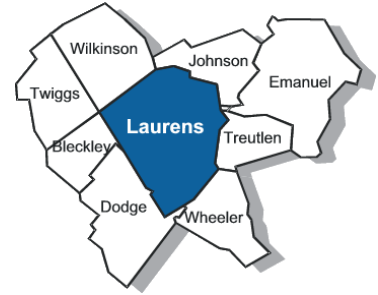




AREA LABOR PROFILE

Laurens

County



Updated: Mar 2011

Labor Force Activity - 2010

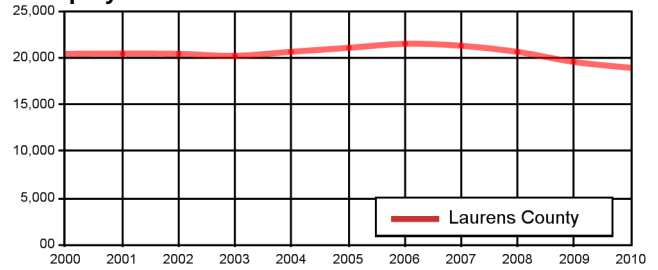
2010 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Laurens	21,591	18,926	2,665	12.3%
Bleckley	5,382	4,724	658	12.2%
Dodge	8,806	7,761	1,045	11.9%
Emanuel	9,920	8,773	1,147	11.6%
Johnson	3,417	2,994	423	12.4%
Treutlen	2,864	2,500	364	12.7%
Twiggs	4,565	4,038	527	11.5%
Wheeler	2,828	2,519	309	10.9%
Wilkinson	4,416	3,887	529	12.0%
Laurens Area	63,789	56,122	7,667	12.0%
Georgia	4,693,711	4,213,719	479,992	10.2%
United States	153,889,000	139,064,000	14,825,000	9.6%

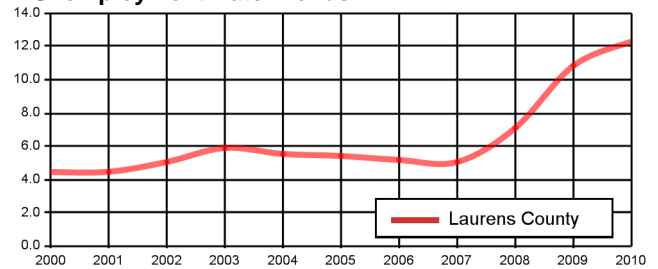
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

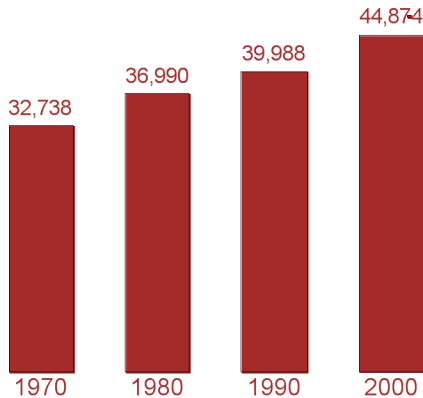
Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends



Population Estimates



Population

	2000 Census	2009 Rank	2009 Estimate	% Change 2000-2009	2015 Projected*	% Change 2000-2015
Laurens	44,957	41	48,295	7.4	52,801	17.4
City of Dublin	15,857					
Laurens Area	140,068		147,529	5.3	158,258	13.0
Georgia	8,230,161		9,829,211	19.4	11,076,619	34.6
United States	281,421,906		307,006,550	9.1	322,365,787	14.5

Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, *Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

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Industry Mix - 2009

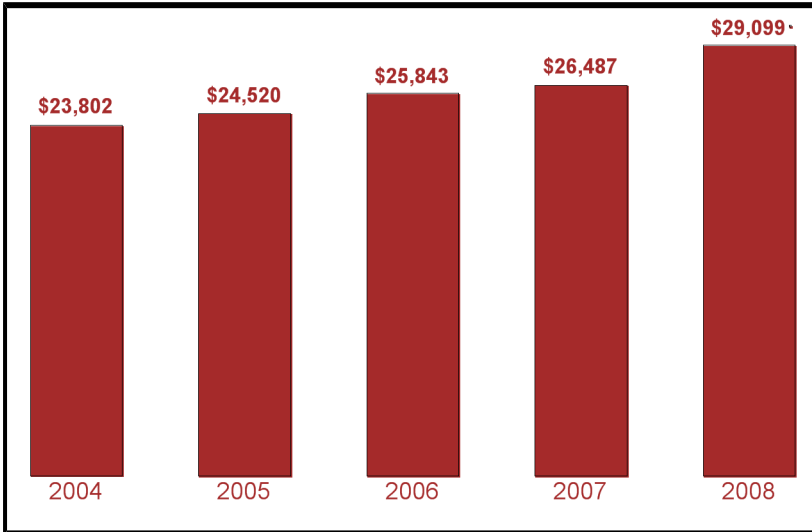
INDUSTRY	Laurens				Laurens Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
Goods-Producing	173	3,886	21.1	787	483	9,782	22.8	707
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	12	34	0.2	527	95	580	1.4	598
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0.0	0	13	1,078	2.5	1,165
Construction	109	989	5.4	635	235	1,755	4.1	615
Manufacturing	52	2,864	15.6	842	140	6,370	14.9	664
Food	4	179	1.0	750	10	1,170	2.7	569
Beverage and Tobacco Product	1	*	*	*	2	*	*	*
Textile Mills	1	*	*	*	3	*	*	*
Textile Product Mills	1	*	*	*	4	*	*	*
Wood Product	5	*	*	*	16	392	0.9	562
Paper	1	*	*	*	3	*	*	*
Printing and Related Support Activities	1	*	*	*	5	25	0.1	286
Chemical	2	*	*	*	3	6	0.0	439
Plastics and Rubber Products	2	*	*	*	4	80	0.2	416
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	5	45	0.2	646	13	270	0.6	948
Fabricated Metal Product	10	614	3.3	746	28	1,155	2.7	674
Machinery	2	*	*	*	9	*	*	*
Computer and Electronic Product	1	*	*	*	4	199	0.5	885
Transportation Equipment	3	*	*	*	8	266	0.6	1,021
Furniture and Related Product	11	581	3.2	560	19	604	1.4	553
Miscellaneous	2	*	*	*	7	95	0.2	530
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Service-Providing	873	9,926	54.0	538	2,061	20,728	48.4	500
Utilities	3	*	*	*	11	198	0.5	1,031
Wholesale Trade	51	513	2.8	761	123	1,085	2.5	742
Retail Trade	239	2,439	13.3	416	569	5,091	11.9	401
Transportation and Warehousing	30	533	2.9	629	103	1,412	3.3	603
Information	13	192	1.0	722	35	397	0.9	704
Finance and Insurance	52	398	2.2	734	133	1,034	2.4	675
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	37	116	0.6	443	77	253	0.6	406
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	65	288	1.6	839	145	634	1.5	728
Management of Companies and Enterprises	4	*	*	*	9	482	1.1	1,140
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	48	554	3.0	415	102	1,148	2.7	449
Educational Services	4	*	*	*	14	177	0.4	361
Health Care and Social Assistance	133	2,424	13.2	654	302	5,012	11.7	555
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	11	82	0.4	364	27	151	0.4	293
Accommodation and Food Services	93	1,652	9.0	241	199	3,009	7.0	233
Other Services (except Public Administration)	90	317	1.7	443	212	650	1.5	413
Unclassified - industry not assigned	18	12	0.1	1,039	41	22	0.1	747
Total - Private Sector	1,064	13,824	75.2	663	2,585	30,532	71.3	566
Total - Government	81	4,569	24.8	841	318	12,311	28.7	642
Federal Government	17	1,096	6.0	1,318	64	1,345	3.1	1,236
State Government	32	1,383	7.5	560	130	4,011	9.4	556
Local Government	32	2,090	11.4	645	124	6,955	16.2	576
ALL INDUSTRIES	1,145	18,393	100.0	651	2,903	42,839	100.0	588
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					271,509	3,798,106		824

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 annual averages of 2009.

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

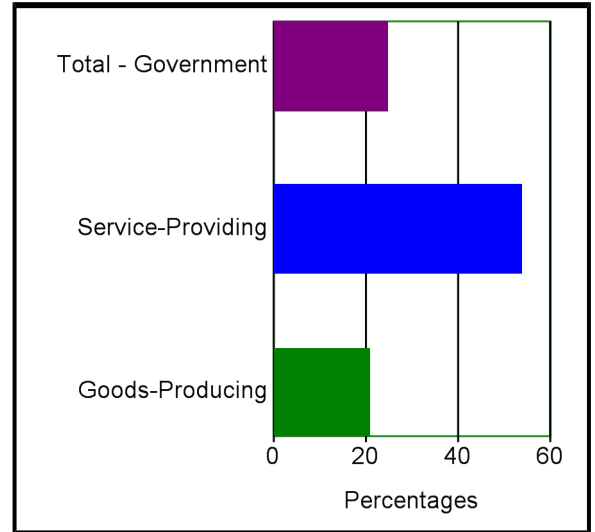
Laurens Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Laurens Industry Mix 2009

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



Top Employers - 2009

FIVE LARGEST EMPLOYERS

Laurens

Fairview Park Hospital
 Flexsteel Industries Inc
 Mohawk Carpet Corp
 Wal-Mart
 Ykk Ap America Inc

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 Third Quarter of 2009. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS

Laurens Area

Employer	COUNTY
Acuity Brands Lighting	Bleckley
Middle Georgia College	Bleckley
Crider Inc	Emanuel
Mohawk Carpet Corp	Laurens
Fairview Park Hospital	Laurens
YKK AP America Inc	Laurens
Flexsteel Industries Inc	Laurens
Wal-Mart	Laurens
CCA of Auquisition Sub	Wheeler
Basf Catalysts Llc	Wilkinson

Commuting Patterns

EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF

Laurens

COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Laurens, GA	16,046	84.5
Bibb, GA	501	2.6
Dodge, GA	352	1.9
Washington, GA	331	1.7
Wilkinson, GA	243	1.3
Johnson, GA	228	1.2
Telfair, GA	174	0.9
Bleckley, GA	116	0.6
Other	995	5.2
Total Residents:	18,986	100.0

PERSONS WORKING IN

Laurens

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Laurens, GA	16,046	81.3
Johnson, GA	847	4.3
Treutlen, GA	426	2.2
Dodge, GA	369	1.9
Bleckley, GA	280	1.4
Emanuel, GA	209	1.1
Wheeler, GA	172	0.9
Twiggs, GA	153	0.8
Other	1,233	6.2
Total Residents:	19,735	100.0

Note: Other category represents employment from U.S. counties only.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2000 County-To-County Worker Flow Files.

Education of the Labor Force

Laurens Area

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Some High School	33.3%	35.2%	22.3%	23.6%	32.6%	54.7%
High School Grad/GED	37.8%	38.2%	40.8%	44.0%	38.2%	26.7%
Some College	18.8%	23.5%	24.1%	21.0%	17.2%	10.8%
College Grad 4 Yr	6.2%	2.9%	9.2%	6.8%	6.6%	4.6%
Post Grad Studies	3.9%	0.3%	3.7%	4.6%	5.5%	3.2%
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 the percentage total of workers with either Some College with no degree or an Associate degree.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2000 Decennial Census.

High School Graduates - 2010

	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS*	TOTAL
Bleckley	141	--	141
Dodge	181	--	181
Emanuel	238	--	238
Johnson	48	--	48
Laurens	538	--	538
Treutlen	60	--	60
Twiggs	59	--	59
Wheeler	51	--	51
Wilkinson	98	--	98
Laurens Area	1,414	--	1,414



Note: Public schools include city as well as county schools systems.

* Private schools data is not available for 2010 from Georgia Independent School Association.

Colleges and Universities

Laurens Area

Dodge

Georgia Aviation Technical College	http://www.gavtc.org
Mercer Campus (Satellite campus of Mercer University)	http://www.mercer.edu
Georgia Aviation & Technical College	www.gavtc.org
Middle Georgia College	www.mgc.edu

Twiggs

Twiggs County Center (Satellite campus of Central Georgia Technical College)	www.centralgatech.edu
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Emanuel

East Georgia College	www.ega.edu
Swainsboro Technical College	www.swainsborotech.edu

Laurens

Heart of Georgia Technical College	www.heartofgatech.edu
Heart of Georgia Technical College (Technical college servicing area)	www.heartofgatech.edu

Bleckley

Middle Georgia College	www.mgc.edu
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Note: The colleges and universities listed include public and private institutions. This list is updated periodically as information becomes available.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS).

Technical College Graduates - 2009

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2007	2008	2009	2007-2008	2008-2009
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	7	8	10	14.3	25.0
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	27	22	19	-18.5	-13.6
Applied Horticulture/Horticulture Operations, General	5	5	3	0.0	-40.0
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician	7	3	3	-57.1	0.0
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	7	12	15	71.4	25.0
Business Administration, Management and Operations, Other	13	5	5	-61.5	0.0
CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician	3	2	6	-33.3	200.0
Carpentry/Carpenter	11	7	4	-36.4	-42.9
Child Care and Support Services Management	2	1	2	-50.0	100.0
Child Care Provider/Assistant	2	1	2	-50.0	100.0
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician	20	22	2	10.0	-90.9
Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications	14	8	11	-42.9	37.5
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	71	61	68	-14.1	11.5
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation	34	16	9	-52.9	-43.8
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General	7	4	1	-42.9	-75.0
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician	7	7	7	0.0	0.0
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	28	15	21	-46.4	40.0
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General	27	39	40	44.4	2.6
Electrician	2	6	6	200.0	0.0

Technical College Graduates - 2009

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2007	2008	2009	2007-2008	2008-2009
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant	7	9	3	28.6	-66.7
Heating/AC/Ventilation/Refrig Maint Technology/Technician	24	25	16	4.2	-36.0
Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology/Technician	4	1	13	-75.0	1200.0
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	5	9	2	80.0	-77.8
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	37	36	27	-2.7	-25.0
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant	6	5	7	-16.7	40.0
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder	8	8	11	0.0	37.5
Medical/Clinical Assistant	8	12	12	50.0	0.0
Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician	1	11	17	1000.0	54.5
Nurse/Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant	79	63	63	-20.3	0.0
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant	12	9	4	-25.0	-55.6
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	17	16	10	-5.9	-37.5
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	17	9	7	-47.1	-22.2
Teacher Assistant/Aide	2	2	1	0.0	-50.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operation	112	98	64	-12.5	-34.7
Welding Technology/Welder	18	10	39	-44.4	290.0

Definition: All graduates except those listed as technical certificates are diploma and degree graduates. Diploma and degree programs are one to two years in length. Technical certificates are less than a year in length.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System

Note - The data shown is from Heart of Georgia Technical College

Occupational Profile for Residents of Laurens County

	Laurens		Laurens Area	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
Total Civilian Labor Force	20,284	100.0	59,740	100.0
Management, Business and Financial Workers	1,470	7.3	4,179	7.0
Science, Engineering and Computer Professionals	263	1.3	623	1.0
Healthcare Practitioner Professionals	583	2.9	1,642	2.8
Other Professional Workers	1,904	9.4	4,723	7.9
Technicians	668	3.3	1,605	2.7
Sales Workers	1,977	9.8	5,313	8.9
Administrative Support Workers	2,614	12.9	8,028	13.4
Construction and Extractive Craft Workers	1,287	6.3	4,124	6.9
Installation, Maintenance and Repair Craft Workers	1,222	6.0	3,952	6.6
Production Operative Workers	2,714	13.4	8,302	13.9
Transportation and Material Moving Operative Workers	1,175	5.8	3,609	6.0
Laborers and Helpers	1,054	5.2	3,767	6.3
Protective Service Workers	634	3.1	2,227	3.7
Service Workers, except Protective	2,494	12.3	6,893	11.5
Unemployed, No Civilian Work Experience Since 1995	225	1.1	753	1.3

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2000 Decennial Census.(EEO Data Tools)

Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor

	TOTAL	Prof., Tech. and Mangerial	Clerical and Sales	Service	Agr., Forestry and Fishing	Processing	Machine Trades	Bench- Work	Structural Work	Misc.
Laurens	1,642	114	335	430	06	25	96	98	175	363
Bleckley	254	18	43	52	02	6	13	26	37	57
Dodge	538	23	121	119	08	13	24	47	84	99
Emanuel	322	24	51	65	08	15	14	36	63	46
Johnson	163	11	33	29	01	2	10	19	29	29
Treutlen	142	12	25	20	02	1	17	8	30	27
Twiggs	201	15	35	44	05	8	15	13	30	36
Wheeler	103	12	17	17	00	0	8	9	20	20
Wilkinson	230	21	40	51	03	6	21	22	40	26
Total Area	3,595	250	700	827	35	76	218	278	508	703

Note: For current applicant data available for a specific occupation, contact the nearest Georgia Department of Labor Career Center.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor (active applicants as of February 2011).

Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

Career Center(s)

910 N Jefferson Street
Dublin GA 31201
Phone: (478) 275 - 6525

Fax: (478) 275 - 6599

Rehabilitation Center(s)

904 Claxton Dairy Road
P. O. Box 158
Dublin, GA 31040-0158
Phone: (478) 275 - 6519

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