

COOKEVILLE PUTNAM COUNTY

2025 COMMUNITY DATA PROFILE



QUICK FACTS

County Seat	Cookeville
Year Incorporated	1903
Land Area in Square Miles (County)	401
Water Area in Square Miles (County)	1
Latitude	N36° 09.77'
Longitude	W85° 30.10'
Elevation	1,096'
Market Region	Cookeville
Distance From Nashville	82 miles
Time Zone	Central
City Website	www.cookeville-tn.org
County Website	www.putnamcountytg.gov
Additional Incorporated Cities within the County	Algood, Baxter, Monterey
Unincorporated Cities	Bloomington Springs, Buffalo Valley, Silver Point

POPULATION

	City	County
2020 (Census)	34,842	79,854
2024 Population	36,170	83,953
2024 Median Age	31.6	36.9
2029 Population Projection	37,306	87,429
Annual Growth Rate (2024-2029 Projected)	0.62%	0.81%

Source: ESRI

CLIMATE

Annual Average Temperature	56.7° F
Average High Temperature	68.6° F
Average Low Temperature	44.9° F
Annual Average Precipitation	55.99"
Annual Average Snowfall	7"
Prevailing Winds	Southeast
Mean Length of Freeze-Free Period (days)	211

TAX STRUCTURE

LOCAL	City	County
Property Taxes (2024)		
• Rate per \$100 value	\$0.92	\$2.66
Ratio of Assessment		
• Residential and Farm	25%	25%
• Commercial/Industrial	40%	40%
• Personal (Equipment)	30%	30%

Total Local Assessment (2024)	\$1,218,141,979	\$2,284,147,511
Hotel-Motel Tax		7%
(Distribution: Tourism, Parks and Recreation, Debt Service Fund)		
Motor Vehicle Wheel Tax Rate		\$0.00

Source: Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Property Assessments
Source: County Technical Assistance Service, UTIPS

STATE

Sales Tax
• 4% tax on food and food ingredients
• 7% on all other tangible personal property unless specifically exempted
Local Sales Tax Rate
• 2.75%
Local and State Sales Tax Collected (FY2024)
• \$210,164,492
Income Tax
• Personal: Repealed beginning January 1, 2021
• Corporate Excise Tax: 6.5% of Tennessee taxable income
• Franchise Tax: .25% of the greater of the Tennessee portion of net worth or the book value of real and tangible property in Tennessee. The minimum tax is \$100
• Unemployment Tax: New employers is typically 2.7% (based on occupation) of first \$7,000

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

EDUCATION

District Name	Putnam County
Type of Public School System	Consolidated
District Grades Served	Pre-K-12
Number of Schools	22
Number of Classroom Teachers	712
Student to Teacher Ratio	16:1
Additional Staff	136
Total Number of Students	11,273
Number of Private Schools	9
Total Number of Students	1,352
Number of Teachers	75

Number of High School Graduates (2024)	878
Graduation Rate	94.2%
Educational Attainment with a Degree (Adults Age 25+)	35.1%

Source: Tennessee Department of Education

REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (within 30 miles)

- TN College of Applied Technology Crossville
- TN College of Applied Technology Livingston
- Tennessee Technological University Cookeville
- Roane State Community College (64 miles) Harriman
- Vol State Community College Cookeville/Livingston

Source: National Center for Education Statistics

FastTrack Job Training Assistance Program Available	Yes
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Source: Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

GOVERNMENT

GOVERNING BODY

City	City Manager and City Council Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Municipal Building
County	County Mayor and County Commissioners Meets 3rd Monday following committee meetings at 5:30pm

Fire Department

- Full-time fire fighters in city 69
- City volunteers 0
- Full-time fire fighters in county 13
- County volunteers 55
- Fire stations in city 4
- City fire trucks 11
- Fire stations in county 13
- County fire trucks (pumpers/tankers) 18
- County support vehicles 17

Law Enforcement

- Full-time police officers in city 77
- Full-time police officers in county & sheriff 94
- City patrol cars 90
- County patrol cars 102

	City	County
Insurance Rating ISO 2	Yes	6-8x-10
Zoning Regulations	Yes	No
Planning Commission	Yes	Yes
Industrial Development Corp.	Yes	Yes

TRANSPORTATION

AIR SERVICE

Nearest General Aviation	Upper Cumberland Regional Airport
Location Identifier	SRB
Distance from Cookeville	9 miles
Runway Length	6,005 and 6,705
Surface	Asphalt
Lighting	HIRL/PAPI
Fuel	100LL/Jet A
Repairs	Major
Storage	Hangar, Tie Down
Transportation	Taxi, Rental and Courtesy Car
Nearest Commercial Service	Nashville International Airport
Location Identifier	BNA
Distance from Cookeville	74 miles

Nashville International Airport (BNA) serves approximately 17 million total passengers annually. BNA is currently served by 22 major carriers, including international carriers. BNA offers 585+ daily flights and provides nonstop air service to more than 101 destinations.

HIGHWAYS

U.S. Highways	70, 111
State Highways	42, 135, 136
Nearest Interstate	Interstate 40

COMMON CARRIERS

Air Freight Companies	1
Motor Freight Companies	20
Terminal Facilities	1
Bus Services	
Inter-City	Yes
Local	Yes
Carrier Service	Yes

RAILROADS SERVED BY

Nashville & Eastern Railroad

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS

River	Cumberland
Channel Depth	9 feet
Nearest Port Facility	Gainesboro, TN
Miles from Port	15

COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers	Herald-Citizen The Tennessean UC Business Journal
Telephone Companies	Frontier Communications; Twin Lakes and Charter Spectrum
Radio Stations	12 in county
Television Networks	5 in Nashville; 1 in Cookeville
Cable Service Available	Yes
Channels	100+
Provider	Twin Lakes, Charter Spectrum, Direct TV and Dish Network
Internet Service Available	Yes
Provider	Twin Lakes, Charter Spectrum and Frontier Communications
Fiber Optics Available	Yes
Provider	Twin Lakes and Charter Spectrum

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Health Care

Doctors	255
Dentists	35
Hospitals	1
Beds	269
Clinics	6
Nursing Homes	4
Beds	504
Retirement Homes	1
Beds	N/A
Residential Care/ Assisted Living	4
Beds	170

Recreation

Libraries (1 main, 3 branches)	4
Parks	12
Golf Courses (Public & Private)	6
Swimming Pools (Public & Private)	3
Country Clubs	1
Theaters	12
Bowling Alleys	1

Hotels & Motels

Rooms	1,677
Bed & Breakfasts	2

Largest Meeting Room

Capacity	7,200
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Restaurants

146

Day Care Centers

29

Day Care Homes

22

Religious Organizations

Adventist	1
Apostolic	2
Assembly of God	3
Baptist	40
Catholic	1
Christian	4
Church of Christ:	22
Evangelical	2
Inter-Denominational	6
Jehovah Witness	1
Latter Day Saints	1
Lutheran	1
Mennonite	1
Methodist	11
Nazarene	2
Non-Denominational	3
Pentecostal	3
Presbyterian	3
Unitarian	1
Unity	1

Other: Burgess Falls State Park, Edgar Evans State Park

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks:	Total Number of Institutions	16
	Total Number of Offices	31
	Deposits	3,150,000,000
Credit Unions:	Total number of Branches	4
	Total Number of Offices	6
	Deposits	508,905,241
Countywide Combined Deposits		\$3,658,905,241

(Deposits for June 30, 2024)

Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and National Credit Union Administration

INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Service	Location	Service	Location
Tool & Die	Local	Sheet Metal	Local
Heat Treating	Local	Lubricants	Local
Foundry	Local	Welding	Local
Heavy Hardware	Local	Abrasives	Local

SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

2024 ANNUAL AVERAGES (AGE 16+)

Labor Force	County	Labor Market Area*
Population	68,944	174,324
Employed	37,880	91,892
Unemployed	1,732	4,126
Unemployment Rate	4.4%	4.3%

*Drive Time: 45 minute radius from Cookeville (County seat)

Source: ESRI

2024 EMPLOYED POPULATION 16+ BY INDUSTRY

Agriculture/Mining	0.8%
Construction	5.6%
Manufacturing	14.3%
Wholesale Trade	1.8%
Retail Trade	14.2%
Transportation/Utilities	7.7%
Information	1.2%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	4.5%
Services	45.5%
Public Administration	4.3%

MANUFACTURING IN AREA (Annual Averages 2023)

Number of Units	134
Ann. Avg. Employment	5,314
Ann. Avg. Weekly Wage	\$1,178

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Year	2024
Amount	\$30,476

Source: ESRI

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Year	2024
Amount	\$54,062

Source: ESRI

AVERAGE HOME SALES

Year	2023
Number of Homes Sold	898
Average Cost	\$329,956
2024 Median Home Value	\$291,070

Source: Tennessee Housing Development Agency

RETAIL SALES

Year	2023
Amount	\$2,441,229,450

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

NATURAL RESOURCES

Minerals: Limestone and sand
Timber: Oak, Poplar and Hickory

AGRICULTURAL

Crops: Hay, corn, soybeans
Livestock: Cattle

UTILITIES

GAS

Local Distributor	City of Cookeville
Phone	931.526.9591
Website	www.cookeville-tn.org
Source Company	East Tennessee Natural Gas
Fuel Oil Suppliers	4
Suppliers of LP Gas	5

WATER

Water Supplier	City of Cookeville
Phone	931.526.9591
Website	www.cookeville-tn.org
Source	Center Hill Lake
Capacity	15,000,000 GPD
Current Consumption	10,000,000 GPD
Storage Capacity	19,500,000 Gallons

SEWER

Sewer Provider	City of Cookeville
Phone	931.526.9591
Website	www.cookeville-tn.org
Type of Treatment	Oxidation ditch
Capacity	14,000,000 GPD
Current Usage	7,000,000 GPD
City Sewer Coverage	90%
Storm Sewer Coverage	20%
Solid Waste Disposal Type	Transfer Station

ELECTRICITY

Source Company Tennessee Valley Authority

LOCAL POWER COMPANY (City)

Cookeville Energy Department

Director Carl Haney
 District Address 55 West Davis Road
 Cookeville, Tennessee 38506
 Phone 931.520.5400
 Website <https://www.cookeville-tn.gov>

LOCAL POWER COMPANY (County)

Upper Cumberland Electric Membership Corp

General Manager Jennifer Brogdon
 District Address Post Office Box 159
 1794 W. Broad Street
 Cookeville, Tennessee 37030-0159
 Phone 931.528.5449
 Outages 931.372.2323
 Website www.ucemc.com

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURERS/DISTRIBUTION (100+ employees)

Firm	Product or Service	Total Employees	Union	Phone Number
Averitt Express	Distribution	1,150	None	931.520.5089
Atmus/Cummins Filtration, Inc.	Heavy duty filters	950	UAW	931.526.9551
Academy Sports & Outdoors	Retail transportation & Distribution	655	None	931.476.2500
FICOSA North America	Automotive side-view mirrors	430	None	931.432.9000
Milwaukee Tool	Vacuum cleaners	320	None	931.646.7800
Portobello North America	Tile plant	252	None	931.650.5225
ATC Automation	Special automated machinery	250	None	931.528.5417
Tutco, Inc.	Heating elements for appliances	250	None	931.432.4141
Aphena Pharma Solutions	Re-packaging of pharmaceuticals	249	None	931.372.2041
US Foods	Food distribution	232	None	931.537.4000
Flowserve	Actuators, ball, plug, & butterfly valves	200	None	931.432.4021
Identity Group	Stamps, signs, ink marking devices, etc.	162	None	931.432.4000
Dacco, Inc.	Auto. transmission parts	160	UAW	931.528.7581
G & L Manufacturing	Titanium & stainless steel tubing	118	None	931.528.1732
Fixtur-World	Commercial cabinets, etc.	110	None	931.528.7259

For information on industrial sites and available industrial buildings contact:

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