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### **Fast Facts About Gwinnett County 2008–09**

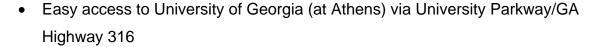
#### **Current Population of Gwinnett County**

789,499 (estimate)

<u>Source</u>: ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates: 2008 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates <a href="http://www.gwinnettcounty.com/static/departments/planning/pdf/2008\_american\_community\_survey\_data.pdf">http://www.gwinnettcounty.com/static/departments/planning/pdf/2008\_american\_community\_survey\_data.pdf</a>

## Geography

- Approximately 30 miles northeast of Atlanta
- County seat: Lawrenceville, GA
- 437 square miles
- Adjacent counties: Barrow, DeKalb,
  Forsyth, Fulton, Hall, Jackson, Rockdale,
  and Walton
- 80 percent of the U. S. population is within a two-hour flight
- Gateway to metro Atlanta from north and northeast via I-85 and I-985



- Minutes from scenic Lake Lanier
- Home to 15 municipalities.

#### **History**

- Created in 1818 by state legislature
- Some of the land had been part of Jackson County
- The rest was frontier land ceded to the state by the Creek Indians
- Named for Button Gwinnett, signer of the Declaration of Independence

Source: http://www.gwinnettcounty.com/portal/gwinnett/AboutGwinnett/FastFacts

