Total Population
Hart County

2010 CAEDTrend: 24,888
2004 Est.: 23,369
2000: 22,997
1990: 19,712
1980: 18,585
1970: 15,814
1960: 15,229
1950: 14,495
1940: 15,512
1930: 15,174

Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial censuses & estimate; CAED (Center for Agribusiness & Economic Development)
Population Composition by Age
Hart County

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2000 Median Age
Hart Co. = 39.2 yrs.
GA = 33.4 yrs.

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
### 2004 County Population Comparisons

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>County</th>
<th>Total</th>
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<th>Density per sq.mi. land area</th>
<th>% Chg. 2000-04</th>
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Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau
Population Change: 1930-2000

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
## Components of Population Change: 2000-2004
### Natural Increase & Net Migration*

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<tr>
<th>Area</th>
<th>Numerical Change</th>
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* Numerical change includes “residual” not represented in either NI or NM.

Average annual estimates of annual rates per 1,000 population

Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau
Population Change: 2000-2004

Loss

0 – 4.3%
4.3 – 7.8%
7.8 – 15.7%
15.7 – 34%

GA = 7.8%
US = 4.3%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
Selected Vital Statistics

2003 Rates

- Total births per 1,000 pop: Hart Co. 12.5, Georgia 15.6
- Unwed per 100 total births: Hart Co. 36.1, Georgia 38.1
- Teen pregnancy per 1,000 females age 10-19: Hart Co. 41.8, Georgia 35.1
- Deaths per 1,000 pop: Hart Co. 11.1, Georgia 7.6
- Induced terminations per 1,000 females age 15-44: Hart Co. 7.5, Georgia 16.8
- Low birth weight per 100 births: Hart Co. 9.3, Georgia 8.8
- Infant deaths per 1,000 births: Hart Co. 8.4, Georgia 8.8

10-yr. rates 1994-2003

- 2003 Hart Co. Natality Data
  - 294 total births, 106 unwed births
  - 34 induced terminations
  - 61 teen pregnancies
  - 26 low-birth-weight babies

- 2003 Hart Co. Mortality Data
  - 260 total deaths
  - 0 infant deaths

Primary data source: GA Dept. Public Health
Hart Co.
Not completing HS = 28.9%
With a bachelor’s + degree = 13.5%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
Primary data sources: Governor’s Office of Student Achievement, and GA Dept. of Education

Hart Co.
Enrollment, K-12 = 3,564
H.S. dropouts, grades 9-12 = 67
Expenditures per pupil = $7,305
Per Capita Income: 1997-2002

2002 PCI
Hart Co. = $21,535
Georgia = $28,821
U.S. = $30,906

Primary data source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
Per Capita Income: 1997-2002
Percentage Change

Primary data source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
## Per Capita Income: 2002

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Primary data source: U. S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
Median Household Income
2002 Model-Based Estimates

- US: $42,409
- GEORGIA: $42,359
- GA Avg. Co.: $34,153
- HART: $32,187
- ELBERT: $29,219
- FRANKLIN: $31,932
- MADISON: $36,301
- STEPHENS: $30,579

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
Transfer Receipts: 2002
Hart Co. Total = $113,558,000

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Hart Co. Transfer Receipts: $4,884 per capita
22.7% of total personal income
12.8% change in total 2001-2002

Primary data source: Bureau of Economic Analysis
### Persons Living Below Poverty Level
#### 2002 Model-Based Estimates

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Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau
Persons Living Below the Poverty Level
2002 Model-Based Estimates

Weighted average poverty threshold for a family of 4 persons in 2002 = $18,392

GA = 13.0%
US = 12.1%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
Unemployment Rates

2004 Rates

Hart Co. = 4.8
GA = 4.6
US = 5.5

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor
Business Establishments, Employment and Wages
Hart County 2003 Annual Averages, % of Total

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor
Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2004
Hart Co. Total Value = $233,375,512

- Poultry-Egg: 85.1%
- Livestock: 7.6%
- Row-Forage crops: 1.6%
- Ornamental Horticulture: 4.7%
- Fruits-Nuts: 0.1%
- Veges: 0.4%
- Forestry: 0.2%
- Other: 0.4%

Primary data source: Center for Agribusiness & Economic Development, UGA
Components of Gross Property Tax Digest: 2003
Hart Co. Gross Digest (40% Value) = $900,053,050

- Residential: Hart Co. 52.8%, GA Avg. 50.7%
- Ag/Pref/Environ: Hart Co. 6.2%, GA Avg. 17.6%
- Commercial: Hart Co. 5.7%, GA Avg. 23.2%
- Industrial: Hart Co. 7.4%, GA Avg. 13.6%
- Utility: Hart Co. 2.6%, GA Avg. 3.8%
- Motor Vehicle: Hart Co. 6.8%, GA Avg. 7.9%
- Mobile Home: Hart Co. 0.8%, GA Avg. 0.5%
- Timber: Hart Co. 0.0%, GA Avg. 0.2%

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Revenue
### County Property Tax Digest Comparisons: 2003

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Primary data source: GA Dept. of Revenue
## County Millage Rates: 2003

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*All tax districts are assessed an additional .250 state millage. “Other” may include bonds, hospital, recreation, fire protection, water, industrial authority, economic development, etc.

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Revenue
Retail Sales Analysis: 2004
Hart Co. Total Retail Sales = $138,733,000

A “pull factor” of 1.0 means that the county’s sales are what would be expected based upon the number of residents and their relative wealth.

Residents working in county = 6,768
Residents working out of county = 3,507
Total working in county = 8,904
Workers commuting into county = 2,136

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
This study was developed to assist community leadership with their future planning and decision making.

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