

SUMRALL, MISSISSIPPI

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POPULATION

Population:	1990	1995	2000	2005	2010
Sumrall	905	1,004	1,005	1,142	1,269
Lamar County	30,482	33,635	39,070	43,262	47,279

Most populated cities in Lamar County:

City	2005 Population
Purvis	2,262
Lumberton	2,261
Sumrall	1,142

Age breakdown of county population, 2004:

0 to 17	22.2 %	40 to 49	16.0 %
18 to 21	6.8 %	50 to 64	15.0 %
22 to 29	12.7 %	65 and over	10.5 %
30 to 39	16.8 %		

Median age of county population, 2004: 33.9

Source: U.S. Bureau of Census, Census of Population, 1990 and 2000; 2005 and 2010 Population Estimates, Demographics Now.

LOCATION

Distance to selected cities from Sumrall:

Area	Distance	
Atlanta, Georgia	398 miles	642 kilometers
Chicago, Illinois	808 miles	1,303 kilometers
Dallas, Texas	464 miles	748 kilometers
Jackson, Mississippi	84 miles	135 kilometers
Memphis, Tennessee	277 miles	447 kilometers
New Orleans, Louisiana	124 miles	200 kilometers

Source: Official Mississippi Highway Map; unpublished data collected by MDA.

LABOR UNIONS

Information on labor union activity in Mississippi can be obtained by calling MDA at 601-359-3449.

WAGES

Annual Average, 2004*:

Manufacturing

Lamar County	\$553/week	\$13.83/hour
Mississippi	\$639/week	\$15.98/hour
United States	\$920/week	\$23.00/hour

Services

Lamar County	\$447/week	\$11.18/hour
Mississippi	\$508/week	\$12.70/hour
United States	\$724/week	\$18.10/hour

*All rates include management personnel.

Source: County data-Mississippi Department of Employment Security, U.S. data-U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2004 Annual Average.

LABOR FORCE

Annual Average, 2004:

	Lamar County	Commuting Area*
Labor Force	21,290	104,319
Male Percentage	54%	
Female Percentage	46%	
Total Employment	20,350	98,630
Manufacturing	1,163	
Services & Misc.	9,675	
Total Unemployed	870	5,640
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	5.4%
U.S.	5.5%	
Mississippi	6.2%	

*Commuting area includes all contiguous counties in Mississippi and neighboring states.

Source: Mississippi Department of Employment Security 2004, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

RETAIL SALES

Gross Retail Sales (in millions):

	1995	2000	2004
Sumrall	\$ 7	\$ 13	\$ 18
Lamar County	\$ 423	\$ 680	\$ 773

Source: Mississippi State Tax Commission, Annual Report, Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1995; 2000, 2004.

INCOME

Per Capita Personal Income:

	1995	2000	2003
Lamar County	\$16,422	\$19,959	\$23,453

Earnings, Lamar County:

Earnings by Place of Work, 2003 \$429,972,000

Sources of Earnings by Place of Work, 2003:

Manufacturing	10.2%
Services-Other	15.6%
Wholesale Trade	2.2%
Retail Trade	14.5%
Government	14.7%
Construction	5.1%
Finance & Insurance	6.1%
Transportation & Warehousing	5.2%
Healthcare & Social Assistance	19.2%
Educational Services	0.1%
Accommodation & Food Services	4.8%

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2003.

ASSESSED VALUE

Grand Total Ad Valorem Assessment (in millions):

	1995	2000	2004
Lamar County	\$ 147	\$ 244	\$ 330

Source: Mississippi State Tax Commission, 2004.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks based in Sumrall None

Banks with one or more branches in Sumrall 2

Source: Mississippi Banker's Association, Mississippi Bank Directory, 2005-2006 Edition.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways in Sumrall:

MS 42,

Railroads in Sumrall:

None

Air Travel in Sumrall:

Nearest Commercial Airport and its location:

Hattiesburg-Laurel Regional, Moselle

Distance (miles) 30

Length of runway 6,500 feet/1,982 meters

Number of daily outgoing flights 2

Major airlines serving the airport:

Northwest Airlin

Nearest general aviation airport and its location:

Hattiesburg-Laurel Regional, Moselle

Distance (miles) 15

Length of runway 6,501 feet/1,982 meters

Common carriers operating in Sumrall area 15

Sumrall's nearest full-service port:

Port of Gulfport

Post Office Box 40

Gulfport, MS 39502

228-865-4300

Distance from Sumrall 79 miles/127 kilometers

Name of waterway Gulf of Mexico

Channel depth 36 feet/11 meters

Source: Mississippi Department of Transportation; Mississippi Port Authorities; unpublished data collected by MDA, 2005.

HEALTH CARE

Hospitals in Lamar County 2

Number of beds 261

Source: Mississippi Department of Health, Directory of Mississippi Health Facilities, 2004.

EDUCATION

For detailed information on education in Lamar County and Mississippi, request an Education Profile. Education Profiles are prepared for all Mississippi counties and may be obtained by calling 601-359-3593, or online at www.mississippi.org.

UTILITIES AND SERVICES

Electricity distributor(s) in Sumrall:

Mississippi Power Company

Water/sewage service in Sumrall:

Utility name	Town of Sumrall
Source	Wells
System capacity	1,728,000 gallons per day 6,545 kiloliters per day
Average consumption	NA NA
Peak consumption	500,000 gallons per day 1,894 kiloliters per day
Storage capacity	387,000 gallons 1,466 kiloliters
Sanitary sewer capacity	667,000 gallons 2,527 kiloliters
Sewer treatment type	Lagoon
Percent of community served	99%
Present load	60%

Natural gas distributor(s) in Sumrall:

Entex

Source: Unpublished data collected by MDA, 2001.

COUNTY FEATURES

County Seat(s)	Purvis
Land area	500 square miles/1,296 square kilometers
County land area in commercial forests	70 %
National Parks/Historic Landmarks:	None

State Parks:

None

Tourism related information

Call 1-800-WARMEST

Source: Mississippi Elected Officials Directory; Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning; unpublished data collected by MDA.

LARGEST MANUFACTURERS IN LAMAR COUNTY

Manufacturing	Employees	Type of Business
Cooper Power Systems	299	Distribution transformers, electric
Hattiesburg Coca-Cola Bottling Co.	145	Bottler of soft drinks, in nonrefillable glass bottles
Custom Precast Products, Inc.	55	Underground concrete utilities; manholes, drainage boxes, etc.
Land O' Lakes Purina Feed, LLC-Lumberton	51	Dog food: dry, in packages from 25 to 50 lbs.
Diamond G Trailers/Graham Fabrication	49	Horse trailers, custom, all-aluminum

Source: Mississippi Manufacturers' Database, MDA, March 2006.

FIRE INSURANCE RATING

Sumrall

Class 8

Source: Mississippi State Rating Bureau, August 2002.

COST OF HOUSING

Average Selling Price of Homes, 2004:

Jackson	\$199,485
Gulfport	\$189,900
Hattiesburg	\$204,780
Tupelo	\$192,228

Source: ACCRA Cost of Living, 2004.

PROPERTY TAX

General county millage 27.84

Property tax- Counties and municipalities levy a property tax on real and personal tangible property. Most property is assessed at 15% of true value. Motor vehicles and utilities (excluding railroads) are assessed at 30% and owner-occupied residential properties are assessed at 10% of true value.

To calculate annual property tax:

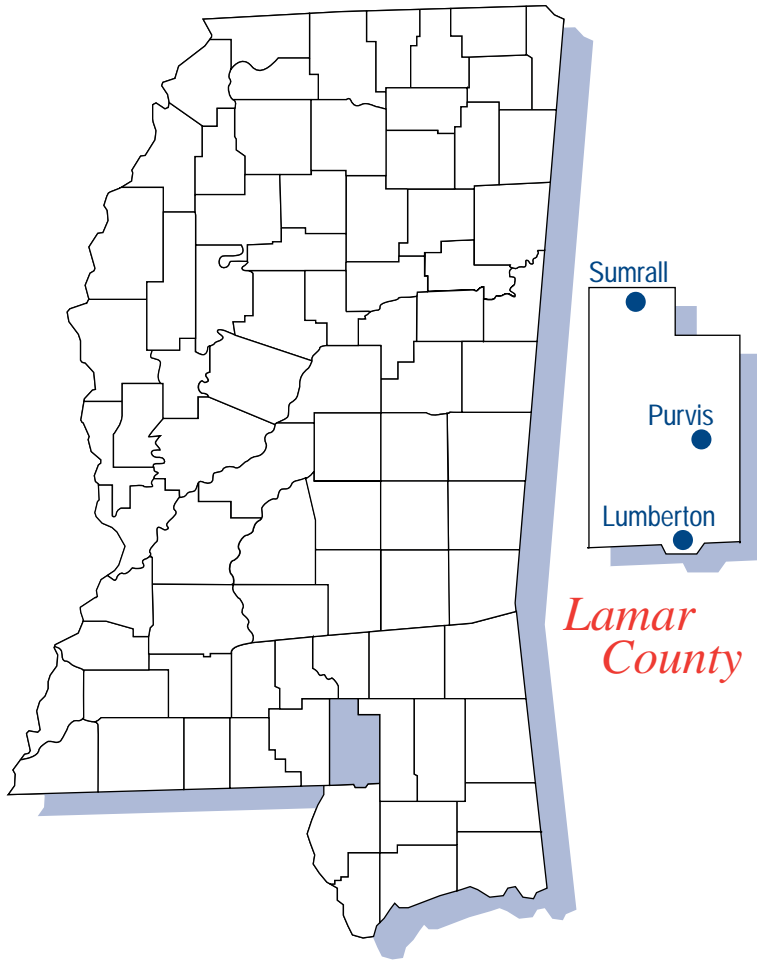
$$\text{Tax} = (\text{V} \times \text{A} \times \text{M}) / 1000$$

V = property value (\$), A = assessment percentage (%),
M = millage rate

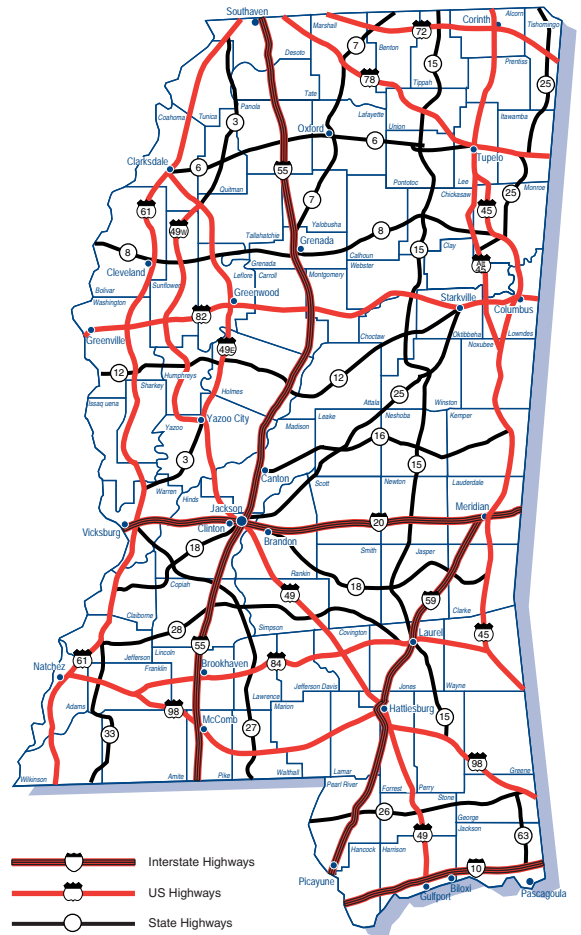
$$\text{Example: Home value } \$96,226 \text{ millage rate } 27.84 \\ (\$96,226 \times 10\% \times 27.84) / 1,000 = \$267.89$$

Source: Mississippi State Tax Commission, 2004-2005.

County Location



Federal/State Highways



Regional Map

