

Parish Profile—Natchitoches

POPULATION

PARISH

Natchitoches Parish

2008 Census Estimate	39,576
2000 Census	39,080
1990 Census	36,689

REGION

2008 Census Estimate	792,636
2000 Census	781,540
1990 Census	756,047

MARKET ACCESS

HIGHWAYS

Interstate Hwy	49
US Highway	71, 84
LA Highway	1, 6, 9, 117, 118, 119, 120, 153, 156, 478, 484, 493, 494, 3175

FREIGHT RAIL

Kansas City Southern (KCS)
Union Pacific (UP)

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS/PORTS

	MILES
Port of Shreveport/Bossier (9 Ft)	60
Port of Natchitoches (9 Ft)	5
Port of Red River Parish (9 Ft)	30
Caldwell Parish Port (shallow)	70
Madison Parish Port (shallow)	130
Lake Providence Port (9 Ft)	145
Port of Lake Charles (40 Ft)	100
Greater Ouachita Parish Port (9 Ft) West Monroe	80

AIRPORTS

ALEXANDRIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (AEX)

Located 4 miles west of Alexandria, Louisiana. Two runways, one 9,352 x 150 ft and one 7,001 x 150 ft. Twenty-eight single engine airplanes, 3 Multi engine airplanes, 8 jet airplanes and 1 helicopter based on the field. Owned by the England Authority and managed by Scott Gammel.

SHREVEPORT REGIONAL AIRPORT (SHV)

Located 4 miles southwest of Shreveport, Louisiana. Four runways two 8,351 x 200 ft. and two 6,202 x 150 ft. Twenty-two single engine airplanes, 19 multi engine airplanes, 10 jet airplanes, and 1 helicopter are based on the field. Owned by the City of Shreveport.

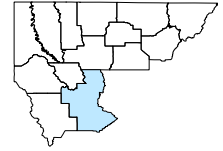
NATCHITOCHES REGIONAL AIRPORT (IER)

Located 2 miles south of Natchitoches, Louisiana. Two runways, one 5,003 x 150 ft. and one 4,000 x 100 ft. Thirty-three single engine airplanes, 2 multi engine airplanes, 2 helicopters are based on the field. Owned by the city.

DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES-(From Center of Parish)

	Miles
ATLANTA, GA	608
DALLAS, TX	256
HOUSTON, TX	263
JACKSON, MS	230
LITTLE ROCK, AR	289
MEMPHIS, TN	422
NEW ORLEANS, LA	278
SHREVEPORT, LA	77
ST. LOUIS, MO	689

Source: www.mapquest.com



TAXES

PROPERTY TAXES (Mills)

Parish Wide	111.89
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SALES TAXES

Parish	7.50%
Campti	9.50%
Clarence	8.50%
Natchitoches	9.00%

LABOR FORCE December 2008

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Parish	17,520
Region	365,467
Louisiana	2,045,826

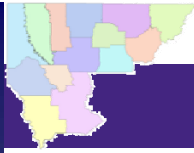
EMPLOYMENT

Parish	16,194
Region	341,281
Louisiana	1,932,664

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Parish	7.6%
Region	6.6%
Louisiana	5.5%

Source: Louisiana Department of Labor, Labor Market Information, Dec. 2008



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EMPLOYMENT

AVERAGE EMPLOYMENT BY MAJOR INDUSTRY DIVISION (4th Quarter 2008)

Division	Parish	Region	Louisiana
Agriculture	2.6%	0.7%	0.5%
Mining	*	2.0%	2.8%
Utilities	1.1%	0.9%	0.8%
Construction	5.2%	5.7%	7.7%
Manufacturing	13.0%	7.9%	8.0%
Wholesale trade	3.2%	3.8%	4.0%
Retail trade	11.3%	12.6%	12.0%
Trans/Warehouse	2.4%	2.9%	4.3%
Information	1.3%	2.0%	1.6%
Fin. & Insurance	3.0%	3.2%	3.1%
Real estate	1.3%	1.5%	1.8%
Prof/Tech Serv	2.3%	3.5%	4.5%
Mng. of Co.	0.6%	1.1%	1.3%
Admin & Waste	1.2%	4.4%	5.2%
Educational Serv	16.3%	9.7%	9.1%
Healthcare/Soc	14.2%	18.5%	14.6%
Arts/Ent/Recr	0.8%	3.1%	2.2%
Accomd/Food	12.6%	8.1%	8.5%
Other Services	1.4%	2.6%	2.6%
Public Admin	5.5%	4.6%	5.3%

*Data Non-publishable

EDUCATION

PRIMARY/SECONDARY EDUCATION

Enrollment (2007-08)

Public Schools	15
Enrollment	6,081
Private Schools	1
Enrollment	421

TWO-YEAR COLLEGES & TECHNICALS (Within Region)

Blue Cliff College-Shreveport	Shreveport	138
Bossier Parish Community College	Bossier City	4,778
Career Technical College-Monroe	Monroe	803
Career Technical College-Shreveport	Shreveport	247
Louisiana Delta Community College	Monroe	1,636
Louisiana Technical College-Bastrop Campus	Bastrop	259
Louisiana Technical College-Delta-Ouachita Campus	West Monroe	840
Louisiana Technical College-Mansfield Campus	Mansfield	274
Louisiana Technical College-Natchitoches Campus	Natchitoches	304
Louisiana Technical College-North Central Campus	Farmerville	128
Louisiana Technical College-Northwest Louisiana Campus	Minden	483
Louisiana Technical College-Ruston Campus	Ruston	166
Louisiana Technical College-Sabine Valley Campus	Many	147
Louisiana Technical College-Shreveport-Bossier Campus	Shreveport	1,224
Northwestern University Nursing Education Center	Shreveport	1,200
Remington College-Shreveport	Shreveport	250
Southern University at Shreveport	Shreveport	2,346
Unitech Training Academy-West Monroe Campus	West Monroe	108

FOUR-YEAR COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES (Within Region)

Centenary College of Louisiana	Shreveport	1,017
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University	Barksdale AFB	388
Grambling State University	Grambling	4,951
Louisiana State University HSC	Shreveport	802
Louisiana State University-Shreveport	Shreveport	3,809
Louisiana Tech University	Ruston	10,607
Northwestern State University of Louisiana	Natchitoches	8,542
Southern Illinois-Carbondale at Barksdale AFB	Barksdale AFB	25
University of Phoenix	Bossier City	
University of Louisiana Monroe	Monroe	8,754

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Northwestern State University	1,094
Natchitoches Parish School Board	832
Pilgrim's Pride - Natchitoches	750
Alliance Compressors	600
Martco Limited Partnership	619
Natchitoches Regional Medical Center	575
Wal-Mart Supercenter - Natchitoches	433
International Paper - Red River Mill	331
International Paper - Natchitoches	256
Parish of Natchitoches	206



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