



Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Laurens

County



Updated: Aug 2023

Labor Force Activity

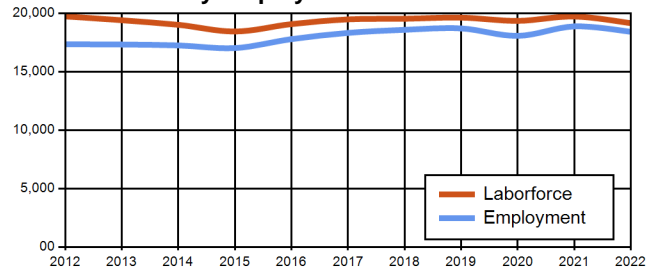
July 2023

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Laurens	18,992	18,174	818	4.3%
Bleckley	4,464	4,259	205	4.6%
Dodge	6,867	6,572	295	4.3%
Emanuel	8,937	8,555	382	4.3%
Johnson	3,934	3,820	114	2.9%
Treutlen	2,771	2,624	147	5.3%
Twiggs	2,747	2,619	128	4.7%
Wheeler	1,721	1,624	97	5.6%
Wilkinson	4,022	3,892	130	3.2%
Laurens Area	54,455	52,139	2,316	4.3%
Georgia	5,318,955	5,145,351	173,604	3.3%
United States	168,354,000	161,982,000	6,372,000	3.8%

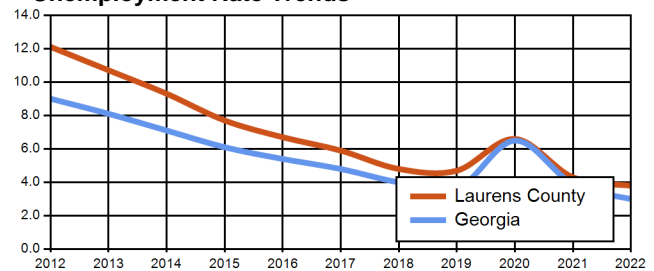
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

Laurens County Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends

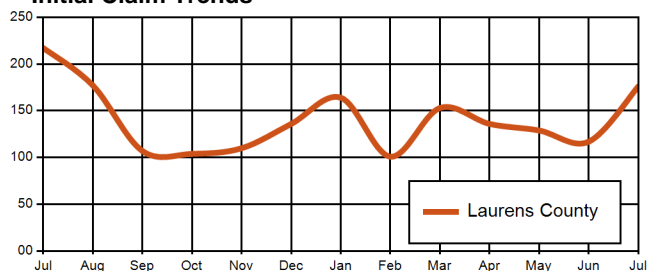


Initial Claims Activity

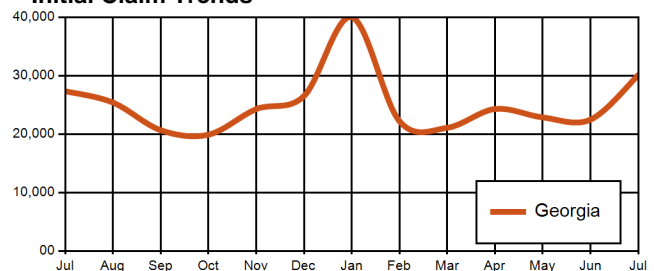
	July 2023	June 2023	May 2023	Total
Laurens	176	117	129	422
Bleckley	17	32	36	85
Dodge	48	39	45	132
Emanuel	89	81	102	272
Johnson	31	22	23	76
Treutlen	24	10	23	57
Twiggs	20	8	19	47
Wheeler	11	11	19	41
Wilkinson	17	10	24	51
Laurens Area	433	330	420	1,183

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

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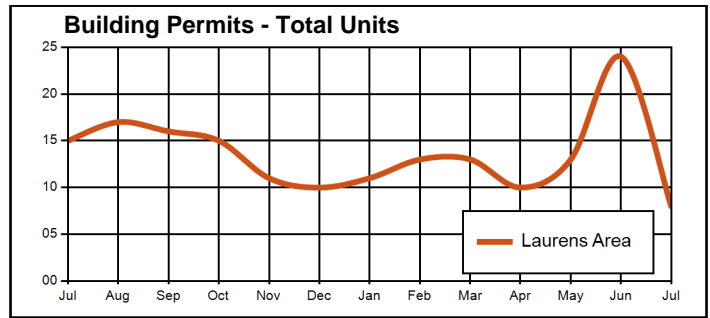
Initial Claim Trends



Building Permit Construction Activity

Laurens Area				
	July 2023	June 2023	May 2023	Total
Totals	8	24	13	45
Family residential	8	14	13	35
Multi family resident	0	10	0	10

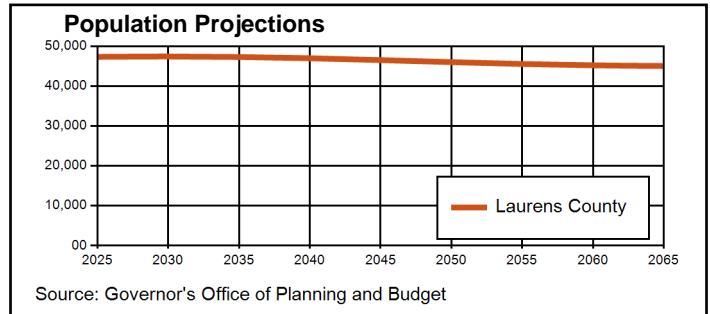
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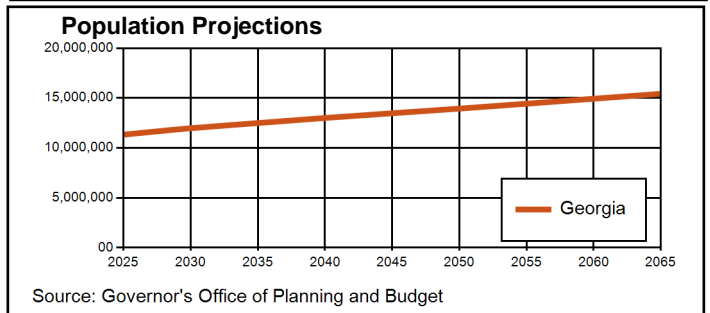
Population Activity

	Annual 2022	Annual 2021	Difference
Laurens	49,660	49,547	113
Bleckley	12,257	12,607	-350
Dodge	19,802	19,759	43
Emanuel	22,929	22,716	213
Johnson	9,242	9,160	82
Treutlen	6,365	6,306	59
Twiggs	7,680	7,856	-176
Wheeler	7,314	7,471	-157
Wilkinson	8,681	8,831	-150
Laurens Area	143,930	144,253	-323
Georgia	10,912,876	10,799,566	113,310
United States	333,287,557	331,893,745	1,393,812

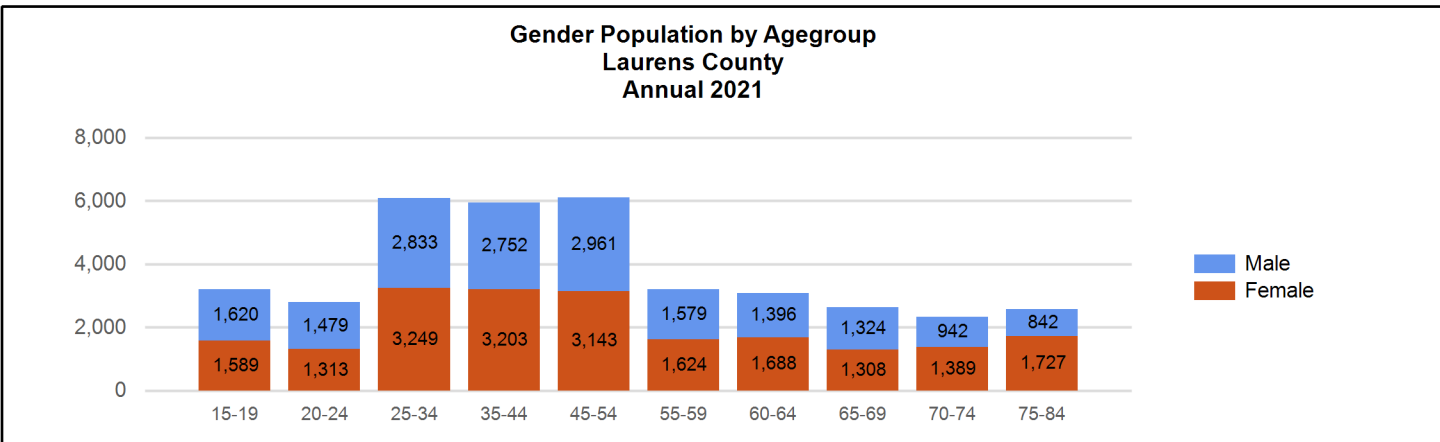
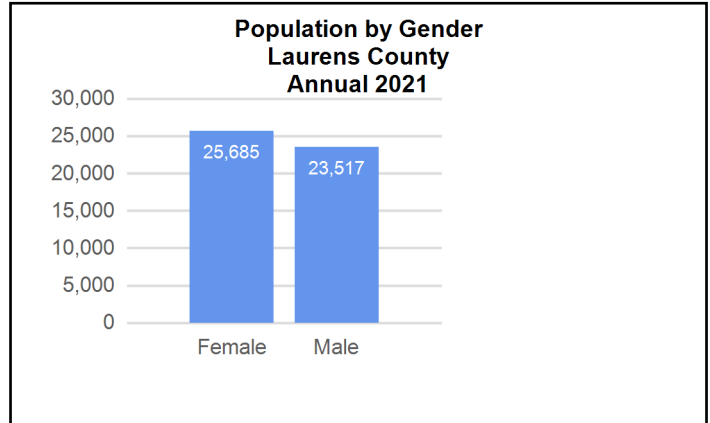
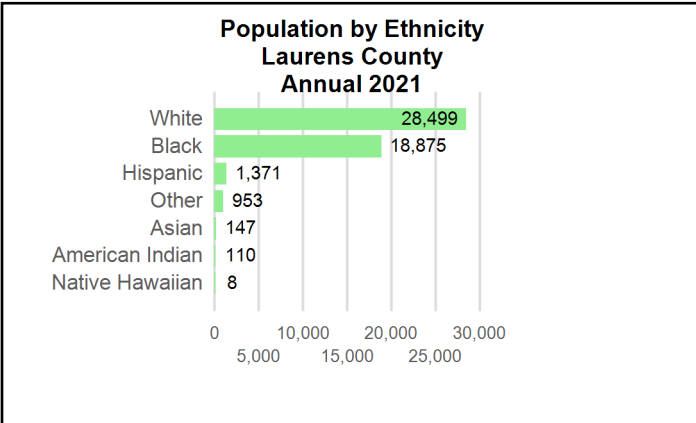
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Industry Mix - 1st Quarter of 2023

INDUSTRY	Laurens				Laurens Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
Goods-Producing	159	3,092	16.1	1,189	424	8,109	19.3	1,170
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	14	68	0.4	894	88	657	1.6	1,032
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	2	*	*	*	13	1,102	2.6	1,543
Construction	89	743	3.9	1,039	197	1,673	4.0	934
Manufacturing	54	2,205	11.5	1,251	126	4,677	11.1	1,185
Food	4	158	0.8	813	7	*	*	*
Beverage and Tobacco Product	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*
Textile Mills	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*
Wood Product	7	193	1.0	1,516	16	400	1.0	1,375
Paper	2	*	*	*	5	428	1.0	1,777
Printing and Related Support Activities	2	*	*	*	6	24	0.1	565
Chemical	2	*	*	*	5	38	0.1	1,424
Plastics and Rubber Products	2	*	*	*	3	13	0.0	2,966
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	5	62	0.3	827	10	155	0.4	1,126
Primary Metal	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*
Fabricated Metal Product	11	782	4.1	1,255	30	1,476	3.5	1,078
Machinery	1	*	*	*	7	17	0.0	813
Transportation Equipment	4	340	1.8	1,247	6	396	0.9	1,205
Furniture and Related Product	8	304	1.6	696	14	345	0.8	695
Miscellaneous	3	11	0.1	652	6	121	0.3	786
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Computer and Electronic Product	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Service-Providing	896	11,131	58.1	769	1,963	22,494	53.5	746
Utilities	3	*	*	*	5	*	*	*
Wholesale Trade	34	208	1.1	1,119	95	987	2.3	914
Retail Trade	220	2,948	15.4	638	492	5,599	13.3	612
Transportation and Warehousing	26	364	1.9	885	101	2,048	4.9	814
Information	13	150	0.8	916	27	212	0.5	885
Finance and Insurance	58	336	1.8	1,651	129	900	2.1	1,313
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	43	130	0.7	719	72	200	0.5	714
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	65	472	2.5	1,310	139	831	2.0	1,301
Management of Companies and Enterprises	6	*	*	*	8	*	*	*
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	58	1,156	6.0	862	118	2,273	5.4	849
Educational Services	4	*	*	*	12	146	0.3	566
Health Care and Social Assistance	167	2,649	13.8	844	346	4,846	11.5	812
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	11	126	0.7	448	25	240	0.6	453
Accommodation and Food Services	109	1,829	9.5	356	220	3,083	7.3	338
Other Services (except Public Administration)	79	341	1.8	677	174	678	1.6	669
Unclassified - industry not assigned	120	83	0.4	990	303	180	0.4	959
Total - Private Sector	1,175	14,306	74.6	861	2,690	30,782	73.2	859
Total - Government	75	4,864	25.4	1,258	278	11,255	26.8	989
Federal Government	14	1,871	9.8	1,858	46	*	*	*
State Government	30	855	4.5	854	107	2,250	5.4	905
Local Government	31	2,138	11.2	894	125	6,947	16.5	776
ALL INDUSTRIES	1,250	19,168	100.0	962	2,968	42,033	100.0	894
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					376,446	4,757,073		1,363

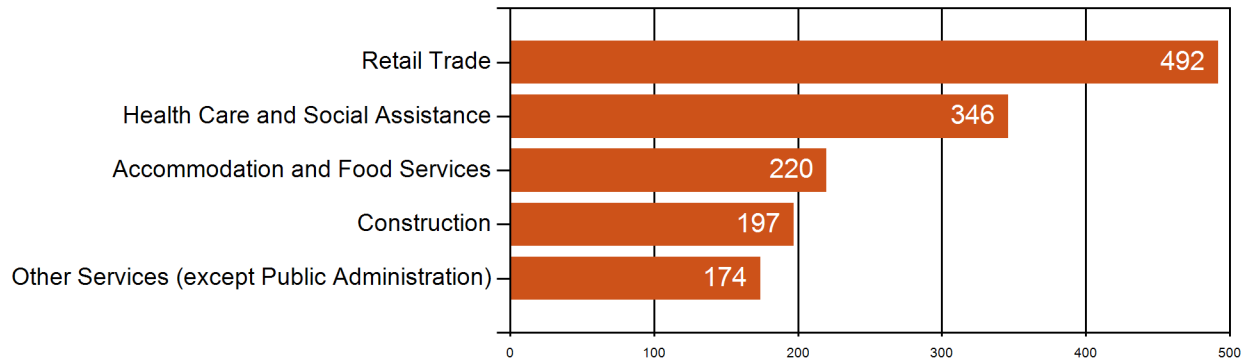
Note: *Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories. Average weekly wage is derived by dividing gross payroll dollars paid to all employees - both hourly and salaried - by the average 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 2023.

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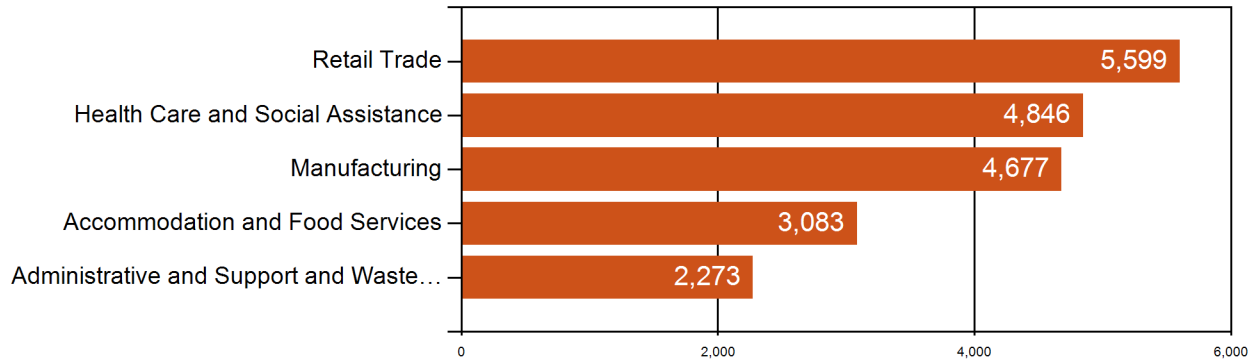
Top Industries - 1st Quarter of 2023

Laurens Area

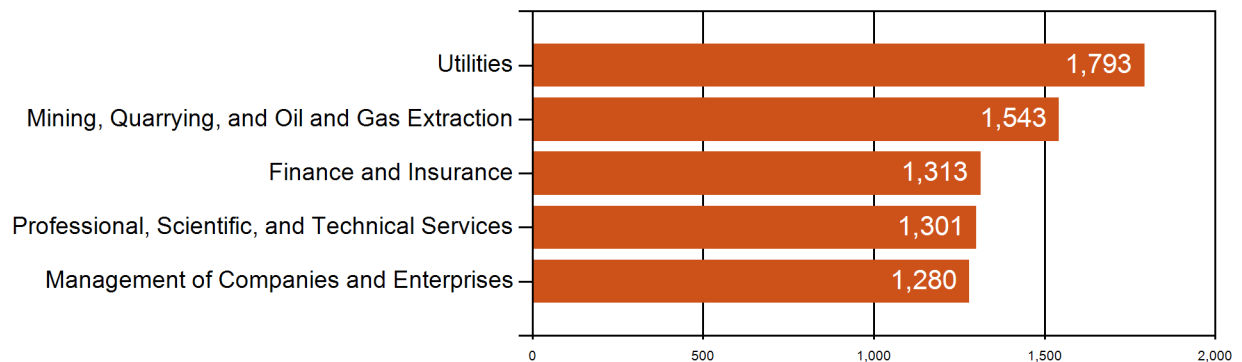
Top Industries by Firms



Top Industries by Employment



Top Industries by Weekly Wages



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Technical College Certificate Graduates - 2022

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2020	2021	2022	2020-2021	2021-2022
Welding Technology/Welder	703	853	954	21.3	11.8
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	192	211	320	9.9	51.7
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide	267	327	301	22.5	-8.0
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician	331	291	279	-12.1	-4.1
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation	365	185	244	-49.3	31.9
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/	159	201	234	26.4	16.4
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor	158	173	200	9.5	15.6
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	183	230	190	25.7	-17.4
Business Administration and Management, General	276	201	161	-27.2	-19.9
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	160	214	147	33.8	-31.3

Source: Technical College System of Georgia

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

Technical College Diploma Graduates - 2022

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2020	2021	2022	2020-2021	2021-2022
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	116	154	139	32.8	-9.7
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	76	69	106	-9.2	53.6
Business Administration and Management, General	94	104	79	10.6	-24.0
Welding Technology/Welder	32	41	52	28.1	26.8
Medical/Clinical Assistant	46	77	51	67.4	-33.8
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	55	48	39	-12.7	-18.8
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	33	35	37	6.1	5.7
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	48	54	36	12.5	-33.3
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	53	39	33	-26.4	-15.4
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	33	27	28	-18.2	3.7

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Technical College Degree Graduates - 2022

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2020	2021	2022	2020-2021	2021-2022
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	321	411	325	28.0	-20.9
Business Administration and Management, General	81	99	89	22.2	-10.1
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	41	50	44	22.0	-12.0
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies	48	44	41	-8.3	-6.8
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	41	29	38	-29.3	31.0
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	37	34	34	-8.1	0.0
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	34	39	26	14.7	-33.3
Logistics, Materials, and Supply Chain Management	23	27	26	17.4	-3.7
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	58	38	25	-34.5	-34.2
Medical/Clinical Assistant	7	25	20	257.1	-20.0

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Top Ten Largest Employers - 2022*

Laurens

Best Buy Stores, LP
 Fairview Park Hospital
 Flexsteel Industries, Inc.
 P&S Transportation, LLC
 Parker Hannifin Corporation
 The Kroger Company
 Walmart
 Warehouse Home Furnishings Distributors, Inc.
 Westrock Services, Inc..
 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 First Quarter of 2022. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

Laurens Area

	<u>COUNTY</u>
Academy Sports & Outdoors	Twiggs
Best Buy Stores, LP	Laurens
Crider, Inc.	Emanuel
Fairview Park Hospital	Laurens
Kamin, LLC	Wilkinson
Walmart	Laurens
Walmart	Emanuel
Warehouse Home Furnishings Distributors, Inc.	Laurens
Westrock Services, Inc..	Laurens
YKK AP America, Inc.	Laurens

Education of the Labor Force

Laurens Area

PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE

	PERCENT					
	OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	4.4%	2.2%	2.8%	1.6%	4.4%	8.5%
Some High School	12.9%	18.7%	8.4%	12.1%	11.8%	15.0%
High School Grad/GED	42.6%	43.2%	39.3%	39.9%	44.1%	44.3%
Some College	20.1%	29.6%	26.6%	19.3%	18.5%	13.6%
College Grad 2 Yr	7.3%	3.2%	10.6%	9.0%	8.1%	4.8%
College Grad 4 Yr	7.7%	2.9%	8.9%	10.7%	7.5%	7.8%
Post Graduate Studies	5.1%	0.2%	3.5%	7.5%	5.7%	6.0%
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.

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