

# Walton County, GA

Development Authority of Walton County



132 East Spring Street Monroe, Georgia 30655



### **Economy Overview**

### 109,888

#### Population (2024)

Population grew by 15,070 over the last 5 years and is projected to grow by 15,526 over the next 5 years. **31,315** Total Regional Employment

Jobs grew by 4,019 over the last

5 years and are projected to grow

by 3,195 over the next 5 years.

### \$82.4K

Median Household Income (2023)

Median household income is \$3.8K above the national median household income of \$78.5K.

#### Takeaways

- As of 2024 the region's population **increased by 15.9%** since 2019, growing by 15,070. Population is expected to **increase by 14.1%** between 2024 and 2029, adding 15,526.
- From 2019 to 2024, jobs increased by 14.7% in Walton County, GA from 27,296 to 31,315. This change outpaced the national growth rate of 4.3% by 10.4%. As the number of jobs increased, the labor force participation rate decreased from 61.9% to 60.9% between 2019 and 2024.
- Concerning educational attainment, **16.3% of Walton County, GA residents possess a Bachelor's Degree** (5.2% below the national average), and **8.0% hold an Associate's Degree** (0.8% below the national average).
- The top three industries in 2024 are Restaurants and Other Eating Places, Education and Hospitals (Local Government), and Local Government, Excluding Education and Hospitals.

|        | Population<br>(2025) | Labor<br>Force<br>(May<br>2025) | Jobs<br>(2024) | Cost<br>of<br>Living | GRP       | Imports   | Exports   |
|--------|----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Region | 113,029              | 52,523                          | 31,315         | 94.4                 | \$4.33B   | \$7.48B   | \$4.29B   |
| State  | 11,247,869           | 5,360,792                       | 5,519,428      | 93.6                 | \$856.74B | \$629.65B | \$792.17B |

#### May 2025 Labor Force Breakdown



#### **Educational Attainment**

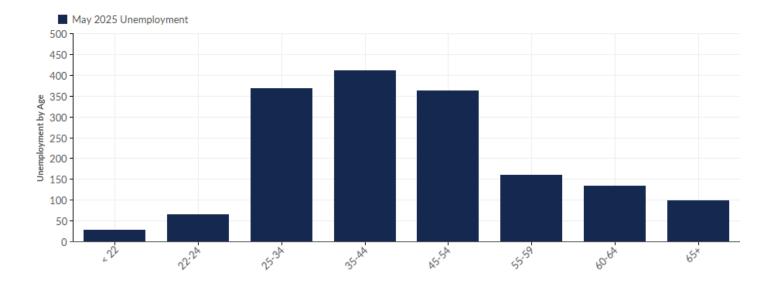
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|   |                               | % of Population | Population |
|---|-------------------------------|-----------------|------------|
| • | Less Than 9th Grade           | 3.6%            | 2,690      |
| • | 9th Grade to 12th<br>Grade    | 9.4%            | 7,057      |
| • | High School Diploma           | 32.0%           | 24,039     |
| • | Some College                  | 21.4%           | 16,032     |
| • | Associate's Degree            | 8.0%            | 6,035      |
| • | Bachelor's Degree             | 16.3%           | 12,208     |
| • | Graduate Degree and<br>Higher | 9.3%            | 6,983      |



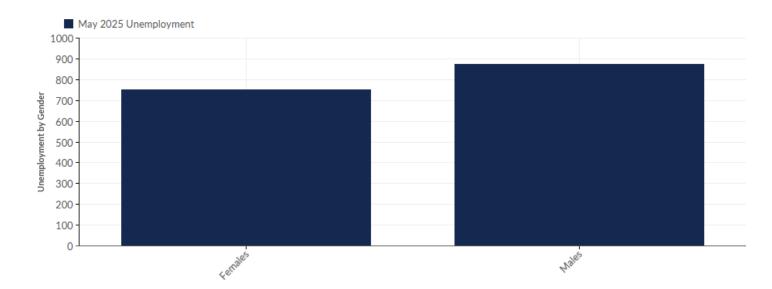
## Unemployment by Demographics

### Unemployment by Age



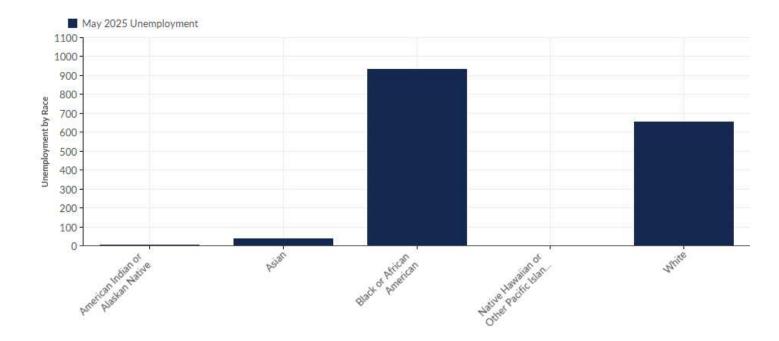
| Age   | Une   | employment<br>(May 2025) | % of<br>Unemployed |
|-------|-------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| < 22  |       | 29                       | 1.78%              |
| 22-24 |       | 65                       | 3.99%              |
| 25-34 |       | 368                      | 22.60%             |
| 35-44 |       | 411                      | 25.25%             |
| 45-54 |       | 363                      | 22.30%             |
| 55-59 |       | 160                      | 9.83%              |
| 60-64 |       | 133                      | 8.17%              |
| 65+   |       | 99                       | 6.08%              |
|       | Total | 1,628                    | 100.00%            |

### **Unemployment by Gender**



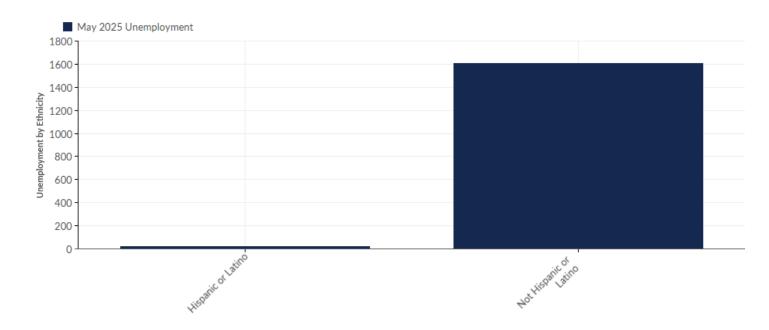
| Gender  | Ur    | employment<br>(May 2025) | % of<br>Unemployed |
|---------|-------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Females |       | 753                      | 46.25%             |
| Males   |       | 875                      | 53.75%             |
|         | Total | 1,628                    | 100.00%            |

### **Unemployment by Race**



| Race                                      | Ur    | nemployment<br>(May 2025) | % of<br>Unemployed |
|---|-------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| American Indian or Alaskan Native         |       | 3                         | 0.18%              |
| Asian                                     |       | 37                        | 2.27%              |
| Black or African American                 |       | 933                       | 57.31%             |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander |       | 0                         | 0.00%              |
| White                                     |       | 654                       | 40.17%             |
|   | Total | 1,628                     | 100.00%            |

### **Unemployment by Ethnicity**



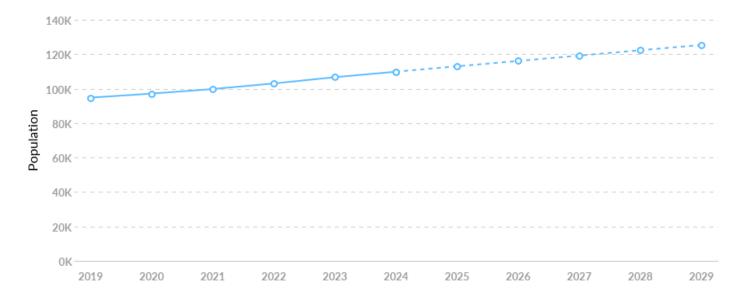
| Ethnicity              | Unemployment<br>(May 2025) | % of<br>Unemployed |
|------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Hispanic or Latino     | 19                         | 1.17%              |
| Not Hispanic or Latino | 1,609                      | 98.83%             |
| То                     | tal 1,628                  | 100.00%            |



## Historic & Projected Trends

#### **Population Trends**

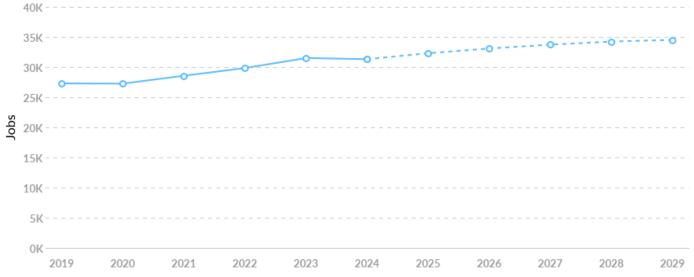
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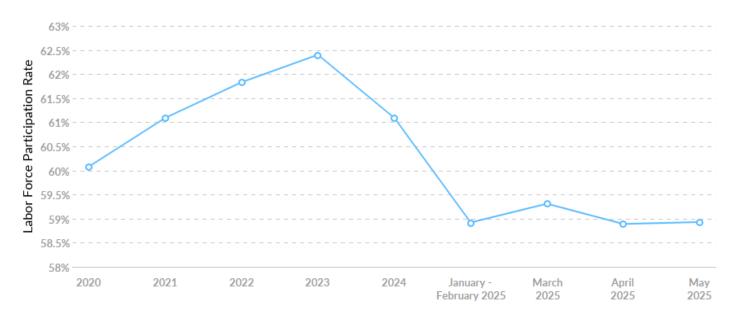
| Timeframe | Population |
|-----------|------------|
| 2019      | 94,818     |
| 2020      | 97,158     |
| 2021      | 99,814     |
| 2022      | 103,064    |
| 2023      | 106,702    |
| 2024      | 109,888    |
| 2025      | 113,029    |
| 2026      | 116,131    |
| 2027      | 119,251    |
| 2028      | 122,347    |
| 2029      | 125,415    |

#### Job Trends

From 2019 to 2024, jobs increased by 14.7% in Walton County, GA from 27,296 to 31,315. This change outpaced the national growth rate of 4.3% by 10.4%.



| Timeframe | Jobs   |
|-----------|--------|
| 2019      | 27,296 |
| 2020      | 27,255 |
| 2021      | 28,569 |
| 2022      | 29,845 |
| 2023      | 31,505 |
| 2024      | 31,315 |
| 2025      | 32,303 |
| 2026      | 33,088 |
| 2027      | 33,726 |
| 2028      | 34,241 |
| 2029      | 34,510 |



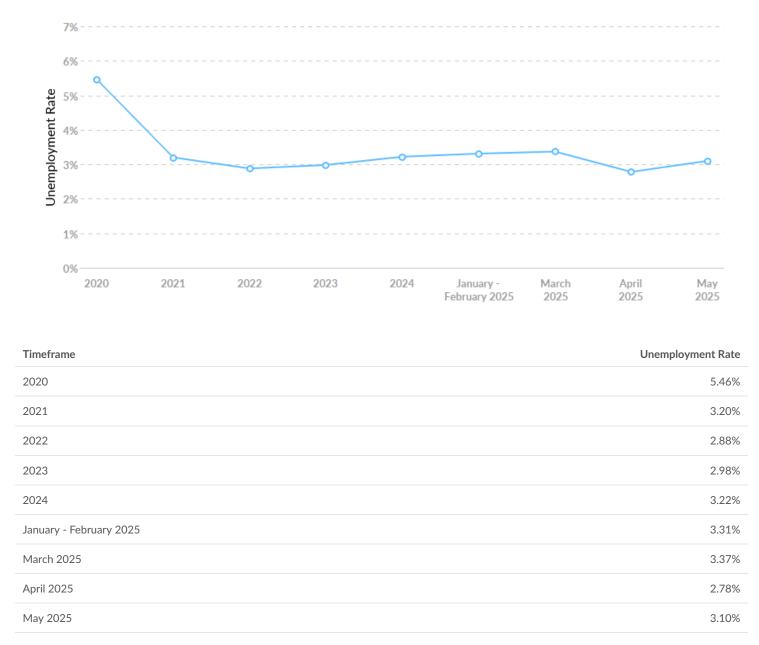
### Labor Force Participation Rate Trends

#### Timeframe Labor Force Participation Rate 2020 60.08% 2021 61.09% 2022 61.83% 2023 62.40% 2024 61.09% January - February 2025 58.92% March 2025 59.31% April 2025 58.89% May 2025 58.93%



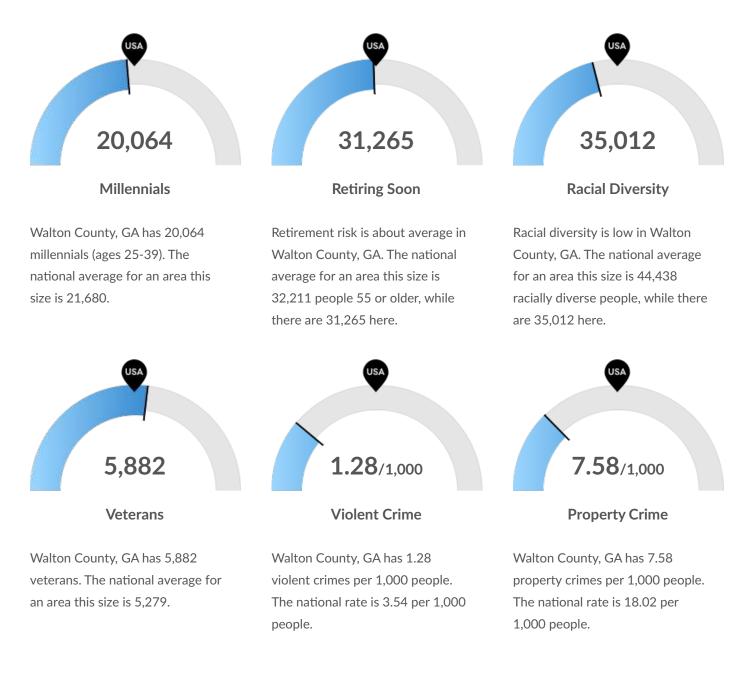
#### **Unemployment Rate Trends**

Walton County, GA had a May 2025 unemployment rate of 3.10%, decreasing from 5.46% 5 years before.



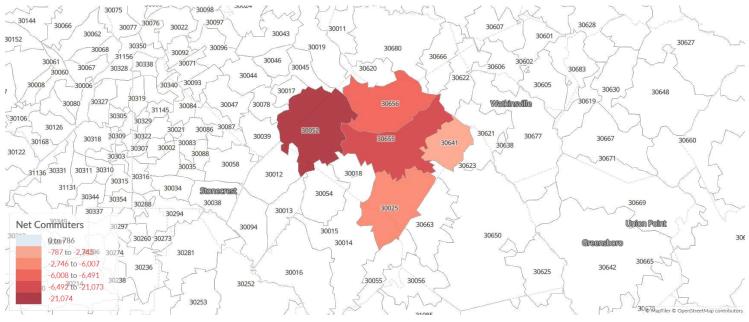


### **Population Characteristics**



#### Place of Work vs Place of Residence

Understanding where talent in Walton County, GA currently works compared to where talent lives can help you optimize site decisions.



#### Where Talent Works

| ZIP   | Name                      | 2024<br>Employment |
|-------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| 30052 | Loganville, GA (in Walto  | 17,067             |
| 30655 | Monroe, GA (in Walton     | 7,948              |
| 30656 | Monroe, GA (in Walton     | 3,697              |
| 30025 | Social Circle, GA (in Wal | 2,357              |
| 30641 | Good Hope, GA (in Wal     | 185                |

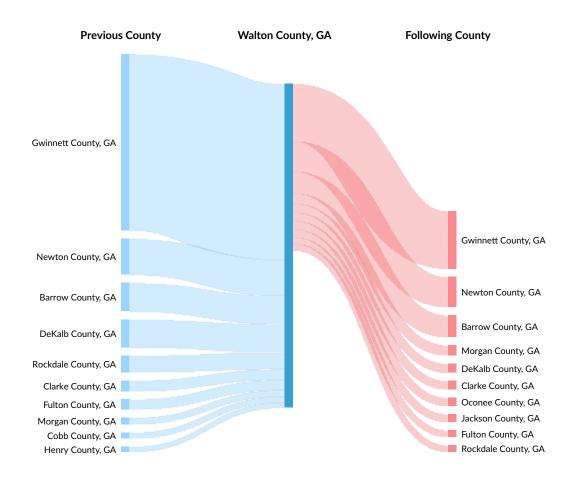
#### Where Talent Lives

| ZIP   | Name                      | 2024<br>Workers |
|-------|---------------------------|-----------------|
| 30052 | Loganville, GA (in Walto  | 38,141          |
| 30655 | Monroe, GA (in Walton     | 14,440          |
| 30656 | Monroe, GA (in Walton     | 9,704           |
| 30025 | Social Circle, GA (in Wal | 5,103           |
| 30641 | Good Hope, GA (in Wal     | 972             |

## Inbound and Outbound Migration

The table below analyzes past and current residents of Walton County, GA. The left column shows residents of other counties migrating to Walton County, GA. The right column shows residents migrating from Walton County, GA to other counties.

As of 2022, 3,205 people have migrated from Gwinnett County, GA to Walton County, GA. In the same year, 1,045 people left Walton County, GA migrating to Gwinnett County, GA. The total Net Migration for Walton County, GA in 2022 was 2,978.



#### **Top Previous Counties**

Migrations

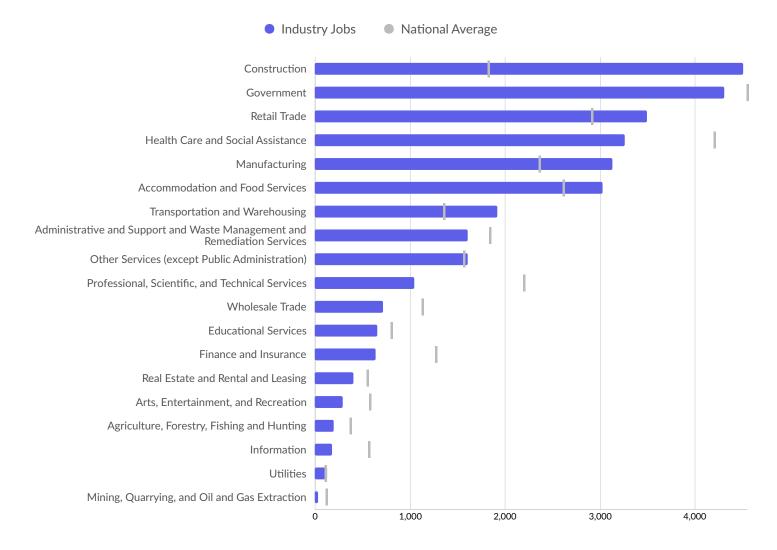
| Gwinnett County, GA | 3,205 |
|---------------------|-------|
| Newton County, GA   | 654   |
| Barrow County, GA   | 513   |
| DeKalb County, GA   | 506   |
| Rockdale County, GA | 306   |
| Clarke County, GA   | 194   |

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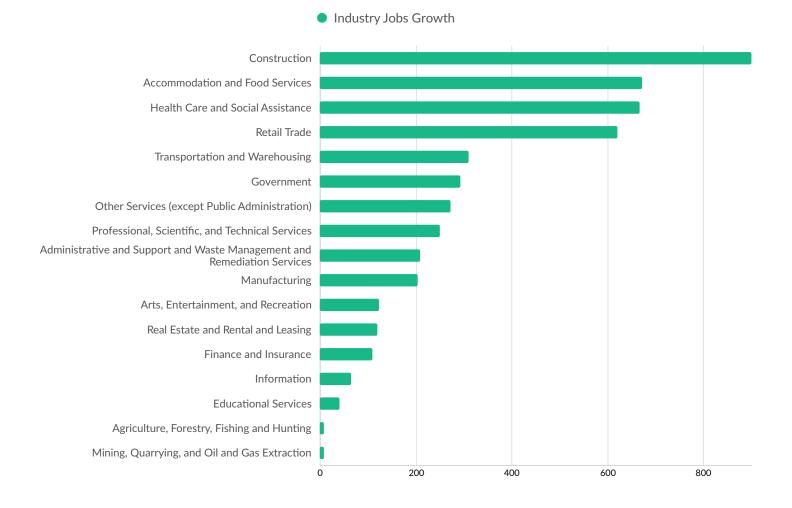
| Top Previous Counties  | Migrations |
|------------------------|------------|
| Fulton County, GA      | 183        |
| Morgan County, GA      | 119        |
| Cobb County, GA        | 107        |
| Henry County, GA       | 96         |
| Jackson County, GA     | 88         |
| Oconee County, GA      | 83         |
| Hall County, GA        | 78         |
| Forsyth County, GA     | 65         |
| Queens County, NY      | 47         |
| Top Following Counties | Migrations |
| Gwinnett County, GA    | 1,045      |
| Newton County, GA      | 548        |
| Barrow County, GA      | 396        |
| Morgan County, GA      | 184        |
| DeKalb County, GA      | 162        |
| Clarke County, GA      | 155        |
| Oconee County, GA      | 152        |
| Jackson County, GA     | 143        |
| Fulton County, GA      | 123        |
| Rockdale County, GA    | 120        |
| Hall County, GA        | 106        |
| Jasper County, GA      | 93         |
| Henry County, GA       | 90         |
| Madison County, GA     | 87         |
| Cobb County, GA        | 76         |

## **Industry Characteristics**

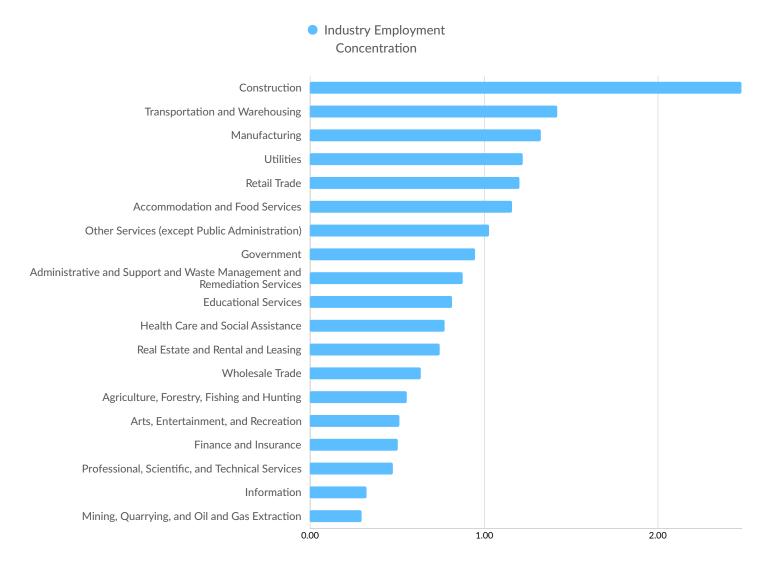
#### **Largest Industries**



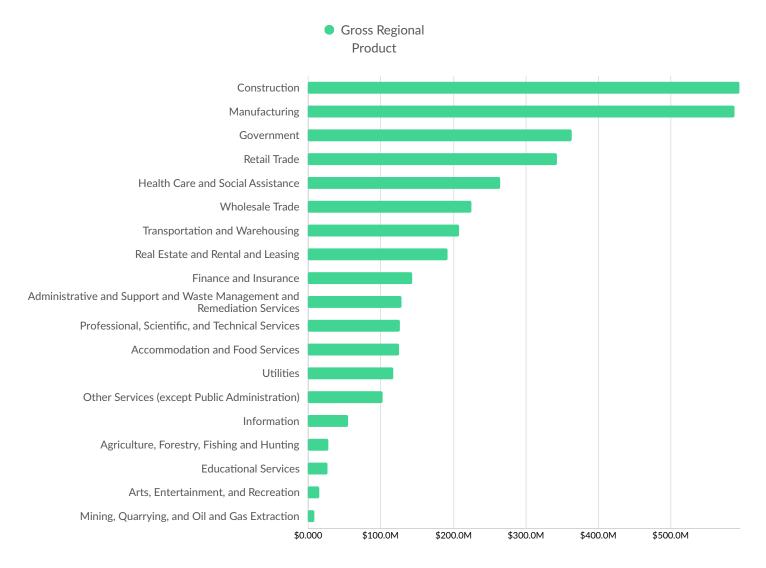
#### **Top Growing Industries**



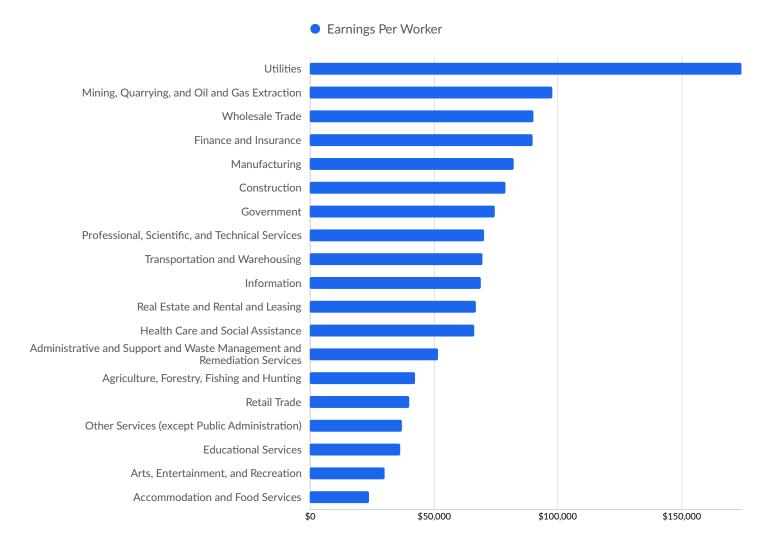
#### **Top Industry Employment Concentration**



#### **Top Industry GRP**



#### **Top Industry Earnings**



## **Business Characteristics**

#### 13,821 Companies Employ Your Workers

Online profiles for your workers mention 13,821 companies as employers, with the top 10 appearing below. In the last 12 months, 996 companies in Walton County, GA posted job postings, with the top 10 appearing below.

| Top Companies                  | Profiles | Top Companies Posting         | Unique Postings |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|-----------------|
| Gwinnett County Public Schools | 660      | Piedmont Healthcare           | 409             |
| Walmart                        | 225      | Walmart                       | 218             |
| AT&T                           | 215      | Takeda Pharmaceutical Company | 161             |
| Walton County School District  | 191      | Hitachi                       | 101             |
| Piedmont Healthcare            | 186      | State of Georgia              | 74              |
| Emory Healthcare               | 157      | Ridgeview Institute Monroe    | 49              |
| United States Army             | 153      | Georgia Department Of Transpo | 46              |
| Gwinnett County Government     | 141      | Randstad                      | 46              |
| Publix                         | 119      | Walton County                 | 44              |
| The Home Depot                 | 117      | Kroger                        | 43              |

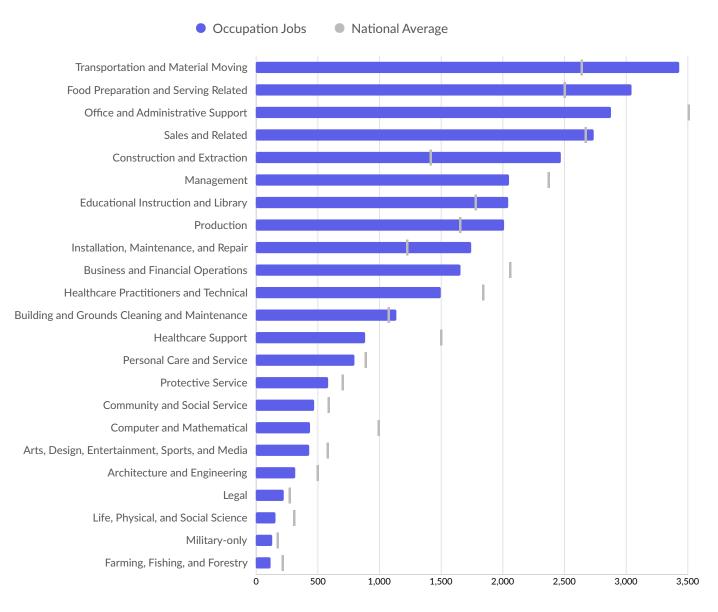
#### **Business Size**

|                         | Percentage | <b>Business Count</b> |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------------------|
| 1 to 4<br>employees     | 41.0%      | 2,011                 |
| 5 to 9<br>employees     | 29.6%      | 1,450                 |
| 10 to 19<br>employees   | 18.2%      | 891                   |
| 20 to 49<br>employees   | 8.7%       | 426                   |
| 50 to 99<br>employees   | 1.7%       | 85                    |
| 100 to 249<br>employees | 0.6%       | 29                    |
| 250 to 499<br>employees | 0.2%       | 10                    |
| 500+ employees          | 0.1%       | 4                     |

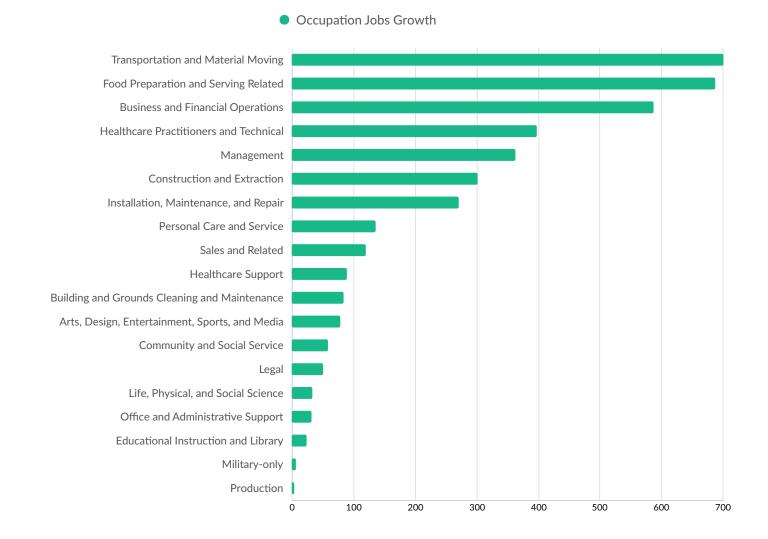
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### Workforce Characteristics

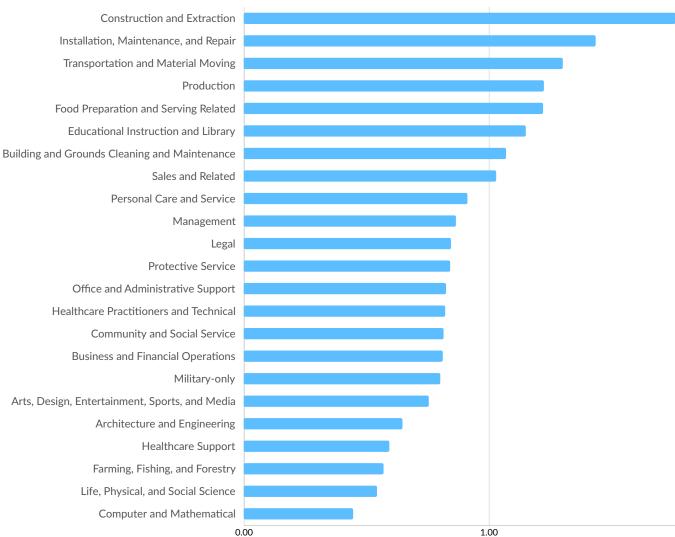
#### **Largest Occupations**



#### **Top Growing Occupations**



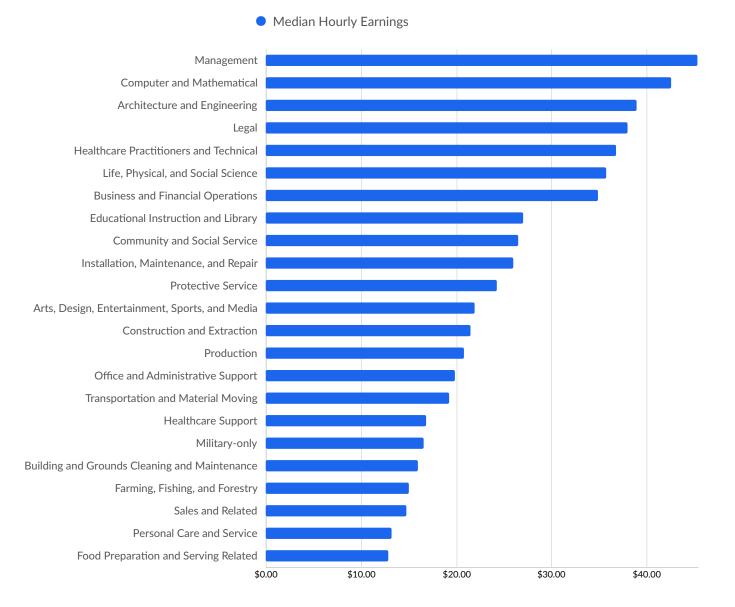
#### **Top Occupation Employment Concentration**



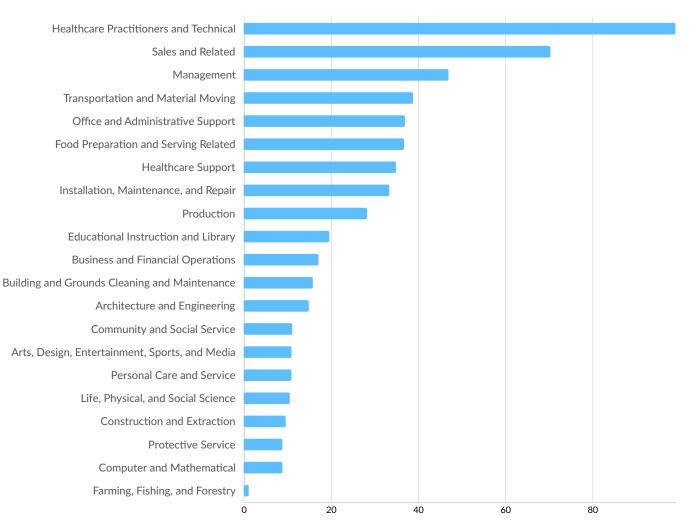
Occupation Employment Concentration

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#### **Top Occupation Earnings**

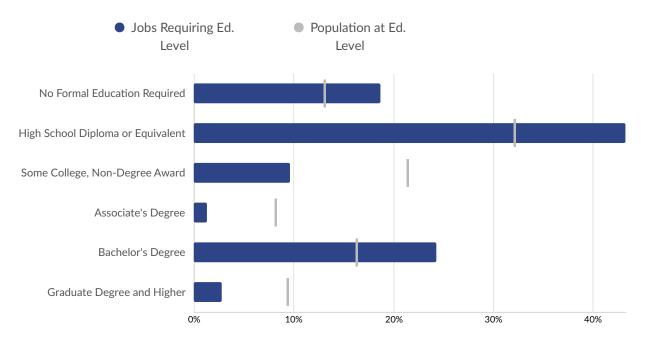


#### **Top Posted Occupations**



Unique Average Monthly Postings

### Underemployment



## **In-Demand Skills**

