2017 Georgia K-12 Teacher Workforce

111,896 Teachers

6,233 teachers new to teaching

Race/Ethnicity Breakdown
- White: 60.0%
- Black: 20.8%
- Hispanic: 10.1%
- Unknown: 6.9%
- Other: 2.2%

Years of Experience
- Over 20: 16.0%
- 16-20: 14.6%
- 11-15: 22.7%
- 6-10: 19.9%
- 5 or less: 26.6%

Rehires
- 2,473 teachers returned to teaching after a break in service.

Employment Patterns
- 72% of teacher preparation program completers from last year employed in Georgia public schools by the following fall.

Mobility
- 9% of teachers changed schools from last school year. High poverty schools had more than double the teacher mobility rate of low poverty schools.

Production
- 20,842 teacher and leader candidates enrolled in educator preparation programs in Georgia.

Retention
- 91.0% of teachers remained in teaching from last school year to this school year. Retention was only slightly lower for early career teachers (87.8%).

Retirement
- 10% of teachers/leaders/staff are currently eligible for retirement.

Source: 2017 Georgia K-12 Teacher and Leader Workforce Report