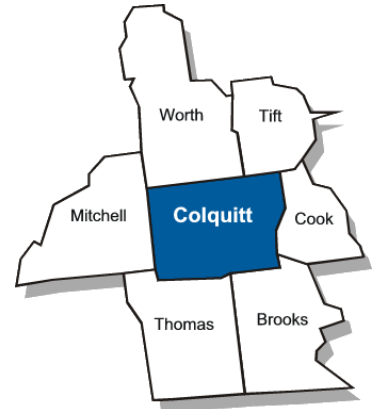




Colquitt

County



Labor Force Activity - 2008

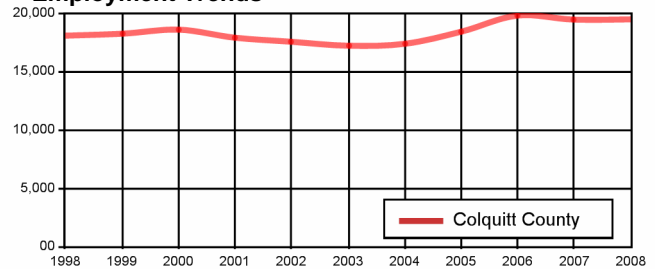
2008 ANNUAL AVERAGES

| | Labor Force | Employed | Unemployed | Rate |
|----------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|
| Colquitt | 20,740 | 19,499 | 1,241 | 6.0% |
| Brooks | 8,520 | 8,045 | 475 | 5.6% |
| Cook | 7,264 | 6,701 | 563 | 7.8% |
| Mitchell | 10,503 | 9,783 | 720 | 6.9% |
| Thomas | 22,141 | 20,870 | 1,271 | 5.7% |
| Tift | 18,936 | 17,607 | 1,329 | 7.0% |
| Worth | 10,228 | 9,542 | 686 | 6.7% |
| Colquitt Area | 98,332 | 92,047 | 6,285 | 6.4% |
| Georgia | 4,847,650 | 4,545,675 | 301,975 | 6.2% |
| United States | 154,287,000 | 145,362,000 | 8,924,000 | 5.8% |

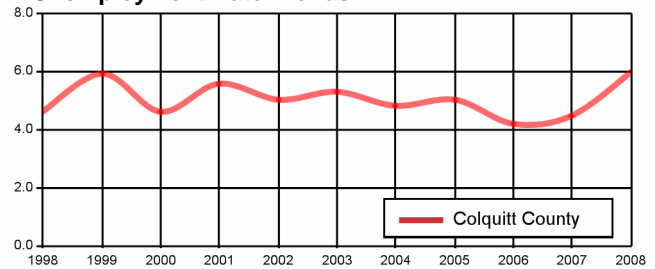
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

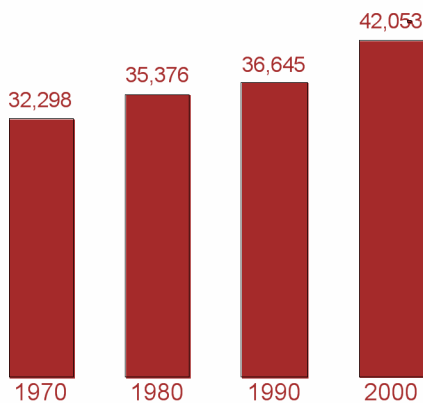
Employment Trends



Unemployment Rate Trends



Population Estimates



Population

| | 2000 Census | 2008 Rank | 2008 Estimate | % Change 2000-2008 | 2015 Projected* | % Change 2000-2015 |
|----------------------|----------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Colquitt | 42,053 | 45 | 45,279 | 7.7 | 47,129 | 12.1 |
| City of Moultrie | 14,387 | | | | | |
| Colquitt Area | 201,317 | | 211,903 | 5.3 | 217,607 | 8.1 |
| Georgia | 8,186,453 | | 9,685,744 | 18.3 | 10,813,573 | 32.1 |
| United States | 281,421,906 | | 304,059,724 | 8.0 | 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 - 2008

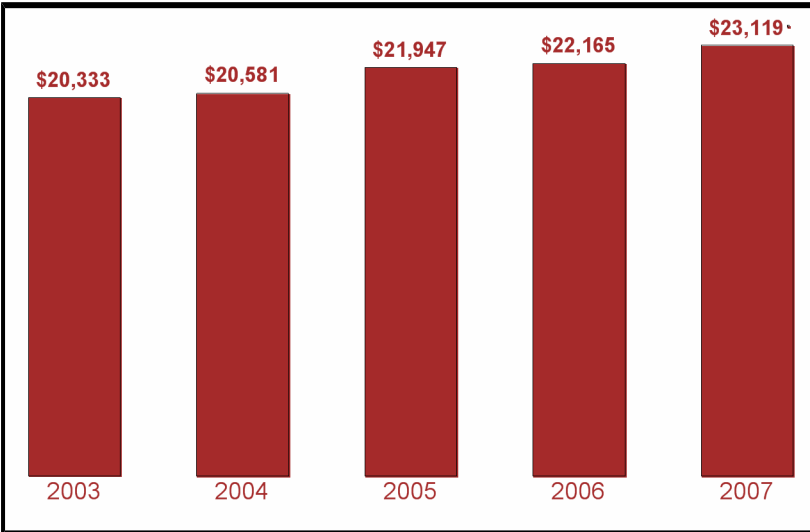
| INDUSTRY | Colquitt | | | | Colquitt Area | | | |
|--|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------|----------------|
| | NUMBER OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT NUMBER | PERCENT | WEEKLY WAGE | NUMBER OF FIRMS | EMPLOYMENT NUMBER | PERCENT | WEEKLY WAGE |
| Goods-Producing | 236 | 5,904 | 37.4 | 442 | 1,073 | 20,730 | 27.2 | 567 |
| Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting | 74 | 1,549 | 9.8 | 313 | 322 | 4,319 | 5.7 | 378 |
| Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 3 | 343 | 0.4 | 854 |
| Construction | 104 | 445 | 2.8 | 506 | 488 | 2,625 | 3.4 | 553 |
| Manufacturing | 58 | 3,910 | 24.8 | 486 | 260 | 13,444 | 17.6 | 623 |
| Food | 5 | 2,068 | 13.1 | 475 | 28 | 5,664 | 7.4 | 611 |
| Beverage and Tobacco Product | 1 | * | * | * | 5 | 113 | 0.1 | 544 |
| Textile Product Mills | 1 | * | * | * | 7 | 27 | 0.0 | 478 |
| Apparel | 3 | * | * | * | 5 | 880 | 1.2 | 426 |
| Wood Product | 12 | 551 | 3.5 | 538 | 37 | 1,298 | 1.7 | 557 |
| Paper | 1 | * | * | * | 4 | * | * | * |
| Printing and Related Support Activities | 2 | * | * | * | 12 | 88 | 0.1 | 582 |
| Chemical | 1 | * | * | * | 10 | 295 | 0.4 | 706 |
| Plastics and Rubber Products | 1 | * | * | * | 7 | 485 | 0.6 | 689 |
| Nonmetallic Mineral Product | 2 | * | * | * | 14 | 235 | 0.3 | 605 |
| Primary Metal | 1 | * | * | * | 3 | * | * | * |
| Fabricated Metal Product | 10 | 133 | 0.8 | 584 | 39 | 900 | 1.2 | 719 |
| Machinery | 4 | * | * | * | 28 | 1,323 | 1.7 | 819 |
| Electrical Equipment, Appliance, and Component | 1 | * | * | * | 1 | * | * | * |
| Transportation Equipment | 5 | * | * | * | 16 | 578 | 0.8 | 746 |
| Furniture and Related Product | 3 | * | * | * | 16 | 455 | 0.6 | 459 |
| Miscellaneous | 5 | 20 | 0.1 | 305 | 20 | 124 | 0.2 | 544 |
| Computer and Electronic Product | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 2 | * | * | * |
| Textile Mills | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 6 | * | * | * |
| Service-Providing | 696 | 6,212 | 39.4 | 502 | 3,697 | 38,273 | 50.1 | 540 |
| Utilities | 2 | * | * | * | 12 | 267 | 0.3 | 1,077 |
| Wholesale Trade | 61 | 403 | 2.6 | 709 | 300 | 3,366 | 4.4 | 699 |
| Retail Trade | 181 | 1,862 | 11.8 | 435 | 921 | 8,798 | 11.5 | 439 |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 27 | 213 | 1.4 | 518 | 136 | 1,948 | 2.6 | 667 |
| Information | 14 | 132 | 0.8 | 820 | 53 | 513 | 0.7 | 723 |
| Finance and Insurance | 56 | 430 | 2.7 | 824 | 278 | 1,934 | 2.5 | 765 |
| Real Estate and Rental and Leasing | 34 | 118 | 0.7 | 555 | 173 | 732 | 1.0 | 494 |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 59 | 202 | 1.3 | 561 | 377 | 1,677 | 2.2 | 626 |
| Management of Companies and Enterprises | 4 | * | * | * | 21 | 240 | 0.3 | 858 |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services | 33 | 246 | 1.6 | 334 | 177 | 3,316 | 4.3 | 468 |
| Educational Services | 3 | * | * | * | 20 | 444 | 0.6 | 506 |
| Health Care and Social Assistance | 80 | 987 | 6.3 | 664 | 429 | 7,465 | 9.8 | 739 |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 11 | 71 | 0.5 | 368 | 51 | 372 | 0.5 | 314 |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 53 | 847 | 5.4 | 208 | 317 | 5,400 | 7.1 | 226 |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 78 | 505 | 3.2 | 403 | 432 | 1,813 | 2.4 | 441 |
| Unclassified - industry not assigned | 24 | 4 | 0.0 | 876 | 94 | 38 | 0.0 | 538 |
| Total - Private Sector | 956 | 12,120 | 76.8 | 472 | 4,864 | 59,041 | 77.3 | 550 |
| Total - Government | 65 | 3,653 | 23.2 | 696 | 350 | 17,306 | 22.7 | 625 |
| Federal Government | 14 | 130 | 0.8 | 879 | 85 | 740 | 1.0 | 993 |
| State Government | 23 | 505 | 3.2 | 608 | 126 | 4,122 | 5.4 | 586 |
| Local Government | 28 | 3,018 | 19.1 | 600 | 139 | 12,444 | 16.3 | 616 |
| ALL INDUSTRIES | 1,021 | 15,773 | 100.0 | 505 | 5,214 | 76,350 | 100.0 | 567 |
| ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia | | | | | 276,063 | 4,029,673 | | 819 |

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 Annual 2008.

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

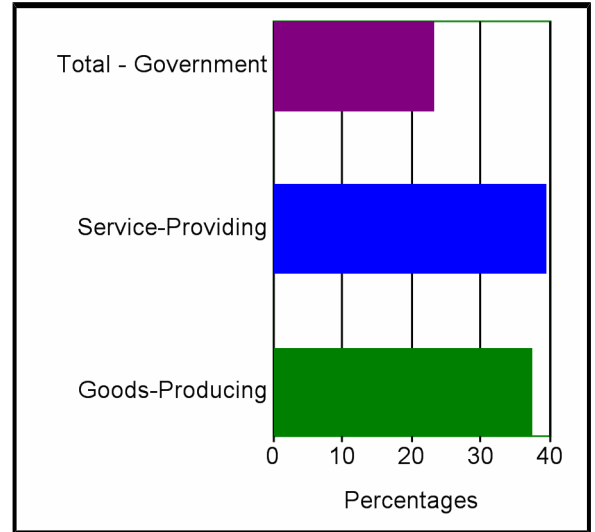
Colquitt Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Colquitt Industry Mix 2008

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



Top Employers - 2008

FIVE LARGEST EMPLOYERS

Colquitt

Colquitt Regional Med Center
National Beef
Riverside Mfg Co
Sanderson Farms Inc Processing Divi
Wal-Mart

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 2008. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS

Colquitt Area

| Employer | COUNTY |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Sanderson Farms Inc Processing Divi | Colquitt |
| Colquitt Regional Med Center | Colquitt |
| Riverside Mfg Co | Colquitt |
| Equity Group GA Div Llc | Mitchell |
| John D Archbold Memorial Hospital | Thomas |
| Ambassador Personnel Inc | Thomas |
| Southwestern State Hospital | Thomas |
| Tift Regional Medical Center | Tift |
| Target | Tift |
| Shaw Industries Inc | Tift |

Commuting Patterns

EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF

Colquitt

| COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED | NUMBER | PERCENT OF TOTAL |
|-------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Colquitt, GA | 13,708 | 77.1 |
| Tift, GA | 935 | 5.3 |
| Dougherty, GA | 911 | 5.1 |
| Thomas, GA | 464 | 2.6 |
| Cook, GA | 323 | 1.8 |
| Mitchell, GA | 289 | 1.6 |
| Worth, GA | 234 | 1.3 |
| Lowndes, GA | 222 | 1.2 |
| Other | 705 | 4.0 |
| Total Residents: | 17,791 | 100.0 |

PERSONS WORKING IN

Colquitt

| COUNTY OF RESIDENCE | NUMBER | PERCENT OF TOTAL |
|-------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Colquitt, GA | 13,708 | 86.7 |
| Thomas, GA | 390 | 2.5 |
| Worth, GA | 265 | 1.7 |
| Lowndes, GA | 190 | 1.2 |
| Mitchell, GA | 171 | 1.1 |
| Tift, GA | 159 | 1.0 |
| Brooks, GA | 145 | 0.9 |
| Cook, GA | 98 | 0.6 |
| Other | 692 | 4.4 |
| Total Residents: | 15,818 | 100.0 |

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

Colquitt Area

| | PERCENT OF TOTAL | PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE | | | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | | 18-24 | 25-34 | 35-44 | 45-64 | 65+ |
| Some High School | 33.0% | 39.4% | 25.5% | 24.2% | 29.4% | 52.4% |
| High School Grad/GED | 34.3% | 32.3% | 36.0% | 39.4% | 35.9% | 25.5% |
| Some College | 21.5% | 25.7% | 25.6% | 23.1% | 21.2% | 12.7% |
| College Grad 4 Yr | 7.2% | 2.4% | 9.3% | 8.8% | 7.8% | 5.7% |
| Post Grad Studies | 4.0% | 0.3% | 3.6% | 4.6% | 5.8% | 3.7% |
| 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 - 2008



| | PUBLIC SCHOOLS | PRIVATE SCHOOLS | TOTAL |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Brooks | 89 | 0 | 89 |
| Colquitt | 431 | 0 | 431 |
| Cook | 123 | 0 | 123 |
| Mitchell | 169 | 17 | 186 |
| Thomas | 448 | 36 | 484 |
| Tift | 434 | 26 | 460 |
| Worth | 187 | 0 | 187 |
| Colquitt Area | 1,881 | 79 | 1,960 |

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

Colquitt Area

Tift

| | |
|--|--|
| Troy University-Tifton Site | tifton.troy.edu/ |
| Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College | www.abac.edu |
| Tifton Campus (Satellite campus of Moultrie Technical College) | www.moultrietech.edu |

Colquitt

| | |
|---|--|
| Moultrie Technical College | www.moultrietech.edu |
| Moultrie Technical College (Technical college servicing area) | www.moultrietech.edu |

Thomas

| | |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Southwest Georgia Technical College | www.southwestgatech.edu |
| Thomas University | www.thomasu.edu |

Cook

| | |
|---|--|
| Cook County Center (Satellite campus of Valdosta Technical College) | www.valdostatech.edu |
|---|--|

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 - 2008

| PROGRAMS | TOTAL GRADUATES | | | PERCENT CHANGE | |
|---|-----------------|------|------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 |
| Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping | 57 | 46 | 82 | -19.3 | 78.3 |
| Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General | 42 | 36 | 46 | -14.3 | 27.8 |
| Aesthetician/Esthetician and Skin Care Specialist | 9 | 11 | 5 | 22.2 | -54.5 |
| Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician | 20 | 27 | 20 | 35.0 | -25.9 |
| Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician | 23 | 39 | 69 | 69.6 | 76.9 |
| Banking and Financial Support Services | 15 | 17 | 21 | 13.3 | 23.5 |
| Cabinetmaking and Millwork/Millwright | 4 | 9 | 1 | 125.0 | -88.9 |
| CAD/CADD Drafting and/or Design Technology/Technician | 6 | 4 | 4 | -33.3 | 0.0 |
| Carpentry/Carpenter | 21 | 10 | 19 | -52.4 | 90.0 |
| Child Care Provider/Assistant | 5 | 6 | 10 | 20.0 | 66.7 |
| Civil Engineering Technology/Technician | 9 | 4 | 8 | -55.6 | 100.0 |
| Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician | 6 | 13 | 18 | 116.7 | 38.5 |
| Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications | 8 | 10 | 5 | 25.0 | -50.0 |
| Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General | 60 | 81 | 99 | 35.0 | 22.2 |
| Criminal Justice/Safety Studies | 20 | 41 | 33 | 105.0 | -19.5 |
| Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General | 3 | 5 | 12 | 66.7 | 140.0 |
| Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician | 16 | 6 | 1 | -62.5 | -83.3 |
| Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General | 9 | 6 | 14 | -33.3 | 133.3 |
| Early Childhood Education and Teaching | 52 | 55 | 53 | 5.8 | -3.6 |
| Electrical/Electronics Equipment Installation and Repair, General | 4 | 4 | 6 | 0.0 | 50.0 |
| Electrician | 24 | 31 | 37 | 29.2 | 19.4 |
| Emergency Medical Technology/Technician (EMT Paramedic) | 33 | 24 | 10 | -27.3 | -58.3 |
| Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Studies | 11 | 7 | 4 | -36.4 | -42.9 |
| Fire Science/Fire-fighting | 22 | 4 | 34 | -81.8 | 750.0 |
| General Office Occupations and Clerical Services | 19 | 29 | 42 | 52.6 | 44.8 |
| Heating/AC/Ventilation/Refrig Maint Technology/Technician | 14 | 12 | 7 | -14.3 | -41.7 |
| Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology | 48 | 35 | 15 | -27.1 | -57.1 |
| Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse Training | 35 | 44 | 49 | 25.7 | 11.4 |
| Medical Insurance Coding Specialist/Coder | 28 | 29 | 21 | 3.6 | -27.6 |
| Medical Reception/Receptionist | 33 | 48 | 25 | 45.5 | -47.9 |
| Medical Transcription/Transcriptionist | 7 | 6 | 17 | -14.3 | 183.3 |
| Medical/Clinical Assistant | 43 | 43 | 44 | 0.0 | 2.3 |
| Nail Technician/Specialist and Manicurist | 6 | 8 | 1 | 33.3 | -87.5 |
| Nurse/Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant | 56 | 46 | 40 | -17.9 | -13.0 |
| Operations Management and Supervision | 9 | 13 | 3 | 44.4 | -76.9 |
| Plumbing Technology/Plumber | 4 | 1 | 4 | -75.0 | 300.0 |
| Radiologic Technology/Science - Radiographer | 14 | 12 | 14 | -14.3 | 16.7 |

Technical College Graduates - 2008

| PROGRAMS | TOTAL GRADUATES | | | PERCENT CHANGE | |
|---|-----------------|------|------|----------------|-----------|
| | 2006 | 2007 | 2008 | 2006-2007 | 2007-2008 |
| Sales, Distribution, and Marketing Operations, General | 5 | 5 | 11 | 0.0 | 120.0 |
| Small Business Administration/Management | 12 | 7 | 5 | -41.7 | -28.6 |
| Surgical Technology/Technologist | 5 | 9 | 4 | 80.0 | -55.6 |
| Truck and Bus Driver/Commercial Vehicle Operation | 75 | 70 | 80 | -6.7 | 14.3 |
| Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design | 3 | 1 | 5 | -66.7 | 400.0 |
| Welding Technology/Welder | 22 | 39 | 17 | 77.3 | -56.4 |
| Word Processing | 25 | 23 | 34 | -8.0 | 47.8 |

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 Moultrie Technical College

Occupational Profile for Residents of Colquitt County

| | Colquitt | | Colquitt Area | |
|--|----------|---------|---------------|---------|
| | NUMBER | PERCENT | NUMBER | PERCENT |
| Total Civilian Labor Force | 18,877 | 100.0 | 90,196 | 100.0 |
| Management, Business and Financial Workers | 1,708 | 9.1 | 8,311 | 9.2 |
| Science, Engineering and Computer Professionals | 143 | 0.8 | 1,004 | 1.1 |
| Healthcare Practitioner Professionals | 344 | 1.8 | 2,351 | 2.6 |
| Other Professional Workers | 1,594 | 8.4 | 7,330 | 8.1 |
| Technicians | 358 | 1.9 | 2,482 | 2.8 |
| Sales Workers | 1,878 | 10.0 | 9,248 | 10.3 |
| Administrative Support Workers | 2,438 | 12.9 | 12,677 | 14.1 |
| Construction and Extractive Craft Workers | 1,225 | 6.5 | 4,563 | 5.1 |
| Installation, Maintenance and Repair Craft Workers | 1,254 | 6.6 | 5,467 | 6.1 |
| Production Operative Workers | 2,664 | 14.1 | 11,072 | 12.3 |
| Transportation and Material Moving Operative Workers | 1,005 | 5.3 | 5,195 | 5.8 |
| Laborers and Helpers | 2,013 | 10.7 | 7,471 | 8.3 |
| Protective Service Workers | 264 | 1.4 | 1,720 | 1.9 |
| Service Workers, except Protective | 1,815 | 9.6 | 10,386 | 11.5 |
| Unemployed, No Civilian Work Experience Since 1995 | 174 | 0.9 | 919 | 1.0 |

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. |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------------------|------------|-------------------|----------------|--------------------|--------------|
| Colquitt | 2,484 | 73 | 236 | 258 | 73 | 50 | 75 | 97 | 214 | 1,408 |
| Brooks | 727 | 30 | 59 | 64 | 08 | 9 | 23 | 23 | 39 | 472 |
| Cook | 932 | 38 | 75 | 76 | 13 | 10 | 68 | 25 | 56 | 571 |
| Mitchell | 1,613 | 43 | 166 | 220 | 23 | 109 | 32 | 60 | 96 | 864 |
| Thomas | 2,444 | 95 | 304 | 292 | 28 | 30 | 85 | 58 | 139 | 1,413 |
| Tift | 2,224 | 106 | 244 | 267 | 58 | 37 | 83 | 47 | 123 | 1,259 |
| Worth | 1,268 | 46 | 139 | 148 | 19 | 38 | 41 | 37 | 90 | 710 |
| Total Area | 11,692 | 431 | 1,223 | 1,325 | 222 | 283 | 407 | 347 | 757 | 6,697 |

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 May 2009).

Georgia Department of Labor Location(s)

Career Center(s)

115 5th Street SE
Moultrie GA 31768

Phone: (229) 891 - 7147 **Fax:** (229) 891 - 7149

Rehabilitation Center(s)

536 South Main Street
P. O. Box 660
Swainsboro, GA 30401-0660

Phone: (478) 289 - 2582

1317 East Jackson Street
Thomasville, GA 31792-4750

Phone: (229) 225 - 4045

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