Bacon County Community Profile

151st in order of county creation
November 3, 1914

Prepared for Bacon County Cooperative Extension by the Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development
The University of Georgia • Athens, GA
Total Population
Bacon County

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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
Bacon County

2006 Estimated Median Age
Bacon Co. = 35.4 yrs.  GA = 34.6 yrs.

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
## 2006 County Population Comparisons

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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. 2000-06</th>
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Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau
Population Change: 1930-2000

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### Components of Population Change: 2000-2006

#### 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

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau (3/07)
Selected Vital Statistics

2006 Rates

- Total births per 1,000 pop: Bacon Co. = 16.3, Georgia = 14.6
- Unwed per 100 total births: Bacon Co. = 41.5, Georgia = 46.7
- Teen pregnancy per 1,000 females age 10-19: Bacon Co. = 60.2, Georgia = 38.4
- Deaths per 1,000 pop: Bacon Co. = 11.3, Georgia = 9.2
- Induced terminations per 1,000 females age 15-44: Bacon Co. = 1.1, Georgia = 8.6
- Low birth weight per 100 births: Bacon Co. = 9.5, Georgia = 9.5
- Infant deaths per 1,000 births: Bacon Co. = 9.2, Georgia = 9.4

10-yr. rates 1997-2006

2006 Bacon Co. Natality Data
- 171 total births, 71 unwed births
- 0 induced terminations
- 38 teen pregnancies
- 20 low birth weight babies

2006 Bacon Co. Mortality Data
- 118 total deaths
- 1 infant deaths

Primary data source: GA Dept. Public Health, OASIS
Bacon Co.
Not completing HS = 32.3%
With a bachelor’s + degree = 6.6%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau
Selected Public School Statistics
School Year 2005-06

- Teachers w/adv degrees: Bacon Co. 55.2%, Georgia 60.3%
- College prep certif: Bacon Co. 53.7%, Georgia 73.9%
- Class '06 Grad Rate: Bacon Co. 60.7%, Georgia 70.8%
- Gifted: Bacon Co. 2.5%, Georgia 8.6%
- Special Ed: Bacon Co. 13.8%, Georgia 11.9%
- Free/Reduc lunch: Bacon Co. 52.5%, Georgia 49.8%
- Retained in grade: Bacon Co. 4.3%, Georgia 3.1%
- Absent >15 days: Bacon Co. 9.9%, Georgia 9.8%
- HS Dropout rate: Bacon Co. 4.7%, Georgia 6.8%

Primary data source: Governor's Office of Student Achievement

Bacon Co.
K12 enrollment = 1,764
HS dropouts = 35
General Fund Expenditures per FTE = $7,156
Per Capita Income: 2000-2005

2005 PCI
Bacon Co. = $20,502
Georgia = $30,914
US = $34,471

Primary data source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (5/07)
Per Capita Income: 2000-2005

Percentage Change


Percentage

-6 -4 -2 0 2 4 6

Bacon Co.  Georgia  US

Primary data source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (5/07)
## Per Capita Income: 2005

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<th>County</th>
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<th>% PCI of GA Total</th>
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<td>GA Avg. Co.</td>
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Primary data source: U. S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (5/07)
Median Household Income
2005 Model-Based Estimates

- US: $46,242
- GEORGIA: $45,564
- GA Avg. Co.: $37,147
- BACON: $29,342
- APPLING: $32,152
- ATKINSON: $27,657
- COFFEE: $31,289
- JEFF DAVIS: $29,341
- PIERCE: $32,218
- WARE: $30,047

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau (1/08)
Transfer Receipts: 2005
Bacon Co. Total = $61,520,000

Primary data source: Bureau of Economic Analysis (5/07)
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Persons Living Below the Poverty Level
2005 Model-Based Estimates

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<td>4.3 – 12.6%</td>
<td>1,271,409</td>
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Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau (1/08)
Unemployment Rates

2006 Rates

Bacon Co. = 4.6  
GA = 4.6  
US = 4.6  

Avg. GA County = 5.0

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor
Business Establishments, Employment and Wages
Bacon County 2006 Annual Averages, % of Total

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Emp

Wages

Agriculture  Whlsle trade  Construction  Retail trade  Manufacturin
Finance/Insur  Prof-Sci-Tech Svc  Prof-Sci-Tech Svc  Transp-warehous
Health svc  Accom/Food Svc  Accom/Food Svc  Admin-waste svc
Govt  All Other  All Other  All other svc

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor
### Employment Comparisons by Industry: 2006

- **Total GOODS Producing**
  - Agriculture: 6.9
  - Construction: 5.4
  - Manufacturing: 25.9

- **Total SERVICE Producing**
  - Wholesale trade: 5.4
  - Retail trade: 11.7
  - Finance-Ins: 3.9
  - Transp-warehouse: 2.9
  - Information: 3.3
  - Prof-Sci-Tech: 5.2
  - Adm-Waste svc: 7.1
  - Health-Soc Svcs: 9.0
  - Accomo-Food svc: 8.5
  - All other svcs: 8.3
  - Total GOVERNMENT: 16.4

- **Total GOODS Producing**
  - Bacon Co.: 34.1
  - Georgia: 17.4

- **Total SERVICE Producing**
  - Bacon Co.: 49.4
  - Georgia: 65.9

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor
Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2006
Bacon Co. Total Value = $71,754,187

- Row-Forage crops: 22.2%
- Fruits-Nuts: 37.1%
- Livestock: 9.8%
- Poultry-Egg: 18.8%
- Other: 8.5%
- Veges: 2.2%
- Ornamental Horticulture: 0.9%
- Forestry: 0.6%

Primary data source: Center for Agribusiness & Economic Development, UGA
Components of Gross Property Tax Digest: 2006
Bacon Co. Gross Digest (40% Value) = $210,767,558

- Residential: Bacon Co. = 30.7, GA Avg. Co. = 41.9, GA Total = 54.3
- Ag/Pref/Environ: Bacon Co. = 6.6, GA Avg. Co. = 22.5, GA Total = 26.5
- Commercial: Bacon Co. = 8.3, GA Avg. Co. = 13.0, GA Total = 12.8
- Industrial: Bacon Co. = 7.6, GA Avg. Co. = 6.6, GA Total = 6.6
- Utility: Bacon Co. = 5.3, GA Avg. Co. = 5.3, GA Total = 3.6
- Motor Vehicle: Bacon Co. = 7.4, GA Avg. Co. = 10.3, GA Total = 6.1
- Mobile Home: Bacon Co. = 2.5, GA Avg. Co. = 1.2, GA Total = 0.4
- Timber: Bacon Co. = 3.3, GA Avg. Co. = 1.1, GA Total = 0.2

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Revenue
## County Property Tax Digest Comparisons: 2006

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<th>’06 School Millage*</th>
<th>’06 Taxes Levied* ($000)</th>
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*All tax districts are assessed an additional .250 state millage. Taxes Levied, but not necessarily collected. L=Local Option Sales Tax, S=Special Purpose, E=Educational

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Revenue
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.

Commuting to Work: 2000

Percentage of:
- Residents working in county: 68.0%
- Residents working out of county: 32.0%
- Workers coming into county: 24.5%
- Residents driving to work alone: 79.0%
- Residents carpooling: 15.3%
- Residents working at home: 2.5%

Bacon County
Mean travel time to work = 24.4 min.
Ratio of IN to OUT = 0.69

Resident workers 16+ = 4,195
Residents working in county = 2,852
Residents working out of county = 1,343
Total working in county = 3,778
Workers commuting into county = 926

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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