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Cocke County, Tennessee Selected Statistical Information

I. Geography & Demographics

| | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank | Percent of State Total |
|--|-------------------|---------------|-------------|------------------------|
| Total Land Area (sq. mi.) | 41,217 | 434 | 49th | 1.1% |
| Farmland (2007) | | | | |
| Acres of Farmland (2007) | 10,969,798 | 64,163 | 67th | 0.6% |
| Acres of Farmland (1992) | 11,169,086 | 84,029 | 88th | 0.8% |
| Number of Farms (2007) | 79,280 | 705 | 48th | 0.9% |
| Average Size of Farms (Acres, 2007) | 138 | 91 | 78th | |
| Population | | | | |
| 2010 Census | 6,346,105 | 35,662 | 42nd | 0.6% |
| 2000 Census | 5,689,283 | 33,565 | 42nd | 0.6% |
| Population Change (2000 to 2010) | 656,822 | 2,097 | 43rd | 0.3% |
| Growth Rate (2000 to 2010) | 11.5% | 6.2% | 52nd | |
| Population Density (per sq. mi.) | | | | |
| 2010 Census | 154 | 82 | 42nd | 53.3% |
| 2000 Census | 138 | 77 | 42nd | 56.0% |

Comparison
to State
Figure

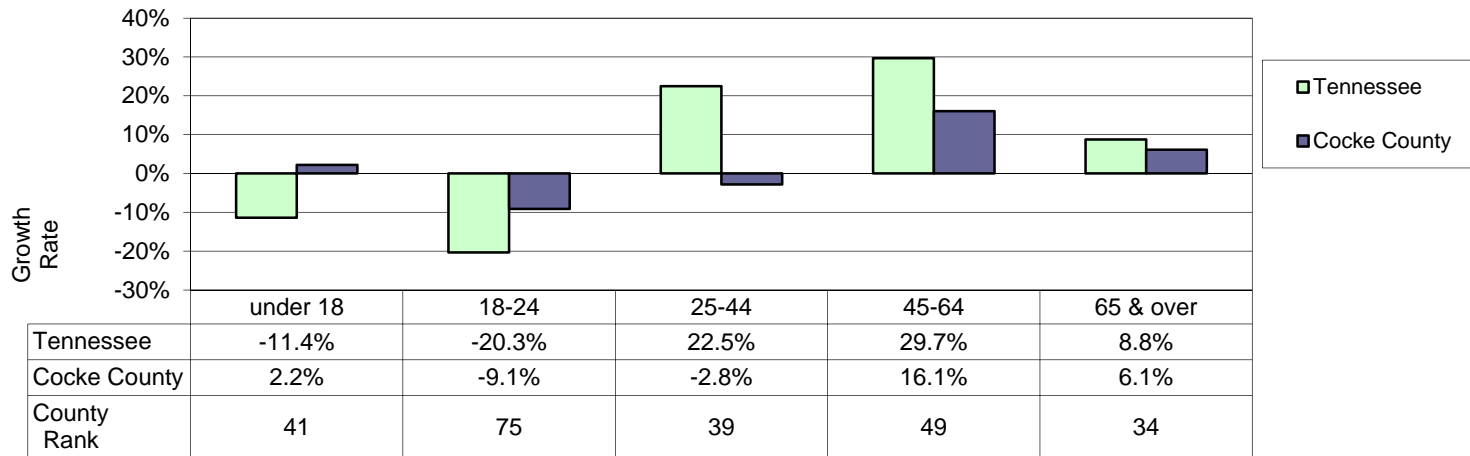
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| | | | | Percent of State Total | |
|--|----------------------|------------------|---------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|
| Urban Population | | | | | |
| 2000 Census | | 3,618,968 | 10,918 | 40th | 0.3% |
| 1990 Census | | 2,969,948 | 7,123 | 45th | 0.2% |
| Growth Rate (1990 to 2000) | | 21.9% | 53.3% | 18th | |
| | | | | Percentage Point Difference | |
| Percent of Population in Urban Areas | | | | | |
| 2000 Census | | 63.6% | 32.5% | 41st | -31.1% |
| 1990 Census | | 60.9% | 24.4% | 53rd | -36.5% |
| Median Age | | | | | |
| 2010 Census | | 38 | 43 | 17th | |
| 2000 Census | | 36 | 39 | 29th | |
| | | | | Percentage Point Difference | |
| Population Percentages by Age Bracket | | | | | |
| 2005-2009 (5-year average) | | | | | |
| | under 18 | 19.5% | 22.1% | 70th | 2.6% |
| | 18-24 | 6.9% | 6.3% | 65th | -0.6% |
| | 24-44 | 33.2% | 28.9% | 68th | -4.2% |
| | 45-64 | 27.0% | 29.1% | 15th | 2.1% |
| | 65 & over | 13.4% | 15.1% | 44th | 1.7% |
| 2000 Census | | | | | |
| | under 18 | 24.6% | 22.8% | 72nd | -1.8% |
| | 18-24 | 9.6% | 8.3% | 54th | -1.3% |
| | 25-44 | 30.2% | 28.8% | 44th | -1.4% |
| | 45-64 | 23.2% | 26.4% | 10th | 3.2% |
| | 65 & over | 12.4% | 13.6% | 53rd | 1.3% |

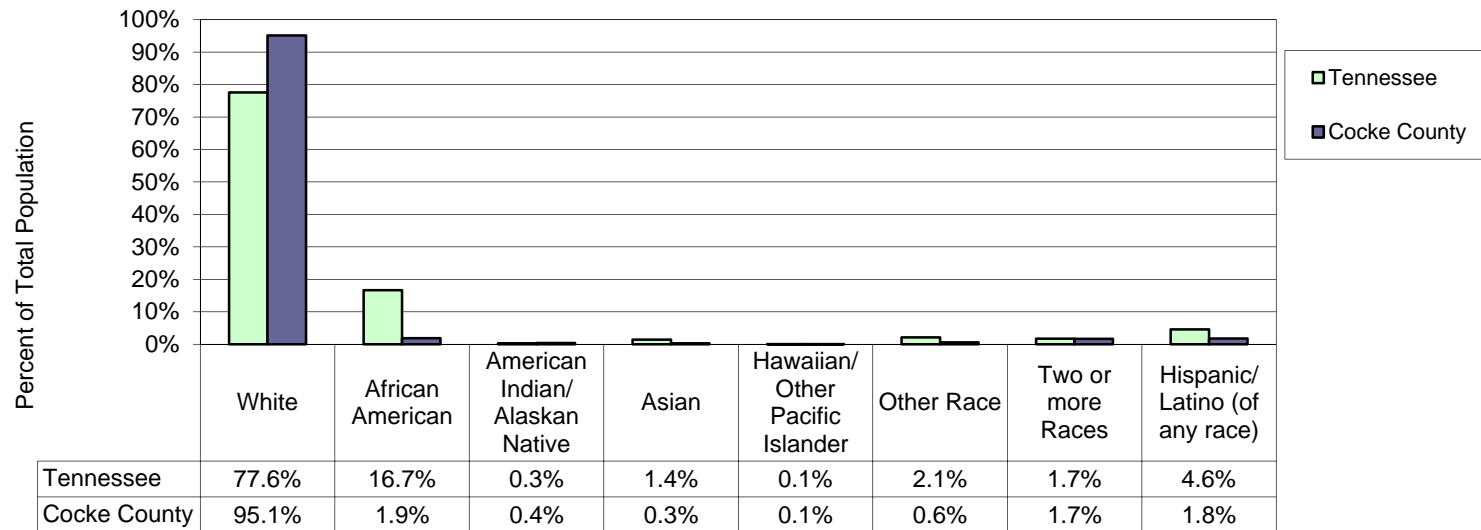
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Population Growth by Age Bracket, 2000 (Census) to 2005-2009 (5-year average)



**Note: Census 2010 data not available; 2005-2009 figures from the American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau.*

Population Percentages by Race/Ethnicity (2010 Census)



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| | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank* | Comparison to State Figure |
|--|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| Males per 100 Females (2010) | 95.1 | 94.3 | 69th | 99.2% |
| Marriages Recorded per 1,000 Population in 2009 | 9.1 | 8.3 | 21st | 91.2% |
| Divorces Recorded per 1,000 Population in 2009 | 4.2 | 4.6 | 56th | 109.5% |

**Note: A rank of 1 indicates the best condition.*

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II. Income and Poverty

| | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank* | Comparison to State Figure |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------------------|
| Per Capita Personal Income | | | | |
| 2009 | \$34,277 | \$23,602 | 83rd | 68.9% |
| 2000 | \$26,097 | \$17,955 | 79th | 68.8% |
| Compound Annual Growth Rate | 3.08% | 3.09% | 58th | |
| Median Household Income | | | | |
| 2009 | \$41,715 | \$28,906 | 89th | 69.3% |
| 2000 | \$35,760 | \$26,574 | 86th | 74.3% |
| Compound Annual Growth Rate | 1.73% | 0.94% | 75th | |
| | | | | Percentage Point Difference |
| 2009 Poverty Rate | | | | |
| All Ages | 17.2% | 23.2% | 84th | 6.00% |
| Related Children Under 18 Years | 21.8% | 33.3% | 89th | 11.50% |
| 2000 Census | | | | |
| All Ages | 13.5% | 22.5% | 88th | 9.04% |
| Related Children Under 18 Years | 17.6% | 31.8% | 92nd | 14.22% |
| 2009 Food Stamp Recipients (Monthly Average) | | | | |
| Percent of Households | 20.4% | 32.1% | 83rd | 11.72% |
| Percent of Individuals | 17.8% | 29.1% | 87th | 11.33% |
| 2009 Families First (Monthly Average) | | | | |
| Percent of Households | 2.4% | 2.2% | 64th | -0.26% |
| Percent of Individuals | 2.5% | 2.1% | 60th | -0.42% |

*Note: A rank of 1 indicates the best condition.

*Note: Census 2010 data not available; 2005-2009 figures from the American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau.

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III. Health & Healthcare

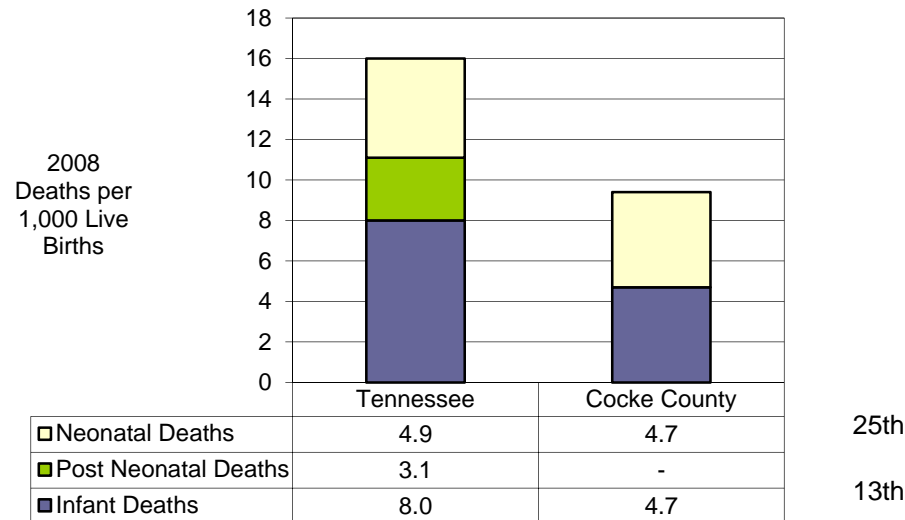
| | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank* | Comparison to State Figure |
|---|-----------|--------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| 2008 Pregnancy & Birth Rates | | | | |
| Live births per 1,000 Population | 13.9 | 12.0 | 24th | 86.3% |
| Percent of Live Births to Unmarried Parents | 44.0% | 49.7% | 68th | 113.0% |
| Percent Low Birth Weight | 9.2% | 8.4% | 24th | 91.3% |
| Pregnancies per 1,000 Females Aged 15-44 | 79.6 | 68.6 | 45th | 86.2% |
| Pregnancies per 1,000 Females Aged 10-17 | 13.6 | 16.4 | 60th | 120.6% |
| Pregnancies per 1,000 Females Aged 10-14 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 8th | 75.0% |

* Note: A rank of 1 indicates the best condition.

2008 Mortality Rates

| | | | | |
|--|-------|-------|------|--------|
| Number of Deaths per 1,000 Population | 9.5 | 11.2 | 30th | 117.9% |
| Number of Deaths per 100,000 Population by Cause of Death | | | | |
| Diseases of the Heart | 238.2 | 349.7 | 82nd | 146.8% |
| Cancer (Malignant Neoplasm) | 213.3 | 254.6 | 60th | 119.4% |

* Note: A rank of 1 indicates the best condition.



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| | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank | Comparison to State Figure |
|--|-----------|-----------------|----------------|--|
| Access to Healthcare | | | | |
| Medical Doctors per 1,000 (2007) | 1.8 | 0.5 | 66th | 26.5% |
| Hospital Beds per 1,000 Population (2008) | 4.2 | 2.1 | 51st | 50.0% |
| Nursing Home Beds per 1,000 Pop. 65 & older (2008) | 46.0 | 36.7 | 81st | 79.7% |
| | | | | Percentage Point Difference |
| 2008 Charity Care--Percent of All Hospital Care | 9.4% | 8.2% | 15th | -1.2% |

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IV. Employment

| Unemployment Rate | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank* | Percentage Point Difference |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| 2011 (June) | 10.2% | 13.6% | 78th | 3.4% |
| 2000 (annual) | 4.0% | 6.5% | 87th | 2.5% |
| 2010 Youth Unemployment Rate (annual) | 28.9% | 29.9% | 47th | 0.9% |

* Note: A rank of 1 indicates the best condition.

| 2009 Employment Percentages by Major Industry | Tennessee | County | County Rank | Percent of State Total |
|--|------------------|---------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Total Employment Top Industries | 2,558,287 | 7,365 | 49th | 0.3% |
| Local Government | 10.9% | 22.3% | 31st | 0.6% |
| Manufacturing | 11.7% | 20.0% | 49th | 0.5% |
| Retail Trade | 12.0% | 16.8% | 41st | 0.4% |
| Accommodation and Food Services | 9.1% | 10.1% | 38th | 0.3% |
| Wholesale Trade | 4.6% | 3.7% | 39th | 0.2% |
| Finance and Insurance | 4.1% | 2.3% | 54th | 0.2% |
| Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation | 1.1% | 2.2% | 19th | 0.5% |
| Administrative and Support and Waste Management and Remediation Se | 6.7% | 1.6% | 53rd | 0.1% |
| Other Services (except Public Administration) | 2.6% | 1.3% | 54th | 0.1% |
| Transportation and Warehousing | 4.8% | 1.2% | 33rd | 0.1% |
| Federal Government | 2.0% | 1.1% | 50th | 0.2% |
| Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services | 4.2% | 0.9% | 37th | 0.1% |
| State Government | 3.5% | 0.7% | 27th | 0.1% |
| Information | 1.7% | 0.6% | 50th | 0.1% |

* Note: Percentages for counties may not total to 100%.

This table shows the top industries in the county, not all industries.

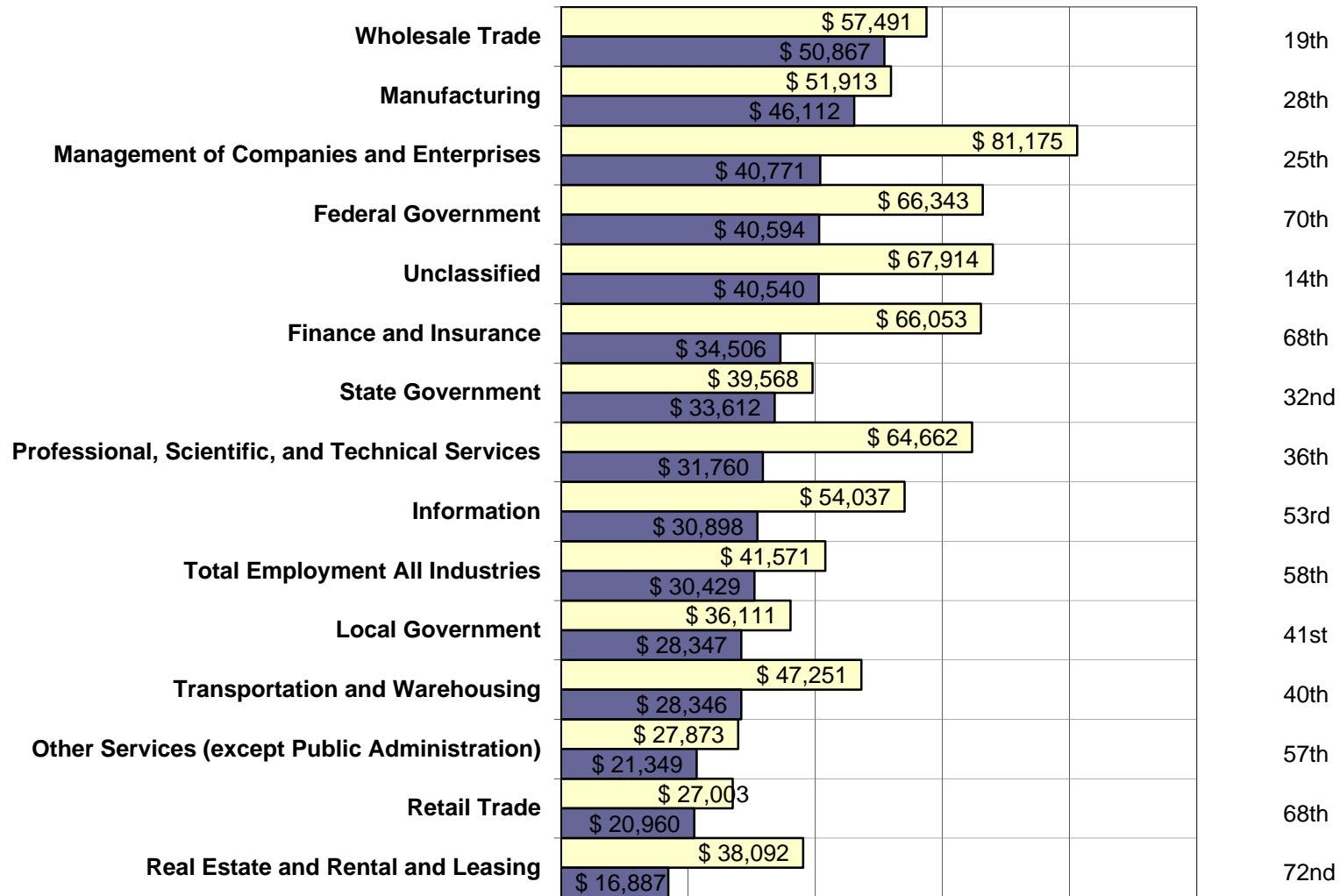
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2009 Average Annual Wage by Major Industry

County Rank

□ Tennessee
■ Cocke County



Average Annual Wage

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V. Value of Farmland and Agricultural Products Sold

| 2007 Estimates | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank | Comparison to State Figure |
|---|------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Market Value of Farmland & Buildings (Average Per Farm) | \$467,420 | \$343,441 | 87th | 73.5% |
| Market Value of Farmland & Buildings (Average Per Acre) | \$3,378 | \$3,774 | 31st | 111.7% |
| Total Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold | \$2,617,394,000 | \$22,237,000 | 46th | 0.8% |
| Per Capita Value of Agricultural Products Sold | \$424 | \$628 | 47th | 148.2% |

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VI. County Government Finance (municipalities' revenue data not available)

| Fiscal Year 2010 Revenue by Source (in thousands) | Tennessee | Percent of Tennessee Revenue | Cocke County | Percent of County Revenue |
|--|------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| Grand Total | \$ 8,660,673 | 100.0% | \$ 61,716 | 100.00% |
| Total State Revenue | \$ 2,637,323 | 30.5% | \$ 26,554 | 43.0% |
| Public Schools* | 2,236,881 | 25.8% | \$ 22,773 | 36.9% |
| All Other | 400,441 | 4.6% | 3,780 | 6.1% |
| Federal Revenue | \$ 614,129 | 7.1% | \$ 8,457 | 13.7% |
| Total Local Revenue | \$ 5,409,221 | 62.5% | \$ 26,706 | 43.3% |
| Property Tax | 2,563,733 | 29.6% | 12,761 | 20.7% |
| Local Sales Tax | 1,081,514 | 12.5% | 8,197 | 13.3% |
| Other Local | 1,763,975 | 20.4% | 5,748 | 9.3% |
| Tax Base | Tennessee | County | County Rank | Percent of State Total |
| 2010 Equalized Assessed Property Value (in thousands) | \$144,745,094 | \$616,469 | 43rd | 0.4% |
| <i>Tax Base Per Capita</i> | \$22,808 | \$17,286 | 59th | |
| 2010 County Property Tax Rate (per \$100) | | \$2.05 | 56th | |
| 2010 Total Taxable Sales (in thousands) | \$64,073,298 | \$252,153 | 34th | 0.4% |
| <i>Tax Base Per Capita</i> | \$10,096 | \$7,071 | 33rd | |
| 2011 County Sales Tax Rate | | 2.75% | 1st | |

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VII. Public Infrastructure Needs Inventory

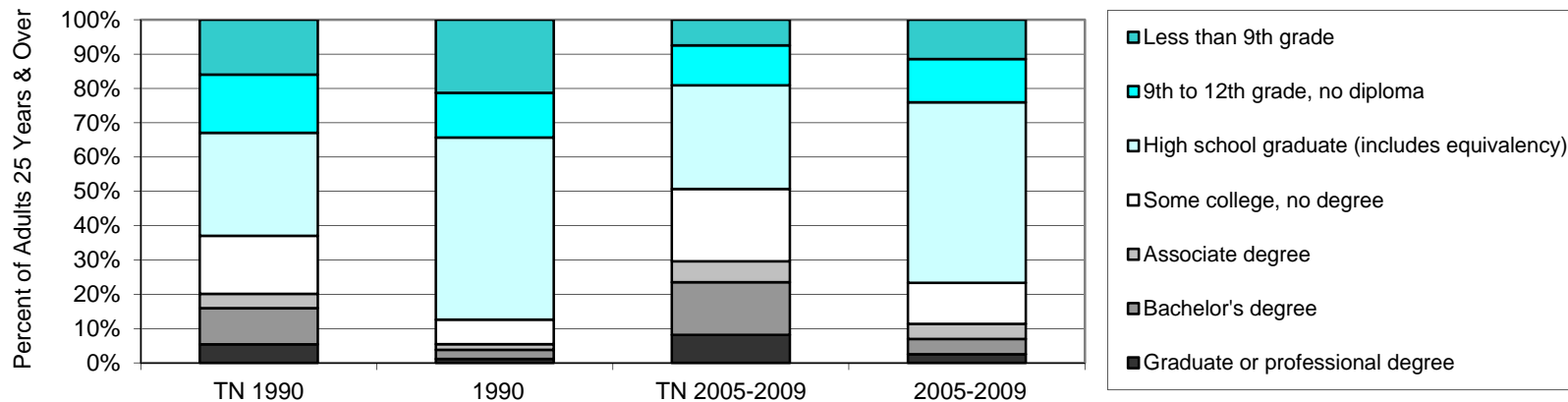
| Estimated Costs, 2009 - 2014 (in thousands) | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank | Percent of State Total |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Project Type | | | | |
| Transportation | \$ 18,890,537 | \$ 252,074 | 20th | 1.3% |
| Water & Wastewater | 4,004,578 | 20,004 | 48th | 0.5% |
| Other Utilities | 604,980 | 14,700 | 6th | 2.4% |
| Existing School Improvements | 1,905,950 | 8,395 | 37th | 0.4% |
| Law Enforcement | 1,880,412 | 3,750 | 48th | 0.2% |
| Recreation | 1,084,915 | 1,769 | 65th | 0.2% |
| Non K-12 Education | 4,096,971 | - | 50th | - |
| K-12 New School Construction | 1,548,048 | - | 46th | - |
| Business District Development | 954,871 | - | 28th | - |
| Public Buildings | 441,686 | - | 72nd | - |
| Public Health Facilities | 395,979 | - | 26th | - |
| Libraries, Museums, & Historic Sites | 390,159 | - | - | - |
| Community Development | 374,527 | - | - | - |
| Storm Water | 355,315 | - | - | - |
| Fire Protection | 218,982 | - | - | - |
| Industrial Sites & Parks | 194,809 | - | - | - |
| School System-wide Need | 112,243 | - | - | - |
| Solid Waste | 40,152 | - | - | - |
| Other Facilities | 31,137 | - | - | - |
| Telecommunications | 24,300 | - | - | - |
| Housing | 14,638 | - | - | - |
| Property Acquisition | - | - | - | - |
| Grand Total | \$ 37,565,189 | \$ 300,691 | 27th | 0.8% |

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VIII. Adult & Post-secondary Education

| Adult Educational Attainment | Tennessee | Cocke County | County Rank | Percentage Point Difference |
|---|-----------|--------------|-------------|-----------------------------|
| 2005-2009 American Community Survey | | | | |
| Percent w/ HS diploma (or equivalent) or better | 81.8% | 70.3% | 79th | -11.5% |
| Percent w/ Bachelors Degree or better | 22.4% | 8.6% | 83rd | -13.8% |
| 1990 Census | | | | |
| Percent w/ HS diploma (or equivalent) or better | 67.1% | 50.4% | 78th | -16.7% |
| Percent w/ Bachelors Degree or better | 16.0% | 5.5% | 81st | -10.5% |

**Note: Percentages do not add to 100% because categories are not mutually exclusive.*



**Note: 2010 educational attainment data not yet available.*

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| Number of Post-secondary Institutions (2010) | Tennessee | Cocke County |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|
| Four-year Colleges and Universities | 77 | 0 |
| Public | 14 | 0 |
| Private | 63 | 0 |
| Other Public Institutions | 94 | 0 |
| Community Colleges | 13 | 0 |
| Technology Centers | 27 | 0 |
| Two-Year Private Institutions | 20 | 0 |
| Off-campus Sites | 34 | 0 |
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| 2009-2010 Enrollment at Post-secondary Institutions | | |
| Four-year Colleges and Universities* | 242,600 | 0 |
| Public | 151,344 | 0 |
| Private | 91,256 | 0 |
| Other Public Institutions* | 129,651 | 0 |
| Community Colleges | 69,816 | 0 |
| Technology Centers | 12,237 | 0 |
| Two-Year Private Institutions | 13,088 | 0 |
| Off-campus Sites | 34,510 | 0 |

*Note: Census 2010 data not available; 2005-2009 figures from the American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau.

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IX. Public School Systems

(Total number of school systems is 136)

| | Statewide | Cocke County | Newport City |
|------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Number of Students | | | |
| 2009-2010 | 948,508 | 4,771 | 754 |
| <i>Percent of Statewide</i> | | 0.5% | 0.1% |
| 1999-2010 | 892,270 | 4,632 | 709 |
| <i>Percent of Statewide</i> | | 0.5% | 0.1% |
| Increase/(Decrease) | 56,238 | 139 | 45 |
| Percent Change | 6.3% | 3.0% | 6.3% |
| 2008-2009* | | | |
| Free or Reduced-price Meals | 57.8% | 80.9% | 55.7% |
| Federal Title 1 | 41.4% | 61.3% | 27.1% |
| Special Education | 14.5% | 16.6% | 14.3% |
| English Language Learners | 9.2% | 0.4% | 0.7% |

**Note: 2009-2010 data not yet available.*

| | Statewide | Cocke County | Newport City |
|---|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 2008-2009 Accreditation by Southern Association of Colleges and Schools* | | | |
| Elementary Schools | 73.2% | 50.0% | 100.0% |
| Secondary Schools | 90.1% | 100.0% | 100.0% |

**Note: 2009-2010 data not yet available.*

Students per Classroom Teacher*

| | | | |
|---------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| 2009-2010 | 15 | 14 | 12.1 |
| 1999-2000 | 16 | 16 | 15.4 |
| Increase/(Decrease) | (1) | (2) | (3) |

**Note: Classroom teachers include art, music and physical education teachers. Because these auxiliary teachers are included, ratios of students to classroom teachers do not represent and tend to be lower than actual class sizes.*

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Progress Through School

Promotion Rate

| | | | |
|------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 2008-2009 | 98.5% | 98.1% | 95.3% |
| 1998-1999 | 96.4% | 97.1% | 98.0% |

Dropout Rate

| | | | |
|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2008-2009 | 10.4% | 8.6% | 0.0% |
| 1998-1999 | 14.8% | 14.5% | n/a |

**Note: 2009-2010 data not yet available.*

| | Statewide | Cocke County | Newport City |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Expenditures per Student | | | |
| 2009-2010 | \$8,132 | \$7,858 | \$8,620 |
| <i>Percent of Statewide</i> | | 96.6% | 106.0% |
| 1999-2000 | \$5,475 | \$4,872 | \$5,573 |
| <i>Percent of Statewide</i> | | 89.0% | 101.8% |
| Increase/Decrease | \$2,657 | \$2,986 | \$3,047 |
| Percent Change | 48.5% | | 54.7% |
| Classroom Teachers' Average Salary | | | |
| 2009-2010 | \$45,597 | \$41,509 | \$42,829 |
| <i>Percent of Statewide</i> | | 0.0% | 93.9% |
| 1999-2000 | \$36,328 | \$31,103 | \$37,339 |
| <i>Percent of Statewide</i> | | 0.0% | 102.8% |
| Increase/(Decrease) | \$9,269 | \$0 | \$5,490 |
| Percent Change | 25.5% | | 14.7% |
| Revenue by Source (percent of total) | | | |
| 2009-2010 | | | |
| State | 47.2% | 58.7% | 53.9% |
| Federal | 13.5% | 20.4% | 16.6% |
| Local | 39.3% | 21.0% | 29.5% |
| System Rank for Percent Local | | 98th | 57th |
| 1999-2000 | | | |
| State | 47.5% | 59.9% | 57.7% |
| Federal | 9.1% | 14.6% | 6.0% |
| Local | 43.3% | 25.5% | 36.3% |
| <i>System Rank for Percent Local</i> | | 96th | 48th |

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| | Statewide | Cocke County | County Rank |
|--|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| 2011-2012 County Area Fiscal Capacity | | | |
| Per Pupil Fiscal Capacity | \$2,967 | \$1,570 | 62nd |
| <i>Percent of Statewide Figure</i> | | 52.9% | |

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Sources of Information for County Profiles

I. Geography & Demographics

U.S. Bureau of the Census--all data except for marriage and divorce rates.

www.census.gov

U.S. Department of Agriculture - farmland data

<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usdahome>

TN Dept. of Health - marriage and divorce rates.

<http://health.tn.gov>

II. Income & Poverty

U.S. Bureau of the Census--median household income data & poverty rates.

www.census.gov

TN Dept. of Human Services--Food Stamp data and Families First data.

<http://www.tn.gov/foodstamps>

http://tn.gov/humanserv/adfam/afs_tanf.html

U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis - per capita income data

www.bea.gov

III. Health & Healthcare

TN Dept. of Health, Health Statistics & Research--pregnancy, births, mortality & healthcare access data.

<http://health.tn.gov/statistics/healthdata.htm>

IV. Employment

TN Dept. Of Labor and Workforce Development - unemployment data.

<http://www.tn.gov/labor-wfd/>

U.S. Department of Labor - employment data.

www.bls.gov/lau/home.htm

V. Value of Farmland and Agricultural Product Sold

U.S. Department of Agriculture - farmland data

<http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/usdahome>

VI. County Government Finance (municipalities' revenue data not available)

TN County Technical Advisory Service (CTAS), Resource Center--county revenue data.

www.ctas.utk.edu

TN Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Property Assessment--equalized assessed property values.

<http://www.comptroller.state.tn.us/pa/taxaggr.htm>

TN Dept. of Revenue--total taxable sales.

www.tn.gov/revenue/files.htm

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VII. Public Infrastructure Needs Inventory

TN Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations--all data.

<http://tn.gov/tacir/infrastructure.html>

VIII. Adult & Post-secondary Education

U.S. Bureau of the Census--educational attainment.

www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/educ-attn.html

TN Higher Education Commission--post-secondary institution and enrollment data.

www.tn.gov/thec

IX. Public School Systems (Total number of school systems is 136)

TN Department of Education--all data except fiscal capacity.

http://www.tn.gov/education/reports_data.shtml

TN Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations--education fiscal capacity.

<http://tn.gov/tacir/fiscalcapacity.html>

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