

## Economic Indicators

Housing units in the county	<b>6697</b>
Housing Ownership Rate Percentage	<b>81.4</b>
Civilian employed population 16 years and over.	<b>3082</b>

## Industry Information

Private nonfarm establishments, 2013	<b>147</b>
Private nonfarm employment, 2013	<b>667</b>
Non-employer establishments, 2012	<b>709</b>

## Workforce Information

Households, 2009-2013	<b>4219</b>
Persons per household, 2009-2013	<b>2.23</b>
Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16+, 2009-2013	<b>32.6</b>
Average annual income	<b>\$25,620</b>
Persons under 5 years, percent, 2013	<b>4.1</b>
Persons under 18 years, percent, 2013	<b>17.4</b>
Persons 18 to 64 years, percent, 2013	<b>47.2</b>
Persons 65 years and over, percent	<b>31.3</b>

## Easy access to I-44 and I-49



## Hickory County Enhanced Enterprise Zone

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### AVAILABLE WORKFORCE

MAJOR HIGHWAYS  
HWY 54 –HWY 65–HWY 13

INFRASTRUCTURE AVAILABLE FOR ALL  
SIZES OF BUSINESSES

AFFORDABLE COMMERCIAL, RESIDENTIAL  
DEVELOPMENT SITES WITH LOW TAX  
RATES

LOW COST OF LIVING

SCENIC OZARKS AREA WITH EXTENSIVE  
FISHING, HUNTING, AND OUTDOOR  
ACTIVITIES

A BUSINESS SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY



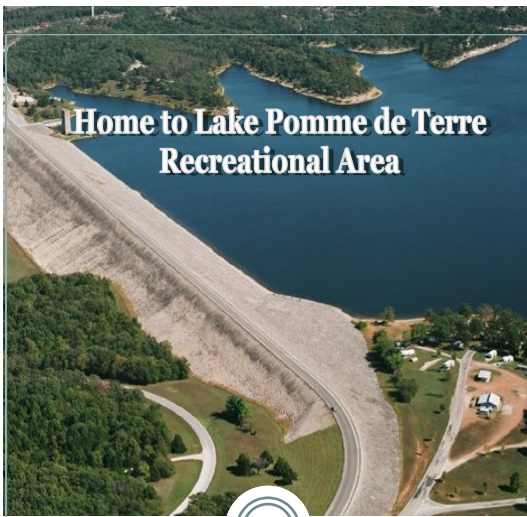
# HICKORY COUNTY MISSOURI



## GROW WITH US!

Offering profitable business growth opportunities with City, County and Residential support. Located in Missouri's Ozarks recreational area with an infrastructure to support any size of business.

*Hickory County Enhanced Enterprise Zone*



## Home to Lake Pomme de Terre Recreational Area



## Hickory County, Mo

Is a county located in the U.S. state of Missouri. As of the 2010 census, the population was 9,627. Its county seat is Hermitage. The county was organized February 14, 1845, and named after President Andrew Jackson, whose nickname was “Old Hickory.”

The median income for a household in the county was \$25,346, and the median income for a family was \$28,779. The per capita income for the county was \$13,536.

Dynamic tourism and agriculture industrial base.

Total area is 412 sq. mi. made up of 399 sq. mi. land and 13 sq. mi. of water.

Data Source:

- U.S. Census 2010

## ENHANCED ENTERPRISE ZONE OPPORTUNITIES

### BENEFITS FOR QUALIFYING BUSINESS

The Enhanced Enterprise Zone program offers 2 benefits to qualifying business:

- 1) State income tax credits
- 2) Local property tax abatement

#### State Income Tax Credits

Tax credits, available for up to 5 years, are based on the number of new jobs created and capital investment.

#### Property Tax Abatement

Property tax abatement is available on the growth in real property, as pertains to the project. Property value currently on the tax roll is not eligible for abatement. Personal property is also not eligible for abatement.

#### Eligibility Criteria

- 1) The business must be located within the designated Enhanced Enterprise Zone.
- 2) The business must be classified, by NAICS code, as one of 9 targeted industries.
- 3) At least 2 new jobs must be created.
- 4) The business must spend at least \$100,000 for a new or expansion project or at least \$1,000,000 for a replacement project.

**Targeted Industries** include a wide range including Manufacturing—Warehousing—Medical and a wide variety of business.

#### Enhanced Enterprise Zone Area

The EEZ covers a large part of Hickory County. The following five (5) municipalities and unincorporated areas of Hickory County are included in the zone:

- \* Cross Timbers
- \* Hermitage (County Seat)
  - \* Pittsburg (unincorporated)
- \* Preston
- \* Weaubleau
  - \* Quincy (unincorporated)
- \* Wheatland
  - \* Galmey (included in Wheatland)



### Demographics of Hickory County

- \* 9,627 people in Hickory County
- \* 50% are 19 to 59 years of age
- \* Cost of living is low within the State
- \* Average annual wage of \$25,620
- \* State of Missouri has the 4<sup>th</sup> lowest cost of living

### Education

- \* Hermitage R-IV School District
- \* Skyline Hickory County R-I School District
- \* Weaubleau R-III School District
- \* Wheatland R-II School District
- \* Vocational Training for County Residents

### Top employers

- 4 Hickory County Public Schools - 300 employees
- Applewood Lane Corp - 60 employees
- Christian Health Care—65 employees

**Home of Lucas Oil Speedway “Diamond of the Dirt Track and Lake Lucas Drag Boat” racing. Located in Wheatland MO.**

