

Parish Health Profiles 2005 — Your Parish at a Glance

	Franklin	Louisiana	U.S.	HP 2010
ECONOMICS, 2000				
% All persons in poverty	28.4%	19.6%	12.4%	--
% Children under 18 in poverty	41.6%	26.6%	16.6%	--
% Unemployed 16 and over	8.3%	7.3%	5.8%	--
EDUCATION 2002-2003				
School Expenditure per Student	\$6,244	\$6,906	--	--
Student Attendance (average daily attendance as a % of the average number of students enrolled)	93.0%	93.5%	--	--
% High School Drop Outs (as a % of incoming 9th grade)	8.2%	7.0%	--	--
MOTHERS AND CHILDREN, 2002				
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 births)	9.4	10.2	7.0	4.5
% Receiving prenatal care w ithin first 3 months	76.4%	83.8%	83.7%	90.0%
% Receiving adequate prenatal care (modified Kessner)	66.7%	78.9%	76.2%	--
% Low birth w eight	11.5%	10.5%	7.7%	5.0%
% Births to teens ages 15 - 19	21.7%	15.5%	10.6%	--
% Children fully immunized by 2 years old	--	69.8%	78.5%	90.0%
INFECTIOUS DISEASES, 2003 (new cases - rate per 100,000 population)				
Syphilis (primary and secondary)	--	4.1	2.5	0.2
Early Syphilis (primary, secondary and early latent)	NA	8.6	5.4	--
Chlamydia	423.3	469.8	304.3	3.0
Gonorrhea	225.7	265.6	116.2	19.0
Tuberculosis	0.0	5.8	5.1	1.0
STATEWIDE LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH, 2002 (death rate per 100,000 population)				
Heart	443.9	248.4	241.7	166.0
Cancer	179.5	209.7	193.2	159.9
Cerebrovascular Disease	**	57.4	56.4	48.0
Accidents	**	46.7	37.0	17.5
Diabetes	**	39.5	25.4	45.0
Chronic Low er Respiratory	**	37.8	43.3	--
COMMUNITY SAFETY, 2003				
Validated cases of child abuse/neglect (rate per 1,000 population)	20.2	10.9	12.4	10.3
Deaths caused by motor vehicle crashes (rate per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled)	1.6	2.1	1.5	0.8
HEALTH BEHAVIORS, 2004				
	Region 8	Louisiana	U.S.	HP 2010
% Current cigarette smokers (adults 18+)	25.7%	23.5%	21.0%	12.0%
% Obese - BMI>30 (adults 20+)	28.7%	27.0%	31.1%	15.0%
% Having a mammogram w ithin 2 years (women 40+)	72.5%	74.3%	74.6%	70.0%
% Having a pap smear w ithin 3 years (women 18+)	80.4%	85.2%	85.9%	90.0%
% Having a flu shot in past year (adults 65+)	61.5%	68.6%	67.9%	90.0%

Data Sources:

Economics: U.S. Census 2000 Summary File 3 (SF 3) - Sample Data, 2000

Education: Louisiana Department of Education District-reported data submitted to the Student Information System (SIS) end-of-year (EOY) report and Profile of Educational Personnel (PEP) System. Office of Management and Finance, Division of Planning, Analysis and Information Resources. District Composite Report 2003-2004.

Mothers and Children: DHH/OPH, Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics, 2004 Louisiana Health Report Card and National Vital Statistics Reports, Vol. 53, No. 15, February 2005

Infectious Diseases: DHH/OPH, Sexually Transmitted Disease Program. 2004 and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, "Trends in Reportable Sexually Transmitted Disease in the United State, 2003". NA= Rate not available, # of cases is less than 5

Leading Causes of Death: DHH/OPH, Louisiana State Center for Health Statistics, 2004 Louisiana Health Report Card and National Vital Statistics Reports, Vol. 53, No. 15, February 2005 (**Rates for counts less than 20 are unreliable and are not reported)

Community Safety: Child Abuse--Louisiana Department of Social Services, Office of Community Services, prepared by Prevent Child Abuse Louisiana and Motor Vehicle Deaths--EM S/Injury Research & Prevention Program

Healthy Behaviors: DHH/OPH, Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2004

History^{1, 2}

Established on March 1, 1843, and named after the great American, Benjamin Franklin, Franklin Parish was created from parts of three neighboring parishes, Catahoula, Ouachita, and Madison. Franklin parish owes its origin to an accident. Two keelboats on Little Boeuf River, laden with machinery, ran around here. The machinery in one was said to be able to gin cotton at the breathtaking rate of four bales a day. The other boat held a massive iron contrivance that could cut more cypress boards in a day than fifty men. After unsuccessful efforts to free the boats from the sandbar, the boatmen decided to pitch camp here, and a settlement was born.



The largest town in the parish is Winnsboro, and hosts the annual Catfish Festival and a Fall Harvest Festival. Outdoor recreation is found in the Boeuf area and on Turkey Creek Lake. The Parish’s quiet country roads with cattle grazing in bordering fields are peaceful avenues into rural Louisiana.

Parish Seat³ Winnsboro

Major Cities (population over 5,000)

- Winnsboro

Parish Population⁴

2000.....	21,263
2003 (estimate)	21,095
2000 Population by Race	
White.....	67.2%
African-American	31.6%
Some other race.....	1.2%
Hispanic of Latino (of any race).....	0.8%
2000 Population by Age	
Under 5 years	7.2%
5-14	15.7%
15-17	5.0%
18-19	2.9%
20-24	6.1%
25-64	47.7%
65 & over	15.3%

Geography and Statistics⁵

Average elevation	70ft.
Land area in square miles	624
Water area in square miles	12.1

Climate

Average temperatures

Annual.....	65°
January.....	54°
July.....	93°
Annual average rainfall.....	55 inches

Labor Force (2001)⁶

Franklin Parish

Civilian.....	9,137
Employed.....	8,294
Unemployed.....	843
Unemployment.....	9.2%

Louisiana

Civilian.....	2,055,000
Employed.....	1,956,500
Unemployed.....	98,500
Unemployment Rate.....	4.8%

Colleges/Universities (within one hour commute)

- University of Louisiana at Monroe

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<<http://www.crt.state.la.us/crt/tourism/>>.
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4. U.S. Census Bureau, Summary File 1 (SF 1) and Summary File 3 (SF 3) <<http://www.census.gov>>.
5. U.S. Census Bureau: State and County QuickFacts <<http://www.census.gov>>.
6. Louisiana Department of Labor, Civilian Labor Force Summary
<http://www.ldol.state.la.us/forms/lmi/CLF_Parishes_2000-Present.xls>.