

# CARTHAGE SMITH COUNTY

2024 COMMUNITY DATA PROFILE



## QUICK FACTS

County Seat	Carthage
Year Incorporated	1804
Land Area in Square Miles (County)	314
Water Area in Square Miles (County)	11
Latitude	N36° 15.13'
Longitude	W85° 57.10'
Elevation	515'
Market Region	Cookeville
Distance From Nashville	50 miles
Time Zone	Central
City Website	<a href="http://www.townofcarthagetn.com">www.townofcarthagetn.com</a>
Smith Co. Chamber Website	<a href="http://www.smithcountychamber.org">www.smithcountychamber.org</a>
Additional Incorporated Cities within the County	Gordonsville, South Carthage
Unincorporated Cities	Brush Creek, Chestnut Mound, Defeated, Dixon Springs, Elmwood, Hickman, Lancaster, Monoville, Pleasant Shade, Riddleton

## POPULATION

	City	County
2020 (Census)	2,291	19,904
2023 Population	2,276	20,106
2023 Median Age	44.2	42.8
2028 Population Projection	2,240	20,153
Annual Growth Rate (2023-2028 Projected)	-0.32%	0.05%

Source: ESRI

## CLIMATE

Annual Average Temperature	58.6° F
Average High Temperature	70.5° F
Average Low Temperature	46.6° F
Annual Average Precipitation	51.41"
Annual Average Snowfall	3.0"
Prevailing Winds	Southerly
Mean Length of Freeze-Free Period (days)	180-220

## TAX STRUCTURE

LOCAL	City	County
<b>Property Taxes (2023)</b>		
• Rate per \$100 value	\$0.8168	\$1.7331
<b>Ratio of Assessment</b>		
• Residential and Farm	25%	25%
• Commercial/Industrial	40%	40%
• Personal (Equipment)	30%	30%
<b>Total Local Assessment (2022)</b>	\$68,769,722	\$599,480,641
<b>Hotel-Motel Tax</b>	5%	0%
<b>Motor Vehicle Wheel Tax Rate</b>		\$15.00

Source: Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Property Assessments  
Source: County Technical Assistance Service, UTIPS

## STATE

### Sales Tax

- 4% tax on food and food ingredients
- 7% on all other tangible personal property unless specifically exempted

### Local Sales Tax Rate

- 2.00% county 0.75% city

### Local and State Sales Tax Collected (FY2023)

- \$23,314,452

### Income Tax

- **Personal:** Repealed beginning January 1, 2021
- **Corporate Excise Tax:** 6.5% of Tennessee taxable income
- **Franchise Tax:** .25% of the greater of the Tennessee portion of net worth or the book value of real and tangible property in Tennessee. The minimum tax is \$100
- **Unemployment Tax:** New employers is typically 2.7% (based on occupation) of first \$7,000

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

## EDUCATION

District Name	Smith County
Type of Public School System	County
District Grades Served	Pre-K-12
Number of Schools	9
Number of Classroom Teachers	205
Student to Teacher Ratio	14:1
Additional Staff	39
Total Number of Students	2,875
Number of Private Schools	0
Total Number of Students	0
Number of Teachers	0

Number of High School Graduates (202)	196
Graduation Rate	95.9%
Educational Attainment with a Degree (Adults Age 25+)	27.0%

Source: Tennessee Department of Education

### REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (within 30 miles)

- Cumberland University                      Lebanon
- TN College of Applied Technology       Hartsville
- Tennessee Technological University     Cookeville
- Volunteer State Community College     Gallatin
- Welch College                                Gallatin

Source: National Center for Education Statistics

FastTrack Job Training Assistance Program Available	Yes
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Source: Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

## GOVERNMENT

### GOVERNING BODY

City	Mayor with Council Members Meets 1st Thursday each month at 6:00 p.m. Town Hall Planning Commission Meets 2nd Wednesday each month at 5:30 p.m.
County	Mayor and County Commissioners Meets January, March, May, July, September, November 2nd Monday at 7:00 p.m. Smith County Jail & Courts Facility

### Fire Department

- Full-time fire fighters in city                      0
- City volunteers    19
- Full-time fire fighters in county                      0
- County volunteers    117
- Fire stations in city    1
- City fire trucks    2
- Fire stations in county    9
- County fire trucks    17
- Tankers    2
- Brush Trucks    2

### Law Enforcement

- Full-time police officers in city                      8
- Full-time police officers in county & sheriff       32
- City patrol cars    8
- County patrol cars    32

	<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>
Insurance Rating	9	9/10
Zoning Regulations	Yes	Yes
Planning Commission	Yes	Yes
Industrial Development Corp.	Yes	Yes

## TRANSPORTATION

### AIR SERVICE

Nearest General Aviation	Lebanon Municipal Airport
Location Identifier	M54
Distance from Carthage	28 miles
Runway Length	5,000 feet and 1,801 feet
Surface	Asphalt/Turf
Lighting	MIRL/PAPI
Fuel	100LL/Jet A
Repairs	Major
Storage	Hangar, Tie Down
Transportation	Taxi and Rental Car
Nearest Commercial Service	Nashville International Airport
Location Identifier	BNA
Distance from Carthage	49 miles

Nashville International Airport (BNA) serves approximately 17 million total passengers annually. BNA is currently served by 22 major carriers, including international carriers. BNA offers 585+ daily flights and provides nonstop air service to more than 101 destinations.

### HIGHWAYS

U.S. Highways	70 N
State Highways	25, 263, 264, 80, 85, 53
Nearest Interstate	Interstate 40

### COMMON CARRIERS

Air Freight Companies	None
Motor Freight Companies	1
Terminal Facilities	0
Bus Services	
Inter-City	Yes
Local	No
Carrier Service	Yes

### RAILROADS SERVED BY

Nashville and Eastern Railroad

### NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS

River	Cumberland
Channel Depth	9 feet
Nearest Port Facility	Nashville
Miles from Port	50

## COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers	Carthage Courier The Tennessean
Telephone Companies	DTC Communications, AT&T, Xfinity, and North Central
Radio Stations	WUCZ FM (104.1), WRKM AM (1350)
Television Networks	5
Cable Service Available	Yes
Channels	Unlimited
Provider	DTC Communications, Comcast, Direct TV, Dish Network, and Charter Communications
Internet Service Available	Yes
Provider	DTC Communications, AT&T, Comcast, Charter Communications and North Central
Fiber Optics Available	Yes
Provider	DTC Communications and Charter Communications, Xfinity, AT&T, North Central

## COMMUNITY FACILITIES *(countywide)*

### Health Care

Doctors	22
Dentists	3
Hospitals	1
Beds	35
Clinics	6
Nursing Homes	1
Beds	128
Retirement Homes	1
Beds	14
Residential Care/ Assisted Living	1
Beds	47

### Religious Organizations

Protestant	98
Catholic	0
Jehovah's Witness	1
Jewish	0
Spanish	1
Other	3

### Day Care Centers

Day Care Centers	7
Day Care Homes	2

### Recreation

Libraries	2
Parks	3
Golf Courses (Public & Private)	0
Swimming Pools (Public & Private)	1
Country Clubs	0
Theaters	0
Bowling Alleys	0

### Hotels & Motels

Rooms	92
Bed & Breakfasts	2
Rooms	8
Cabins & Private Rentals	25

### Largest Meeting Room

Capacity	300
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### Restaurants

Fast Food	16
Sit Down	18
Other	5

### Other

Ball fields, tennis courts, Cordell Hull Lake, hiking trail/horse trail, campground, marina, museum, playground, walking track, soccer field, community playground

## FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks:	Total Number of Institutions	4
	Total Number of Offices	9
	Deposits	686,000,000
Credit Unions:	Total Number of Branches	0
	Total Number of Offices	0
	Deposits	0
Countywide Combined Deposits		\$686,000,000

(Deposits for June 30, 2023)

Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and National Credit Union Administration

## INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Service	Location	Distance (Miles)
Tool & Die	Local	
Heat Treating	Cookeville	34
Foundry	Cookeville	34
Heavy Hardware	Cookeville	34
Sheet Metal	Local	
Lubricants	Local	
Welding Supplies	Local	
Abrasives	Local	

## SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

### 2023 ANNUAL AVERAGES (AGE 16+)

Labor Force	County	Labor Market Area*
Population	16,524	236,818
Employed	9,228	135,695
Unemployed	417	5,786
Unemployment Rate	4.3%	4.1%

\* Drive Time: 45 minute radius from Carthage (County seat)

Source: ESRI

### 2023 EMPLOYED POPULATION 16+ BY INDUSTRY

Agriculture/Mining	2.3%
Construction	10.6%
Manufacturing	17.9%
Wholesale Trade	1.8%
Retail Trade	13.3%
Transportation/Utilities	5.8%
Information	0.8%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	4.0%
Services	37.3%
Public Administration	6.3%

Source: ESRI

### MANUFACTURING IN AREA (Annual Averages 2022)

Number of Units	16
Ann. Avg. Employment	1,295
Ann. Avg. Weekly Wage	\$1,130

Source: Tennessee Department of Labor and Workforce Development

### PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Year	2023
Amount	\$39,309

Source: ESRI

### MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Year	2023
Amount	\$51,634

Source: ESRI

### AVERAGE HOME SALES

Year	2022
Number of Homes Sold	274
Average Cost	\$267,233
2023 Median Home Value	\$201,958

Source: Tennessee Housing Development Agency

### RETAIL SALES

Year	2022
Amount	\$266,052,627

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

## NATURAL RESOURCES

Minerals: Crushed Stone and Zinc

Timber: Oak, Hickory, Ash, Cedar, Maple and Walnut

## AGRICULTURAL

Crops: Hay, corn, soybeans, tobacco, strawberries, green peppers, tomatoes and apples

Livestock: Cattle

## UTILITIES

### WATER

**Water Supplier** Town of Carthage  
**Phone** 615.735.1881 or 615.735.9392  
**Website** [www.townofcarthagetn.com](http://www.townofcarthagetn.com)  
**Source** Cumberland River  
**Capacity** 1,400,000 GPD  
**Current Consumption** 750,000 GPD  
**Storage Capacity** 600,000 Gallons

### SEWER

**Sewer Provider** Town of Carthage  
**Phone** 615.735.1881  
**Website** [www.townofcarthagetn.com](http://www.townofcarthagetn.com)  
**Type of Treatment** Activated sludge  
**Capacity** .625 MGD  
**Current Usage** .350 MGD  
**City Sewer Coverage** 95%  
**Storm Sewer Coverage** 95%  
**Solid Waste Disposal Type** Yes

### ELECTRICITY

**Source Company** Tennessee Valley Authority

### LOCAL POWER COMPANY (City and County)

Upper Cumberland Electric Membership Corp.

**General Manager** Jennifer Brogdon  
**Local Address** Post Office Box 159  
 138 Gordonsville Highway  
 South Carthage, TN 37030-0159  
**Phone** 615.735.2940  
**Corporate Address** 907 Main Street N  
 Carthage, TN 37030  
**Phone** 615.735.3208  
**Outages** 615.735.0911  
**Website** [www.ucemc.com](http://www.ucemc.com)

### LOCAL GAS COMPANY (City and County)

Middle Tennessee Natural Gas Utility District

**Executive VP/CEO** Mike Davidson  
**Local Address** 1036 West Broad Street  
 Smithville, Tennessee 37166  
**Phone** 615.597.4388  
**Website** [www.mtng.com](http://www.mtng.com)  
**Source Company** East TN Natural Gas Company  
**Fuel Oil Suppliers** 3  
**Suppliers of LP Gas** 2

## MAJOR INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURERS/DISTRIBUTION

Firm (Countywide)	Product or Service	Total Employees	Union	Phone Number
Bonnell Aluminum Manufacturing, Inc.	Aluminum extrusion	675	None	615.683.8291
Dana Driveshaft Products, LLC	Automotive driveshaft manufacturer	280	None	615.683.8201
Shiroki-GT, LLC	Automotive supplier	211	None	615.395.3600
Harris (a Lincoln Electric Co)	Metal tube fabrication	189	None	615.735.3201
Graphic Packaging International	Paper board packaging	131	USW	615.683.6352
Nyrstar Tennessee Mines	Zinc mining and processing	355	None	615.683.6411
Rackley Roofing Co., Inc.	Commercial roofing-sheet metal	80	None	615.735.1197
Filtra-Systems Manufacturing Co.	Industrial filtration and separation	35	None	615.683.8261
Taiho Manufacturing of TN, LLC	Multi-layered steel gaskets	42	None	615.683.8000
Tom Arnold Construction Co.	Road const., drainage & trucking by state bid	18	None	615.735.2155
Eatherly Group, Inc.	Road/bridge const., excavation and hauling	18	None	615.735.8200
Crockett-Phillips Construction, Inc.	Const., grading, drainage and hauling	10	None	615.683.3332

### For information on industrial sites and available industrial buildings contact:

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