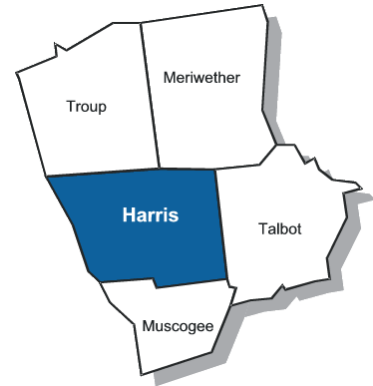




# Harris

# County



## Labor Force Activity - 2005

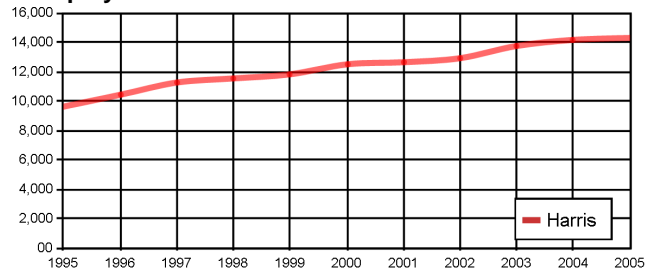
2005 ANNUAL AVERAGES

	Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Rate
Harris	14,963	14,382	581	3.9%
Meriwether	10,207	9,436	771	7.6%
Muscogee	85,130	79,937	5,193	6.1%
Talbot	2,957	2,742	215	7.3%
Troup	30,746	28,580	2,166	7.0%
<b>Harris Area</b>	<b>144,003</b>	<b>135,077</b>	<b>8,926</b>	<b>6.4%</b>
Georgia	4,588,023	4,346,289	241,734	5.3%
United States	149,320,000	141,730,000	7,591,000	5.1%
Chambers, AL	16,498	15,649	849	5.1%
Lee, AL	63,981	61,999	1,982	3.1%

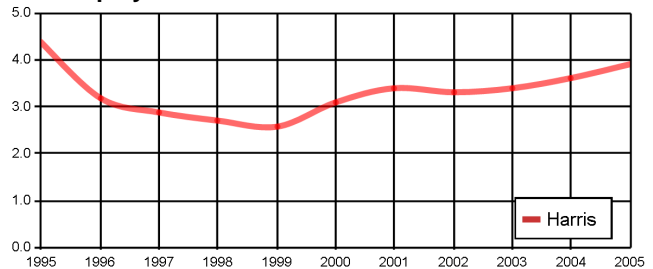
Note: This series reflects the latest information available. Labor Force includes residents of the county who are employed or actively seeking employment.

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

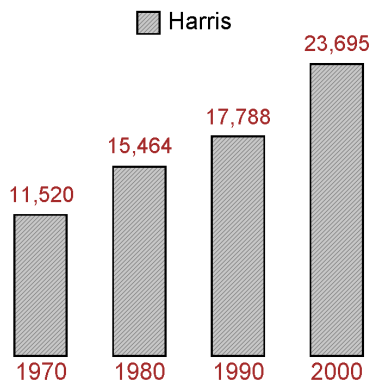
## Employment Trends



## Unemployment Rate Trends



## Population Estimates



## Population

	2000 Census	2005 Rank	2005 Estimate	% Change 2000-2005	2010 Projected*	% Change 2000-2010
<b>Harris</b>	<b>23,695</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>27,779</b>	<b>17.2</b>	<b>29,647</b>	<b>25.1</b>
City of Hamilton	307					
<b>Harris Area</b>	<b>449,472</b>		<b>463,407</b>	<b>3.1</b>	<b>475,872</b>	<b>5.9</b>
Georgia	8,186,453		9,072,576	10.8	9,592,370	17.2
United States	281,421,906		296,410,404	5.3	308,936,000	9.8
Chambers, AL	36,583		35,460	-3.1	36,355	-0.6
Lee, AL	115,092		123,254	7.1	141,303	22.8

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

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# Industry Mix - 2005

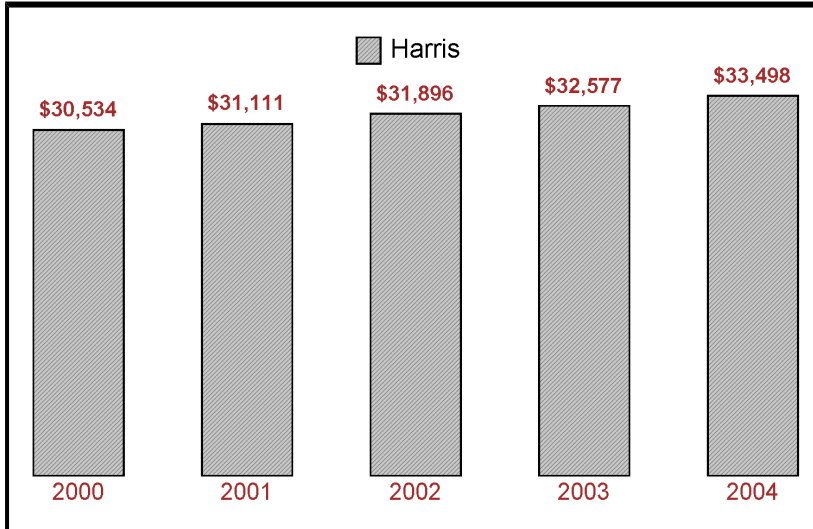
INDUSTRY	Harris				Harris Area			
	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE	NUMBER OF FIRMS	EMPLOYMENT		WEEKLY WAGE
		NUMBER	PERCENT			NUMBER	PERCENT	
Goods-Producing	117	1,376	29.2	388	1,057	26,466	19.0	652
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	13	61	1.3	484	47	302	0.2	558
Construction	80	350	7.4	413	679	6,861	4.9	622
Manufacturing	24	*	*	*	326	19,153	13.7	659
Food Manufacturing	1	*	*	*	14	2,019	1.4	545
Wood Product Manufacturing	5	48	1.0	780	20	773	0.6	633
Printing and Related Support Activities	3	7	0.1	515	40	814	0.6	650
Chemical Manufacturing	1	*	*	*	14	403	0.3	825
Nonmetallic Mineral Product Mfg	3	15	0.3	382	14	260	0.2	643
Fabricated Metal Product Manufacturing	5	65	1.4	638	46	526	0.4	607
Machinery Manufacturing	1	*	*	*	15	1,004	0.7	700
Electrical Equipment and Appliances	1	*	*	*	10	1,942	1.4	664
Furniture and Related Product Mfg	4	29	0.6	360	32	332	0.2	453
Service-Providing	271	2,186	46.3	398	5,751	87,007	62.3	484
Utilities	2	*	*	*	13	393	0.3	1,167
Wholesale Trade	17	126	2.7	796	280	3,543	2.5	637
Retail Trade	47	302	6.4	337	1,160	16,592	11.9	378
Transportation and Warehousing	15	62	1.3	649	127	1,240	0.9	615
Information	6	16	0.3	1,048	124	7,580	5.4	874
Finance and Insurance	12	80	1.7	657	524	7,337	5.3	809
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	14	29	0.6	420	330	1,995	1.4	476
Professional and Technical Services	24	84	1.8	641	503	4,463	3.2	634
Administrative and Waste Services	28	135	2.9	371	396	8,168	5.8	321
Educational Services	1	*	*	*	40	733	0.5	459
Health Care and Social Assistance	17	213	4.5	390	669	14,276	10.2	515
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	6	*	*	*	68	1,235	0.9	315
Accommodation and Food Services	39	806	17.1	288	580	13,839	9.9	235
Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	34	55	1.2	374	780	3,086	2.2	389
Unclassified	9	5	0.1	672	70	49	0.0	617
<b>Total - Private Sector</b>	<b>388</b>	<b>3,562</b>	<b>75.5</b>	<b>393</b>	<b>6,808</b>	<b>113,473</b>	<b>81.3</b>	<b>568</b>
<b>Total - Government</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>1,157</b>	<b>24.5</b>	<b>587</b>	<b>391</b>	<b>26,175</b>	<b>18.7</b>	<b>626</b>
State Government	10	77	1.6	517	119	4,971	3.6	551
Local Government	19	1,020	21.6	494	190	16,126	11.5	530
Federal Government	6	60	1.3	751	82	5,078	3.6	798
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>4,720</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>7,199</b>	<b>139,648</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>548</b>
<b>ALL INDUSTRIES - Georgia</b>					<b>256,787</b>	<b>3,931,719</b>		<b>752</b>

Note: \*Denotes confidential data relating to individual employers and cannot be released. These data use the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) categories (as opposed to Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) 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 Annual Averages.

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

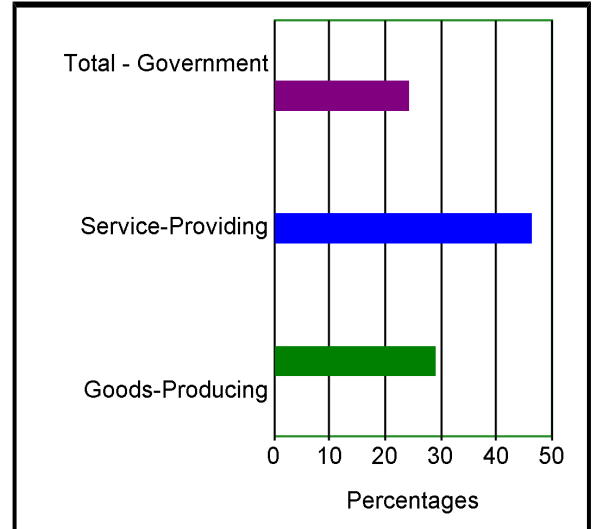
## Per Capita Income

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



## Harris Industry Mix 2005

Source: See Industry Mix data on Page 2.



## Top Employers - 2005

### FIVE LARGEST EMPLOYERS

#### Harris County

Cagle Inc  
 Callaway Gardens Resort Inc  
 Golden Age Oak View Home LLC  
 Her-Kel Investments Inc  
 Ida Cason Callaway Foundation

Note: Represents employment covered by unemployment insurance excluding all government agencies except correctional institutions, state and local hospitals, state college and universities. Data shown for Fourth Quarter 2005. Employers are listed alphabetically by area, not by the number of employees.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor

### TEN LARGEST EMPLOYERS

#### Harris Area

Employer	COUNTY
Total System Services Inc	Muscogee
American Family Life Assurance	Muscogee
The Medical Center Inc	Muscogee
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Ga Inc	Muscogee
St Francis Hospital Inc	Muscogee
Swift Textiles LLC	Muscogee
Logans Roadhouse Inc	Muscogee
Columbus State University	Muscogee
Wal-Mart Associates Inc	Troup
Milliken & Company Inc	Troup

## Commuting Patterns

### EMPLOYED RESIDENTS OF

#### Harris

COUNTY WHERE EMPLOYED	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Muscogee, GA	6,087	51.6
Harris, GA	2,867	24.3
Troup, GA	1,183	10.0
Meriwether, GA	416	3.5
Chattahoochee, GA	304	2.6
Russell County, AL	214	1.8
Chambers County, AL	156	1.3
Fulton, GA	103	0.9
Other	474	4.0
<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>11,804</b>	<b>100.0</b>

### PERSONS WORKING IN

#### Harris

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE	NUMBER	PERCENT OF TOTAL
Harris, GA	2,867	53.7
Muscogee, GA	1,123	21.1
Troup, GA	373	7.0
Meriwether, GA	267	5.0
Talbot, GA	162	3.0
Russell County, AL	131	2.5
Lee County, AL	89	1.7
Chambers County, AL	77	1.4
Other	245	4.6
<b>Total Residents:</b>	<b>5,334</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

## Harris

	PERCENT OF TOTAL	PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE				
		18-24	25-34	35-44	45-64	65+
Some High School	21.3%	24.2%	12.8%	11.1%	20.2%	45.7%
High School Grad/GED	30.0%	36.4%	27.2%	30.4%	31.3%	26.0%
Some College	28.7%	32.2%	32.1%	34.9%	27.5%	17.3%
College Grad 4 Yr	13.2%	5.5%	17.7%	18.0%	12.0%	8.1%
Post Graduate Degree	6.8%	1.7%	10.1%	5.6%	9.0%	2.9%
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 - 2005

	PUBLIC SCHOOLS	PRIVATE SCHOOLS	TOTAL
Harris	246	0	246
Meriwether	160	21	181
Muscogee	1,227	86	1,313
Talbot	16	0	16
Troup	488	22	510
<b>Harris Area</b>	<b>2,137</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>2,266</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

## Harris

### Harris

Columbus Technical College (Technical college servicing area)  
 Columbus Technical College  
 Columbus Technical College (Technical college servicing area)      www.columbustech.org

### Meriwether

West Georgia Technical College

### Muscogee

Columbus Technical College  
 Beacon University      beacon.edu  
 Columbus State University      www.colstate.edu  
 Columbus Technical College      www.columbustech.org  
 Georgia Military College-Ft Benning      www.gmc.cc.ga.us  
 University of Phoenix-Columbus Georgia C      www.phoenix.edu

### Talbot

Flint River Technical College

### Troup

West Georgia Technical College  
 Lagrange College      www.lagrange.edu  
 West Georgia Technical College      www.westgatech.edu

Note: The colleges and universities listed include public and private institutions that meet Georgia Career Information Center (GCIC) inclusion criteria and Georgia Satellite Technical Colleges

Source: Georgia Career Information Center, Georgia State University.

## Technical College Graduates - 2005

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2003	2004	2005	2003-2004	2004-2005
Accounting Technology/Technician and Bookkeeping	70	57	51	-18.6	-10.5
Administrative Assistant and Secretarial Science, General	58	55	43	-5.2	-21.8
Appliance Installation and Repair Technology/Technician	20	25	18	25.0	-28.0
Autobody/Collision and Repair Technology/Technician	32	23	38	-28.1	65.2
Automobile/Automotive Mechanics Technology/Technician	48	34	60	-29.2	76.5
Cabinetmaking and Millwork/Millwright	23	13	25	-43.5	92.3
Carpentry/Carpenter	32	26	20	-18.8	-23.1
Child Care Provider/Assistant	5	4	1	-20.0	-75.0
Communications Systems Installation and Repair Technology	14	5	3	-64.3	-40.0
Computer Installation and Repair Technology/Technician	34	24	20	-29.4	-16.7
Computer Systems Networking and Telecommunications	106	71	53	-33.0	-25.4
Cosmetology/Cosmetologist, General	43	39	44	-9.3	12.8
Customer Service Support/Call Center/Teleservice Operation	94	68	27	-27.7	-60.3
Data Entry/Microcomputer Applications, General	14	12	5	-14.3	-58.3
Data Processing and Data Processing Technology/Technician	51	47	32	-7.8	-31.9
Dental Assisting/Assistant	13	11	9	-15.4	-18.2
Dental Hygiene/Hygienist	13	13	12	0.0	-7.7

# Technical College Graduates - 2005

PROGRAMS	TOTAL GRADUATES			PERCENT CHANGE	
	2003	2004	2005	2003-2004	2004-2005
Drafting and Design Technology/Technician, General	4	10	9	150.0	-10.0
Early Childhood Education and Teaching	19	57	29	200.0	-49.1
Electrical/Electronic/Communications Engr Technology/Technician	5	3	10	-40.0	233.3
General Office Occupations and Clerical Services	82	95	65	15.9	-31.6
Graphic and Printing Equipment Operator, General Production	9	7	6	-22.2	-14.3
Heating/AC/Ventilation/Refrig Maint Technology/Technician	57	58	33	1.8	-43.1
Industrial Mechanics and Maintenance Technology	19	37	34	94.7	-8.1
Insurance	6	148	54	2366.7	-63.5
Machine Shop Technology/Assistant	24	10	12	-58.3	20.0
Medical/Clinical Assistant	15	32	25	113.3	-21.9
Nurse/Nursing Assistant/Aide and Patient Care Assistant	48	68	42	41.7	-38.2
Nursing/Registered Nurse (RN, ASN, BSN, MSN)	26	25	27	-3.8	8.0
Operations Management and Supervision	26	54	49	107.7	-9.3
Pharmacy Technician/Assistant	23	32	20	39.1	-37.5
Phlebotomy/Phlebotomist	25	33	32	32.0	-3.0
Surgical Technology/Technologist	53	68	55	28.3	-19.1
Web Page, Digital/Multimedia and Information Resources Design	26	19	34	-26.9	78.9
Welding Technology/Welder	37	84	64	127.0	-23.8

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 Columbus Technical College

# Occupational Profile for Residents of Harris County

	Harris		Harris Area	
	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
Total Civilian Labor Force	12,227	100.0	134,314	100.0
Management, Business and Financial Workers	1,483	12.1	12,729	9.5
Science, Engineering and Computer Professionals	450	3.7	3,484	2.6
Healthcare Practitioner Professionals	405	3.3	4,025	3.0
Other Professional Workers	1,219	10.0	13,138	9.8
Technicians	385	3.1	3,114	2.3
Sales Workers	1,311	10.7	14,058	10.5
Administrative Support Workers	1,910	15.6	21,293	15.9
Construction and Extractive Craft Workers	543	4.4	6,211	4.6
Installation, Maintenance and Repair Craft Workers	870	7.1	6,993	5.2
Production Operative Workers	1,049	8.6	15,607	11.6
Transportation and Material Moving Operative Workers	510	4.2	6,436	4.8
Laborers and Helpers	514	4.2	5,925	4.4
Protective Service Workers	325	2.7	2,776	2.1
Service Workers, except Protective	1,154	9.4	17,212	12.8
Unemployed, No Civilian Work Experience Since 1995	99	0.8	1,313	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.
Harris	442	104	95	64	05	18	54	21	32	49
Talbot	243	27	35	28	02	28	42	34	15	32
Meriwether	685	76	83	99	07	40	71	60	72	177
Troup	2,181	201	417	377	32	62	236	167	190	499
Muscogee	6,202	887	1,619	1,250	42	194	451	531	378	850
<b>Total Area</b>	<b>9,753</b>	<b>1,295</b>	<b>2,249</b>	<b>1,818</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>342</b>	<b>854</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>687</b>	<b>1,607</b>

Note: For current applicant data available for a specific occupation, contact the nearest Georgia Department of Labor office.

Source: Georgia Department of Labor (active applicants as of September 2006).

## Georgia Department of Labor Career Center Location(s)

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