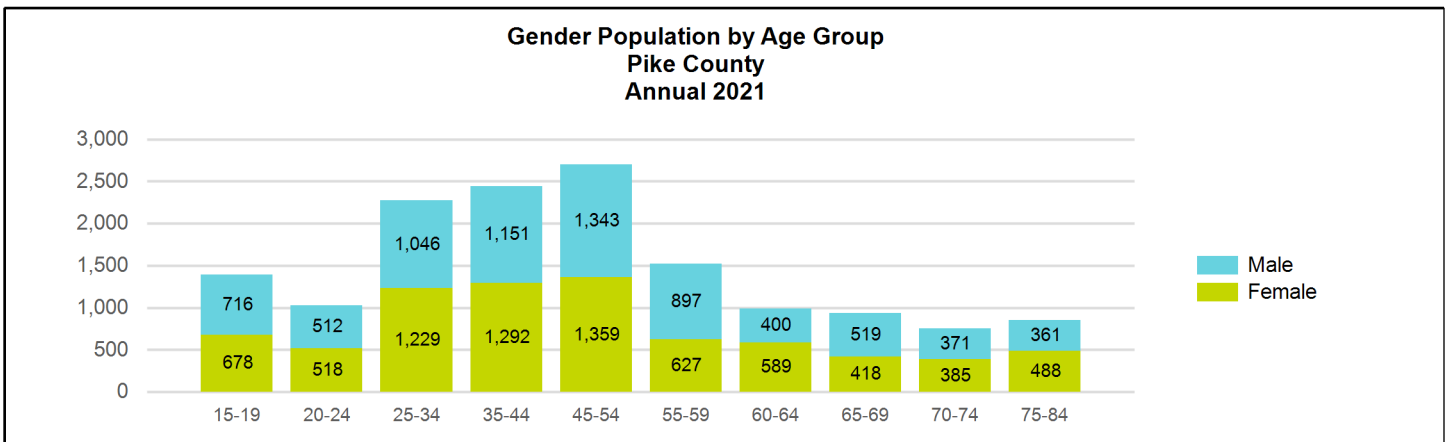
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2021 - ACS 5-Year Estimates



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Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2025

| INDUSTRY | Pike | | | | Pike Area | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | NUMBER OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT NUMBER | PERCENT | WEEKLY WAGE | NUMBER OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT NUMBER | PERCENT | WEEKLY WAGE |
| Goods-Producing | 103 | 1,223 | 34.5 | 1,166 | 557 | 9,328 | 21.4 | 1,229 |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting | 7 | 34 | 1.0 | 1,084 | 50 | 322 | 0.7 | 929 |
| Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction | 1 | * | * | * | 4 | 42 | 0.1 | 1,494 |
| Construction | 81 | 761 | 21.4 | 1,142 | 350 | 2,669 | 6.1 | 1,264 |
| Manufacturing | 14 | 399 | 11.2 | 1,182 | 153 | 6,295 | 14.4 | 1,228 |
| Textile Mills | 1 | * | * | * | 6 | 390 | 0.9 | 1,152 |
| Wood Product | 2 | * | * | * | 16 | 413 | 0.9 | 1,351 |
| Nonmetallic Mineral Product | 1 | * | * | * | 5 | 26 | 0.1 | 917 |
| Fabricated Metal Product | 5 | 61 | 1.7 | 1,343 | 21 | 550 | 1.3 | 1,048 |
| Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component | 1 | * | * | * | 3 | 844 | 1.9 | 1,416 |
| Transportation Equipment | 2 | * | * | * | 15 | 1,237 | 2.8 | 1,056 |
| Miscellaneous | 2 | * | * | * | 9 | 73 | 0.2 | 1,193 |
| Computer and Electronic Product | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 1 | * | * | * |
| Leather and Allied Product | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 2 | * | * | * |
| Beverage and Tobacco Product | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 2 | * | * | * |
| Primary Metal | 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 | * | * | * |
| Furniture and Related Product | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 6 | 11 | 0.0 | 1,040 |
| Chemical | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 6 | 274 | 0.6 | 1,401 |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 7 | * | * | * |
| Paper | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 8 | 408 | 0.9 | 1,440 |
| Food | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 11 | 122 | 0.3 | 1,273 |
| Plastics and Rubber Products | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 13 | 679 | 1.6 | 1,230 |
| Machinery | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 15 | 368 | 0.8 | 1,220 |
| Service-Providing | 256 | 1,479 | 41.7 | 843 | 2,297 | 24,656 | 56.5 | 866 |
| Utilities | 3 | * | * | * | 11 | 202 | 0.5 | 1,759 |
| Wholesale Trade | 21 | 180 | 5.1 | 1,222 | 114 | 1,688 | 3.9 | 1,421 |
| Retail Trade | 44 | 251 | 7.1 | 536 | 526 | 5,369 | 12.3 | 590 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 13 | 34 | 1.0 | 986 | 88 | 706 | 1.6 | 1,065 |
| Information | 4 | 11 | 0.3 | 1,005 | 37 | 141 | 0.3 | 1,069 |
| Finance and Insurance | 11 | 68 | 1.9 | 1,066 | 141 | 800 | 1.8 | 1,288 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 15 | 22 | 0.6 | 874 | 95 | 216 | 0.5 | 831 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 28 | 75 | 2.1 | 1,106 | 237 | 984 | 2.3 | 1,059 |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises | 2 | * | * | * | 10 | 135 | 0.3 | 1,276 |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 25 | 65 | 1.8 | 953 | 193 | 1,982 | 4.5 | 754 |
| Educational Services | 3 | * | * | * | 31 | 372 | 0.9 | 634 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 25 | 218 | 6.1 | 1,238 | 289 | 6,830 | 15.7 | 1,076 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 2 | * | * | * | 25 | 171 | 0.4 | 641 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 30 | 328 | 9.2 | 390 | 274 | 3,766 | 8.6 | 407 |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 30 | 80 | 2.3 | 1,029 | 226 | 1,294 | 3.0 | 1,062 |
| Unclassified - industry not assigned | 28 | 18 | 0.5 | 1,042 | 168 | 111 | 0.3 | 991 |
| Total - Private Sector | 387 | 2,720 | 76.6 | 989 | 3,022 | 34,095 | 78.2 | 965 |
| Total - Government | 26 | 831 | 23.4 | 815 | 228 | 9,508 | 21.8 | 969 |
| Federal Government | 5 | 34 | 1.0 | 1,099 | 26 | 292 | 0.7 | 1,318 |
| State Government | 10 | 63 | 1.8 | 1,011 | 95 | 3,481 | 8.0 | 971 |
| Local Government | 11 | 734 | 20.7 | 785 | 107 | 5,735 | 13.2 | 950 |
| ALL INDUSTRIES | 413 | 3,550 | 100.0 | 949 | 3,250 | 43,601 | 100.0 | 967 |
| ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia | | | | | 394,870 | 4,899,057 | | 1,339 |

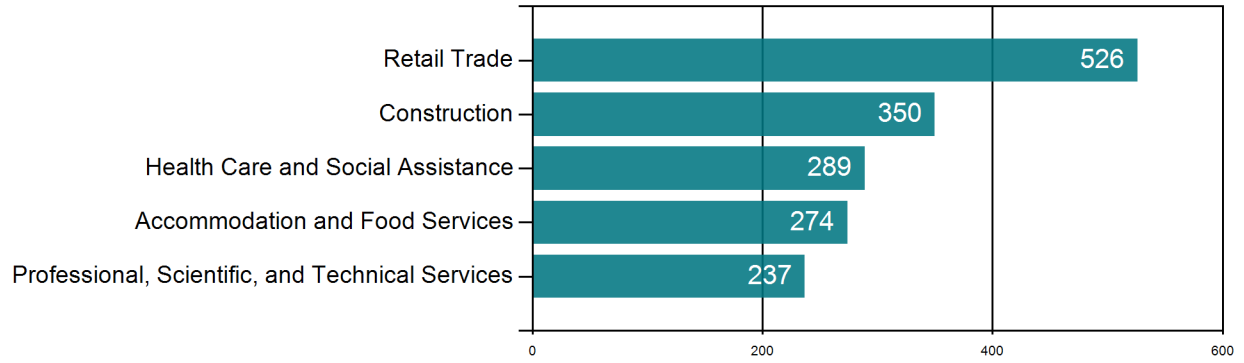
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average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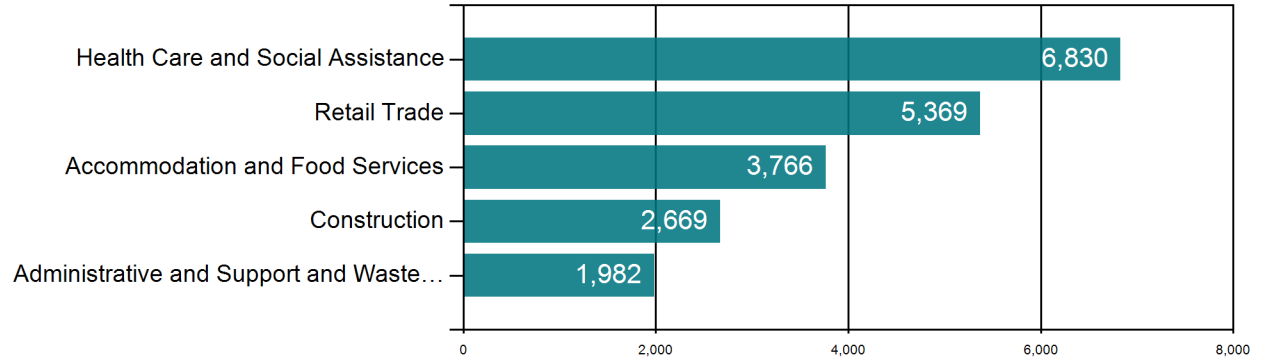
Top Industries - 2nd Quarter of 2025

Pike Area

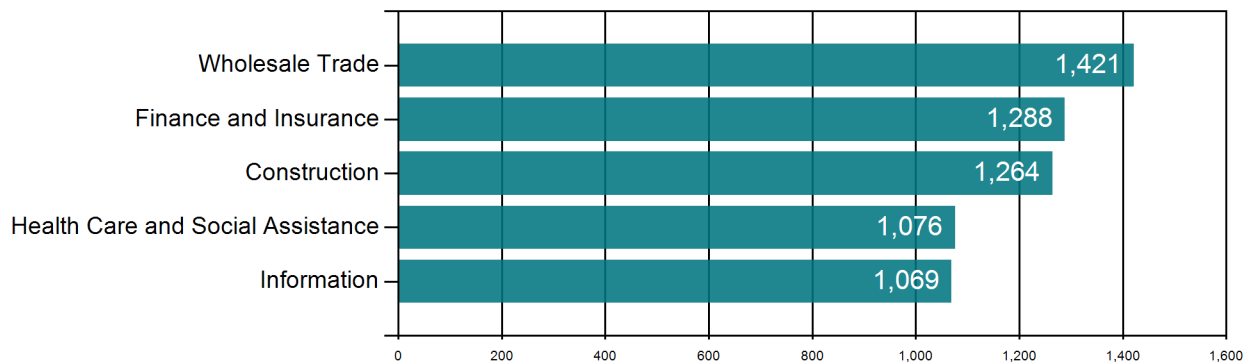
Top Industries by Firms



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 |
| Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing | 438 | 453 | 232 | 3.4 | -48.8 |
| Business Administration and Management, General | 289 | 214 | 231 | -26.0 | 7.9 |
| Welding Technology/Welder | 196 | 114 | 221 | -41.8 | 93.9 |
| Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician | 116 | 127 | 193 | 9.5 | 52.0 |
| Child Care Provider/Assistant | 143 | 197 | 174 | 37.8 | -11.7 |
| Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor | 63 | 109 | 155 | 73.0 | 42.2 |
| Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic) | 33 | 88 | 135 | 166.7 | 53.4 |
| Small Business Administration/Management | 127 | 117 | 117 | -7.9 | 0.0 |
| Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide | 64 | 86 | 103 | 34.4 | 19.8 |
| Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping | 132 | 86 | 86 | -34.8 | 0.0 |

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 | 46 | 45 | 65 | -2.2 | 44.4 |
| Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General | 32 | 38 | 58 | 18.8 | 52.6 |
| Business Administration and Management, General | 52 | 56 | 55 | 7.7 | -1.8 |
| Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic) | 24 | 24 | 26 | 0.0 | 8.3 |
| Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician | 13 | 13 | 24 | 0.0 | 84.6 |
| Medical/Clinical Assistant | 18 | 9 | 18 | -50.0 | 100.0 |
| Welding Technology/Welder | 21 | 23 | 18 | 9.5 | -21.7 |
| Criminal Justice/Safety Studies | 20 | 8 | 17 | -60.0 | 112.5 |
| Dental Assisting/Assistant | 14 | 11 | 13 | -21.4 | 18.2 |
| Early Childhood Education and Teaching | 20 | 21 | 13 | 5.0 | -38.1 |

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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 | 59 | 49 | 61 | -16.9 | 24.5 |
| Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician | 53 | 40 | 33 | -24.5 | -17.5 |
| Criminal Justice/Safety Studies | 20 | 16 | 23 | -20.0 | 43.8 |
| Early Childhood Education and Teaching | 30 | 22 | 21 | -26.7 | -4.5 |
| Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance | 11 | 14 | 19 | 27.3 | 35.7 |
| Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist | 10 | 12 | 18 | 20.0 | 50.0 |
| Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping | 18 | 13 | 16 | -27.8 | 23.1 |
| Surgical Technology/Technologist | 13 | 14 | 16 | 7.7 | 14.3 |
| Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer | 12 | 13 | 11 | 8.3 | -15.4 |
| Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/ | 3 | 4 | 10 | 33.3 | 150.0 |

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2025*

Pike County

Convenience Stores, Inc.
 Double P Grading, Inc.
 Freshway Market - Zebulon
 Johnson Battery Co, Inc.
 Mcnair X, Inc.
 Metts Electrical Services, LLC
 Southern Mills, Inc.
 United Bank
 Wabash National, LP
 Wellpath, LLC

*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

Pike Area

American Employer Group III, Inc.
 Caterpillar, Inc.
 Griffin Technical College
 Homenurse, Inc.
 Mando America Corporation
 Ranew's Management Co, Inc.
 Upson Regional Medical Center
 Walmart
 Wellstar Health System, Inc.
 Yancey Bros. Co.

COUNTY

Spalding
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 Meriwether
 Lamar
 Upson
 Spalding
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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.

Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

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