

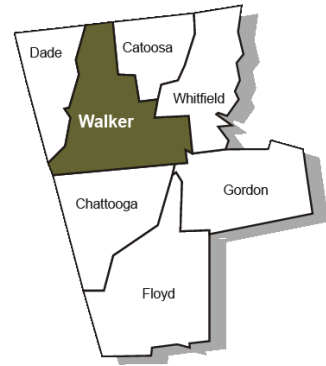


Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Walker

County



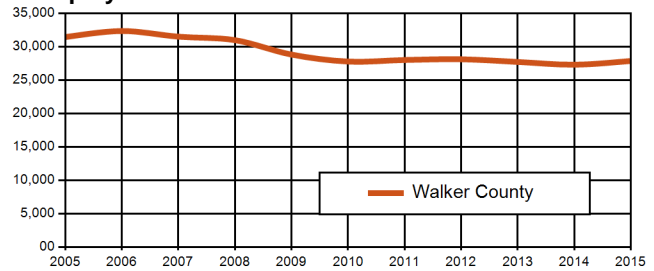
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Labor Force Activity - 2015

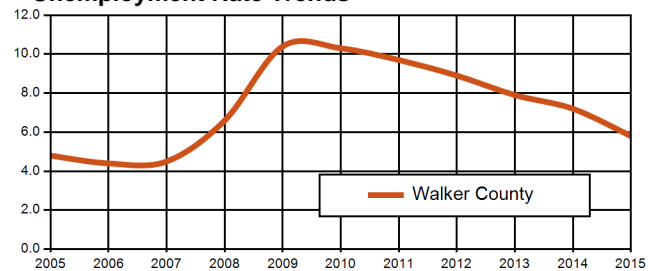
2015 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Walker	29,580	27,851	1,729	5.8%
Catoosa	31,304	29,698	1,606	5.1%
Chattooga	10,393	9,749	644	6.2%
Dade	7,948	7,522	426	5.4%
Floyd	42,787	39,975	2,812	6.6%
Gordon	26,223	24,717	1,506	5.7%
Whitfield	44,695	41,863	2,832	6.3%
Walker Area	192,930	181,375	11,555	6.0%
Georgia	4,770,873	4,490,931	279,942	5.9%
United States	157,129,917	148,833,417	8,296,333	5.3%
DeKalb, AL	28,858	27,118	1,740	6.0%
Hamilton, TN	167,200	158,070	9,130	5.5%

Employment Trends



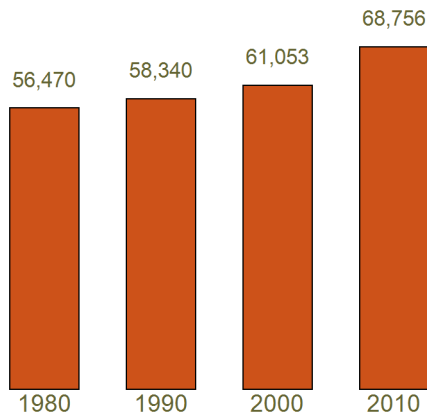
Unemployment Rate Trends



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.

Population Estimates



Population

	2010 Census	2015 Rank	2015 Estimate	% Change 2000-2015	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
Walker	68,756	72	68,066	-1.0	70,790	3.0
City of LaFayette	7,121					
Walker Area	839,935		857,824	2.1	879,155	4.7
Georgia	9,687,653		10,214,860	5.4	11,538,707	19.1
United States	308,745,538		321,418,820	4.1	349,439,199	13.2
DeKalb, AL	69,610		71,130	2.2	91,301	31.2
Hamilton, TN	340,877		354,098	3.9	329,514	-3.3

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

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Industry Mix - 1st Quarter of 2016

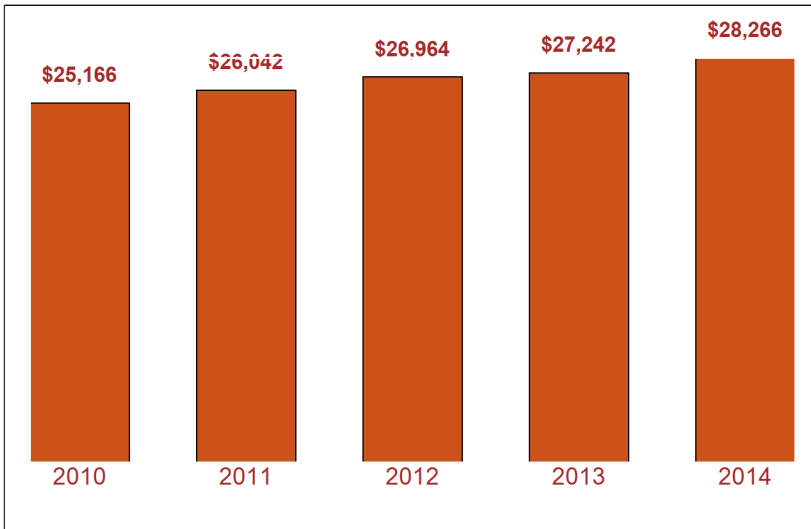
INDUSTRY	Walker				Walker Area			
	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY
	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE
Goods-Producing	114	4,552	35.7	676	1,301	46,910	30.8	843
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	5	16	0.1	481	61	633	0.4	612
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	1	*	*	*	8	45	0.0	1,404
Construction	58	196	1.5	722	546	3,638	2.4	719
Manufacturing	50	4,340	34.1	674	686	42,594	28.0	856
Food	2	*	*	*	24	1,679	1.1	1,030
Textile Mills	5	*	*	*	86	8,902	5.8	721
Textile Product Mills	3	51	0.4	601	152	16,167	10.6	922
Wood Product	2	*	*	*	24	474	0.3	933
Paper	1	*	*	*	13	1,121	0.7	1,212
Printing and Related Support Activities	2	*	*	*	48	1,583	1.0	541
Chemical	4	93	0.7	711	46	2,137	1.4	1,117
Plastics and Rubber Products	3	*	*	*	43	2,107	1.4	897
Fabricated Metal Product	16	338	2.7	606	96	1,699	1.1	891
Machinery	1	*	*	*	40	599	0.4	867
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	2	*	*	*	6	*	*	*
Transportation Equipment	3	*	*	*	13	1,857	1.2	736
Furniture and Related Product	3	*	*	*	32	760	0.5	615
Miscellaneous	3	*	*	*	23	506	0.3	715
Computer and Electronic Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Beverage and Tobacco Product	0	0	0.0	0	5	184	0.1	737
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	9	675	0.4	977
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	0	0	0.0	0	20	287	0.2	778
Service-Providing	564	4,757	37.3	500	6,352	84,035	55.2	711
Utilities	0	*	*	*	15	665	0.4	2,092
Wholesale Trade	44	169	1.3	1,210	532	7,193	4.7	1,187
Retail Trade	145	1,372	10.8	381	1,457	20,314	13.3	463
Transportation and Warehousing	16	87	0.7	728	245	5,248	3.4	769
Information	8	47	0.4	1,036	72	1,178	0.8	1,025
Finance and Insurance	43	415	3.3	830	411	2,882	1.9	891
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	18	29	0.2	449	258	1,035	0.7	631
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	66	193	1.5	804	626	4,240	2.8	1,402
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2	*	*	*	28	783	0.5	2,628
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	33	189	1.5	557	363	5,280	3.5	486
Educational Services	5	5	0.0	589	50	1,734	1.1	795
Health Care and Social Assistance	58	842	6.6	476	720	17,541	11.5	824
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	10	255	2.0	373	78	896	0.6	357
Accommodation and Food Services	57	838	6.6	248	643	11,899	7.8	286
Other Services (except Public Administration)	59	314	2.5	671	514	2,803	1.8	568
Unclassified - industry not assigned	46	38	0.3	809	340	348	0.2	696
Total - Private Sector	724	9,347	73.4	587	7,653	130,945	86.0	758
Total - Government	66	3,391	26.6	554	401	21,362	14.0	687
Federal Government	10	102	0.8	921	64	672	0.4	1,026
State Government	25	586	4.6	617	135	3,892	2.6	675
Local Government	31	2,703	21.2	526	202	16,798	11.0	676
ALL INDUSTRIES	790	12,739	100.0	578	8,054	152,309	100.0	748
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					298,415	4,195,419		1,010

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 1st Quarter of 2016.

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

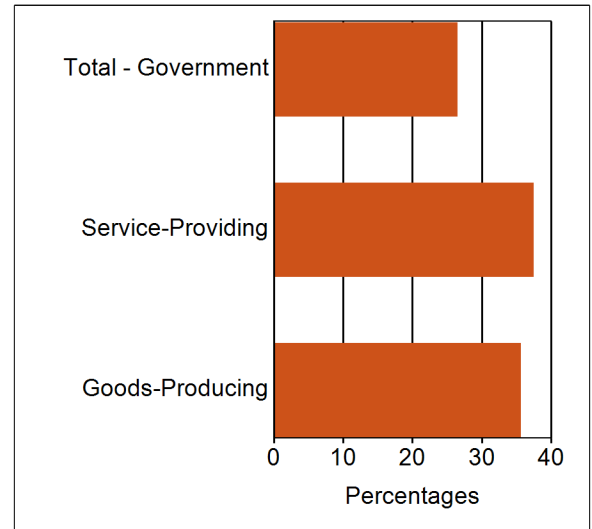
Walker Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Walker Industry Mix 2016

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



Top Ten Largest Employers - 2015*

Walker

BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee
 Food City
 Georgia Department of Corrections
 McDonald's
 Nissin Brake Georgia
 Roper Corporation
 See Rock City, Inc.
 Shaw Industries Group, Inc.
 Syntec Industries, LLC
 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 Third Quarter of 2015. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Walker Area

Engineered Floors, Llc
 Floyd Healthcare Management, Inc.
 Mohawk Carpet Distribution LP
 Mohawk Carpet Distribution LP
 Mount Vernon Mills, Inc.
 O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.
 Roper Corporation
 Seretean Plant
 Shaw Industries Group, Inc.
 Shaw Industries Group, Inc.

COUNTY

Whitfield
 Floyd
 Whitfield
 Gordon
 Chattooga
 Whitfield
 Walker
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 Walker

Commuting Patterns

EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF

Walker

COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Walker, GA	10,188	36.9
Hamilton, TN	10,130	36.7
Catoosa, GA	3,287	11.9
Whitfield, GA	1,729	6.3
Chattooga, GA	498	1.8
Dade, GA	298	1.1
Gordon, GA	180	0.7
Fulton, GA	165	0.6
Other	1,112	4.0
Total Residents:	27,587	100.0

PERSONS WORKING IN

Walker

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Walker, GA	10,188	62.7
Catoosa, GA	1,782	11.0
Hamilton, TN	1,458	9.0
Chattooga, GA	1,286	7.9
Dade, GA	331	2.0
Whitfield, GA	241	1.5
Jackson, AL	180	1.1
DeKalb, AL	125	0.8
Other	650	4.0
Total Residents:	16,241	100.0

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

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010 County-To-County Worker Flow Files.

Education of the Labor Force

Walker Area

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	9.7%	3.9%	7.6%	9.0%	8.2%	19.4%
Some High School	16.3%	24.4%	16.0%	13.8%	14.6%	17.1%
High School Grad/GED	33.1%	32.1%	29.8%	32.9%	34.6%	34.6%
Some College	22.1%	34.3%	23.8%	21.3%	20.3%	15.9%
College Grad 2 Yr	5.3%	2.3%	7.4%	6.4%	6.2%	2.4%
College Grad 4 Yr	8.8%	2.7%	11.5%	11.1%	9.7%	6.4%
Post Graduate Studies	4.7%	0.3%	3.9%	5.6%	6.4%	4.2%
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+. The "Some College" category represents workers with less than two years of college and no degree.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2010 Decennial Census.

High School Graduates - 2015

	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS*	TOTAL
Catoosa	735	--	735
Chattooga	272	--	272
Dade	146	--	146
Floyd	943	--	943
Gordon	619	--	619
Walker	628	--	628
Whitfield	1,224	--	1,224
Walker Area	4,567	--	4,567



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

* Private schools data is not available for 2015 from Georgia Independent School Association.

Source: The Governor's Office of Student Achievement of Georgia.

Colleges and Universities

Walker Area

Floyd

Berry College	www.berry.edu
Aviation Training Center (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php
Georgia Northwestern Technical College	www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php
Georgia Highlands College	www.highlands.edu
Shorter University	www.shorter.edu

Walker

Covenant College	www.covenant.edu
Walker County Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php
Northwestern Technical College	www.northwesterntech.edu

Whitfield

Dalton State College (Technical Division)	www.daltonstate.edu
Dalton State College	www.daltonstate.edu/
Whitfield Murray Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php

Gordon

Gordon County Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php
Richardson Road Training Center (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php

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 - 2015*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°	33	50	120	51.5	140.0
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General°	99	63	61	-36.4	-3.2
Aircraft Powerplant Technology/Technician°	12	19	42	58.3	121.1
Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician°	13	12	10	-7.7	-16.7
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°	42	40	54	-4.8	35.0
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	30	19	22	-36.7	15.8
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	177	150	201	-15.3	34.0
Business Administration and Management, General°	123	185	413	50.4	123.2
Cardiovascular Technology/Technologist	11	9	6	-18.2	-33.3
Child Care and Support Services Management°	2	1	5	-50.0	400.0
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	81	84	137	3.7	63.1
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	13	31	82	138.5	164.5
Construction Management°	9	3	6	-66.7	100.0
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	142	142	283	0.0	99.3
Criminal Justice/Police Science°	35	30	23	-14.3	-23.3
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	103	78	117	-24.3	50.0
Culinary Arts/Chef Training	8	2	13	-75.0	550.0

Technical College Graduates - 2015*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation	14	16	27	14.3	68.8
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General°	89	48	112	-46.1	133.3
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	62	87	71	40.3	-18.4
Dental Assisting/Assistant	31	33	54	6.5	63.6
Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Sonographer and Ultrasound Technician	21	15	15	-28.6	0.0
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General	8	7	19	-12.5	171.4
Early Childhood Education and Teaching°	56	46	77	-17.9	67.4
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General°	24	31	80	29.2	158.1
Electrician°	19	18	51	-5.3	183.3
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°	33	38	148	15.2	289.5
Fire Prevention and Safety Technology/Technician°	1	1	3	0.0	200.0
Fire Science/Fire-fighting°	8	19	14	137.5	-26.3
Fire Services Administration	5	5	7	0.0	40.0
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant°	28	32	24	14.3	-25.0
General Office Occupations and Clerical Services°	25	19	54	-24.0	184.2
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician°	32	40	92	25.0	130.0
Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General°	6	2	3	-66.7	50.0
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	34	15	33	-55.9	120.0
Human Resources Management/Personnel Administration, General°	17	42	124	147.1	195.2
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	172	185	366	7.6	97.8
Instrumentation Technology/Technician°	18	13	34	-27.8	161.5
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	93	81	146	-12.9	80.2
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	34	29	60	-14.7	106.9
Marketing/Marketing Management, General	13	9	7	-30.8	-22.2
Massage Therapy/Therapeutic Massage	9	9	9	0.0	0.0
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°	27	13	38	-51.9	192.3
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	58	40	84	-31.0	110.0
Medical Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiation Therapist	6	8	8	33.3	0.0
Medical Transcription/Transcriptionist°	2	1	1	-50.0	0.0
Medical/Clinical Assistant	51	39	73	-23.5	87.2
Network and System Administration/Administrator°	23	31	51	34.8	64.5
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	15	26	11	73.3	-57.7
Occupational Therapist Assistant	18	18	16	0.0	-11.1
Operations Management and Supervision°	3	7	25	133.3	257.1
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant°	35	27	39	-22.9	44.4
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	19	28	45	47.4	60.7

Technical College Graduates - 2015*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing°	64	28	53	-56.3	89.3
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer°	18	17	10	-5.6	-41.2
Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	46	28	33	-39.1	17.9
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	13	9	14	-30.8	55.6
Social Work, Other°	19	33	41	73.7	24.2
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	24	24	24	0.0	0.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor°	27	43	92	59.3	114.0
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design°	2	3	10	50.0	233.3
Welding Technology/Welder°	76	113	295	48.7	161.1

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. Duplication may occur due to graduates with multiple awards.

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

*Data shown represents Annual 2013, 2014, and 2015.

Note: Please visit TCSG website for any college configuration changes.

Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor

	TOTAL	Mgt.	Bus. and Finance	Comp. and Arch. and Math	Life and Soc. Svcs. Eng.	Comm. and Svcs	Legal	Ed. and Training	Arts and Design	Health Prac.	Health Support	
Catoosa	640	55	41	48	6	10	9	0	42	35	326	68
Chattooga	223	44	7	24	38	7	12	0	11	2	31	47
Dade	64	6	20	3	14	0	0	2	6	2	11	0
Floyd	1,012	157	81	170	56	2	72	2	151	63	145	113
Gordon	461	65	49	80	96	4	18	0	43	1	50	55
Walker	848	90	52	78	35	3	66	14	51	76	307	76
Whitfield	637	86	66	50	37	7	13	20	65	61	159	73
Subtotal Area	3,885	503	316	453	282	33	190	38	369	240	1,029	432

Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor (cont.)

	TOTAL	Protect. Svcs.	Food Prep.	Ground Cleaning	Personal Care	Sales	Office Support	Farm. and Forestry	Cons- truction	Installation Main.	Prod.	Trans. and Moving
Catoosa	2,623	35	137	50	26	333	1,012	13	62	132	356	467
Chattooga	2,540	27	93	55	20	279	548	18	77	168	890	365
Dade	472	62	9	1	27	16	101	5	43	45	87	76
Floyd	6,092	73	174	86	164	683	1,501	9	247	537	1,604	1,014
Gordon	2,296	33	84	22	7	144	762	2	37	213	674	318
Walker	5,466	31	255	128	102	506	1,240	121	169	338	1,578	998
Whitfield	7,041	43	288	146	141	654	1,774	20	228	644	1,932	1,171
Subtotal Area	26,530	304	1,040	488	487	2,615	6,938	188	863	2,077	7,121	4,409

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 September 2016).

Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

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