

ATLANTA'S 10 FASTEST-GROWING WOMEN-OWNED FIRMS

Ranked by weighted average growth score

Rank	Company	Weighted average growth score*	Percent change in revenue 2004-2006	Percent change in number of employees 2004-2006	Partial listing of factors leading to growth	Brief description of services offered	Chief Atlanta officer(s)	Year est. in Atlanta
1.	Solid Source Realty Inc. 10900 Crabapple Road Roswell, Ga. 30075 www.solidsourcecrealty.com (770) 475-1130	993.87	1,373.33%	577.5%	focus on serving Realtors through new technology, services, customizable marketing material, training and aggressive commission plan	residential and commercial real estate sales and services	Michele Shoda	2003
2.	Cork-Howard Construction Services LLC 2121 New Market Parkway, Suite 116 Marietta, Ga. 30067 www.corkhoward.com (678) 223-1033	723.97	27,071.05%	50%	the desire for companies to participate with qualified minorities for their construction needs	commercial general contractor specializing in high-end interiors, multi-floor build-out and compressed schedules	Lori Howard, Gene Cork	2003
3.	Stratix Corp. ^ 4920 Avalon Ridge Parkway Norcross, Ga. 30071 www.stratixcorp.com (800) 883-8300	39.12	82.82%	87.5%	focus on customers' business; experience in the mobile handheld market; ability to execute at a high level with major enterprise customers	mobile technology systems integrator	David Knowlton	1983
4.	MediaSolutions 3715 Northside Parkway, 400 Northcreek, Suite 250 Atlanta, Ga. 30327 www.mediasolutions-atl.com (404) 264-1005	28.7	73.08%	50%	we never forget that our job is to grow the clients' business	media strategy, planning, buying and marketing	Patricia C. Sibley	1989
5.	JJ Nelson Inc. 3765 Peachtree Crest Drive Duluth, Ga. 30097 www.jjnelson.com (770) 564-9309	27.85	103.4%	72.5%	customer service, quality control, field expertise, dedicated employees	floor covering subcontractor providing material and installation for residential home builders	Jeri J. Nelson	1990
6.	Hedgewood Properties Inc. 5920 Odell St., Suite 100 Cumming, Ga. 30040 www.hedgewoodhomes.com (770) 889-3667	18.91	53.05%	21.05%	focus on environmentally friendly material and energy-efficient products; quality product and location	residential builder/developer, mixed-use development and construction	Pam Sessions, Don Donnelly	1985
7.	firstPRO Inc. 5607 Glenridge Drive, Third and Fourth Floors Atlanta, Ga. 30342 www.firstproinc.com (404) 252-9422	17.12	83.2%	25%	expansion through managed growth; continue to provide a calibre of candidate that excels in their disciplines	staffing augmentation for temporary, temp-to-hire and direct hire; executive search and retained search	April Fawcett Nagel	1986
8.	Logical Choice Technologies Inc. 3355 Breckinridge Blvd., Suite 200 Duluth, Ga. 30096 www.logicalchoice.com (770) 564-1044	13.34	64.79%	87.72%	providing Promethean Activclassrooms and AudioGear Systems to the education market	offer Promethean Activboards and software, student response peripherals, digital projection equipment	Cynthia B. Kaye	1994
9.	Lowden & Associates Inc. 3105 Medlock Bridge Road Norcross, Ga. 30071 www.laihr.com (770) 248-0401	11.43	66.6%	25%	introduced a new Web-based payroll system along with recruiting software	full-service human resource firm including payroll processing, benefits, recruiting, onsite support	Sheila A. Lowden	1998
10.	Preferred Personnel Solutions Inc. 440 Barrett Parkway, Suite 31 Kennesaw, Ga. 30144 www.preferredpersonnel.com (770) 795-7774	5.97	123.88%	83.33%	loyal customers and a stable, committed staff	employment agency	Shannon Stamey, Jeff Stamey	2002

* To qualify for the list, companies must have their headquarters in Atlanta (subsidiaries of other companies are not included); must have 2006 revenue between \$1 million and \$150 million; be at least 51 percent women-owned and must have two-year growth in revenue of more than 50 percent. Companies are ranked by a growth index formula, which is used to even the playing field among companies of different sizes. The revenue and employee growth indexes are the percent change from 2004 through 2006 multiplied by the absolute change for the same years. A company's average employee or revenue growth index is the growth index divided by the average growth index of all companies that qualify. The weighted average growth index is a company's average employee index score plus its average revenue index score. Employee growth was weighted 40 percent and revenue growth was weighted 60 percent.

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