

WORKFORCE

The workforce consists primarily of residents from Auburn, Opelika, and Lee County, and many workers commute from surrounding counties within a 1-hr drive.



LABOR AVAILABILITY - DECEMBER 2025

LOCATION	CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	EMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE
City of Auburn	40,468	39,629	839	2.1%
Lee County	90,184	88,398	1,786	2.0%
5-County Area *	156,403	152,957	3,446	2.2%

*Includes Lee County and surrounding counties of Chambers, Macon, Russell & Tallapoosa.

Labor.Alabama.gov

The City's Workforce Development Division partners with several state and local organizations to support employers and workers with staffing and training.

Alabama Industrial Development Training - AIDT AIDT.edu

Promotes economic development by providing job-specific training for Alabama's workforce.

Alabama Office of Apprenticeship ALApprentice.org

Apprenticeship programs providing quality career training for workers and employers.

Auburn Technology Network - ATN ATN.org

Assists local manufacturers increasing global competitiveness by providing a wealth of services.

Auburn Technical Assistance Center - ATAC AuburnTechnicalAssistanceCenter.com

Auburn University's affiliate helps companies grow through process improvement initiatives.

Auburn Training Connection - ATC

Partnership between the City of Auburn, Industrial Development Board, Auburn City Schools, Auburn University, and others created to manage job-specific training initiatives for job seekers and workers at local industries.

Opelika Career Center

Provides various resources and labor market information for both job seekers and employers.

Goodwill Career Center GoodwillSR.org/Opelika

Provides a range of resources for job seekers and employers from skills training to professional development.

Southern Union State Community College - SUSCC SUSCC.edu

Offers technical training as well as college prep classes and has an industry training center.

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