

Georgia

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“International companies bring in around 20 percent of all new jobs created in Georgia each year. The reciprocal benefits outlined in HB 475 will benefit the state’s status as a global player and reinforce Georgia’s reputation as a welcoming state.”

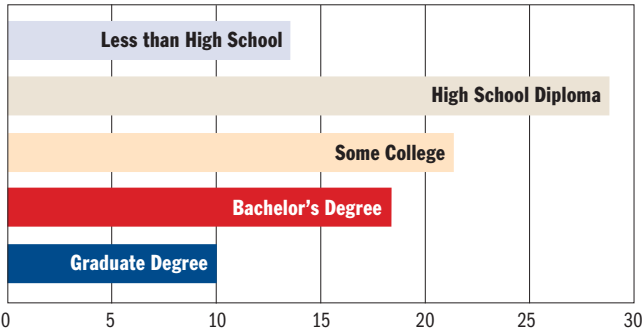
— Gov. Nathan Deal upon signing House Bill 475 on May 1, 2013

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Right-to-work state: Yes

Population 2013: 9,965,871 Population growth forecast 2013 thru 2018: 4.35% Median household income: \$55,260 Median age: 35.6

Work Force Education by Percentage



Rankings that Matter

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|--|-----------------|
| GDP | 11 (\$374,000*) |
| Business Tax Climate | 32 |
| Small Business Policy | 22 |
| Career Readiness Certificates | 2 (317,718) |
| High School Graduation | 47 |
| Health | 38 |

* Real GDP in US millions

Legislative Update

House Bill 475 will start a reciprocal driver's license program for legal international citizens, and Senate Bill 122 will allow noncitizens to apply for an extension of their Georgia driver's licenses within a certain time frame. The Dept. of Drivers' Services will oversee the reciprocity program, and the Dept. of Economic Development will verify that countries considered for the agreement will make, or are likely

to make, a substantial economic investment in Georgia. SB 122 will permit noncitizens whose Georgia driver's license is facing expiration, or has already expired, to request a temporary driving permit or identification card valid for an additional 120 days, given they can remain lawfully within the United States.

Did You Know?

- In 2012 alone, television networks, Hollywood studios, production companies and independent producers invested nearly \$3.1 billion in Georgia.
- With more than 700 film and television projects completed since 1972, Georgia has one of the deepest, most-experienced and affordable crew bases in the country, with more than 5,000 union and non-union professionals.
- Georgia's aerospace exports in 2011 grew 31 percent to an all-time high of \$5.75 billion.
- More than 500 aerospace companies are in Georgia – including Boeing, Bombardier, Gulfstream, Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, Pratt & Whitney, Raytheon, Thrus, Triumph Aerostructures and others.
- Thirty-eight of the country's top 100 food processing companies have operations in Georgia.

Selected Corporate Facility Projects 2013

| Company | City | County | Type | New/ Exp. | Product | Investment (\$ millions) | Employment |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-----------|------------------------------|--------------------------|------------|
| TJX Corp. | Jefferson | Jackson | DW | N | Clothing | \$600 | 500 |
| Engineered Floors/JBBS | Dalton | Whitfield | MF | N | Carpets | 450 | 2,000 |
| Powertech | West Point | Troup | MF | E | Transmissions | 405 | 131 |
| Toyo Tire & Rubber Co. | White | Bartow | MF | E | Tires | 210 | |
| Pinewood Studios | Fayetteville | Fayette | MF/OF | N | Film Studio | 97 | |
| Medient Studios | Effingham | Effingham | MF/OF | N | Film Studio | 90 | 1,000 |
| Parkdale Mills | Rabun Gap | Rabun | MF | E | Personal Care | 85 | 210 |
| Shaw Industries | Adairsville | Bartow | MF/DW | N | Carpet | 85 | 500 |
| Savvis | Atlanta | Fulton | OF | E | Data Processing | 81 | 79 |
| Hitachi Automotive Systems | Monroe | Walton | MF | E | Auto Parts | 80 | 250 |
| Altisource Portfolio Solutions | Atlanta | Fulton | OF | E | Financial Services | 75 | 248 |
| Matson Logistics | Savannah | Chatham | DW | N | Logistics | 71 | 83 |
| Caesarstone | Richmond Hill | Bryan | MF | N | Cut Stone | 70 | 180 |
| Shrivallabh Pittie | Sylvania | Screven | MF | N | Yarn | 70 | 250 |
| Mattex | Murray Cnty. | Murray | MF | N | Textiles | 60 | 200 |
| Pharma Chemie | Peachtree City | Fayette | MF | N | Auto Parts | 60 | 30 |
| Koch Foods | Hamilton | Harris | MF | E | Poultry Processing | 49 | 750 |
| Yamaha Motor Manufacturing Corp. | Newnan | Coweta | MF | N | ATV's | 45 | 100 |
| Learning Tree International | Atlanta | Fulton | OF | N | Education & Training | 41 | 46 |
| Trident Seafood | Carrollton | Carroll | MF | N | Seafood | 41 | 175 |
| Gerresheimer AG | Peachtree City | Fayette | MF | E | Glass | 37 | 120 |
| Hyundai Dymos | West Point | Troup | MF | N | Auto Parts | 35 | |
| Purac | Tucker | DeKalb | MF | N | Chemical Products | 30 | 33 |
| Yachiyo Industry | Carrollton | Carroll | MF | N | Auto Parts | 30 | 200 |
| General Motors | Roswell | Fulton | MF | N | Automobiles | 26 | 1,000 |
| Kellogg's | Rome | Floyd | MF | E | Food Processing | 25 | 25 |
| Aremac Heat Treating LLC | Eastman | Dodge | MF | N | Metal Coating | 23 | 60 |
| Clyde Bergemann Power Group Americas | Jesup | Wayne | MF | N | Industrial Machinery & Tools | 22 | 100 |
| Dukal | Savannah | Chatham | DW | N | Medical Devices | 22 | 56 |
| Hostess Brands | Columbus | Muscookee | MF | E | Bakery | 20 | 200 |
| Husqvarna | McRae | Telfair | MF | E | Lawn and Garden Equipment | 20 | 0 |
| Purac Biomaterials | Tucker | De Kalb | MF | N | Chemicals | 20 | 50 |

MF = Manufacturing OF = Office HQ = Headquarters RD = Research & Development CC = Contact Center DW = Distribution/Warehouse

N = New E = Expansion

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