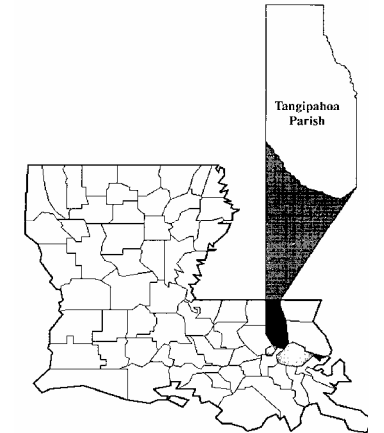


Tangipahoa



MAJOR EMPLOYERS

- Employer
- Tangipahoa Parish School Board
- North Oaks Medical Center
- Southeastern Louisiana University
- Winn Dixie
- Hammond Developmental Center
- Walmart Stores Inc.
- Processing Division
- Amsouth Bank Inc.
- Lallie Kemp Hospital
- Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff Dept.

Product/Service

Employees

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CONTACTS

Entergy Louisiana Economic Development 5353 Essen Lane, Ste. 120 Baton Rouge, LA 70809 (800)542-2668 Fax (225)763-5254 www.entergy.com/laed	Tangipahoa Economic Development Foundation (TEDF) 1514 Martens Dr. Hammond, LA 70401 (985)549-3170 -Fax www.tedf.org	South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission 163 W. Hickory St. Ponchatoula, LA 70454 (985)386-9309 (985)386-9389 Fax
Hammond Chamber of Commerce P.O. Drawer 1458 Hammond, LA 70404 (985)345-4457	Louisiana Economic Development P.O. Box 94185 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9185 (225)342-5388 Fax (225)342-5349	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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POPULATION

PARISH

Tangipahoa Parish

2004 Estimate	102,358
2000 Census	100,588
1990 Census	85,709

AGE

0-17	27.7%
18-24	12.7%
25-44	27.7%
45-64	21.2%
65+	10.6%

REGION

2004 Estimate	1,484,878
2000 Census	1,482,249
1990 Census	1,414,156

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

MARKET ACCESS

HIGHWAYS

Interstate 10, 12, 55, 59
U.S. Highway 51, 190
Zachary Taylor Parkway

FREIGHT RAIL

Canadian National/Illinois Central

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS/PORTS

(Distance in Miles)

Port of New Orleans (45 ft.)*	57
South Tangipahoa Parish Port (9 ft.)	0
Port of Greater Baton Rouge (45 ft.)*	50

(* Foreign Trade Zone)

AIRPORTS

New Orleans International - 10,080 ft. runway	48
Hammond Municipal (local) 6,500 ft. runway	0
Baton Rouge Metro Airport- 7,000 ft. runway	50

MOTOR FREIGHT

15 major freight lines
Terminal facilities are available

DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES

(in miles, from center of parish)

Atlanta, GA	500
Birmingham, AL	391
Chicago, IL	840
Cincinnati, OH	690
Dallas, TX	479
Denver, CO	1,150
Houston	333
Kansas City, MO	740
Memphis, TN	335
Minneapolis, MN	1,180
Nashville, TN	550
New Orleans, LA	57
St. Louis, MO	625

SOURCE: WWW.MAPQUEST.COM

PARCEL SERVICE

Services are available within the parish

LABOR FORCE

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Parish	52,399
Louisiana	1,960,206

EMPLOYMENT

Parish	42,998
Louisiana	1,745,538

UNEMPLOYMENT

Parish	17.9%
Louisiana	11.0%

SOURCE: LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF LABOR,
OCTOBER 2005

WAGES

SELECTED OCCUPATIONAL WAGES

Category Median Hourly

Professional

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

Retail

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	\$2,181M	\$2,258M
Per Capita Personal	\$21,292	\$21,789
Median Household (2000):	\$29,412	

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	0.5%	0.1%	0.5%
Mining	0.3%	1.3%	2.2%
Utilities	0.6%	0.8%	0.8%
Construction	4.2%	5.2%	8.2%
Manufacturing	8.5%	7.1%	4.0%
Wholesale Trade	4.6%	4.2%	12.0%
Retail Trade	15.5%	11.7%	4.2%

Division	Parish	Region	Louisiana
Trans/Wrhouse Information	4.6%	4.8%	1.8%
Fin & Insurance	1.7%	1.9%	3.3%
Real Estate	2.2%	3.5%	1.9%
Healthcare/Soc	1.0%	1.9%	0.5%
Prof./Technical	2.0%	4.8%	4.2%
Mng. Of co.	0.5%	1.4%	1.2%
Admin & Waste	3.0%	6.0%	5.0%
Education Serv	13.3%	9.8%	9.9%
Arts/Ent/Recr	20.3%	13.6%	14.3%
Accomd/Food	0.6%	2.4%	2.4%
Other Services	9.3%	11.6%	9.1%
Public Admin.	3.4%	2.8%	2.7%
	3.9%	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	16,0017,3
		230
Tulane University	New Orleans	12,294
Loyola University	New Orleans	5,509
Southern University	New Orleans	3,386
Xavier University	New Orleans	3,912
Dillard University	New Orleans	2,137
Southeast Louisiana	Hammond	15,195
Louisiana State Univ.	Baton Rouge	31,582
Southern University	Baton Rouge	8,957

SOURCE: LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, 2002

BOLDFACE: 2000 ENROLLMENT

TWO-YEAR COLLEGE (within 100 miles)

Delgado Community College	New Orleans	16,501
River Parishes Comm.	Sorrento	687

SOURCE: LA COMMUNITY & TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM, 2003

TECHNICAL COLLEGES

College	Parish
Hammond Area Campus	Tangipahoa
Slidell Campus	St. Tammany
Sullivan Campus	Washington
Florida Parishes Campus	St. Helena

PRIMARY/SECONDARY EDUCATION

	2003 Enrollment
37 Public Schools	18,465
9 Nonpublic	2,279
Teacher: student ratio	17:1

ACT Score (2005) 19.1

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

High School Graduate or Higher	71.5%
Bachelor's Degree of Higher	16.3%

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

RESEARCH BASE

Hammond Southeastern Louisiana Business Development Center

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

Amite	9.5%	Ponchatoula	9%
Hammond	9%	Roseland	9%
Independence	9.5%	Tangipahoa	9%
Kentwood	9%	Tickfaw, Village	9%

SOURCE: TANGIPAHOA 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 Parishwide (range)
	47.23 – 110.23

SOURCE: TANGIPAHOA 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
Contact the Tangipahoa Economic Development Foundation for information about available buildings and sites.

GOVERNMENT

Parish Council & Parish President
Municipalities Mayor/Council, Mayor Alderman, and Police Jury

CLIMATE

Average Temperature	
January	59°
July	92°
Annually	67°
Average Annual Rainfall	65 inches

COST OF LIVING

SOURCE: ACCRA, 2000

MEDICAL SERVICES (within region)

Medical Facility	No. of Beds
North Oaks Medical Center	355
Lallie Kemp Regional Medical Center	90
North Oaks Rehabilitation Hospital	27
Hood Memorial Hospital	25

SOURCE: LA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HOSPITALS, 2005

RECREATION

Biking	Boating	Bowling
Camping	Fishing	Golf
Hunting	Skating	Swimming
Tennis		

Festivals Strawberry Festival, Oyster Festival, Italian Festival, Black Heritage Festival, Dairy Festival, Tangipahoa Parish Festival, FanFare Festival

UTILITIES & SERVICES

Electricity – Entergy, DEMCO

Natural Gas – Atmos Energy LA, Mississippi Gas Corp.

Water – Public system or private company

Sewerage – Public system or septic tanks

Fiber Optic - Several companies provide infrastructure along Interstate-55

