Pulaski County
Community Profile

36th in order of county creation
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Total Population
Pulaski County

Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial censuses & estimate; CAED (Center for Agribusiness & Economic Development); OPB (State Office of Planning & Budget).
Population Composition by Age
Pulaski County

2000 Median Age
Pulaski Co. = 36.7 yrs.    GA = 33.4 yrs.

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
## 2003 County Population Comparisons

<table>
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<tr>
<th>County</th>
<th>Total</th>
<th>Total Rank</th>
<th>Density per sq.mi. land area</th>
<th>% Chg. 2000-03</th>
<th>Rank of % Chg.</th>
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Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau
Population Change: 1930-2000

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## Components of Population Change: 2000-2003
### Natural Increase & Net Migration*

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<th>Area</th>
<th>Numerical Change</th>
<th># Natural Increase (Births-Deaths)</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

GA = 6.1%
US = 3.3%

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

2002 Rates

- Total births per 1,000 pop: Pulaski Co. 13.1, Georgia 15.6
- Unwed per 100 total births: Pulaski Co. 37.8, Georgia 48.0
- Teen pregnancy per 1,000 females age 10-19: Pulaski Co. 36.3, Georgia 46.1
- Deaths per 1,000 pop: Pulaski Co. 11.5, Georgia 7.6
- Induced terminations per 1,000 females age 15-44: Pulaski Co. 9.8, Georgia 17.4
- Low birth weight per 100 births: Pulaski Co. 11.2, Georgia 8.7
- Infant deaths per 1,000 births: Pulaski Co. 9.5, Georgia 9.0

10-yr. rates 1993-2002

**2002 Pulaski Co. Natality Data**
- 127 total births, 61 unwed births
- 20 induced terminations
- 28 teen pregnancies
- 16 low-birth-weight babies

**2002 Pulaski Co. Mortality Data**
- 112 total deaths
- 0 infant deaths

Primary data source: GA Dept. Public Health
Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2000

Pulaski Co.
Not completing HS = 26.6%
With a bachelor’s + degree = 12.9%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
Selected Public School Statistics
School Year 2002-03

- Teachers w/adv degrees: Pulaski Co. = 56.2%, Georgia = 50.0%
- College prep certif: Pulaski Co. = 24.2%, Georgia = 71.5%
- Class '03 Completion: Pulaski Co. = 60.0%, Georgia = 63.2%
- Econ. disadvantaged: Pulaski Co. = 45.1%, Georgia = 56.5%
- Students w/disab: Pulaski Co. = 16.1%
- Retained in grade: Pulaski Co. = 2.8%, Georgia = 4.1%
- Absent >15 days: Pulaski Co. = 14.0%, Georgia = 13.8%
- HS Dropout rate: Pulaski Co. = 7.6%, Georgia = 5.5%

Primary data sources: Governor’s Office of Student Achievement, and GA Dept. of Education

Pulaski Co.
Enrollment, K-12 = 1,632
H.S. dropouts, grades 9-12 = 36
Expenditures per pupil = $7,204
Per Capita Income: 1997-2002

2002 PCI
Pulaski Co. = $24,779
Georgia = $28,821
U.S. = $30,906

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

Percentage


Pulaski Co. Georgia U.S.

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
2000 Model-Based Estimates

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Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau
Transfer Receipts: 2002
Pulaski Co. Total = $47,855,000

Pulaski Co.
$4,924 per capita transfer receipts
19.9% of total personal income
10.7% change in total 2001-2002

Primary data source: Bureau of Economic Analysis
## Persons Living Below Poverty Level
### 2000 Model-Based Estimate

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Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
Persons Living Below Poverty Level
2000 Model-Based Estimates

Poverty level for a family of 4 persons in 2000 = $17,603

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

2003 Rates

Pulaski Co. = 3.5
GA = 4.7
US = 5.8

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor
Employment Comparisons by Industry: 2003

GOODS Producing
- Agriculture: 2.0
- Construction: 3.6
- Manufacturing: 3.5

SERVICE Producing
- Wholesale trade: 4.1
- Retail trade: 12.6
- Finance-Ins: 3.3
- Prof-Sci-Tech: 2.8
- Adm-Waste svc: 6.5
- Health-Soc Svcs: 8.6
- Accomo-Food svc: 6.4
- All other svcs: 12.3
- GOVERNMENT: 16.6

Pulaski Co.

Georgia

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor
Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2003
Pulaski Co. Total Value = $46,922,467

- Row-Forage crops 56.7%
- Livestock 4.2%
- Other 19.8%
- Fruits-Nuts 1.5%
- Ornamental Horticulture 2.8%
- Veges 5.8%
- Forestry 2.2%
- Poultry-Egg 7.0%

Primary data source: Center for Agribusiness & Economic Development, UGA
Components of Gross Property Tax Digest: 2003
Pulaski Co. Gross Digest (40% Value) = $188,032,028

- Residential: 40.9%
- Ag/Pref/Environ: 6.2%
- Commercial: 15.4%
- Industrial: 3.2%
- Utility: 4.0%
- Motor Vehicle: 11.0%
- Mobile Home: 1.3%
- Timber: 0.3%

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: 2002

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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: 2003
Pulaski Co. Total Retail Sales = $79,966,000

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.

Primary data sources: “Demographics USA” Pull factor calculations by Center for Agribusiness & Economic Development.
Residents working in county = 2,241
Residents working out of county = 1,653
Total working in county = 3,393
Workers commuting into county = 1,152

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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