

# Economic & Information Metrics State of Georgia



## **Transportation and the Economy**

## Georgia's Interstate Highway System

Georgia has over 1,200 miles of interstate highways which connect Georgia to neighboring states and the rest of the nation, connect Georgia's major cities and help move workers from their homes to places of employment in the major cities. According to the University of Georgia Terry School of Business, Georgia economic products can reach approximately 80% of Americans overnight using the interstate highway system.

### • Georgia's Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Atlanta's airport has consistently been ranked as the busiest airport in the entire world. According to airport statistics released by Hartsfield-Jackson, <u>Atlanta is within a two-hour flight of 80% of the U.S. population</u>. Combining all aspects of the airport's operations, it is estimated that it generates \$34.8 Billion in economic activity for the metro Atlanta area on an annual basis.

#### State of Georgia Ports Authority

#### Port of Savannah

In it's busiest month ever, the Port of Savannah handled a record 575,513 20-foot container units in August 2022 and is moving cargo at a rate of more than 6 million 20-foot container units per year. Two Garden City Terminal projects, the Container Berth project and the Terminal West Expansion project, are in progress and are projected to add 1.4 million TEUs and 1 million TEUs, respectively, of annual container handling capacity within the next two years. Georgia ports and terminals support over 561,000 jobs across the State of Georgia.

#### Port of Brunswick

At 1,700 acres, the Colonel's Island auto-port terminal at the Port of Brunswick is the nation's largest and second busiest. A planned expansion will allow the Port of Brunswick to accommodate larger ships with a capacity of 7,000-plus vehicles. The Port of Brunswick handled 650,000 units of autos and machinery in calendar year 2021, an increase of 10% over the previous year.



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