



Sabine



MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Employer	Product/Service	Employees
Boise Cascade Corporation		250-499
Willamette Industries		250-499
Heritage Manor of Many #1		100-249
Holloway Sportswear Inc.		100-249
WalMart Stores Inc.		100-249
Toledo Nursing Center		100-249
Shop-A-Lott Inc.		100-249
Big Star of Many Inc.		100-249
Sabine Medical Center Inc.		100-249
Sabine State Bank & Trust Co.		100-249

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POPULATION

PARISH

Sabine Parish

2004 Estimate	23,753
2000 Census	23,459
1990 Census	23,646

AGE

0-17	26.2%
18-24	8.3%
25-44	24.5%
45-64	24.4%
65+	16.5%

REGION

2004 Estimate	574,404
2000 Census	565,069
1990 Census	546,753

SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS BUREAU, LA TECH, U.S. CENSUS BUREAU, DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILES

MARKET ACCESS

HIGHWAYS

Interstate 49
U.S. Highways 71, 84
LA Highways 1, 6, 9, 117, 118, 119,120, 153, 156, 479, 480, 487

FREIGHT RAIL

Kansas City Southern
Union Pacific

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS/PORTS

	(Distance in Miles)
Port of Alexandria (shallow)	55
Port of Lake Charles (* Foreign Trade Zone)	130

AIRPORTS

Alexandria-Esler Regional (commercial)	55
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MOTOR FREIGHT

7 major freight lines
Terminal facilities are available

DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES

(in miles, from center of parish)

Atlanta, GA	600
Birmingham, AL	480
Chicago, IL	890
Cincinnati, OH	810
Dallas, TX	260
Houston	245
Kansas City, MO	650
Memphis, TN	350
Nashville, TN	550
New Orleans, LA	255
St. Louis, MO	585

SOURCE: WWW.MAPQUEST.COM

PARCEL SERVICE

Services are available within the parish

LABOR FORCE

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Parish	9,945
Region	262,249
Louisiana	1,960,206

EMPLOYMENT

Parish	9,277
Region	244,777
Louisiana	1,745,538

UNEMPLOYMENT

Parish	6.7%
Region	6.7%
Louisiana	11.0%

SOURCE: LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, OCTOBER 2005

WAGES

SELECTED OCCUPATIONAL WAGES

Category Median Hourly

Professional

Accountant/ Auditor	\$21.09
Mechanical Engineer	\$27.77
Systems Analyst	\$30.23
Computer Programmer	\$21.03
Network Systems Administrator	\$23.19

Administrator

Hotel Desk Clerk	\$7.87
Sales Clerk	\$8.48
Stock Clerk	\$8.72

Clerical

Bookkeeping/ Acct. Clerk	\$12.00
Data Entry Keyer	\$9.56
Gaming Cage Worder	\$9.75
General Office Clerk	\$7.95
Customer Service Representative	\$10.37

Unskilled

Freight Stock Laborers	\$8.11
Packer and Packager	\$6.83
Shipping/Receiving Clerk	\$10.29

Skilled

Computer-Controlled Machine Tool Operator	\$15.55
Mobile Heavy Equipment Mechanic	\$17.08
Industrial Machinery Mechanic	\$18.31
Automotive Service & Repair Tech.	\$11.90
Structural Metal Fabricator and Fitter	\$13.19
Assemblers and Fabricators	\$13.73

Technical

Medical Lab Technician	\$12.84
Medical Assistants	\$10.41
Telecommunications Repairer	\$14.58

SOURCE: BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS, METROPOLITAN OCCUPATIONAL EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE ESTIMATES, 2005

EMPLOYMENT INCOME

	2002	2003
Total Personal	\$450M	\$469M
Per Capita Personal	\$19,242	\$19,960
Median Household (2000):	\$26,655	

SOURCE: BUREAU OF ECONOMIC ANALYSIS, U.S. CENSUS BUREAU, DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILES

AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT BY MAJOR

INDUSTRY DIVISIONS (1st Qtr. 2005)

Division	Parish	Region	Louisiana
Agriculture	5.4%	0.8%	0.5%
Mining	0.7%	1.9%	2.2%
Utilities	0.7%	0.9%	0.8%
Construction	4.9%	5.3%	8.2%
Manufacturing	17.7%	10.5%	4.0%
Wholesale Trade	2.7%	4.2%	12.0%
Retail Trade	15.4%	11.9%	4.2%
Trans/Wrhouse	2.3%	3.1%	1.8%
Information	1.3%	1.7%	3.3%

Division	Parish	Region	Louisiana
Fin & Insurance	4.7%	2.8%	1.9%
Real Estate	0.8%	1.5%	0.5%
Prof./Technical	1.6%	3.3%	4.2%
Mng. Of co.	*	0.6%	1.2%
Admin & Waste	0.9%	4.3%	5.0%
Education Serv	*	10.5%	9.9%
Healthcare/Soc	10.4%	17.5%	14.3%
Arts/Ent/Recr	1.1%	4.6%	2.4%
Accomd/Food	6.3%	7.9%	9.1%
Other Services	2.4%	2.5%	2.7%
Public Admin.	4.8%	4.2%	5.5%

SOURCE: LA DEPT. OF LABOR, EMPLOYMENT & TOTAL WAGES PAID BY EMPLOYERS SUBJECT TO THE LA SEC. LAW

EDUCATION

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE & UNIVERSITIES

(within 100 miles)

Grambling State Univ.	Grambling	4,464
Louisiana Tech University	Ruston	11,257
Louisiana State University	Shreveport	4,230
University of Louisiana	Monroe	8,162
Northwestern State Univ.	Natchitoches	10,159

TWO-YEAR COLLEGE (within 100 miles)

Southern University	Shreveport	1,695
Bossier Comm. College	Bossier City	3,818

SOURCE: LA COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM, 2003

TECHNICAL COLLEGES

College	Parish
Alexandria Campus	Rapides
Huey P. Long Campus	Winn
Lamar Salter Campus	Vernon
Louisiana Tech Resource Ctr.	Natchitoches
Natchitoches Campus	Natchitoches
Sabine Valley Campus	Sabine

SOURCE: LA COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM, 2003

PRIMARY/SECONDARY EDUCATION

	2003 Enrollment
14 Public Schools	4,269
Teacher: student ratio	14:1
ACT Score (2005)	18.6

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

High School Graduate or Higher	70.8%
Bachelor's Degree of Higher	11.1%

SOURCE: LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, U.S. CENSUS, DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE, 2000

RESEARCH BASE

Baton Rouge LA Business & Tech. Center, LA Partnership for Tech. & Innovation, LA Tech. Park
Pennington Biomedical Research Center
Lafayette Manufacturing Partnership of Louisiana

INCENTIVES

Quality Jobs Program – annual refundable credit up to 6% of payroll for a period of up to 10 years.

Industrial Property Tax Exemption – exempts new manufacturers & expansions from state, parish and local property taxes for up to 10 years.

Enterprise Zone - tax credits & rebates for hiring within a designated zone.

Inventory Tax Credit – 100% income tax credit on inventory taxes paid.

Incumbent Worker Training – \$50 million fund providing customized training to upgrade the skills of an employers existing workforce.

Research & Development Tax Credit Program - income/franchise tax credits up to 8% of R & D expenditures.

TAXES

SALES TAX

Converse	8.625%	Pleasant Hill	8.625%
Florien	8.625%	Zwolle	8.625%
Many	8.875%		

SOURCE: SABINE PARISH SALES TAX OFFICE (ONLINE)

INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX

One of the lowest in the nation. There are no local occupation or local income taxes in Louisiana.

PARISH MILLAGE (2005)

Municipalities

Total Parish-wide

SOURCE: SABINE PARISH ASSESSOR'S OFFICE (ONLINE)

PROPERTY TAXES/ASSESSMENT RATIO

Only local and parish governments levy property taxes in Louisiana. There is no state tax.

Assessors are required by law to assess on improvements of industrial property at 15% of fair market value. (Land at 10%)

Private residences are assessed at 10% of fair market value. There is no property tax on the first \$75,000.

SITES

Name Location Acres

For more information on buildings and sites visit our web site at insite.entergy.com

GOVERNMENT

Parish Parish President/Police Jury

Municipalities

QUALITY OF LIFE

CLIMATE

Average Temperature	
January	56°
July	92°
Annually	65°
Average Annual Rainfall	54 inches

COST OF LIVING

97.5

SOURCE: ACCRA, 2000

MEDICAL SERVICES (within region)

Medical Facility No. of Beds

Sabine Medical Center 48

SOURCE: LA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HOSPITALS, 2005

RECREATION

Golf Fishing Museums

Festival - Lagniappe Trade Days, June Jubilee, Loggers & Forestry, Tamale Fiesta, Zwolle Loggers Festival, Marthaville Good Ole' Days Festival, Sabine Free State Festival

UTILITIES & SERVICES

Electricity – Valley Electric, CLECO

Natural Gas – Transla

Water – Town of Many, Town of Zwolle, Town of Pleasant Hill, Town of Converse, Town of Florien, Water Wells

Sewerage -City

Fiber Optic - Several service providers in the region

