BEARFACTS 1995 – 2005
Forsyth , Georgia [13117]

Forsyth is one of 159 counties in Georgia. It is part of the Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA (MSA). Its 2005 population of 138,402 ranked 13th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Forsyth had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of $34,772. This PCPI ranked 9th in the state and was 111 percent of the state average, $31,260, and 100 percent of the national average, $34,690. The 2005 PCPI reflected an increase of 5.3 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 5.2 percent and the national change was 4.6 percent. In 1995 the PCPI of Forsyth was $28,369 and ranked 2nd in the state. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 2.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.7 percent and for the nation was 4.2 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2005 Forsyth had a total personal income (TPI) of $4,812,492*. This TPI ranked 10th in the state and accounted for 1.7 percent of the state total. In 1995 the TPI of Forsyth was $1,744,185* and ranked 17th in the state. The 2005 TPI reflected an increase of 11.9 percent from 2004. The 2004-2005 state change was 7.3 percent and the national change was 5.6 percent. The 1995-2005 average annual growth rate of TPI was 10.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.0 percent and for the nation was 5.3 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Forsyth. In 2005 net earnings accounted for 78.2 percent of TPI (compared with 76.3 in 1995); dividends, interest, and rent were 15.4 percent (compared with 17.5 in 1995); and personal current transfer receipts were 6.4 percent (compared with 6.1 in 1995). From 2004 to 2005 net earnings increased 12.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 8.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 9.4 percent. From 1995 to 2005 net earnings increased on average 11.0 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 9.2 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 11.2 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Forsyth increased from $2,240,498* in 2004 to $2,608,653* in 2005, an increase of 16.4 percent. The 2004-2005 state change was 6.2 percent and the national change was 5.3 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1995 estimate of $729,637* to the 2005 estimate was 13.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.1 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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