

Local Business Incentives

Douglas is conveniently located to serve the southeastern U.S. Proven success lies in the operations of existing industries.

Ad Valorem Tax Abatement

 Eligible projects may receive tax abatements on city, county and school taxes for period of allocation based on job creation, capital investment, etc.

Freeport Exemption: Available in Coffee County

- Inventory of goods in the process of being manufactured or produced including raw materials and partly finished goods
- Inventory of finished goods manufactured or produced within this State held by the manufacturer or producer for a period not to exceed 12 months
- Inventory of finished goods on January 1 that are stored in a warehouse, dock, or wharf which are destined for shipment outside this State for a period not to exceed 12 months

Build-out/Construction: Commercial/Industrial Contractors and Engineering services are located in Douglas area.

- They provide quality services and work closely with the local Economic Development Authority to meet project needs in a timely manner. Contact information is available upon request.
- Expedited local permits may be obtained through the City of Douglas, Department of Community Development, (912) 389-3462

Workforce: The Georgia Department of Labor can assist with labor recruitment activities

- Professional staff in the Douglas Office will provide a full range of services, including hosting job fairs, applicant search, etc.
- Georgia's award-winning workforce training program "Quick Start" may be available to eligible projects through Georgia's Technical Colleges
- Wiregrass Technical College is located within two miles of industrial parks and offers professional and prompt assistance and customized workforce training curriculum

Taxation/Local Millage: Coffee County 8.0, City of Douglas 8.51, Board of Education 16.1

Fire Protection: ISO Rating "3"; provides substantial saving on property insurance

Georgia Statutory Incentives: Coffee County has a "Tier 1" status providing maximum state incentives

Transportation: Douglas is centrally located between 4 interstates (I-75, I-10, I-95, & I-16)

- 4-lane access to Georgia's Seaports, the growing Florida market, and interstates
- Douglas Municipal Airport direct user access to the 6,005 foot runway
- Nearby service Savannah, Valdosta, Albany, and Jacksonville, Florida
- Direct four-lane access to Ports in Savannah, Brunswick, Jacksonville and beyond
- Rail CSX Rail Service in Community

Drug Free Workplace: Employers in Georgia certified by the State Board of Workers' Compensation as having a drug-free workplace are entitled to a 7.5% discount on their workers' compensation premiums.

