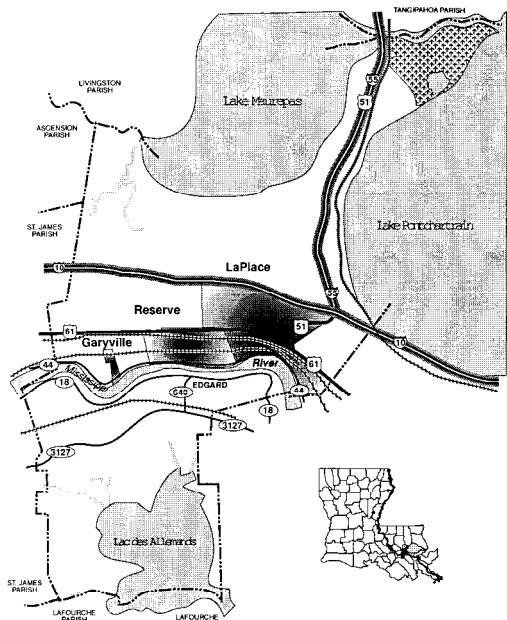
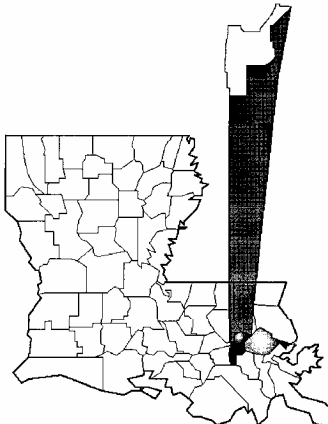


St. John the Baptist



ST. JOHN PARISH



POPULATION

PARISH	
St. James Parish	
2004 Estimate	44,268
2000 Census	43,049
1990 Census	39,996
AGE	
0-17	31.2%
18-24	9.7%
25-44	30.2%
45-64	21.1%
65+	7.8%

REGION	
2004 Estimate	1,484,878
2000 Census	1,482,225
1990 Census	1,414,164
SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS BUREAU, LA TECH, U.S. CENSUS BUREAU, DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILES	

MARKET ACCESS

HIGHWAYS	
Interstate 10, 55	
U.S. Highway 61, 51	
LA Highway 18, 44	
FREIGHT RAIL	
Canadian National/Illinois Central	
Kansas City Southern	
Union Pacific	

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS/PORTS	
(Distance in Miles)	
Port of South La. (45 ft.)*	within parish
Port of New Orleans (45 ft.)*	43
(* Foreign Trade Zone)	

AIRPORTS	
New Orleans International	52
St. John Airport (local)	12

MOTOR FREIGHT
Terminal facilities are not available

DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES	
(in miles, from center of parish)	
Atlanta, GA	520
Birmingham, AL	385
Chicago, IL	890
Cincinnati, OH	770
Dallas, TX	490
Denver, CO	1,270
Houston	320
Kansas City, MO	820
Little Rock, AR	509
Minneapolis, MN	1,300
Nashville, TN	500
New Orleans, LA	43
St. Louis, MO	670

SOURCE: WWW.MAPQUEST.COM

PARCEL SERVICE
Services are available within the parish

LABOR FORCE	
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE	
Parish	N/A
Region	N/A
Louisiana	2,079,388

EMPLOYMENT	
Parish	N/A
Region	N/A
Louisiana	1,971,366

UNEMPLOYMENT	
Parish	N/A
Region	N/A
Louisiana	6.1%
SOURCE: LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, MARCH 2006	

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Employer	Product/Service	Employees
St. John Bapt. Parish School Board		
Marathon Ashland Petroleum LLC		
Bayou Steel Corporation		
River Parishes Hospital		
Walmart Stores Inc.		
Dupont Dow Elastomers LLC		
Fluor Constructors International In		
Winn Dixie Louisiana Inc.		
Cypress Electrical Contr. Inc.		
St. John Baptist Sheriff Dept.		

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTACTS

Entergy Corporation Economic Development Louisiana 5353 Essen Lane, Ste. 120 Baton Rouge, LA 70809 (800) 542-2668 Fax (225) 763-5254	Louisiana Economic Development P.O. Box 94185 Baton Rouge, LA 70804- (225) 342-5388 Fax (225) 342-5349	St. John the Baptist Parish Economic Development 1801 W. Airline Highway LaPlace, LA 70068 (504) 652-9569 Fax (504) 652-4131 www.stjohnla.org
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Economic Development Commission, South Planning and Commission P.O. Box 846 Thibodaux, LA70302 (985) 446-0514	Greater New Orleans, Inc. 365 Canal Street, Suite 2300 New Orleans, LA 70130 (504)527-6969 (504)523-6970 Fax www.gnoinc.org
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WAGES

SELECTED OCCUPATIONAL WAGES

Category Median Hourly

Professional

Accountant/ Auditor	\$21.32
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	\$36.09
Systems Analyst	\$28.70
Computer Programmer	\$24.23
Network Systems Administrator	\$25.94

Administrator

Hotel Desk Clerk	\$7.33
Sales Clerk	\$8.36
Stock Clerk	\$8.46

Clerical

Bookkeeping/ Acct. Clerk	\$12.46
Data Entry Keyer	\$9.94
General Office Clerk	\$8.72

Gaming Change Persons & Booth

Cashiers	\$8.97
Customer Service Representative	\$11.56

Unskilled

Shipping/Receiving Clerk	\$10.69
Laborer/Freight Stock	\$8.20
Packer and Packager	\$7.87

Skilled

Industrial Machinery Mechanic	\$19.64
Metal and Plastic Worker	\$23.85
Structural Metal Fabricator and Fitter	\$13.77
Welder, Cutter, Solderer	\$23.85
Maintenance and Repair Workers	\$13.07

Technical

Sound Engineering Technicians	\$14.43
Camera Operator: TV, Video, Movie	\$12.10
Media and Communication	
Equipment Worker	\$29.31
Telecommunications Line Installers and Repairers	\$13.23

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

EMPLOYMENT INCOME

	2002	2003
Total Personal	\$967M	\$1,015M
Per Capita Personal	\$21,881	\$22,592
Median Household (2000):	\$39,456	

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	0.3%	0.1%	0.5%
Mining	2.0%	1.3%	2.2%
Utilities	1.2%	0.8%	0.8%
Construction	8.9%	5.2%	8.2%
Manufacturing	16.8%	7.1%	4.0%
Wholesale Trade	3.6%	4.2%	12.0%
Retail Trade	13.0%	11.7%	4.2%

Division	Parish	Region	Louisiana
Trans/Wrhouse	7.6%	4.8%	1.8%
Information	1.3%	1.9%	3.3%
Fin & Insurance	2.1%	3.5%	1.9%
Real Estate	1.4%	1.9%	0.5%
Prof./Technical	2.0%	4.8%	4.2%
Mng. Of co.	0.6%	1.4%	1.2%
Admin & Waste	6.3%	6.0%	5.0%
Education Serv	*	9.8%	9.9%
Healthcare/Soc	9.4%	13.6%	14.3%
Arts/Ent/Recr	1.4%	2.4%	2.4%
Accomd/Food	7.5%	11.6%	9.1%
Other Services	2.0%	2.8%	2.7%
Public Admin.	3.8%	5.0%	5.5%

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

EDUCATION

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

(within 100 miles)

College/University	Location	Enrollment
Univ. of New Orleans	New Orleans	16,000
Tulane University	New Orleans	12,294
Loyola University	New Orleans	5,509
Southern University	New Orleans	9,488
Xavier University	New Orleans	3,912
Dillard University	New Orleans	2,137
Our Lady of Holy Cross	New Orleans	1,347
Nicholls State University	Thibodaux	7,367
Southeast Louisiana	Hammond	15,199
Louisiana State Univ.	Baton Rouge	30,977
Southern Univeristy	Baton Rouge	9,488

SOURCE: LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, 2002

TWO-YEAR COLLEGE (within 100 miles)

Delgado College	New Orleans	3,404
River Parishes Comm.	Sorrento	350

SOURCE: LA COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM, 2003

TECHNICAL COLLEGES

College	Parish
<u>Ascension Campus</u>	Ascension
River Parishes Campus	St. John the Baptist
Lafourche Campus	Lafourche

PRIMARY/SECONDARY EDUCATION

	2003 Enrollment
12 Public Schools	6,338
7 Nonpublic	2,886
Teacher: student ratio	14:1

ACT Score (2005) 17.8

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

High School Graduate or Higher	76.9%
Bachelor's Degree of Higher	12.9%

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

Parish-wide 8.75%

SOURCE: ST. JOHN 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: ST. JOHN 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
Willow Bend	Edward	2,200
Formosa Plastics/Whitney Plantation	Wallace	1,240
Goldmine Plantation	Edward	915
Alliance Tract	Reserve	750
Airline Industrial Park	Reserve	400
Angelina Plantation	Garyville	391

CLIMATE

Average Temperature	
January	60°
July	91°
Annually	68°
Average Annual Rainfall	62 inches

COST OF LIVING

97.5
 SOURCE: ACCRA, 2000

MEDICAL SERVICES (within region)

Medical Facility	No. of Beds
East Jefferson General Hospital*	454
West Jefferson Medical Center*	451
Ochsner Foundation Hospital*	475
Kenner Regional Medical Center*	203
Meadowcrest Hospital	207
River Parishes Hospital	106

SOURCE: LA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HOSPITALS, 2005

RECREATION

Biking	Boating	Bowling
Camping	Fishing	Golf
Hunting	Skating	Swimming
Tennis		

Festivals The Andouille Festival, Timbermill Festival

UTILITIES & SERVICES

Electricity – Entergy

Natural Gas – Atmos Energy LA, St. John Parish Utilities

Water – St. John Parish Utilities

Sewerage – St. John Parish Utilities

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