

LAFAYETTE MACON COUNTY

2025 COMMUNITY DATA PROFILE



QUICK FACTS

County Seat	Lafayette
Year Incorporated	1842
Land Area in Square Miles (County)	307
Water Area in Square Miles (County)	0
Latitude	N36° 31.28'
Longitude	W86° 01.58'
Elevation	975'
Market Region	Cookeville
Distance From Nashville	60 miles
Distance From Bowling Green, KY	45 miles
Distance From Hartsville, TN	16 miles
Time Zone	Central
City Website	www.lafayette-tn.org
County Website	www.maconcountyttn.gov
Chamber Website	www.maconcounty-chamber.org
Additional Incorporated Cities within the County	Red Boiling Springs
Unincorporated Cities	None

POPULATION

	City	County
2020 (Census)	5,584	25,216
2024 Population	5,854	26,738
2024 Median Age	38.0	39.2
2029 Population Projection	6,091	28,101
Annual Growth Rate (2024-2029 Projected)	0.80%	1.00%

Source: ESRI

CLIMATE

Annual Average Temperature	59.15° F
Average High Temperature	70.1° F
Average Low Temperature	48.3° F
Annual Average Precipitation	56.38"
Annual Average Snowfall	0"
Prevailing Winds	Southerly
Mean Length of Freeze-Free Period (days)	180-220

TAX STRUCTURE

LOCAL	City	County
Property Taxes (2024)		
• Rate per \$100 value	\$0.4669	\$1.6228

Ratio of Assessment

• Residential and Farm	25%	25%
• Commercial/Industrial	40%	40%
• Personal (Equipment)	30%	30%

Total Local Assessment (2023)	\$178,327,941	\$681,999,525
Hotel-Motel Tax (Distribution: General Fund)		5%
Motor Vehicle Wheel Tax Rate		\$65.00
Motorcycle Tax Rate		\$45.00

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)

- \$26,615,138

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- **Personal:** Repealed beginning January 1, 2021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



The Macon-Lafayette Industrial Park (95 acres) is among several industrial sites in Middle Tennessee to be certified as a Select TN Certified Site. For complete information about the site and the certified program, please visit www.tnecd.com/sites/certified-sites/

EDUCATION

District Name	Macon County
Type of Public School System	Consolidated
District Grades Served	Pre-K-12
Number of Schools	8
Number of Classroom Teachers	240
Student to Teacher Ratio	17:1
Additional Staff	44
Total Number of Students	4,130
Number of Private Schools	3
Total Number of Students	575
Number of Teachers	10

Number of High School Graduates (2024)	251
Graduation Rate	98.8%
Educational Attainment with a Degree (Adults Age 25+)	16.8%

Source: Tennessee Department of Education

REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

- TN College of Applied Technology Hartsville
- Cumberland University Lebanon
- Volunteer State Community College Gallatin
- Welch College Gallatin
- TN Tech University Cookeville

Source: Tennessee Higher Education Commission

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

GOVERNMENT

GOVERNING BODY

City	Mayor and City Council Meets 1st Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. City Hall
County	Mayor and County Commissioners Meets 1st and 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall until new admin building is complete

Fire Department

- Full-time fire fighters in city 6
- Part-time fire fighters in city 7
- City Paid-On-Call 24
- Full-time fire fighters in county 6
- County Paid-On-Call 75
- Fire stations in city 1
- City fire trucks 10
 3 engines; 1 ladder truck; 1 brush truck; 2 tankers; 1 support truck; 2 command vehicles.
- Fire stations in county 3
- County fire trucks 19
 7 engine; 3 brush units; 2 support unit; 4 tankers; 2 command vehicles; 1 ladder truck

Law Enforcement

- Full-time police officers in city 16
- Full-time police officers in county & sheriff 28
- City patrol cars 16
- County patrol cars 31

	<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>
Insurance Rating	4	6-10
Zoning Regulations	Yes	Yes
Planning Commission	Yes	Yes
Industrial Development Corp.	Yes	Yes

TRANSPORTATION

AIR SERVICE

Nearest General Aviation	Lafayette Municipal Airport
Location Identifier	3M7
Distance from City	2 miles
Runway Length	5,200 feet
Surface	Asphalt
Lighting	MIRL/PAPI
Fuel	100LL/Jet A
Repairs	Major
Storage	Hangar, Tie Down
Transportation	Taxi and Rental Car
Nearest Commercial Service	Nashville International Airport
Location Identifier	BNA
Distance from Lafayette	58 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	231
State Highways	10, 52, 262, 261
Nearest Interstate	35 miles to Interstates 65 and 40

COMMON CARRIERS

Air Freight Companies	None
Motor Freight Companies	14
Terminal Facilities	1
Bus Services	
Inter-City	No
Local	No
Carrier Service	No

RAILROADS SERVED BY

CSX Transportation- 60 miles from CSX sorting and hump yard in Nashville & CSX Gallatin

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS

River	Cumberland
Channel Depth	9 feet
Nearest Port Facility	Gallatin and Gainesboro
Miles from Port	35

COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers	Macon County Times Weekly Macon County Chronicle Weekly
Telephone Companies	The Tennessean Daily North Central Telephone Coop.
Radio Stations	WEEN-AM and WLCT-FM
Television Networks	North Central Telephone Coop.
Cable Service Available	Yes
Channels	140+
Provider	North Central Telephone Coop., Charter Communications
Internet Service Available	Yes
Provider	North Central Telephone Coop., Charter Communications
Fiber Optics Available	Yes
Provider	North Central Telephone Coop., Charter Communications

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Health Care

Doctors	7
Dentists	4
Hospitals	1
Beds	25
Clinics	5
Nursing Homes	2
Beds	168
Retirement Homes	3
Beds	100
Assisted Living	2
Beds	47

Religious Organizations

Protestant	21
Catholic	1
Jehovah's Witness	1
Spanish	1
Latter Day Saints	1
Other	1

Day Care Centers

Day Care Homes	19
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Recreation

Libraries	2
Parks	3
Golf Courses (Public & Private)	1
Swimming Pools (Public & Private)	1
Country Clubs	1
Theaters	1
Bowling Alleys	0
Drive-In	1

Hotels & Motels

Rooms	38
Bed & Breakfasts	3

Largest Meeting Room

Capacity	250
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Restaurants

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Other

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks:	Total Number of Institutions	3
	Total Number of Offices	10
	Deposits	843,000,000
Credit Unions:	Total Number of Branches	0
	Total Number of Offices	0
	Deposits	0.00
Countywide Combined Deposits		\$843,000,000
(Deposits for June 30, 2024)		

Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and National Credit Union Administration

INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Service	Location	Distance (Miles)
Tool & Die	Local	
Heat Treating	Hartsville	20
Foundry	Nashville	60
Heavy Hardware	Nashville	60
Sheet Metal	Local	
Lubricants	Local	
Welding Supplies	Nashville	60
Abrasives	Local	

SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

2024 ANNUAL AVERAGES (AGE 16+)

Labor Force	County	Labor Market Area*
Population	20,924	146,697
Employed	12,278	84,611
Unemployed	554	3,133
Unemployment Rate	4.3%	3.6%

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

Source: ESRI

2024 EMPLOYED POPULATION (AGE 16+) BY INDUSTRY

Agriculture/Mining	1.8%
Construction	9.5%
Manufacturing	19.3%
Wholesale Trade	2.6%
Retail Trade	14.7%
Transportation/Utilities	6.0%
Information	0.9%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	5.7%
Services	34.9%
Public Administration	4.6%

Source: ESRI

MANUFACTURING IN AREA (Annual Averages 2023)

Number of Units	37
Ann. Avg. Employment	918
Ann. Avg. Weekly Wage	\$918

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Year	2024
Amount	\$26,810

Source: ESRI

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Year	2024
Amount	\$52,855

Source: ESRI

AVERAGE HOME SALES

Year	2023
Number of Homes Sold	354
Average Cost	\$257,084
2024 Median Home Value	\$223,924

Source: Tennessee Housing Development Agency

RETAIL SALES

Year	2023
Amount	\$322,478,668

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

NATURAL RESOURCES

Minerals:

Timber: Oak, Ash, Hickory

AGRICULTURAL

Crops: Tobacco, hay, soybeans, corn, bell peppers, wheat

Livestock: Cattle and poultry

UTILITIES

GAS		SEWER	
Local Distributor	City of Lafayette	Sewer Provider	City of Lafayette
Phone	615.666.2194	Phone	615.666.2194
Website	www.lafayette-tn.com	Website	www.lafayette-tn.com
Source Company	Atmos Energy	Type of Treatment	Extended Aeration
Fuel Oil Suppliers	0	Capacity	1,500,000 GPD (surge 4.5 MGD)
Suppliers of LP Gas	0	Current Usage	550,000 GPD
		City Sewer Coverage	98%
		Storm Sewer Coverage	20%
		Solid Waste Disposal Type	Scott Waste Service
WATER		ELECTRICITY	
Water Supplier	City of Lafayette	Source Company	Tennessee Valley Authority
Phone	615.666.2194		
Website	www.lafayette-tn.com		
Source	Adams Spring, White Spring, Barren River and Cumberland River		
Capacity	2,400,000 GPD		
Current Consumption	1,300,000 GPD		
Storage Capacity	2,300,000 Gallons		
		LOCAL POWER COMPANY (City and County)	
		Tri-County Electric Membership Corporation	
		Chief Executive Officer	Glen Hale
		District Address	Post Office Box 40 405 College Street Lafayette, Tennessee 37083
		Phone	615.666.2111
		Website	www.tcemc.org

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURERS/DISTRIBUTION (25+ employees)

Firm	Product or Service	Total Employees	Union	Phone Number
Fleetwood Homes, Inc.	Manufactured homes	208	None	615.666.0027
Tennplasco, Inc.	Custom plastic injection molding	146	None	615.666.5580
Babynov USA	Baby food manufacturing	90	None	615.450.5151
Measure Up	Custom shirts	90	None	615.666.6664
Clark Lumber Company	Hardwood lumber	75	None	615.699.3497
Cobb-Vantress	Chicken hatchery	75	None	615.666.5538
Flex Technologies	Molded automotive parts	60	None	615.666.6677
Allen Company	Sporting goods distribution	28	None	615.510.3840

For information on industrial sites and available industrial buildings contact:

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