



BEARFACTS 1997 – 2007

Forsyth , Georgia [13117]

Forsyth is one of 159 counties in Georgia. It is part of the [Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA \(MSA\)](#). Its 2007 population of 158,111 ranked 12th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2007 Forsyth had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$38,813. This PCPI ranked 5th in the state and was 116 percent of the state average, \$33,499, and 101 percent of the national average, \$38,615. The 2007 PCPI reflected an increase of 6.2 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 state change was 3.7 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. In 1997 the PCPI of Forsyth was \$31,226 and ranked 2nd in the state. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 2.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 3.5 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2007 Forsyth had a total personal income (TPI) of \$6,136,774*. This TPI ranked 9th in the state and accounted for 1.9 percent of the state total. In 1997 the TPI of Forsyth was \$2,344,581* and ranked 13th in the state. The 2007 TPI reflected an increase of 13.6 percent from 2006. The 2006-2007 state change was 6.0 percent and the national change was 6.0 percent. The 1997-2007 average annual growth rate of TPI was 10.1 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.7 percent and for the nation was 5.4 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 2007 net earnings accounted for 78.7 percent of TPI (compared with 77.2 in 1997); dividends, interest, and rent were 14.9 percent (compared with 17.3 in 1997); and personal current transfer receipts were 6.4 percent (compared with 5.5 in 1997). From 2006 to 2007 net earnings increased 14.3 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 10.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 12.7 percent. From 1997 to 2007 net earnings increased on average 10.3 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 8.4 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 11.9 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Forsyth increased from \$2,815,532* in 2006 to \$3,222,164* in 2007, an increase of 14.4 percent. The 2006-2007 state change was 4.8 percent and the national change was 4.9 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1997 estimate of \$971,473* to the 2007 estimate was 12.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.6 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

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

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