

## SPORTS & RECREATION



• **Professional Sports** – Tennessee Titans (NFL), Nashville Predators (NHL) and Nashville Superspeedway (NASCAR) only 20-30 minutes away.



• **Golf** – Sumner County has 6 golf courses and over 60 others within a 50-mile radius.

• **Historic Attractions** – 35 properties listed on the National Register of

Historic Places and numerous historical sites, including the circa 1790 Rockcastle Home and Mansker's Station, a 1780s era living history village.

• **Cultural Attractions** – Excellent cultural attractions like the world famous Grand Ole Opry, Nashville Symphony, Country Music Hall of Fame, Frist Fine Arts Center and numerous museums are within an easy drive.



• **Trails** – Sumner County features 6.5 miles of walking trails and greenways. The new Ring of Fire driving trail connecting Nashville to Hendersonville is being promoted by the State Tourism Office.

• **Youth Soccer** – The Tennessee State Soccer Association is headquartered in Hendersonville and hosts over 90 youth soccer teams in two annual tournaments in Sumner County.



## INTERESTING FACTS

• **Nashville's North Shore** – Sumner County has miles of waterfront along Old Hickory Lake and the Cumberland River, which provides boaters access to Nashville ... and beyond.

• **Roads to Everywhere** – Access to any of three Interstate highways (I-65, I-40, I-24) is just a 20-minute drive from anywhere in Sumner County.

• **Healthy Living** – Sumner County was named the second healthiest county in Tennessee for 2011 based on a study by the University of Wisconsin's Population Health Institute.

• **Star Quality** – Sumner County is the land of music legends. Notable residents, past and present, include Taylor Swift, Johnny and June Carter Cash, Bill Monroe, Conway Twitty, Clint Black, Barbara Mandrell, Roy Orbison and the Oak Ridge Boys.

• **Preserving the Land** – Sumner County has over 25 designated Century Farms, family-owned farms that have been in continuous operation for over 100 years.



• **Strawberry Capital** – Portland, in Sumner County, holds the world record for the largest strawberry shortcake at 325 feet, according to the *Guinness Book of World Records*.

• **Historic Naval Note** – The *H.L. Hunley*, which became the first submarine ever to sink an enemy warship in 1864, was built by and named after Horace Lawson Hunley, a Sumner County native.

## DRIVE TIMES

<b>Atlanta</b>	4.5 hours	<b>Memphis</b>	4 hours
<b>Birmingham</b>	3.5 hours	<b>New Orleans</b>	9 hours
<b>Chicago</b>	7.5 hours	<b>New York</b>	15 hours
<b>Indianapolis</b>	4.5 hours	<b>St. Louis</b>	5.5 hours



Forward Sumner Economic Partnership provides economic and community development services for Sumner County, Tenn. and maintains a data clearinghouse which includes industrial and commercial sites for business development. We are ready to assist you with any site location project by providing site specific demographics, arranging site visits or connecting you with the local community economic development officials.

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# Sumner Summary

## Economic Development Overview

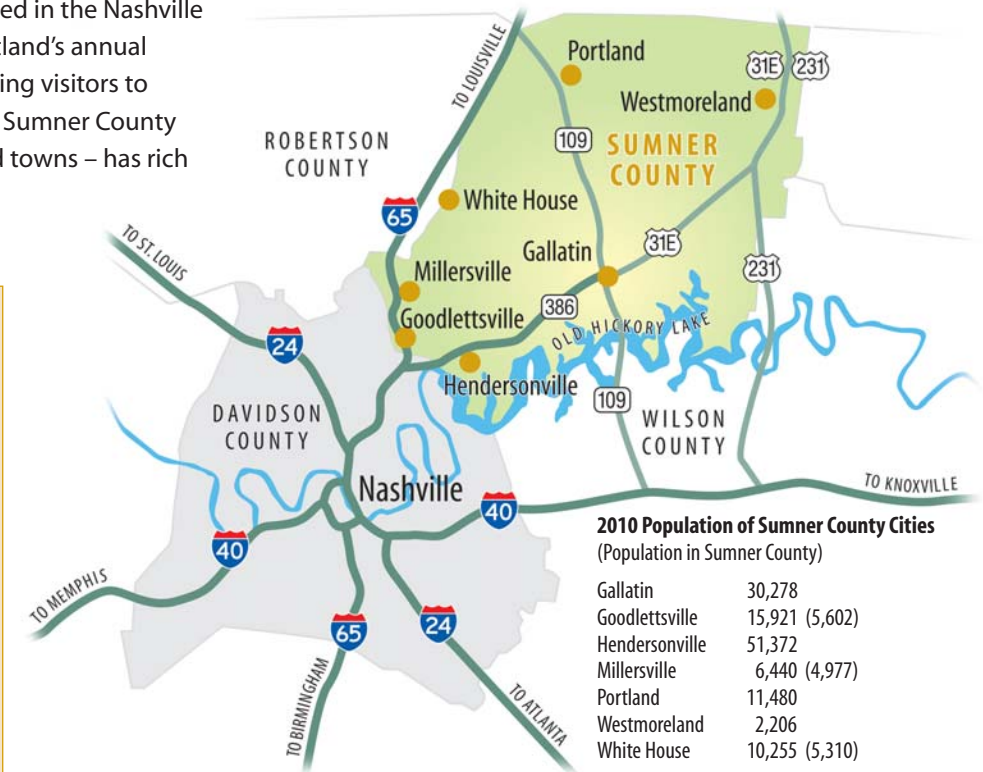
On the northeast side of the prospering Nashville Metropolitan Area lies **Sumner County**. This business-friendly county has experienced robust growth not only in population, but in all aspects of its economy and livability. **Old Hickory Lake**, with 440 miles of shoreline, defines the southern boundary of Sumner County, and provides water access and recreational opportunities unmatched in the Nashville area. Near the northern border, Portland's annual Strawberry Festival has been attracting visitors to celebrate the tasty crop since 1941. Sumner County – along with its distinctive cities and towns – has rich

natural resources, idyllic charm and wide-open spaces that for centuries have lured people to call it "home" ... from Native Americans ... to hardy 18th century pioneers ... to international music icons **Johnny Cash** and **Taylor Swift**. This unique combination of factors places Tennessee's eighth largest county in the enviable position of being **the land of lakes, lore and legend**.

## QUICK FACTS

### About Sumner County

<b>Founded</b>	November 1786
<b>Region</b>	Middle Tennessee
<b>MSA</b>	Nashville
<b>County Seat</b>	Gallatin
<b>Area</b>	543 sq. miles
• Land	529 sq. miles
• Water	14 sq. miles
<b>Population</b>	160,645 (8th largest in Tennessee)
<b>Population Density</b>	296 / sq. miles
<b>Time Zone</b>	Central





## INFRASTRUCTURE

### Air

#### Nashville International Airport

- Full service international less than a half-hour drive

#### Sumner County Regional Airport

- 6,200' Runway expansion in progress; located in Gallatin

#### Portland Municipal Airport

- 5,000' Runway; located in Portland

### Roads

Sumner County offers direct access to the north-south corridor with Interstate 65 and the east-west corridors with Interstates 40 and 24. All three Interstates intersect within 20 miles of Sumner County. Improvements to the north-south corridor (Route 109) connecting I-40 and I-65 are in progress.

### Water

The Cumberland River forms the southern border of Sumner County and offers full river barge access to the Gulf of Mexico, via the Ohio, Tennessee and Mississippi Rivers.



Fishing on Old Hickory Lake

## TAX RATE

\$2.02 per \$100 assessed

## WEATHER

Winter Temps	46 / 27
Spring Temps	61 / 38
Summer Temps	89 / 67
Fall Temps	72 / 47
Annual Precipitation	51"
Annual Snow Fall	12"
Average Annual Humidity	64%

## Population

	1990	2000	2010	2015	% Change 1990 - 2015
Sumner	103,281	130,449	160,645	179,344	73.6%
Tennessee	4,877,185	5,689,283	6,346,105	6,697,239	37.3%
U.S.	248,709,873	281,421,906	308,745,538	323,209,391	30.0%

Source: United States Census Bureau, ESRI 2015 Estimates

Sumner County's growth rate is approximately twice that of Tennessee.

## Median Household Income

	1990	2000	2010	2015	% Change 1990 - 2015
Sumner	\$31,795	\$46,695	\$54,012	\$69,631	119.0%
Tennessee	\$22,592	\$34,096	\$41,715	\$53,468	136.7%
U.S.	\$29,943	\$41,990	\$50,221	\$61,189	104.4%

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development, ESRI 2015 Estimates

County residents' income has sustained impressive continued increases since 1990.

## Housing Units

	1990	2000	2010	2015	% Change 1990 - 2015
Sumner	39,807	51,657	65,968	72,716	82.7%
Tennessee	2,026,067	2,439,443	2,812,133	3,042,732	50.2%
U.S.	102,263,678	115,900,464	129,065,264	139,606,264	36.5%

Source: United States Census Bureau, ESRI 2015 Estimates

The county's growth rate in housing units far exceeds that of the state and nation.

## Median Home Values

	1990	2000	2010	2015	% Change 1990 - 2015
Sumner	\$73,900	\$120,953	\$159,027	\$181,552	145.7%
Tennessee	\$58,400	\$88,285	\$118,849	\$139,621	139.1%
U.S.	\$79,100	\$111,833	\$157,913	\$185,967	135.1%

Source: United States Census Bureau, ESRI 2015 Estimates

Growth in county median home value has outpaced both the state and nation.



Spacious Residential Environment

## Labor Force

	1990	2000	2010	% Change 1990 - 2010
Sumner	54,340	70,940	81,930	50.77%
Tennessee	2,387,400	2,871,500	3,056,400	28.02%
U.S.	125,840,000	142,583,000	153,156,000	21.71%

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development

Sumner County's workforce has expanded by more than 27,000 since 1990.

## Retail Sales

	1992	2002	2007	% Change 1992 - 2007
Sumner	\$513,000	\$948,923	\$1,300,149	153.4%
Tennessee	\$37,508,350	\$60,136,403	\$77,547,291	106.7%
U.S.	\$1,894,880,209	\$3,056,421,997	\$3,917,663,456	106.7%

Source: United States Census Bureau

Retail sales have experienced explosive growth in Sumner County.



## EDUCATION

### Volunteer State Community College

- 12,351 Students; located in Gallatin

### Union University

- Over 100 Students; new 24,000 sq. foot facility; located in Hendersonville

### Other Colleges in Greater Nashville Area

- 24 Four-Year Colleges and Universities; 88,398 Students
- 7 Community Colleges; 29,074 Students
- 14+ Career Colleges; 9,095 Students



Volunteer State Community College

## School System Indicators (2010)

% Proficient or Advanced

K-8 Math	36%	34%
K-8 Reading & Writing	58%	51%
K-8 Attendance	95%	93%
9-12 Math	51%	49%
9-12 Reading & Writing	76%	70%
Graduation Rate	90%	86%

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## Educational Attainment

% High School Graduate or Higher

1990	70.6%	67.1%	75.2%
2009	84.9%	81.8%	84.6%

Source: United States Census Bureau

## Sumner County Public Schools

- 46 Schools; 26,723 Students