



SPARTA

White County

QUICK FACTS

County Seat: Sparta
 Area in Square Miles (County): 377
 Elevation: 925'
 Market Region: Cookeville
 Time Zone: Central
 City Website: www.spartatn.com
 County Website: www.whitecountyttn.gov
 Additional Incorporated Cities within the County: *Doyle*.
 Unincorporated Cities: *Quebeck, Walling*.

Year Incorporated: 1841
 Latitude: N35° 55.56'
 Longitude: W85° 27.85
 Distance From Nashville: 80 miles

TAX STRUCTURE

LOCAL

	City	County
<i>Property Taxes: (2016)</i>		
Rate per \$100 value	\$ 1.05	\$ 2.05
<i>Ratio of Assessment:</i>		
Residential and Farm	25 %	25 %
Commercial/Industrial	40 %	40 %
Personal (Equipment)	30 %	30 %

Bonded Debt (2016)	\$ 4,150,756	\$ 5,605,000
Total Local Assessment (2015)	\$ 114,581,617	\$ 409,638,663
Hotel-Motel Tax	0 %	5 %

Source: Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Property Assessments

POPULATION

	City	County
2000 (Census)	5,030	26,066
2010 (Census)	4,925	25,841
Estimated July 1, 2015	5,096	26,521
¹ Population Projection 2020	5,436	28,541
Percent Population Change 2000 – 2010	-2.1 %	3.5 %

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

¹Source: University of TN Center for Business & Economic Research

CLIMATE

Annual Average Temperature: 58.3° F
 Average High Temperature: 71.1° F
 Average Low Temperature: 45.6° F
 Annual Average Precipitation: 54.16"
 Annual Average Snowfall: 5.5"
 Prevailing Winds: Southerly
 Mean Length of Freeze-Free Period (days): 190

STATE

Sales Tax 5% tax on food and food ingredients; 7% on all other tangible personal property unless specifically exempted.

Local Sales Tax Rate 2.25 %

Local & State Sales Tax Collected (FY2016): \$ 19,998,090

Income Tax

- **Personal:** 6 % on Interest & Dividends
- **Corporate Excise Tax:** 6.5% of Tennessee taxable income
- **Franchise Tax:** .25% of the greater of net worth or real and tangible property in Tennessee. The minimum tax is \$100.
- **Unemployment Tax:** New Employers 2.7% of first \$9,000

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

EDUCATION

District Name: White County
District Grades Served: PreK-12
Number of Teachers: 254
Total Number of Students: 4,045

Number of Schools: 9
Number of Administrators: 18

Grades:
PreK-5: 1,511
K-5: 412
6-8: 931
9-12: 1,191

Number of High School Graduates (2015-16): 269
Graduation Rate: 93.4 %

Source: Tennessee Department of Education (October 2016)

<u>Regional Higher Education Institutions</u>	<u>City</u>
Motlow State Community College	Sparta
Tennessee Technological University	Cookeville
TN College of Applied Technology	McMinnville
TN College of Applied Technology	Crossville

Source: www.tnecd.com/county-profiles/

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

GOVERNMENT

Governing Body:

City: Mayor and Aldermen
Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursday
Place: City Hall
Time: 5:00 p.m.

County: Mayor and County Commissioners
Meets: 3rd Monday
Place: White County Courthouse
Time: 6:00 p.m.

Fire Department:

full-time fire fighters in city: 6	city volunteers: 10
full-time fire fighters in county: 0	county volunteers: 75
fire stations in city: 3	city fire trucks: 5
fire stations in county: 10	county fire trucks: 30

Law Enforcement:

full-time police officers in city: 15	
full-time police officers in county & sheriff: 32	
city patrol cars: 15	county patrol cars: 35

	<u>City:</u>	<u>County:</u>
Insurance Rating:	4	6-9
Zoning Regulations:	Yes	No
Planning Commission:	Yes	Yes
Industrial Development Corp:	Yes	Yes

TRANSPORTATION

AIR SERVICE:

Nearest General Aviation:

Upper Cumberland Regional Airport
Location Identifier: SRB
Distance from City: 11 miles
Runway Length: 6,700 feet
Surface: Asphalt
Lighting: MIRL/PAPI
Fuel: 100LL/Jet A
Repair: Major
Transportation: Taxi, Rental and Courtesy Car

Nearest Commercial Service:

Nashville International Airport
Location Identifier: BNA
Distance from Sparta: 88 miles
Served by 10 major air carriers, 3 cargo carriers, and 2 fixed-base operators; serving 70 markets, 50 non-stops, 390 daily flights (2015).

HIGHWAYS:

U.S Highways: US 70
State Highways: 1, 111, 289, 135, 136, 84
Nearest Interstate: 14 miles to I-40; 50 miles to I-24

COMMON CARRIERS:

Air Freight Companies: 1
Motor Freight Companies: 4
Terminal Facilities: 1 Bus Services – Inter-City: No
Local: No Carrier Service: Yes

RAILROADS SERVED BY:

Caney Fork and Western Railroad
Piggy Back Ramp: Nashville

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS:

River: Cumberland
Nearest Port Facility: Gainesboro
Channel Depth: 9 feet
Miles: 29

COMMUNICATIONS

<u>Newspapers:</u>	<u>Frequency:</u>
Sparta Expositor	Bi-Weekly
The Tennessean	Daily
Center Hill Sun	Quarterly
Sparta Magazine	Monthly
Cumberland Business Journal	Quarterly

Telephone Companies: Frontier/Citizen Communications
Ben Lomand Connects

E911 Communications Center
Radio Stations: WRKK-FM & AM; WSMT-AM; WTZX-AM
Television Networks: WCTE Cookeville

Cable Service Available: Yes
Channels: Charter Spectrum and Ben Lomand Connects, Dish Network, Direct TV

Internet Service Available: Yes
Provider: Ben Lomand Connects, Frontier Communications, and Charter Spectrum

Fiber Optics Available: Yes
Provider: Ben Lomand Connects

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Health Care:

Doctors: 20 Dentists: 7

Hospitals: 1	Beds: 60
Clinics: 3	Beds: 0
Nursing Homes: 2	Beds: 277
Assisted Living: 1	Beds: 60
Residential Care: 4 (Retire @ Home Sr. Care; Careall; Suncrest; NHC Homecare)	

Religious Organizations:

Protestant: 92	Catholic: 1	Other:
Jehovah's Witness: 1	Seventh Day Adventist: 1	
Latter Day Saints: 1		

Day Care Centers: 9 Day Care Homes: 23

Recreation:

Libraries: 1	Parks: 6
Golf Courses (Public & Private): 2	
Swimming Pools (Public & Private): 1	
Country Clubs: 1	Theaters: 1
Bowling Alleys: 0	Museums: 4

Hotels & Motels: 4 Rooms: 84

Bed & Breakfasts: 3

Largest Meeting Room Capacity: 1,000

Restaurants: 31

Other: Amphitheater seats 500, 2 State Parks, 1 State Natural Area and 1 Wildlife Management area; 1 drive-in movie theater.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

(countywide)

Commercial Banks: 5

Savings Institutions: 0

Credit Unions: 0

Total # of Institutions: 5

Total # of Branches: 8

Combined Deposits: \$ 368,104,000 (Deposits for June 30, 2016)

Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Service	Town	Distance (Miles)
Tool & Die	Local	
Heat Treating	Local	
Foundry	Local	
Heavy Hardware	Nashville	80
Sheet Metal	Local	
Lubricants	Local	
Welding Supplies	Local	
Abrasives		
Other:		

SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

2015 Annual Averages

	County	Labor Market Area*
<u>Labor Force:</u>		
Civilian Labor Force	11,350	98,234
Employment	10,641	91,871
Unemployment	709	6,363
Unemployment Rate	6.2 %	6.9 %

* Labor Market Area is defined as Bledsoe, Cumberland, DeKalb, Putnam, Van Buren, Warren and White Counties in Tennessee.

Manufacturing in Area (Annual Averages 2015):

Number of Units:	39
Ann. Avg. Employment:	1,737

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development

County 10-Year Growth Report

Years: 2007-2016	New Plants	Expansions
Number Projects:	3	47
Job Opportunities:	135	1,040
Total Investments:	\$ 6,535,000	\$ 36,796,341

Source: Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

Per Capita Personal Income

Year: 2015 Amount: \$ 30,967

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Average Home Sales

Year: 2015 Number of homes sold: 287
Average Cost: \$ 120,026

Source: Tennessee Housing Development Agency

Retail Sales

Year: 2015 Amount: \$ 261,963,187

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

NATURAL RESOURCES

Minerals: Limestone & coal

Timber: Hardwoods & pine

AGRICULTURAL

Crops: Hay, soy, corn

Livestock: Chickens, cattle

UTILITIES

GAS

Local Distributor: **Middle TN Natural Gas Utility District**
 Phone: 931.836.2825
 Website: <http://www.mtng.com/>
 Source Company: East Tennessee Gas
 Fuel Oil Suppliers: 2
 Suppliers of LP Gas: 2

WATER

Water Supplier: **City of Sparta**
 Phone: 931.738.2281
 Website: <http://www.spartatn.com/>
 Source: Calfkiller River
 Capacity: 4,000,000 GPD
 Current Consumption: 2,700,000 GPD
 Storage Capacity: 3,550,000 Gallons

SEWER

Sewer Provider: **City of Sparta**
 Phone: 931.738.2281
 Website: <http://www.spartatn.com/>
 Type of Treatment: Secondary
 Capacity: 1,600,000 GPD
 Current Usage: 950,000 GPD
 City Sewer Coverage: 87 %
 Storm Sewer Coverage: 30 %
 Solid Waste Disposal Type: county landfill

ELECTRICITY

Source Company: Tennessee Valley Authority

Local Power Company City:

Sparta Electric System

General Manager: H.L. England

Address: Post Office Box 468
 Sparta, Tennessee 38583-0468
 Phone: 931.738.2281
 Fax: 931.738.3281
 Website: www.spartaelectricsystem.com

Local Power Company County:

Caney Fork Electric Cooperative

General Manager: William Rogers

District Office: Post Office Box 359
 498 W. Bockman Way
 Sparta, Tennessee 38583
 Phone: 931.836.3129
 Outages: 931.836.3945
 Fax: 931.836.3714
 Website: www.caneyforkec.com

MTIDA works closely with the Tennessee Valley Authority, which supplies electric power to Middle Tennessee through our 25 member local power companies.

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURERS/DISTRIBUTION (100+ employees)

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product or Service</u>	<u>Total Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>	<u>Phone Number</u>
THK Rhythm North America	Automotive parts	344	None	931-738-2250
Tri-State Distribution, Inc.	Prescription vials	316	None	931-738-2174
LTD Parts, Inc.	Re-mfg. starters, generators	263	None	931-761-2600
Moeller Marine Products	Rotational molding, tanks, seats	230	None	931-738-8090
Precision Molding Services	Injection molded plastics	190	None	931-738-8376
Jackson Kayak	Plastic injection molding	156	None	931-738-2628
BASF	Plastic pellets	121	None	931-738-2210
Federal Mogul Lighting	Mini Incandescent Lamps	108	None	931-738-2261

For information on industrial sites and available industrial buildings contact:

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 Sparta-White County Chamber of Commerce
 16 West Bockman Way
 Sparta, Tennessee 38583
 Phone: 931.836.3552 Fax: 931.836.2216
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