

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

	LOWNDES CO.	GEORGIA TOTAL	Avg. Co. in GA
<u>AGRICULTURE</u>			
Total Farm Gate Value of production, 2008	\$95,496,062	\$11,922,405,911	\$74,983,685
Total Farm Gate Value per farm	\$203,183	\$249,183	\$238,628
Total Farm Gate value per acre of farm land	\$1,406	\$1,175	\$1,463
Poultry/eggs value	\$0	\$5,651,535,758	\$35,544,250
Row/forage crops value	\$12,507,875	\$2,009,762,474	\$12,640,016
Livestock/aquaculture value	\$7,282,100	\$1,263,728,965	\$7,947,981
Forestry & products value	\$4,976,750	\$570,838,261	\$3,590,178
Vegetables value	\$45,973,170	\$849,037,686	\$5,339,860
Ornamental horticulture value	\$9,732,491	\$695,986,551	\$4,377,274
Fruits & nuts value	\$8,078,800	\$267,729,337	\$1,683,832
Other income value	\$6,944,876	\$613,786,879	\$3,860,295
Farm production expenses, 2007	\$31,493,000	\$5,999,216,000	\$37,730,918
Net farm proprietor's income, 2007	\$1,574,000	\$1,240,892,000	\$7,804,352
Number of farms, 2007	470	47,846	301
% change in number of farms, 2002-2007	1.7	-3.0	-1.2
Land in farms, acres, 2007	67,922	10,150,539	63,840
% of farmers working 200+ days off farm, 2007	44.7	39.9	40.1
Average farm size in acres, 2007	145	212	225
Harvested cropland, acres, 2007	18,976	3,390,437	21,324
Acres of irrigated farm land, 2008	8,950	1,446,754	9,099
<u>CRIME</u>			
Index crimes reported, 2008	4,178	418,025	2,646
Index crime rate per 100,000	3,994.9	4,315.9	3,025.7
Arrests for index crimes, 2008	1,307	107,241	710
% juvenile arrests	22.5	22.3	17.1
Arrest rate per 100,000	1,249.7	1,107.2	878.1
Juvenile commitment rate per 1,000 (age 10-16), FY2009	2.78	2.96	2.22
State prison inmates' home county, 2009	489	53,163	303
% incarcerated for violent/sex crimes	57.1	59.3	57.0
Probationers county of conviction, 2009	2,301	159,258	985
<u>ECONOMICS</u>			
Deposits in financial institutions, 2009	\$2,219,147,000	\$198,546,005,000	\$1,248,717,013
Bankruptcy filings per 1,000 population, 2008	6.3	6.5	6.3
Gross tax digest 40% value of assessed property, 2008	\$3,047,609,793	\$338,247,553,569**	\$2,127,343,104**
Taxes levied, 2008	\$76,909,048	\$8,975,713,109	\$56,451,026
Millage rate, county-wide, 2008	24.49	--	30.49
Total lottery sales, FY2009	\$45,505,755	\$3,662,866,404	\$23,036,896
Per capita lottery sales	\$435	\$378	\$440
Median household income, 2008 model-based estimate	\$41,209	\$50,834	\$41,186
Persons below poverty level, 2008 model-based estimate	18,956	1,388,959	8,736
% of all persons	19.6	14.7	19.1
% of children 0-17	24.1	20.2	26.7
Families living below poverty level, % in 1999	13.9	9.9	13.5
Per capita income, 2007	\$27,351	\$33,499	\$26,299
Total personal income, 2007	\$2,779,944,000	\$319,018,383,000	\$2,006,404,925
Transfer receipts, 2007	\$543,160,000	\$43,595,241,000	\$274,183,906
Transfer receipts as a % of total personal income	19.5	13.7	23.1
Per capita transfer receipts	\$5,344	\$4,578	\$5,770
Total retail sales, 2008	\$2,769,229,000	\$152,968,024,000	\$962,063,044
Pull factor (1 = average)	2.17	1.00	0.87
<u>EDUCATION--Public School Systems, (County Systems only) 2007-08</u>			
Total FTE enrollment	9,408	1,609,681	9,362
% Black	22.2	39.5	36.2
% White	67.6	44.5	54.5
% Hispanic	5.0	9.8	5.8
% Asian	1.0	2.9	1.0
% students absent > 15 days	5.0	9.5	10
% economically disadvantaged	40.8	51.0	60
% of students retained in grade	4.6	4.1	4.3
% students in gifted program	11.3	9.0	6.6
% students with disabilities	13	11	12
General Fund Expenditures per pupil	\$7,693	\$8,428	\$8,301
Number of high school dropouts (grades 9-12)	103	18,960	106
High school dropout rate per 100 enrolled	3.5	3.6	4.2
Total graduates	562	83517	491
% of grads with college prep. diploma	54.4	75.4	61.8
Class of 2008 percent completion	78.9	75.4	72.7
% of teachers with advanced degrees	63.5	57.6	58.2
Total recipients of HOPE Scholarships, FY2009	4,084	217,978	1,368
HOPE \$ awards	\$7,727,535	\$522,917,080	\$3,275,482

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<u>EDUCATION--Highest Level Completed (Age 25+) 2000</u>			
% NOT completing high school	22.3	21.4	29.3
% high school graduate (includes GED)	30.6	28.7	34.9
% some college and/or associate degree	27.4	25.6	21.8
% Bachelor's degree	12.5	16.0	8.9
% Graduate or professional degree	7.2	8.3	5.1
<u>GOVERNMENT</u>			
Date of county creation	Dec. 23, 1825	--	--
Total direct Federal government expenditures, FY2008	\$880,603,868	\$74,164,642,401	\$425,664,325
% Defense spending	37.7	19.1	8.3
Total registered voters as of 11/4/08	50,331	5,198,971	32,698
% registered voting for President in 2008 General Election	78.0	75.5	74.4
<u>HEALTH</u>			
Disability, % age 21-64, 2000	21.1	19.9	23.8
Disability, % age 65+, 2000	50.2	47.5	50.7
Licensed child day care facilities, 2009	46	3,097	
General hospitals, 2007	2	149	
General nursing homes, SFY08	4	354	
STD rate per 100,000 pop., 2008	1323.4	633.4	596.9
Medicare payments, 2007	\$118,668,000	\$10,105,248,000	\$63,555,019
Total practicing physicians, 2006	185	18,422	116
Persons per physician ratio	532.9	494.5	1,581.7
<u>HOUSING / HOUSEHOLDS</u>			
Private residential units authorized for construction, 2008	745	35,519	223
Value of construction	\$73,499,722	\$4,956,641,616	\$31,173,847
Total housing units, 2008 estimate	44,095	4,026,082	25,321.3
% change 2000-08	20.6	22.7	15.5
Housing unit density per sq. mi. of land area	87.5	69.5	79.7
% mobile homes of total housing units, 2000	14.9	12.0	25.5
% owner-occupied of total housing units, 2000	60.8	67.5	73.9
Median value of owner-occupied units, 2000	\$87,600	\$111,200	\$81,599
Total families, 2000	22,242	2,111,647	13,281
% with own children <18	51.8	49.8	47.3
% married couples	71.2	73.3	73.4
% female householder, no husband present	23.3	20.6	20.7
% female h/holder, no husband, w/children <18	14.5	12.2	11.9
Total households, 2000	32,654	3,006,369	18,908
# persons per household	2.61	2.65	2.64
<u>LABOR</u>			
Civilian labor force, 2008	54,559	4,847,650	30,488
Average annual unemployment rate, 2008	5.4	6.2	6.9
Average # of business establishments, 2008	2,970	276,063	1,572
Average monthly employment, 2008	50,211	4,029,673	24,656
Average weekly wage, all industries, 2008	\$570	\$819	\$589
Residents' mean travel time to work in minutes, 2000	18.7	27.7	26.4
% of residents working outside of county, 2000	8.6	41.5	45.5
% of residents who drove alone to work, 2000	79.9	77.5	77.1
% change in residents who drove alone, 1990-2000	18.9	24.8	26.0
% of workforce coming into county from elsewhere, 2000	20.5	41.8	33.1
<u>NATURAL RESOURCES</u>			
Total area in square miles, 2000 Census	510.6	59,424.8	373.7
Rank of size, 1=highest (1-159)	27	--	--
Acres of forestland, 2008	210,890	24,825,352	156,134
Forestland as a % of land use area	65.1	65.3	64.1
Net volume of live trees on timberland, cubic ft., 2008	253,499,817	39,499,721,725	248,425,923
Water withdrawals (gallons per day), 2005	30,720,000	5,471,470,000	34,411,761
Public use per capita in gallons per day	132.7	157.9	173.7
Water use for irrigation (millions of gal/day)	9.36	751.64	5
Hazardous waste sites, 2009	6	533	3
Toxic chemical releases (pounds per year), 2008	2,022,574	104,580,923	658,000
<u>POPULATION</u>			
Metropolitan county in 2009?	YES	--	--
Total, 2008 estimate	104,583	9,685,744	60,917
Rank of population size, 1=highest (1-159)	22	--	--
% change in total, 2000-08	13.5	18.3	11.2
Rank of % change in total, 2000-08	48	--	--
Growth rate by natural increase, 1 yr. 2007-08	10.3	8.3	5.3
Growth rate by net migration, 1 yr. 2007-08	18.4	8.7	5.9
% change in total population, 1930-2008	248.7	233.0	214.8
Rank of % change, 1=highest (1-159)	37	--	--

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Persons per square mile, 2008 estimate	207.4	167.3	192.4
Rank of population density, 1=highest (1-159)	30	--	--
% urban, 2000	67.9	71.7	36.4
% rural, 2000	32.1	28.3	63.6
Total, 2010 Trend (Center for Agribusiness) rev 3/09	107,497	10,050,139	63,208
Total, 2015 projection (GA Office of Planning & Budget)	114,780	10,961,128	68,938
% Black alone, 2008 estimate	34.3	30.0	28.1
% White alone, 2008 estimate	62.7	65.4	69.7
% Other races alone, 2008 estimate	1.70	3.31	1.3
% Hispanic/Latino, 2008 estimate	3.2	8.0	5.0
% Age 65 and over, 2008 estimate	9.7	10.1	12.8
Median age, Total, 2008 estimate	30.8	34.9	36.0
Religion--churches/synagogues/mosques/temples, 2000	114	8,962	56
Adherents as % of population	44.2	44.8	43.9
Total civilian veterans, 2009 estimate	13,283	772,832	4,861
<u>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE</u>			
Child abuse cases investigated, 2008	412	30,600	192
% of child abuse cases substantiated	50.7	53.3	58.4
Substantiated child maltreatment victims, 2008	358	25,949	163
Maltreatment rate per 1,000 children <18	13.4	10.3	15.1
Child Welfare, adoptions, SFY2008	31	1273	8
Food stamp average # of recipients, SFY2008	13,794	987,851	6,213
Food stamp recipients % of population	13.2	10.2	13.8
Medicaid average # of recipients, SFY2008	25,012	2,068,185	13,007
Medicaid recipients % of population	23.9	21.4	27.2
TANF average # of recipients, SFY2008	430	40,609	255
TANF recipients % of population	0.4	0.4	0.5
OASDI (Social Security) recipients % of pop., 12/2008	14.4	13.9	18.4
SSI (Supplemental Security Income) % of pop., 12/2008	2.8	2.2	3.3
<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>			
Total highway mileage (12/31/08), 2009	1,255.3	117,237.7	737
% unpaved	29.7	24.3	27.9
Daily Vehicle miles traveled (12/31/08), 2009	3,466,000	297,363,000	1,870,220.1
Registered motor vehicles (as of 9/30//09)	92,628	8,499,469	53,372
Motor vehicle crashes, 2000-2006	25,632	2,320,522	14,594.5
Rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled	265.1	306.7	184.4
Motor vehicle crash fatalities, 2000-2006	123	11,435	71.9
Rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled	1.3	1.5	1.8
% restraint usage in traffic crashes (age 6 or >), 2006	63.2	80.9	78.8
% restraint usage in traffic crashes (< age 6), 2006	58.5	65.0	59.8
Housing units with no vehicles available, 2000	2,641	248,546	1,563
<u>VITAL STATISTICS, 2007 (Rate not shown when number of events is >0 and <5)</u>			
Live births, total	1,793	150,804	948
Live birth rate (per 1,000 population)	17.6	15.8	14.7
Live births to unwed mothers, total	856	65,068	409
% Unwed births of total live births	47.7	43.1	46.7
% Unwed births to teen mothers of all births	12.7	10.1	12.8
Low weight births, total (< 2500 grams)	204	14,351	90
% Low weight of total live births	11.4	9.5	10.0
Induced terminations, total	19	29,415	185
Induced termination rate (per 1,000 fem. age 15-44)	0.8	14.3	--
Teen Pregnancies, total	291	23,285	146
Teen pregnancy rate (per 1,000 fem. age 10-19)	38.0	35.3	40.7
Deaths, total	736	67,753	426
Death rate (per 100,000 population)	723.1	709.8	949.6
Infant deaths, total	30	1,198	8
<u>VITAL STATISTICS, 10-Yr. CUMULATIVE RATES, 1998-2007</u>			
Live birth rate (per 1,000 population)	16.3	15.7	14.4
Live births to unwed mothers rate (per 100 live births)	43.1	39.0	43.2
Low birth weight rate (per 100 live births)	10.3	9.1	9.6
Induced termination rate (per 1,000 females age 15-44)	1.0	14.9	8.4
Teen pregnancy rate (per 1,000 females age 10-19)	35.2	37.6	40.6
Death rate (per 100,000 population)	744.8	747.7	953.2
Infant death rate (per 1,000 live births)	14.1	8.4	9.0
Suicide rate (per 100,000 population)	10.8	10.4	--
Homicide rate (per 100,000 population)	6.9	7.7	--

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