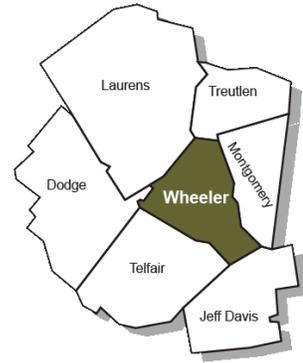




## Area Labor Profile

# Wheeler

# County



Updated: Dec 2016

## Labor Force Activity - 2015

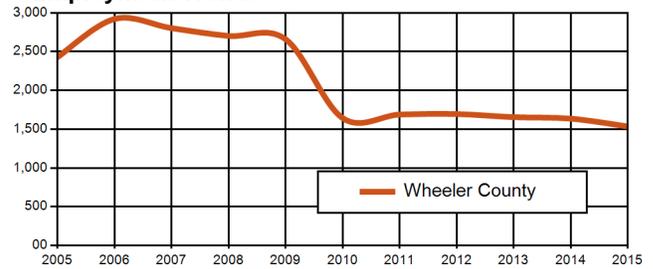
### 2015 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Wheeler	1,719	1,535	184	10.7%
Dodge	6,992	6,414	578	8.3%
Jeff Davis	6,383	5,972	411	6.4%
Laurens	18,486	17,093	1,393	7.5%
Montgomery	3,766	3,450	316	8.4%
Telfair	4,877	4,463	414	8.5%
Treutlen	2,730	2,506	224	8.2%
<b>Wheeler Area</b>	<b>44,953</b>	<b>41,433</b>	<b>3,520</b>	<b>7.8%</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%

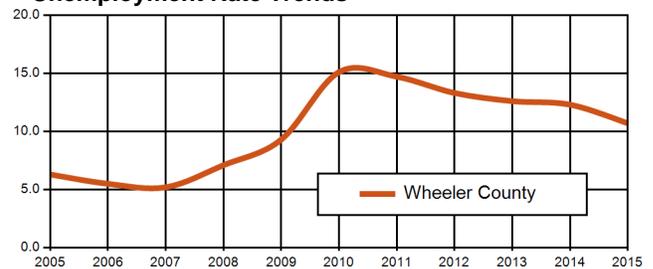
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

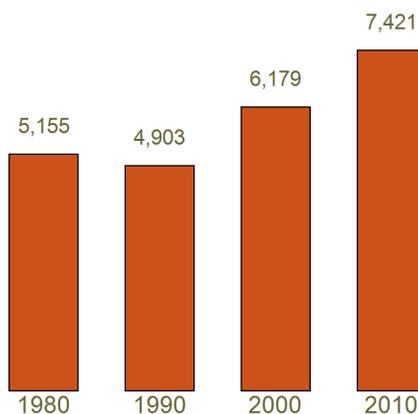
### Employment Trends



### Unemployment Rate Trends



### Population Estimates



### Population

	2010 Census	2015 Rank	2015 Estimate	% Change 2000-2015	2025 Projected*	% Change 2010-2025
<b>Wheeler</b>	<b>7,421</b>	<b>287</b>	<b>7,903</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>8,800</b>	<b>18.6</b>
City of Alamo	2,797					
<b>Wheeler Area</b>	<b>125,227</b>		<b>123,572</b>	<b>-1.3</b>	<b>128,832</b>	<b>2.9</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

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

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# Industry Mix - 2nd Quarter of 2016

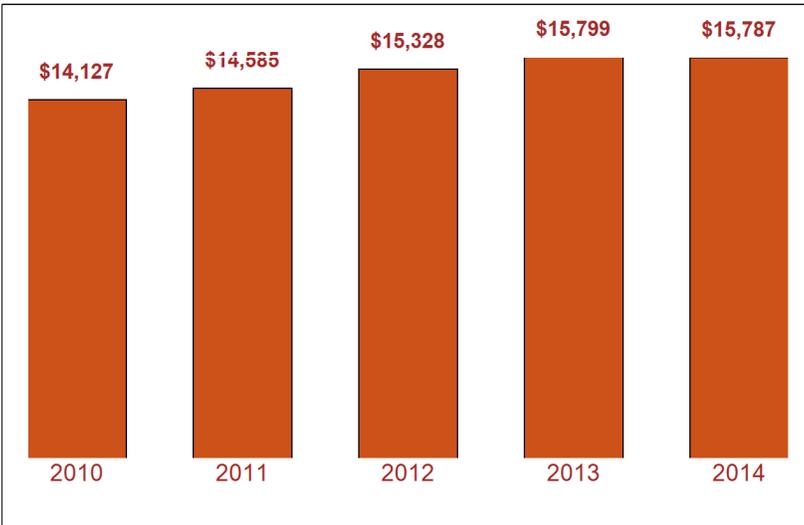
INDUSTRY	Wheeler				Wheeler Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>143</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>351</b>	<b>6,649</b>	<b>19.2</b>	<b>754</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	16	106	8.8	797	87	656	1.9	737
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Construction	6	*	*	*	157	1,045	3.0	760
Manufacturing	0	*	*	*	106	4,917	14.2	754
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Leather and Allied Product	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Chemical	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Textile Mills	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Beverage and Tobacco Product	0	0	0.0	0	3	45	0.1	806
Plastics and Rubber Products	0	0	0.0	0	5	33	0.1	537
Food	0	0	0.0	0	5	65	0.2	622
Paper	0	0	0.0	0	5	456	1.3	1,517
Printing and Related Support Activities	0	0	0.0	0	6	23	0.1	389
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	7	568	1.6	799
Machinery	0	0	0.0	0	7	982	2.8	448
Miscellaneous	0	0	0.0	0	8	76	0.2	462
Furniture and Related Product	0	0	0.0	0	8	437	1.3	639
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	0	0	0.0	0	10	134	0.4	702
Wood Product	0	0	0.0	0	14	801	2.3	744
Fabricated Metal Product	0	0	0.0	0	21	800	2.3	870
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>741</b>	<b>61.9</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>1,737</b>	<b>19,245</b>	<b>55.5</b>	<b>624</b>
Utilities	1	*	*	*	9	168	0.5	1,245
Wholesale Trade	3	27	2.3	545	119	1,128	3.3	931
Retail Trade	14	63	5.3	326	464	4,576	13.2	436
Transportation and Warehousing	9	59	4.9	661	105	1,173	3.4	647
Information	2	*	*	*	27	242	0.7	769
Finance and Insurance	2	*	*	*	108	903	2.6	798
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	2	*	*	*	67	204	0.6	579
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2	*	*	*	117	418	1.2	739
Management of Companies and Enterprises	0	0	0.0	0	12	611	1.8	3,029
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	3	*	*	*	83	2,253	6.5	525
Educational Services	0	0	0.0	0	10	250	0.7	417
Health Care and Social Assistance	3	*	*	*	251	3,792	10.9	665
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1	*	*	*	18	181	0.5	318
Accommodation and Food Services	3	21	1.8	418	162	2,825	8.1	245
Other Services (except Public Administration)	3	3	0.3	383	143	463	1.3	475
<b>Unclassified - industry not assigned</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>559</b>
<b>Total - Private Sector</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>74.5</b>	<b>585</b>	<b>2,088</b>	<b>25,894</b>	<b>74.7</b>	<b>658</b>
<b>Total - Government</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>306</b>	<b>25.5</b>	<b>558</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>8,790</b>	<b>25.3</b>	<b>740</b>
Federal Government	4	12	1.0	718	50	*	*	*
State Government	4	11	0.9	709	97	2,034	5.9	636
Local Government	6	283	23.6	545	101	5,175	14.9	625
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>1,198</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>578</b>	<b>2,336</b>	<b>34,684</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>678</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.

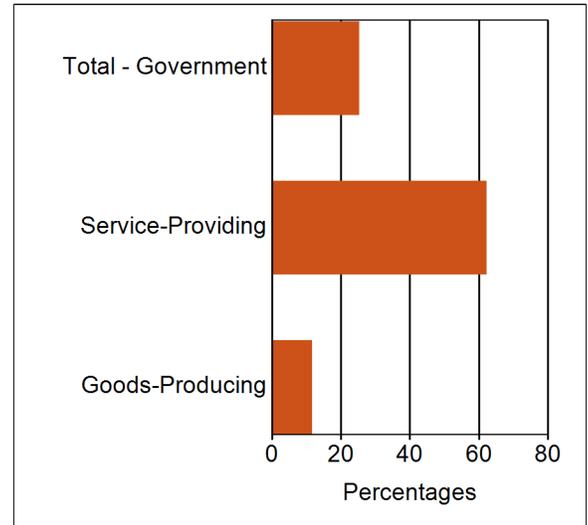
## Wheeler Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



## Wheeler Industry Mix 2016

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



## Top Ten Largest Employers - 2015\*

### Wheeler

BP Timber Company, LLC  
 Carey Locke Logging Co, Inc.  
 Coffee Correctional Facility  
 Dollar General  
 G & A Logging, Inc.  
 Glenwood Healthcare, LLC  
 Glenwood Telephone Co  
 Premier Heating & Air, Inc.  
 The Little Ocmulgee Electric Membership Corporation  
 Wheeler County State Bank

\*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

### Wheeler Area

Consumer Outdoor Products, Inc.  
 ETCO Employment Solutions  
 Fairview Park Hospital  
 McRae Correctional Facility  
 Propex Operating Company, LLC  
 SP Fiber Technologies, LLC  
 Walmart  
 Warehouse Home Furnishings  
 Wheeler Correctional Facility  
 YKK AP America, Inc.

### COUNTY

Telfair  
 Laurens  
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## Commuting Patterns

### EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF

#### Wheeler

COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Wheeler, GA	934	53.5
Telfair, GA	337	19.3
Montgomery, GA	136	7.8
Toombs, GA	63	3.6
Emanuel, GA	46	2.6
Dodge, GA	44	2.5
Laurens, GA	41	2.3
Early, GA	25	1.4
Other	120	6.9
<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>1,746</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### PERSONS WORKING IN

#### Wheeler

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Wheeler, GA	934	51.9
Telfair, GA	249	13.8
Toombs, GA	206	11.5
Laurens, GA	156	8.7
Montgomery, GA	135	7.5
Appling, GA	70	3.9
Dodge, GA	20	1.1
Bleckley, GA	16	0.9
Other	12	0.7
<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>1,798</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

## Wheeler Area

	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE					
	PERCENT OF TOTAL	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Elementary	8.0%	3.4%	4.8%	4.3%	7.1%	19.9%
Some High School	16.4%	24.9%	15.1%	13.2%	14.5%	18.2%
High School Grad/GED	42.7%	40.7%	43.8%	46.1%	43.8%	37.4%
Some College	15.0%	24.2%	15.2%	13.7%	14.2%	11.0%
College Grad 2 Yr	6.2%	3.8%	8.7%	6.7%	7.0%	3.4%
College Grad 4 Yr	7.4%	2.6%	8.6%	10.0%	8.0%	6.0%
Post Graduate Studies	4.4%	0.4%	4.0%	6.1%	5.4%	4.3%
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
Dodge	205	--	205
Jeff Davis	165	--	165
Laurens	550	--	550
Montgomery	119	--	119
Telfair	85	--	85
Treutlen	65	--	65
Wheeler	67	--	67
<b>Wheeler Area</b>	<b>1,256</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>1,256</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

## Wheeler Area

### Dodge

Georgia Aviation Technical College	<a href="http://www.gavtc.org">http://www.gavtc.org</a>
Mercer Campus (Satellite campus of Mercer University)	<a href="http://www.mercer.edu">http://www.mercer.edu</a>
Georgia Aviation & Technical College	<a href="http://www.gavtc.org">www.gavtc.org</a>
Middle Georgia College	<a href="http://www.mgc.edu">www.mgc.edu</a>
Dodge County Instructional Center (Satellite campus of Oconee Fall Line Technical College)	<a href="http://www.oftc.edu">www.oftc.edu</a>

### Montgomery

Brewton-Parker College	<a href="http://www.bpc.edu">www.bpc.edu</a>
Commercial Truck Driving Center (Satellite campus of Southeastern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.southeasterntech.edu">www.southeasterntech.edu</a>
Economic Development Center (Satellite campus of Southeastern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.southeasterntech.edu">www.southeasterntech.edu</a>
Hugh M. Gillis Medical Center (Satellite campus of Southeastern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.southeasterntech.edu">www.southeasterntech.edu</a>
Montgomery County Center (Satellite campus of Southeastern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.southeasterntech.edu">www.southeasterntech.edu</a>

### Jeff Davis

Hazlehurst Campus (Satellite campus of Coastal Pines Technical College)	<a href="http://www.coastalpinestechicalcollege.org/">www.coastalpinestechicalcollege.org/</a>
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### Laurens

Heart of Georgia Technical College	<a href="http://www.heartofgatech.edu">www.heartofgatech.edu</a>
South Campus (Satellite campus of Oconee Fall Line Technical College)	<a href="http://www.oftc.edu">www.oftc.edu</a>

### Telfair

Little Ocmulgee Center (Loic) (Satellite campus of Oconee Fall Line Technical College)	<a href="http://www.oftc.edu">www.oftc.edu</a>
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### Treutlen

Treutlen Workforce Development (Satellite campus of Southeastern Technical College)	<a href="http://www.southeasterntech.edu">www.southeasterntech.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 - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping°	98	110	213	12.2	93.6
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General°	83	89	155	7.2	74.2
Allied Health and Medical Assisting Services, Other°	82	62	83	-24.4	33.9
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician°	6	11	10	83.3	-9.1
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician°	208	171	288	-17.8	68.4
Business Administration and Management, General°	43	31	39	-27.9	25.8
Business Administration, Management and Operations, Other	5	2	1	-60.0	-50.0
Carpentry/Carpenter°	16	8	25	-50.0	212.5
Child Care Provider/Assistant°	91	84	238	-7.7	183.3
Clinical/Medical Laboratory Technician	21	13	16	-38.1	23.1
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician°	47	49	122	4.3	149.0
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General°	178	100	253	-43.8	153.0
Criminal Justice/Safety Studies°	179	101	346	-43.6	242.6

# Technical College Graduates - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General°	50	80	147	60.0	83.8
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician°	101	89	226	-11.9	153.9
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	6	6	6	0.0	0.0
Diesel Mechanics Technology/Technician°	6	7	17	16.7	142.9
Early Childhood Education and Teaching°	69	45	133	-34.8	195.6
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General°	45	31	84	-31.1	171.0
Electrician°	157	88	115	-43.9	30.7
Electromechanical and Instrumentation and Maintenance Technologies/Technicians,°	3	9	12	200.0	33.3
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)°	123	107	152	-13.0	42.1
Food Preparation/Professional Cooking/Kitchen Assistant°	51	38	69	-25.5	81.6
General Office Occupations and Clerical Services°	43	51	106	18.6	107.8
Health Services/Allied Health/Health Sciences, General°	6	14	32	133.3	128.6
Heating, Air Conditioning, Ventilation and Refrigeration Maintenance Technology/°	211	194	318	-8.1	63.9
Heavy Equipment Maintenance Technology/Technician°	3	1	33	-66.7	3200.0
Human Resources Management/Personnel Administration, General°	13	11	7	-15.4	-36.4
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology°	28	28	47	0.0	67.9
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	164	172	314	4.9	82.6
Lineworker°	36	40	88	11.1	120.0
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant°	2	7	15	250.0	114.3
Marketing/Marketing Management, General	2	7	7	250.0	0.0
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	7	1	2	-85.7	100.0
Medical Office Assistant/Specialist°	46	36	84	-21.7	133.3
Medical/Clinical Assistant	82	42	116	-48.8	176.2
Medical/Health Management and Clinical Assistant/Specialist	8	14	17	75.0	21.4
Medium/Heavy Vehicle and Truck Technology/Technician°	13	12	25	-7.7	108.3
Network and System Administration/Administrator°	49	19	99	-61.2	421.1
Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant/Aide°	163	329	690	101.8	109.7
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant	26	20	41	-23.1	105.0
Phlebotomy Technician/Phlebotomist°	25	18	48	-28.0	166.7
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	7	20	15	185.7	-25.0
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	15	19	13	26.7	-31.6
Surgical Technology/Technologist°	18	13	22	-27.8	69.2
Surveying Technology/Surveying°	6	6	12	0.0	100.0
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operator and Instructor°	186	279	545	50.0	95.3
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design°	5	7	1	40.0	-85.7

# Technical College Graduates - 2015\*

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2013	2014	2015	2013-2014	2014-2015
Welding Technology/Welder°	362	370	686	2.2	85.4

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 Eng.	Soc. Svcs.	Comm. and Svcs	Legal	Ed. and Training	Arts and Design	Health Prac.	Health Support
Dodge	189	24	19	20	1	6	2	8	0	5	42	62
Jeff Davis	43	1	5	3	2	3	1	0	11	4	9	4
Laurens	847	76	52	76	98	3	26	1	105	82	223	105
Montgomery	36	17	2	5	3	0	0	0	6	0	0	3
Telfair	65	2	5	0	3	0	3	0	45	2	0	5
Treutlen	47	1	2	2	1	6	1	0	18	0	3	13
Wheeler	17	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	13	2	1	0
Subtotal Area	1,244	121	86	106	108	18	33	9	198	95	278	192

## Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor (cont.)

	TOTAL	Protect. Svcs.	Food Prep.	Ground Cleaning	Personal Care	Sales	Office Support	Farm. and Forestry	Constru- tion	Installation Main.	Prod.	Trans. and Moving
Dodge	2,610	97	98	17	43	215	546	5	157	243	745	444
Jeff Davis	729	5	23	3	3	62	131	0	21	61	250	170
Laurens	5,895	74	282	486	99	356	1,281	47	436	473	1,435	926
Montgomery	553	3	8	7	11	40	176	6	20	89	125	68
Telfair	1,021	18	28	11	14	87	195	1	28	30	357	252
Treutlen	501	0	31	4	7	25	48	1	23	56	130	176
Wheeler	298	1	14	1	0	10	91	4	2	33	47	95
Subtotal Area	11,607	198	484	529	177	795	2,468	64	687	985	3,089	2,131

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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