

# Tupelo

## COMMUNITY PROFILE



### SNAPSHOT ►

Tupelo is best known as the birthplace of Elvis Presley. The small house where he was born, the Elvis Presley Museum and memorial chapel draw 80,000 visitors to the city every year. In addition, the city also hosts an Elvis Presley festival.

### MEDIA

#### Newspapers

*Northeast Mississippi Daily Journal*  
(daily) • 842-2611  
*Lee County Courier* (weekly)  
840-8819

#### Television

WCBI (CBS)  
WKDH (ABC)  
WLOV (FOX)  
WTVA (NBC)

### TYPE OF GOVERNMENT

City – Mayor/Council  
County – Board of Supervisors

### MEDICAL FACILITIES

Cancer Center	377-4077
North Mississippi Medical Center (650 beds)	377-3000
Women's Hospital	377-4800

### CLIMATE

Average Annual Temperature  
62 degrees  
January Average • 40 degrees  
July Average • 81 degrees  
Average Rainfall • 51.9 inches

### UTILITIES

<b>Cable</b>	
Comcast	842-5625
<b>Natural Gas</b>	
Atmos Energy	842-2441
(Supplier: So. Natural Gas)	

### Electricity

Tupelo Water and Light 841-6470  
(Supplier: Tennessee Valley Authority)

Tombigbee Electric  
Power Association 842-7635

### Telephone

BellSouth (800) 757-6500

### Water & Sewer

Tupelo Water & Light 841-6470

### ATTRACTIONS

**BancorpSouth Center**  
841-6573; tickets 841-6528

**Brice's Crossroads** 365-3969

**Elvis Presley Birthplace and Museum** 841-1245

**Elvis Presley Lake and Campground** 840-5172

Tupelo is also the only city in Mississippi to receive the All-America City Award three times.

**GumTree Museum of Art**  
844-2787

**Oren Dunn Museum** 841-6438

**Lee County Agri-Center**  
566-5600

**Natchez Trace Parkway**  
680-4025 or (800) 305-7417

**Tupelo Automobile Museum**  
842-4242

**Tupelo Ballet**  
844-1928 or 844-4352

**Tupelo Buffalo Park & Zoo**  
844-8709

**Tupelo National Battlefield**  
(Natchez Trace Parkway)  
680-4027

**Tupelo Veterans Museum**  
844-1515

**Private John Allen National  
Fish Hatchery** 842-1341

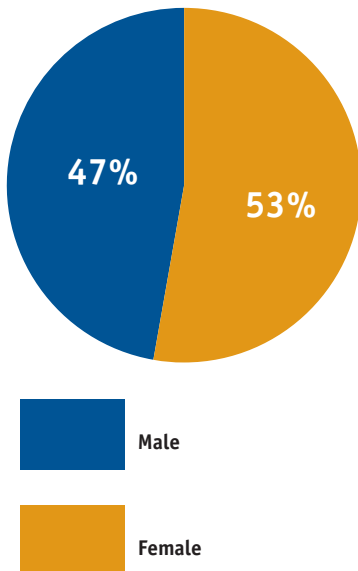
**Tupelo Community Theatre**  
844-1935

**Tupelo Symphony Orchestra**  
842-8433

**Tombigbee State Park**  
842-7669

**Tours – Tupelo Convention  
& Visitors Bureau**  
(800) 523-0611

### GENDER BREAKDOWN



### NUMBERS TO KNOW

Animal Control	841-6501
Chancery Clerk	841-9100
Circuit Clerk (Voter Registration)	841-9024
County Administrator	841-9130
Downtown Main Street Association	841-6598
Driver's License	844-2408
Emergency	911
Lee County Board of Supervisors	841-9110
Lee County Library	841-9027
Mayor's Office	841-6513
Parks & Recreation	841-6440
Public Works	841-6457
Sheriff's Department	841-9040
Tax Assessor (homestead exemption)	680-6014
Tax Collector (car tags)	841-9034
Tupelo Fire Department (non-emergency)	841-6439
Tupelo Police Department (non-emergency)	841-6491

### EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

(2000 Census)  
Percentage of Age Group

**High school graduate or higher**  
25 to 34 years • 87.0%  
35 to 44 years • 86.1%  
45 to 64 years • 84.8%  
65 years and over • 62.2%

### Bachelor's degree or higher

25 to 34 years • 28.9%  
35 to 44 years • 29.8%  
45 to 64 years • 29.3%  
65 years and over • 15.7%

### HOUSING STATISTICS

(2000 Census)

Median value	\$92,800
Number with a mortgage	904
Not mortgaged	239
Median contract rent	\$363
Median gross rent	\$454

### RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

1,400 acres of city parkland,  
including 18 beautiful city  
parks and 13 walking tracks

Eight state parks and four national  
forests within an hour's drive

Tupelo's Sportsplex houses  
16 professionally lighted  
soccer fields at Ballard Park

There are 12 professionally  
lighted baseball fields and  
seven softball fields in Tupelo

Headquarters for the Natchez  
Trace Parkway

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### JANUARY

### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

### HOUSEHOLD INCOME STATISTICS (2000 CENSUS)

Income	Number	Percentage
Less than \$10,000	1,536	11.4%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	958	7.1%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	1,671	12.4%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	1,907	4.1%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	2,221	16.5%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,470	18.3%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,418	10.5%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	736	5.5%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	211	1.6%
\$200,000 or more	367	2.7%

## MARCH

### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

## APRIL

### AZALEA FESTIVAL

Veterans Park

### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

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842-4442

### SPRING SIDEWALK LUNCHEON

Broadway Street  
Downtown Tupelo • 841-6598

## MAY

### BLUE SUEDE CRUISE

BancorpSouth Center  
534-2683

### CELLULAR SOUTH GUMTREE FESTIVAL COURTHOUSE SQUARE

844-ARTS

### DOWNTOWN TUPELO FARMER'S MARKET

South Spring Street  
841-6598

### DUDIE BURGER FESTIVAL

Oren Dunn City Museum  
841-6438

### TUPELO FILM FESTIVAL

Lyric Theatre  
841-6521

### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

### TUPELO HOG ROAST

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
365-7659

## JUNE

### DOWNTOWN TUPELO FARMER'S MARKET

South Spring Street  
841-6598

### ELVIS PRESLEY FESTIVAL

Front Street – Downtown Tupelo  
841-6598

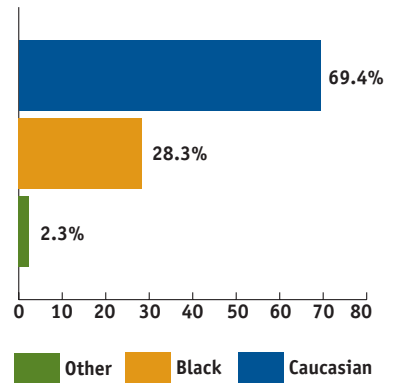
### JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

Ballard Park

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842-4442

## POPULATION PROFILE



## EDUCATION

Type	Number	Students
Elementary Schools (K-3)	7	3,200
Intermediate Schools (4-6)	3	1,150
Junior High (7-8)	1	1,110
High School (9-12)	1	1,145
Private Schools (K-12)	3	462
Vocational-Technical	1	590

## TUPELO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

tupeloschools.com • 841-8850

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Carver Elementary	841-8870
Church Street Elementary	841-8880
Joyner Elementary	841-8900
Lawhon Elementary	841-8910
Lawndale Elementary	841-8890
Milam Elementary	841-8920
Parkway Elementary	844-6303
Pierce Street Elementary	841-8940
Rankin Elementary	841-8950
Thomas Street Elementary	841-8960

### MIDDLE SCHOOL

Tupelo Middle School	840-8780
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### HIGH SCHOOL

Tupelo High School	841-8970
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### HIGHER EDUCATION

University of Mississippi – Tupelo Branch	844-5622
Mississippi University for Women – School of Nursing	844-0284
Itawamba Community College – Tupelo Branch	620-5000

## FAMILY INCOME STATISTICS (2000 CENSUS)

Income	Number	Percentage
Less than \$10,000	657	7.1%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	469	5.1%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	933	10.1%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	1,169	12.7%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	1,521	16.5%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2,082	22.6%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,217	13.2%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	641	6.9%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	189	2.0%
\$200,000 or more	351	3.8%

### JULY

#### ALL-AMERICA CITY PICNIC

Ballard Park

#### DOWNTOWN TUPELO FARMER'S MARKET

South Spring Street  
841-6598

#### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

### AUGUST

#### DOWNTOWN TUPELO FARMER'S MARKET

South Spring Street  
841-6598

#### PCA SANCTIONED CHAMPIONSHIP RODEO

Tupelo Buffalo Park and Zoo  
844-8709

#### TUPELO FURNITURE MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Buildings  
842-4442

### SEPTEMBER

#### DOWNTOWN TUPELO FARMER'S MARKET

South Spring Street  
841-6598

#### NORTH MISSISSIPPI STATE FAIR

Lee County Agri-Center  
566-5600

#### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

#### TUPELO MARATHON AND 14.2 MILER

Start/Finish at Tupelo Furniture Market Building

#### WHITE BUFFALO POW WOW

Tupelo Buffalo Park and Zoo  
844-8709

### OCTOBER

#### CELEBRATION VILLAGE

Tupelo Furniture Market Building 5  
844-2111

#### DOWNTOWN TUPELO FARMER'S MARKET

South Spring Street  
841-6598

#### FALL CHILI FEST

Broadway Street-Downtown Tupelo  
841-6598

#### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

### NOVEMBER

#### CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FLEA MARKET & CRAFTS SHOW

Tupelo Furniture Market  
842-4442

#### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

### DECEMBER

#### ANNUAL GALA

GumTree Museum of Art  
844-ARTS (2787)

#### THE NUTCRACKER BALLET

Middle School Civic Auditorium  
841-8850

#### REED'S TUPELO CHRISTMAS PARADE

Downtown Tupelo  
841-6598

#### TUPELO GIGANTIC FLEA MARKET

Tupelo Furniture Market Building  
842-4442

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

**Tupelo Convention & Visitors Bureau**  
P.O. Drawer 47  
Tupelo, Mississippi 38802-0047  
Phone: (800) 533-0611  
(662) 841-6521  
tupelo.net

#### Community Development Foundation

300 W. Main St.  
Tupelo, MS 38802  
Phone: (800) 523-3463  
(662) 842-4521  
Fax: (662) 841-0693  
cdfms.org

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