

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

2023 - 2024

LABOR MARKET SUMMARY

CURRENT INDICATORS (ANNUAL AVERAGE 2024)	STATE OF TN	KNOXVILLE MSA	ANDERSON COUNTY	BLOUNT COUNTY	CAMPBELL COUNTY	GRAINGER COUNTY	KNOX COUNTY	LOUDON COUNTY	MORGAN COUNTY	ROANE COUNTY	UNION COUNTY
Unemployment Rate	3.4	3.2	3.4	3.0	3.7	3.6	3.0	3.4	4.0	3.8	3.5
Total Labor Force	3,420,373	453,001	35,254	68,600	16,337	10,368	254,556	26,825	7,972	24,170	8,918
Unemployment Estimates	117,350	14,338	1,188	2,087	599	374	7,611	923	320	921	314
EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR (ANNUAL AVERAGE 2024)	STATE OF TN	KNOXVILLE MSA	ANDERSON COUNTY	BLOUNT COUNTY	CAMPBELL COUNTY	GRAINGER COUNTY	KNOX COUNTY	LOUDON COUNTY	MORGAN COUNTY	ROANE COUNTY	UNION COUNTY
Total All Industries	2,991,324	378,273	43,523	50,842	8,065	3,707	234,753	16,075	2,742	16,240	2,326
Natural Resources and Mining	12,101	1,152	25	91	63	61	322	540	ND	ND	50
Construction	163,374	20,805	1,938	2,828	419	347	14,352	760	ND	ND	161
Manufacturing	362,430	45,122	14,852	9,183	1,269	1,301	13,262	3,557	273	916	509
Trade, Transportation and Utilities	691,000	86,341	5,199	13,805	1,781	714	56,207	4,834	373	2,747	681
Financial Activities	170,444	19,727	1,476	3,347	327	92	13,705	416	31	269	64
Public Administration	157,869	15,584	2,078	1,847	794	298	8,062	685	791	768	261
Information	54,420	4,793	165	416	36	23	4,000	76	24	53	ND
Professional and Business Services	452,097	65,345	8,583	6,121	724	279	40,384	1,034	325	7,800	95
Education and Health Services	477,216	60,661	5,200	5,200	1,295	228	44,688	1,676	702	1,732	216
Leisure and Hospitality	366,644	47,881	3,638	6,670	1,210	234	32,154	1,936	183	1,567	289
Other Services	83,729	10,862	645	1,334	147	130	7,617	561	40	388	ND

ND = Not Disclosable

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; Local Area Unemployment Statistics; Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages; Annual Averages 2024

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EDUCATION AND LABOR FORCE

	NUMBER	ENROLLMENT	GRADUATES	GRADUATION RATE	AVG. ACT SCORE
High Schools (Public)	32	35,163	7,478	94.2	19.0
*TCATs	3	2,639	1,162	-	-
Community Colleges	3	19,365	3,882	-	-
Four-Year Colleges	9	59,744	14,058	-	-

*TCAT = Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology

Sources: Tennessee Department of Education Annual Statistical Report 2024 & Report Card 2023-2024; National Center for Education Statistics 2023-2024

KNOXVILLE MSA EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION GROUP

(COUNTIES INCLUDE: ANDERSON, BLOUNT, CAMPBELL, GRAINGER, KNOX, LOUDON, MORGAN, ROANE AND UNION)

OCCUPATION GROUP	ESTIMATE Q1 - 2025
Office and Administrative Support Occupations	56,674
Transportation and Material Moving Occupations	42,828
Food Preparation and Serving Related Occupations	41,116
Sales and Related Occupations	41,099
Management Occupations	35,255
Production Occupations	32,516
Healthcare Practitioners and Technical Occupations	27,770
Business and Financial Operations Occupations	24,716
Educational Instruction and Library Occupations	21,268
Construction and Extraction Occupations	20,249
Installation, Maintenance, and Repair Occupations	19,492

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OCCUPATION GROUP	ESTIMATE Q1 - 2025
Healthcare Support Occupations	16,665
Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations	16,336
Computer and Mathematical Occupations	11,075
Personal Care and Service Occupations	10,083
Community and Social Service Occupations	8,663
Architecture and Engineering Occupations	7,758
Protective Service Occupations	7,487
Arts, Design, Entertainment, Sports, and Media Occupations	7,114
Life, Physical, and Social Science Occupations	4,590
Legal Occupations	2,636
Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations	1,088
Total - All Occupations	456,478

Source: Chmura Economics/JobEQ - Q1/2025

COMMUTE TIMES

	KNOXVILLE MSA	ANDERSON COUNTY	BLOUNT COUNTY	CAMPBELL COUNTY	KNOX COUNTY	LOUDON COUNTY	MORGAN COUNTY	ROANE COUNTY	UNION COUNTY
Avg. Time (mins.)	28.3	25.7	25.7	30.6	22.2	24.0	32.5	28.6	33.6

Source: U.S. Census Bureau; American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 2023.

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