

# THE VALUE OF GEORGIA'S CITIES

## CITIES PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN THE STATE'S ECONOMY.



Georgia cities comprise only **9%** of the land area in Georgia.



Cities contain **44%** of the population in Georgia.



**73%** of Georgia cities have a population of 5,000 or less.



**Metro areas** account for **91%** of GDP in Georgia.

**46%** of the assessed value of all property in the state



**66%** of all commercial property in the state

**53%** of all industrial property in the state

**60%** of all tax-exempt property  
Cities are responsible for providing a variety of services to tax-exempt properties.

**47%** of housing structures in the state

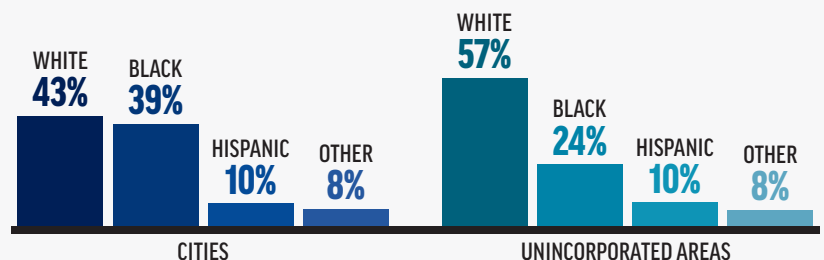
**42%** of single-family housing structures in the state

### CITIES ARE HOME TO:

**74%** of multi-family housing structures in the state

## CITIES ARE INCLUSIVE AND VIBRANT. THEY ARE HOME TO OPPORTUNITIES AND SERVICES FOR A MORE DIVERSE GROUP OF RESIDENTS THAN UNINCORPORATED AREAS.

### RACIAL DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION



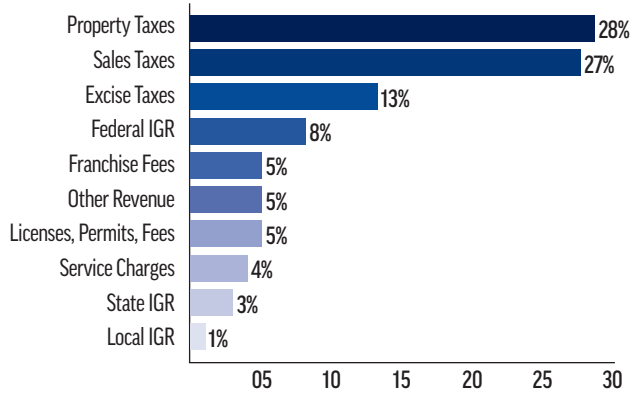
**24%**

Cities provide **69%** of jobs in Georgia.

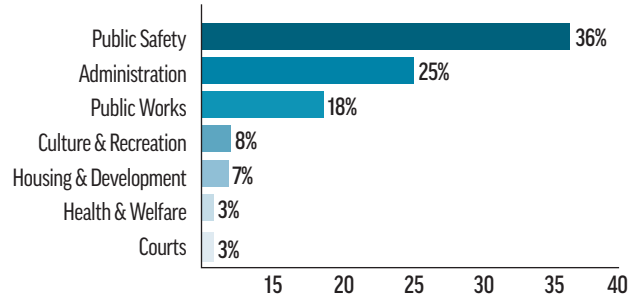
The population in Georgia cities increases during the daytime by **24%** due to commuting, and cities provide services (water, sewer, fire and police protection, etc.) to both daytime and resident populations.



## LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE INVESTING IN THE FUTURE:



MUNICIPAL REVENUES BY SOURCE, FY2022



MUNICIPAL EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY, FY2022

## SPLOST AND TSPLOST REVENUES

94%

of SPLOST referenda have been approved by local voters since 2001.

9.5

billion dollars in SPLOST revenues were distributed to local governments to pay for voter-approved capital projects over the last 5 years (2019-2023).

42

Georgia counties have a Single County TSPLOST in place (as of January 2024).

106

counties are either in a Single County TSPLOST or TIA Region (as of January 2024).

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regions have implemented a Regional (TIA) TSPLOST (as of January 2024).



Funds will not be enough - a strong, long-term partnership between local, state and federal governments is needed to address local infrastructure needs statewide.

