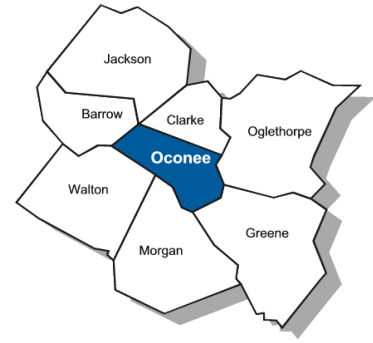




## AREA LABOR PROFILE

# Oconee

# County

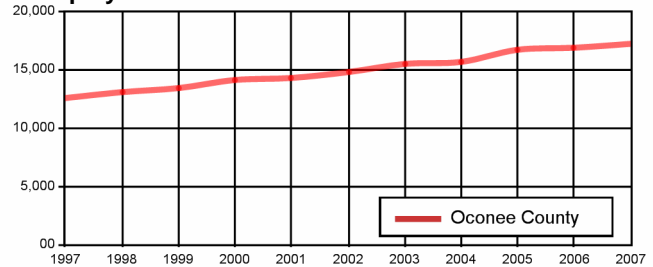


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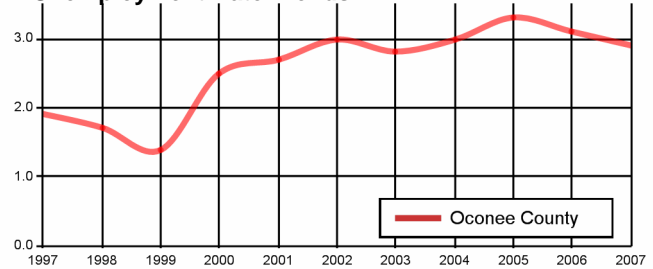
### 2007 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Oconee	17,789	17,269	520	2.9%
Barrow	33,040	31,675	1,365	4.1%
Clarke	64,024	61,421	2,603	4.1%
Greene	7,438	7,052	386	5.2%
Jackson	26,822	25,764	1,058	3.9%
Morgan	9,467	9,065	402	4.2%
Oglethorpe	7,770	7,476	294	3.8%
Walton	40,341	38,516	1,825	4.5%
<b>Oconee Area</b>	<b>206,691</b>	<b>198,238</b>	<b>8,453</b>	<b>4.1%</b>
Georgia	4,814,831	4,602,947	211,884	4.4%
United States	153,124,000	146,047,000	7,078,000	4.6%

### Employment Trends



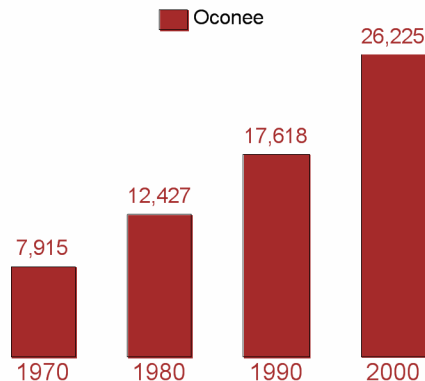
### Unemployment Rate Trends



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

	2000 Census	2007 Rank	2007 Estimate	% Change 2000-2007	2015 Projected*	% Change 2000-2015
<b>Oconee</b>	<b>26,225</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>31,367</b>	<b>19.6</b>	<b>37,098</b>	<b>41.5</b>
City of Watkinsville	2,097					
<b>Oconee Area</b>	<b>318,632</b>		<b>402,757</b>	<b>26.4</b>	<b>472,100</b>	<b>48.2</b>
Georgia	8,186,453		9,544,750	16.6	10,813,573	32.1
United States	281,421,906		301,621,157	7.2	322,365,787	14.5

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

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# Industry Mix - 2007

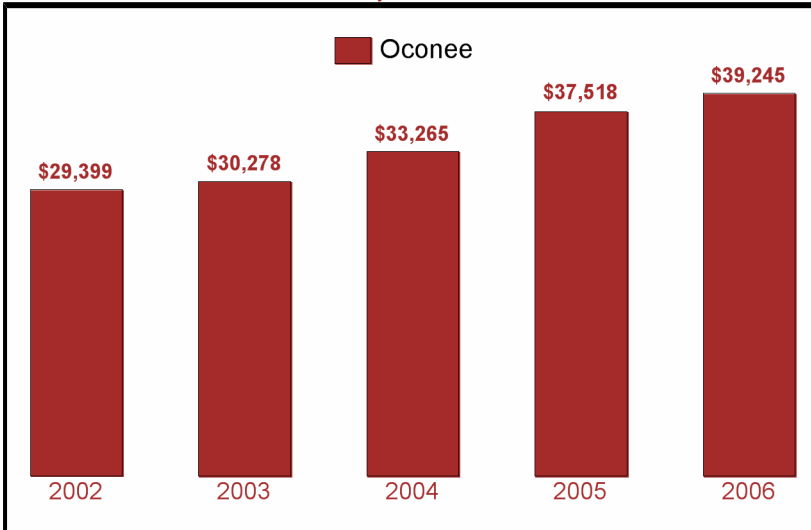
INDUSTRY	Oconee				Oconee Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT NUMBER	PERCENT	WEEKLY WAGE
<b>Goods-Producing</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>1,498</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>2,053</b>	<b>30,404</b>	<b>21.1</b>	<b>745</b>
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	7	53	0.6	527	119	1,295	0.9	581
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	0	0	0.0	0	19	205	0.1	723
Construction	165	771	8.9	675	1,505	9,712	6.7	700
Manufacturing	33	675	7.8	600	410	19,189	13.3	780
Wood Product	1	*	*	*	29	1,382	1.0	847
Printing and Related Support Activities	2	*	*	*	39	471	0.3	573
Chemical	2	*	*	*	23	1,944	1.3	1,409
Nonmetallic Mineral Product	4	60	0.7	599	38	1,216	0.8	854
Fabricated Metal Product	5	77	0.9	612	67	1,517	1.1	684
Machinery	5	61	0.7	701	30	1,494	1.0	832
Computer and Electronic Product	1	*	*	*	9	114	0.1	707
Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component	2	*	*	*	6	1,223	0.8	753
Furniture and Related Product	5	84	1.0	542	47	715	0.5	574
Miscellaneous	6	145	1.7	644	30	319	0.2	695
Petroleum and Coal Products	0	0	0.0	0	1	*	*	*
Primary Metal	0	0	0.0	0	2	*	*	*
Beverage and Tobacco Product	0	0	0.0	0	3	*	*	*
Paper	0	0	0.0	0	4	257	0.2	781
Textile Mills	0	0	0.0	0	5	672	0.5	1,073
Apparel	0	0	0.0	0	6	95	0.1	635
Textile Product Mills	0	0	0.0	0	7	88	0.1	524
Transportation Equipment	0	0	0.0	0	15	924	0.6	964
Food	0	0	0.0	0	23	4,859	3.4	545
Plastics and Rubber Products	0	0	0.0	0	26	1,672	1.2	627
<b>Service-Providing</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>5,627</b>	<b>65.2</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>7,167</b>	<b>80,136</b>	<b>55.6</b>	<b>544</b>
Utilities	2	*	*	*	20	748	0.5	1,178
Wholesale Trade	63	452	5.2	772	492	5,973	4.1	750
Retail Trade	90	1,161	13.4	452	1,349	18,560	12.9	456
Transportation and Warehousing	23	*	*	*	255	2,890	2.0	723
Information	12	75	0.9	504	115	1,138	0.8	687
Finance and Insurance	58	322	3.7	934	518	3,077	2.1	858
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	56	211	2.4	583	565	1,931	1.3	507
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	121	579	6.7	665	839	4,682	3.2	640
Management of Companies and Enterprises	3	278	3.2	878	33	836	0.6	988
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	75	429	5.0	578	606	7,048	4.9	465
Educational Services	17	248	2.9	537	85	865	0.6	635
Health Care and Social Assistance	66	610	7.1	653	780	13,776	9.6	739
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	12	128	1.5	359	93	1,065	0.7	452
Accommodation and Food Services	44	707	8.2	215	675	14,133	9.8	248
Other Services (except Public Administration)	77	361	4.2	490	742	3,413	2.4	422
<b>Unclassified - industry not assigned</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>554</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>606</b>
<b>Total - Private Sector</b>	<b>938</b>	<b>7,135</b>	<b>82.6</b>	<b>599</b>	<b>9,339</b>	<b>110,616</b>	<b>76.8</b>	<b>599</b>
<b>Total - Government</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>1,498</b>	<b>17.4</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>416</b>	<b>33,496</b>	<b>23.2</b>	<b>725</b>
Federal Government	12	102	1.2	800	102	2,051	1.4	1,031
State Government	10	40	0.5	465	135	*	*	*
Local Government	16	1,356	15.7	596	179	17,192	11.9	631
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	<b>976</b>	<b>8,633</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>583</b>	<b>9,755</b>	<b>144,107</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>628</b>
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia</b>					<b>271,600</b>	<b>4,068,574</b>		<b>783</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 since all figures represent the 3rd Quarter, 2007.

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

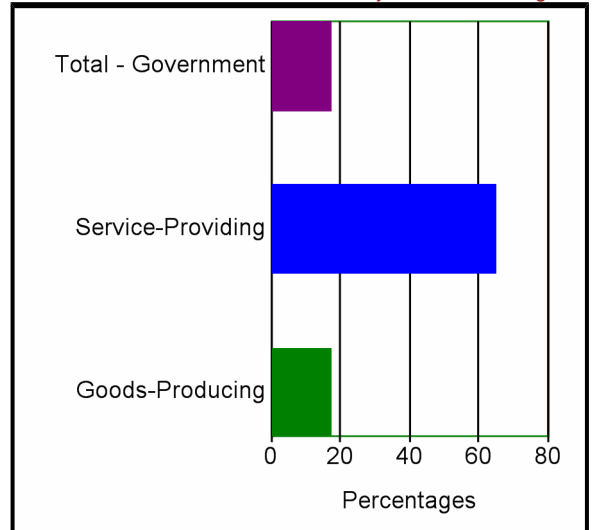
## Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



## Oconee Industry Mix 2007

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



## Top Employers - 2007

### FIVE LARGEST EMPLOYERS

#### Oconee

Ameripride Services Inc  
Athens Academy Inc  
Bensons Inc  
Lowes Home Centers Inc  
Southwire Company

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 2007. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

### TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS

#### Oconee Area

Employer	COUNTY
Harrison Poultry Inc	Barrow
University of Georgia	Clarke
Athens Regional Medical	Clarke
Pilgrims Pride Corp - Goldkist	Clarke
St Marys Hospital	Clarke
Merial Limited	Clarke
Reynolds Plantation	Greene
Wayne Poultry	Jackson
Wal-Mart Associates Inc	Walton
Wal-Mart Associates Inc	Clarke

## Commuting Patterns

### EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF

#### Oconee

COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Clarke, GA	6,696	51.9
Oconee, GA	3,630	28.1
Barrow, GA	358	2.8
Gwinnett, GA	349	2.7
Walton, GA	241	1.9
Fulton, GA	220	1.7
Jackson, GA	192	1.5
Morgan, GA	185	1.4
Other	1,026	8.0
<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>12,897</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### PERSONS WORKING IN

#### Oconee

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Oconee, GA	3,630	52.2
Clarke, GA	1,975	28.4
Madison, GA	286	4.1
Oglethorpe, GA	201	2.9
Walton, GA	189	2.7
Barrow, GA	180	2.6
Jackson, GA	123	1.8
Greene, GA	66	0.9
Other	307	4.4
<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>6,957</b>	<b>100.0</b>

Note: Other category represents employment from U.S. counties only.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2000 County-To-County Worker Flow Files.

# Education of the Labor Force

## Oconee County

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Some High School	14.8%	28.2%	10.6%	7.5%	12.1%	32.7%
High Scholl Grad/GED	24.0%	30.1%	24.7%	22.2%	22.4%	26.6%
Some College	24.5%	33.1%	24.7%	25.2%	24.1%	16.7%
Collgege Grad 4 Yr	21.3%	8.4%	28.2%	28.4%	18.5%	14.8%
Post Graduate Studie	15.4%	0.3%	11.9%	16.6%	22.9%	9.2%
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+. Some College category represents the percentage total of workers with either Some College with no degree or an Associate degree.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2000 Decennial Census.

## High School Graduates - 2007



	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS	TOTAL
Barrow	477	0	477
Clarke	413	93	506
Greene	69	14	83
Jackson	477	0	477
Morgan	194	0	194
Oconee	309	30	339
Oglethorpe	128	0	128
Walton	641	100	741
<b>Oconee Area</b>	<b>2,708</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>2,945</b>

Note: Public schools include city as well as county schools systems. Some private schools data were not reported.

Source: Office of Student Achievement; Georgia Independent School Association.

## Colleges and Universities

### Oconee Area

#### Clarke

Athens Technical College	<a href="http://www.athenstech.edu">www.athenstech.edu</a>
University of Georgia	<a href="http://www.uga.edu">www.uga.edu</a>

#### Oconee

Athens Technical College (Technical college servicing area)	<a href="http://www.athenstech.edu">www.athenstech.edu</a>
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#### Barrow

Winder-Barrow Campus (Satellite campus of Lanier Technical College)	<a href="http://www.laniertech.edu">www.laniertech.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 - 2007

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2005	2006	2007	2005-2006	2006-2007
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	49	31	65	-36.7	109.7
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	20	31	35	55.0	12.9

# Technical College Graduates - 2007

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2005	2006	2007	2005-2006	2006-2007
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician	34	28	25	-17.6	-10.7
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	28	47	93	67.9	97.9
Biology Technician/Biotechnology Laboratory Technician	10	3	14	-70.0	366.7
Business Administration, Management and Operations, Other	10	4	5	-60.0	25.0
CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician	13	1	2	-92.3	100.0
Computer Programming/Programmer, General	8	7	9	-12.5	28.6
Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications	17	12	13	-29.4	8.3
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	33	50	102	51.5	104.0
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician	34	12	13	-64.7	8.3
Dental Assisting/Assistant	12	12	11	0.0	-8.3
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	14	14	14	0.0	0.0
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General	16	16	26	0.0	62.5
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	29	24	31	-17.2	29.2
Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, Ge	19	6	12	-68.4	100.0
Electrician	5	11	20	120.0	81.8
Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic)	77	95	60	23.4	-36.8
Heating/AC/Ventilation/Refrig Maint Technology/Technician	18	22	30	22.2	36.4
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	28	11	38	-60.7	245.5
Legal Assistant/Paralegal	16	10	23	-37.5	130.0
Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training	22	51	47	131.8	-7.8
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant	14	11	23	-21.4	109.1
Mechanic and Repair Technologies/Technicians, Other	15	9	13	-40.0	44.4
Medical/Clinical Assistant	32	32	25	0.0	-21.9
Nurse/Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant	107	69	128	-35.5	85.5
Nursing/Registered Nurse (RN, ASN, BSN, MSN)	41	35	48	-14.6	37.1
Physical Therapist Assistant	16	11	17	-31.3	54.5
Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer	13	18	15	38.5	-16.7
Respiratory Care Therapy/Therapist	7	10	13	42.9	30.0
Sales, Distribution and Marketing Operations, General	27	37	44	37.0	18.9
Small Business Administration/Management	7	7	7	0.0	0.0
Surgical Technology/Technologist	8	7	11	-12.5	57.1
Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operation	44	34	49	-22.7	44.1
Veterinary/Animal Health Technology/Technician/Veterinary As	3	12	9	300.0	-25.0
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Desig	8	12	3	50.0	-75.0

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.

Source: Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System

Note - The data shown is from Athens Technical College

# Occupational Profile for Residents of Oconee County

	Oconee		Oconee Area	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
Total Civilian Labor Force	13,538	100.0	162,831	100.0
Management, Business and Financial Workers	1,738	12.8	15,080	9.3
Science, Engineering and Computer Professionals	507	3.8	4,750	2.9
Healthcare Practitioner Professionals	770	5.7	3,726	2.3
Other Professional Workers	2,242	16.6	17,746	10.9
Technicians	411	3.0	4,256	2.6
Sales Workers	1,613	11.9	18,654	11.5
Administrative Support Workers	2,068	15.3	25,388	15.6
Construction and Extractive Craft Workers	593	4.4	9,989	6.1
Installation, Maintenance and Repair Craft Workers	520	3.8	8,608	5.3
Production Operative Workers	763	5.6	16,405	10.1
Transportation and Material Moving Operative Workers	429	3.2	7,448	4.6
Laborers and Helpers	589	4.4	8,208	5.0
Protective Service Workers	205	1.5	2,630	1.6
Service Workers, except Protective	937	6.9	18,852	11.6
Unemployed, No Civilian Work Experience Since 1995	153	1.1	1,091	0.7

Source: U.S. Census Bureau - 2000 Decennial Census.(EEO Data Tools)

## Active Applicants - Georgia Department of Labor

	TOTAL	Prof., Tech. and Mangerial	Clerical and Sales	Service	Agr., Forestry and Fishing	Processing	Machine Trades	Bench- Work	Structural Work	Misc.
Oconee	313	29	29	6	03	5	8	1	14	218
Barrow	1,204	98	109	35	04	3	30	23	63	839
Clarke	2,463	133	289	281	23	46	77	69	147	1,398
Greene	401	15	45	45	10	15	19	10	23	219
Jackson	949	66	92	31	02	9	27	5	61	656
Morgan	324	19	31	16	01	8	15	6	16	212
Oglethorpe	262	14	30	10	04	2	12	4	15	171
Walton	1,973	108	216	119	13	29	56	44	86	1,302
<b>Total Area</b>	<b>7,889</b>	<b>482</b>	<b>841</b>	<b>543</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>425</b>	<b>5,015</b>

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 March 2008).

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