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# COUNTY PROFILE

## Lamar County

County Code: 075 MSA:

Communities: Beaverton, Detroit, Kennedy, Millport, Sulligent, Vernon

### Population and Income Estimates

	County	15-Mile Radius	30-Mile Radius	45-Mile Radius
<b>2010 Census:</b>	14,564	16,893	144,093	292,826
<b>2016 Estimate:</b>	13,944	16,416	141,802	291,801
<b>2021 Projection:</b>	13,672	16,222	141,515	293,281
<b>2016 Median Household Income:</b>	\$37,524	\$40,257	\$37,618	\$37,796
<b>2016 Median Age:</b>	44	44	41	40

Source: Nielsen

### 2015 County Labor Analysis

Civilian Labor Force: 5,633      Unemployment Rate: 6.3%  
 Employment: 5,278              Unemployment: 355

### Workforce Commuting Patterns

County Residents Working in the County: 1,629  
 County Residents Working Outside the County: 3,548  
 Outside Residents Working in County: 1,420

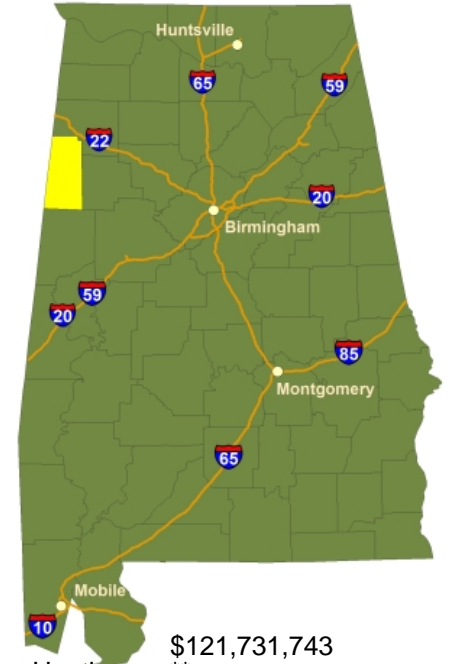
### Top Counties Receiving Workers

- 1) Lamar
- 2) Lowndes, MS
- 3) Marion
- 4) Tuscaloosa
- 5) Fayette

### Top Counties Sending Workers

- 1) Lamar
- 2) Marion
- 3) Fayette
- 4) Lowndes, MS
- 5) Pickens

Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics; U.S.Census Bureau, Center for Economic Studies, LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics (LODES), OnTheMap application.



### County Employment by Industry

Total	3,336
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting:	**
Mining:	**
Utilities:	**
Construction:	64
Manufacturing:	1,047
Wholesale Trade:	**
Retail Trade:	331
Transportation and Warehousing:	209
Information:	16
Finance and Insurance:	105
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing:	13
Professional and Technical Services:	**
Management of Companies/Enterprises:	**
Administrative and Waste Services:	179
Educational Services:	00
Health Care and Social Assistance:	343
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation:	10
Accommodation and Food Services:	190
Other Services, except Public Admin:	43
Total Federal Government:	39
Total State Government:	75
Total Local Government:	482

### County Wage by Industry

Total:	\$121,731,743
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing, Hunting:	**
Mining:	**
Utilities:	**
Construction:	\$2,233,819
Manufacturing:	\$51,874,328
Wholesale Trade:	**
Retail Trade:	\$8,542,956
Transportation and Warehousing:	\$7,952,838
Information:	\$545,340
Finance and Insurance:	\$4,674,310
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing:	\$297,468
Professional and Technical Services:	**
Management of Companies/Enterprises:	**
Administrative and Waste Services:	\$6,545,652
Educational Services:	\$0
Health Care and Social Assistance:	\$8,662,988
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation:	\$274,093
Accommodation and Food Services:	\$2,066,629
Other Services, except Public Admin:	\$900,192
Total Federal Government:	\$1,659,394
Total State Government:	\$2,655,223
Total Local Government:	\$15,600,290

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, 2015 annual averages.. Note: \*\*Data do not meet BLS or state agency disclosure standards

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## Major Employers in Lamar County

Name	Product	# of Employees
NACCO Materials Handling Group	Fork Lift Parts	570
Weyerhaeuser Corporation	Lumber Mill	350
Lamar County Board of Education	K-12 Education	280
Marathon Equipment	Refuse Compactors	223
Generations	Nursing Home	180
Max Home Furniture	Upholstered Furniture Manufacturing	110
Steel Dust Recycling	Waelz Zinc Oxide	106
Vernon Milling	Trucking, Dry Bulk Products	80
N&N Transport Inc.	Trucking Company	53
Bulkmatic Transport Company	Dry Bulk Carrier	52

Source: Local economic development contacts

## Major Manufacturing Employers in Lamar County

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NACCO Materials Handling Group	Fork Lift Parts	570
Weyerhaeuser Corporation	Lumber Mill	350
Marathon Equipment	Refuse Compactors	223
Max Home Furniture	Upholstered Furniture Manufacturing	110
Steel Dust Recycling	Waelz Zinc Oxide	106
Roof Mart	Metal Roofing/ Building Materials	40
Brown Wood Preserving	Treated Utility Poles	25
Millport Lumber	Lumber & Pallets	20
Spruiell Truss	Trusses	15
K&S Lumber	Crossties, Furniture Framing Stock	15

Source: Local economic development contacts

## Education

### 2016 County Population 25+ by Educational Attainment Colleges and Universities

Graduate/Professional Degree:	3.6%
Bachelors Degree:	6.0%
Associates Degree:	5.6%
Some College, No Degree:	22.9%
High School Graduate/GED:	38.3%
9-12th Grade (No Diploma):	14.7%
Less Than 9th Grade:	9.0%

Source: Nielsen

Source: Alabama Commission on Higher Education. Note: Information on Alabama's two and four year colleges can be found on the Commission's website <http://www.ache.state.al.us/Colleges&Universities/InstitutionalMap.htm>

### School Systems

#### Lamar County

Source: Alabama Department of Education; [www.alsde.edu](http://www.alsde.edu). Note: Detailed information on Alabama's public school systems and individual schools can be accessed on the Alabama Department of Education website; <http://www.alsde.edu/Home/Reports/ReportsBySite.aspx>

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## 2015 County Profile General Tax Structure

### Ad Valorem Tax

Alabama has a state property tax rate of 6.5 mills (3 mills for education). Both county and city can levy property tax. All real and personal business property is assessed at 20% of fair market value.

### Other Business Related Taxes

	County (Outside Incorporated Areas)	State
Sales Tax General Rate:	2.00%	4.00%
Use Tax General Rate:	2.00%	4.00%
Sales Tax on Machinery:	0.75%	1.50%
Use Tax on Machinery:	0.75%	1.50%

Source: Alabama Department of Revenue; [www.ador.state.al.us](http://www.ador.state.al.us). Note: Information on business-related taxes is available on the Alabama Department of Revenue website at [www.ador.state.al.us](http://www.ador.state.al.us). Construction materials are taxed at the general rate. Inventories and goods-in-process are not taxed.

## Transportation

Interstates in County:	None
Federal Highways in County:	US-278
Railroads Serving in County:	BNSF

Source: Alabama Department of Transportation Intermodal Division, [www.dot.state.al.us](http://www.dot.state.al.us)

### Commercial Air Service

Tupelo Regional Airport  
Tupelo, MS

### General Aviation Service

Lamar County Airport  
Vernon

Source: EDPA Survey of Commercial Airports; Alabama Department of Transportation Aeronautics Bureau; [www.dot.state.al.us](http://www.dot.state.al.us); [Airnav.com](http://Airnav.com)