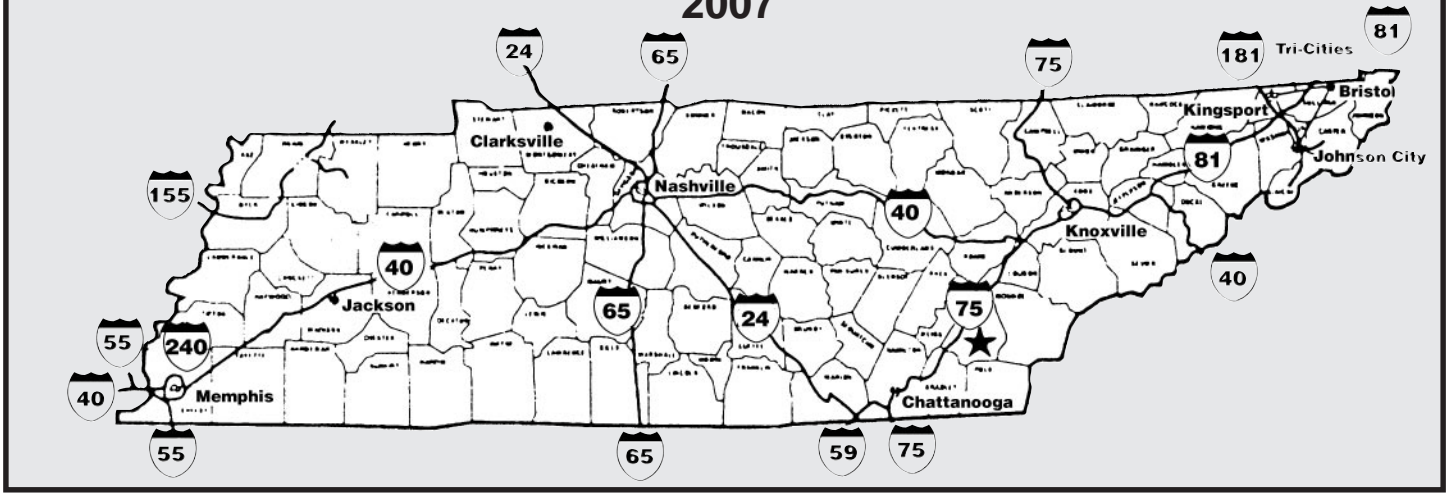


TENNESSEE COMMUNITY DATA

ATHENS
2007



LOCATION

County: McMinn **Sq. Miles:** 435
Distance From: (City) Knoxville **Miles:** 55
 Chattanooga **Miles:** 55

POPULATION

	City	County
1980	12,080	41,878
1990	12,054	42,383
2000	13,334	49,015
2006 Estimate	14,150	51,817
% Nonwhite (2000 Census)	13.7%	7.9%

TAX STRUCTURE

Local

	City	County
Property Tax		
Rate Per \$100 Value	\$1.29	\$1.90
Ratio of Assessment		
Residential	25%	25%
Industrial	40%	40%
Personal (Equipment)	30%	30%
(Inventory) Raw Materials Only @ 30%		
Bonded Debt	\$ 7,601,342	None
Assessed Valuation	\$239,754,960	\$680,104,400
School Tax	None	None
Sales Tax	None	2%
Hotel Motel Tax	None	5%

State

Sales Tax	7%
Income Tax	
Personal	6% on Interest & Dividends only
Corporate (Excise)	6.5% of Net Earnings
Franchise Tax	25¢ per \$100 of Capital Properties
Unemployment Tax	New Employers - First \$7,000 of wages at following rates: Mining 10% Manufacturing 7.5% Construction 7.5% All Others 2.7%

TRANSPORTATION

Railroads

Served by: Norfolk-Southern Railroad, CSX Transportation

Highways

0 - Miles to access of Interstate - Adjacent to I-75

U.S. Highways: 11

State Highways: 30, 39, 305, 307

Common Carriers

Air Freight Companies: 2

Motor Freight Companies: 14 Terminal Facilities: Yes

Bus Services - Inter City: Yes Local: No

Carrier Service: Yes

Navigable Waterway

River: Hiwassee

Channel Depth: 9'

Nearest Port Facility: Calhoun (Private)

Miles: 10

Chattanooga

Miles: 52

Air Service

General Aviation/Distance: McMinn County Airport, 5 miles

Runway Length: 5,500'x100'

Surface: Asphalt

Lighting: High Intensity, 36" Beacon

Gas: 100 LL/Jet A

Octane Available: 100

Repair: Major

Taxi or Car Rental: Both

Nearest Commercial Service: Knoxville Metro, 55 miles

Airlines Serving: Allegiant Air, American Eagle, Comair, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest, Northwest Airlin, Skywest, United Express, US Airways Express

Daily Flights:

Arrivals:

Departures:

138

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Chattanooga Metro Airport with 47 daily flights - 50 miles.

COMMUNICATIONS

Post Office Class: First

Newspapers:	Frequency	Circulation
Daily Post-Athenian	Daily M-T	10,756
	Fridays - Weekend Edition	11,957

Radio Stations: 6

Television Stations:	Location	Networks
6 Channels	Knoxville & Chattanooga	ABC, CBS, NBC, PBS, FOX

Cable Television: Comcast

Number of Channels: 44

Telephone Company: BellSouth

INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Service	Town	Distance
Tool & Die	Local	
Heat Treating	Cleveland	25 Miles
Foundry	Local	
Heavy Hardware	Local	
Sheet Metal	Local	
Lubricants	Local	
Welding Supplies	Local	
Other:		

FINANCE

Banks: 10

Combined Assets: \$1,875,207,000

GOVERNMENT

Government (type): City: Council-City Manager

County: Commission - County Mayor

	City	County
Police Officers:	15	60
Police Cars:	14	37
Planning Commission:	Yes	Yes
Zoning Regulations:	Yes	No
Industrial Development Corp.:	Yes	Yes
Fire Defense Equipment:	12 Vehicles	-
Firefighters:	20	-
Volunteers:	25	-
Insurance Rating:	3	-

NATURAL RESOURCES

Minerals: Limestone

Timber: Oak, Pine, Poplar & Hickory

AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

Tobacco, Feed Grains, Hay, Dairy and Beef Cattle

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Education

State Industrial Training Service Available: Yes

Type of Public School System: City/County

Day Care

Child Care Centers	21
Day Care Homes	27

	Schools	Enrollment
Elementary	4	1,546
Middle/Jr. High	1	573
Senior High	1	1,502
Private &/or		
Parochial	4	140
Technology Centers	1	155
Colleges (2 & 4 Year)	1	930

Libraries: 3, Volumes: 120,000

Health Care

Hospitals: Athens Regional Medical Center **Beds:** 118

Clinics: 4 **Beds:** 0

Doctors: 50

Dentists: 27

Nursing Homes: 7 **Beds:** 450

Churches

Protestant: 26

Catholic: 1

Jewish: 0

Other: 0

Recreation

Parks	13	
Golf Courses	4	(public and private)
Swimming Pools	3	(public and private)
Country Clubs	2	
Theaters	3	
Bowling Alleys	2	
Hotels & Motels	12	Total Rooms: 605
Largest Meeting		
Room Capacity	838	
Restaurants	55	
Other: TVA Lakes & YMCA Center		

CLIMATE

Annual Average Temperature: 60°

Monthly Average High Temp.: Jan. 43° July 89°

Monthly Average Low Temp.: Jan. 26° July 68°

Annual Average Precipitation: 54"

Annual Average Snowfall: 5"

Elevation: 900' Above Sea Level

Prevailing Winds: Southwest

Mean Length of Freeze Free Period (Days): 196

**SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS
FOR MCMINN COUNTY**

Estimated County Available Labor

Date: December 2006
Total: 1,240 **Male:** 610 **Female:** 630
Estimated Total In Surrounding Area: 10,273
High School Graduates 2006: 472
% College Bound: 60%

Labor Force Estimates

	12/2006
Civilian Labor Force	24,670
Unemployment	1,240
% of Labor Force	5.0%
Total Employment	23,430

Per Capita Income

Year	Amount
2005	\$20,106

Average Household Income

Year	Amount
2005	\$45,246

Retail Sales

Year	Amount
2005	\$574,665,486

County 10-Year Growth Report

Years: 1996-2005	New Plants	Expansions
Number Projects:	10	95
Total Investments:	\$119,024,000	\$860,744,588

UTILITIES

Treated Water Supplier

Source: Athens Utilities Board
Capacity: 4.1 MGD
Current Consumption: 3.2 MGD
Storage Capacity: 4,000,000 Gallons

Water Analysis

Hardness	140.0	PPM
Alkalinity	123.0	PPM
Iron	0.00	PPM
Calcium	100.0	PPM
Turbidity	0.05	
PH	7.5	

Sewage Treatment

Type of Treatment: Activated Sludge
Capacity: 4.6 MGD
Current Usage: 3.6 MGD
% City Sewer Coverage: 95
% Storm Sewer Coverage: 25
Solid Waste Disposals: Yes

ENERGY

Electricity

Electric Power System: Athens Utilities Board
Source Company: TVA

Gas

Gas Supplier: Athens Utilities Board
Source Company: East Tennessee Natural Gas Company

BTU Factor: 1.042
Fuel Oil Suppliers: 8
Suppliers of LP Gas: 4

AVAILABLE INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES

SITE 1

Site Name: Interstate Industrial Park
Controlled: Yes
Acreage: 350 - 190 Remaining
Distance to Town: 3 Miles
Direction from Town: Northwest
Nearest Highway: TN 30 **Distance:** 1/4 mile
Nearest Interstate: I-75 **Distance:** 1/2 mile
Rail Line: No
Electric Lines: Yes **Voltage:** 161K
Gas: Yes **4 In. Line**
Water: Yes **12 In. Line**
Sewer: Yes **10 In. Line**
Core Drilling: Limited
Topo Prepared: Yes
Cost per Acre: \$20,000
Cost Including Utilities: Yes

SITE 2

Site Name: Mt. Verd Interchange Industrial Park
Controlled: Yes
Acreage: 223
Distance to Town: 3 Miles
Direction from Town: Northwest
Nearest Highway: TN 305 **Distance:** Adjacent
Nearest Interstate: I-75 **Distance:** 1/4 mile
Rail Line: No
Electric Lines: Yes **Voltage:** 161K
Gas: Yes **2 In. Line**
Water: Yes **8 In. Line**
Sewer: No - 6,000 ft.
Core Drilling: No
Topo Prepared: Yes
Cost per Acre: \$15,000
Cost Including Utilities: Yes

MCMINN COUNTY MANUFACTURERS AND DISTRIBUTION CENTERS

Firm Name	Product	Total Employees	Union Affiliation
DENSO Manufacturing Athens	Spark Plugs, Exhaust Sensors, Fuel Injectors	1,100	None
AbitibiBowater, Inc	Newsprint, Bookprint	910	IBEW, USW, IGUA
Johnson Controls	Metal Seat Frames for Auto Industry	650	None
Waupaca Foundry	Grey Iron Castings	570	None
Mayfield Dairy Farms	Milk, Ice Cream	550	None
Collins & Aikman	Interior Automotive Accessories	500	USW
Thomas & Betts	Switch Boxes, Outlets, Fittings	412	IBEW
Heil Trailer International	Aluminum Tanker Truck Trailers	350	None
Johns Manville	Mat Fiber & Reinforcements	260	None
Plastic Industries	Injection Molded Furniture	245	None
Dynasty Spas	Hot Tubs	240	None
Crescent Hosiery Mills	Hosiery	200	None
Texas Hydraulics	Hydraulic Cylinders	198	None
Mills Products	Appliance Trim Parts	165	None
PFC, Inc.	Furniture	150	None
J.M. Huber Corporation	Silica	130	None
United Grocery	Distribution Center	85	None
Seal-Tech-Division of PI	Plastics	80	None
Taylor Pittsburgh	Farm Implements	70	None
Southern Hydraulic Cylinders	Hydraulic Cylinders	65	None
Trueform Manufacturing	Injection Molded Plastics	60	None
The Daily Post-Athenian	Newspaper & Printing	55	None
E & E Manufacturing	Metal Stampings & Fasteners	50	None
Allied Hosiery Mill	Hosiery	46	None
Selective Structures	Metal Outdoor Signs	45	None
Consolidated Metco	Machined Brake Drums & Rotors	42	None
Tennessee Log Homes	Log Cabin Logs	40	None
Creative Foam Corp.	Die Cut Foam & Seals	37	None
CONTECH Construction Products	Metal Culverts	30	None
Added Value Services	Garment Alterations	30	None
Athens Plow	Farm Implements	25	None
Athens Woodcrafters	Cedar Chests	19	None
Dycho Company	Chemicals	18	None
Advanced Mechanical Services	Pipe Fabricator	16	None
Parrott's Sheet Metal	Custom Fabrication	16	None
Industrial WoodKraft	Wood Pallets	15	None
InspeCTech	Industrial X-rays	12	None
American Bedding	Mattresses	12	None
fs Matting	Floor Mats	12	None
Bain & Holden Tire	Retread Tires	10	None
Rogers Dental Lab	Dental Crowns & Appliances	10	None
McKeehan Chair Company	Furniture Assembly & Warehouse	5	None
Morgan Tool & Die	Tools & Die	5	None
KE of Tennessee	Farm Chemicals	5	None
Applied Rf Technologies	Plastic Containers	5	None
Atlantic Coast Plating	Gold, Chrome and Brass Plating	5	None

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