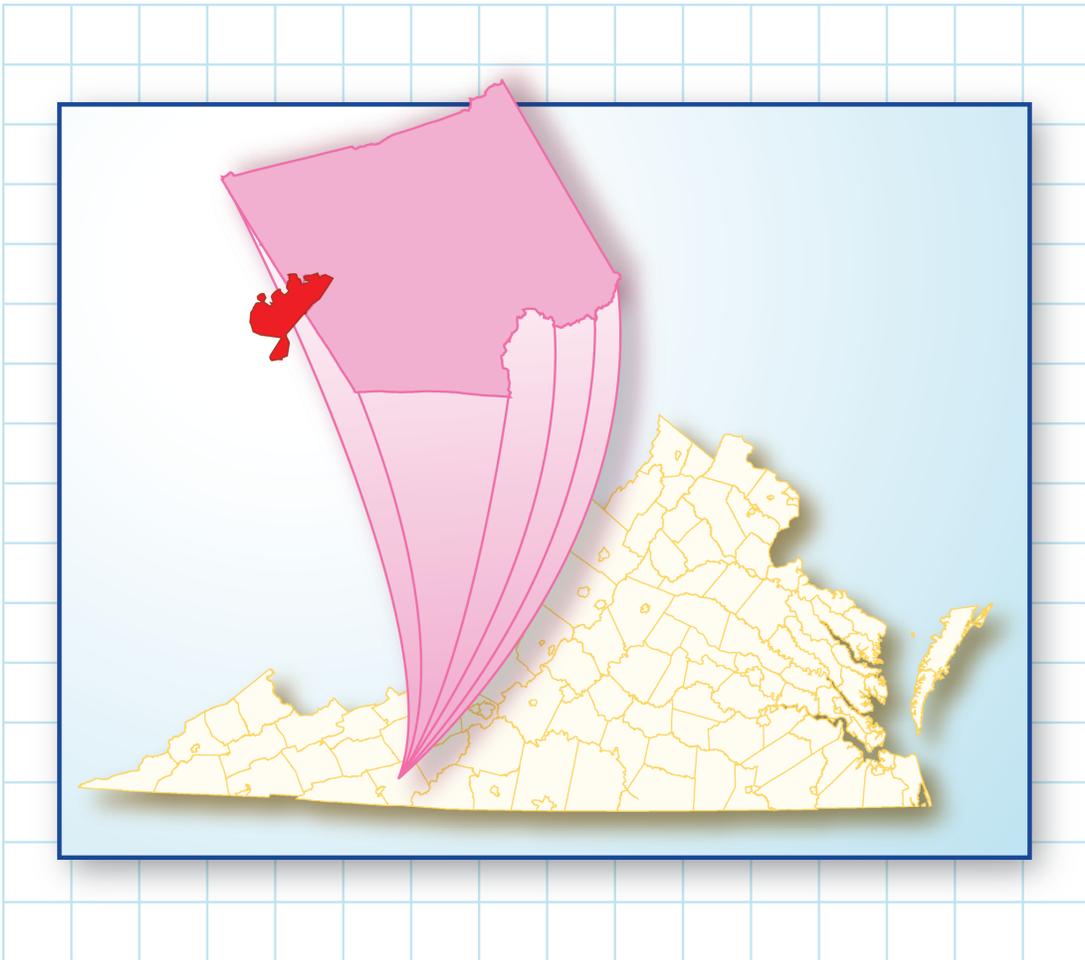


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COMMUNITY PROFILE

Galax city



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I. Introduction

This report provides a community profile of Galax city. It is intended to complement the information found in our Virginia Workforce Connection application, which can be accessed online at:

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The report is divided into three major sections. The first contains a profile of regional demographic characteristics and trends, the second supplies similar information for the regional economy, and the third provides a profile of regional education characteristics.

II. Demographic Profile

Overview

This Demographic Profile provides an in-depth analysis of the population in Galax city. Most of the data is produced by the U.S. Census Bureau, and includes demographic characteristics such as age, race/ethnicity, and gender.



Related Terms and Definitions

Ability to speak English

For people who speak a language other than English at home, the response represents the person's own perception of his or her ability to speak English. Because census questionnaires are usually completed by one household member, the responses may represent the perception of another household member.

Age

The age classification is based on the age of the person in complete years as of April 1, 2010. The age of the person usually was derived from their date of birth information. Their reported age was used only when date of birth information was unavailable.

Gender

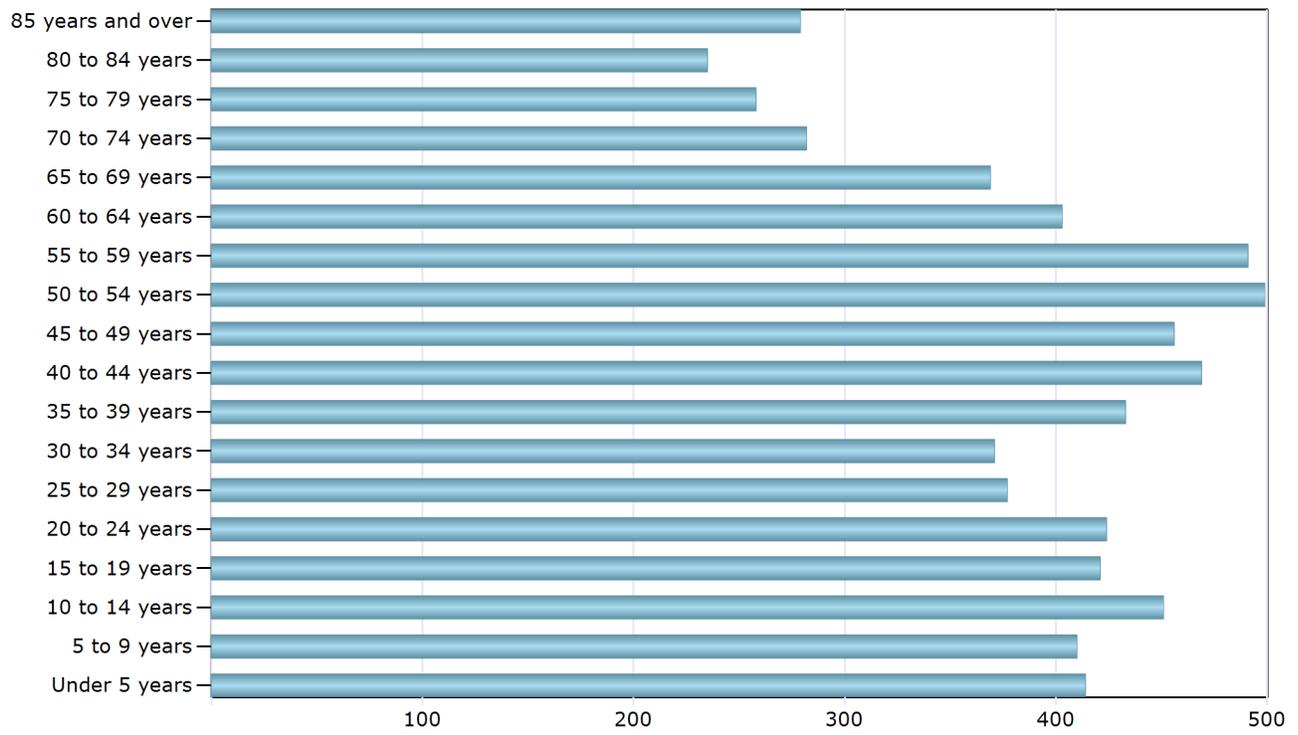
The data on gender were derived from answers to a question that was asked of all people. Individuals were asked to mark either "male" or "female" to indicate their gender. For most cases in which gender was not reported, it was determined by the appropriate entry from the person's given (i.e., first) name and household relationship. Otherwise, gender was imputed according to the relationship to the householder and the age of the person.

Race

The concept of race as used by the Census Bureau reflects self-identification by people according to the race or races with which they most closely identify. The categories are sociopolitical constructs and should not be interpreted as being scientific or anthropological in nature. Furthermore, the race categories include both racial and national-origin groups.

Please note: In the past, our population by race/ethnicity data has always excluded the Hispanic ethnicity from each race category. Starting in January 2013, each race category now includes all ethnicities.

Population by Age



	Galax city	Virginia	United States
Under 5 years	414	509,625	20,201,362
5 to 9 years	410	511,849	20,348,657
10 to 14 years	451	511,246	20,677,194
15 to 19 years	421	550,965	22,040,343
20 to 24 years	424	572,091	21,585,999
25 to 29 years	377	564,342	21,101,849
30 to 34 years	371	526,077	19,962,099
35 to 39 years	433	540,063	20,179,642
40 to 44 years	469	568,865	20,890,964
45 to 49 years	456	621,155	22,708,591
50 to 54 years	499	592,845	22,298,125
55 to 59 years	491	512,595	19,664,805
60 to 64 years	403	442,369	16,817,924
65 to 69 years	369	320,302	12,435,263
70 to 74 years	282	229,502	9,278,166
75 to 79 years	258	173,929	7,317,795
80 to 84 years	235	130,801	5,743,327
85 years and over	279	122,403	5,493,433
	7,042	8,001,024	308,745,538

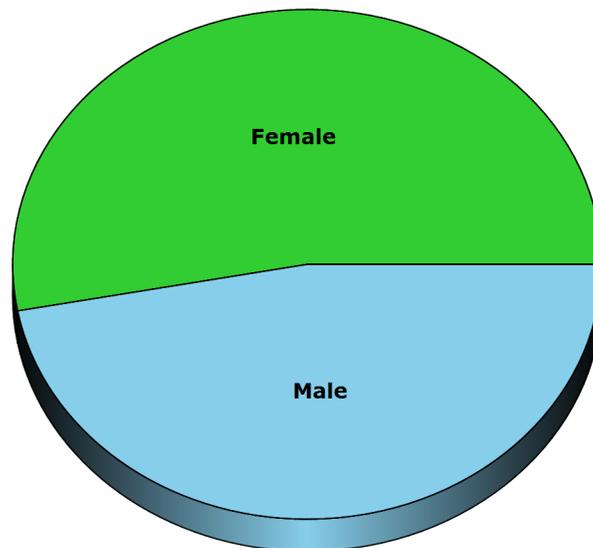
Source: 2010 Census.

Population by Race/Ethnicity

	Galax city	Virginia	United States
Total			
Total Population	7,042	8,001,024	308,745,538
Race			
White	6,044	5,486,852	223,553,265
Black or African American	439	1,551,399	38,929,319
American Indian or Alaska Native	7	29,225	2,932,248
Asian	37	439,890	14,674,252
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	8	5,980	540,013
Other	363	254,278	19,107,368
Multiple Races	144	233,400	9,009,073
Ethnicity			
Not Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	6,053	7,369,199	258,267,944
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	989	631,825	50,477,594

Source: 2010 Census.

Population by Gender

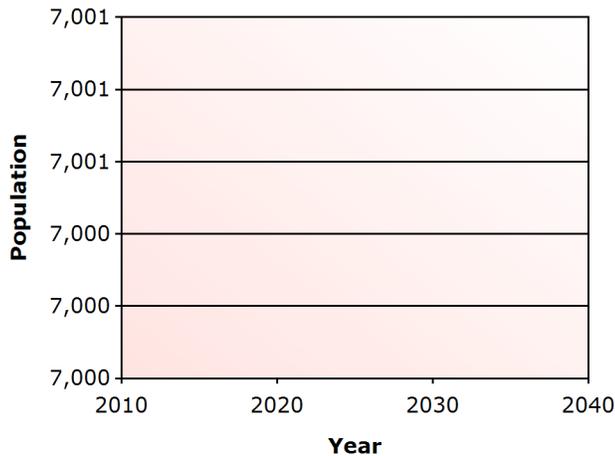


	Galax city	Virginia	United States
Male	3,315	3,925,983	151,781,326
Female	3,727	4,075,041	156,964,212
	7,042	8,001,024	308,745,538

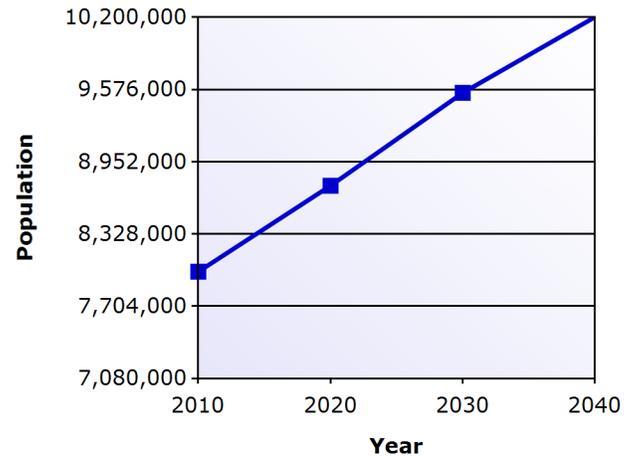
Source: 2010 Census.

Population Change

Galax city



Virginia



	Galax city	Percent change	Number Change	Virginia	Percent change	Number Change
2000	6,837			7,079,030		
2010	7,042	3.00 %	205	8,001,024	13.02 %	921994
2020	7,031	-0.16 %	-11	8,744,273	9.29 %	743249
2030	7,118	1.24 %	87	9,546,958	9.18 %	802685
2040	7,106	-0.17 %	-12	10,201,530	6.86 %	654572

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

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Population Projections by Age and Gender

	2020		2030		2040	
	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male
Under 5 years	180	210	183	214	181	212
5 to 9 years	206	183	207	184	206	183
10 to 14 years	203	214	199	209	203	213
15 to 19 years	170	215	167	212	169	213
20 to 24 years	233	203	225	195	220	191
25 to 29 years	184	189	175	179	172	177
30 to 34 years	202	197	216	210	208	202
35 to 39 years	187	202	192	207	182	197
40 to 44 years	187	181	209	203	223	217
45 to 49 years	218	215	204	200	209	206
50 to 54 years	257	220	210	180	235	201
55 to 59 years	238	222	235	219	219	205
60 to 64 years	260	206	259	205	211	167
65 to 69 years	263	184	247	173	247	173
70 to 74 years	214	161	249	187	250	188
75 to 79 years	175	118	209	141	194	131
80 to 84 years	125	76	164	100	189	115
85 years and over	253	83	264	87	299	98
	3,755	3,279	3,814	3,305	3,817	3,289
	7,034		7,119		7,106	

Source: Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

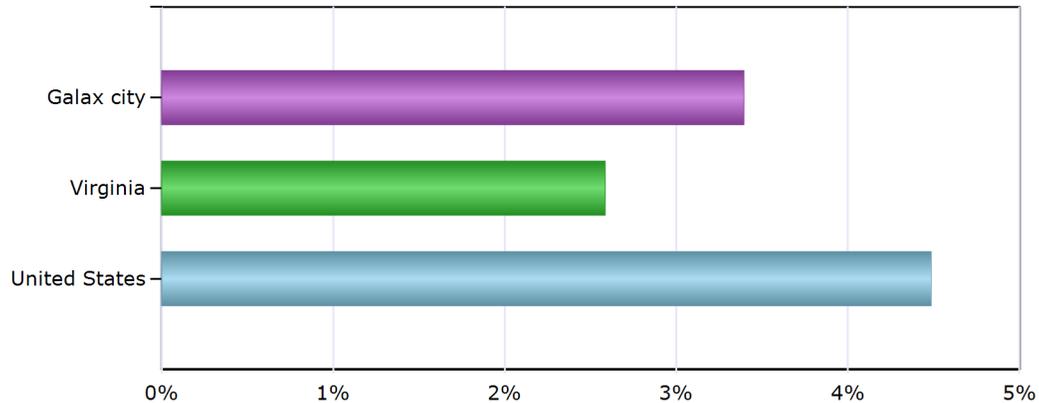
Population Projections by Race/Ethnicity

	2020	2030	2040
Total			
Total Population	7,031	7,118	7,106
Race			
White	5,016	4,790	4,484
Black or African American	446	477	501
Asian	46	54	64
Other	121	119	116
Ethnicity			
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	1,402	1,678	1,941

Source: Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

English Language Skills

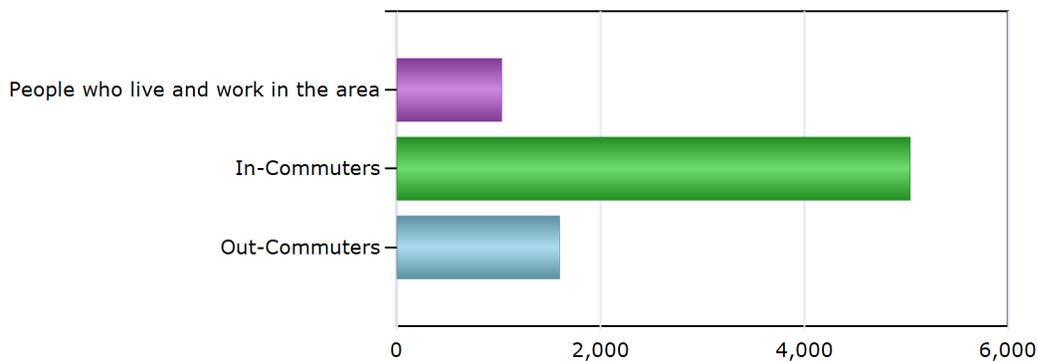
(Age 5 and over that speak English less than well)



	Total	Speak English less than well	Percent
Galax city	6,511	221	3.39%
Virginia	7,800,044	201,628	2.58%
United States	298,691,202	13,400,003	4.49%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
American Community Survey, 2012-2016.

Commuting Patterns



Commuting Patterns	
People who live and work in the area	1,028
In-Commuters	5,039
Out-Commuters	1,597
Net In-Commuters (In-Commuters minus Out-Commuters)	3,442

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,
OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics, 2014.

Top 10 Places Residents are Commuting To

Area	Workers
Carroll County, VA	364
Grayson County, VA	144
Wythe County, VA	109
Montgomery County, VA	69
Pulaski County, VA	60
Surry County, NC	50
Smyth County, VA	47
Washington County, VA	41
Tazewell County, VA	40
Roanoke city, VA	35

Top 10 Places Workers are Commuting From

Area	Workers
Carroll County, VA	1,740
Grayson County, VA	1,318
Wythe County, VA	237
Pulaski County, VA	124
Surry County, NC	109
Montgomery County, VA	86
Alleghany County, NC	75
Tazewell County, VA	65
Franklin County, VA	62
Henry County, VA	55
Washington County, VA	55

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics, 2014.

Please Note: Commuting patterns data is no longer produced from the Decennial Census. As an alternative, we are providing commuting data from the U.S. Census Bureau's OnTheMap application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics program. Since this data is produced from an entirely different data set, it is not advisable to compare the new data with previously released commuting patterns. For more information about the OnTheMap application or the LEHD program, please visit the following website:

<http://lehd.ces.census.gov>

III. Economic Profile

Overview

The Economic Profile of Galax city consists primarily of data produced by Virginia Works, U.S. Census Bureau, and the Bureau of Labor Statistics.



Related Terms and Definitions

Average Weekly Wage

Computed as average quarterly wages divided by 13.

Consumer Price Index (CPI)

The Consumer Price Index measures the average change over time in the prices paid by urban consumers for a representative market basket of consumer goods and services.

Local Employment Dynamics (LED)

The Local Employment Dynamics Program at the Census Bureau, together with its state partners, provides employment information at the county, city, and Workforce Investment Area level. This information tracks workers in different industries by age and gender and provides statistics on job creation, separation, turnover, and wages.

Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages (QCEW)

A federal/state cooperative program that collects and compiles employment and wage data for workers covered by state unemployment insurance (UI) laws and the federal civilian workers covered by Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE). These data are maintained at the state in micro and macro levels and also sent to BLS quarterly.

Unemployment Insurance (UI)

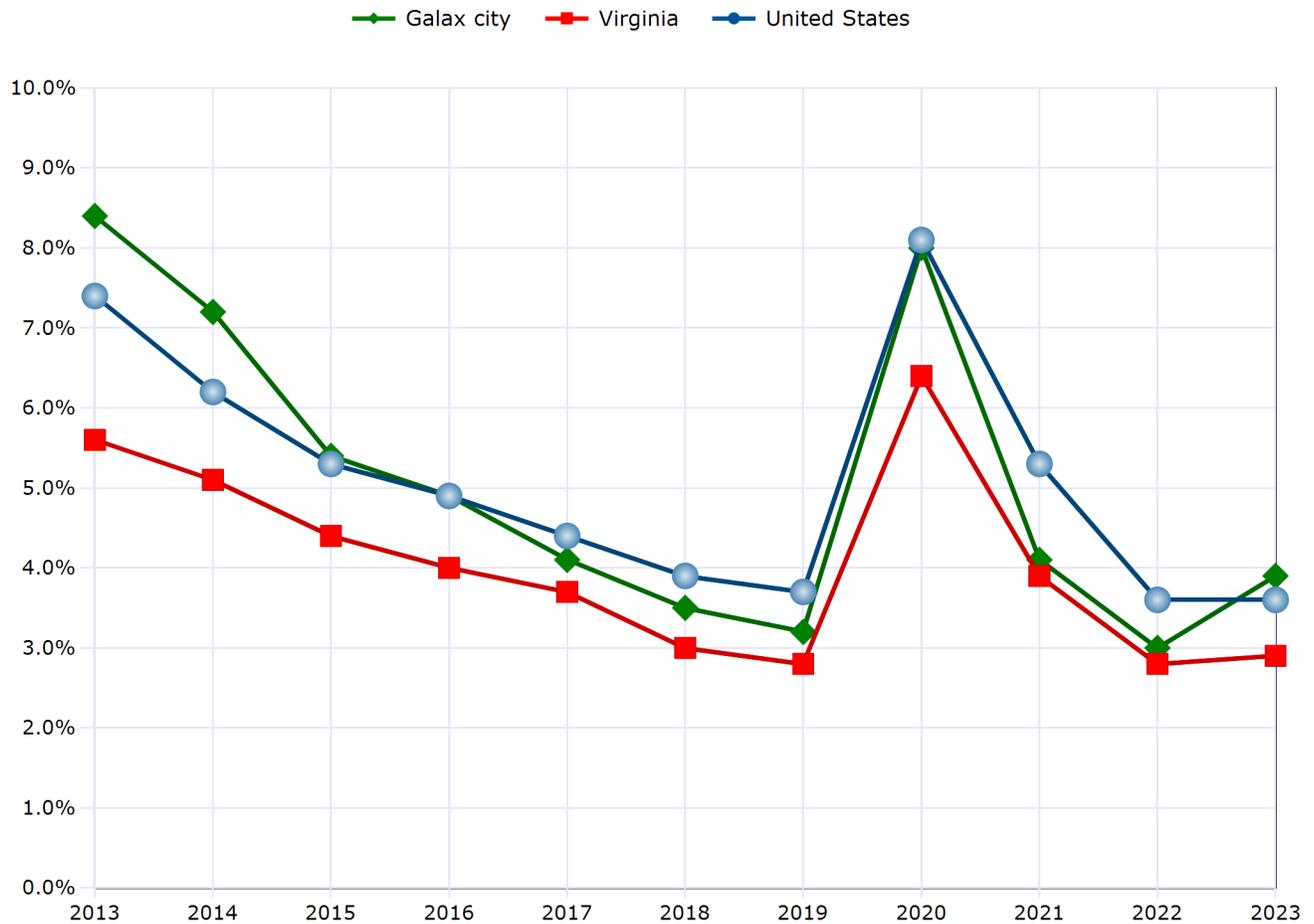
Unemployment insurance is a program for the accumulation of funds paid by employers to be used for the payment of unemployment insurance to workers during periods of unemployment which are beyond the workers' control. Unemployment insurance replaces a part of the worker's wage loss if he becomes eligible for payments.

Unemployment Rate

The number of unemployed people as a percentage of the labor force.

Unemployment Rates

Trends

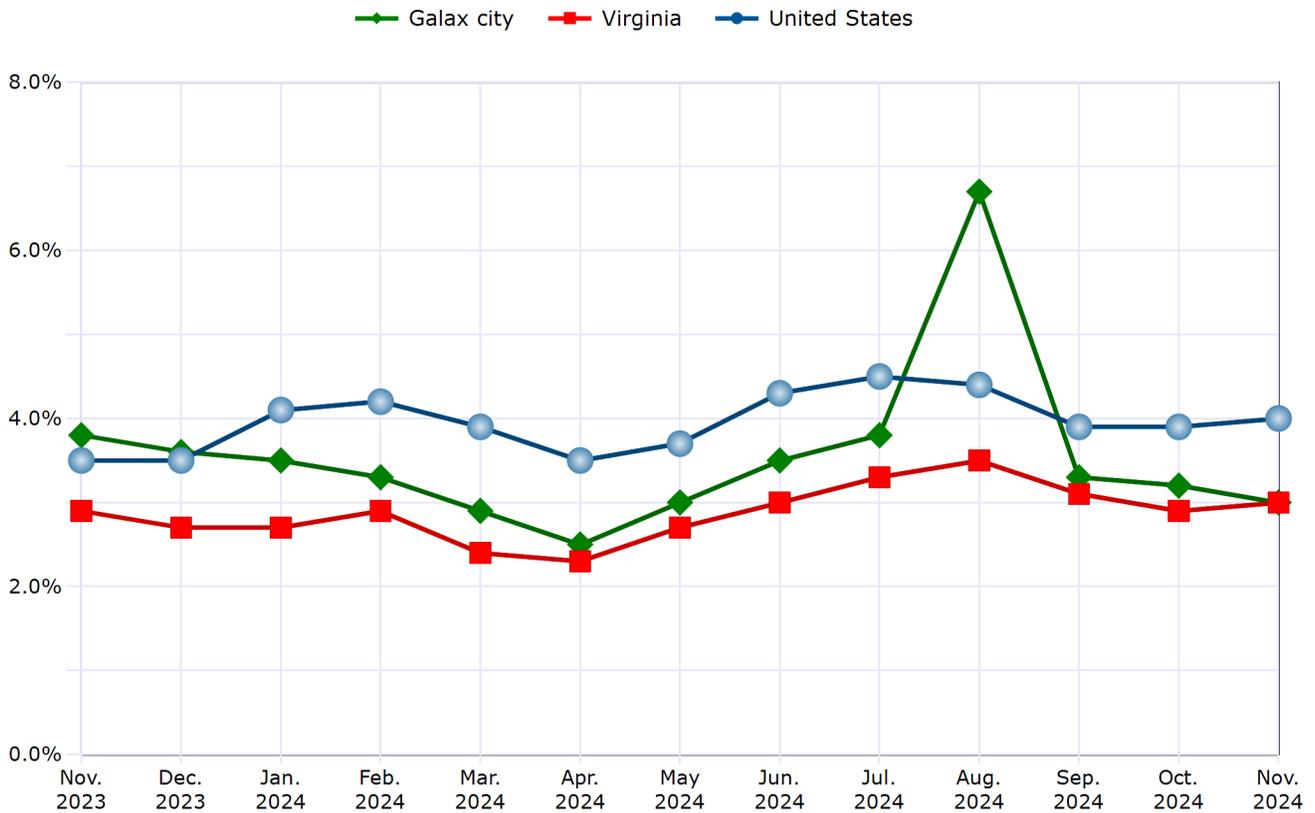


	Galax city	Virginia	United States
2013	8.4%	5.6%	7.4%
2014	7.2%	5.1%	6.2%
2015	5.4%	4.4%	5.3%
2016	4.9%	4.0%	4.9%
2017	4.1%	3.7%	4.4%
2018	3.5%	3.0%	3.9%
2019	3.2%	2.8%	3.7%
2020	8.0%	6.4%	8.1%
2021	4.1%	3.9%	5.3%
2022	3.0%	2.8%	3.6%
2023	3.9%	2.9%	3.6%

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Unemployment Rates

Past 12 Months



	Galax city	Virginia	United States
Nov. 2023	3.8%	2.9%	3.5%
Dec. 2023	3.6%	2.7%	3.5%
Jan. 2024	3.5%	2.7%	4.1%
Feb. 2024	3.3%	2.9%	4.2%
Mar. 2024	2.9%	2.4%	3.9%
Apr. 2024	2.5%	2.3%	3.5%
May 2024	3.0%	2.7%	3.7%
Jun. 2024	3.5%	3.0%	4.3%
Jul. 2024	3.8%	3.3%	4.5%
Aug. 2024	6.7%	3.5%	4.4%
Sep. 2024	3.3%	3.1%	3.9%
Oct. 2024	3.2%	2.9%	3.9%
Nov. 2024	3.0%	3.0%	4.0%

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

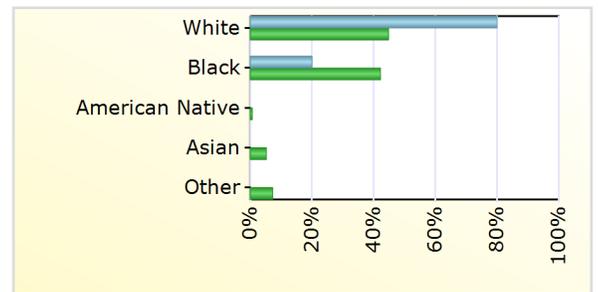
Total number of claimants: 30

- Galax city - (30 claimants)
- Virginia - (22,080 claimants)

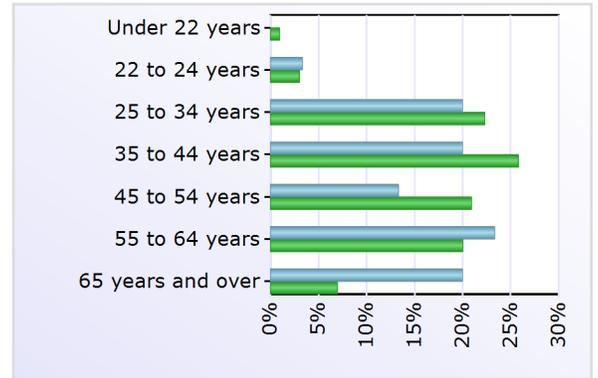
Gender	Galax city	Virginia
Male	17	11,245
Female	13	10,835
Unspecified		



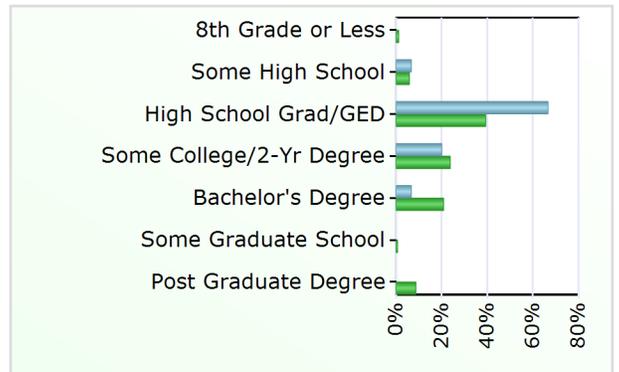
Race	Galax city	Virginia
White	24	9,889
Black	6	9,318
American Native		136
Asian		1,141
Other		1,596



Age	Galax city	Virginia
Under 22 years		210
22 to 24 years	1	667
25 to 34 years	6	4,926
35 to 44 years	6	5,696
45 to 54 years	4	4,621
55 to 64 years	7	4,420
65 years and over	6	1,540
Unknown		



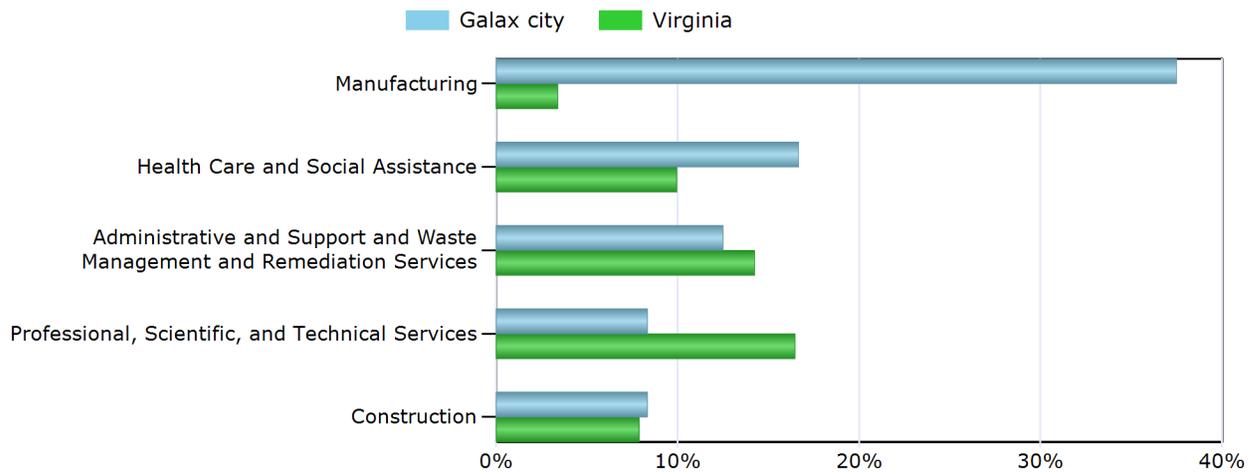
Education	Galax city	Virginia
8th Grade or Less		241
Some High School	2	1,274
High School Grad/GED	20	8,676
Some College/2-Yr Degree	6	5,242
Bachelor's Degree	2	4,596
Some Graduate School		140
Post Graduate Degree		1,911
Unknown		



Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, December 2024.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

Top 5 Industries With Largest Number of Claimants in Galax city
(excludes unclassified)



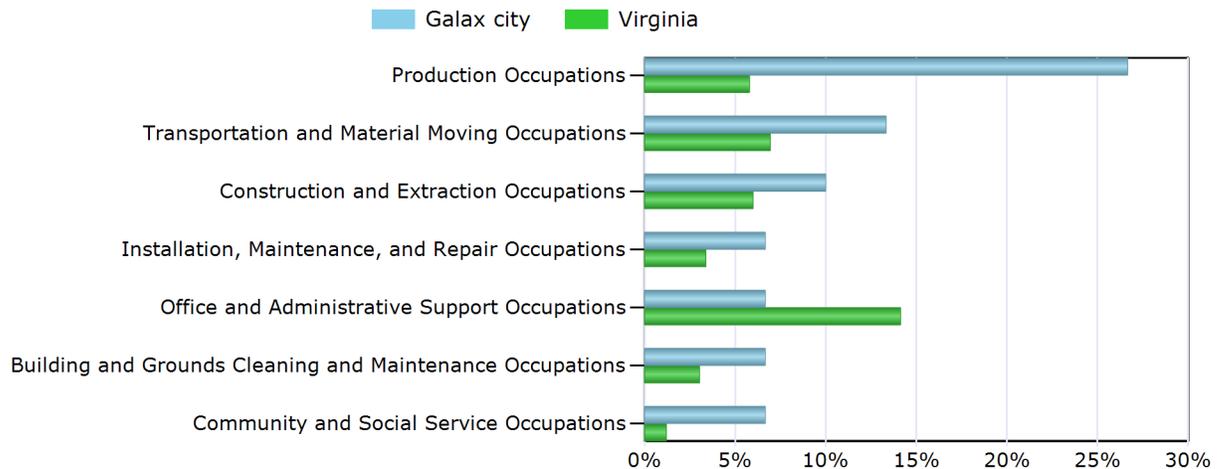
Industry	Galax city	Virginia
Manufacturing	9	658
Health Care and Social Assistance	4	1,927
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	3	2,760
Construction	2	1,526
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	2	3,191
Unclassified	2	2,017
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1	269
Accommodation and Food Services	1	1,469
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting		56
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction		47
Utilities		35
Wholesale Trade		791
Retail Trade		790
Transportation and Warehousing		500
Information		521
Finance and Insurance		1,043
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing		425
Management of Companies and Enterprises		227
Educational Services		436
Other Services (except Public Administration)		691

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, December 2024.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

Top 5 Occupation Groups With Largest Number of Claimants in Galax city

(excludes unknown occupations)

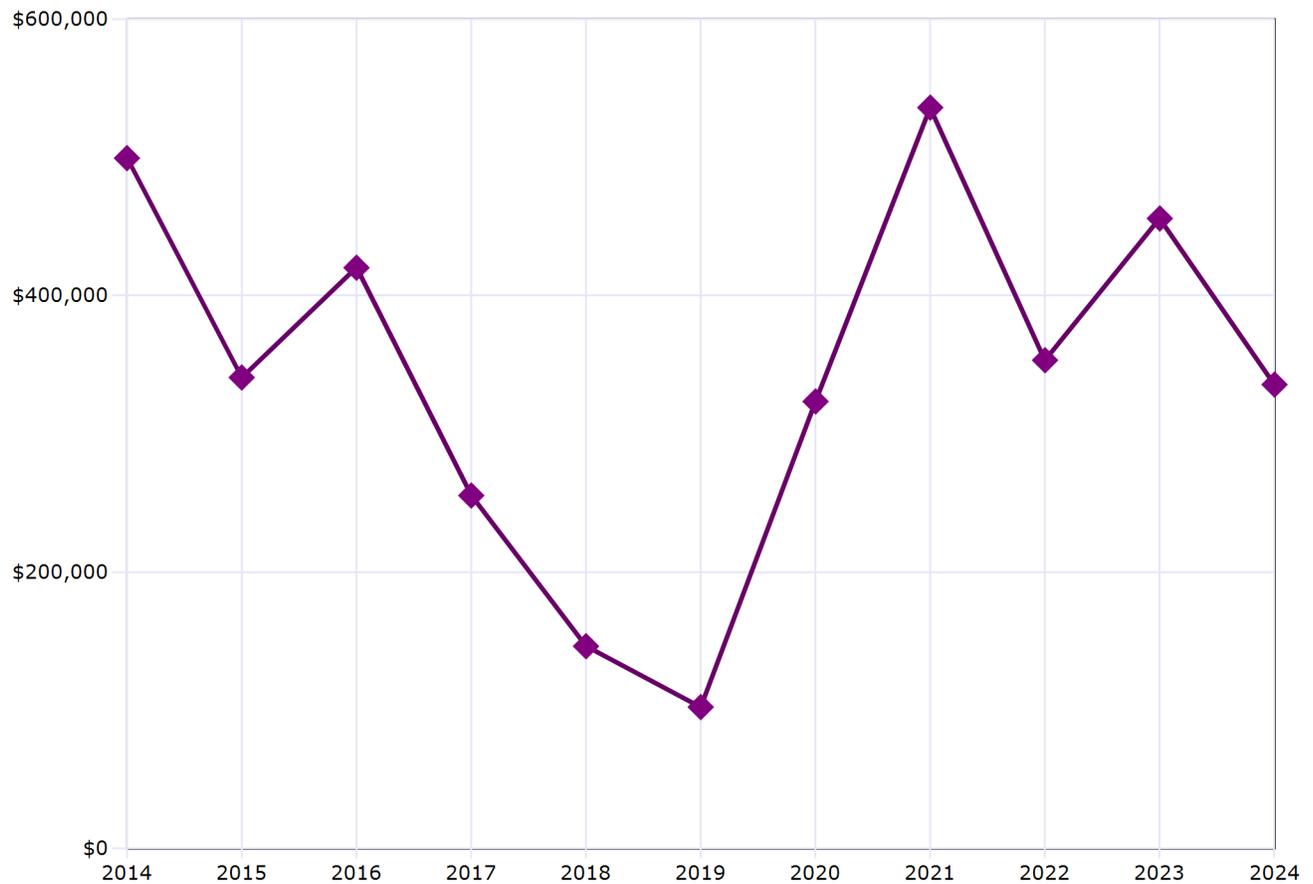


Occupation	Galax city	Virginia
Production Occupations	8	1,279
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	4	1,532
Construction and Extraction Occupations	3	1,322
Community and Social Service Occupations	2	265
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	2	670
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	2	3,120
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	2	746
Management Occupations	1	3,179
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	1	1,612
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	1	514
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	1	325
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	1	484
Healthcare Support Occupations	1	665
Sales and Related Occupations	1	1,494
Computer and Mathematical Occupations		1,800
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations		274
Legal Occupations		102
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations		682
Protective Service Occupations		329
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations		1,197
Personal Care and Service Occupations		361
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations		58
Military Specific Occupations		70
Unknown Occupation Code		

*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,
Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, December 2024.*

Unemployment Insurance Payments

Trends

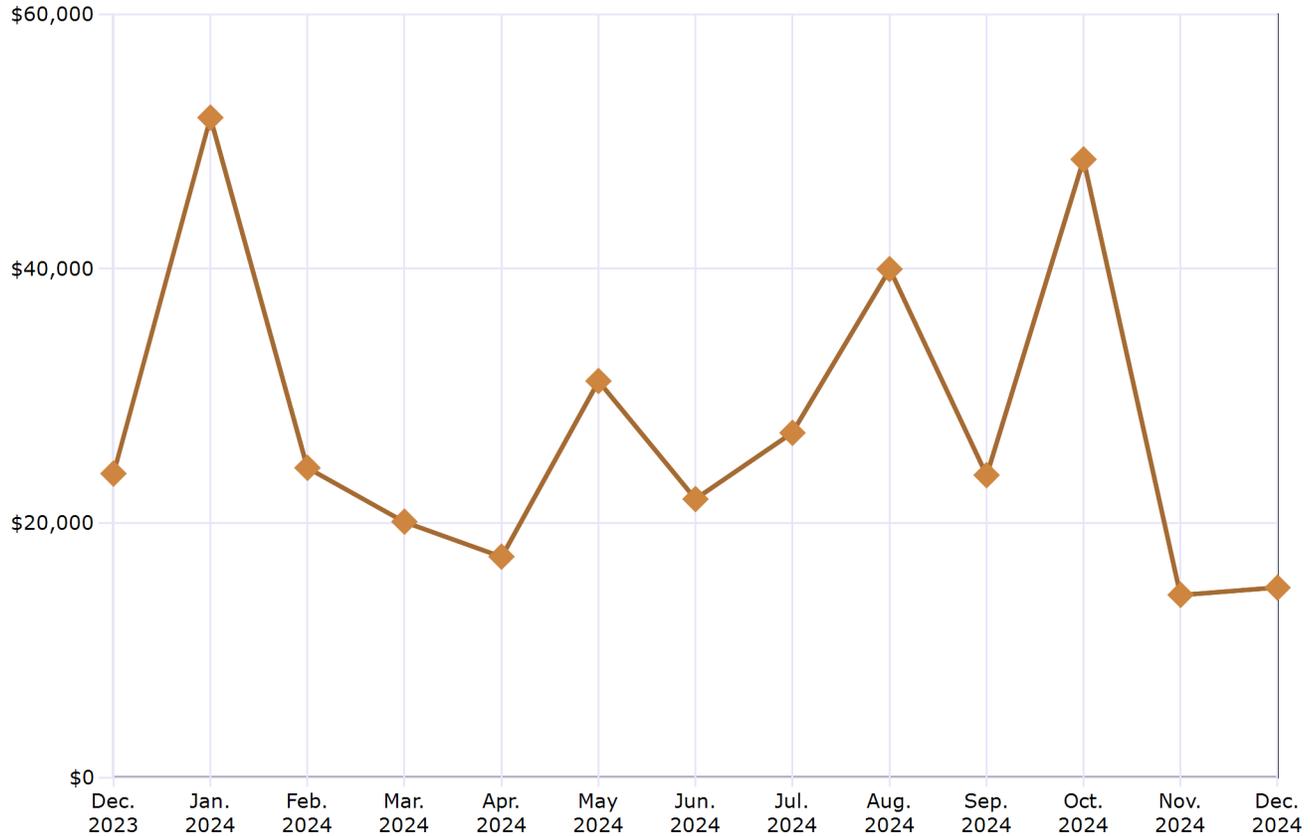


	Galax city		Virginia	
	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid
2014	2,226	\$499,384	1,684,690	\$490,522,709
2015	1,370	\$340,705	1,198,476	\$351,290,100
2016	1,608	\$420,112	1,263,292	\$379,622,081
2017	1,055	\$255,360	1,114,650	\$336,664,624
2018	615	\$146,336	941,154	\$286,468,017
2019	428	\$102,339	867,371	\$269,014,541
2020	1,307	\$323,356	8,600,869	\$2,279,487,650
2021	2,090	\$535,936	1,601,885	\$458,078,646
2022	1,228	\$353,211	485,275	\$154,636,752
2023	1,470	\$455,732	685,711	\$232,048,074
2024	1,014	\$335,604	821,464	\$281,948,022

Source: Virginia Employment Commission, Economic Information & Analytics, Unemployment Insurance Program.

Unemployment Insurance Payments

Past 12 Months



	Galax city		Virginia	
	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid
Dec. 2023	80	\$23,904	53,438	\$18,388,408
Jan. 2024	155	\$51,890	70,590	\$24,188,826
Feb. 2024	73	\$24,356	62,778	\$21,583,220
Mar. 2024	60	\$20,125	66,855	\$22,896,885
Apr. 2024	50	\$17,373	75,006	\$25,745,119
May 2024	99	\$31,183	66,516	\$22,761,380
Jun. 2024	65	\$21,898	64,890	\$22,080,282
Jul. 2024	81	\$27,106	80,613	\$27,334,000
Aug. 2024	120	\$39,978	63,203	\$21,616,052
Sep. 2024	68	\$23,781	68,088	\$23,491,779
Oct. 2024	148	\$48,604	67,422	\$23,284,282
Nov. 2024	49	\$14,370	61,340	\$21,217,752
Dec. 2024	46	\$14,940	74,163	\$25,748,445

Source: Virginia Works,
Unemployment Insurance Program.

Employers by Size of Establishment

	Galax city	Virginia
0 to 4 employees	208	203,822
5 to 9 employees	75	40,923
10 to 19 employees	60	30,400
20 to 49 employees	31	22,721
50 to 99 employees	9	7,659
100 to 249 employees	6	4,107
250 to 499 employees	5	1,098
500 to 999 employees	0	365
1000 and over employees	0	270
	394	311,365

Employment by Size of Establishment

	Galax city	Virginia
0 to 4 employees	350	265,127
5 to 9 employees	517	271,975
10 to 19 employees	809	413,114
20 to 49 employees	896	684,395
50 to 99 employees	616	525,857
100 to 249 employees	1,035	607,274
250 to 499 employees	1,582	375,907
500 to 999 employees	0	250,288
1000 and over employees	0	718,538
	5,805	4,112,475

Note: Asterisks (***) indicate non-disclosable data.

'Zero; no employment' typically represents new startup firms or sole-proprietorships.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.

50 Largest Employers

- | | |
|--|--|
| 1. Wal Mart | 26. Matthews Auctioneers INC |
| 2. Moog Inc | 27. Apple Vir LLC |
| 3. The Life Center | 28. Creek Bottom Brewing |
| 4. Twin County Regional Hospital | 29. E & L Diamond Electric Company |
| 5. Vaughan Bassett Furniture | 30. Capriccio Elite LLC |
| 6. City of Galax | 31. Postal Service |
| 7. Galax City Schools | 32. Macado's Inc. |
| 8. Guardian Fabrication Central, LLC | 33. Wendy's |
| 9. Albany Industries LLC | 34. Hardee's |
| 10. Autumn Corporation | 35. Grants Supermarket |
| 11. Food City | 36. Sheetz |
| 12. Turnam Hardwood Flooring | 37. R Js Pizza |
| 13. Senior Home Share, LLC | 38. Blue Ridge Crest LLC |
| 14. Workforce Unlimited LLC | 39. Healthcare Services Group |
| 15. Parkdale Mills Inc | 40. Kentucky Fried Chicken |
| 16. GI Virginia Blue Ridge LLC | 41. The Grayson National Bank |
| 17. DLP Twin County Physician Practice LLC | 42. Trans Pro Pak Inc |
| 18. Carilion Healthcare | 43. Aunt Bea's Family Restaurant |
| 19. Avila Residential Services | 44. Dollar Tree Store |
| 20. Rooftop of Virginia Community Action Program | 45. Briar Patch Marketplace & Cafe LLC |
| 21. Cockerham's Fuel Center | 46. El Rio Grande Inc |
| 22. Webb Furniture Enterprises | 47. The Mentor Network |
| 23. Access Home Health And Rehabilitation | 48. The Results Companies |
| 24. Sobrius Operations | 49. Willing Partners Inc |
| 25. Workforce Exclusive, LLC | 50. Consolidated Glass and Mirror |

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.

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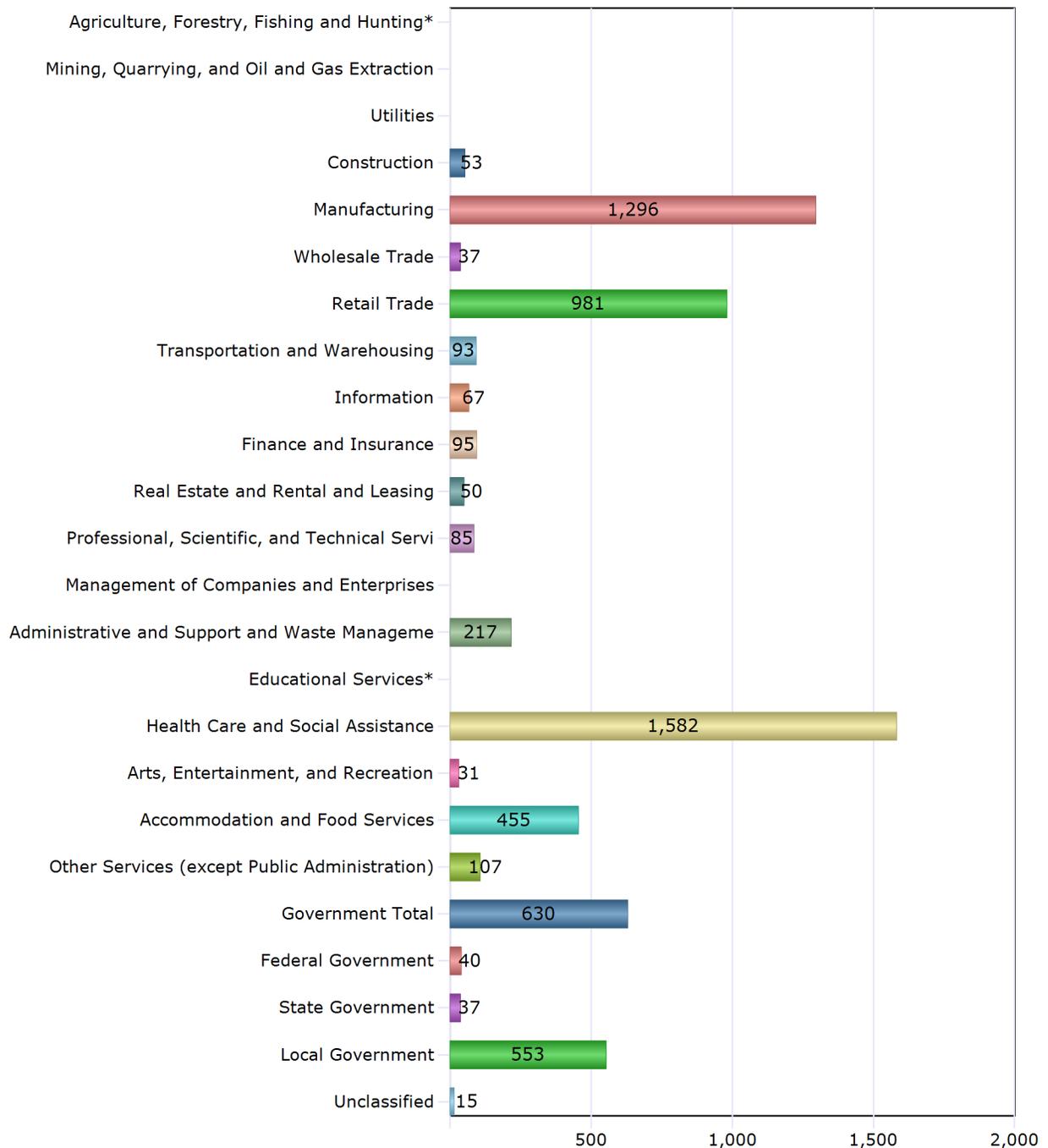
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Employment by Industry

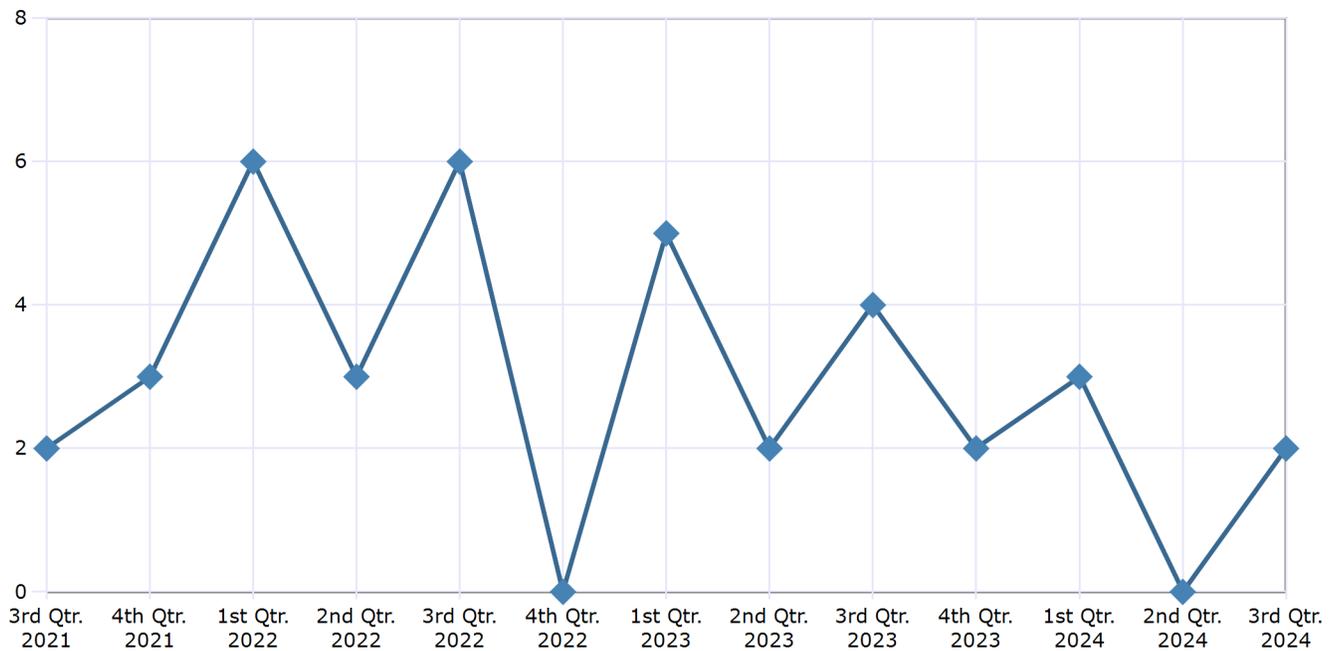


Total: 5,805

Note: Asterisk (*) indicates non-disclosable data.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.

New Startup Firms



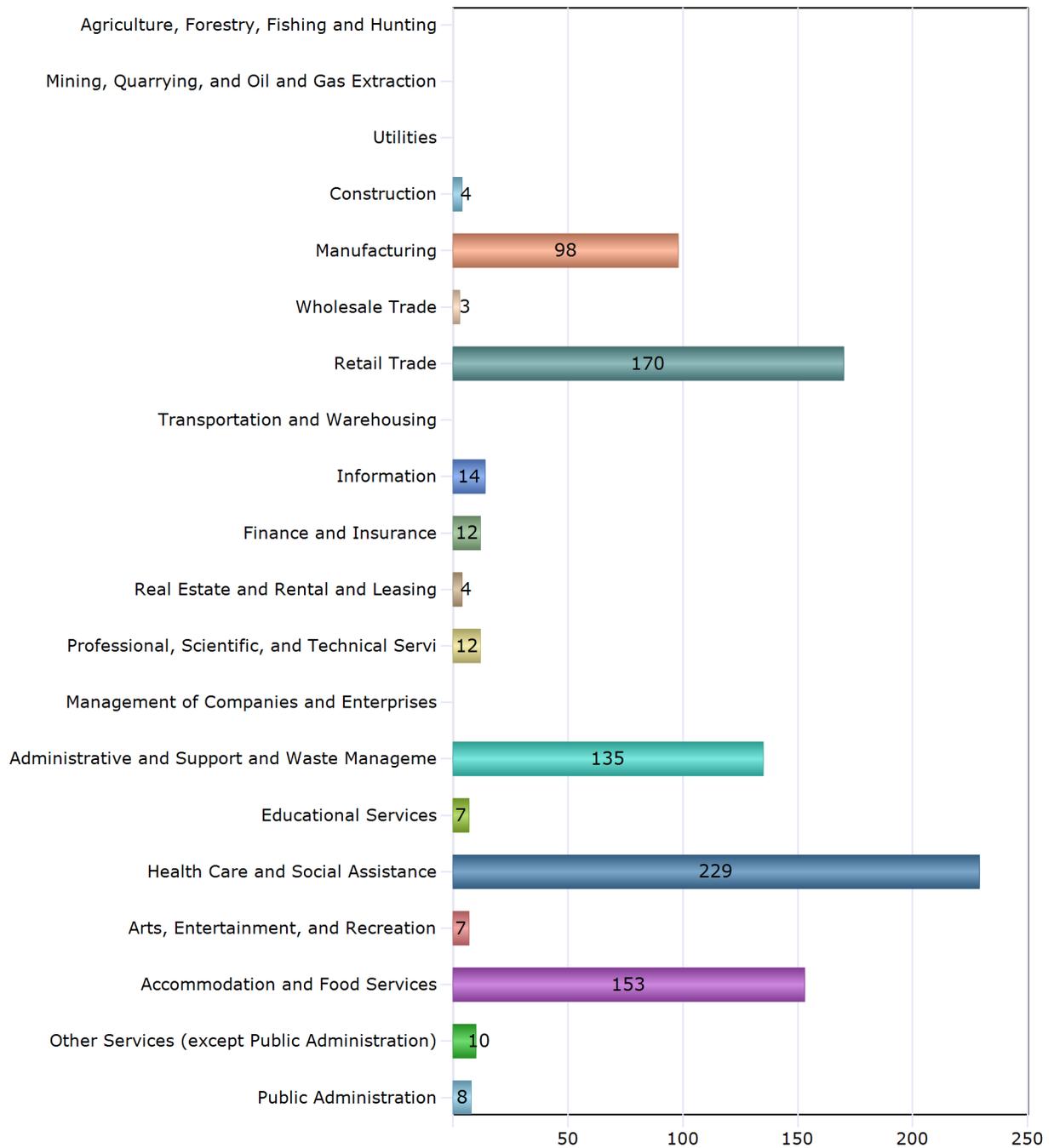
	Galax city	Virginia
3rd Qtr. 2021	2	4,948
4th Qtr. 2021	3	3,960
1st Qtr. 2022	6	5,291
2nd Qtr. 2022	3	4,993
3rd Qtr. 2022	6	4,839
4th Qtr. 2022		4,162
1st Qtr. 2023	5	5,308
2nd Qtr. 2023	2	4,204
3rd Qtr. 2023	4	4,472
4th Qtr. 2023	2	4,454
1st Qtr. 2024	3	5,789
2nd Qtr. 2024		4,468
3rd Qtr. 2024	2	3,731

Note: The following criteria was used to define new startup firms:

- 1.) Setup and liability date both occurred during 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024
- 2.) Establishment had no predecessor UI Account Number
- 3.) Private Ownership
- 4.) Average employment is less than 250
- 5.) For multi-unit establishments, the parent company must also meet the above criteria.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.

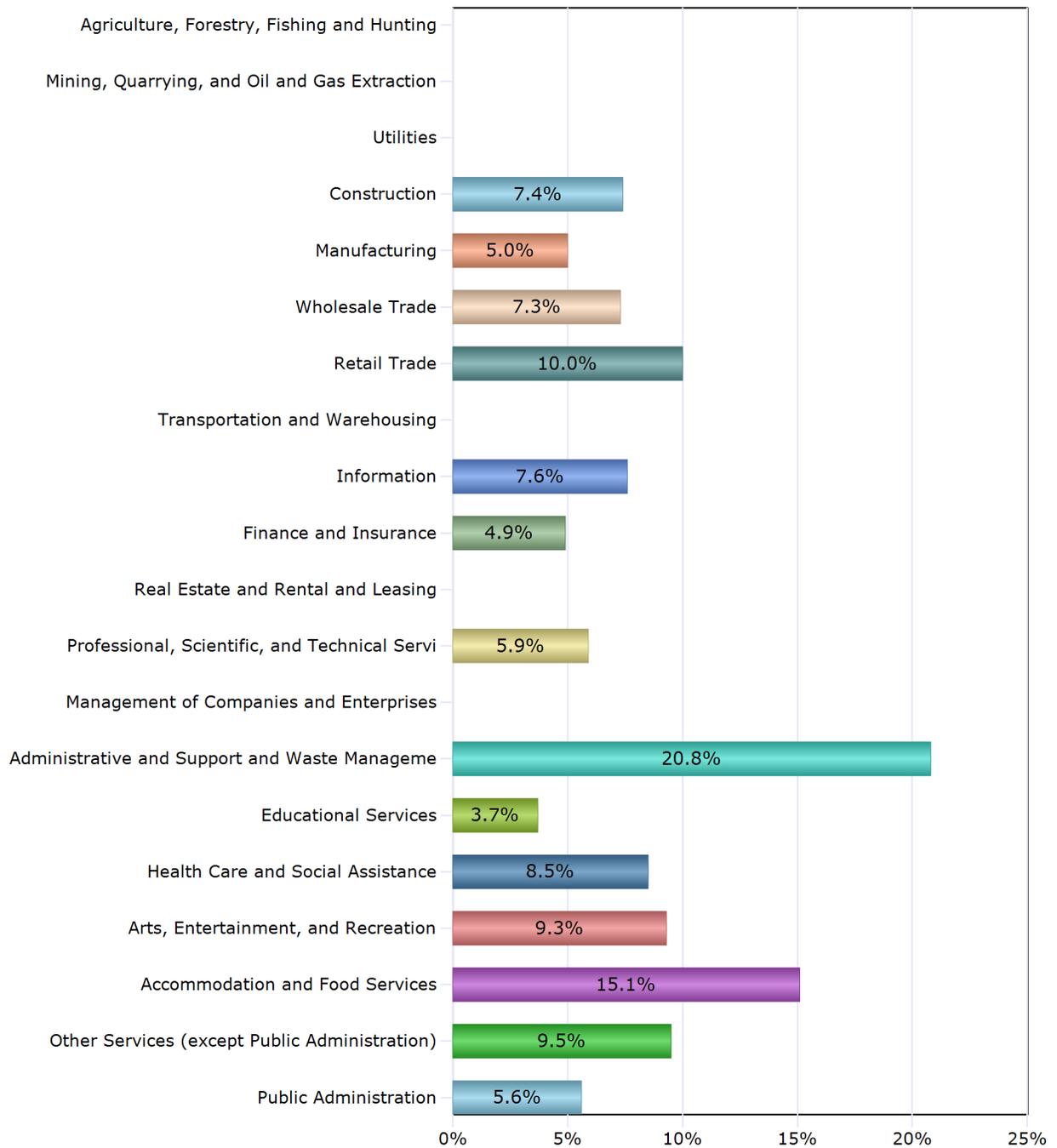
New Hires by Industry



Total: 866

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,
Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Program, 1st Quarter (January, February, March) 2024, all ownerships.

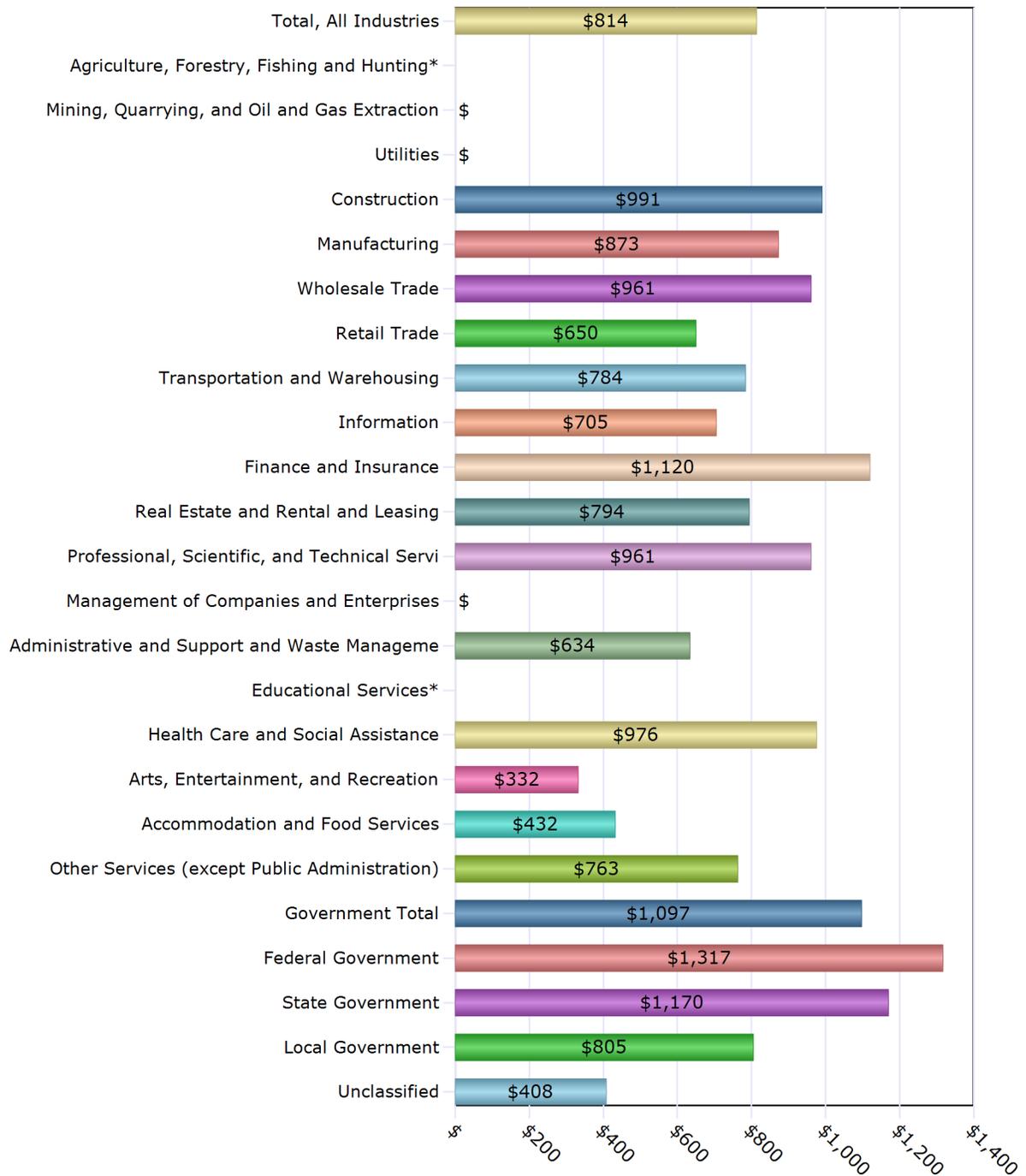
Turnover by Industry



Average: 8.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau,
Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Program, 4th Quarter (October, November, December) 2023, all ownerships.

Average Weekly Wage by Industry



Note: Asterisk (*) indicates non-disclosable data.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2024.

Age of Workers by Industry

	14–18	19–21	22–24	25–34	35–44	45–54	55–64	65+
Total, All Industries	173	287	280	1,036	1,045	1,109	1,125	529
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting								
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction								
Utilities								
Construction		3	4	12	12	13	14	3
Manufacturing	3	23	46	182	189	292	314	111
Wholesale Trade		3	3	13	5	12	13	4
Retail Trade	68	112	75	187	166	152	157	98
Transportation and Warehousing								
Information	4	7	6	15	17	15	14	14
Finance and Insurance			4	15	22	25	25	13
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing			4	8	19	14	15	9
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services		4	5	21	19	26	31	10
Management of Companies and Enterprises								
Administrative and Support and Waste Management	6	11	14	37	46	35	32	33
Educational Services	3	7	10	40	64	55	54	28
Health Care and Social Assistance	10	60	66	340	340	345	328	139
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	7		3	17	13	13	17	9
Accommodation and Food Services	59	42	29	100	76	57	43	23
Other Services (except Public Administration)		9	4	23	23	18	19	16
Public Administration	6	4	5	19	26	27	30	15

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Local Employment Dynamics (LED) Program, 1st Quarter (January, February, March) 2024, all ownerships.

What is LED?

Developed by the U.S. Census Bureau, the Local Employment Dynamics (LED) program merges Virginia's Unemployment Compensation wage and employer records with Census demographic data. Read more about LED on the following website:

<http://lehd.did.census.gov/led/>



Industry Employment and Projections

Long Term (Period= 30)

	Employment			Percent	
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	Change	Total	Annual
Total, All Industries	137,771	144,908	7,137	5.18%	.51%
Total Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers	7,267	6,908	-359	-4.94%	-.51%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	3,004	3,056	52	1.73%	.17%
Mining	333	288	-45	-13.51%	-1.44%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	333	288	-45	-13.51%	-1.44%
Utilities	***	***	***		***
Construction	4,516	4,503	-13	-.29%	-.03%
Manufacturing	23,596	25,818	2,222	9.42%	.9%
Wholesale Trade	***	***	***		***
Retail Trade	16,575	16,346	-229	-1.38%	-.14%
Transportation and Warehousing	3,811	4,103	292	7.66%	.74%
Information	870	693	-177	-20.34%	-2.25%
Finance and Insurance	2,080	2,298	218	10.48%	1%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,184	1,088	-96	-8.11%	-.84%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	4,848	5,000	152	3.14%	.31%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,255	1,322	67	5.34%	.52%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	6,154	6,448	294	4.78%	.47%
Educational Services	17,928	19,418	1,490	8.31%	.8%
Health Care and Social Assistance	16,190	17,356	1,166	7.2%	.7%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	916	1,210	294	32.1%	2.82%
Accommodation and Food Services	11,698	13,031	1,333	11.4%	1.09%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	3,210	3,306	96	2.99%	.3%
Unclassified	9,245	9,193	-52	-.56%	-.06%

Note: Asterisks (***) indicate non-disclosable data.
Projections data is for New River/Mt. Rogers (LWDA II). No data available for Galax city.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,
Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030.

Industry Employment and Projections

Short Term (Period= 25)

	Employment			Percent	
	Estimated 2023	Projected 2025	Change	Total	Annual
Total, All Industries	4,226,956	4,296,812	69,856	1.65%	.82%
Total Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers	239,513	241,252	1,739	.73%	.36%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	***	***	***	***	***
Mining	***	***	***	***	***
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	***	***	***	***	***
Utilities	***	***	***	***	***
Construction	209,584	213,530	3,946	1.88%	.94%
Manufacturing	245,235	247,714	2,479	1.01%	.5%
Wholesale Trade	113,897	116,115	2,218	1.95%	.97%
Retail Trade	392,138	392,340	202	.05%	.03%
Transportation and Warehousing	***	***	***	***	***
Information	70,361	70,652	291	.41%	.21%
Finance and Insurance	146,669	151,031	4,362	2.97%	1.48%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	58,218	58,714	496	.85%	.43%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	466,794	481,278	14,484	3.1%	1.54%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	87,697	89,808	2,111	2.41%	1.2%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	248,458	255,074	6,616	2.66%	1.32%
Educational Services	371,820	373,352	1,532	.41%	.21%
Health Care and Social Assistance	483,528	506,605	23,077	4.77%	2.36%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	54,620	51,914	-2,706	-4.95%	-2.51%
Accommodation and Food Services	334,821	341,070	6,249	1.87%	.93%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	130,750	132,292	1,542	1.18%	.59%
Unclassified	403,403	407,459	4,056	1.01%	.5%

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Projections data is for Virginia Statewide. No data available for Galax city.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,
Short Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2023-2025.

Occupation Employment and Projections

Long Term (Period= 30)

	Employment			Openings		
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	% Change	Replace-ments	Growth	Total
Total, All Occupations	137,771	144,908	5.18%	160,131	7,137	167,268
Management Occupations	5,980	6,357	6.3%	5,105	377	5,482
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	4,337	4,633	6.83%	3,937	296	4,233
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	2,750	2,951	7.31%	1,999	201	2,200
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	2,262	2,514	11.14%	1,786	252	2,038
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	1,135	1,208	6.43%	1,171	73	1,244
Community and Social Service Occupations	2,082	2,230	7.11%	2,058	148	2,206
Legal Occupations	542	545	.55%	358	3	361
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	10,960	12,049	9.94%	10,296	1,089	11,385
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	1,386	1,330	-4.04%	1,413	-56	1,357
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	8,092	8,566	5.86%	4,783	474	5,257
Healthcare Support Occupations	5,399	6,118	13.32%	6,996	719	7,715
Protective Service Occupations	3,245	3,306	1.88%	3,804	61	3,865
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	11,866	13,194	11.19%	22,535	1,328	23,863
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	4,645	4,748	2.22%	6,052	103	6,155
Personal Care and Service Occupations	2,674	2,999	12.15%	4,055	325	4,380
Sales and Related Occupations	14,202	13,611	-4.16%	19,467	-591	18,876
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	14,254	13,914	-2.39%	15,528	-340	15,188
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	2,054	2,046	-.39%	3,181	-8	3,173
Construction and Extraction Occupations	4,632	4,670	.82%	4,573	38	4,611
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	6,898	7,551	9.47%	6,741	653	7,394
Production Occupations	15,845	16,706	5.43%	17,683	861	18,544
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	12,531	13,662	9.03%	16,610	1,131	17,741

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Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,
Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030.

Occupation Employment and Projections

Short Term (Period= 25)

	Employment			Openings		
	Estimated 2023	Projected 2025	% Change	Replace-ments	Growth	Total
Total, All Occupations	4,226,956	4,296,812	1.65%	903,342	69,856	973,198
Management Occupations	271,790	277,047	1.93%	40,622	5,257	45,879
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	396,510	406,369	2.49%	63,465	9,859	73,324
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	253,187	262,168	3.55%	29,623	8,981	38,604
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	72,159	74,140	2.75%	9,599	1,981	11,580
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	44,793	45,957	2.6%	7,291	1,164	8,455
Community and Social Service Occupations	67,587	70,713	4.63%	11,503	3,126	14,629
Legal Occupations	40,254	40,809	1.38%	5,587	555	6,142
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	250,506	252,080	.63%	43,776	1,574	45,350
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	65,102	65,340	.37%	12,538	238	12,776
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	235,513	244,715	3.91%	26,483	9,202	35,685
Healthcare Support Occupations	146,774	156,357	6.53%	43,310	9,583	52,893
Protective Service Occupations	105,590	107,295	1.61%	24,716	1,705	26,421
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	321,247	328,169	2.15%	123,703	6,922	130,625
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	140,331	142,421	1.49%	37,690	2,090	39,780
Personal Care and Service Occupations	104,727	103,787	-.9%	35,549	-940	34,609
Sales and Related Occupations	384,811	384,834	.01%	99,237	23	99,260
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	461,209	459,848	-.3%	104,749	-1,361	103,388
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	6,332	6,395	.99%	1,826	63	1,889
Construction and Extraction Occupations	194,320	198,526	2.16%	33,351	4,206	37,557
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	166,854	169,505	1.59%	29,240	2,651	31,891
Production Occupations	173,509	174,336	.48%	37,316	827	38,143
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	323,851	326,001	.66%	82,168	2,150	84,318

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Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,
Short Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2023-2025.

Growth Occupations

	Employment			Openings			Average Annual Salary
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	% Change	Replacements	Growth	Total	
Helpers--Production Workers	342	562	64.33%	638	220	858	\$35,950
Grinding, Lapping, Polishing, and Buffing Machine Tool Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Extruding and Drawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Molding, Coremaking, and Casting Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	287	415	44.6%	352	128	480	\$33,900
Nurse Practitioners	180	260	44.44%	115	80	195	\$113,900
Cooks, Restaurant	765	1,075	40.52%	1,328	310	1,638	\$31,280
Mixing and Blending Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	1,244	1,667	34%	1,233	423	1,656	\$51,290
Logisticians	123	164	33.33%	123	41	164	\$76,650
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Workers, All Other	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Physical Therapist Assistants	219	282	28.77%	296	63	359	\$67,350
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanics, Except Engines	147	187	27.21%	163	40	203	\$50,770
Bartenders	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Medical and Health Services Managers	271	342	26.2%	233	71	304	\$102,690
Nonfarm Animal Caretakers	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Health Specialties Teachers, Postsecondary	***	***	***	***	***	***	N/A
Coaches and Scouts	163	201	23.31%	249	38	287	\$96,270
Financial Managers	236	288	22.03%	186	52	238	\$145,890
Pharmacy Technicians	558	679	21.68%	435	121	556	\$37,380

Note: Asterisks (***) indicate non-disclosable data.

Projections and OES wage data are for New River/Mt. Rogers (LWDA II). No data available for Galax city.

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) Survey, 2023.

Declining Occupations

	Employment			Openings		
	Estimated 2020	Projected 2030	% Change	Replacements	Growth	Total
Order Clerks	***	***	***	***	***	***
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	***	***	***	***	***	***
Coil Winders, Tapers, and Finishers	***	***	***	***	***	***
Milling and Planing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	***	***	***	***	***	***
Postal Service Mail Carriers	254	213	-16.14%	165	-41	124
Telecommunications Equipment Installers and Repairers, Except Line Installers	128	109	-14.84%	132	-19	113
Telemarketers	***	***	***	***	***	***
Payroll and Timekeeping Clerks	101	87	-13.86%	96	-14	82
Farmworkers, Farm, Ranch, and Aquacultural Animals	***	***	***	***	***	***
Correctional Officers and Jailers	770	701	-8.96%	675	-69	606
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	1,260	1,149	-8.81%	1,286	-111	1,175
Cashiers	4,893	4,463	-8.79%	8,459	-430	8,029
Real Estate Sales Agents	***	***	***	***	***	***
Sawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Wood	101	93	-7.92%	108	-8	100
Cooks, Fast Food	***	***	***	***	***	***
First-Line Supervisors of Correctional Officers	***	***	***	***	***	***
Chemical Equipment Operators and Tenders	***	***	***	***	***	***
Construction and Building Inspectors	***	***	***	***	***	***
First-Line Supervisors of Retail Sales Workers	1,654	1,552	-6.17%	1,678	-102	1,576
Carpenters	931	874	-6.12%	826	-57	769

Note: Asterisks (***) indicate non-disclosable data.
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Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,
Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2020-2030.

Consumer Price Index (CPI)

All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Ann.	% chg
2014	233.916	234.781	236.293	237.072	237.900	238.343	238.250	237.852	238.031	237.433	236.151	234.812	236.736	1.6
2015	233.707	234.722	236.119	236.599	237.805	238.638	238.654	238.316	237.945	237.838	237.336	236.525	237.017	0.1
2016	236.916	237.111	238.132	239.261	240.229	241.018	240.628	240.849	241.428	241.729	241.353	241.432	240.007	1.3
2017	242.839	243.603	243.801	244.524	244.733	244.955	244.786	245.519	246.819	246.663	246.669	246.524	245.120	2.1
2018	247.867	248.991	249.554	250.546	251.588	251.989	252.006	252.146	252.439	252.885	252.038	251.233	251.107	2.4
2019	251.712	252.776	254.202	255.548	256.092	256.143	256.571	256.558	256.759	257.346	257.208	256.974	255.657	1.8
2020	257.971	258.678	258.115	256.389	256.394	257.797	259.101	259.918	260.280	260.388	260.229	260.474	258.811	1.2
2021	261.582	263.014	264.877	267.054	269.195	271.696	273.003	273.567	274.310	276.589	277.948	278.802	270.970	4.7
2022	281.148	283.716	287.504	289.109	292.296	296.311	296.276	296.171	296.808	298.012	297.711	296.797	292.655	8.0
2023	299.170	300.840	301.836	303.363	304.127	305.109	305.691	307.026	307.789	307.671	307.051	306.746	304.702	4.1
2024	308.417	310.326	312.332	313.548	314.069	314.175	314.540	314.796	315.301	315.664	315.493	315.605	313.689	2.9

Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Ann.	% chg
2014	230.040	230.871	232.560	233.443	234.216	234.702	234.525	234.030	234.170	233.229	231.551	229.909	232.771	1.5
2015	228.294	229.421	231.055	231.520	232.908	233.804	233.806	233.366	232.661	232.373	231.721	230.791	231.810	-0.4
2016	231.061	230.972	232.209	233.438	234.436	235.289	234.771	234.904	235.495	235.732	235.215	235.390	234.076	1.0
2017	236.854	237.477	237.656	238.432	238.609	238.813	238.617	239.448	240.939	240.573	240.666	240.526	239.051	2.1
2018	241.919	242.988	243.463	244.607	245.770	246.196	246.155	246.336	246.565	247.038	245.933	244.786	245.146	2.5
2019	245.133	246.218	247.768	249.332	249.871	249.747	250.236	250.112	250.251	250.894	250.644	250.452	249.222	1.7
2020	251.361	251.935	251.375	249.515	249.521	251.054	252.636	253.597	254.004	254.076	253.826	254.081	252.248	1.2
2021	255.296	256.843	258.935	261.237	263.612	266.412	267.789	268.387	269.086	271.552	273.042	273.925	265.510	5.3
2022	276.296	278.943	283.176	284.575	288.022	292.542	292.219	291.629	291.854	293.003	292.495	291.051	287.984	8.5
2023	293.565	295.057	296.021	297.730	298.382	299.394	299.899	301.551	302.257	302.071	301.224	300.728	298.990	3.8
2024	302.201	304.284	306.502	307.811	308.163	308.054	308.501	308.640	309.046	309.358	308.998	309.067	307.552	2.9

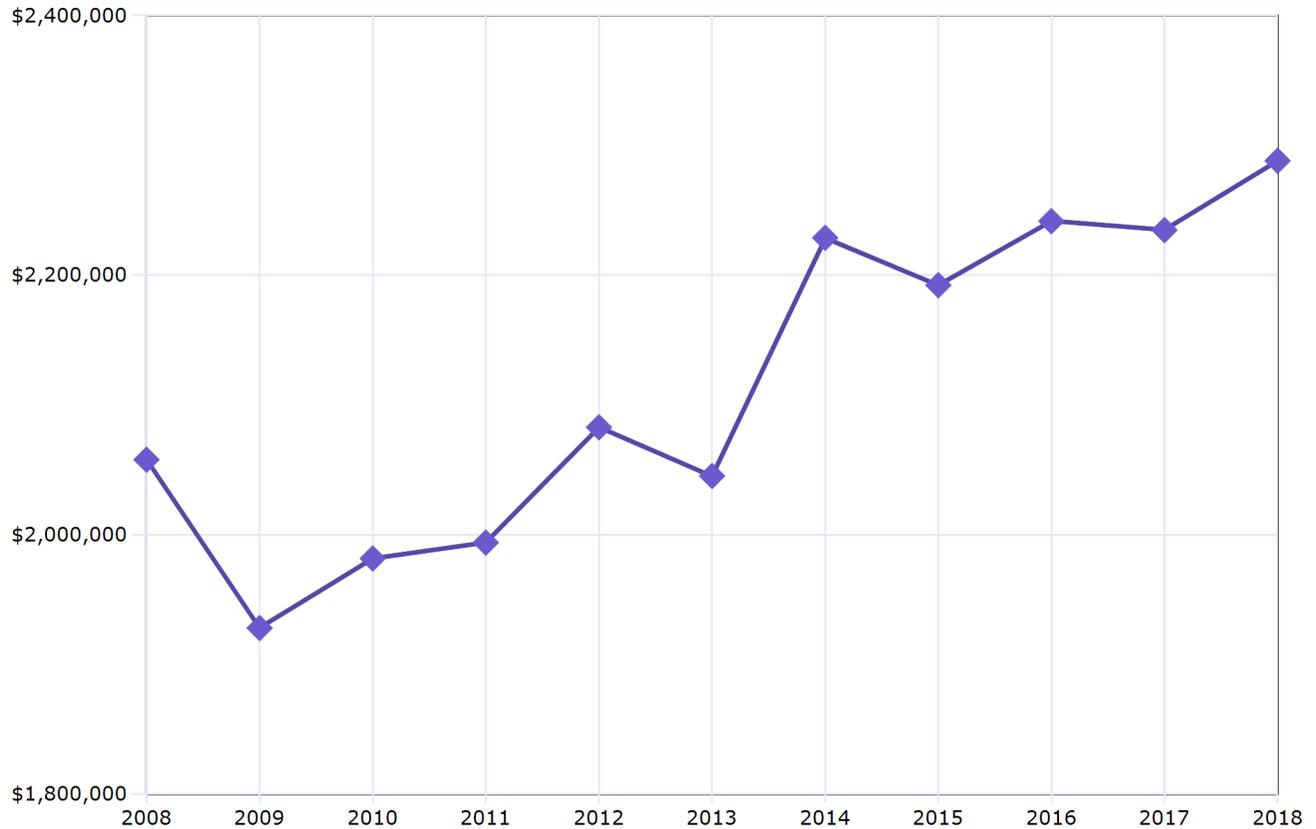
Note: CPI data is for the United States only. No data available for Galax city.

The CPI-U includes expenditures by urban wage earners and clerical workers, professional, managerial, and technical workers, the self-employed, short-term workers, the unemployed, retirees and others not in the labor force. The CPI-W only includes expenditures by those in hourly wage earning or clerical jobs.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics,
Consumer Price Indexes (CPI) Program.

Local Option Sales Tax

Trends



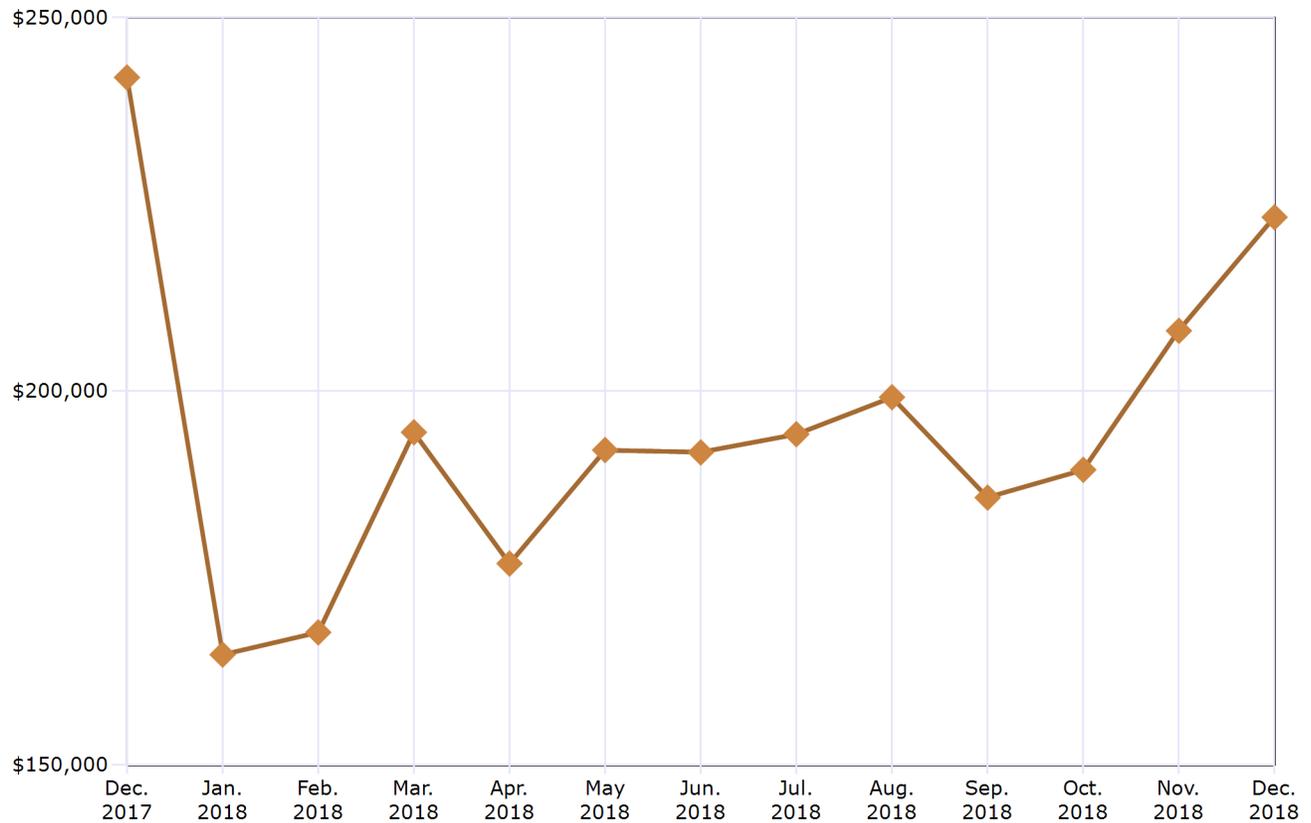
	Galax city	Virginia
2008	\$2,057,733	\$1,032,815,078
2009	\$1,927,978	\$979,594,664
2010	\$1,981,610	\$992,820,512
2011	\$1,993,853	\$1,035,981,229
2012	\$2,082,692	\$1,080,663,042
2013	\$2,045,176	\$1,093,292,668
2014	\$2,228,704	\$1,131,194,860
2015	\$2,192,209	\$1,179,611,271
2016	\$2,241,538	\$1,202,257,995
2017	\$2,234,657	\$1,232,981,515
2018	\$2,288,076	\$1,282,022,261

Note: This data is based on Virginia sales tax revenues deposited, rather than the actual taxable sales figures as reported on a dealer's return.

Source: Virginia Department of Taxation, Revenue Forecasting.

Local Option Sales Tax

Past 12 Months



	Galax city	Virginia
Dec. 2017	\$241,988	\$123,193,863
Jan. 2018	\$164,770	\$90,794,207
Feb. 2018	\$167,748	\$90,576,093
Mar. 2018	\$194,515	\$107,834,402
Apr. 2018	\$176,958	\$102,372,977
May 2018	\$192,144	\$110,211,496
Jun. 2018	\$191,823	\$112,529,037
Jul. 2018	\$194,263	\$107,211,401
Aug. 2018	\$199,209	\$109,428,585
Sep. 2018	\$185,775	\$105,468,340
Oct. 2018	\$189,493	\$107,742,243
Nov. 2018	\$208,091	\$112,348,128
Dec. 2018	\$223,287	\$125,505,352

Note: This data is based on Virginia sales tax revenues deposited, rather than the actual taxable sales figures as reported on a dealer's return.

Source: Virginia Department of Taxation, Revenue Forecasting.

IV. Education Profile

Overview

The Education Profile for Galax city provides an assortment of data collected from the United States Census Bureau and the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES).



Related Terms and Definitions

Associate's degree

An award that normally requires at least two but less than four years of full-time equivalent college work.

Bachelor's degree

An award that normally requires at least four but not more than five years of full-time equivalent college-level work.

Post-baccalaureate certificate

An award that requires completion of an organized program of study equivalent to 18 semester credit hours beyond the bachelor's. It is designed for persons who have completed a bachelor's degree, but do not meet the requirements of a master's degree.

Master's degree

An award that requires the successful completion of a program of study of at least the full-time equivalent of one but not more than two academic years of work beyond the bachelor's degree.

Post-master's certificate

An award that requires completion of an organized program of study equivalent to 24 semester credit hours beyond the master's degree, but does not meet the requirements of academic degrees at the doctor's level.

Doctor's degree

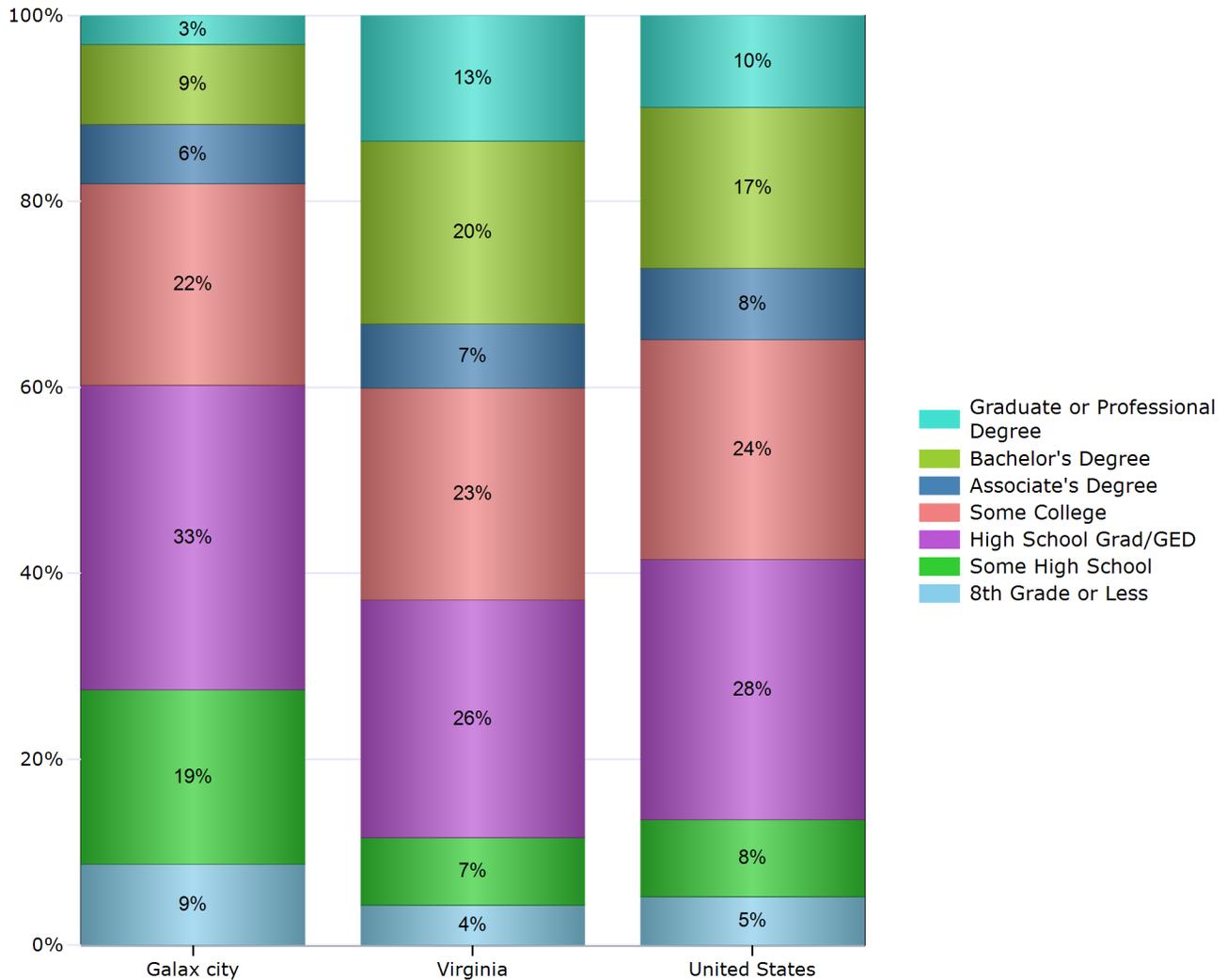
The highest award a student can earn for graduate study.

First-professional degree

An award that requires completion of a program that meets all of the following criteria: (1) completion of the academic requirements to begin practice in the profession; (2) at least two years of college work prior to entering the program; and (3) a total of at least six academic years of college work to complete the degree program, including prior required college work plus the length of the professional program itself.

Educational Attainment

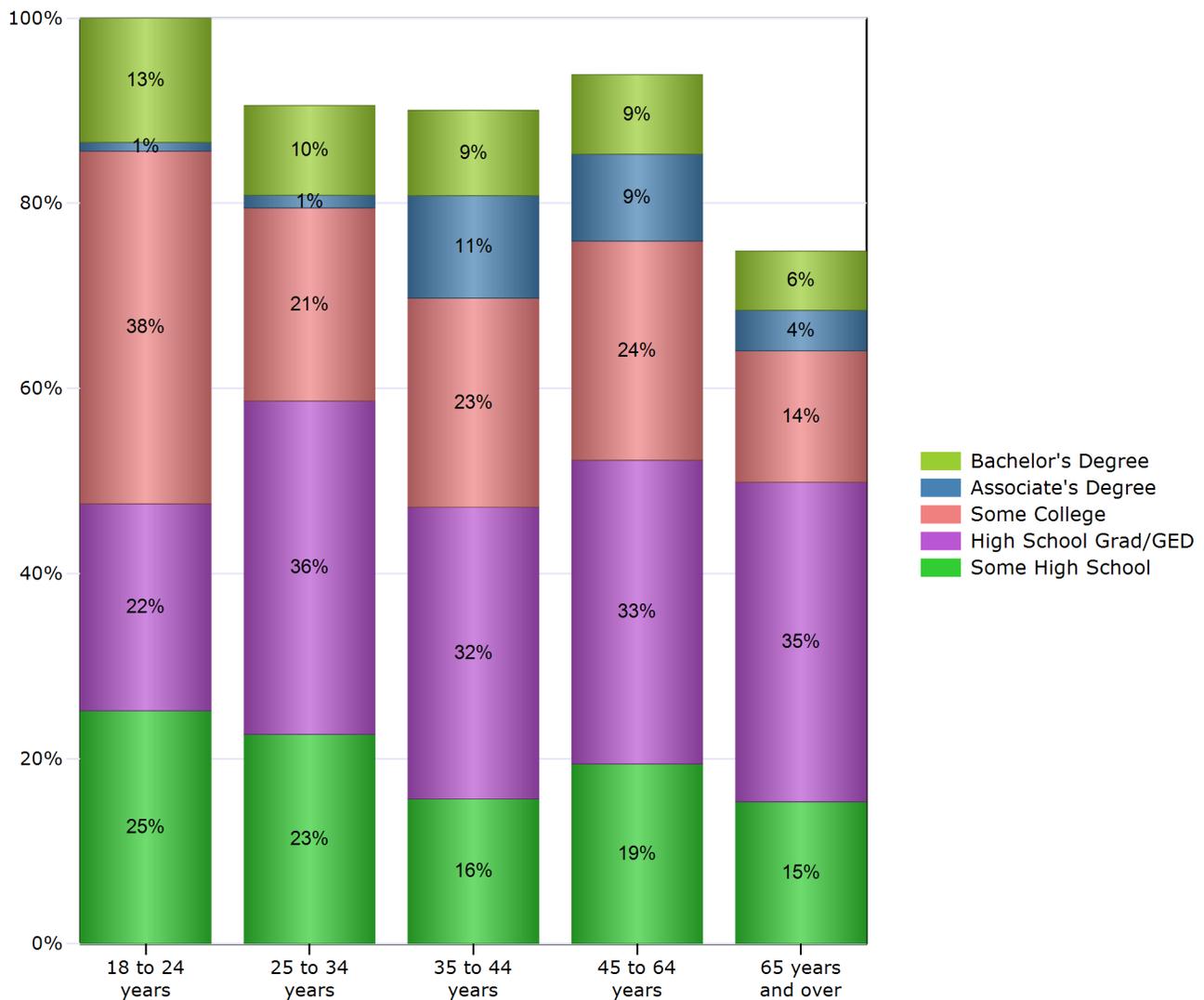
(Population 18 years and over)



	Galax city	Virginia	United States
8th Grade or Less	474	275,329	12,639,425
Some High School	1,018	464,075	20,093,117
High School Grad/GED	1,781	1,633,105	68,044,371
Some College	1,177	1,457,887	57,431,237
Associate's Degree	347	440,219	18,586,866
Bachelor's Degree	468	1,258,661	42,027,629
Graduate or Professional Degree	169	862,686	24,008,551
	5,434	6,391,962	242,831,196

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
American Community Survey, 2011-2015.

Educational Attainment by Age

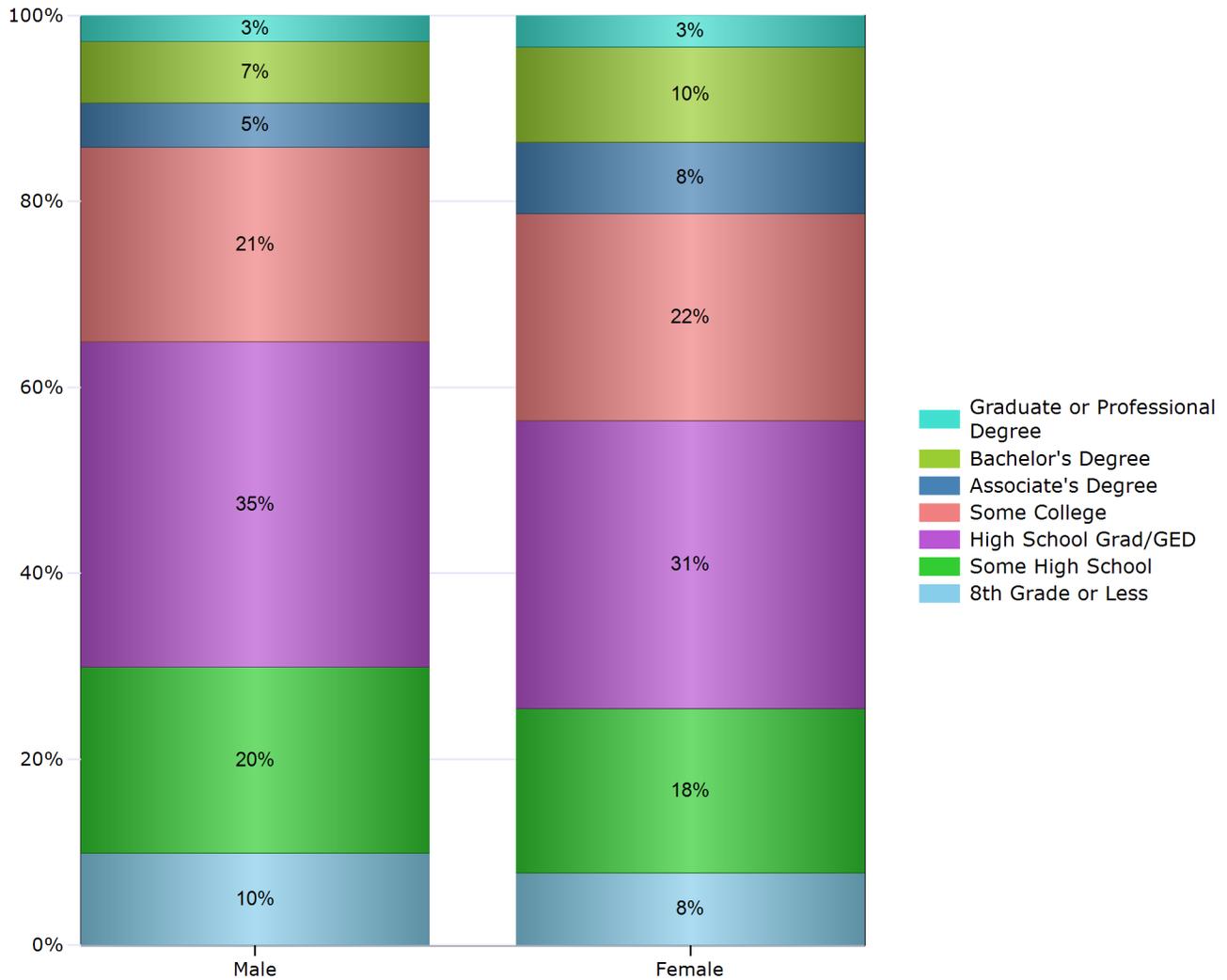


	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 64	65+	Total
8th Grade or Less		56	27	70	321	474
Some High School	107	182	110	391	228	1,018
High School Grad/GED	95	290	222	661	513	1,781
Some College	162	168	159	477	211	1,177
Associate's Degree	4	11	78	189	65	347
Bachelor's Degree	57	78	65	173	95	468
Graduate or Professional Degree		20	43	53	53	169
	425	805	704	2,014	1,486	5,434

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
American Community Survey, 2011-2015.

Educational Attainment by Gender

(Population 18 years and over)

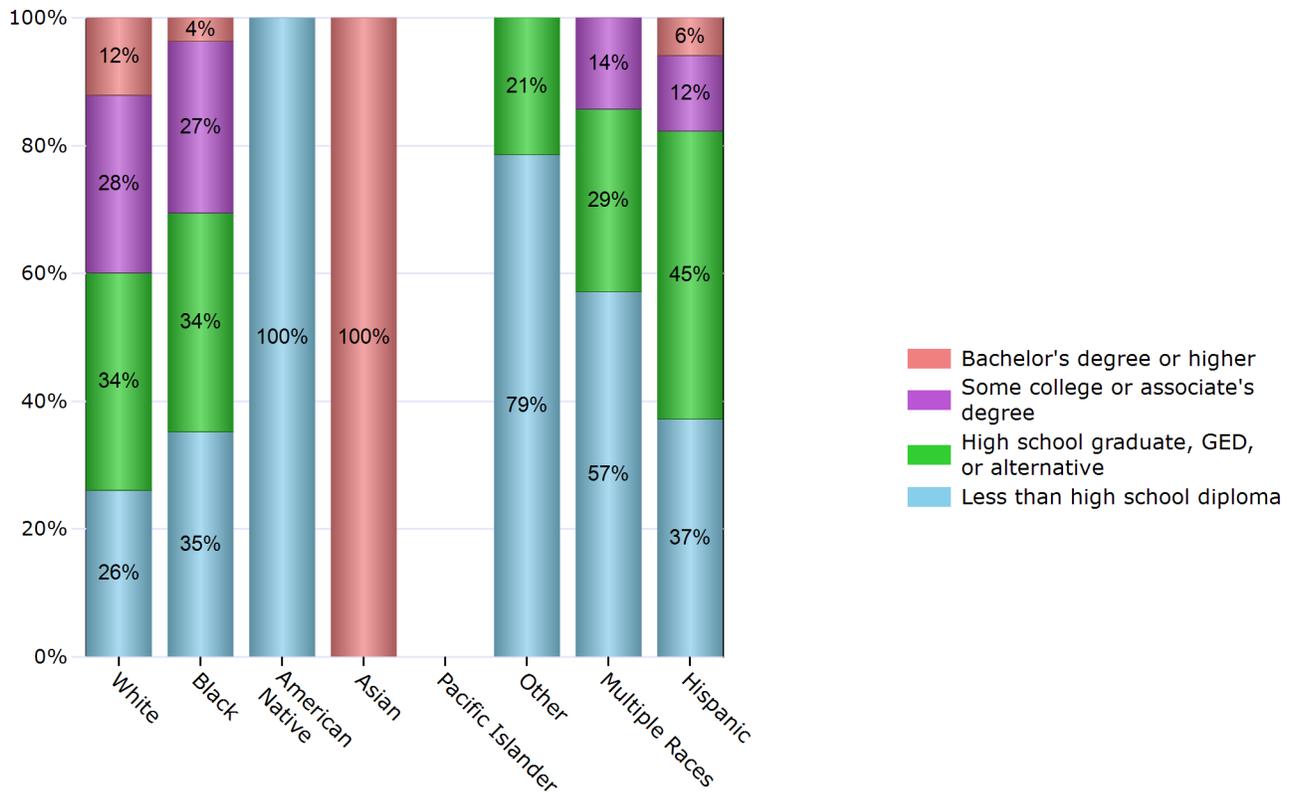


	Male	Female	Total
8th Grade or Less	242	232	474
Some High School	490	528	1,018
High School Grad/GED	856	925	1,781
Some College	512	665	1,177
Associate's Degree	117	230	347
Bachelor's Degree	162	306	468
Graduate or Professional Degree	68	101	169
	2,447	2,987	5,434

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
American Community Survey, 2011-2015.

Educational Attainment by Race/Ethnicity

(Population 25 years and over)



	Less than high school diploma	High school grad, GED, or alternative	Some college or associate's degree	Bachelor's degree or higher	Total
Race					
White	1,186	1,547	1,264	551	4,548
Black or African American	105	102	80	11	298
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	0	0	0	5
Asian	0	0	0	18	18
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
Other	33	9	0	0	42
Multiple Races	56	28	14	0	98
Ethnicity					
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	170	206	54	27	457
	1,555	1,892	1,412	607	5,466

Source: U.S. Census Bureau
American Community Survey, 2011-2015.

Graduate Data Trends

Galax city

	Cert. <1 yr.	Cert. 1-2 yrs.	Assoc.	Cert. 2-4 yrs.	BA	Cert. Post-BA	MA	Cert. Post-MA	Ph.D.	1st Prof.
2006										
2007										
2008										
2009										
2010										
2011										
2012										
2013										
2016										

Note: This table only reflects degrees completed from institutions within Galax city

Virginia Statewide

	Cert. <1 yr.	Cert. 1-2 yrs.	Assoc.	Cert. 2-4 yrs.	BA	Cert. Post-BA	MA	Cert. Post-MA	Ph.D.	1st Prof.
2006	4,213	4,298	14,431	102	39,247	608	12,429	225	1,440	2,490
2007	4,478	3,686	15,519	116	40,381	650	12,781	252	1,516	2,626
2008	5,197	3,813	16,207	134	39,160	725	13,802	334	1,080	2,168
2009	6,259	4,587	17,179	85	40,233	756	15,445	300	925	2,064
2010	7,648	8,158	21,014	374	45,361	915	18,889	601	2,100	2,598
2011	6,972	12,557	24,306	473	49,109	1,055	20,697	727	2,329	2,658
2012	8,825	12,801	26,199	620	53,051	1,215	21,516	686	2,095	3,298
2013	8,153	12,179	25,854	484	54,778	1,067	22,782	706	2,230	2,963
2016	8,643	11,912	25,125	608	61,852	2,032	24,717	640	2,328	2,931

Source: U.S. Department of Education,
Institute of Education Sciences (IES).

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Training Providers

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State

210 Burruss Hall, 800 Drillfield Dr

Blacksburg, VA 24061

Phone: (540) 231-6000

<http://www.vt.edu>

Number of 2016 graduates: 8,438

VA College of Osteopathic Medicine

2265 Kraft Dr

Blacksburg, VA 24060

Phone: (540) 231-4000

<http://www.vcom.edu>

Number of 2016 graduates: 399

Radford University

801 East Main St.

Radford, VA 24142

Phone: (540) 831-5000

<http://www.radford.edu>

Number of 2016 graduates: 2,467

Emory and Henry College

30461 Garnand Drive

Emory, VA 24327

Phone: (276) 944-4121

<http://www.ehc.edu>

Number of 2016 graduates: 297

Wytheville Community College

1000 E Main Street

Wytheville, VA 24382

Phone: (276) 223-4700

<http://www.wcc.vccs.edu>

Number of 2016 graduates: 995

Washington County Adult Skill Center

848 Thompson Dr

Abingdon, VA 24210

Phone: (276) 676-1948

<http://www.wcskillcenter.org>

Number of 2016 graduates:

New River Community College

5251 College Drive

Dublin, VA 24084

Phone: (540) 674-3600

<http://www.nr.edu>

Number of 2016 graduates: 692

Virginia Highlands Community College

100 Vhcc Drive

Abingdon, VA 24212

Phone: (276) 739-2400

<http://www.vhcc.edu>

Number of 2016 graduates: 607

*Source: U.S. Department of Education,
Institute of Education Sciences (IES), 2016.*