

# Dollar General plans to create 1,000 jobs in Georgia in 2017

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JACKSON — Dollar General is planning to create 1,000 jobs across the state of Georgia this year with the addition of new stores as well as a new distribution center.

The Goodlettsville, Tennessee-based company said in a news release that it wants to add 1,000 discount stores and create about 10,000 jobs across the country in 2017.

News outlets report that Dollar General currently has more than 700 stores and more than 5,000 employees in Georgia.

The growth plan in Georgia includes opening a new distribution center in Jackson. The land, purchased in May, sits in Butts and Spalding counties, south of Atlanta. Gov. Nathan Deal said

in a statement last year that the center will create 500 jobs.

The Butts/Spalding Joint Development Authority announced last year that Dollar General, America's largest small-box discount retailer, was projected to create a capital investment of \$85 million to build the 1 million square-foot distribution center which will be a catalyst for economic development in the region, creating more than 500 permanent jobs and thousands more temporary jobs necessary for the construction of the facility.

The distribution facility will be on a 150-acre site on the Spalding and Butts county line. This facility between Jackson Road and Interstate 75, near exit 205, just north of Georgia Highway 16.

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