

Geographic/ Amenities

Distance from Lavonia, I-85 Exit #173/GA 17

Atlanta, GA	95 miles	153 kilometers
Birmingham, AL	235 miles	378 kilometers
Charlotte, NC	140 miles	225 kilometers
Greenville, SC	50 miles	80 kilometers
Savannah, GA	225 miles	362 kilometers

Franklin County I-85 Exits:

- Exit 160 = Flying “J” and Petro provide full service for trucks and travelers.
- Exit 164 = Sunshine truck stop and Carnesville exit.
- Exit 166 = Hess full service for trucks and travelers, Carnesville exit.
- Exit 173 = Lavonia, Lake Hartwell, 3 motels, full assortment of fast food and fuel service stations as well as the Georgia Highway 17 interchange.
- Exit 177= Lake Hartwell access, service station, and Hart County exit
- Exit 179 = South Carolina border mile post (distance from GA AL state line).

Hartwell Railroad serves the eastern portion of the county, Lavonia, Canon and Royston. Daily service connects to Norfolk Southern Railroad in Toccoa. Piggyback yards are in Atlanta. The nearest deepwater port is in Savannah, Georgia

The Franklin/Hart county airport is located in Canon, the 3,500 x 75 foot runway will be extended to 5,000 in the near future. The airport sells aviation gasoline and provides “T” Hangers and a pilot lounge. Elevation 860 feet.

The northeast border of the county and the state lies on the shoreline of Lake Hartwell. Residential and recreational opportunities are plentiful, including the 393 acre, Tugaloo State Park providing a complete range of aquatic and camping activities. The Victoria Bryant State Park, near Franklin Springs provides 475 acres of natural beauty around camping, fishing and a 18 hole golf course complex.

The county’s medical services are provided by Ty Cobb Healthcare system. The 71 bed hospital is located in Royston, and surrounded by an array of facilities dedicated to provide the full range of medical service and care.