# About Gwinnett County

Georgia Gwinnett
COLLEGE

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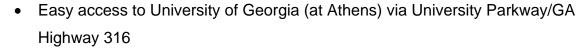# Fast Facts About Gwinnett County 2009-10

## Current Population of Gwinnett County

808,167 (estimate)

*Source: ACS Demographic and Housing Estimates: 2009American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates*
*http://www.gwinnettcounty.com/static/departments/planning/pdf/2009_american_community_survey_data.pdf*

## 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
- Easy access to University of Georgia (at Athens) via University Parkway/GA Highway 316
- 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*