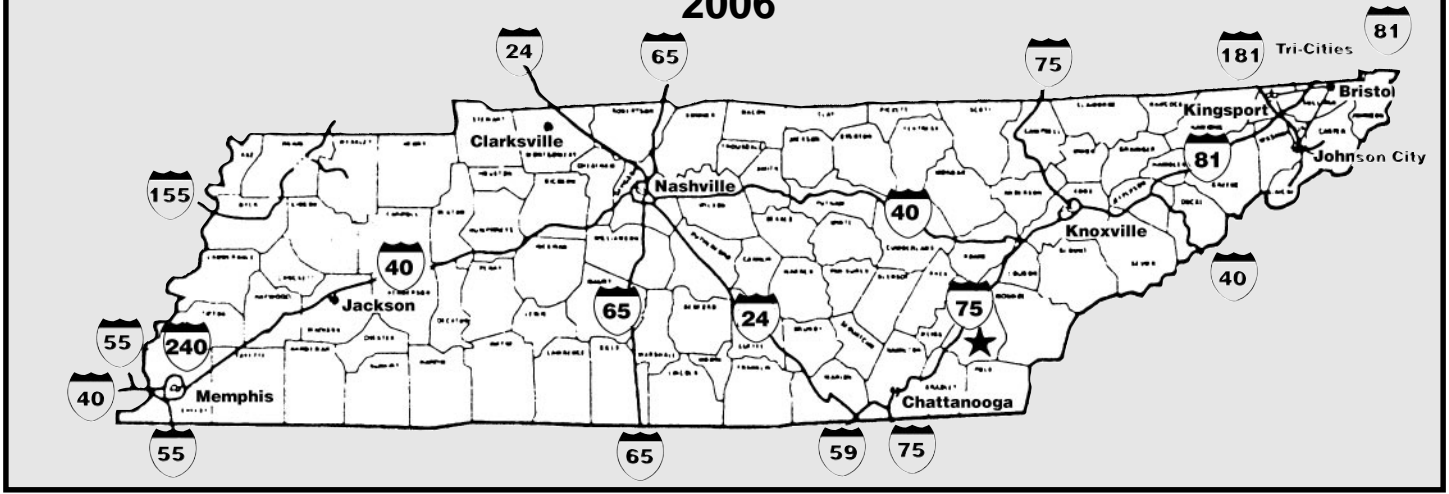


# TENNESSEE COMMUNITY DATA

## ATHENS 2006



### LOCATION

**County:** McMinn **Sq. Miles:** 435  
**Distance From:** (City) Knoxville **Miles:** 55  
 Chattanooga **Miles:** 55

### POPULATION

	City	County
1980 .....	12,080	41,878
1990 .....	12,054	42,383
2000 .....	13,334	49,015
2005 Estimate .....	14,100	50,508
% Nonwhite (2000 Census)	13.7%	7.3%

### TAX STRUCTURE

#### Local

	City	County
Property Tax		
Rate Per \$100 Value ....	\$1.29	\$1.90
Ratio of Assessment		
Residential .....	25%	25%
Industrial .....	40%	40%
Personal (Equipment)	30%	30%
(Inventory) Raw Materials Only @ 30%		
Bonded Debt .....	\$ 7,720,000	\$ 345,000
Assessed Valuation .....	\$231,297,965	\$666,918,400
School Tax .....	None	None
Sales Tax .....	None	2%
Hotel Motel Tax .....	None	5%

#### State

Sales Tax .....	7%
Income Tax	
Personal .....	6% on Interest & Dividends only
Corporate (Excise) .....	6.5% of Net Earnings
Franchise Tax .....	25¢ per \$100 of Capital Properties
Unemployment Tax .....	New Employers - First \$7,000 of wages at following rates: Mining 10% Manufacturing 7.5% Construction 7.5% All Others 2.7%

### TRANSPORTATION

#### Railroads

Served by: Norfolk-Southern Railroad, CSX Transportation

#### Highways

0 - Miles to access of Interstate - Adjacent to I-75

**U.S. Highways:** 11

**State Highways:** 30, 39, 305, 307

#### Common Carriers

**Air Freight Companies:** 2

**Motor Freight Companies:** 14 **Terminal Facilities:** Yes

**Bus Services - Inter City:** Yes **Local:** No

**Carrier Service:** Yes

#### Navigable Waterway

**River:** Hiwassee

**Channel Depth:** 9'

**Nearest Port Facility:** Calhoun (Private)  
Chattanooga

**Miles:** 10  
**Miles:** 52

#### Air Service

**General Aviation/Distance:** McMinn County Airport, 5 miles

**Runway Length:** 5,500'x100'

**Surface:** Asphalt

**Lighting:** High Intensity, 36" Beacon

**Gas:** 100 LL/Jet A

**Octane Available:** 100

**Repair:** Major

**Taxi or Car Rental:** Both

**Nearest Commercial Service:** Knoxville Metro, 55 miles

**Airlines Serving:** American Eagle, Comair, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest, Northwest AirlinK, Skywest, United Express, US Airways Express

**Daily Flights:**  
126

**Arrivals:**  
63

**Departures:**  
63

Chattanooga Metro Airport with 38 daily flights - 50 miles.

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## COMMUNICATIONS

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**Post Office Class:** First

<b>Newspapers:</b>	<b>Frequency</b>	<b>Circulation</b>
Daily Post-Athenian	Daily M-T	10,756
	Fridays - Weekend Edition	11,957

**Radio Stations:** 6

<b>Television Stations:</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Networks</b>
6 Channels	Knoxville & Chattanooga	ABC, CBS, NBC, PBS, FOX

**Cable Television:** Comcast

**Number of Channels:** 44

**Telephone Company:** BellSouth

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## INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

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<b>Service</b>	<b>Town</b>	<b>Distance</b>
Tool & Die .....	Local	
Heat Treating .....	Cleveland	25 Miles
Foundry .....	Local	
Heavy Hardware .....	Local	
Sheet Metal .....	Local	
Lubricants .....	Local	
Welding Supplies .....	Local	
Other:		

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## FINANCE

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**Banks:** 10

**Combined Assets:** \$1,703,142,000

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## GOVERNMENT

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**Government (type):** City: Council-City Manager  
County: Commission - County Executive

	<b>City</b>	<b>County</b>
<b>Police Officers:</b>	15	60
<b>Police Cars:</b>	14	37
<b>Planning Commission:</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>Zoning Regulations:</b>	Yes	No
<b>Industrial Development Corp.:</b>	Yes	Yes
<b>Fire Defense Equipment:</b>	12 Vehicles	-
<b>Firefighters:</b>	20	-
<b>Volunteers:</b>	25	-
<b>Insurance Rating:</b>	3	-

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## NATURAL RESOURCES

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**Minerals:** Limestone

**Timber:** Oak, Pine, Poplar & Hickory

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## AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS

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Tobacco, Feed Grains, Hay, Dairy and Beef Cattle

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## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

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### Education

**State Industrial Training Service Available:** Yes  
**Type of Public School System:** City/County

### Day Care

Child Care Centers	21
Day Care Homes	27

	<b>Schools</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>
Elementary .....	4	1,530
Middle/Jr. High .....	1	541
Senior High .....	1	1,429
Private &/or		
Parochial .....	4	144
Technology Centers .....	1	160
Colleges (2 & 4 Year) .....	1	800

Libraries: 3, Volumes: 120,000

### Health Care

<b>Hospitals:</b> Athens Regional Medical Center	<b>Beds:</b> 118
<b>Clinics:</b> 4	<b>Beds:</b> 0
<b>Doctors:</b> 50	
<b>Dentists:</b> 27	
<b>Nursing Homes:</b> 7	<b>Beds:</b> 450

### Churches

**Protestant:** 26  
**Catholic:** 1  
**Jewish:** 0  
**Other:** 0

### Recreation

Parks .....	13	
Golf Courses .....	4	(public and private)
Swimming Pools .....	3	(public and private)
Country Clubs .....	2	
Theaters .....	3	
Bowling Alleys .....	1	
Hotels & Motels .....	12	Total Rooms: 605
Largest Meeting		
Room Capacity .....	838	
Restaurants .....	55	
Other: TVA Lakes & YMCA Center		

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## CLIMATE

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**Annual Average Temperature:** 60°

**Monthly Average High Temp.:** Jan. 43° July 89°

**Monthly Average Low Temp.:** Jan. 26° July 68°

**Annual Average Precipitation:** 54"

**Annual Average Snowfall:** 5"

**Elevation:** 900' Above Sea Level

**Prevailing Winds:** Southwest

**Mean Length of Freeze Free Period (Days):** 196

**SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS  
FOR MCMINN COUNTY**

**Estimated County Available Labor**

**Date:** December 2005  
**Total:** 1,955      **Male:** 960      **Female:** 995  
**Estimated Total In Surrounding Area:** 10,620  
**High School Graduates 2005:** 471  
**% College Bound:** 59%

**Labor Force Estimates**

	<b>11/2005</b>
Civilian Labor Force .....	23,970
Unemployment .....	1,430
% of Labor Force .....	5.9%
Total Employment .....	22,540

**Per Capita Income**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2004	\$21,512

**Average Household Income**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2004	\$46,514

**Retail Sales**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Amount</b>
2004	\$530,473,996

**County 10-Year Growth Report**

<b>Years:</b> 1995-2004	<b>New Plants</b>	<b>Expansions</b>
<b>Number Projects:</b>	20	91
<b>Total Investments:</b>	\$203,373,914	\$425,763,064

**UTILITIES**

**Treated Water Supplier**

**Source:** Athens Utilities Board  
**Capacity:** 4.1 MGD  
**Current Consumption:** 3.2 MGD  
**Storage Capacity:** 4,000,000 Gallons

**Water Analysis**

Hardness .....	140.0	PPM
Alkalinity .....	123.0	PPM
Iron .....	0.00	PPM
Calcium .....	100.0	PPM
Turbidity .....	0.05	
PH .....	7.5	

**Sewage Treatment**

**Type of Treatment:** Activated Sludge  
**Capacity:** 4.6 MGD  
**Current Usage:** 3.6 MGD  
**% City Sewer Coverage:** 95  
**% Storm Sewer Coverage:** 25  
**Solid Waste Disposals:** Yes

**ENERGY**

**Electricity**

**Electric Power System:** Athens Utilities Board  
**Source Company:** TVA

**Gas**

**Gas Supplier:** Athens Utilities Board  
**Source Company:** East Tennessee Natural Gas Company  
**BTU Factor:** 1.042 (8/04)  
**Fuel Oil Suppliers:** 8  
**Suppliers of LP Gas:** 4

**AVAILABLE INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES**

**SITE 1**

**Site Name:** Interstate Industrial Park  
**Controlled:** Yes  
**Acreage:** 350 - 145 Remaining  
**Distance to Town:** 3 Miles  
**Direction from Town:** Northwest  
**Nearest Highway:** TN 30      **Distance:** 1/4 mile  
**Nearest Interstate:** I-75      **Distance:** 1/2 mile  
**Rail Line:** No  
**Electric Lines:** Yes      **Voltage:** 161K  
**Gas:** Yes      **4 In. Line**  
**Water:** Yes      **12 In. Line**  
**Sewer:** Yes      **10 In. Line**  
**Core Drilling:** Limited  
**Topo Prepared:** Yes  
**Cost per Acre:** \$20,000  
**Cost Including Utilities:** Yes

**SITE 2**

**Site Name:** Mt. Verd Interchange Industrial Park  
**Controlled:** Yes  
**Acreage:** 220  
**Distance to Town:** 3 Miles  
**Direction from Town:** Northwest  
**Nearest Highway:** TN 305      **Distance:** Adjacent  
**Nearest Interstate:** I-75      **Distance:** 1/4 mile  
**Rail Line:** No  
**Electric Lines:** Yes      **Voltage:** 161K  
**Gas:** Yes      **2 In. Line**  
**Water:** Yes      **8 In. Line**  
**Sewer:** No - 6,000 ft.  
**Core Drilling:** No  
**Topo Prepared:** Yes  
**Cost per Acre:** \$15,000  
**Cost Including Utilities:** Yes

## MCMINN COUNTY MANUFACTURERS AND DISTRIBUTION CENTERS

Firm Name .....	Product	Total Employees	Union Affiliation
DENSO Manufacturing Athens .....	Spark Plugs, Exhaust Sensors, Fuel Injectors	1,100	None
Bowater Newsprint .....	Newsprint	910	IBEW, USW, IGUA
Johnson Controls .....	Metal Seat Frames for Auto Industry	735	None
Collins & Aikman .....	Interior Automotive Accessories	585	USW
Waupaca Foundry .....	Grey Iron Castings	570	None
Mayfield Dairy Farms .....	Milk, Ice Cream	550	None
Thomas & Betts .....	Switch Boxes, Outlets, Fittings	412	IBEW
Heil Trailer International .....	Aluminum Tanker Truck Trailers	350	None
Johns Manville .....	Mat Fiber & Reinforcements	260	None
Plastic Industries .....	Injection Molded Furniture	245	None
Dynasty Spas .....	Hot Tubs	240	None
Crescent Hosiery Mills .....	Hosiery	200	None
Mills Products .....	Appliance Trim Parts	190	None
Texas Hydraulics .....	Hydraulic Cylinders	185	None
PFC, Inc. ....	Furniture	150	None
J.M. Huber Corporation .....	Silica	130	None
United Grocery .....	Distribution Center	85	None
Seal-Tech-Division of PI .....	Plastics	80	None
Taylor Pittsburgh .....	Farm Implements	70	None
Southern Hydraulic Cylinders .....	Hydraulic Cylinders	65	None
Neuville Industries .....	Hosiery Distribution Center	60	None
Trueform Manufacturing .....	Injection Molded Plastics	57	None
The Daily Post-Athenian .....	Newspaper & Printing	55	None
Allied Hosiery Mill .....	Hosiery	46	None
Selective Structures .....	Metal Outdoor Signs	45	None
Consolidated Metco .....	Machined Brake Drums & Rotors	42	None
Tennessee Log Homes .....	Log Cabin Logs	40	None
E & E Manufacturing .....	Metal Stampings & Fasteners	40	None
Creative Foam Corp. ....	Die Cut Foam & Seals	32	None
CONTECH/Tellico Culvert .....	Metal Culverts	30	None
Added Value Services .....	Garment Alterations	30	None
Athens Plow .....	Farm Implements	25	None
Athens Woodcrafters .....	Cedar Chests	19	None
Dycho Company .....	Chemicals	18	None
Advanced Mechanical Services .....	Pipe Fabricator	16	None
Parrott's Sheet Metal .....	Custom Fabrication	16	None
Industrial WoodKraft .....	Wood Pallets	15	None
InspeCTech .....	Industrial X-rays	12	None
American Bedding .....	Mattresses	12	None
FS Matting .....	Floor Mats	12	None
Bain & Holden Tire .....	Retread Tires	10	None
Rogers Dental Lab .....	Dental Crowns & Appliances	10	None
McKeehan Chair Company .....	Furniture Assembly & Warehouse	5	None
Morgan Tool & Die .....	Tools & Die	5	None
KE of Tennessee .....	Farm Chemicals	5	None
Applied Rf Technologies .....	Plastic Containers	5	None

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