



# Murray

# County



## Area Labor Profile

Updated: Dec 2016

### Labor Force Activity - 2015

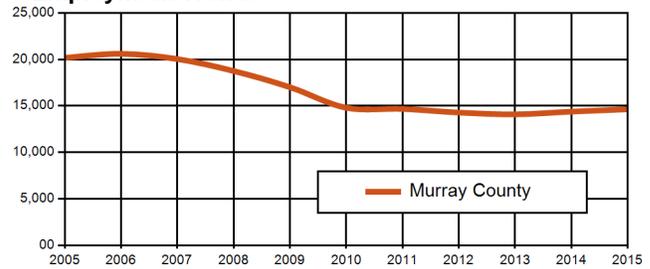
#### 2015 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Murray	15,810	14,639	1,171	7.4%
Fannin	10,094	9,484	610	6.0%
Gilmer	11,694	11,010	684	5.8%
Gordon	26,223	24,717	1,506	5.7%
Whitfield	44,695	41,863	2,832	6.3%
<b>Murray Area</b>	<b>108,516</b>	<b>101,713</b>	<b>6,803</b>	<b>6.3%</b>
Georgia	4,770,873	4,490,931	279,942	5.9%
United States	157,129,917	148,833,417	8,296,333	5.3%
Bradley, TN	49,040	46,400	2,640	5.4%
Polk, TN	7,330	6,840	500	6.7%

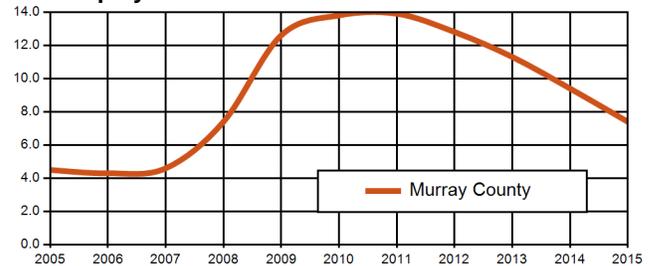
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

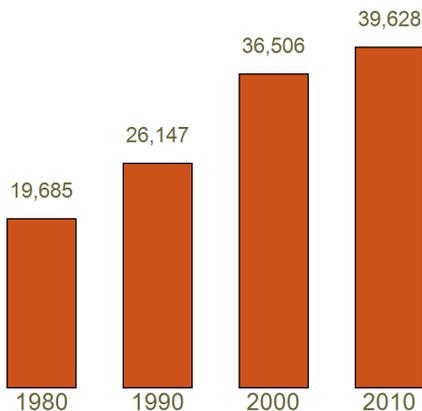
#### Employment Trends



#### Unemployment Rate Trends



#### Population Estimates



#### Population

	2010 Census	2015 Rank	2015 Estimate	% Change 2000-2015	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
<b>Murray</b>	<b>39,628</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>39,565</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>40,441</b>	<b>2.1</b>
City of Chatsworth	4,299					
<b>Murray Area</b>	<b>363,539</b>		<b>374,922</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>392,393</b>	<b>7.9</b>
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
Bradley, TN	98,523		104,091	5.7	108,917	10.5
Polk, TN	15,629		16,773	7.3	14,686	-6.0

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

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# Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2016

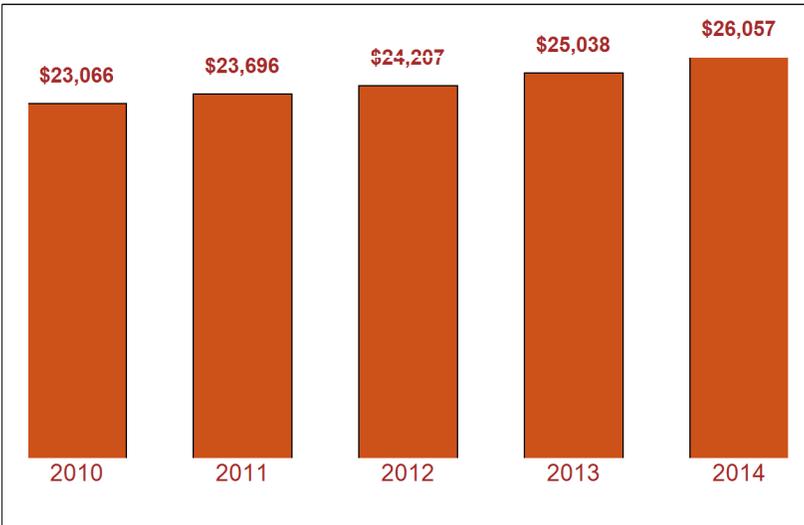
INDUSTRY	Murray				Murray Area			
	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY	NUMBER	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY
	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE	OF FIRMS	NUMBER	PERCENT	WAGE
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>4,764</b>	<b>49.1</b>	<b>737</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>36,331</b>	<b>36.3</b>	<b>801</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	7	31	0.3	570	35	352	0.4	599
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	1	*	*	*	9	193	0.2	1,154
Construction	30	107	1.1	583	395	2,280	2.3	786
Manufacturing	67	4,561	47.0	738	539	33,507	33.4	802
Food	1	*	*	*	17	1,290	1.3	670
Beverage and Tobacco Product	2	*	*	*	8	49	0.0	640
Textile Mills	4	*	*	*	64	5,144	5.1	723
Textile Product Mills	35	3,329	34.3	756	169	18,912	18.9	828
Wood Product	3	*	*	*	21	222	0.2	571
Paper	2	*	*	*	9	462	0.5	809
Printing and Related Support Activities	6	282	2.9	543	41	1,674	1.7	554
Chemical	6	108	1.1	853	39	1,533	1.5	1,185
Fabricated Metal Product	2	*	*	*	41	417	0.4	773
Machinery	4	118	1.2	902	29	449	0.4	917
Computer and Electronic Product	1	*	*	*	5	235	0.2	578
Miscellaneous	1	*	*	*	14	135	0.1	600
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	5	*	*	*
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	0	0	0.0	0	16	206	0.2	845
Furniture and Related Product	0	0	0.0	0	20	486	0.5	650
Plastics and Rubber Products	0	0	0.0	0	36	1,784	1.8	874
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>3,488</b>	<b>36.0</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>3,992</b>	<b>52,180</b>	<b>52.1</b>	<b>672</b>
Utilities	1	*	*	*	8	293	0.3	1,377
Wholesale Trade	25	220	2.3	770	393	5,128	5.1	963
Retail Trade	90	912	9.4	565	906	13,013	13.0	482
Transportation and Warehousing	11	112	1.2	818	182	4,062	4.1	767
Information	1	*	*	*	40	450	0.4	760
Finance and Insurance	22	166	1.7	860	253	1,404	1.4	874
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	11	31	0.3	539	178	639	0.6	593
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	22	103	1.1	879	389	3,307	3.3	1,195
Management of Companies and Enterprises	5	*	*	*	23	827	0.8	1,360
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	17	*	*	*	216	4,037	4.0	523
Educational Services	2	*	*	*	25	209	0.2	573
Health Care and Social Assistance	38	489	5.0	667	422	9,096	9.1	852
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	2	*	*	*	39	397	0.4	373
Accommodation and Food Services	41	611	6.3	251	439	7,579	7.6	285
Other Services (except Public Administration)	19	90	0.9	486	301	1,499	1.5	604
<b>Unclassified - industry not assigned</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>240</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>586</b>
<b>Total - Private Sector</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>8,266</b>	<b>85.2</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>4,970</b>	<b>88,511</b>	<b>88.3</b>	<b>725</b>
<b>Total - Government</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1,432</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>645</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>11,697</b>	<b>11.7</b>	<b>709</b>
Federal Government	9	96	1.0	1,099	46	455	0.5	1,012
State Government	9	53	0.5	476	78	1,680	1.7	672
Local Government	18	1,283	13.2	618	118	9,562	9.5	701
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>9,697</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>5,212</b>	<b>100,209</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>723</b>
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia</b>					<b>298,099</b>	<b>4,257,675</b>		<b>930</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 2016.

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

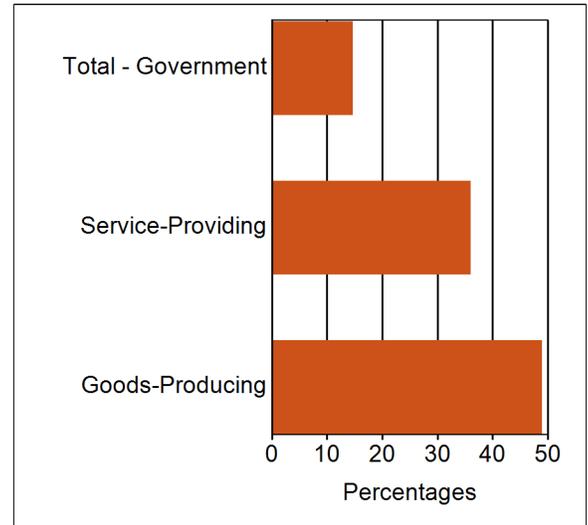
## Murray Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



## Murray Industry Mix 2016

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



## Top Ten Largest Employers - 2015\*

### Murray

Beaulieu Group, LLC  
 Georgia Carpet Finishers, Inc.  
 Gordon Hospital  
 Marquis Industries, Inc.  
 Mattex Usa Manufacturing, LLC  
 Men On The Move, Inc.  
 Mohawk Carpet Distribution LP  
 Shaw Industries Group, Inc.  
 Sierra Hard Surface Samples, Inc.  
 TDG Operations, 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 Third Quarter of 2015. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

### Murray Area

Engineered Floors, LLC  
 Gold Kist Inc.  
 Hamilton Medical Center, Inc.  
 Mohawk Carpet Distribution LP  
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 Mohawk Carpet Distribution LP  
 O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.  
 Seretean Plant  
 Shaw Industries Group, Inc.  
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### COUNTY

Gordon  
 Gilmer  
 Whitfield  
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## Commuting Patterns

EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF			PERSONS WORKING IN		
Murray			Murray		
COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL	COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Murray, GA	7,664	47.0	Murray, GA	7,664	65.9
Whitfield, GA	6,844	42.0	Whitfield, GA	2,102	18.1
Gordon, GA	616	3.8	Bradley, TN	333	2.9
Hamilton, TN	324	2.0	Gilmer, GA	298	2.6
Bartow, GA	121	0.7	Catoosa, GA	207	1.8
Walker, GA	116	0.7	Hamilton, TN	197	1.7
Gilmer, GA	115	0.7	Polk, TN	197	1.7
Fulton, GA	109	0.7	Gordon, GA	179	1.5
Other	405	2.5	Other	363	3.1
<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>16,314</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>11,635</b>	<b>100.0</b>

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

## Murray Area

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	11.7%	4.0%	9.4%	12.7%	10.4%	21.2%
Some High School	18.0%	28.6%	19.2%	17.4%	15.2%	15.9%
High School Grad/GED	35.0%	35.3%	33.5%	35.4%	36.0%	33.7%
Some College	18.7%	26.1%	20.0%	16.9%	18.6%	14.5%
College Grad 2 Yr	4.6%	2.9%	5.6%	4.9%	5.3%	3.0%
College Grad 4 Yr	7.6%	2.9%	9.1%	8.0%	8.5%	6.8%
Post Graduate Studies	4.4%	0.2%	3.2%	4.8%	5.9%	5.0%
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+. 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
Fannin	180	--	180
Gilmer	256	--	256
Gordon	619	--	619
Murray	433	--	433
Whitfield	1,224	--	1,224
<b>Murray Area</b>	<b>2,712</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>2,712</b>



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

### Murray Area

#### Whitfield

Dalton State College (Technical Division)	<a href="http://www.daltonstate.edu">www.daltonstate.edu</a>
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/student-services/index.php">www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php</a>

#### Gordon

Gordon County Campus (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php">www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php</a>
Richardson Road Training Center (Satellite campus of Georgia Northwestern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php">www.gntc.edu/student-services/index.php</a>

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°	547	367	744	-32.9	102.7

# Technical College Graduates - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General°	235	168	292	-28.5	73.8
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°	196	166	213	-15.3	28.3
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	100	61	116	-39.0	90.2
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	638	562	1,078	-11.9	91.8
Business Administration and Management, General°	175	227	922	29.7	306.2
Business Administration, Management and Operations, Other	7	12	32	71.4	166.7
CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician°	16	20	46	25.0	130.0
Cardiovascular Technology/Technologist	11	9	6	-18.2	-33.3
Child Care and Support Services Management°	21	13	18	-38.1	38.5
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	216	267	572	23.6	114.2
Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician	10	8	8	-20.0	0.0
Commercial Photography°	16	13	33	-18.8	153.8
Computer and Information Systems Security/Information Assurance°	50	34	181	-32.0	432.4
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	38	50	137	31.6	174.0
Computer Programming/Programmer, General	35	26	96	-25.7	269.2
Construction Management°	9	3	6	-66.7	100.0
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	284	269	403	-5.3	49.8
Criminal Justice/Police Science°	35	30	23	-14.3	-23.3
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	209	169	288	-19.1	70.4
Culinary Arts/Chef Training	57	40	61	-29.8	52.5
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation	16	21	40	31.3	90.5
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General°	89	48	172	-46.1	258.3
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	107	120	161	12.1	34.2
Dental Assisting/Assistant	31	33	54	6.5	63.6
Design and Visual Communications, General°	31	32	82	3.2	156.3
Diagnostic Medical Sonography/Sonographer and Ultrasound Technician	21	15	15	-28.6	0.0
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General°	38	46	91	21.1	97.8
Early Childhood Education and Teaching°	101	102	191	1.0	87.3
Electrical, Electronic and Communications Engineering Technology/Technician	33	12	30	-63.6	150.0
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General°	40	40	81	0.0	102.5
Electrician°	39	55	85	41.0	54.5
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°	140	130	336	-7.1	158.5
Environmental Control Technologies/Technicians, Other	10	5	10	-50.0	100.0
Fire Prevention and Safety Technology/Technician°	12	5	9	-58.3	80.0

# Technical College Graduates - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Fire Science/Fire-fighting°	28	26	37	-7.1	42.3
Fire Services Administration	15	9	11	-40.0	22.2
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant°	50	61	120	22.0	96.7
General Office Occupations and Clerical Services°	25	19	85	-24.0	347.4
Golf Course Operation and Grounds Management°	7	8	15	14.3	87.5
Health Information/Medical Records Technology/Technician°	32	40	116	25.0	190.0
Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General°	78	110	321	41.0	191.8
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology°	220	166	460	-24.5	177.1
Human Resources Management/Personnel Administration, General°	17	42	196	147.1	366.7
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	194	234	471	20.6	101.3
Instrumentation Technology/Technician°	18	13	34	-27.8	161.5
Interior Design°	9	11	168	22.2	1427.3
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	173	157	279	-9.2	77.7
Lineworker°	45	52	45	15.6	-13.5
Logistics and Materials Management°	2	5	22	150.0	340.0
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	53	52	108	-1.9	107.7
Marine Maintenance/Fitter and Ship Repair Technology/Technician	10	4	9	-60.0	125.0
Marketing/Marketing Management, General	45	33	40	-26.7	21.2
Massage Therapy/Therapeutic Massage°	9	9	9	0.0	0.0
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other°	6	2	10	-66.7	400.0
Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder°	34	20	52	-41.2	160.0
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	78	46	112	-41.0	143.5
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	91	97	202	6.6	108.2
Motorcycle Maintenance and Repair Technology/Technician°	20	12	47	-40.0	291.7
Network and System Administration/Administrator°	72	81	177	12.5	118.5
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	15	41	29	173.3	-29.3
Occupational Therapist Assistant	19	19	16	0.0	-15.8
Operations Management and Supervision°	3	7	25	133.3	257.1
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant°	46	40	60	-13.0	50.0
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	19	28	45	47.4	60.7
Physical Therapy Technician/Assistant	13	16	17	23.1	6.3
Professional, Technical, Business, and Scientific Writing°	100	59	561	-41.0	850.8
Radio and Television Broadcasting Technology/Technician°	19	21	24	10.5	14.3
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer°	36	36	30	0.0	-16.7
Registered Nursing/Registered Nurse	46	50	57	8.7	14.0

# Technical College Graduates - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	13	9	14	-30.8	55.6
Restaurant, Culinary, and Catering Management/Manager°	15	11	11	-26.7	0.0
Social Work, Other°	19	33	41	73.7	24.2
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	41	40	58	-2.4	45.0
Teacher Assistant/Aide°	4	9	25	125.0	177.8
Tool and Die Technology/Technician°	8	5	7	-37.5	40.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor°	105	141	306	34.3	117.0
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design°	16	18	29	12.5	61.1
Welding Technology/Welder°	186	234	747	25.8	219.2

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.	Comm. and Svcs	Legal	Ed. and Training	Arts and Design	Health Prac.	Health Support	
Fannin	935	121	64	210	62	7	19	0	85	64	202	101
Gilmer	1,316	213	129	166	10	0	154	45	85	56	279	179
Gordon	514	73	52	97	103	4	18	0	44	1	67	55
Murray	537	59	112	77	10	27	37	7	32	17	91	68
Whitfield	684	89	83	60	53	7	15	20	65	66	153	73
Subtotal Area	3,986	555	440	610	238	45	243	72	311	204	792	476

## 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
Fannin	4,001	28	265	123	68	599	1,100	22	192	296	560	748
Gilmer	3,541	86	184	105	52	371	1,141	37	149	169	615	632
Gordon	2,582	33	89	100	8	151	806	2	39	237	746	371
Murray	4,275	58	68	35	105	372	1,365	24	57	317	1,031	843
Whitfield	7,969	43	332	164	144	642	2,023	20	233	682	2,344	1,342
Subtotal Area	22,368	248	938	527	377	2,135	6,435	105	670	1,701	5,296	3,936

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 October 2016).

# Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

**Career Center(s)**

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