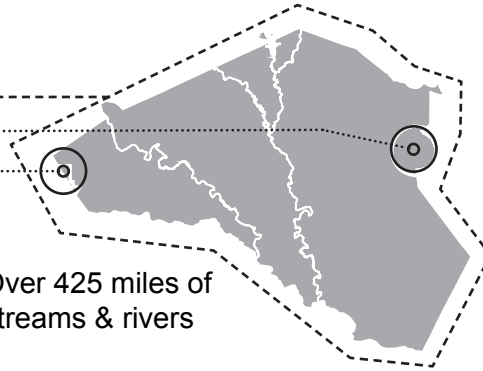


Athens-Clarke County By the Numbers

Incorporated Areas

- 1 Athens-Clarke County
- 2 City of Winterville
- 3 City of Bogart (partial)



70 70 miles northeast of Atlanta

425 Over 425 miles of streams & rivers

Geography

122 mi² Approximately 122 square miles in area

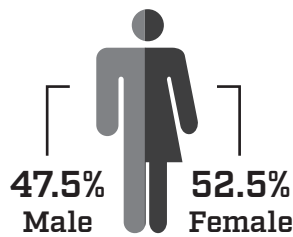
159th Smallest of Georgia's 159 counties

History

- **40** nationally-registered historical sites
- **16** districts on National Register of Historic Places
- **13** local historic districts
- **41** individual local historic landmarks
- Athens named for Greek center of learning
- Clarke County named for Revolutionary War General Elijah Clarke

- 1785** University of Georgia (UGA) chartered
- 1801** Clarke County created as 25th county in Georgia and the site of UGA selected
- 1806** Town of Athens chartered
- 1991** Clarke County and the City of Athens unified on January 14

Demographics (2010 Census data, unless noted)



Racial Makeup (2015 est.)

- White – 65.4%
- Black – 27.5%
- Asian – 4.5%
- Other – 1.3%
- Hispanic or Latino – 10.6% (may be any race above)

5th Most populous of Georgia's 535 cities

19th Most populous of Georgia's 159 counties

Population, including students (2015 est.).....	123,912
UGA Athens only enrollment (Fall 2016)	35,162
Median age in years	26.2
Median household income	\$33,060
High school graduates (ages 25+)	85.5%
Bachelor's degree (ages 25+)	39.3%
Persons below poverty level.....	37.8%
Unemployment (GA Dept. of Labor, Oct 2016).....	5.3%

Employment

Largest employers

- 9,800 – University of Georgia
- 3,500 – Piedmont Athens Regional
- 2,800 – Clarke County School District
- 1,800 – Pilgrim's Pride Corporation
- 1,600 – Athens-Clarke County Unified Government
- 1,500 – Caterpillar
- 1,000 – St. Mary's Health Care System

- GA Entrepreneur-Friendly Community
- GA Certified Work-Ready Community
- Small Best Places for Business & Careers (#1 in GA, #51 in United States) by Forbes.com (June 2011)

Education

- Clarke County School District is separate from the Athens-Clarke County Unified Government
- 9 elected to the Board of Education
- Public schools: 15 Pre-K sites, 14 elementary, 4 middle, 3 high
- Private schools: 6 secondary & elementary
- Higher education: The University of Georgia, Athens Technical College, Piedmont College

Accolades

- 25 Best Places to Retire in 2015 (*Forbes*, 2015)
- America's Prettiest Towns (*Forbes.com*, 2013)
- Coolest Small Cities in America (*GQ*, 2010)
- One of a Dozen Distinctive Destinations (National Trust for Historic Preservation, 2009)
- "#1 College Music Scene that Rocks" (*Rolling Stone*, February 2003)

Information from UGA, the Georgia County Guide, GA Department of Community Affairs, U.S. Census Bureau, GA Department of Labor & ACC Unified Government departments. Updated January 2017.

Athens-Clarke County Unified Government

Mission: Athens-Clarke County, an open and responsive government, facilitating a positive environment for individuals to obtain a high quality of life and local organizations to achieve success by providing innovative, high quality services and responsible stewardship of the community's resources, to benefit current and future generations. (Adopted November 4, 1997)



Legislative

Elected Mayor and 10 elected Commissioners. Each citizen has two directly-elected local representatives.



Executive

Day-to-day operations are overseen by a Manager appointed by the Mayor and Commission and two Assistant Managers.

Judicial

- Magistrate Court
- Juvenile Court
- Municipal Court
- Probate Court
- State Court
- Superior Court (circuit includes Oconee County)
- Accountability courts: DUI/Drug Court, Felony Drug Court, Family Dependency Treatment Court, Treatment & Accountability Court, and Veteran's Court

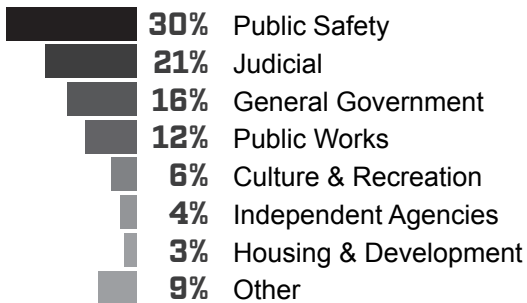


Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17) Budget

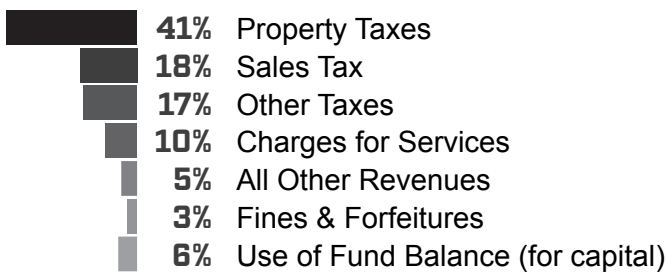
- Runs July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017
- \$202.1 million total budget for all funds
- The General Fund supports the majority of basic government services

\$126.5 million
[General Fund]

General Fund Expenditures



General Fund Revenues



Employees

- 42 departments / offices / courts
- 1,633 [FY17] full-time positions
- 13.4 [FY17] employees per 1000 residents



- 34% Public Works
- 33% Public Safety
- 19% Judicial
- 9% General Government
- 5% Leisure Services

Average General Fund cost per ACC resident for local government services (FY17):

- \$307 Public Safety
- \$213 Judicial Services
- \$162 General Government
- \$117 Public Works
- \$61 Culture & Recreation
- \$25 Housing & Development
- \$41 Independent Agencies
- \$36 Capital Projects
- \$49 Transfers to Other Funds & Debt Services

\$1,011
per resident annually

\$84.25
per resident monthly

\$2.77
per resident daily

Property Taxes

\$150,000 home in 2017
(estimated – other exemptions may be possible)

Millage Rate (FY17) [property tax rates]

20.00	School
13.95	ACC
.00	State
33.95	Total

	With homestead exemption	No exemptions
ACC	\$1,003.70	\$1,204.44
School	\$1,000.00	\$1,200.00
State	\$	\$
LOST credit	-\$306.20	-\$367.44
Total	\$1,697.50	\$2,037.00

Sales Tax: 7%

- 4% State of Georgia
- 1% SPLOST (Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax)
- 1% LOST (Local Option Sales Tax) - ACC General Fund credit on property taxes
- 1% E-SPLOST (Educational Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax)

Website: www.athensclarkecounty.com