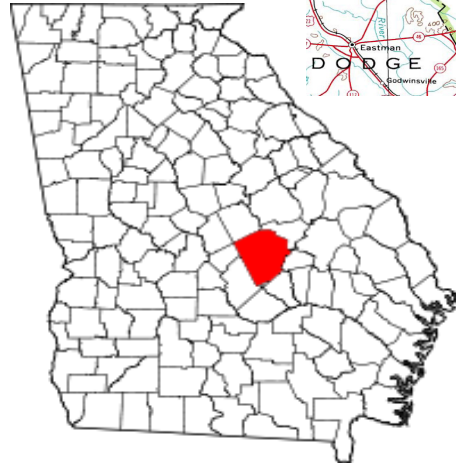
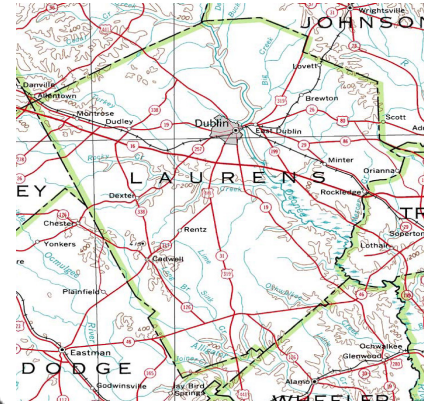




# Laurens County, Georgia



## Findings

The Center for Community Design and Preservation (CCDP) located within the University of Georgia’s College of Environment + Design (CED) conducted a Phase I historic resource survey of Laurens County, Georgia in December 2013. The project area covered the approximately 305 square miles in the unincorporated portions of the county. Laurens County is located in middle south Georgia, and is bordered by Wilkinson and Johnson Counties to the north, Treutlen, Wheeler, and Dodge Counties to the south and east, and Bleckley and Twiggs Counties to the west.

The resource survey was performed by historic preservation professionals, and graduate students in the Masters of Historic Preservation program (MHP) and the Masters of Landscape Architecture program (MLA) at the CED. The survey consisted of background research, windshield and pedestrian field work, data collection and analysis.

The information collected by the field survey was entered into Georgia’s Natural, Archaeological, and Historic Resources Geographical Information System (GNARHGIS) which is the repository for all of the current statewide historic resources survey data. The information was entered under ID 2223.

## Summary

A total of 202 resources were documented that meet and maintain a minimum level of age, integrity, and significance. The most documented resource type was “cemetery” with 94 (46.8%) located in Laurens County. 45 of the 202 resources were single family residential structures; the two most represented building types were central hallways (20.2%) and Georgian cottages (15.6%). The construction date of all resources ranged from the early 1800s to the mid 1960s. The period with the most extant resources is from 1910-1919 (25.9%), followed by 1900-1909 (14.9%).

The variance in building type and architectural styles exhibited in unincorporated Laurens County is typical for heavily agrarian Georgia communities.

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