

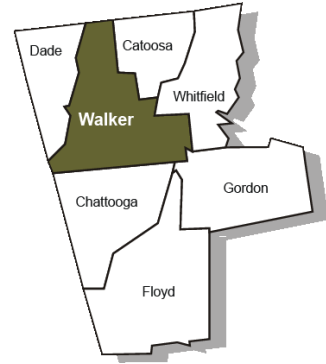


Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Walker

County



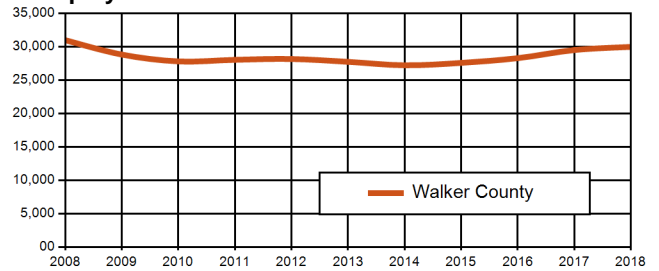
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Labor Force Activity - 2018

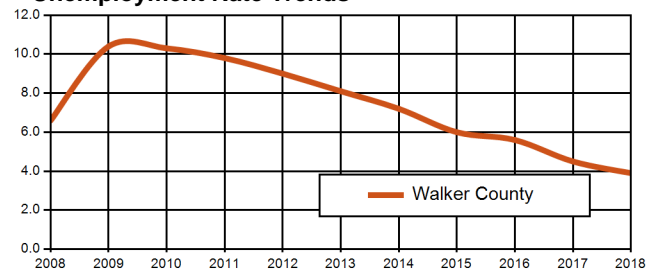
2018 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Walker	31,167	29,961	1,206	3.9%
Catoosa	33,156	32,022	1,134	3.4%
Chattooga	10,487	10,058	429	4.1%
Dade	8,274	7,974	300	3.6%
Floyd	44,274	42,368	1,906	4.3%
Gordon	27,993	26,940	1,053	3.8%
Whitfield	45,256	43,107	2,149	4.7%
<b>Walker Area</b>	<b>200,607</b>	<b>192,430</b>	<b>8,177</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
Georgia	5,107,656	4,906,411	201,245	3.9%
United States	162,075,000	155,761,000	6,314,000	3.9%
DeKalb, AL	30,129	28,979	1,150	3.7%
Hamilton, TN	179,683	173,576	6,107	3.3%

Employment Trends



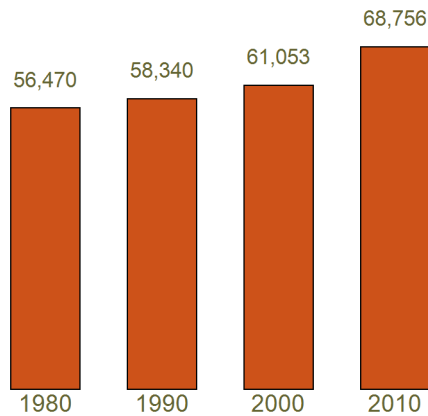
Unemployment Rate Trends



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	2018 Rank	2018 Estimate	% Change 2010-2018	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
<b>Walker</b>	<b>68,756</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>69,410</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>70,790</b>	<b>3.0</b>
City of LaFayette	7,121					
<b>Walker Area</b>	<b>839,935</b>		<b>873,191</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>879,155</b>	<b>4.7</b>
Georgia	9,687,653		10,519,475	8.6	11,538,707	19.1
United States	308,745,538		327,167,434	6.0	349,439,199	13.2
DeKalb, AL	69,610		71,385	2.5	91,301	31.2
Hamilton, TN	340,877		364,286	6.9	329,514	-3.3

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

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# Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2019

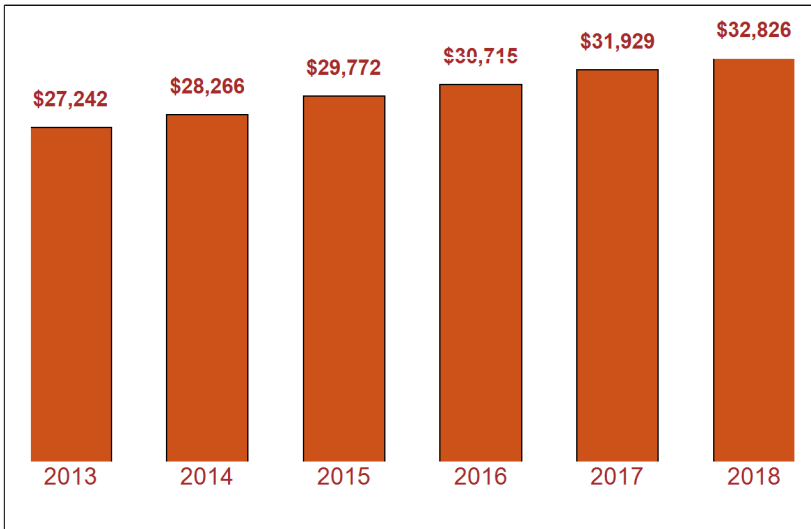
INDUSTRY	Walker				Walker Area			
	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY
	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>4,808</b>	<b>36.3</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>1,241</b>	<b>50,161</b>	<b>31.7</b>	<b>888</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	5	14	0.1	753	67	494	0.3	676
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0.0	0	8	64	0.0	1,272
Construction	59	275	2.1	897	521	4,107	2.6	885
Manufacturing	48	4,519	34.1	744	645	45,495	28.7	889
Food	1	*	*	*	25	1,660	1.0	1,118
Textile Mills	5	*	*	*	78	8,983	5.7	809
Textile Product Mills	5	92	0.7	606	151	17,751	11.2	900
Paper	1	*	*	*	13	1,177	0.7	1,326
Printing and Related Support Activities	1	*	*	*	40	1,772	1.1	673
Chemical	5	110	0.8	803	55	2,315	1.5	1,218
Plastics and Rubber Products	1	*	*	*	35	1,901	1.2	856
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	2	*	*	*	17	366	0.2	957
Fabricated Metal Product	11	128	1.0	715	83	1,690	1.1	975
Machinery	4	151	1.1	716	39	692	0.4	896
Computer and Electronic Product	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	2	*	*	*	5	*	*	*
Transportation Equipment	2	*	*	*	15	2,375	1.5	743
Furniture and Related Product	4	38	0.3	479	28	655	0.4	676
Miscellaneous	3	*	*	*	23	859	0.5	769
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Beverage and Tobacco Product	0	0	0.0	0	7	62	0.0	712
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	8	674	0.4	900
Wood Product	0	0	0.0	0	18	584	0.4	954
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>516</b>	<b>5,396</b>	<b>40.7</b>	<b>564</b>	<b>5,972</b>	<b>86,601</b>	<b>54.7</b>	<b>732</b>
Utilities	0	*	*	*	14	513	0.3	1,622
Wholesale Trade	39	279	2.1	903	460	7,313	4.6	965
Retail Trade	129	1,384	10.4	440	1,346	17,637	11.1	524
Transportation and Warehousing	16	129	1.0	857	216	5,459	3.4	859
Information	5	34	0.3	1,050	62	903	0.6	1,047
Finance and Insurance	38	427	3.2	1,024	397	2,941	1.9	988
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	22	52	0.4	596	238	1,044	0.7	816
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	56	207	1.6	800	569	4,541	2.9	1,203
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1	*	*	*	20	540	0.3	1,532
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	26	391	2.9	547	338	6,360	4.0	555
Educational Services	3	5	0.0	284	46	1,720	1.1	889
Health Care and Social Assistance	66	980	7.4	593	775	19,612	12.4	953
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	7	386	2.9	386	87	1,321	0.8	336
Accommodation and Food Services	55	798	6.0	296	646	13,354	8.4	313
Other Services (except Public Administration)	53	322	2.4	686	456	3,015	1.9	637
<b>Unclassified - industry not assigned</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>332</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>849</b>
<b>Total - Private Sector</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>10,230</b>	<b>77.1</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>7,213</b>	<b>136,762</b>	<b>86.4</b>	<b>789</b>
<b>Total - Government</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>3,033</b>	<b>22.9</b>	<b>709</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>21,590</b>	<b>13.6</b>	<b>762</b>
Federal Government	8	109	0.8	1,065	55	708	0.4	1,137
State Government	25	548	4.1	681	137	3,861	2.4	731
Local Government	31	2,376	17.9	699	199	17,021	10.7	753
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>13,263</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>7,604</b>	<b>158,352</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>785</b>
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia</b>					<b>285,147</b>	<b>4,501,536</b>		<b>1,017</b>

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 2019.

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

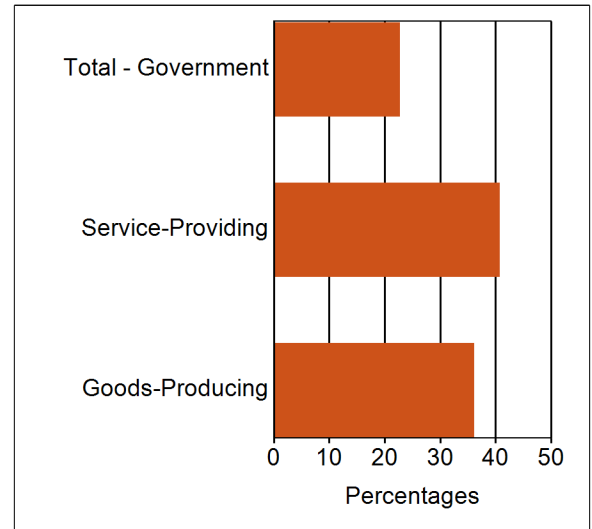
## Walker Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



## Walker Industry Mix 2019

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



## Top Ten Largest Employers - 2019\*

### Walker

BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee  
 Food City  
 Lucent Group, LLC  
 Nissin Brake Georgia  
 Parkside Operation, LLC  
 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 Second Quarter of 2019. 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.  
 Hamilton Medical Center, Inc.  
 Mohawk Carpet Distribution LP  
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 Mount Vernon Mills, Inc.  
 Redmond Regional Medical Center, Inc.  
 Roper Corporation  
 Shaw Industries Group, Inc.  
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### COUNTY

Whitfield  
 Floyd  
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## Education of the Labor Force

### Walker Area

### PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	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+. Some College category represents workers with some college with no degree less than two years.

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

## High School Graduates - 2018



	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS*	TOTAL
Catoosa	755	--	755
Chattooga	291	--	291
Dade	148	--	148
Floyd	1,013	--	1,013
Gordon	704	--	704
Walker	662	--	662
Whitfield	1,307	--	1,307
<b>Walker Area</b>	<b>4,880</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>4,880</b>

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

\* Private schools data is not available for 2018 from Georgia Independent School Association.

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

## Colleges and Universities

### Walker Area

#### Floyd

Berry College	<a href="http://www.berry.edu">www.berry.edu</a>
Aviation Training Center (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.gntc.edu">www.gntc.edu</a>
Georgia Northwestern Technical College	<a href="http://www.gntc.edu">www.gntc.edu</a>
Georgia Highlands College	<a href="http://www.highlands.edu">www.highlands.edu</a>
Shorter University	<a href="http://www.shorter.edu">www.shorter.edu</a>

#### Walker

Covenant College	<a href="http://www.covenant.edu">www.covenant.edu</a>
Walker County Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.gntc.edu">www.gntc.edu</a>

#### Whitfield

Dalton State College	<a href="http://www.daltonstate.edu/">www.daltonstate.edu/</a>
Whitfield Murray Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.gntc.edu">www.gntc.edu</a>

#### Gordon

Gordon County Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.gntc.edu">www.gntc.edu</a>
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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 - 2018\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2016	2017	2018	2016-2017	2017-2018
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°	108	118	198	9.3	67.8
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	57	63	56	10.5	-11.1
Aircraft Powerplant Technology/Technician°	14	7	29	-50.0	314.3
Airframe Mechanics and Aircraft Maintenance Technology/Technician°	10	3	28	-70.0	833.3
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°	45	15	14	-66.7	-6.7
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	9	58	18	544.4	-69.0
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	212	155	123	-26.9	-20.6

# Technical College Graduates - 2018\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2016	2017	2018	2016-2017	2017-2018
Business Administration and Management, General°	279	403	497	44.4	23.3
Cardiovascular Technology/Technologist	8	7	5	-12.5	-28.6
Child Care and Support Services Management°	7	19	3	171.4	-84.2
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	128	249	155	94.5	-37.8
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	57	107	65	87.7	-39.3
Construction Management°	17	24	36	41.2	50.0
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	126	208	204	65.1	-1.9
Criminal Justice/Police Science°	21	13	28	-38.1	115.4
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	132	78	61	-40.9	-21.8
Culinary Arts/Chef Training	1	3	4	200.0	33.3
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation°	8	8	13	0.0	62.5
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General°	100	203	183	103.0	-9.9
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	64	128	85	100.0	-33.6
Dental Assisting/Assistant	26	27	21	3.8	-22.2
Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Sonographer and Ultrasound Technician	15	17	18	13.3	5.9
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General°	2	19	9	850.0	-52.6
Early Childhood Education and Teaching°	43	42	32	-2.3	-23.8
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General°	30	97	64	223.3	-34.0
Electrician°	95	31	46	-67.4	48.4
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°	118	150	121	27.1	-19.3
Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies°	10	6	5	-40.0	-16.7
Fire Science/Fire-fighting°	42	17	1	-59.5	-94.1
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant°	2	33	31	1550.0	-6.1
General Office Occupations and Clerical Services°	51	90	43	76.5	-52.2
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician°	46	53	50	15.2	-5.7
Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General°	199	302	157	51.8	-48.0
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	15	24	13	60.0	-45.8
Human Resources Management/Personnel Administration, General°	67	68	109	1.5	60.3
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	266	882	674	231.6	-23.6
Instrumentation Technology/Technician°	29	51	79	75.9	54.9
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	75	83	72	10.7	-13.3
Logistics and Materials Management°	11	36	46	227.3	27.8
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	90	54	62	-40.0	14.8
Manufacturing Technology/Technician°	1	4	3	300.0	-25.0
Marketing/Marketing Management, General	7	12	5	71.4	-58.3
Massage Therapy/Therapeutic Massage	11	6	10	-45.5	66.7

# Technical College Graduates - 2018\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2016	2017	2018	2016-2017	2017-2018
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°	24	18	11	-25.0	-38.9
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	35	35	29	0.0	-17.1
Medical/Clinical Assistant	44	57	40	29.5	-29.8
Network and System Administration/Administrator°	37	56	46	51.4	-17.9
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	20	9	20	-55.0	122.2
Operations Management and Supervision°	30	15	15	-50.0	0.0
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	18	15	20	-16.7	33.3
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing°	65	7	16	-89.2	128.6
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer°	16	9	12	-43.8	33.3
Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	41	31	23	-24.4	-25.8
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	15	11	12	-26.7	9.1
Selling Skills and Sales Operations°	4	4	9	0.0	125.0
Social Work, Other°	29	20	34	-31.0	70.0
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	12	20	28	66.7	40.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor°	56	46	34	-17.9	-26.1
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Desig	2	3	1	50.0	-66.7
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design°	3	4	7	33.3	75.0
Welding Technology/Welder°	370	223	240	-39.7	7.6

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 2016, 2017, and 2018.

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

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