

WINCHESTER FRANKLIN COUNTY

2026 COMMUNITY DATA PROFILE



QUICK FACTS

County Seat	Winchester
Year Incorporated	1821
Land Area in Square Miles (County)	576
Water Area in Square Miles (County)	21
Latitude	N35° 11.15'
Longitude	W86° 06.73'
Elevation	979'
Market Region	Nashville
Distance From Nashville	80 miles
Distance From Huntsville, AL	45 miles
Time Zone	Central
City Website	www.winchester-tn.com
County Website	www.franklincotn.us
Additional Incorporated Cities within the County	Cowan, Decherd, Estill Springs, Huntland, Monteagle, Tullahoma
Unincorporated Cities	Arnold AFB, Belvidere, St. Andrews, Sewanee, Sherwood.

POPULATION

	City	County
2020 (Census)	9,375	42,774
2025 Population	9,951	45,215
2025 Median Age	45.3	43.4
2030 Population Projection	10,218	46,553
Annual Growth Rate (2025-2030 Projected)	0.53%	0.58%

Source: ESRI

CLIMATE

Annual Average Temperature	58.4° F
Average High Temperature	69.7° F
Average Low Temperature	47.1° F
Annual Average Precipitation	52.87"
Annual Average Snowfall	4"
Prevailing Winds	South-Southwesterly
Mean Length of Freeze-Free Period (days)	180-220

TAX STRUCTURE

LOCAL	City	County
Property Taxes (2025)		
• Rate per \$100 value	\$0.8525	\$1.7185
• Outside city limits		\$1.9953
Ratio of Assessment		
• Residential and Farm	25%	25%
• Commercial/Industrial	40%	40%
• Personal (Equipment)	30%	30%
Total Local Assessment (2024)	\$436,614,715	\$1,667,651,941
Hotel-Motel Occupancy Tax	5.0%	0.0%
Motor Vehicle Wheel Tax Rate		\$0.00

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

STATE

Sales Tax
• 4% tax on food and food ingredients
• 7% on all other tangible personal property unless specifically exempted
Local Sales Tax Rate
• 2.25%
Local and State Sales Tax Collected (FY2025)
• \$56,040,426
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• Personal: Repealed beginning January 1, 2021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	Franklin County
Type of Public School System	County
District Grades Served	Pre-K-12
Number of Schools	11
Number of Classroom Teachers	318
Student to Teacher Ratio	15:1
Additional Staff	51
Total Number of Students	4,742
Number of Private Schools	4
Total Number of Students	420
Number of Teachers	44

Number of High School Graduates (2025)	328
Graduation Rate	95.4%
Educational Attainment with a Degree (Adults Age 25+)	34.1%

Source: Tennessee Department of Education

REGIONAL HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (within 30 miles)

- TN College of Applied Technology Winchester
- University of the South Sewanee
- University of TN Space Institute Arnold AFB
- Motlow Community College Tullahoma

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 and City Council Meets 2nd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. City Hall
County	Mayor and County Commissioners Meets 3rd Monday at 7:00 p.m. Franklin County Courthouse

Fire Department

- Full-time fire fighters in city 15
- City volunteers 14
- Full-time fire fighters in county
- County volunteers 201
- Fire stations in city 2
- City fire trucks 9
- Fire stations in county 15
- County fire trucks

Law Enforcement

- Full-time police officers in city 25
- Full-time police officers in county & sheriff 60
- City patrol cars 18
- County patrol cars 68

	City	County
Insurance Rating	4	9
Zoning Regulations	Yes	Yes
Planning Commission	Yes	Yes
Industrial Development Corp.	Yes	Yes

TRANSPORTATION

AIR SERVICE

Nearest General Aviation	Winchester Municipal Airport
Location Identifier	BGF
Distance from City	3 miles
Runway Length	5,002 feet
Surface	Asphalt
Lighting	MIRL/PAPI
Fuel	100LL/Jet A
Repairs	Airframe Service Major Powerplant Service & Major

Storage	Hangar, Tie Down
Transportation	Rental and Courtesy Car
Nearest Commercial Service	Huntsville International Airport
Location Identifier	HSV
Distance from Winchester	51 miles
Additional Commercial Service	Nashville International Airport
Location Identifier	BNA
Distance from Winchester	91 miles

HIGHWAYS

U.S. Highways	41A and 64 (four lane)
State Highways	Several
Nearest Interstate	15 miles to access I-24 50 miles to I-65

COMMON CARRIERS

Air Freight Companies	None
Motor Freight Companies	6
Terminal Facilities	None
Bus Services	
Inter-City	No
Local	No
Carrier Service	Yes

RAILROADS SERVED BY

CSX Transportation, Piggyback ramp

NAVIGABLE WATERWAYS

River	Tennessee
Channel Depth	9 feet
Nearest Port Facility	Decatur, AL
Miles from Port	50

COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers	Herald Chronicle, Tullahoma News, Chattanooga Times Free Press, Huntsville Times, The Tennessean, Sewanee Mountain Messenger
Telephone Companies	AT&T; United Telephone Co.
Radio Stations	2 local
Television Networks	1 local
Channels	65
Cable Service Available	Yes
Internet Service Available	Yes
Fiber Optics Available	Yes
Providers for above services	Xfinity, AT&T, Point Broadband, United Communications, and Ben Lomand

* Charter Communication has limited service in north Franklin County.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Health Care

Doctors	160
Dentists	12
Hospitals	2
Beds	198
Clinics	5
Nursing Homes	3
Beds	188
Retirement Homes	1
Extended Care Facilities	6
Beds	130

Religious Organizations

Protestant	106
Catholic	2
Jehovah's Witness	1
Seventh Day Adventist	1
Latter Day Saints	1
Other	

Day Care Centers several

Day Care Homes several

Recreation

Libraries	2
Parks	7
Golf Courses (Public & Private)	5
Swimming Pools (Public & Private)	3
Country Clubs	1
Theaters	1
Bowling Alleys	0
Drive-In	1

Hotels & Motels

Rooms	184
Bed & Breakfasts	0
VRBO	215
Airbnb	163

Largest Meeting Room

Capacity	400
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Restaurants

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Other

Southern Middle TN Pavilion
seats 3,000

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks:	Total Number of Institutions	7
	Total Number of Offices	11
	Deposits	774,000,000
Credit Unions:	Total Number of Branches	1
	Total Number of Offices	1
	Deposits	262,396,193
Countywide Combined Deposits		\$1,036,396,193
(Deposits for June 30, 2024)		

Source: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and National Credit Union Administration

INDUSTRIAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Service	Location	Distance (Miles)
Tool & Die	Local	
Heat Treating	Local	
Foundry	Chattanooga	65
Heavy Hardware	Chattanooga	65
Sheet Metal	Local	
Lubricants	Local	
Welding Supplies	Tullahoma	15
Abrasives	Shelbyville	34

SELECTED ECONOMIC INDICATORS

2025 ANNUAL AVERAGES (AGE 16+)

Labor Force	County	Labor Market Area*
Population	37,858	130,044
Employed	19,505	71,620
Unemployed	648	2,861
Unemployment Rate	3.2%	3.8%

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

Source: ESRI

2025 EMPLOYED POPULATION (AGE 16+) BY INDUSTRY

Agriculture/Mining	1.5%
Construction	6.9%
Manufacturing	21.2%
Wholesale Trade	0.9%
Retail Trade	11.8%
Transportation/Utilities	3.8%
Information	0.9%
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate Services	3.4%
Public Administration	44.5%
	5.1%

Source: ESRI

MANUFACTURING IN AREA (Annual Averages 2024)

Number of Units	59
Ann. Avg. Employment	2,007
Ann. Avg. Weekly Wage	\$1,047

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Year	2025
Amount	\$36,267

Source: ESRI

MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Year	2025
Amount	\$66,523

Source: ESRI

AVERAGE HOME SALES

Year	2025
Median Value	\$302,767
Average Value	\$353,349
Housing Affordability Index	84
Percent of Income to Mortgage	28.5%

Source: ESRI

RETAIL SALES

Year	2024
Amount	\$590,764,085

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

NATURAL RESOURCES

Minerals: Limestone

Timber: 84% hardwoods, 7% bottom land hardwoods, 6% cedar, 3% others. 188,400 acres of forest in County

AGRICULTURAL

Crops: Corn, wheat, soybeans, cotton, hay, nursery crops

Livestock: Cattle, poultry, swine

UTILITIES

<u>GAS</u>		<u>ELECTRICITY</u>	
Local Distributor	Elk River Public Utility District	Source Company	Tennessee Valley Authority
Phone	931.967.2110		
Website	www.erpud.com	<u>LOCAL POWER COMPANY (City)</u>	
Source Company	East Tennessee Gas Transmissions	Winchester Utility System	
Fuel Oil Suppliers	1		
Suppliers of LP Gas	3	Manager	George Powell
		District Address	219 2nd Avenue NW Winchester, Tennessee 37398
<u>WATER</u>		Phone	931.967.2238
Water Supplier	Winchester Utility System	Website	www.winchesterutilities.com
Phone	931.967.2238		
Website	www.winchesterutilities.com	<u>LOCAL POWER COMPANY (County)</u>	
Source	Tims Ford Lake	Duck River Electric Membership Corp.	
Capacity	6,000,000 GPD		
Current Consumption	2,500,000 GPD	President & CEO	James Wright
Storage Capacity	3,500,000 Gallons	Local Address	1738 Decherd Blvd. Decherd, Tennessee 37324
		Phone	931.967.5578
<u>SEWER</u>		Emergency	931.967.5579
Sewer Provider	Winchester Utility System	Website	www.dremc.com
Phone	931.967.2238		
Website	www.winchesterutilities.com		
Type of Treatment	Oxidation Ditch		
Capacity	3,200,000 GPD		
Current Usage	1,300,000 GPD		
City Sewer Coverage	90%		
Storm Sewer Coverage	15%		
Solid Waste Disposal Type	Private contractor		

MAJOR INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURERS/DISTRIBUTION (90+ employees)

Firm	Product or Service	Total Employees	Union	Phone Number
Beyond New Horizons	Government contracts	1,800	None	931.455.4570
Nissan North America, Plant 1	Engines & trans axles	1,400	None	931.962.5000
Yates Services	Automotive	1,022	None	931.962.5396
Nissan North America, Plant 2	Infiniti & Mercedes power trains	400	None	931.962.5058
Tepro, Inc.	Automotive weather-strips	350	None	931.967.5189
Baxter Enterprises LLC	Plastic injection molded products	259	None	931.962.8687
Zanini Tennessee Inc.	Plastic wheel covers	170	None	931.967.8544
CST Storage	Fabricated plate work	145	None	931.967.9135
Phoenix Bass Boats	Bass boats	125	None	931.967.7210
Hamilton Kent	Gaskets, packing and sealing	120	None	931.962.9999

For information on industrial sites and available industrial buildings contact:

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