



Community

This once agricultural community south of Atlanta has evolved into a picturesque town with state-of-the-art technology serving a growing business and industry sector. The transition was made while maintaining a sound economic base. Formally incorporated in 1843, Griffin boasted three churches, an academy and a newspaper in less than one year. In less than a decade, the 1850 census showed that Griffin's population (2,320) rivaled Atlanta's (2,572).

Growth can be measured in many ways, and ours can be seen within the school system, in how our population has continued to increase, by the companies we attract, by the success of merchants downtown while expanding shopping and entertainment outside the city and by the involvement of residents and the business community in the quality of life we all enjoy.

A business-friendly atmosphere must be credited to visionary county and city government leaders who understood that an area's economic base is a direct reflection of its business and industrial communities. A diversified tax base allows our residents to enjoy splendid public services without paying the high taxes that many cities of our size require.