

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

| | THOMAS CO. | GEORGIA TOTAL | Avg. Co. in GA |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| AGRICULTURE | | | |
| Total Farm Gate Value of production, 2009 | \$91,371,698 | \$11,256,734,510 | \$70,797,072 |
| Total Farm Gate Value per farm | \$188,395 | \$235,270 | \$226,164 |
| Total Farm Gate value per acre of farm land | \$447 | \$1,109 | \$1,398 |
| Poultry/eggs value | \$12,569,742 | \$5,186,128,879 | \$32,617,163 |
| Row/forage crops value | \$30,130,601 | \$1,881,292,056 | \$11,832,026 |
| Livestock/aquaculture value | \$11,065,116 | \$1,161,452,882 | \$7,304,735 |
| Forestry & products value | \$4,639,603 | \$498,947,853 | \$3,138,037 |
| Vegetables value | \$1,702,675 | \$915,632,787 | \$5,758,697 |
| Ornamental horticulture value | \$6,031,559 | \$698,621,712 | \$4,393,847 |
| Fruits & nuts value | \$2,935,115 | \$366,299,671 | \$2,303,772 |
| Other income value | \$22,297,286 | \$548,358,671 | \$3,448,797 |
| Farm production expenses, 2008 | \$75,220,000 | \$6,756,783,000 | \$42,495,491 |
| Net farm proprietor's income, 2008 | \$17,985,000 | \$1,810,911,000 | \$11,389,377 |
| Number of farms, 2007 | 485 | 47,846 | 301 |
| % change in number of farms, 2002-2007 | -4.9 | -3.0 | -1.2 |
| Land in farms, acres, 2007 | 204,216 | 10,150,539 | 63,840 |
| % of farmers working 200+ days off farm, 2007 | 39.2 | 39.9 | 40.1 |
| Average farm size in acres, 2007 | 421 | 212 | 225 |
| Harvested cropland, acres, 2007 | 80,864 | 3,390,437 | 21,324 |
| Acres of irrigated farm land, 2008 | 14,929 | 1,446,754 | 9,099 |
| CRIME | | | |
| Index crimes reported, 2009 | 1,504 | 387,315 | 2,451 |
| Index crime rate per 100,000 | 3,256.3 | 3,940.4 | 2,798.9 |
| Arrests for index crimes, 2009 | 818 | 104,784 | 616 |
| % juvenile arrests | 22.2 | 20.6 | 16.9 |
| Arrest rate per 100,000 | 1,771.0 | 1,066.0 | 845.0 |
| Juvenile commitment rate per 1,000 (age 10-16), FY2010 | 2.34 | 2.72 | 2.09 |
| State prison inmates' home county, 2010 | 250 | 52,254 | 300 |
| % incarcerated for violent/sex crimes | 67.2 | 60.9 | 58.2 |
| Probationers county of conviction, 2010 | 1,485 | 161,796 | 984 |
| ECONOMICS | | | |
| Commercial Bank/Thrift/Savings Deposits, 2010 | \$1,165,778,000 | \$180,859,140,000 | \$1,137,478,868 |
| Bankruptcy filings per 1,000 population, 2009 | 5.5 | 7.8 | 7.3 |
| Gross tax digest 40% value of assessed property, 2009 | \$1,889,888,980 | \$396,863,562,880 | \$2,527,793,394 |
| Taxes levied, 2008 | \$41,056,522 | \$11,038,315,107 | \$69,423,365 |
| Millage rate, county-wide, 2010 | 21.84 | -- | 27.57 |
| Total lottery sales, FY2010 | \$26,407,464 | \$3,645,709,808 | \$22,928,993 |
| Per capita lottery sales | \$572 | \$371 | \$437 |
| Median household income, 2009 model-based estimate | \$33,387 | \$47,469 | \$38,972 |
| Persons below poverty level, 2009 model-based estimate | 10,824 | 1,585,116 | 9,969 |
| % of all persons | 24.2 | 16.6 | 21.0 |
| % of children 0-17 | 32.5 | 22.7 | 29.1 |
| Families living below poverty level, % in 1999 | 13.6 | 9.9 | 13.5 |
| Per capita income, 2008 | \$32,693 | \$34,849 | \$28,543 |
| Total personal income, 2008 | \$1,498,933,000 | \$337,960,830,000 | \$2,125,539,811 |
| Transfer receipts, 2008 | \$351,916,000 | \$49,444,641,000 | \$310,972,585 |
| Transfer receipts as a % of total personal income | 23.8 | 15.0 | 24.5 |
| Per capita transfer receipts | \$7,676 | \$5,099 | \$6,398 |
| Total retail sales, 2008 | \$772,786,000 | \$152,968,024,000 | \$962,063,044 |
| Pull factor (1 = average) | 1.33 | 1.00 | 0.87 |
| EDUCATION--Public School Systems, (County Systems only) 2008-09 | | | |
| Total FTE enrollment | 5,318 | 1,615,066 | 9,379 |
| % Black | 31.6 | 39.1 | 35.9 |
| % White | 62.1 | 44.1 | 54.2 |
| % Hispanic | 2.9 | 10.2 | 6.1 |
| % Asian | 0.8 | 3.1 | 1.1 |
| % students absent > 15 days | 13.1 | 8.7 | 10 |
| % economically disadvantaged | 55.6 | 53.9 | 64 |
| % of students retained in grade | 2.1 | 3.8 | 4.1 |
| % students in Gifted program | 6.8 | 9.3 | 6.9 |
| % students in Special Ed program | 13.5 | 10.6 | 11.5 |
| % students with disabilities | 16.0 | 12.0 | 13.0 |
| General Fund Expenditures per pupil (FTE) | \$7,573 | \$8,321 | \$8,221 |
| Number of high school dropouts (grades 9-12) | 81 | 19,752 | -- |
| High school dropout rate per 100 enrolled | 4.4 | 3.8 | 3.7 |
| Total graduates | 340 | 88003 | 523 |
| % of grads with college prep. diploma | 55.0 | 75.7 | 61.6 |
| Class of 2009 percent completion | 81.0 | 78.9 | 77.0 |
| % of teachers with advanced degrees | 49.8 | 59.2 | 59.5 |
| Total recipients of HOPE Scholarships, FY2010 | 536 | 116,894 | 697 |
| HOPE \$ awards | \$1,834,489 | \$453,268,039 | \$2,836,072 |

Source: 2011 Georgia County Guide, Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development, UGA, Athens, GA. 706-542-8938 or 706-542-0760. www.caed.uga.edu - Georgia Statistics System. 2/11

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| <u>EDUCATION--Highest Level Completed (Age 25+) 2000</u> | | | |
| % NOT completing high school | 26.5 | 21.4 | 29.3 |
| % high school graduate (includes GED) | 33.6 | 28.7 | 34.9 |
| % some college and/or associate degree | 23.2 | 25.6 | 21.8 |
| % Bachelor's degree | 10.6 | 16.0 | 8.9 |
| % Graduate or professional degree | 6.2 | 8.3 | 5.1 |
| <u>GOVERNMENT</u> | | | |
| Date of county creation | Dec. 23, 1825 | -- | -- |
| Total direct Federal government expenditures, FY2009 | \$416,445,539 | \$83,917,402,655 | \$487,081,558 |
| % Defense spending | 4.8 | 19.6 | 8.3 |
| Total registered voters as of 11/01/10 | 24,535 | 5,033,307 | 31,656 |
| % registered voting for Governor in 2010 General Election | 53.3 | 51.2 | 50.9 |
| <u>HEALTH</u> | | | |
| Disability, % age 21-64, 2000 | 26.9 | 19.9 | 23.8 |
| Disability, % age 65+, 2000 | 50.5 | 47.5 | 50.7 |
| Licensed child day care facilities, 2010 | 11 | 3,156 | 20 |
| General hospitals, 2009 | 1 | 148 | 1 |
| General nursing homes, SFY09 | 4 | 357 | 2 |
| STD rate per 100,000 population, total, 2009 | 571.6 | 576.2 | 529.0 |
| Medicare payments, 2008 | \$80,528,000 | \$11,411,956,000 | \$71,773,308 |
| Total practicing physicians, 2008 | 160 | 19,046 | 120 |
| Persons per physician ratio | 283.1 | 500.6 | 1,570.5 |
| <u>HOUSING / HOUSEHOLDS</u> | | | |
| Private residential units authorized for construction, 2009 | 130 | 18,392 | 116 |
| Value of construction | \$17,718,089 | \$2,631,366,738 | \$16,549,476 |
| Total housing units, 2009 estimate | 20,611 | 4,062,400 | 25,549.7 |
| % change 2000-09 | 12.7 | 23.8 | 32.0 |
| Housing unit density per sq. mi. of land area | 37.6 | 70.2 | 76.5 |
| % mobile homes of total housing units, 2000 | 22.6 | 12.0 | 25.5 |
| % owner-occupied of total housing units, 2000 | 70.0 | 67.5 | 73.9 |
| Median value of owner-occupied units, 2000 | \$76,900 | \$111,200 | \$81,599 |
| Total families, 2000 | 11,466 | 2,111,647 | 13,281 |
| % with own children <18 | 46.5 | 49.8 | 47.3 |
| % married couples | 68.2 | 73.3 | 73.4 |
| % female householder, no husband present | 26.2 | 20.6 | 20.7 |
| % female h/holder, no husband, w/children <18 | 15.2 | 12.2 | 11.9 |
| Total households, 2000 | 16,309 | 3,006,369 | 18,908 |
| # persons per household | 2.55 | 2.65 | 2.64 |
| <u>LABOR</u> | | | |
| Civilian labor force, 2009 | 21,513 | 4,838,259 | 29,993 |
| Average annual unemployment rate, 2009 | 8.8 | 9.4 | 10.5 |
| Average # of business establishments, 2009 | 1,404 | 271,509 | 1,544 |
| Average monthly employment, 2009 | 20,056 | 3,798,106 | 23,234 |
| Average weekly wage, all industries, 2009 | \$659 | \$824 | \$593 |
| Residents' mean travel time to work in minutes, 2000 | 19.1 | 27.7 | 26.4 |
| % of residents working outside of county, 2000 | 13.9 | 41.5 | 45.5 |
| % of residents who drove alone to work, 2000 | 79.6 | 77.5 | 77.1 |
| % change in residents who drove alone, 1990-2000 | 11.4 | 24.8 | 26.0 |
| % of workforce coming into county from elsewhere, 2000 | 24.4 | 41.8 | 33.1 |
| <u>NATURAL RESOURCES</u> | | | |
| Total area in square miles, 2000 Census | 552.1 | 59,424.8 | 373.7 |
| Rank of size, 1=highest (1-159) | 20 | -- | -- |
| Acres of accessible forestland, 2009 | 206,326 | 24,805,669 | 156,010 |
| Forestland as a % of land use area | 56.8 | 66.9 | 65.3 |
| Net volume of live trees on timberland, cubic ft., 2009 | 305,513,633 | 39,898,878,874 | 250,936,345 |
| Water withdrawals (gallons per day), 2005 | 20,140,000 | 5,471,470,000 | 34,411,761 |
| Public use per capita in gallons per day | 171.2 | 157.9 | 173.7 |
| Water use for irrigation (millions of gal/day) | 10.40 | 751.64 | 4.73 |
| Hazardous waste sites, 2010 | 2 | 560 | 4 |
| Toxic chemical releases (pounds per year), 2009 | 5,399 | 79,853,811 | 502,225 |
| <u>POPULATION</u> | | | |
| Metropolitan county in 2009? | NO | -- | -- |
| Total, 2009 estimate | 46,188 | 9,829,211 | 61,819 |
| Rank of population size, 1=highest (1-159) | 44 | -- | -- |
| % change in total, 2000-09 | 8.1 | 20.1 | 12.0 |
| Rank of % change in total | 83 | -- | -- |
| Growth rate by natural increase, 1 yr. 2008-09 | 4.9 | 7.8 | 4.8 |
| Growth rate by net migration, 1 yr. 2008-09 | 2.3 | 5.5 | 1.0 |
| % change in total population, 1930-2009 | 41.6 | 237.9 | 219.3 |
| Rank of % change, 1=highest (1-159) | 96 | -- | -- |

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| Persons per square mile, 2009 estimate | 84.2 | 169.7 | 195.1 |
| Rank of population density, 1=highest (1-159) | 62 | | -- |
| % urban, 2000 | 49.0 | 71.7 | 36.4 |
| % rural, 2000 | 51.0 | 28.3 | 63.6 |
| Total, 2015 projection (GA Office of Planning & Budget) | 50,680 | 11,076,619 | 69,664 |
| Total, 2020 projection (GA Office of Planning & Budget) | 54,499 | 12,189,252 | 76,662 |
| % Black alone, 2009 estimate | 36.8 | 30.2 | 28.1 |
| % White alone, 2009 estimate | 61.4 | 65.0 | 69.6 |
| % Other races alone, 2009 estimate | 0.87 | 3.42 | 1.3 |
| % Two or more races combined, 2009 estimate | 0.91 | 1.33 | 1.0 |
| % Hispanic/Latino, 2009 estimate | 2.4 | 8.3 | 5.3 |
| % Age 65 and over, 2009 estimate | 15.5 | 10.3 | 13.0 |
| Median age, Total, 2009 estimate | 39.0 | 34.7 | 37.0 |
| Religion--churches/synagogues/mosques/temples, 2000 | 98 | 8,962 | 56 |
| Adherents as % of population | 53.5 | 44.8 | 43.9 |
| Total civilian veterans, 2010 estimate | 3,980 | 773,858 | 4,867 |
| <u>PUBLIC ASSISTANCE</u> | | | |
| Child abuse cases investigated, 2009 | 104 | 26,407 | 166 |
| % of cases substantiated | 57.7 | 55.1 | 58.5 |
| Substantiated child maltreatment victims, 2009 | 73 | 22,657 | 142 |
| Maltreatment rate per 1,000 children <18 | 6.2 | 8.8 | 13.2 |
| Child Welfare, adoptions, SFY2009 | 6 | 1401 | 9 |
| Food stamp average # of recipients, SFY2009 | 7,366 | 1,202,181 | 7,561 |
| Food stamp recipients % of population | 15.9 | 12.2 | 16.2 |
| Medicaid average # of recipients, SFY2009 | 13,023 | 2,079,134 | 13,076 |
| Medicaid recipients % of population | 28.2 | 21.2 | 26.5 |
| TANF average # of recipients, SFY2009 | 202 | 38,824 | 244 |
| TANF recipients % of population | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.5 |
| OASDI (Social Security) recipients % of population, 12/2009 | 21.8 | 14.4 | 19.1 |
| SSI (Supplemental Security Income) % of population, 12/2009 | 4.5 | 2.2 | 3.3 |
| <u>TRANSPORTATION</u> | | | |
| Total highway mileage, 2009 | 971.8 | 117,453.4 | 739 |
| % unpaved | 25.3 | 24.1 | 27.7 |
| Daily Vehicle Miles traveled, 2009 | 1,485,000 | 298,892,000 | 1,879,811.3 |
| Registered motor vehicles (as of 6/30/10) | 44,235 | 8,499,638 | 53,455 |
| Motor vehicle crashes, 2008 | 1,265 | 306,367 | 1,927 |
| Rate per 100 million vehicle miles traveled | 226.4 | 282.3 | 184.8 |
| Motor vehicle crash injuries, 2008 | 581 | 115,797 | 728 |
| Motor vehicle crash fatalities, 2008 | 8 | 1508 | 9 |
| Age 4 & under in traffic crashes, 2008 | 78 | 18347 | -- |
| % restrained | 92 | 98 | -- |
| Housing units with no vehicles available, 2000 | 1,787 | 248,546 | 1,563 |
| <u>VITAL STATISTICS, Natality</u> | | | |
| Live births, total, 2008 | 639 | 146,464 | 921 |
| Live births per 1,000 population, total, 2008 | 14.0 | 15.1 | 14.0 |
| Live births per 1,000 population, total, 1999-2008 | 14.2 | 15.7 | 14.4 |
| Unwed live births, total, 2008 | 314 | 66,177 | 416 |
| Unwed live births per 100 live births, total, 2008 | 49.1 | 45.2 | 49.0 |
| Unwed live births per 100 live births, total, 1999-2008 | 50.4 | 39.9 | 44.0 |
| Low weight births (< 2500 grams), total, 2008 | 61 | 14,014 | 88 |
| Low weight births per 100 live births, total, 2008 | 9.5 | 9.6 | 10.3 |
| Low weight births per 100 live births, total, 1999-2008 | 10.9 | 9.2 | 9.7 |
| Induced terminations, total, 2008 | 7 | 32,066 | 202 |
| Induced terminations, total, 1999-2008 | 81 | 295,491 | 1,858 |
| Induced terminations per 1,000 females age 15-44, total, 1999-2008 | 0.9 | 14.9 | 8.4 |
| Teen Pregnancies, total, 2008 | 108 | 22,652 | 142 |
| Teen pregnancies per 1,000 females age 10-19, total, 2008 | 36.0 | 34.1 | 38.2 |
| Teen pregnancies per 1,000 females age 10-19, total, 1999-2008 | 38.2 | 36.6 | 39.9 |
| <u>VITAL STATISTICS, Mortality**</u> | | | |
| Deaths, total, 2007 | 466 | 67,753 | 426 |
| Deaths per 100,000 population, total, 2007 | 1030.1 | 709.8 | 949.6 |
| Deaths per 100,000 population, total, 1998-2007 | 1,066.8 | 747.7 | 953.2 |
| Infant deaths, total, 2007 | 2 | 1,198 | 8 |
| Infant deaths per 1,000 live births, total, 1998-2007 | 8.9 | 8.4 | -- |
| Suicides per 100,000 population, total, 1998-2007 | 12.2 | 10.4 | -- |
| Homicides per 100,000 population, total, 1998-2007 | 5.3 | 7.7 | -- |

-- Data not available or data tabulation not appropriate.

**Mortality data for 2008 not available at press time.