

# COOKEVILLE PUTNAM COUNTY

2026 COMMUNITY DATA PROFILE



## QUICK FACTS

County Seat	Cookeville
Year Incorporated	1903
Land Area in Square Miles (County)	401
Water Area in Square Miles (County)	1
Latitude	N36° 09.77'
Longitude	W85° 30.10'
Elevation	1,096'
Market Region	Cookeville
Distance From Nashville	82 miles
Time Zone	Central
City Website	<a href="http://www.cookeville-tn.org">www.cookeville-tn.org</a>
County Website	<a href="http://www.putnamcountytn.gov">www.putnamcountytn.gov</a>
Additional Incorporated Cities within the County	Algood, Baxter, Monterey
Unincorporated Cities	Bloomington Springs, Buffalo Valley, Silver Point

## POPULATION

	City	County
2020 (Census)	34,842	79,854
2025 Population	36,887	84,876
2025 Median Age	31.9	37.1
2030 Population Projection	38,199	88,322
Annual Growth Rate (2025-2030 Projected)	0.70%	0.80%

Source: ESRI

## CLIMATE

Annual Average Temperature	56.7° F
Average High Temperature	68.6° F
Average Low Temperature	44.9° F
Annual Average Precipitation	55.99"
Annual Average Snowfall	7"
Prevailing Winds	Southeast
Mean Length of Freeze-Free Period (days)	211

## TAX STRUCTURE

LOCAL	City	County
<b>Property Taxes (2025)</b>		
• Rate per \$100 value	\$0.99	\$2.66
<b>Ratio of Assessment</b>		
• Residential and Farm	25%	25%
• Commercial/Industrial	40%	40%
• Personal (Equipment)	30%	30%
<b>Total Local Assessment (2024)</b>	\$1,249,138,868	\$2,345,726,908
<b>Hotel-Motel Occupancy Tax</b>	3.0%	7.0%
<b>Motor Vehicle Wheel Tax Rate</b>		\$0.00

Source: Tennessee Comptroller of the Treasury, Division of Property Assessments  
Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

## STATE

<b>Sales Tax</b>
• 4% tax on food and food ingredients
• 7% on all other tangible personal property unless specifically exempted
<b>Local Sales Tax Rate</b>
• 2.75%
<b>Local and State Sales Tax Collected (FY2025)</b>
• \$218,889,419
<b>Income Tax</b>
• <b>Personal:</b> Repealed beginning January 1, 2021
• <b>Corporate Excise Tax:</b> 6.5% of Tennessee taxable income
• <b>Franchise Tax:</b> .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
• <b>Unemployment Tax:</b> New employers is typically 2.7% (based on occupation) of first \$7,000

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

## EDUCATION

District Name	Putnam County
Type of Public School System	Consolidated
District Grades Served	Pre-K-12
Number of Schools	22
Number of Classroom Teachers	730
Student to Teacher Ratio	15:1
Additional Staff	155
Total Number of Students	11,275
Number of Private Schools	8
Total Number of Students	1,553
Number of Teachers	70

Number of High School Graduates (2025)	935
Graduation Rate	98.0%
Educational Attainment with a Degree (Adults Age 25+)	38.3%

Source: Tennessee Department of Education

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

- TN College of Applied Technology Crossville
- TN College of Applied Technology Livingston
- Tennessee Technological University Cookeville
- Roane State Community College (64 miles) Harriman
- Vol State Community College Cookeville/Livingston

Source: National Center for Education Statistics

### FastTrack Job Training

Assistance Program Available Yes

Source: Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development

## GOVERNMENT

### GOVERNING BODY

City	City Manager and City Council Meets 1st & 3rd Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Municipal Building
County	County Mayor and County Commissioners Meets 3rd Monday following committee meetings at 5:30pm

### Fire Department

- Full-time fire fighters in city 69
- City volunteers 0
- Full-time fire fighters in county 13
- County volunteers 55
- Fire stations in city 4
- City fire trucks 11
- Fire stations in county 13
- County fire trucks (pumpers/tankers) 18
- County support vehicles 17

### Law Enforcement

- Full-time police officers in city 77
- Full-time police officers in county & sheriff 94
- City patrol cars 90
- County patrol cars 102

	City	County
Insurance Rating	ISO 2	6-8x-10
Zoning Regulations	Yes	No
Planning Commission	Yes	Yes
Industrial Development Corp.	Yes	Yes

## TRANSPORTATION

### AIR SERVICE

Nearest General Aviation	Upper Cumberland Regional Airport
Location Identifier	SRB
Distance from Cookeville	9 miles
Runway Length	6,005 and 6,705
Surface	Asphalt
Lighting	HIRL/PAPI
Fuel	100LL/Jet A
Repairs	Major
Storage	Hangar, Tie Down
Transportation	Taxi, Rental and Courtesy Car
Nearest Commercial Service	Nashville International Airport
Location Identifier	BNA
Distance from Cookeville	74 miles

### HIGHWAYS

U.S. Highways	70, 111
State Highways	42, 135, 136
Nearest Interstate	Interstate 40

### COMMON CARRIERS

Air Freight Companies	1
Motor Freight Companies	20
Terminal Facilities	1
Bus Services	
Inter-City	Yes
Local	Yes
Carrier Service	Yes

### RAILROADS SERVED BY

Nashville & Eastern Railroad

### NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS

River	Cumberland
Channel Depth	9 feet
Nearest Port Facility	Gainesboro, TN
Miles from Port	15

## COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers	Herald-Citizen The Tennessean UC Business Journal
Telephone Companies	Frontier Communications; Twin Lakes and Charter Spectrum
Radio Stations	12 in county
Television Networks	5 in Nashville; 1 in Cookeville
Cable Service Available	Yes
Channels	100+
Provider	Twin Lakes, Charter Spectrum, Direct TV and Dish Network
Internet Service Available	Yes
Provider	Twin Lakes, Charter Spectrum and Frontier Communications
Fiber Optics Available	Yes
Provider	Twin Lakes and Charter Spectrum

## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

### Health Care

Doctors	255
Dentists	35
Hospitals	1
Beds	269
Clinics	6
Nursing Homes	4
Beds	504
Retirement Homes	1
Beds	N/A
Residential Care/ Assisted Living	4
Beds	170

### Recreation

Libraries (1 main, 3 branches)	4
Parks	12
Golf Courses (Public & Private)	6
Swimming Pools (Public & Private)	3
Country Clubs	1
Theaters	12
Bowling Alleys	1

### Hotels & Motels

Rooms	1,677
Bed & Breakfasts	2

### Largest Meeting Room

Capacity	7,200
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### Restaurants

146

### Day Care Centers

29
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### Day Care Homes

22
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### Religious Organizations

Adventist	1
Apostolic	2
Assembly of God	3
Baptist	40
Catholic	1
Christian	4
Church of Christ:	22
Evangelical	2
Inter-Denominational	6
Jehovah Witness	1
Latter Day Saints	1
Lutheran	1
Mennonite	1
Methodist	11
Nazarene	2
Non-Denominational	3
Pentecostal	3
Presbyterian	3
Unitarian	1
Unity	1

Other: Burgess Falls State Park, Edgar Evans State Park

## FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks:	Total Number of Institutions	15
	Total Number of Offices	31
	Deposits	3,269,000,000
Credit Unions:	Total number of Branches	4
	Total Number of Offices	6
	Deposits	342,031,285
Countywide Combined Deposits		\$3,611,031,285

(Deposits for June 30, 2025)

Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and National Credit Union Administration

## INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Service	Location	Service	Location
Tool & Die	Local	Sheet Metal	Local
Heat Treating	Local	Lubricants	Local
Foundry	Local	Welding	Local
Heavy Hardware	Local	Abrasives	Local

## SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

### 2025 ANNUAL AVERAGES (AGE 16+)

Labor Force	County	Labor Market Area*
Population	70,027	171,098
Employed	37,559	89,826
Unemployed	1,757	4,147
Unemployment Rate	4.5%	4.4%

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

Source: ESRI

### 2025 EMPLOYED POPULATION 16+ BY INDUSTRY

Agriculture/Mining	0.9%
Construction	5.8%
Manufacturing	13.3%
Wholesale Trade	1.8%
Retail Trade	13.3%
Transportation/Utilities	7.7%
Information	1.2%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	4.4%
Services	47.2%
Public Administration	4.8%

### MANUFACTURING IN AREA (Annual Averages 2024)

Number of Units	139
Ann. Avg. Employment	5,162
Ann. Avg. Weekly Wage	\$1,246

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

### PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Year	2025
Amount	\$34,533

Source: ESRI

### MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Year	2025
Amount	\$62,833

Source: ESRI

### AVERAGE HOME SALES

Year	2025
Median Value	\$318,005
Average Value	\$361,823
Housing Affordability Index	76
Percent of Income to Mortgage	31.7%

Source: ESRI

### RETAIL SALES

Year	2024
Amount	\$2,456,131,286

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

## NATURAL RESOURCES

Minerals: Limestone and sand  
Timber: Oak, Poplar and Hickory

## AGRICULTURAL

Crops: Hay, corn, soybeans  
Livestock: Cattle

## UTILITIES

### GAS

Local Distributor	City of Cookeville
Phone	931.526.9591
Website	<a href="http://www.cookeville-tn.org">www.cookeville-tn.org</a>
Source Company	East Tennessee Natural Gas
Fuel Oil Suppliers	4
Suppliers of LP Gas	5

### WATER

Water Supplier	City of Cookeville
Phone	931.526.9591
Website	<a href="http://www.cookeville-tn.org">www.cookeville-tn.org</a>
Source	Center Hill Lake
Capacity	15,000,000 GPD
Current Consumption	10,000,000 GPD
Storage Capacity	19,500,000 Gallons

### SEWER

Sewer Provider	City of Cookeville
Phone	931.526.9591
Website	<a href="http://www.cookeville-tn.org">www.cookeville-tn.org</a>
Type of Treatment	Oxidation ditch
Capacity	14,000,000 GPD
Current Usage	7,000,000 GPD
City Sewer Coverage	90%
Storm Sewer Coverage	20%
Solid Waste Disposal Type	Transfer Station

### ELECTRICITY

Source Company	Tennessee Valley Authority
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### LOCAL POWER COMPANY (City)

Cookeville Energy Department

Director	Carl Haney
District Address	55 West Davis Road Cookeville, Tennessee 38506
Phone	931.520.5400
Website	<a href="https://www.cookeville-tn.gov">https://www.cookeville-tn.gov</a>

### LOCAL POWER COMPANY (County)

Upper Cumberland Electric Membership Corp

General Manager	Jennifer Brogdon
District Address	Post Office Box 159 1794 W. Broad Street Cookeville, Tennessee 37030-0159
Phone	931.528.5449
Outages	931.372.2323
Website	<a href="http://www.ucemc.com">www.ucemc.com</a>

## MAJOR INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURERS/DISTRIBUTION (100+ employees)

Firm	Product or Service	Total Employees	Union	Phone Number
Averitt Express	Distribution	1,150	None	931.520.5089
Atmus/Cummins Filtration, Inc.	Heavy duty filters	950	UAW	931.526.9551
Academy Sports & Outdoors	Retail transportation & Distribution	655	None	931.476.2500
FICOSA North America	Automotive side-view mirrors	430	None	931.432.9000
Milwaukee Tool	Vacuum cleaners	320	None	931.646.7800
Portobello North America	Tile plant	252	None	931.650.5225
ATC Automation	Special automated machinery	250	None	931.528.5417
Tutco, Inc.	Heating elements for appliances	250	None	931.432.4141
Aphena Pharma Solutions	Re-packaging of pharmaceuticals	249	None	931.372.2041
US Foods	Food distribution	232	None	931.537.4000
Flowserve	Actuators, ball, plug, & butterfly valves	200	None	931.432.4021
Identity Group	Stamps, signs, ink marking devices, etc.	162	None	931.432.4000
Dacco, Inc.	Auto. transmission parts	160	UAW	931.528.7581
G & L Manufacturing	Titanium & stainless steel tubing	118	None	931.528.1732
Fixtur-World	Commercial cabinets, etc.	110	None	931.528.7259

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