

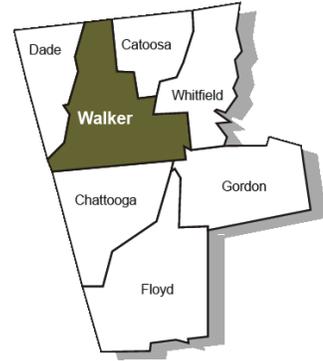


Georgia

Area Labor Profile

Walker

County



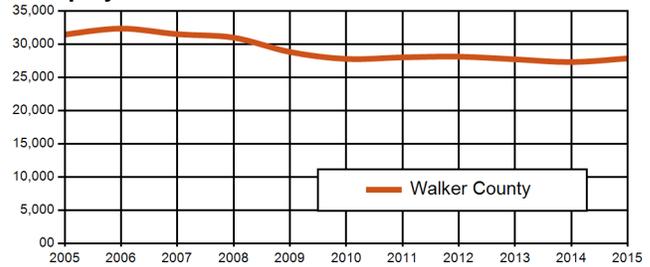
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Labor Force Activity - 2015

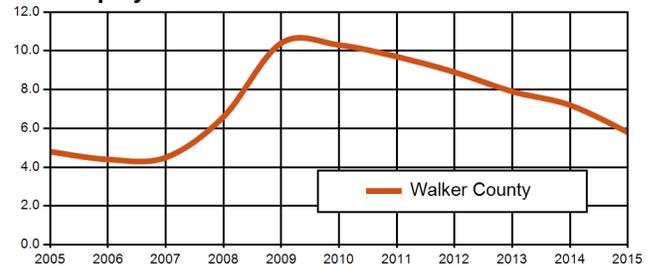
2015 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	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



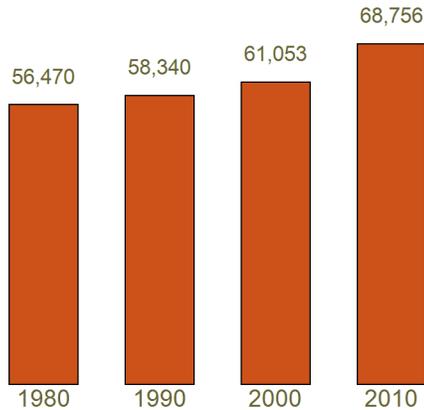
Unemployment Rate Trends



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 - 2nd Quarter of 2016

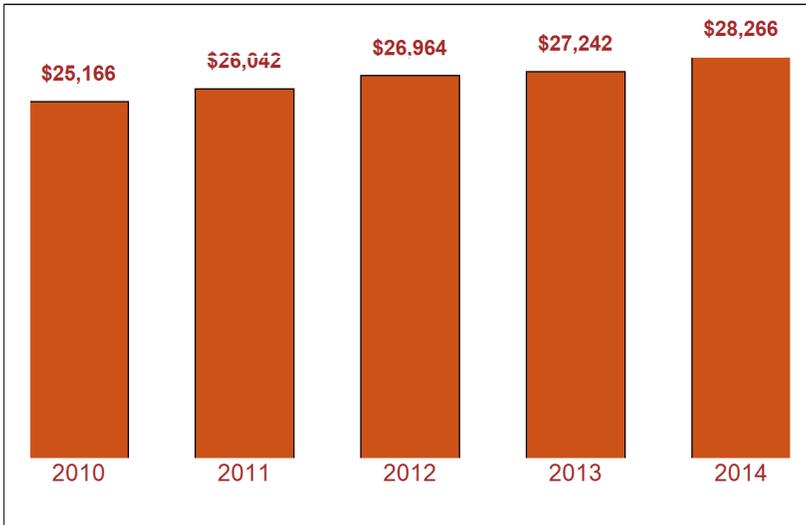
INDUSTRY	Walker				Walker Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
Goods-Producing	117	4,560	35.3	733	1,300	46,696	30.6	825
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	5	16	0.1	429	57	410	0.3	731
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	1	*	*	*	8	42	0.0	1,314
Construction	60	185	1.4	795	553	3,530	2.3	792
Manufacturing	51	4,358	33.7	732	682	42,716	28.0	828
Food	2	*	*	*	23	1,714	1.1	998
Textile Mills	5	*	*	*	86	8,941	5.9	727
Textile Product Mills	4	91	0.7	617	149	16,242	10.7	838
Wood Product	2	*	*	*	24	481	0.3	947
Paper	1	*	*	*	13	1,130	0.7	1,173
Printing and Related Support Activities	2	*	*	*	48	1,591	1.0	589
Chemical	4	92	0.7	761	47	2,083	1.4	1,082
Plastics and Rubber Products	3	*	*	*	43	2,129	1.4	879
Fabricated Metal Product	16	326	2.5	724	95	1,695	1.1	905
Machinery	1	*	*	*	40	615	0.4	897
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	2	*	*	*	6	*	*	*
Transportation Equipment	3	*	*	*	14	1,864	1.2	761
Furniture and Related Product	3	*	*	*	32	756	0.5	653
Miscellaneous	3	*	*	*	22	493	0.3	700
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	183	0.1	873
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	9	636	0.4	955
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	0	0	0.0	0	20	306	0.2	856
Service-Providing	580	4,886	37.8	533	6,317	84,181	55.2	683
Utilities	0	*	*	*	15	667	0.4	1,531
Wholesale Trade	43	164	1.3	812	513	7,015	4.6	1,010
Retail Trade	138	1,391	10.8	412	1,442	20,416	13.4	479
Transportation and Warehousing	16	99	0.8	777	245	5,086	3.3	804
Information	6	45	0.3	911	70	1,157	0.8	953
Finance and Insurance	43	425	3.3	1,036	405	2,851	1.9	906
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	18	29	0.2	499	255	1,042	0.7	637
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	65	156	1.2	919	615	4,089	2.7	1,133
Management of Companies and Enterprises	2	*	*	*	28	756	0.5	1,480
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	35	231	1.8	553	364	5,170	3.4	525
Educational Services	4	5	0.0	569	48	1,756	1.2	834
Health Care and Social Assistance	80	787	6.1	561	805	17,783	11.7	868
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	11	344	2.7	502	82	1,154	0.8	377
Accommodation and Food Services	58	870	6.7	259	652	12,125	8.0	287
Other Services (except Public Administration)	61	339	2.6	617	510	2,782	1.8	586
Unclassified - industry not assigned	27	32	0.2	574	268	332	0.2	641
Total - Private Sector	724	9,478	73.4	629	7,617	130,877	85.9	734
Total - Government	66	3,442	26.6	561	400	21,553	14.1	689
Federal Government	10	100	0.8	955	64	664	0.4	988
State Government	25	597	4.6	618	134	3,969	2.6	664
Local Government	31	2,745	21.2	534	202	16,920	11.1	683
ALL INDUSTRIES	790	12,920	100.0	611	8,017	152,432	100.0	727
ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia					298,099	4,257,675		930

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.

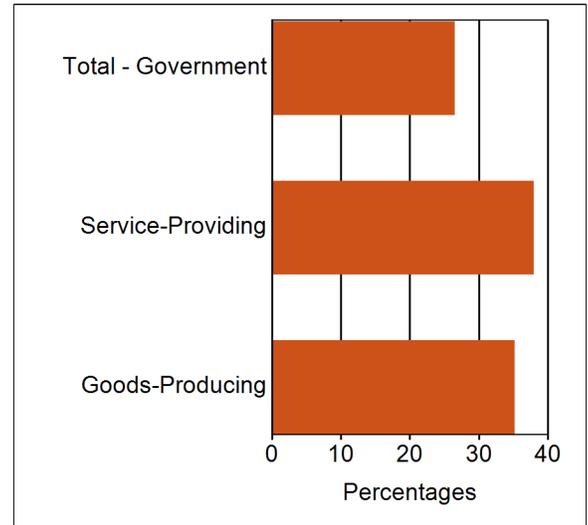
Walker Per Capita Income

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

BI-LO, Inc.
 Bluecross Blueshield Of Tennessee
 Ga Dept Of Corrections
 McDonalds
 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

Gordon
 Floyd
 Whitfield
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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 DISTRIBUTION BY AGE					
	PERCENT OF TOTAL	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	671	66	43	56	6	10	12	0	43	37	330	68
Chattooga	241	46	7	24	38	8	13	0	11	6	38	50
Dade	68	8	21	3	15	0	0	2	6	2	11	0
Floyd	1,086	170	95	189	61	2	72	2	156	71	149	119
Gordon	514	73	52	97	103	4	18	0	44	1	67	55
Walker	893	93	53	83	37	4	87	14	69	85	300	68
Whitfield	684	89	83	60	53	7	15	20	65	66	153	73
Subtotal Area	4,157	545	354	512	313	35	217	38	394	268	1,048	433

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	2,726	38	159	55	30	320	1,094	13	62	138	374	443
Chattooga	2,808	27	75	45	32	279	567	18	111	172	987	495
Dade	499	63	12	1	29	18	76	7	49	50	101	93
Floyd	6,640	75	191	91	186	786	1,555	9	285	642	1,714	1,106
Gordon	2,582	33	89	100	8	151	806	2	39	237	746	371
Walker	5,858	32	281	129	84	473	1,336	104	197	368	1,550	1,304
Whitfield	7,969	43	332	164	144	642	2,023	20	233	682	2,344	1,342
Subtotal Area	29,082	311	1,139	585	513	2,669	7,457	173	976	2,289	7,816	5,154

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)

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