

County Fact Sheet

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Oconee County, SC

Total Population, 2010, 2016, and 2021 Estimates

	2010	2016	2021
Oconee	74,273	77,136	79,192
Upstate Region	1,362,073	77,136	1,462,858
South Carolina	4,625,364	4,831,451	5,075,686

Population by Age, 2010, 2016, and 2021 Estimate

	2010	2016	2021
Under Age 5	5.6%	5.2%	5.0%
Age 5 to 9	5.7%	5.5%	5.2%
Age 10 to 14	6.1%	5.6%	5.8%
Age 15 to 19	6.5%	11.7%	11.1%
Age 20 to 34	16.1%	10.7%	10.1%
Age 35 to 44	12.1%	11.2%	10.9%
Age 45 to 54	14.3%	13.1%	12.4%
Age 55 to 64	14.7%	15.2%	15.1%
Age 65+	19.0%	21.8%	24.5%

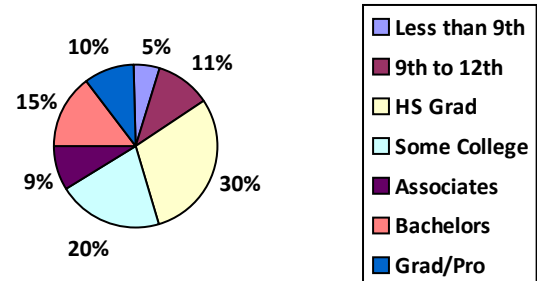
Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 Census Population and Housing. ESRI forecasts for 2016 and 2021 (unless otherwise stated).

Monthly Employment by Industry Group 2016 (2nd Quarter)

NAICS	INDUSTRY	AVE. EMP.
11, 21	Natural Resources and Mining	92
23	Construction	1,002
31	Manufacturing	5,802
22, 42, 44, 48	Trade, Transportation and Utilities	4,927
51	Information	274
52, 53	Financial Activities	684
54, 55, 56	Professional and Business Services	2,199
61, 62	Education and Health Services	1,954
71, 72	Leisure and Hospitality	2,194
81	Other Svcs (except Public Admin.)	801
90	Government	4,075

Source: QCEW Employees - EMSI 2016.2 Class of Worker

Educational Attainment, 25+, 2016 ESRI Forecasts



Population by Race, 2010, 2016, and 2021 Estimate

	2010	2016	2021
White	87.8%	86.8%	85.8%
Black	7.6%	7.6%	7.6%
Am. 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%	2.5%	2.9%
Two or More Races	1.6%	1.9%	2.2%
Hispanic Origin (Any Race)	4.5%	5.0%	5.7%



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Top 5 Manufacturing

Company	No. of Employees	Major Product
Duke Energy	1500	Nuclear Energy
BorgWarner	700	Transfer cases/Elect. Vehicle charging stations
U.S. Engine Valve Corp.	647	Engine Valves
Schneider Electric	600	Motor Control Centers
Itron	550	Electronic measuring devices

Source: SC Appalachian Council of Governments and County Economic Development Office

Median Household Income, 2016 and 2021

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2021</u>
Oconee	\$40,462	\$45,912
South Carolina	\$43,198	\$49,859

ESRI forecasts for 2016 and 2021

Per Capita Income, 2016 and 2021

	<u>2016</u>	<u>2021</u>
Oconee	\$24,252	\$26,689
South Carolina	\$23,782	\$26,314

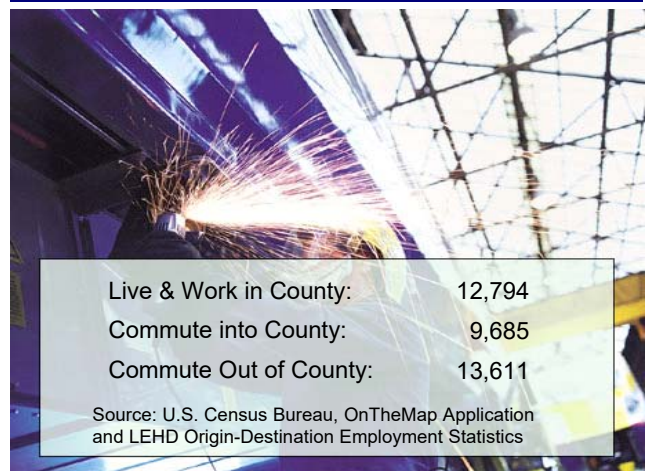
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Households & Families 2010, 2016, and 2021 Estimate

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2016</u>	<u>2021</u>
# of Households	30,676	31,733	32,514
# of Families	21,118	21,588	21,990
Ave HH Size:	2.40	2.41	2.41
Owner-Occupied:	23,042	23,282	23,812
Renter-Occupied:	7,634	8,437	8,662
Median Age:	43.4	45.1	46.7

Sources: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2010 Census of Population and Housing. ESRI forecasts for 2016 and 2021 (unless otherwise stated)

Worker Inflow/Outflow, 2014



Gross Retail Sales (Millions) by Fiscal Year

FY 2005-06	\$1,159,467
FY 2006-07	\$1,202,482
FY 2007-08	\$1,166,541
FY 2008-09	\$1,048,396
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	\$1,262,946
FY 2014-15	\$1,252,546

Source: SC Department of Revenue and Taxation



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Transportation

Interstate Access	I-85
Nearest Commercial Airline	Greenville-Spartanburg International
Airlines	Northwest, Southwest, Continental, United Express, Delta, US Airways, American Eagle
Nearest Civil Airport	Clemson-Oconee Airport
Port Access	Port of Charleston, 246 miles from City of Seneca
Rail Providers	Norfolk Southern Railway

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.

Economic Development

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Additional Sources

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