

COMMUNITY PROFILE

LOCATION

City of Athens, County of Henderson, State of Texas, located 75 miles South-east of Dallas, 189 miles North of Houston and 36 miles West of Tyler.

CLIMATE

Annual avg. temperature: 67°
 Mo. avg. high temperature: 90°
 Mo. avg. low temperature: 41°
 Annual avg. precipitation: 52.93 in.
 Annual avg. snowfall: 0
 Elevation: 256 ft - 763 ft

POPULATION

	City	County
2006	12,430	79,058
2002	11,508	75,324
2000	11,297	73,227
1990	10,967	58,543
1980	10,197	42,606

UTILITIES

Electric
 Oncor Electric Delivery
 Trinity Valley Electric Coop, Inc.
 Gas
 Atmos Energy
 Water
 City of Athens
 Telephone
 Cedar Valley Communications
 Embarq
 Trash
 Allied Waste Systems

GOVERNMENT, CITY

Type: Council/Manager
 Number on council: 5
 Municipal police: 32
 Paid firemen: 27
 City zoning body: Yes
 Master plan: Yes

TAXATION

Tax Rate (Per \$100 Assessed Value)	
Henderson County	\$0.491649
Athens, City	0.443793
Athens ISD	1.15338
Special Districts	
Hospital/College	0.188673
Total	\$2.277495



Municipal sales tax:	1.5%
State sales tax:	6.25%
Eco. Dev. sales tax:	.5%
Other sales taxes:	.0%

INCENTIVES

Tax abatement:	Yes
Enterprise zone:	Yes
Industrial foundation:	Yes
Foreign trade zone:	Yes
Reinvestment zone:	Yes
Other	Yes

AIR SERVICE

Athens Municipal Airport
 Runway length: 4,000 ft.
 Runway surface: Asphalt
 Lighted: Yes
 Fuel: Yes
 Nearest commercial air service:
 Pounds Field, Tyler, 30 miles.
 D/FW Airport, 75 miles.
 Shreveport, LA, 80 miles.

MEDIA

Papers:	1-daily
Radio stations:	1
TV stations:	Local
TV cable:	Yes

RECREATION

Parks:	4
Area Lakes:	3
Country Clubs:	1
Health Centers:	1
Movie Theaters:	1
Performing Arts Theaters:	1
Libraries:	1
Tennis courts:	12
Bed & Breakfast Facilities:	5
Hotel & Motel Rooms:	426

HEALTH CARE

Total hospital beds in Athens:	117
Total doctors (medical) in Athens:	40

CHURCHES

Anglican, Assembly of God, Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Church of Christ, Church of Christ Scientist, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Church of the Nazarene, Episcopal, Full Gospel, Full Gospel Fellowship Int'l., Lutheran, Methodist, Non-denominational, Pentecostal, Presbyterian, Seventh Day Adventist

FINANCE

AgriLand
 Athens Bank
 Citizens National Bank
 Citizens State Bank
 First State Bank of Athens
 Franklin Bank
 Heritage Land Bank
 Southside Bank
 Texas Trust Credit Union
 Woodforest National Bank

EDUCATION

Athens ISD
 Public school budget:
 \$26,957,000

	Schools Enrollment	
Elementary	2	1,148
Intermediate	1	543
Middle/Jr. High	1	715
High School	1	951
Private	2	88
Special/Head Start	1	179

Area universities/colleges:

Trinity Valley Community College, Athens
 Tyler Junior College
 University of Texas at Tyler
 State Industrial Job Training: Yes
 Vocational Program: Yes

AREA ATTRACTIONS:

Texas Fresh Water Fisheries Center, Cedar Creek Lake, Lake Athens, Purtils Creek State Park, East Texas Arboretum, Athens Scuba Park, Henderson County Fair Park Complex, Lake Palestine