

Parish Profile—Union

POPULATION

PARISH

Union Parish

2008 Census Estimate	22,692
2000 Census	22,803
1990 Census	20,690

REGION

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

MARKET ACCESS

HIGHWAYS

Interstate Hwy	Interstate 20-12 miles south of parish
US Highway	63, 167
LA Highway	2, 15, 33, 143

FREIGHT RAIL

Union Pacific (UP)

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS/PORTS

	MILES
Port of Shreveport/Bossier (9 Ft)	80
Port of Natchitoches (9 Ft)	85
Port of Red River Parish (9 Ft)	85
Caldwell Parish Port (shallow)	50
Madison Parish Port (shallow)	80
Lake Providence Port (9 Ft)	70
Port of Lake Charles (40 Ft)	185
Greater Ouachita Parish Port (9 Ft) West Monroe	25

AIRPORTS

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.

MONROE REGIONAL AIRPORT (MLU)

Located 4 miles east of the City of Monroe. Access to the airport is obtained through Interstate 20/Exit 120 and Louisiana Highway 80/ Kansas Lane. MLU encompasses approximately 2,600 acres, has two 5000' runways, one 7500' runway and is owned and operated by the City of Monroe.

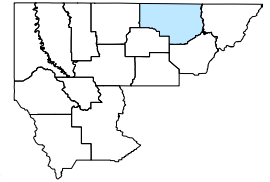
FARMERVILLE AIRPORT (F87)

Farmerville Airport serves Farmerville and Union Parish and is owned by Union Parish Police Jury. The paved runway extends for 2997 feet. The facility is at an elevation of 121 feet at a distance of about 4 miles from Farmerville.

DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES-(From Center of Parish)

	Miles
ATLANTA, GA	530
DALLAS, TX	276
HOUSTON, TX	330
JACKSON, MS	150
LITTLE ROCK, AR	155
MEMPHIS, TN	270
NEW ORLEANS, LA	330
SHREVEPORT, LA	90
ST. LOUIS, MO	555

Source: www.mapquest.com



TAXES

PROPERTY TAXES

	(Mills)
Parish Wide	63.14-67.14

SALES TAXES

Balance of Parish	8.00%
Bernice	10.00%
Farmerville	9.50%
Marion & Junction City	9.00%

LABOR FORCE December 2008

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Parish	10,313
Region	365,467
Louisiana	2,045,826

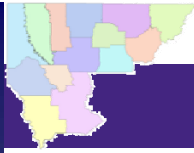
EMPLOYMENT

Parish	9,594
Region	341,281
Louisiana	1,932,664

UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

Parish	7.0%
Region	6.6%
Louisiana	5.5%

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



EMPLOYMENT

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

Division	Parish	Region	Louisiana
Agriculture	3.2%	0.7%	0.5%
Mining	*	2.0%	2.8%
Utilities	1.5%	0.9%	0.8%
Construction	6.3%	5.7%	7.7%
Manufacturing	*	7.9%	8.0%
Wholesale trade	1.5%	3.8%	4.0%
Retail trade	12.9%	12.6%	12.0%
Trans/Wrhouse	2.9%	2.9%	4.3%
Information	0.5%	2.0%	1.6%
Fin. & Insurance	2.3%	3.2%	3.1%
Real estate	0.5%	1.5%	1.8%
Prof/Tech Serv	1.7%	3.5%	4.5%
Mng. of Co.	0.0%	1.1%	1.3%
Admin & Waste	1.6%	4.4%	5.2%
Educational Serv	*	9.7%	9.1%
Healthcare/Soc	15.4%	18.5%	14.6%
Arts/Ent/Recr	0.6%	3.1%	2.2%
Accomd/Food	5.0%	8.1%	8.5%
Other Services	1.1%	2.6%	2.6%
Public Admin	5.6%	4.6%	5.3%

*Data non-publishable

EDUCATION

PRIMARY/SECONDARY EDUCATION

Enrollment (2007-08)

Public Schools	8
Enrollment	2856
Private Schools	1
Enrollment	366

TWO-YEAR COLLEGES & TECHNICALS (Within Region)

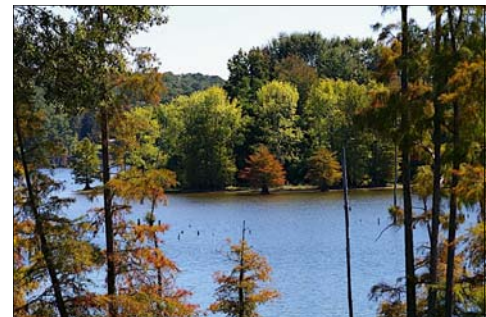
Blue Cliff College-Shreveport	Shreveport	138
Bossier Parish Community College	Bossier City	4,778
Career Technical College-Monroe	Monroe	803
Career Technical College-Shreveport	Shreveport	247
Louisiana Delta Community College	Monroe	1,636
Louisiana Technical College-Bastrop Campus	Bastrop	259
Louisiana 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

Foster Farms	650
Union Parish School Board	460
Wal-Mart Super Center	165
Union General Hospital	140
Timberlake Healthcare	115
Louisiana State Civil Service	100
Bernice Nursing & Rehab	100
Tri-Ward Clinic	68
Union Christian Academy	65
Brookshires Food Store	56
CenturyLink	55



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