

**BASELINE EMPLOYMENT FORECAST FOR  
GEORGIA'S METROPOLITAN AREAS, 2012-2013**

Metro Area	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
<b>Nonfarm Employment<sup>1</sup></b>						
Albany	64.2	61.9	60.9	59.8	59.1	58.7
Athens	89.3	85.0	83.9	83.7	85.0	86.0
Atlanta	2,429.4	2,293.9	2,274.0	2,302.9	2,337.4	2,374.8
Augusta	214.7	208.1	209.3	209.9	205.5	206.3
Brunswick	45.3	42.5	40.5	39.6	39.1	40.0
Columbus	121.4	117.6	117.6	118.9	119.9	121.5
Dalton	73.6	66.4	65.9	65.1	60.5	62.2
Gainesville	77.8	71.6	71.5	74.3	80.3	82.2
Hinesville-Ft. Stewart	19.3	19.3	19.7	19.9	19.8	19.7
Macon	101.6	96.4	95.5	95.8	97.7	99.1
Rome	41.4	39.2	38.7	37.7	36.8	36.9
Savannah	159.0	150.8	150.8	151.0	151.3	151.9
Valdosta	56.5	53.6	52.2	51.7	51.8	52.0
Warner Robins	58.6	58.8	59.3	59.0	58.1	57.7
<b>Percent Change</b>						
Albany	-0.8	-3.6	-1.6	-1.8	-1.2	-0.7
Athens	1.7	-4.8	-1.3	-0.2	1.5	1.2
Atlanta	-1.1	-5.6	-0.9	1.3	1.5	1.6
Augusta	-0.2	-3.1	0.6	0.3	-2.1	0.4
Brunswick	-0.2	-6.2	-4.7	-2.2	-1.3	2.3
Columbus	-0.1	-3.1	0.0	1.1	0.8	1.4
Dalton	-5.8	-9.8	-0.8	-1.2	-7.0	2.7
Gainesville	0.6	-8.0	-0.1	3.9	8.1	2.4
Hinesville-Ft. Stewart	6.0	0.0	2.1	1.0	-0.5	-0.5
Macon	0.7	-5.1	-0.9	0.3	2.0	1.4
Rome	-1.4	-5.3	-1.3	-2.6	-2.3	0.3
Savannah	-1.3	-5.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.4
Valdosta	0.2	-5.1	-2.6	-1.0	0.2	0.3
Warner Robins	0.3	0.3	0.9	-0.5	-1.5	-0.7

<sup>1</sup>Indicates thousands of workers.

Source: Selig Center for Economic Growth, Terry College of Business, University of Georgia, October 2012.