

Oconee County, SC

FACT SHEET



Total Population

	2010	2017	2022
Oconee County	74,273	76,972	79,189
Upstate SC	1,362,073	1,460,785	1,533,257
South Carolina	4,625,364	5,037,131	5,348,199

Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 Census; Esri Business Analyst 2017 Estimates and 2022 Projections

Population by Age

	2010	2017	2022
Under 5	5.6%	5.1%	4.9%
5 to 9	5.7%	5.4%	5.2%
10 to 14	6.1%	5.6%	5.7%
15 to 19	6.5%	5.6%	5.8%
20 to 34	16.2%	16.6%	15.2%
35 to 44	12.0%	11.0%	11.0%
45 to 54	14.3%	12.9%	12.1%
55 to 64	14.7%	15.3%	14.9%
65+	19.0%	22.5%	25.1%
Median Age	43.4	45.5	46.9

Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 Census; Esri Business Analyst 2017 Estimates and 2022 Projections

Population by Sex

	2010	2017	2022
Male	36,682	38,212	39,466
Female	37,591	38,760	39,723

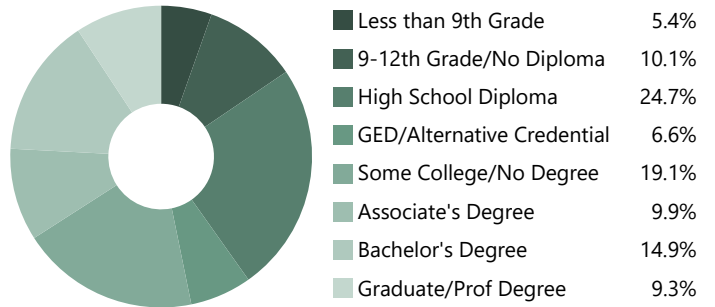
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Households & Families

	2010	2017	2022
Total Households	30,676	31,729	32,619
Average HH Size	2.40	2.4	2.4
Total Families	21,118	21,567	22,049
Owner-Occupied	23,042	23,660	24,310
Renter-Occupied	7,634	8,069	8,309

Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 Census; Esri Business Analyst 2017 Estimates and 2022 Projections

Educational Attainment, Age 25+

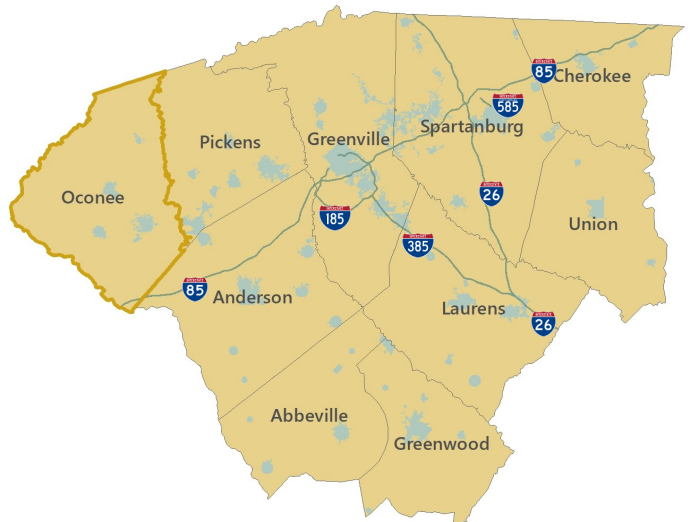


Source: Esri Business Analyst 2017 Estimates

Population by Race & Hispanic Origin

	2010	2017	2022
White	87.8%	86.9%	86.0%
Black	7.6%	7.5%	7.4%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%
Asian	0.6%	0.9%	1.2%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Some Other Race	2.3%	2.6%	2.9%
Two or More Races	1.6%	1.8%	2.1%
Hispanic Origin (Any Race)	4.5%	5.1%	5.8%

Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 Census; Esri Business Analyst 2017 Estimates and 2022 Projections



Median Household Income

	2017	2022
Oconee County	\$41,589	\$45,297
Upstate SC	\$46,793	\$53,239
South Carolina	\$48,678	\$54,740

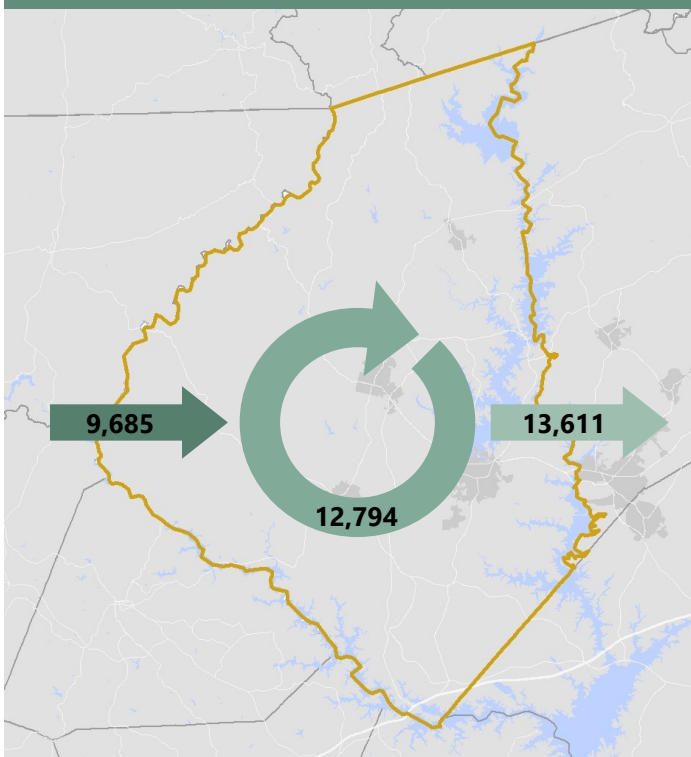
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Per Capita Income

	2017	2022
Oconee County	\$25,267	\$26,837
Upstate SC	\$25,319	\$28,784
South Carolina	\$26,262	\$29,962

Source: Esri Business Analyst 2017 Estimates and 2022 Projections

Worker Inflow/Outflow



2014

Live and Work in Oconee County	12,794
Commute Into Oconee County	9,685
Commute Out of Oconee County	13,611

Source: US Census Bureau, OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (2002-2014)

Employment by Industry

NAICS	Industry Description	2017 Jobs
11, 21	Natural Resources & Mining	1,041
23	Construction	2,100
31	Manufacturing	6,149
22, 42, 44, 48	Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	6,210
51	Information	368
52, 53	Financial Activities	2,396
54, 55, 56	Professional & Business Services	3,206
61, 62	Education & Health Services	2,318
71, 72	Leisure & Hospitality	2,711
81	Other Svcs (except Government)	2,346
90	Government	4,325

Source: Emsi 2017.1

Gross Retail Sales (x\$1,000)

FY 2009-10	\$987,445
FY 2010-11	\$1,066,392
FY 2011-12	\$1,172,295
FY 2012-13	\$1,201,802
FY 2013-14	\$1,263,234
FY 2014-15	\$1,252,601
FY 2015-16	\$1,783,177

Source: SC Department of Revenue

Top 5 Manufacturing Employers

Company	Employees	Primary Product(s)
Duke Energy	3,038	Power generation
BorgWarner	828	Transfer cases, electric vehicle charging stations
Itron	780	Electronic measuring devices
JTEKT/Koyo Bearings	600	Automotive bearings
US Engine Valve Corporation	383	Engine valves

Source: SC Appalachian Council of Governments and Oconee Economic Alliance

Transportation

Interstate Access	I-85
Nearest Commercial Airport	Greenville-Spartanburg International
Airlines	Allegiant Air, American Airlines, Delta, Southwest Airlines, United Airlines
Nearest Civil Airport	Clemson-Oconee Airport
Inland Port Access	55 miles from the City of Seneca to the SC Inland Port
Coastal Port Access	243 miles from the City of Seneca to the Port of Charleston
Rail Provider	Norfolk-Southern

About Oconee County

The county was formed in 1868, and the county seat is Walhalla. This area was home to the Cherokees, but the Indians gave up their lands in treaties signed in 1777 and 1816. After the American Revolution, settlers from other parts of the state began moving in, including Germans from Charleston who founded Walhalla in 1850. Oconee County is in the foothills of the beautiful Appalachian Mountains and encompasses rivers, lakes, and forests. As one of South Carolina's most scenic and economically stimulating counties, Oconee County is situated in the northwestern corner of the state and is part of one of the nation's fastest growing areas, the I-85 corridor. With a diversified economic base, Oconee offers a wide variety of occupational and recreational opportunities. The towns of Oconee County are also located on the South Carolina National Heritage Corridor that extends from the Upstate to Charleston.

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