Capital Cities

Savannah

- 1733
- Colonial capital

Augusta

- 1785
- Advancement of British military caused the capital to move
- Rotated capitals between Savannah and Augusta during the Revolutionary War
- Desire was to locate the capital in a central location

Louisville

- 1796-1807
- Center of Georgia’s population
- Town served as a trading center because of the location to the Ogeechee River
- ended as capital because
  - Malaria outbreak
  - Difficulty using the Ogeechee River as a trade route
  - Northwestern movement of Georgia’s population

Milledgeville

- 1807-1868
- State capital for approximately 60 years
- Capital during civil war
  - Abandoned when Sherman made his way toward the city
  - Moved government document by trains to safety

Atlanta

- 1868
- Became official capital after the Civil War
- Reasons for change
  - Better railroads for accessibility
  - Growing population
- Final capital