

# GEORGIA'S COST BURDEN ADVANTAGE

How Georgia households compare to North Carolina, Texas and Florida  
— and what income tax rate reduction delivers

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



**Georgia leads where it matters most — for the vast majority of households.**

79.1% of Georgia households earn under \$150K; 88.3% under \$200K.

**Georgia, anchored by Metro Atlanta, is the most affordable major market in the Southeast peer set.**

At \$75K, an average Georgia household pays \$9,867 — saving \$1,500 vs. NC, \$4,300 vs. TX and over \$10,000 vs. FL.

**Georgia already ranks #1 for lowest cost burden at the \$75K, \$150K and \$200K levels.**

**Rate reduction extends that win all the way up the income scale.**

At 3.99%, Georgia moves from 4th to 2nd overall among peer states — gaining ground at \$300K (2nd) and \$1M (2nd), where the burden drops nearly \$10,000 to \$60,676.

**Bottom line: Georgia is a proven affordability leader today — and rate reduction makes it competitive at every income level.**

# BEHIND THE NUMBERS



Georgia's competitiveness starts with who already lives and works here: 79.1% of households earn under \$150,000 and 88.3% under \$200,000.

**Competitiveness should be judged at those income levels — and that is where Georgia wins.**

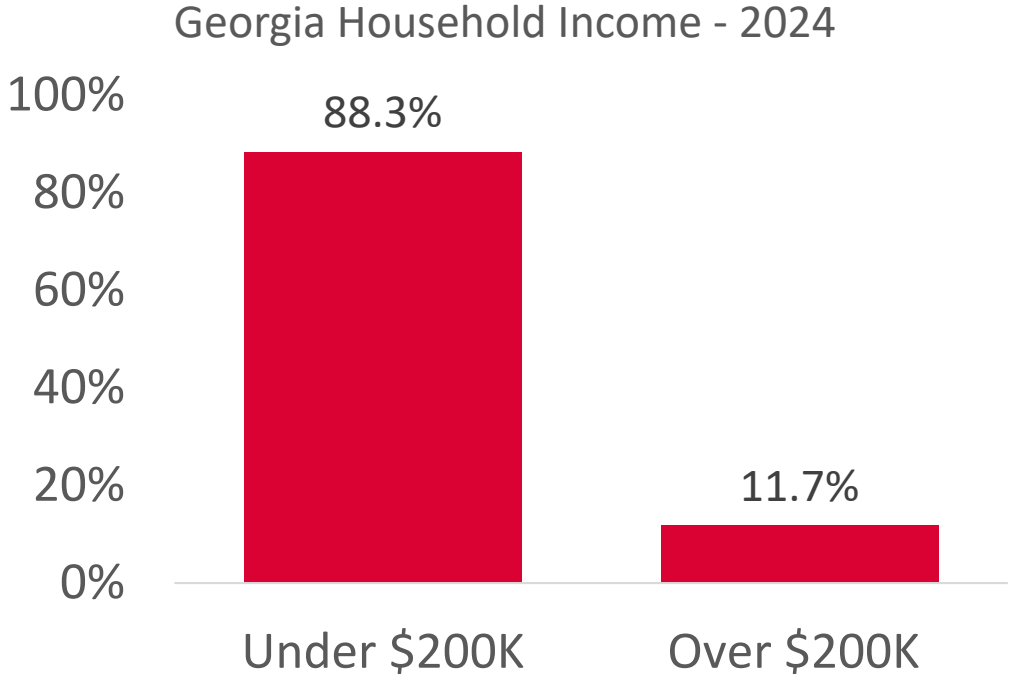
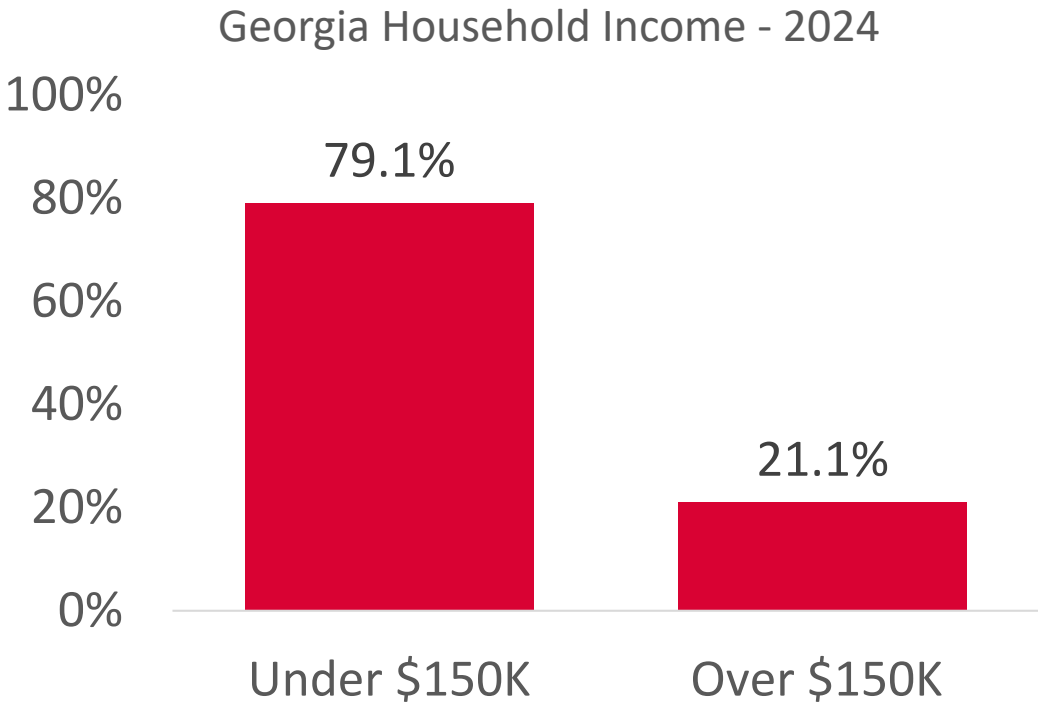
Measuring total household cost — income, property and sales tax plus property insurance — against a comparable home in each market, Georgia ranks first at the \$75K, \$150K and \$200K scenarios. A \$75,000 household carries \$9,867 here versus \$11,398 in North Carolina, \$14,180 in Texas and \$20,020 in Florida.

**Georgia is already the affordability leader for the vast majority of households.**



37.7 Median Age

# HOUSEHOLD INCOME



METRO ATLANTA – 73.7% under \$150K and 84.5% under \$200K

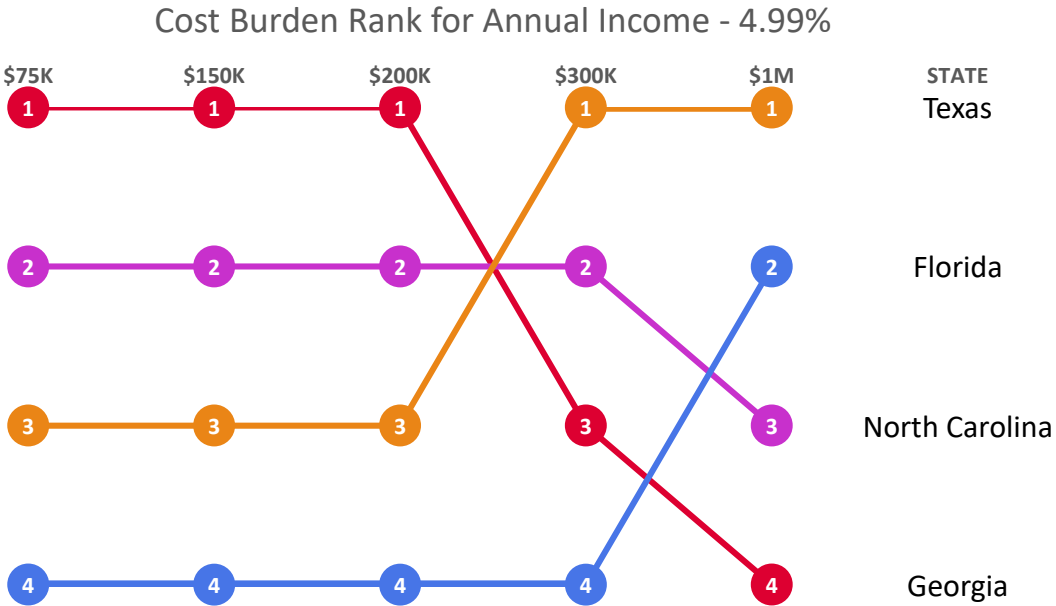
# SCENARIO DEFINITIONS

## Household Cost

1. Income tax
2. Property tax
3. Sales tax
4. Property insurance cost

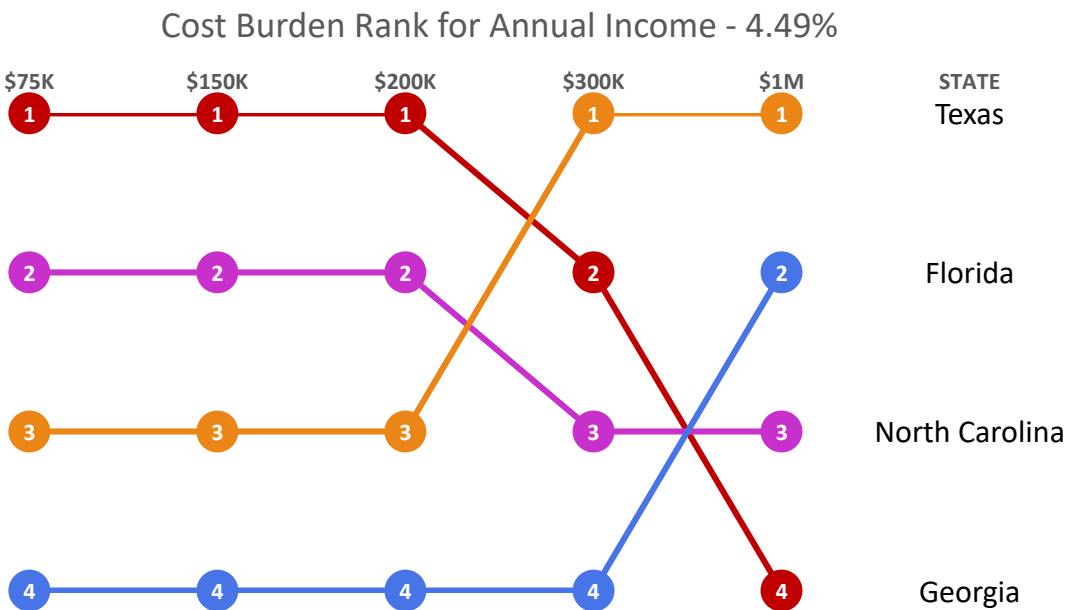
| Annual HH Income | House Price                     |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| \$75K            | Metro Median House Price        |
| \$150K           | 1.5 times metro median          |
| \$200K           | \$750K indexed to Atlanta Metro |
| \$300K           | \$750K indexed to Atlanta Metro |
| \$1M             | \$1.5M indexed to Atlanta Metro |

# GEORGIA AT 4.99% INCOME TAX



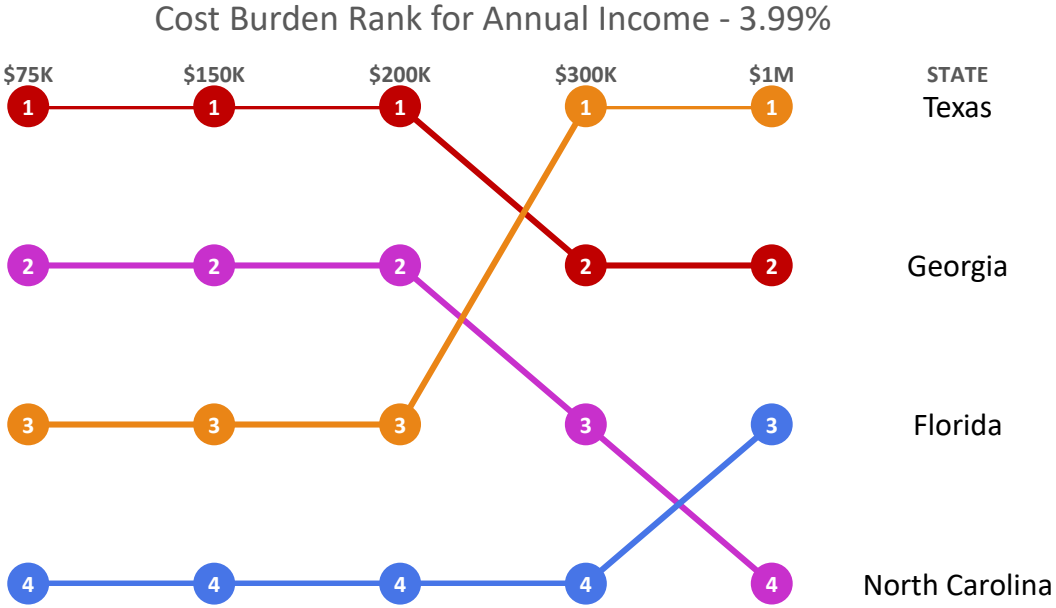
| State - 4.99%  | \$75K    | \$150K   | \$200K   | \$300K   | \$1M     |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Georgia        | \$9,867  | \$16,778 | \$20,621 | \$25,611 | \$70,376 |
| North Carolina | \$11,398 | \$18,164 | \$20,986 | \$24,976 | \$63,323 |
| Texas          | \$14,180 | \$20,006 | \$22,460 | \$22,460 | \$40,994 |
| Florida        | \$20,020 | \$28,451 | \$31,667 | \$31,667 | \$63,019 |

# GEORGIA AT 4.49% INCOME TAX



| State - 4.49%  | \$75K    | \$150K   | \$200K   | \$300K   | \$1M     |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Georgia        | \$9,642  | \$16,178 | \$19,771 | \$25,069 | \$65,526 |
| North Carolina | \$11,398 | \$18,164 | \$20,986 | \$25,485 | \$63,323 |
| Texas          | \$14,180 | \$20,006 | \$22,460 | \$22,460 | \$40,994 |
| Florida        | \$20,020 | \$28,451 | \$31,667 | \$31,667 | \$63,019 |

# GEORGIA AT 3.99% INCOME TAX



| State - 3.99%  | \$75K    | \$150K   | \$200K   | \$300K   | \$1M     |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Georgia        | \$9,417  | \$15,578 | \$18,921 | \$22,911 | \$60,676 |
| North Carolina | \$11,398 | \$18,164 | \$20,986 | \$24,976 | \$63,323 |
| Texas          | \$14,180 | \$20,006 | \$22,460 | \$22,460 | \$40,994 |
| Florida        | \$20,020 | \$28,451 | \$31,667 | \$31,667 | \$63,019 |