

City Profile

Alabama Site Selection Database

Sylacauga

Area of State: Central



Location

Latitude/Longitude: 33.1784 / -86.2511
 County: Talladega
 Micropolitan Area: Talladega-Sylacauga
 Other cities in the county: Bon Air, Childersburg, Lincoln, Oak Grove, Talladega, Talladega Springs, Waldo

Population

	City	County
(2013) Population estimate:	12,071	80,865
(2010) Population:	12,749	82,291
(2000) Population:	12,616	80,321
(2013) Age breakdown		
0-20:	3,303	21,797
21-64:	6,624	46,632
65-over:	2,144	12,436
(2013) Median Age:	39	39
(2013) No. of households:	5,048	31,355
(2000) Income		
Avg. household:	36,528	38,564
Median household:	28,186	30,244
Per capita:	15,739	15,704
(2013) Population within 30 miles:	224,220	305,969
(2013) Daytime Population:	6,968	31,977

Source: Nielsen; U.S. Census Bureau
 Note: 2000 and 2010 population number reflect U.S. Census totals. All other numbers are Nielsen estimates and projections. Per Capita Income is for year 2000.

Transportation

Highways

Interstates in county: I-20
 Federal highways in county: 78
 Distance from city to nearest interstate: 42 miles

Distance from city to:

Atlanta:	133 miles
Birmingham:	47 miles
Huntsville:	145 miles
Jacksonville:	387 miles
Memphis:	281 miles
Mobile:	245 miles
Montgomery:	64 miles
Nashville:	240 miles
New Orleans:	371 miles
Savannah:	345 miles

Source: MapQuest, Inc.
 Note: Distances reflect standard driving routes.

Aviation

Commercial Air Service

Nearest commercial air service:	Birmingham-Shuttlesworth International Airport
Location:	Birmingham, AL
Distance from city to:	50 miles
Runway length:	12,002 feet
Number of daily flights:	160
Carriers:	Continental Airlines, Southwest, American Airlines, United Express, Delta Air Lines, US Airways

General Aviation Service

Nearest general aviation facility:	Merkel Field-Sylacauga Municipal Airport
Location:	Sylacauga
Distance from city to:	5 miles
Runway length:	5,390 feet
Lighted:	Yes
Tiedowns:	Yes
Hangars:	Yes
ILS:	No
Repair Service:	Yes

Source: EDPA Survey of Commercial Airports; Alabama Department of Transportation Aeronautics Bureau; www.dot.state.al.us; Airmav.com

Rail

Railroads serving county: CSX Transportation, Norfolk Southern

Source: Alabama Department of Transportation Intermodal Division, www.dot.state.al.us

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County Labor Analysis

(2011) Labor Force Estimates

Civilian labor force number:	37,433
Annual employment number:	33,580
Annual unemployment number:	3,853
Annual unemployment rate:	10.3 %

Source: US Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Note: Numbers reflect 2011 annual averages

(****) County Employment by Industry

Total:	*
Mining:	*
Construction:	*
Manufacturing:	*
Wholesale & Retail:	*
Transportation & Warehousing:	*
Utilities & Information:	*
Finance & Insurance:	*
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing:	*
Health Care & Social Assistance:	*
Accommodation & Food Services:	*
Prof, Tech & Business Services:	*
State & Local Government:	*
Other:	*

Source: Alabama Department of Industrial Relations; www.dir.state.al.us

Note: *Due to changes in data provided by ADIR some fields are empty. We are working to make structural changes to accommodate these changes. Information can be obtained through <http://www2.dir.state.al.us/cew/default.aspx>

(****) County Wages by Industry

Total:	*
Mining:	*
Construction:	*
Manufacturing:	*
Wholesale & Retail:	*
Transportation & Warehousing:	*
Utilities & Information:	*
Finance & Insurance:	*
Real Estate, Rental & Leasing:	*
Health Care & Social Assistance:	*
Accommodation & Food Services:	*
Prof, Tech & Business Services:	*
State & Local Government:	*
Other:	*

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(2010) Workforce Commuting Patterns

County residents working in the county: 11508

County residents working outside the county: 17772

Top five counties receiving workers

1. Jefferson
2. Calhoun
3. Shelby
4. St. Clair
5. Etowah

Mean travel time to work: 24.6 mins.

Outside residents working in county: 12928

Top five counties sending workers

1. Talladega
2. Calhoun
3. St. Clair
4. Jefferson
5. Shelby

Source: Source: U.S. Census Bureau, OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics; Mean Travel Time - 2006-2010 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

(2013) County Population 25 plus by Educational Attainment

Graduate/Professional degree:	4.7 %
Bachelors degree:	7.8 %
Associates degree:	6.8 %
Some college, no degree:	20.1 %
High school graduate/GED:	37.7 %
9-12th grade (no diploma):	14.9 %
Less than 9th grade:	7.9 %

Source: Nielsen

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Major Employers in County

Company	Product	# Employees
Honda of Manufacturing of Alabama	Automobiles, V-6 Engines	4,400
Alabama Institute for Deaf and Blind	Education	1,012
Talladega County Board of Education	Education	943
Nemak Aluminum Components	Motor Vehicle Parts	903
New South Express	JIT Honda Supplier	897
Coosa Valley Medical Center	Medical Care	637
Baptist Citizens Medical Center	Medical Care	348
Talladega Healthcare and Rehab	Healthcare	340
Federal Correction Institution	Prison	330
Talladega City Board of Education	Education	304

Source: Local economic development contacts

Major Manufacturing Employers in County

Company	Product	# Employees
Honda of Manufacturing of Alabama	Automobiles, V-6 Engines	4,400
Nemak Aluminum Components	Motor Vehicle Parts	903
New South Express	JIT Honda Supplier	897
Legacy Cabinets	Cabinets	345
MasterBrand Cabinets	Ready to Assemble Cabinets	288
Resolute Forest Products	Paper Mill	280
Imerys USA, Inc.	Marble Quarry	275
Blue Bell Creameries	Ice Cream and Frozen Desserts	262
Fleetwood Metal Industries	Metal Stamping	239
Alabama Specialty Products	Precision Machining and Medical Testing Products	222

Source: Local economic development contacts

Education:

(2010-2011) K-12 Information

School system serving city:	Sylacauga City Schools
Number of elementary:	3
Number of middle:	1
Number of junior high:	0
Number of high:	1
System enrollment:	2,419
Spending per pupil:	\$8,732.20

Source: Alabama Department of Education <http://www.alsde.edu>

Note: Detailed information on Alabama's public school systems and individual schools can be accessed on the Alabama Department of Education website. A school with multiple grade levels may be represented in more than one category. For example, a school with Gra

Post Secondary Information

Institutions located in county and contiguous Alabama counties

Two-year colleges serving area:

Central Alabama Comm College Childersburg Campus, Gadsden State Comm College Ayers Campus, Jefferson State Community College @ Moody, Jefferson State Community College @ Pell City, Jefferson State Community College Shelby

Four-year colleges serving area:

Jacksonville State University, Talladega College, University of Montevallo

Source: Alabama Commission on Higher Education

<http://www.ache.state.al.us>

Note: Information on Alabama's two and four year colleges can be found on the Commission's website.

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Taxes

(2011) General Tax Structure

Ad Valorem Tax

Alabama has a state property tax rate of 6.5 mills (3 mills for education). Both county and city can levy property tax. All real and personal business property is assessed at 20% of fair market value.

Source: Alabama Department of Revenue; www.ador.state.al.us

Note: Detailed Information by county is available at www.edpa.org or on the Alabama Department of Revenue website at www.ador.state.al.us.

Construction materials are taxed at the general rate. Inventories and goods-in-process are not taxed.

Other Business Related Taxes

	City	County (Inside City Limits)	County (Outside Incorporated Areas)	State
Sales Tax General Rate:	3.00 %	1.00 %	3.00 %	4.00 %
Use Tax General Rate:	3.00 %	1.00 %	3.00 %	4.00 %
Sales Tax on Machinery:	0.75 %	0.50 %	1.00 %	1.50 %
Use Tax on Machinery:	0.75 %		1.00 %	4.00 %
Occupational Tax:				

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Utilities

Electricity

Supplier(s) to city: Alabama Mun Elec Authority
Distributor(s) to city: Sylacauga Utilities Board

Sewer

Provider to city: Sylacauga Utilities Board

Natural Gas

Supplier(s) to city: Southern Natural Gas
Distributor(s) to city: Sylacauga Utilities Board

Telecommunications

Provider(s) to city: AT&T

Water

Provider to city: Sylacauga Utilities Board
Source type: Surface Water

Source: Alabama Department of Environmental Management <http://www.adem.state.al.us>; EDPA survey of utilities.

Note: Capacities vary from station to station.

Governance

Type Government

City: Mayor-Council
County: County Commission

Source: Alabama League of Municipalities <http://www.alalm.org>

Note: Additional information can be found on the Alabama League of Municipalities' website.

Climate

Temperature

Annual average: 60 °F
January average: 41 °F
July average: 78 °F

Altitude above sea level: 580 feet

Precipitation

Annual Average Rainfall: 56 inches

Source: National Climatic Data Center; US Geological Survey; US Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service

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Community Amenities

Number of hospitals:	2
Number of beds:	285
Number of daily newspapers:	1
Number of non-daily newspapers:	0
Number of libraries:	4
Number of hotels & other lodging:	32
Number of financial institutions:	70
Number of retail establishments:	460
Number of service establishments:	1,078

Source: State Health Planning and Development Agency; Alabama Press Association; Nielsen



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