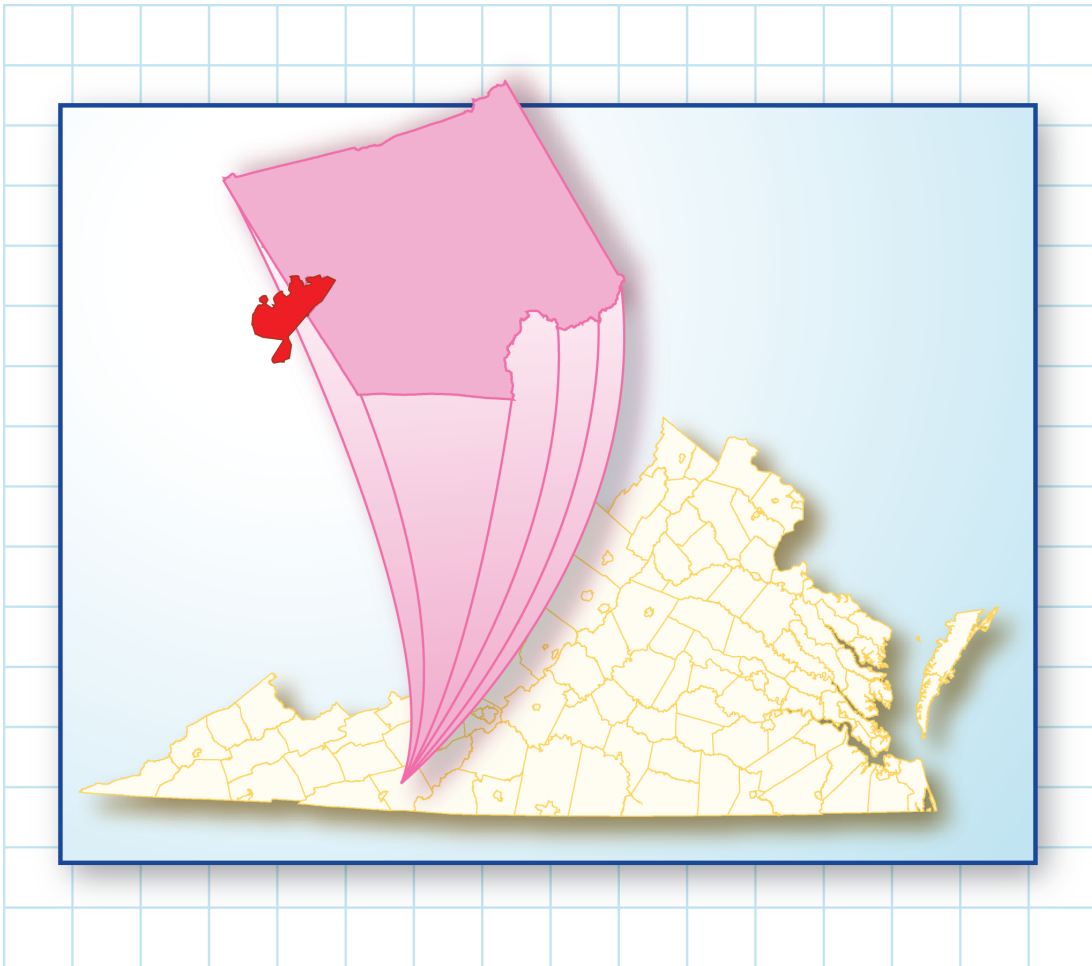


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# COMMUNITY PROFILE

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:

[www.viriniaworks.com](http://www.viriniaworks.com)

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

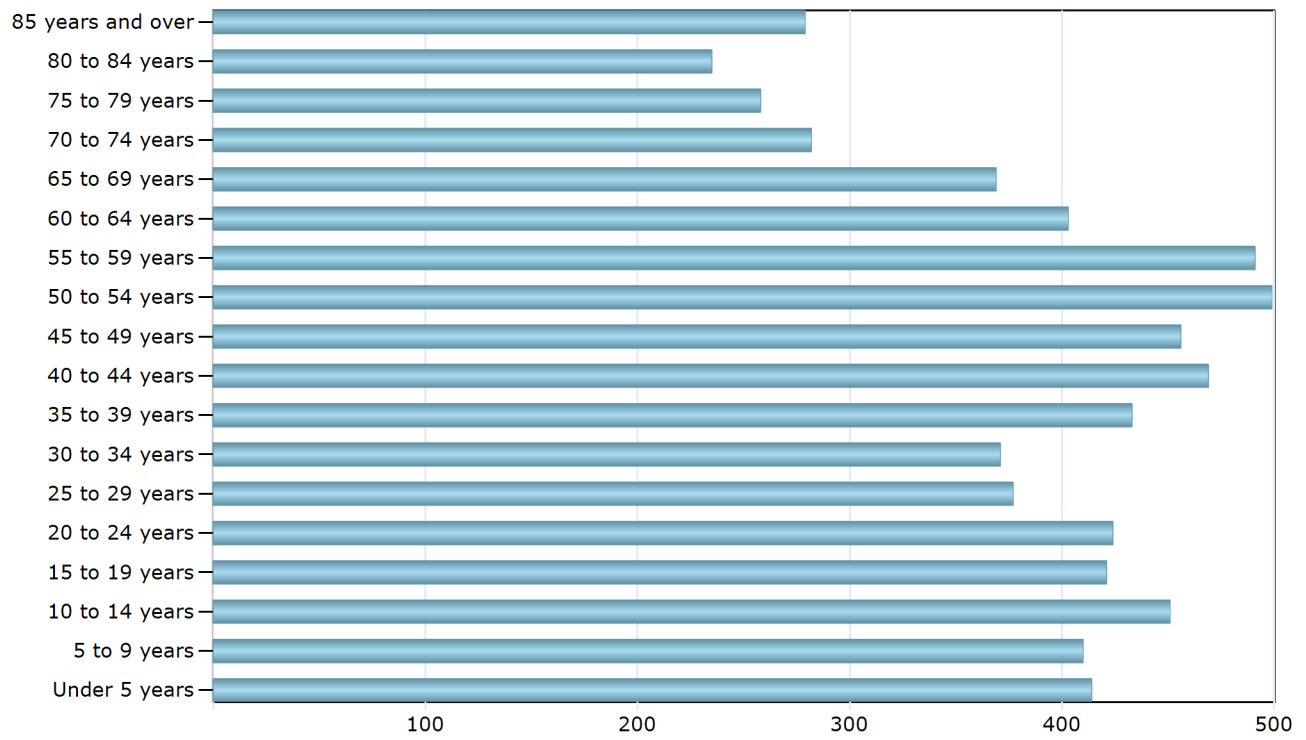
The data on gender were derived from answers to a question that was asked of all people. Individuals were asked to mark either "male" or "female" to indicate their gender. For most cases in which gender was not reported, it was determined by the appropriate entry from the person's given (i.e., first) 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
<b>Under 5 years</b>	414	509,625	20,201,362
<b>5 to 9 years</b>	410	511,849	20,348,657
<b>10 to 14 years</b>	451	511,246	20,677,194
<b>15 to 19 years</b>	421	550,965	22,040,343
<b>20 to 24 years</b>	424	572,091	21,585,999
<b>25 to 29 years</b>	377	564,342	21,101,849
<b>30 to 34 years</b>	371	526,077	19,962,099
<b>35 to 39 years</b>	433	540,063	20,179,642
<b>40 to 44 years</b>	469	568,865	20,890,964
<b>45 to 49 years</b>	456	621,155	22,708,591
<b>50 to 54 years</b>	499	592,845	22,298,125
<b>55 to 59 years</b>	491	512,595	19,664,805
<b>60 to 64 years</b>	403	442,369	16,817,924
<b>65 to 69 years</b>	369	320,302	12,435,263
<b>70 to 74 years</b>	282	229,502	9,278,166
<b>75 to 79 years</b>	258	173,929	7,317,795
<b>80 to 84 years</b>	235	130,801	5,743,327
<b>85 years and over</b>	279	122,403	5,493,433
	<b>7,042</b>	<b>8,001,024</b>	<b>308,745,538</b>

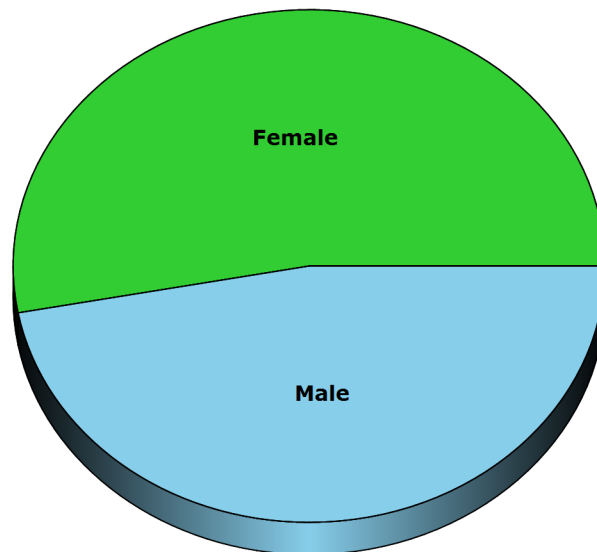
Source: 2010 Census.

## Population by Race/Ethnicity

	Galax city	Virginia	United States
<b>Total</b>			
Total Population	7,042	8,001,024	308,745,538
<b>Race</b>			
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
<b>Ethnicity</b>			
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

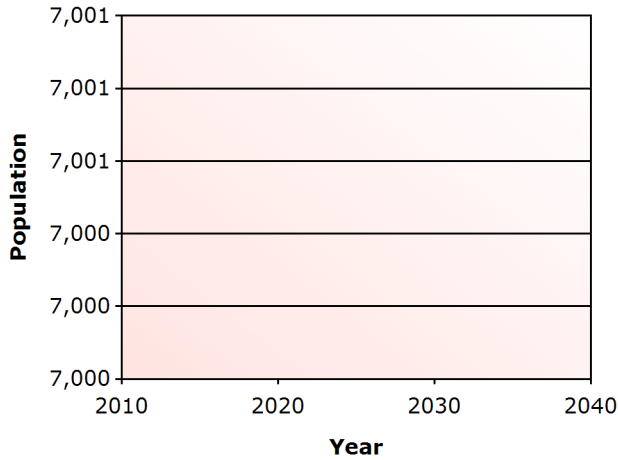


	Galax city	Virginia	United States
<b>Male</b>	3,315	3,925,983	151,781,326
<b>Female</b>	3,727	4,075,041	156,964,212
	<b>7,042</b>	<b>8,001,024</b>	<b>308,745,538</b>

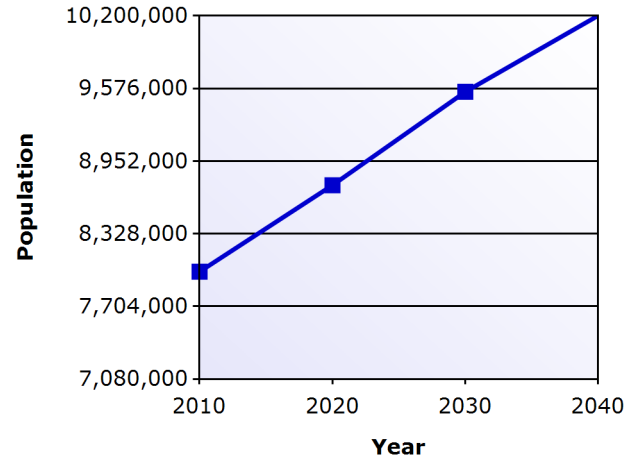
Source: 2010 Census.

### Population Change

**Galax city**



**Virginia**



	Galax city	Percent change	Number Change	Virginia	Percent change	Number Change
<b>2000</b>	6,837			7,079,030		
<b>2010</b>	7,042	3.00 %	205	8,001,024	13.02 %	921994
<b>2020</b>	7,031	-0.16 %	-11	8,744,273	9.29 %	743249
<b>2030</b>	7,118	1.24 %	87	9,546,958	9.18 %	802685
<b>2040</b>	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
<b>Under 5 years</b>	180	210	183	214	181	212
<b>5 to 9 years</b>	206	183	207	184	206	183
<b>10 to 14 years</b>	203	214	199	209	203	213
<b>15 to 19 years</b>	170	215	167	212	169	213
<b>20 to 24 years</b>	233	203	225	195	220	191
<b>25 to 29 years</b>	184	189	175	179	172	177
<b>30 to 34 years</b>	202	197	216	210	208	202
<b>35 to 39 years</b>	187	202	192	207	182	197
<b>40 to 44 years</b>	187	181	209	203	223	217
<b>45 to 49 years</b>	218	215	204	200	209	206
<b>50 to 54 years</b>	257	220	210	180	235	201
<b>55 to 59 years</b>	238	222	235	219	219	205
<b>60 to 64 years</b>	260	206	259	205	211	167
<b>65 to 69 years</b>	263	184	247	173	247	173
<b>70 to 74 years</b>	214	161	249	187	250	188
<b>75 to 79 years</b>	175	118	209	141	194	131
<b>80 to 84 years</b>	125	76	164	100	189	115
<b>85 years and over</b>	253	83	264	87	299	98
	<b>3,755</b>	<b>3,279</b>	<b>3,814</b>	<b>3,305</b>	<b>3,817</b>	<b>3,289</b>
	<b>7,034</b>		<b>7,119</b>		<b>7,106</b>	

Source: Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

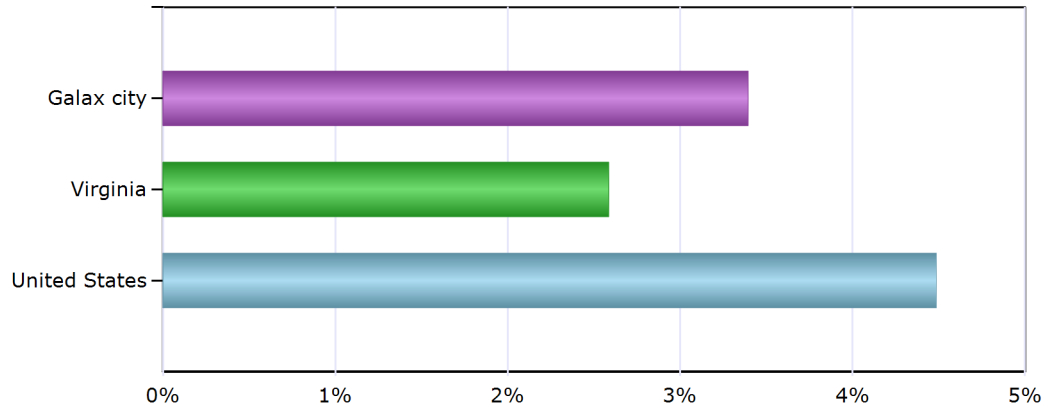
## Population Projections by Race/Ethnicity

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

Source: Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service.

## English Language Skills

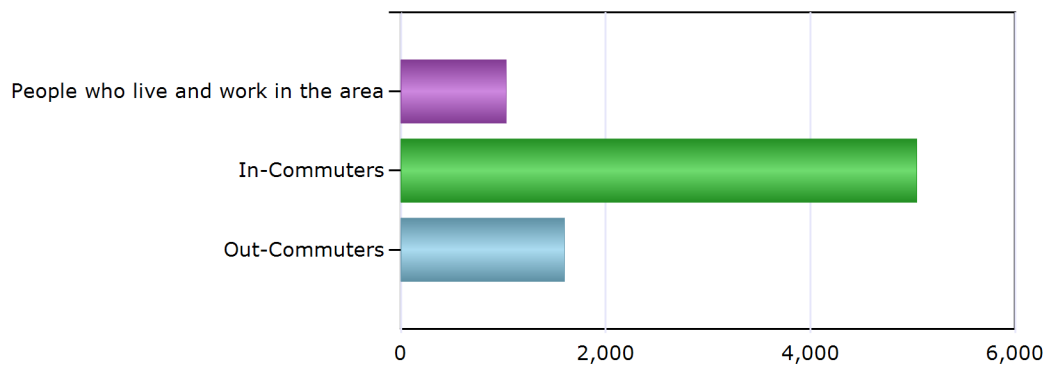
(Age 5 and over that speak English less than well)



	Total	Speak English less than well	Percent
<b>Galax city</b>	6,511	221	3.39%
<b>Virginia</b>	7,800,044	201,628	2.58%
<b>United States</b>	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)**

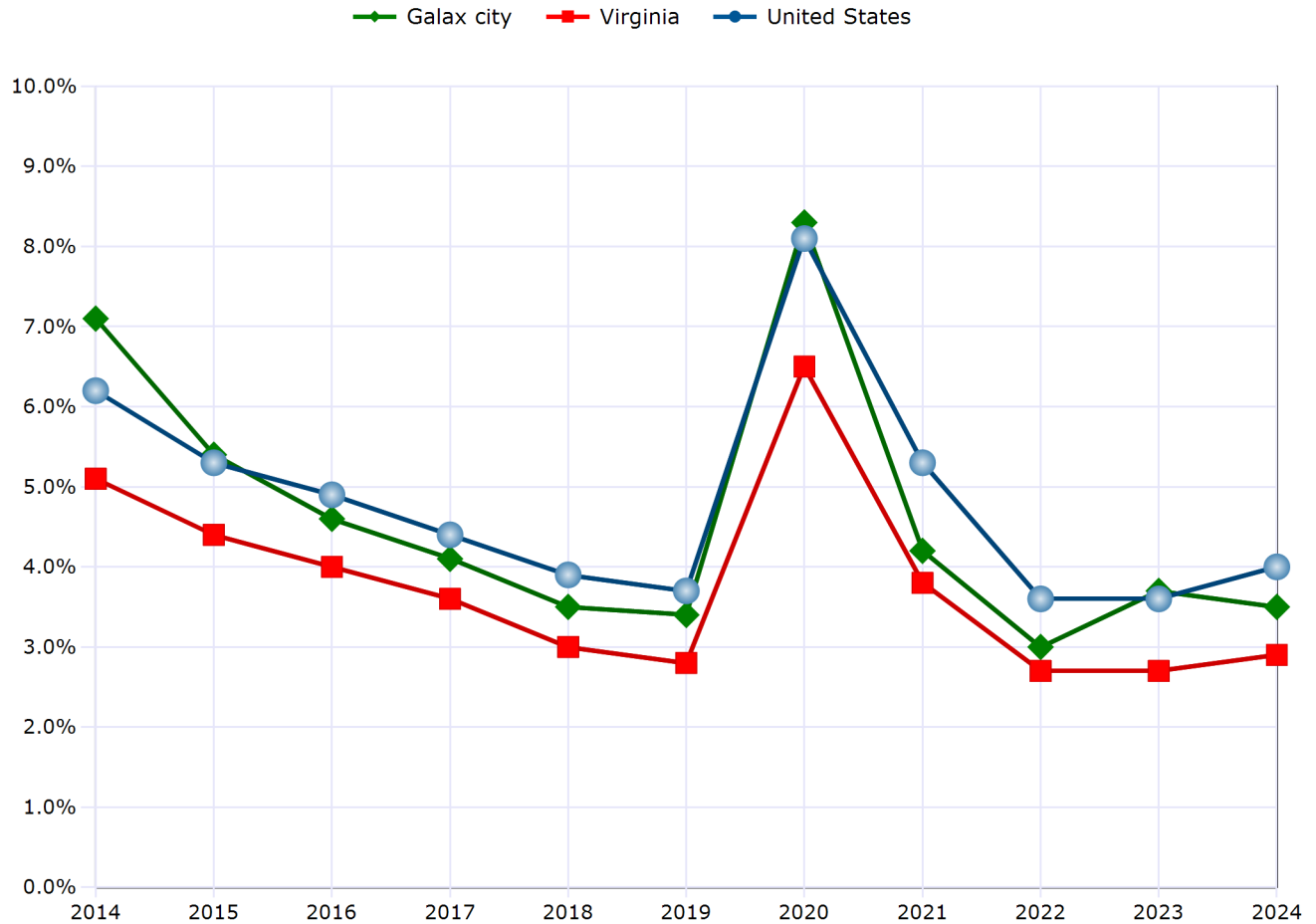
Unemployment insurance is a program for the accumulation of funds paid by employers to be used for the payment of unemployment insurance to workers during periods of unemployment which are beyond the workers' control. Unemployment insurance replaces a part of the worker's wage loss if he becomes eligible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

#### **Unemployment Rate**

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

## Unemployment Rates

### Trends

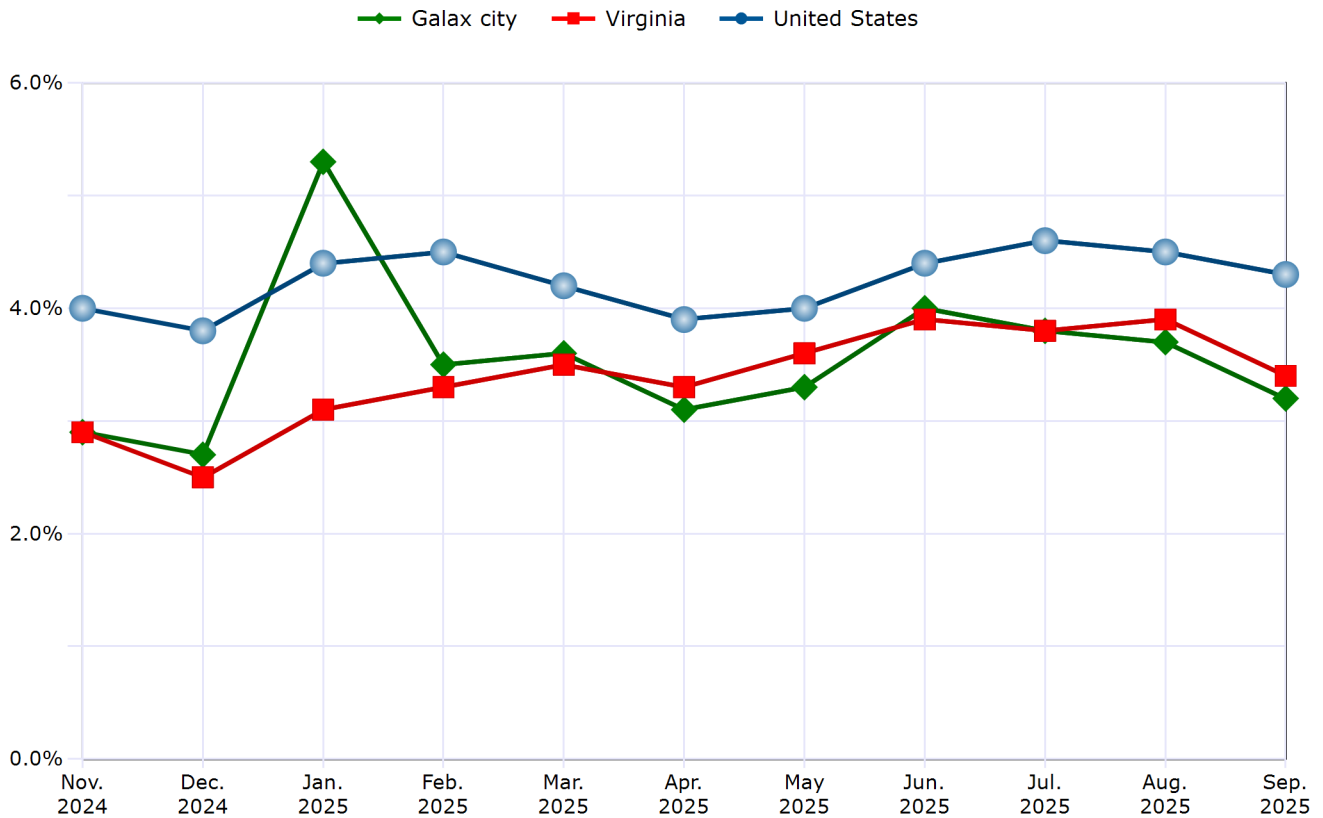


	Galax city	Virginia	United States
<b>2014</b>	7.1%	5.1%	6.2%
<b>2015</b>	5.4%	4.4%	5.3%
<b>2016</b>	4.6%	4.0%	4.9%
<b>2017</b>	4.1%	3.6%	4.4%
<b>2018</b>	3.5%	3.0%	3.9%
<b>2019</b>	3.4%	2.8%	3.7%
<b>2020</b>	8.3%	6.5%	8.1%
<b>2021</b>	4.2%	3.8%	5.3%
<b>2022</b>	3.0%	2.7%	3.6%
<b>2023</b>	3.7%	2.7%	3.6%
<b>2024</b>	3.5%	2.9%	4.0%

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

## Unemployment Rates

Past 12 Months



	Galax city	Virginia	United States
<b>Nov. 2024</b>	2.9%	2.9%	4.0%
<b>Dec. 2024</b>	2.7%	2.5%	3.8%
<b>Jan. 2025</b>	5.3%	3.1%	4.4%
<b>Feb. 2025</b>	3.5%	3.3%	4.5%
<b>Mar. 2025</b>	3.6%	3.5%	4.2%
<b>Apr. 2025</b>	3.1%	3.3%	3.9%
<b>May 2025</b>	3.3%	3.6%	4.0%
<b>Jun. 2025</b>	4.0%	3.9%	4.4%
<b>Jul. 2025</b>	3.8%	3.8%	4.6%
<b>Aug. 2025</b>	3.7%	3.9%	4.5%
<b>Sep. 2025</b>	3.2%	3.4%	4.3%

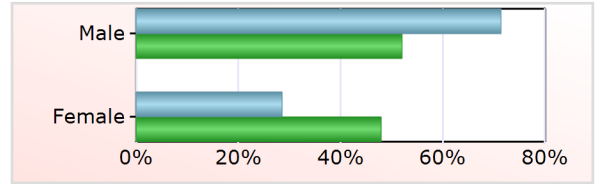
Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

## Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

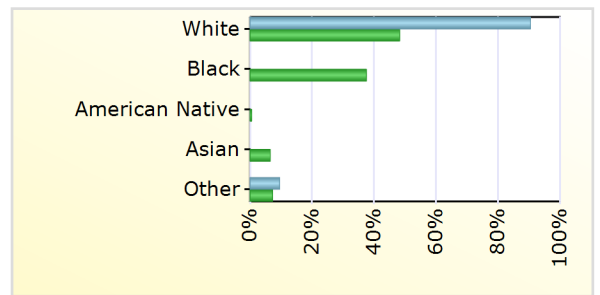
Total number of claimants: 21

- Galax city - (21 claimants)
- Virginia - (28,243 claimants)

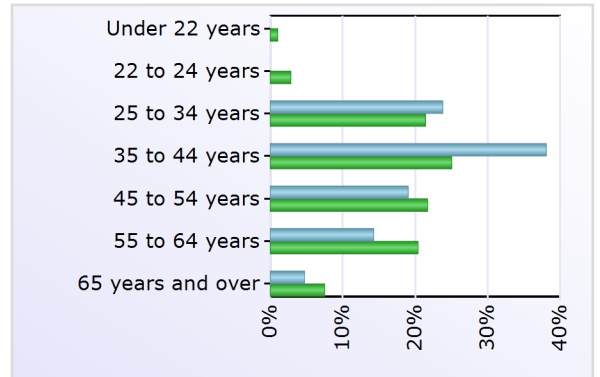
Gender	Galax city	Virginia
<b>Male</b>	15	14,701
<b>Female</b>	6	13,542
<b>Unspecified</b>		



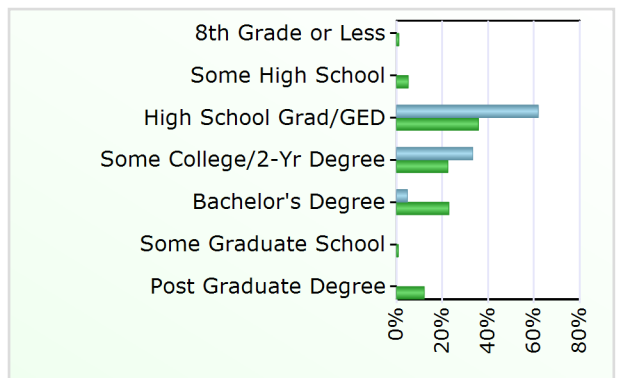
Race	Galax city	Virginia
<b>White</b>	19	13,624
<b>Black</b>		10,594
<b>American Native</b>		146
<b>Asian</b>		1,832
<b>Other</b>	2	2,047



Age	Galax city	Virginia
<b>Under 22 years</b>		294
<b>22 to 24 years</b>		801
<b>25 to 34 years</b>	5	6,051
<b>35 to 44 years</b>	8	7,078
<b>45 to 54 years</b>	4	6,136
<b>55 to 64 years</b>	3	5,761
<b>65 years and over</b>	1	2,122
<b>Unknown</b>		



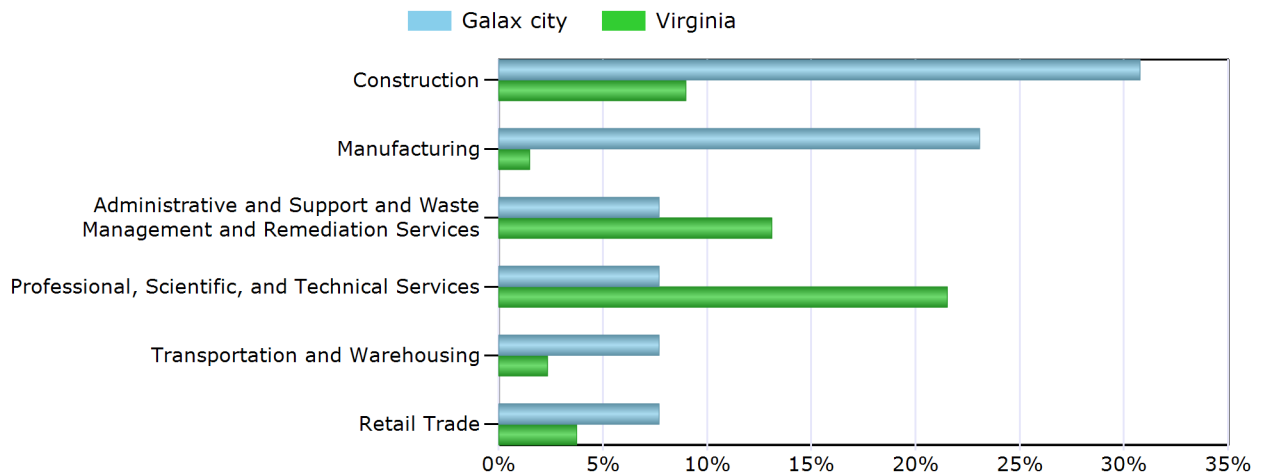
Education	Galax city	Virginia
<b>8th Grade or Less</b>		278
<b>Some High School</b>		1,442
<b>High School Grad/GED</b>	13	10,103
<b>Some College/2-Yr Degree</b>	7	6,336
<b>Bachelor's Degree</b>	1	6,452
<b>Some Graduate School</b>		208
<b>Post Graduate Degree</b>		3,424
<b>Unknown</b>		



Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, February 2026.

## Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

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



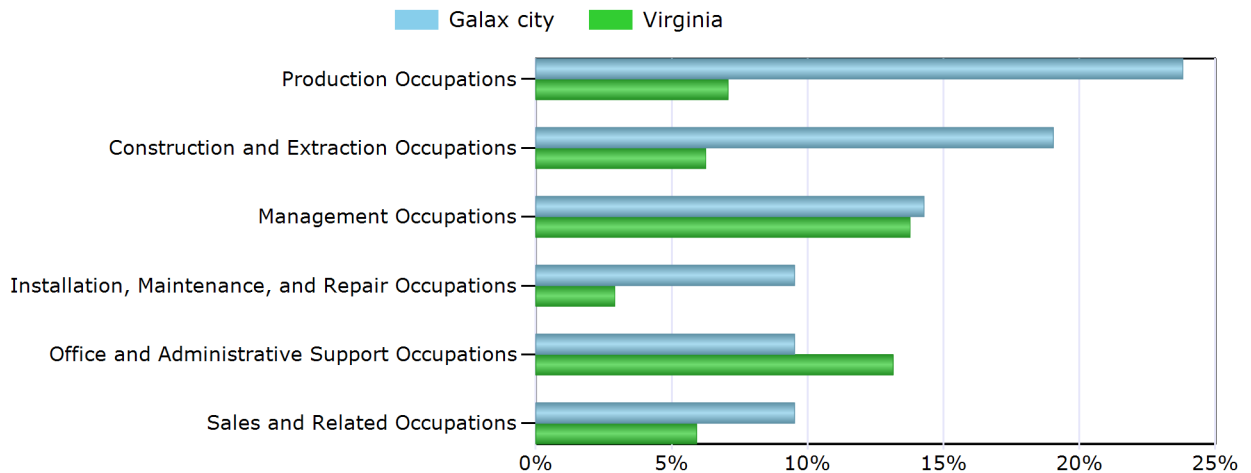
Industry	Galax city	Virginia
Construction	4	2,174
Manufacturing	3	358
Unclassified	2	2,691
Retail Trade	1	905
Transportation and Warehousing	1	566
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	1	5,213
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	1	3,173
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting		119
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction		62
Utilities		34
Wholesale Trade		842
Information		739
Finance and Insurance		1,193
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing		510
Management of Companies and Enterprises		289
Educational Services		536
Health Care and Social Assistance		2,206
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation		313
Accommodation and Food Services		1,475
Other Services (except Public Administration)		821

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, February 2026.

## Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed

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

(excludes unknown occupations)

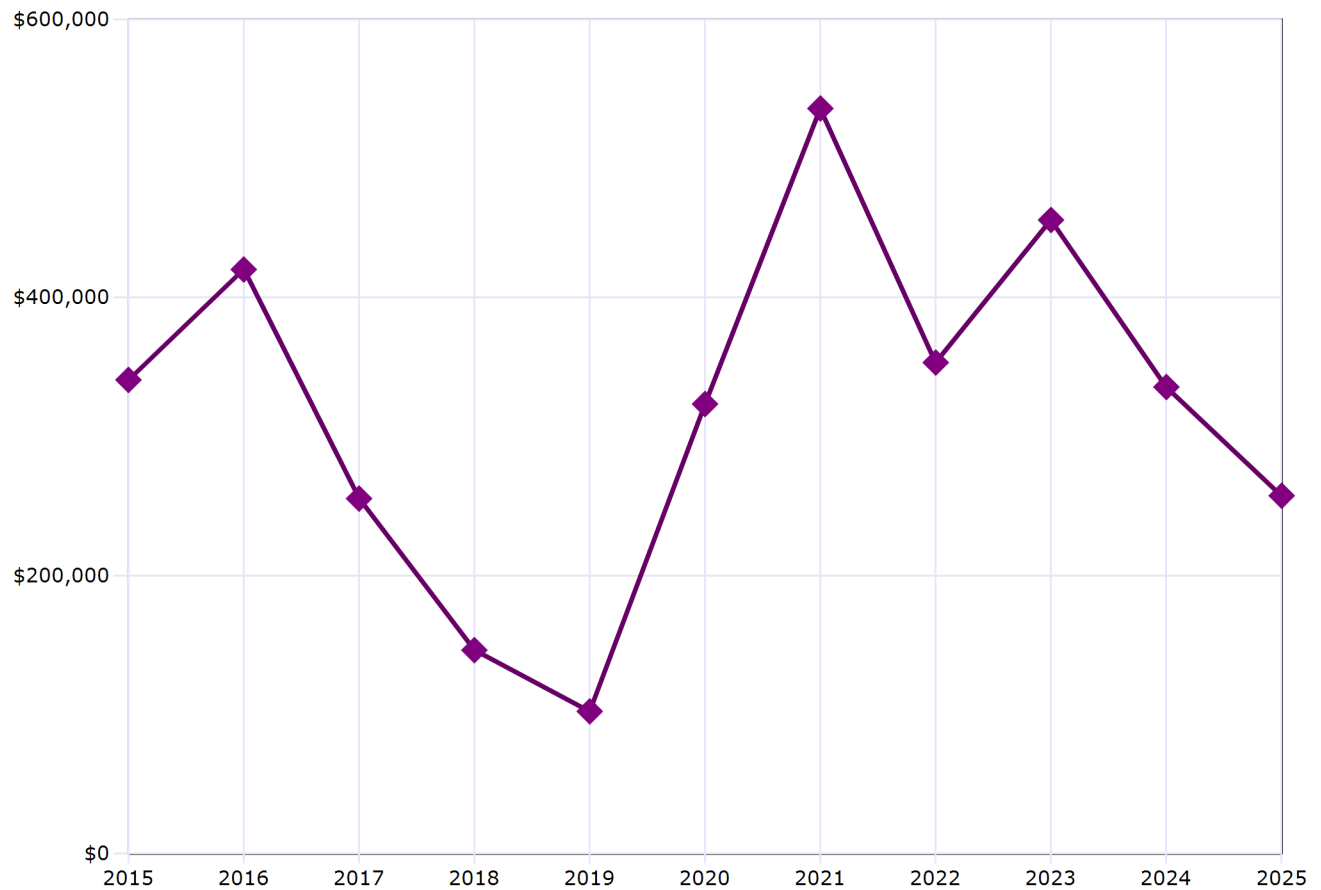


Occupation	Galax city	Virginia
Production Occupations	5	1,998
Construction and Extraction Occupations	4	1,767
Management Occupations	3	3,891
Sales and Related Occupations	2	1,671
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	2	3,714
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	2	822
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	1	720
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	1	356
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	1	1,809
Business and Financial Operations Occupations		2,308
Computer and Mathematical Occupations		2,994
Community and Social Service Occupations		327
Legal Occupations		193
Education, Training, and Library Occupations		393
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations		1,039
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations		556
Healthcare Support Occupations		774
Protective Service Occupations		397
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations		1,149
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations		788
Personal Care and Service Occupations		386
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations		128
Military Specific Occupations		63
Unknown Occupation Code		

*Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed, February 2026.*

## Unemployment Insurance Payments

*Trends*

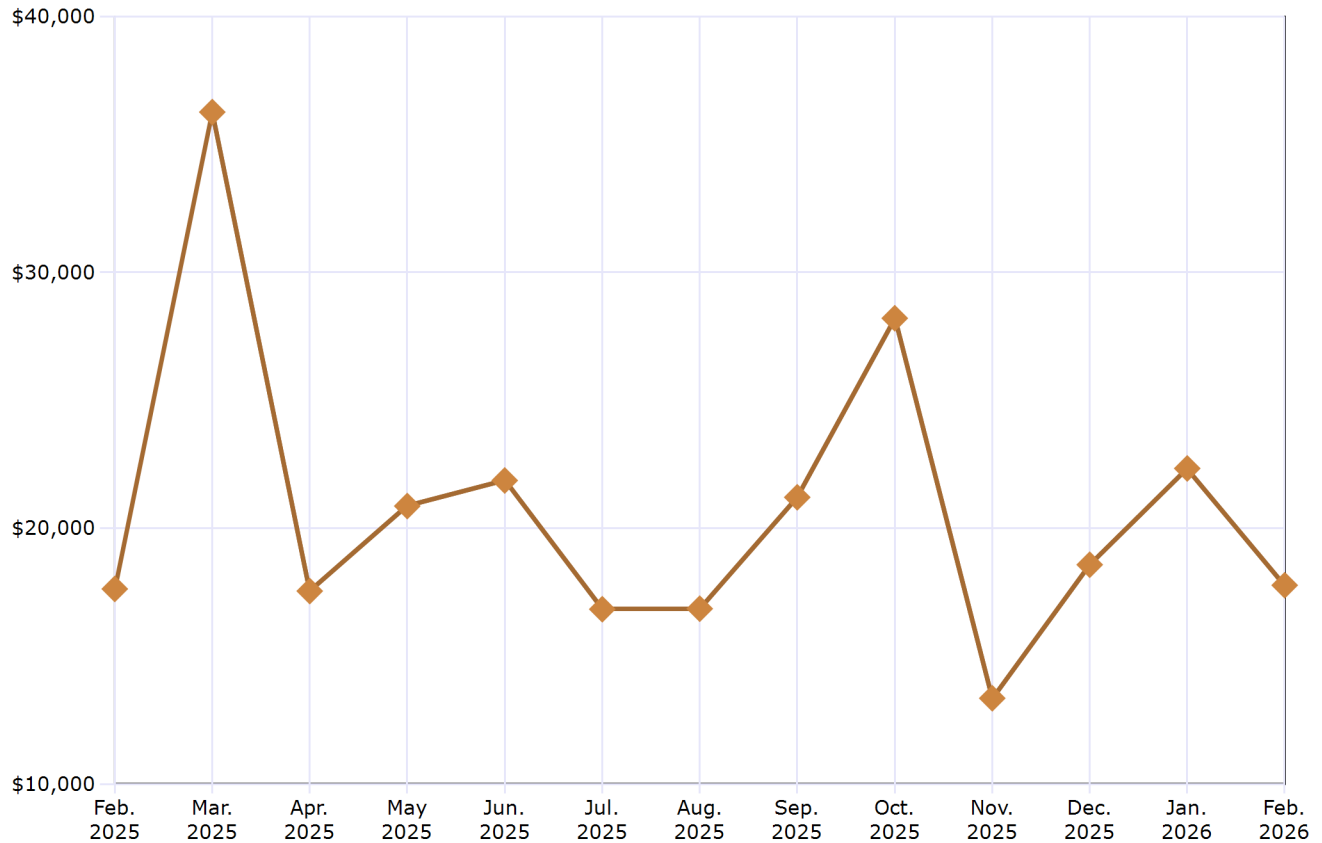


	Galax city		Virginia	
	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid	Weeks Paid	Amount Paid
<b>2015</b>	1,370	\$340,705	1,198,476	\$351,290,100
<b>2016</b>	1,608	\$420,112	1,263,292	\$379,622,081
<b>2017</b>	1,055	\$255,360	1,114,650	\$336,664,624
<b>2018</b>	615	\$146,336	941,154	\$286,468,017
<b>2019</b>	428	\$102,339	867,371	\$269,014,541
<b>2020</b>	1,307	\$323,356	8,600,869	\$2,279,487,650
<b>2021</b>	2,090	\$535,936	1,601,885	\$458,078,646
<b>2022</b>	1,228	\$353,211	485,275	\$154,636,752
<b>2023</b>	1,470	\$455,732	685,711	\$232,048,074
<b>2024</b>	1,014	\$335,604	821,464	\$281,948,022
<b>2025</b>	796	\$257,425	958,475	\$336,260,202

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
<b>Feb. 2025</b>	56	\$17,630	67,208	\$23,330,065
<b>Mar. 2025</b>	112	\$36,266	80,917	\$28,182,251
<b>Apr. 2025</b>	52	\$17,548	71,831	\$25,077,568
<b>May 2025</b>	60	\$20,870	74,874	\$26,230,081
<b>Jun. 2025</b>	70	\$21,869	90,500	\$31,564,327
<b>Jul. 2025</b>	52	\$16,837	88,280	\$30,838,363
<b>Aug. 2025</b>	48	\$16,858	85,310	\$29,930,805
<b>Sep. 2025</b>	60	\$21,212	91,400	\$32,455,220
<b>Oct. 2025</b>	86	\$28,209	77,985	\$27,634,073
<b>Nov. 2025</b>	45	\$13,357	70,847	\$25,162,669
<b>Dec. 2025</b>	63	\$18,576	90,198	\$31,953,758
<b>Jan. 2026</b>	74	\$22,339	82,981	\$29,321,778
<b>Feb. 2026</b>	48	\$17,774	81,372	\$29,629,263

Source: Virginia Works,  
Unemployment Insurance Program.

## Employers by Size of Establishment

	Galax city	Virginia
<b>0 to 4 employees</b>	212	207,876
<b>5 to 9 employees</b>	73	41,114
<b>10 to 19 employees</b>	61	30,733
<b>20 to 49 employees</b>	35	22,801
<b>50 to 99 employees</b>	10	7,586
<b>100 to 249 employees</b>	7	4,170
<b>250 to 499 employees</b>	4	1,098
<b>500 to 999 employees</b>	0	371
<b>1000 and over employees</b>	0	279
	<b>402</b>	<b>316,028</b>

## Employment by Size of Establishment

	Galax city	Virginia
<b>0 to 4 employees</b>	360	264,518
<b>5 to 9 employees</b>	494	273,771
<b>10 to 19 employees</b>	789	417,792
<b>20 to 49 employees</b>	971	684,503
<b>50 to 99 employees</b>	669	521,848
<b>100 to 249 employees</b>	1,111	618,496
<b>250 to 499 employees</b>	1,331	377,264
<b>500 to 999 employees</b>	0	254,429
<b>1000 and over employees</b>	0	731,112
	<b>5,725</b>	<b>4,143,733</b>

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) 2025.

## 50 Largest Employers

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

Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW), 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2025.

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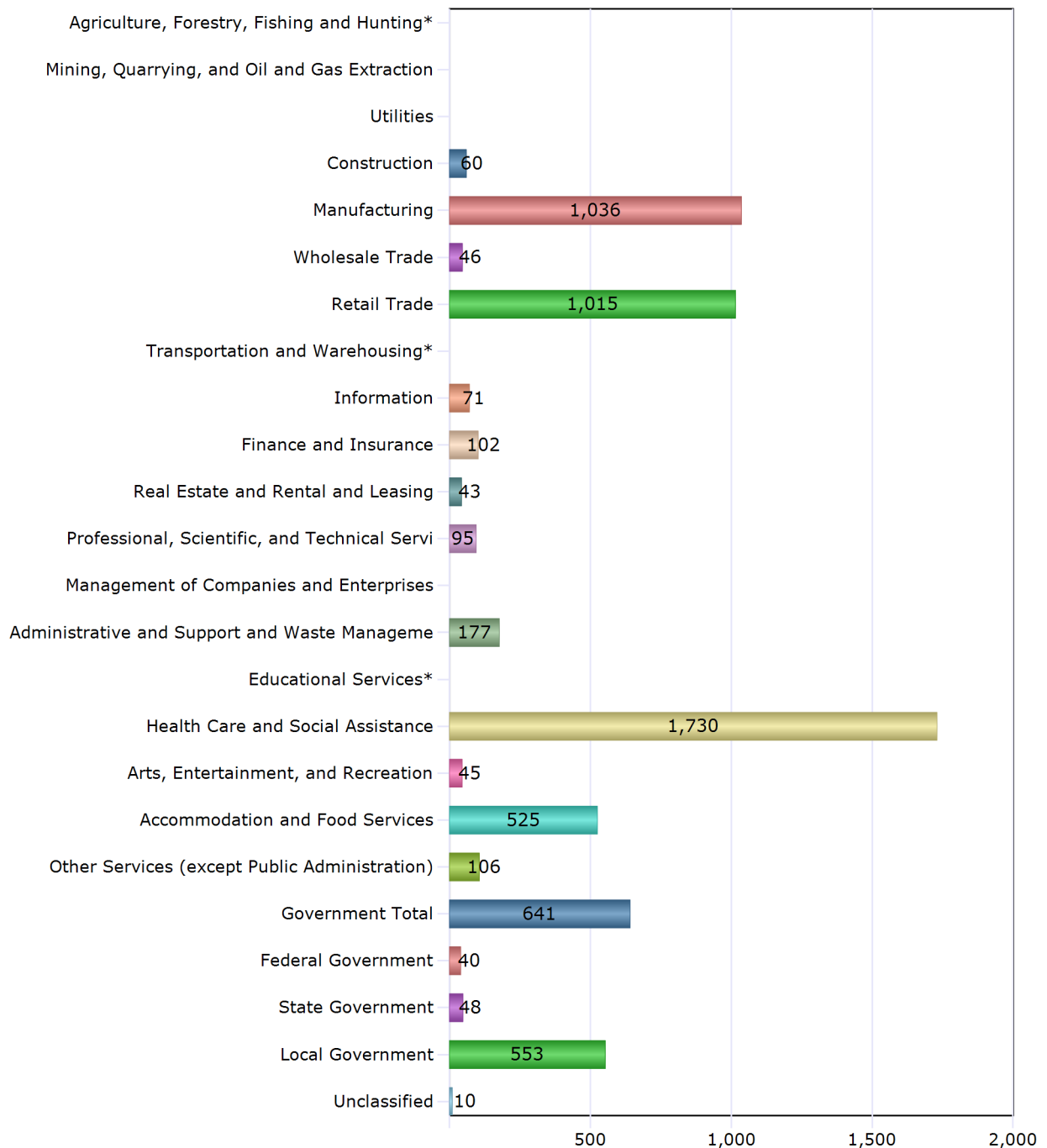
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## Employment by Industry

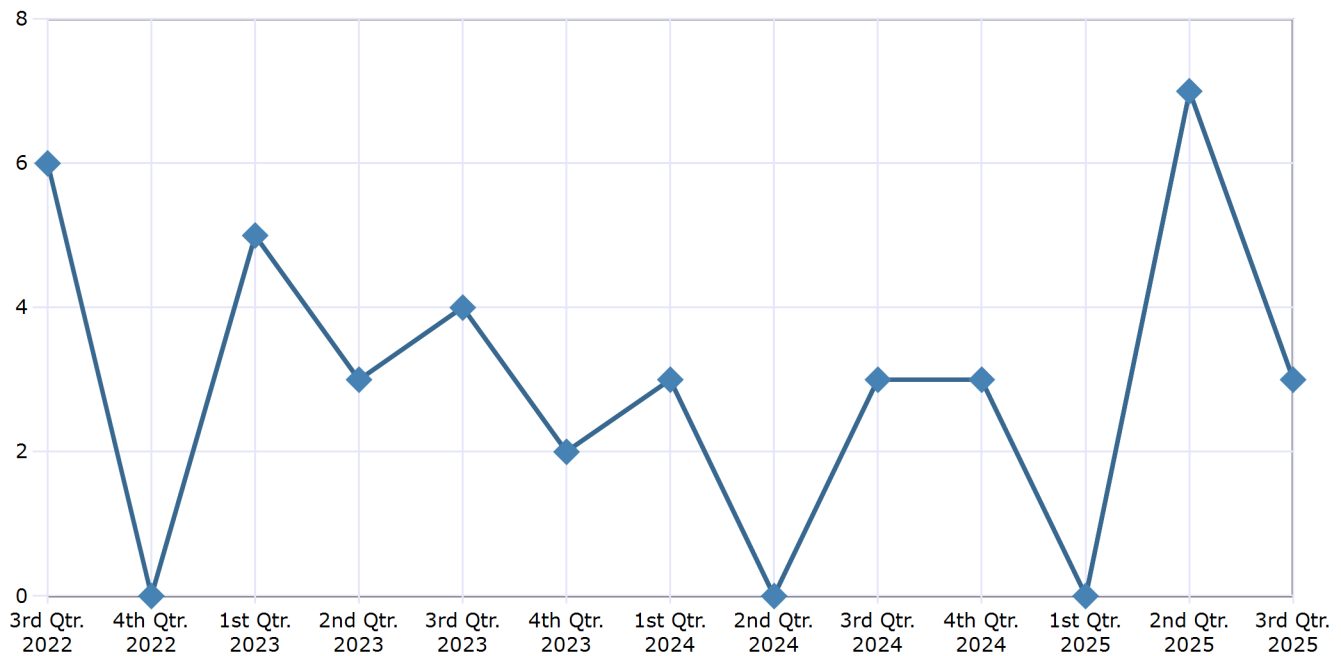


**Total: 5,724**

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

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## New Startup Firms



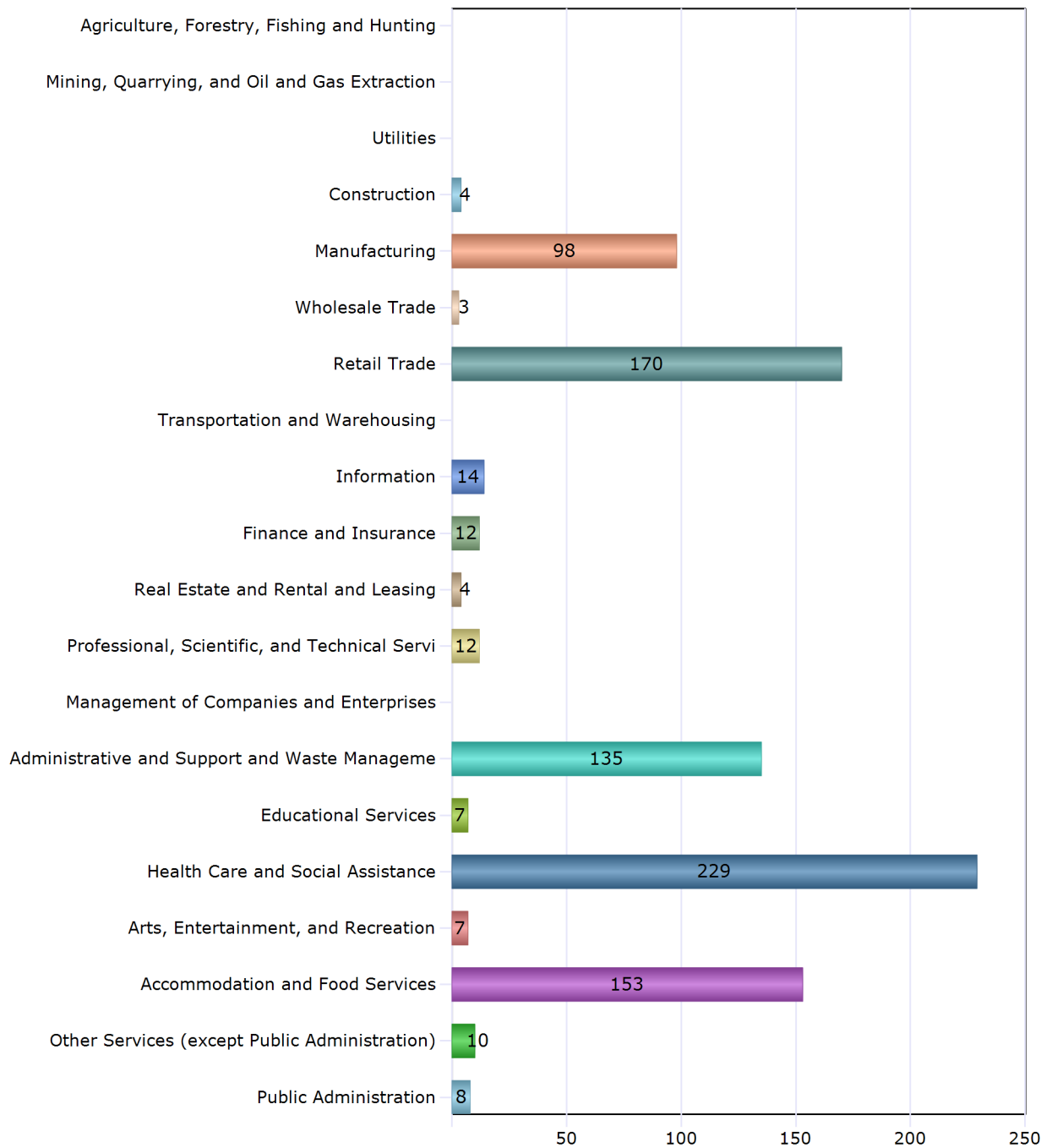
	Galax city	Virginia
<b>3rd Qtr. 2022</b>	6	4,839
<b>4th Qtr. 2022</b>		4,162
<b>1st Qtr. 2023</b>	5	5,320
<b>2nd Qtr. 2023</b>	3	4,835
<b>3rd Qtr. 2023</b>	4	4,472
<b>4th Qtr. 2023</b>	2	4,454
<b>1st Qtr. 2024</b>	3	5,789
<b>2nd Qtr. 2024</b>		4,468
<b>3rd Qtr. 2024</b>	3	4,555
<b>4th Qtr. 2024</b>	3	4,203
<b>1st Qtr. 2025</b>		5,093
<b>2nd Qtr. 2025</b>	7	4,378
<b>3rd Qtr. 2025</b>	3	4,278

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

- 1.) Setup and liability date both occurred during 3rd Quarter (July, August, September) 2025
- 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) 2025.

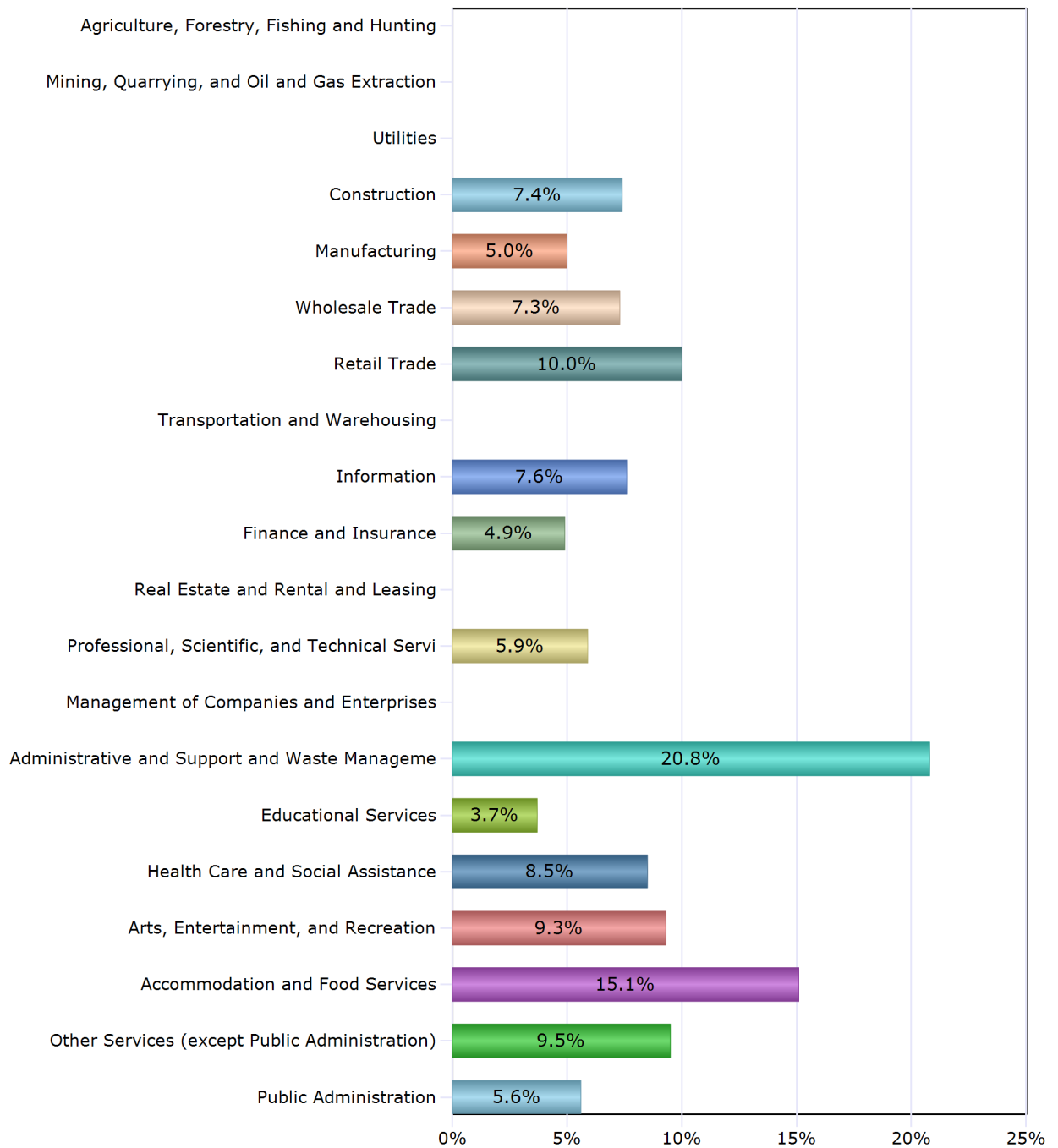
## New Hires by Industry



**Total: 866**

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

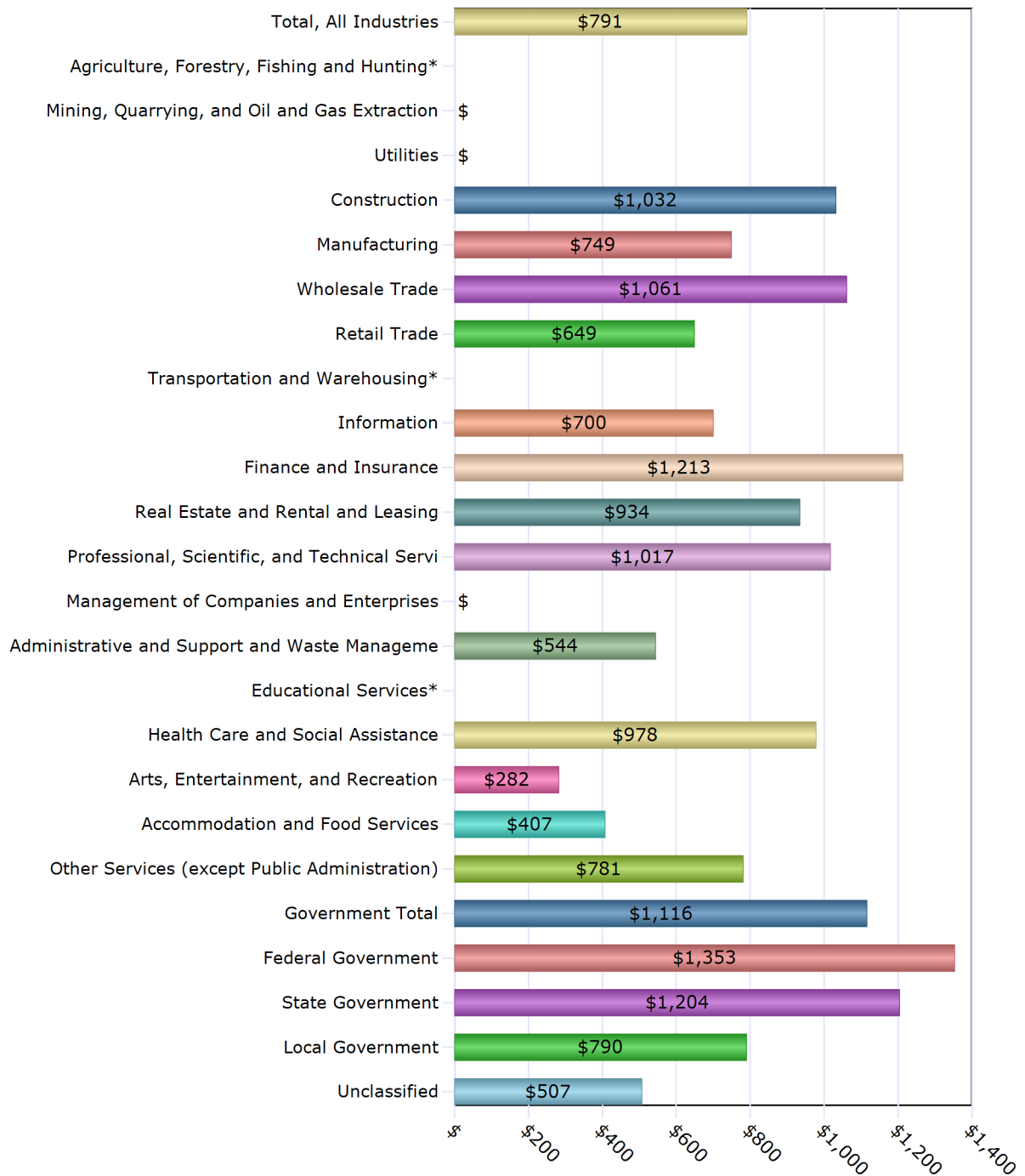
## Turnover by Industry



**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) 2025.

## 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= 32)

	Employment			Percent	
	Estimated 2022	Projected 2032	Change	Total	Annual
Total, All Industries	149,317	148,763	-554	-0.37%	-0.04%
Total Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers	7,859	7,533	-326	-4.15%	-.42%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	***	***	***		***
Mining	***	***	***		***
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	***	***	***		***
Utilities	***	***	***		***
Construction	4,641	4,429	-212	-4.57%	-.47%
Manufacturing	25,462	26,415	953	3.74%	.37%
Wholesale Trade	2,661	2,504	-157	-5.9%	-.61%
Retail Trade	17,051	16,572	-479	-2.81%	-.28%
Transportation and Warehousing	***	***	***		***
Information	870	874	4	.46%	.05%
Finance and Insurance	1,985	2,203	218	10.98%	1.05%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	1,283	1,223	-60	-4.68%	-.48%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	5,286	5,574	288	5.45%	.53%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	1,345	1,337	-8	-.59%	-.06%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	7,095	6,335	-760	-10.71%	-1.13%
Educational Services	20,350	18,824	-1,526	-7.5%	-.78%
Health Care and Social Assistance	16,387	17,804	1,417	8.65%	.83%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	1,519	1,450	-69	-4.54%	-.46%
Accommodation and Food Services	12,945	13,477	532	4.11%	.4%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	3,496	3,278	-218	-6.24%	-.64%
Unclassified	11,117	10,718	-399	-3.59%	-.36%

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Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,  
Long Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2022-2032.

## Industry Employment and Projections

Short Term (Period= 47)

	Employment			Percent	
	Estimated 2025	Projected 2027	Change	Total	Annual
Total, All Industries	4,319,847	4,382,412	62,565	1.45%	.72%
Total Self-Employed and Unpaid Family Workers	253,078	255,333	2,255	.89%	.44%
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting	3,857	3,873	16	.41%	.21%
Mining	5,372	5,497	125	2.33%	1.16%
Mining, Quarrying, and Oil and Gas Extraction	5,372	5,497	125	2.33%	1.16%
Utilities	11,712	11,910	198	1.69%	.84%
Construction	219,547	226,921	7,374	3.36%	1.67%
Manufacturing	238,058	234,873	-3,185	-1.34%	-.67%
Wholesale Trade	112,712	113,135	423	.38%	.19%
Retail Trade	386,855	387,938	1,083	.28%	.14%
Transportation and Warehousing	159,919	165,200	5,281	3.3%	1.64%
Information	68,110	67,939	-171	-.25%	-.13%
Finance and Insurance	145,064	147,146	2,082	1.44%	.72%
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	60,150	61,801	1,651	2.74%	1.36%
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	469,676	484,434	14,758	3.14%	1.56%
Management of Companies and Enterprises	90,454	93,301	2,847	3.15%	1.56%
Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Services	242,667	243,735	1,068	.44%	.22%
Educational Services	390,264	397,202	6,938	1.78%	.89%
Health Care and Social Assistance	520,156	541,236	21,080	4.05%	2.01%
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	60,709	60,321	-388	-.64%	-.32%
Accommodation and Food Services	338,240	338,976	736	.22%	.11%
Other Services (except Public Administration)	135,059	137,865	2,806	2.08%	1.03%
Unclassified	408,188	403,776	-4,412	-1.08%	-.54%

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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, 2025-2027.

## Occupation Employment and Projections

Long Term (Period= 32)

	Employment			Openings		
	Estimated 2022	Projected 2032	% Change	Replace-ments	Growth	Total
Total, All Occupations	149,317	148,763	-.37%	167,635	-554	167,081
Management Occupations	8,384	8,665	3.35%	6,921	281	7,202
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	5,920	5,963	.73%	4,727	43	4,770
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	2,961	3,043	2.77%	1,765	82	1,847
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	2,294	2,603	13.47%	1,657	309	1,966
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	1,268	1,266	-.16%	1,189	-2	1,187
Community and Social Service Occupations	2,670	2,741	2.66%	2,220	71	2,291
Legal Occupations	564	597	5.85%	376	33	409
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	12,194	11,574	-5.08%	10,328	-620	9,708
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	1,930	1,860	-3.63%	1,919	-70	1,849
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	8,099	8,548	5.54%	4,838	449	5,287
Healthcare Support Occupations	5,340	6,306	18.09%	8,391	966	9,357
Protective Service Occupations	3,508	3,305	-5.79%	3,917	-203	3,714
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	12,584	12,972	3.08%	24,354	388	24,742
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	4,942	4,391	-11.15%	6,201	-551	5,650
Personal Care and Service Occupations	2,921	3,244	11.06%	5,232	323	5,555
Sales and Related Occupations	13,876	13,225	-4.69%	18,823	-651	18,172
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	15,545	14,059	-9.56%	16,804	-1,486	15,318
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	2,011	2,139	6.37%	3,031	128	3,159
Construction and Extraction Occupations	5,063	4,930	-2.63%	4,259	-133	4,126
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	7,594	7,667	.96%	6,550	73	6,623
Production Occupations	15,887	15,951	.4%	16,582	64	16,646
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	13,762	13,714	-.35%	17,551	-48	17,503

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## Occupation Employment and Projections

Short Term (Period= 47)

	Employment			Openings		
	Estimated 2025	Projected 2027	% Change	Replace-ments	Growth	Total
Total, All Occupations	4,319,847	4,382,412	1.45%	920,875	62,565	983,440
Management Occupations	305,043	309,283	1.39%	45,412	4,240	49,652
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	416,396	422,295	1.42%	65,996	5,899	71,895
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	243,901	251,582	3.15%	28,466	7,681	36,147
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	74,632	75,477	1.13%	9,876	845	10,721
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	49,909	50,777	1.74%	8,029	868	8,897
Community and Social Service Occupations	64,908	67,075	3.34%	10,838	2,167	13,005
Legal Occupations	39,357	39,476	.3%	4,981	119	5,100
Education, Training, and Library Occupations	257,764	262,907	2%	46,232	5,143	51,375
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	72,619	73,359	1.02%	14,083	740	14,823
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	236,818	243,569	2.85%	26,634	6,751	33,385
Healthcare Support Occupations	164,502	172,170	4.66%	48,123	7,668	55,791
Protective Service Occupations	111,007	112,088	.97%	27,276	1,081	28,357
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	322,749	322,901	.05%	122,895	152	123,047
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	145,224	148,976	2.58%	39,337	3,752	43,089
Personal Care and Service Occupations	115,912	119,345	2.96%	39,994	3,433	43,427
Sales and Related Occupations	425,112	426,079	.23%	108,828	967	109,795
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	429,812	429,076	-.17%	97,116	-736	96,380
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	5,543	5,476	-1.21%	1,583	-67	1,516
Construction and Extraction Occupations	196,719	201,956	2.66%	33,885	5,237	39,122
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	168,321	170,948	1.56%	29,479	2,627	32,106
Production Occupations	168,073	165,494	-1.53%	35,766	-2,579	33,187
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	305,526	312,103	2.15%	76,046	6,577	82,623

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Source: Virginia Works, Economic Information & Analytics,  
Short Term Industry and Occupational Projections, 2025-2027.

## Growth Occupations

	Employment			Openings			Average Annual Salary
	Estimated 2022	Projected 2032	% Change	Replacements	Growth	Total	
Nurse Practitioners	265	400	50.94%	147	135	282	\$116,620
Physician Assistants	116	164	41.38%	69	48	117	\$129,940
Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers	183	237	29.51%	405	54	459	\$35,090
Securities, Commodities, and Financial Services Sales Agents	249	320	28.51%	208	71	279	\$64,650
Dental Assistants	231	296	28.14%	360	65	425	\$43,310
Veterinarians	152	194	27.63%	57	42	99	\$119,770
Medical and Health Services Managers	312	386	23.72%	241	74	315	\$108,730
Dentists, General	123	152	23.58%	38	29	67	\$165,050
Cooks, Restaurant	1,372	1,681	22.52%	2,286	309	2,595	\$34,040
Physical Therapist Assistants	173	211	21.97%	261	38	299	\$71,770
Logisticians	159	191	20.13%	138	32	170	\$83,810
Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	158	189	19.62%	157	31	188	\$50,940
Loan Officers	129	154	19.38%	96	25	121	\$85,380
Industrial Engineers	599	710	18.53%	358	111	469	\$90,980
Industrial Machinery Mechanics	1,398	1,656	18.45%	1,175	258	1,433	\$57,650
Medical Assistants	424	502	18.4%	589	78	667	\$38,380
Agricultural Equipment Operators	169	200	18.34%	272	31	303	N/A
Mechanical Engineers	232	274	18.1%	137	42	179	\$88,750
Loan Interviewers and Clerks	108	125	15.74%	95	17	112	\$42,940
Medical Secretaries	223	256	14.8%	248	33	281	\$39,620

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, 2022-2032 Occupational Employment Statistics (OES) Survey, 2024.

## Declining Occupations

	Employment			Openings		
	Estimated 2022	Projected 2032	% Change	Replace-ments	Growth	Total
Amusement and Recreation Attendants	192	125	-34.9%	442	-67	375
Executive Secretaries and Executive Administrative Assistants	197	151	-23.35%	177	-46	131
Fitness Trainers and Aerobics Instructors	280	218	-22.14%	456	-62	394
Sewing Machine Operators	136	106	-22.06%	136	-30	106
First-Line Supervisors of Landscaping, Lawn Service, and Groundskeeping Workers	332	271	-18.37%	306	-61	245
Secretaries and Administrative Assistants, Except Legal, Medical, and Executive	1,895	1,563	-17.52%	1,917	-332	1,585
Security Guards	567	468	-17.46%	684	-99	585
Interviewers, Except Eligibility and Loan	121	101	-16.53%	133	-20	113
Landscaping and Groundskeeping Workers	1,136	971	-14.52%	1,342	-165	1,177
Molding, Coremaking, and Casting Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	321	277	-13.71%	264	-44	220
Coil Winders, Tapers, and Finishers	119	103	-13.45%	117	-16	101
Extruding and Drawing Machine Setters, Operators, and Tenders, Metal and Plastic	209	181	-13.4%	199	-28	171
Lifeguards, Ski Patrol, and Other Recreational Protective Service Workers	205	178	-13.17%	561	-27	534
Office Clerks, General	2,948	2,578	-12.55%	3,294	-370	2,924
Bookkeeping, Accounting, and Auditing Clerks	1,568	1,388	-11.48%	1,711	-180	1,531
Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant and System Operators	229	204	-10.92%	202	-25	177
Postal Service Mail Carriers	321	286	-10.9%	226	-35	191
Automotive Body and Related Repairers	157	140	-10.83%	127	-17	110
Customer Service Representatives	1,683	1,501	-10.81%	2,138	-182	1,956
Shipping, Receiving, and Traffic Clerks	725	648	-10.62%	692	-77	615

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## Consumer Price Index (CPI)

### All Urban Consumers (CPI-U)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Ann.	% chg
<b>2014</b>	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
<b>2015</b>	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
<b>2016</b>	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
<b>2017</b>	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
<b>2018</b>	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
<b>2019</b>	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
<b>2020</b>	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
<b>2021</b>	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
<b>2022</b>	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
<b>2023</b>	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
<b>2024</b>	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
<b>2014</b>	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
<b>2015</b>	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
<b>2016</b>	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
<b>2017</b>	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
<b>2018</b>	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
<b>2019</b>	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
<b>2020</b>	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
<b>2021</b>	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
<b>2022</b>	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
<b>2023</b>	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
<b>2024</b>	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

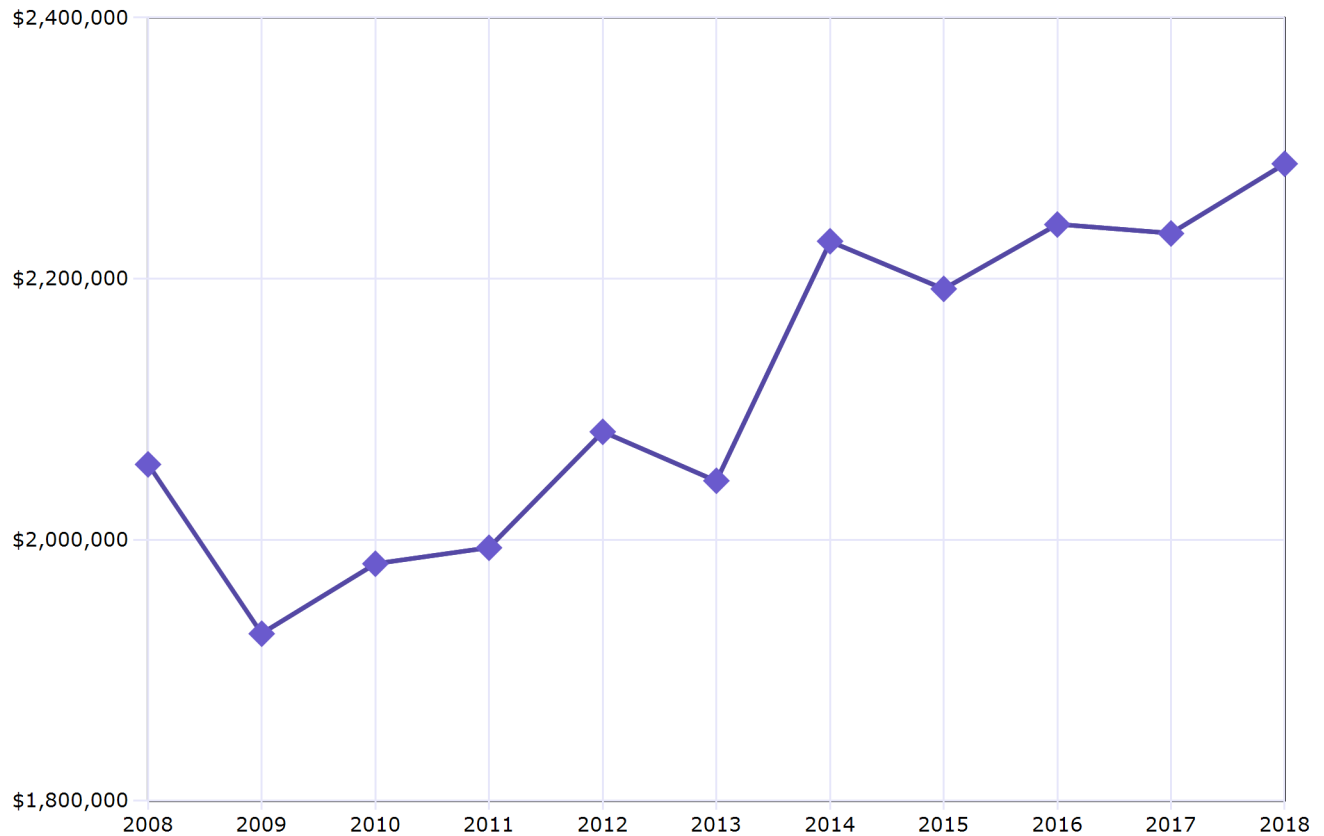
Note: CPI data is for the United States only. No data available for Galax city.

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



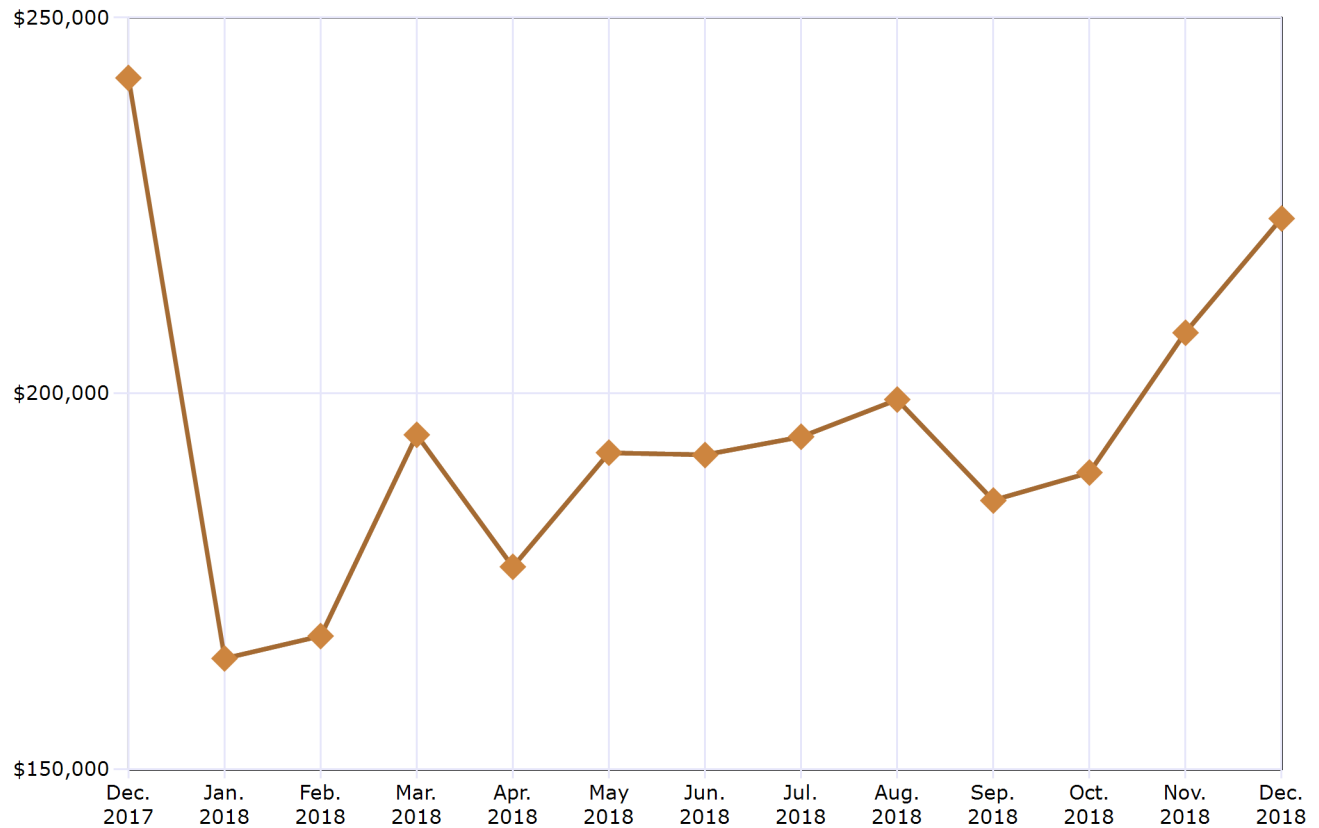
	Galax city	Virginia
<b>2008</b>	\$2,057,733	\$1,032,815,078
<b>2009</b>	\$1,927,978	\$979,594,664
<b>2010</b>	\$1,981,610	\$992,820,512
<b>2011</b>	\$1,993,853	\$1,035,981,229
<b>2012</b>	\$2,082,692	\$1,080,663,042
<b>2013</b>	\$2,045,176	\$1,093,292,668
<b>2014</b>	\$2,228,704	\$1,131,194,860
<b>2015</b>	\$2,192,209	\$1,179,611,271
<b>2016</b>	\$2,241,538	\$1,202,257,995
<b>2017</b>	\$2,234,657	\$1,232,981,515
<b>2018</b>	\$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
<b>Dec. 2017</b>	\$241,988	\$123,193,863
<b>Jan. 2018</b>	\$164,770	\$90,794,207
<b>Feb. 2018</b>	\$167,748	\$90,576,093
<b>Mar. 2018</b>	\$194,515	\$107,834,402
<b>Apr. 2018</b>	\$176,958	\$102,372,977
<b>May 2018</b>	\$192,144	\$110,211,496
<b>Jun. 2018</b>	\$191,823	\$112,529,037
<b>Jul. 2018</b>	\$194,263	\$107,211,401
<b>Aug. 2018</b>	\$199,209	\$109,428,585
<b>Sep. 2018</b>	\$185,775	\$105,468,340
<b>Oct. 2018</b>	\$189,493	\$107,742,243
<b>Nov. 2018</b>	\$208,091	\$112,348,128
<b>Dec. 2018</b>	\$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**

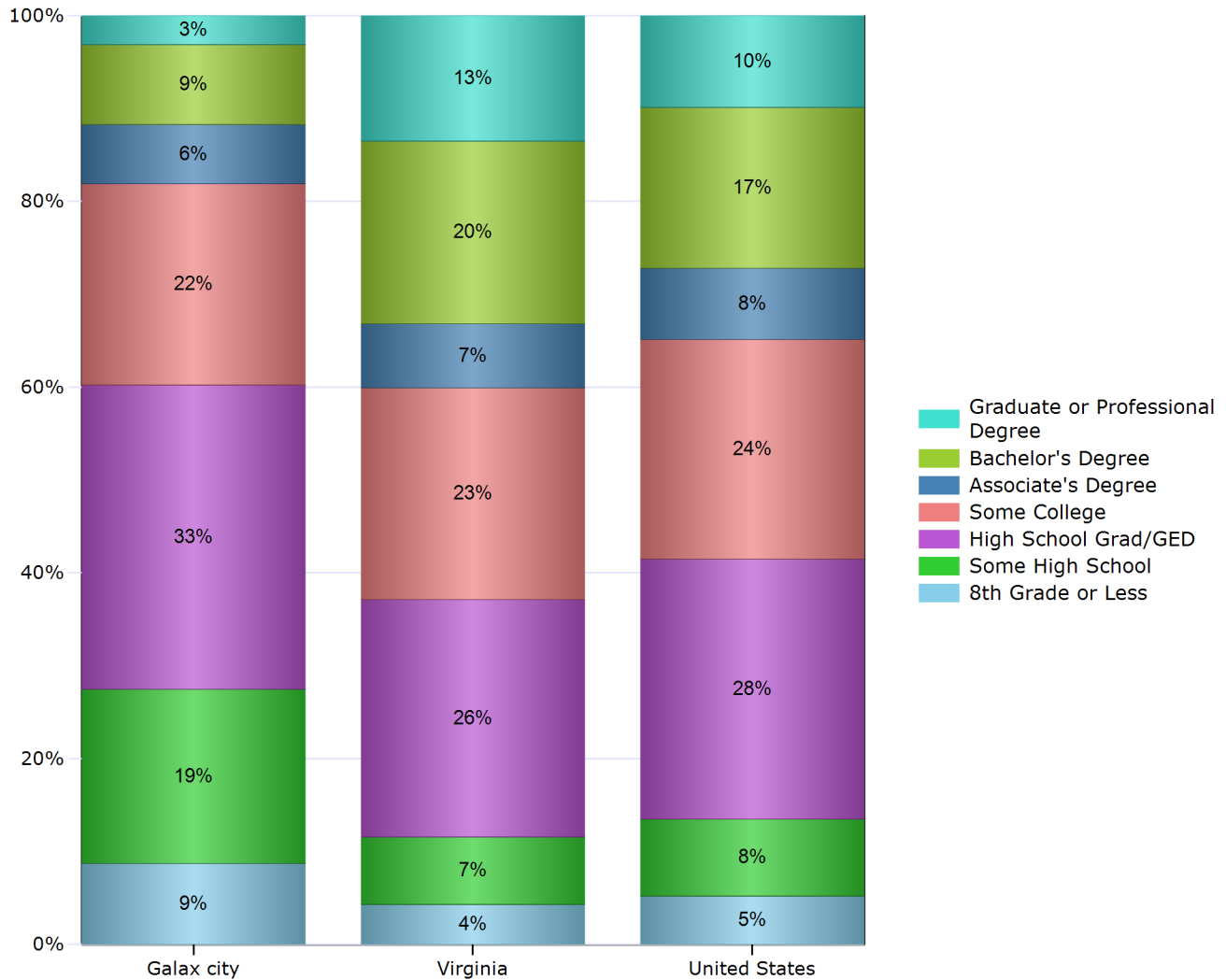
The highest award a student can earn for graduate study.

#### **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

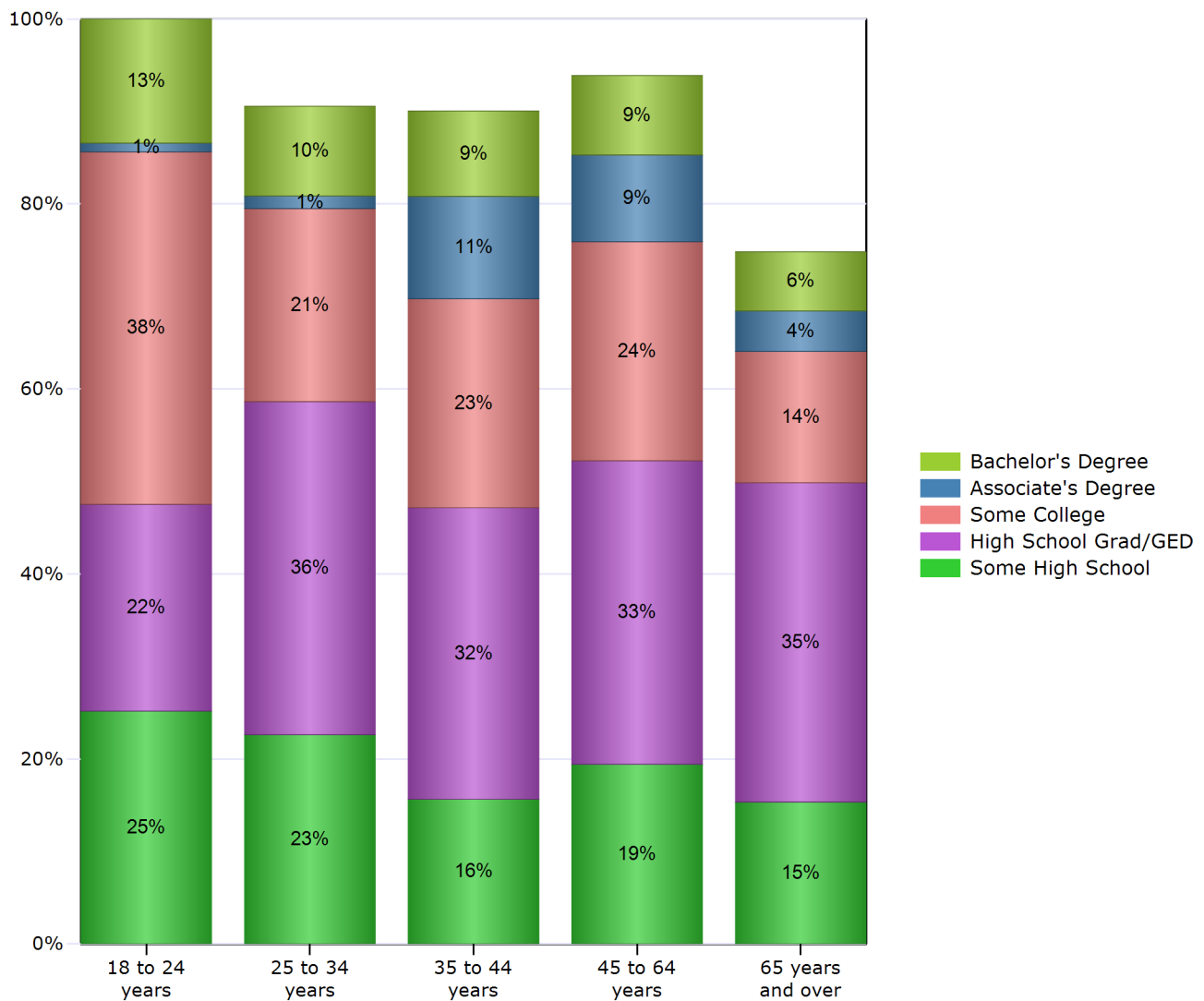
(Population 18 years and over)



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

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

## Educational Attainment by Age

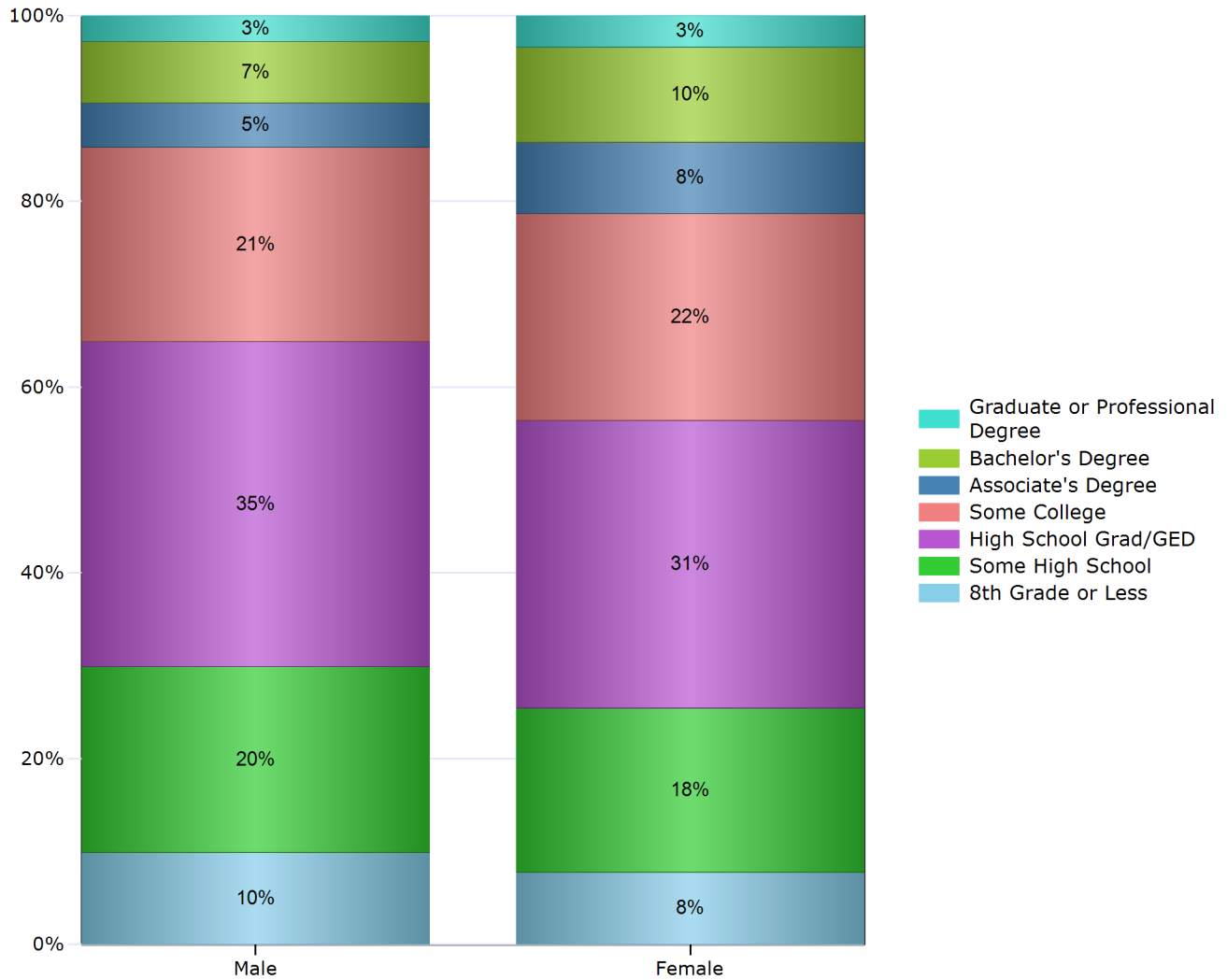


	18 - 24	25 - 34	35 - 44	45 - 64	65+	Total
<b>8th Grade or Less</b>		56	27	70	321	<b>474</b>
<b>Some High School</b>	107	182	110	391	228	<b>1,018</b>
<b>High School Grad/GED</b>	95	290	222	661	513	<b>1,781</b>
<b>Some College</b>	162	168	159	477	211	<b>1,177</b>
<b>Associate's Degree</b>	4	11	78	189	65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

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

## Educational Attainment by Gender

(Population 18 years and over)

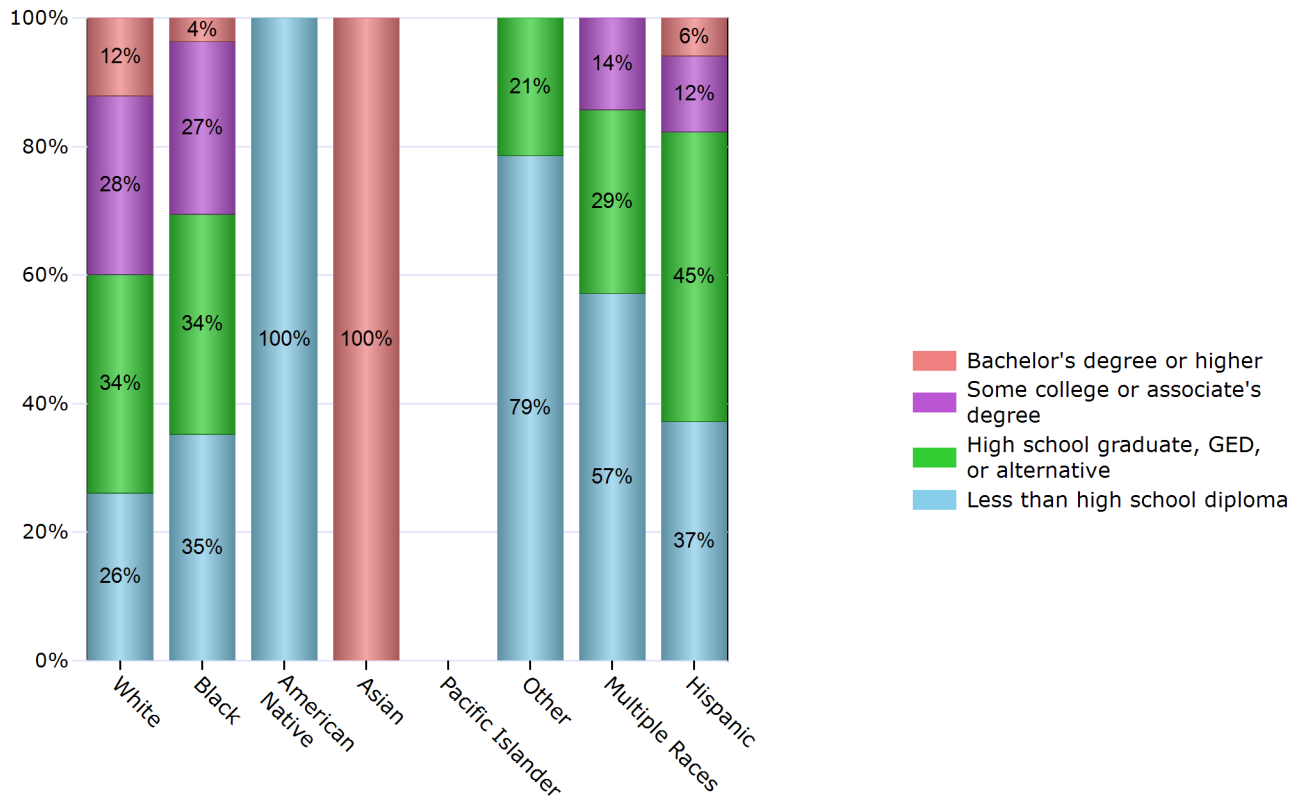


	Male	Female	Total
<b>8th Grade or Less</b>	242	232	<b>474</b>
<b>Some High School</b>	490	528	<b>1,018</b>
<b>High School Grad/GED</b>	856	925	<b>1,781</b>
<b>Some College</b>	512	665	<b>1,177</b>
<b>Associate's Degree</b>	117	230	<b>347</b>
<b>Bachelor's Degree</b>	162	306	<b>468</b>
<b>Graduate or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

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
<b>Race</b>					
White	1,186	1,547	1,264	551	<b>4,548</b>
Black or African American	105	102	80	11	<b>298</b>
American Indian or Alaska Native	5	0	0	0	<b>5</b>
Asian	0	0	0	18	<b>18</b>
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Other	33	9	0	0	<b>42</b>
Multiple Races	56	28	14	0	<b>98</b>
<b>Ethnicity</b>					
Not Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	170	206	54	27	<b>457</b>
	<b>1,555</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>1,412</b>	<b>607</b>	<b>5,466</b>

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.
<b>2006</b>										
<b>2007</b>										
<b>2008</b>										
<b>2009</b>										
<b>2010</b>										
<b>2011</b>										
<b>2012</b>										
<b>2013</b>										
<b>2016</b>										

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