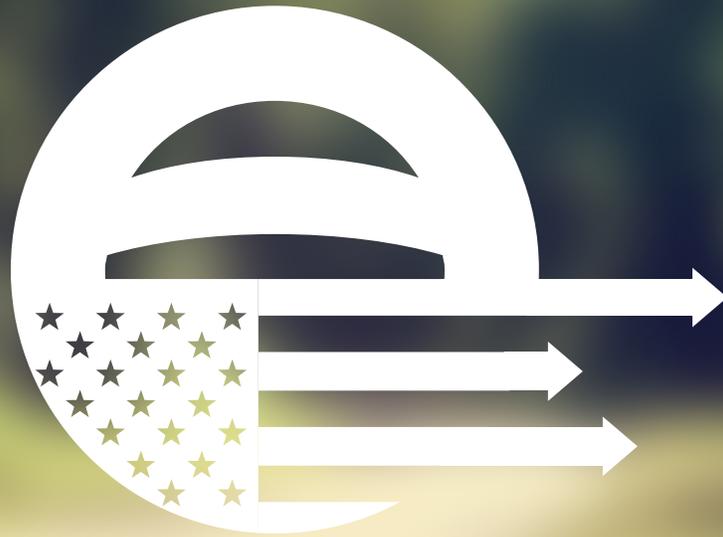


ARCADIA LOUISIANA



“Come grow with us”

THE TOWN OF
Arcadia, Louisiana
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



LET'S GET FURTHER ACQUAINTED.

We're happy you have considered bringing your business to Arcadia. We have created a document you can take with you that includes all the reasons we think you will be happy joining us!

We are proud to say that Arcadia, Louisiana is a community of hardworking people who care about our neighbors, the quality of life, and our town. A lower cost of living and recent advancements in technology and transportation have removed barriers to doing business in a small town.

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TOWN OF ARCADIA

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WHY ARCADIA?



LOUISIANA EXCELS IN AREAS THAT ATTRACT BUSINESSES

- ▶ The workforce is rated among the most productive in the nation and fourth highest in contribution to gross state product per dollar of wage earned.
- ▶ Ranked in the top 20 in the nation in terms of high-tech job growth. The state's 3% growth was higher than the national growth rate at just 1% (American Electronics Association 2002)
- ▶ Louisiana manufacturing workers are 1st in productivity when measured by value of shipments per production worker and are 4th most productive in the U.S. in value added per production worker (Census 2002).
- ▶ Ranked 3rd in the nation in percentage of income growth between 2000 and 2002. The average Louisiana Income has grown 9.44% during that time.
- ▶ Louisiana has two customized employee-training programs.
- ▶ Business climate: right-to-work, tort reform.



EDUCATION IN LOUISIANA IS A TOP PRIORITY

- ▶ Louisiana's TOPS program invests an average of \$100 million per year in tuition with 40,000 students currently enrolled in the TOPS program.
- ▶ Louisiana's school accountability program ranked in the top ten in the nation, climbing from 7th in 2002 to 6th in 2003.
- ▶ 1st in accountability and standards, 5th in improving teacher quality, and 16th in Equity of Funding (Education Week 2004).
- ▶ The national increase in college tuition last year was 9% while Louisiana's was a mere 4% which was the 6th lowest in the country. The same study noted that total state appropriations for higher education increased 6% ranking Louisiana 5th in the U.S.
- ▶ LSU's entrepreneur programs were positioned in the "first-tier or top 12 in the nation in Entrepreneur Magazine's ranking of the nation's top 100 entrepreneurial universities" (Entrepreneur Magazine, April 2003).
- ▶ Ranked 6th in Business Incubators per 10,000 businesses and 14th in Science and Engineering B.S. degrees granted as a percentage of total Bachelor's degrees granted.
- ▶ Ranked among the top ten states in the nation for its efforts to improve school and students performance. Quality Counts 2003 ranks Louisiana 5th for accountability and standards efforts, 12th for its efforts to improve teacher quality and 12th for equitable distribution of resources.
- ▶ Louisiana's LA 4 early childhood education program has been highlighted by the National Association of State Boards of Education as a model initiative (NASBE, September 2002).
- ▶ Louisiana's START program is in the top five in the 529 investment plans in the country, netting 6.33% interest last year (saving for college, July 2002).

PARISH PROFILE



MARKET ACCESS

Highways:

Interstate 20
US Highway 80
LA Highway 4, 7, 9, 150, 154, 501,
747, 754, 792

Freight Rail:

Kansas City Southern

Navigable Waterways/Ports:

Caddo-Bossier Port (shallow)
Channel Depth 9' 55 miles

Port of Lake Charles

Channel Depth 40' 200 miles

Airports:

Monroe Regional (Commercial)
Runway Length 8,351' 50 miles

Shreveport Regional (Commercial)
Runway Length 7,500' 55 miles

Arcadia Bienville (General)

Runway Length 3,000' Within Parish

POPULATION

2004 Estimate: **15,668**

2000 Census: **15,752**

1990 Census: **16,201**

ADJACENT PARISHES

- **Claiborne Parish** (North)
- **Lincoln Parish** (Northeast)
- **Jackson Parish** (East)
- **Winn Parish** (Southeast)
- **Natchitoches Parish** (South)
- **Red River Parish** (Southwest)
- **Bossier Parish** (West)
- **Webster Parish** (Northwest)

CLIMATE

Average

Temperature

January: 54°

July: 92°

Annually: 64°

Average Annual

Rainfall 50.7"

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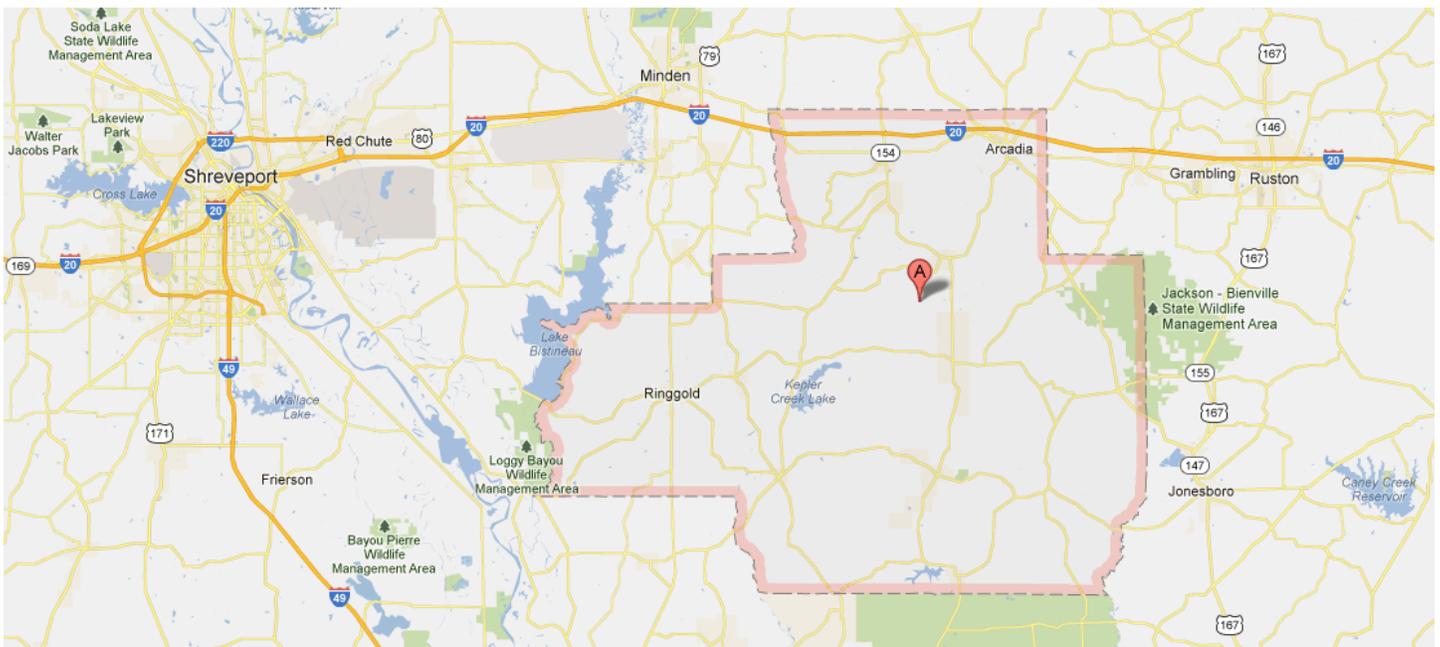
0-17: **27.3%**

18-24: **8.0%**

25-44: **24.6%**

45-64: **22.5%**

65+: **17.6%**



INCENTIVES AND FINANCING



INCENTIVE PROGRAMS REDUCE YOUR TAX LIABILITY

Businesses in Louisiana have access to a competitive, comprehensive portfolio of **state and federal incentives** that can make a profound impact on a company's bottom line. Incentives, such as **Enterprise Zone** , **Quality Jobs** , **Research & Development Tax Credit**, **Industrial Tax Exemption** and **Louisiana FastStart™** are available to help companies compete and succeed.

NLEP can provide advocacy and assistance with applying with statutory or discretionary incentives . Please contact our business development team for more information. (Qualifying for many of the incentive programs depends on job creation and capital investment.)

FEDERAL INCENTIVES

NEW MARKETS TAX CREDITS:

This federal incentive allows individuals and corporate investors to receive a tax credit against their Federal income tax return in exchange for making equity investments in specialized financial institutions called Community Development Entities (CDEs). The credit totals 39 percent of the original investment amount and is claimed over a period of seven years (five percent for each of the first three years, and six percent for each of the remaining four years). The investment in the CDE cannot be redeemed before the end of the seven-year period. **Learn more**

WORK OPPORTUNITY TAX CREDITS

This incentive allows businesses to earn up to **\$2,400 in federal tax credits** for hiring persons in certain targeted groups. Additionally, businesses may earn up to **\$4,800 for hiring disabled veterans** and up to **\$9,000 over a two year period** for hiring long term **welfare recipients** . Learn more on the **U.S. Department of Labor website** or the **Louisiana Workforce Commission website** .

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT – WIA

This program provides funding for local and regional workforce training programs through local Workforce Investment Boards (WIB).

FOREIGN TRADE ZONES

Foreign Trade Zones (FTZ) allow **delayed or reduced duty payments** on foreign merchandise, allowing US companies to engage in value added activities to effectively compete with foreign alternatives. Designated sites are supervised by local U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officials. View a list of **Louisiana FTZ** .

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT

Companies may claim a **federal income tax credit for R & D activities** . The credit may be combined with Louisiana R & D credits. **Learn more.**

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The Small Business Administration provides a variety of small business assistance programs including loans, business consulting, technical assistance and training. Learn more at local your **Louisiana Small Business Development Centers** or through the **SBA website** .

USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Rural Development Federal grants/programs are available through the USDA for projects located in a USDA Rural zone. **Learn more**



STATE INCENTIVES

Louisiana has a variety of incentives programs available to both new and existing businesses.

A number of these programs require an **Advanced Notification form and fee** to be submitted to Louisiana Economic Development (LED) prior to any construction, renovations, purchases, hiring of employees, and etc. Failure to submit this form may disqualify you from being able to participate in the program(s). This form may be filed electronically by registering with FastLane .

LOUISIANA'S QUALITY JOBS PROGRAM

This incentive allows eligible companies to receive a **cash rebate of up to 6% of annual payroll** expenses for up to ten years and either a **4% sales/use tax rebate** on capital expenditures or an investment **tax credit equal to 1.5%** of qualifying expenses. A rebate of a portion of local sales/use tax may be available in some areas. **Learn more**

ENTERPRISE ZONE

The Enterprise Zone program allows qualifying businesses to claim a **one-time tax credit of \$2,500** for each net new permanent job created during the first five years of the project. The incentive also provides a **4% sales tax rebate** on taxable expenditures or a **1.5% refundable Investment tax credit** . **Learn more**

LOUISIANA FASTSTART

Considered the nation's best workforce training program, FastStart offers innovative, **customized employee training** to companies that create at least 15 new, permanent manufacturing jobs, or at least 50 new, permanent service-related jobs. **Learn more**

MODERNIZATION TAX CREDIT

This incentive provides a **5% refundable state tax credit** for manufacturers making capital investments to modernize or upgrade existing facilities in Louisiana. The proposed modernization must help to improve the entire facility's or specific unit's efficiency by greater than 10%. **Learn more**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AWARD PROGRAM (EDAP)

This incentive provides funding for publicly owned infrastructure for industrial or business development projects creating or retaining at least 10 permanent jobs and promoting targeted industry economic development. Eligible project costs may include, but are not limited to, engineering and architectural expenses, site acquisition, site preparation, construction expenses, building materials and capital equipment. **Learn more**

RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT TAX CREDIT

This incentive provides to existing businesses with operating facilities in Louisiana a **tax credit up to 40%** of the expenses necessary to establish or continue research and development activities within the state. **Learn more**

DIGITAL MEDIA AND SOFTWARE INCENTIVE

This incentive provides a **tax credit of 25%** of qualified production expenditures for state-certified digital interactive productions in Louisiana and a **35% tax credit** for payroll expenditures for Louisiana residents. **Learn more**



LOCAL INCENTIVES

INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION

This incentive program grants new and expanding manufacturing operations an exemption from local property taxes on new construction, additions to existing buildings, or permanently fixed equipment and machinery purchases. Business can take advantage of this program for a period of 5 years with the option of a second five-year exemption. [Learn more](#)

RESTORATION TAX ABATEMENT

This incentive program, administered by the local parish tax assessor, grants a **5-year deferred assessment of the ad valorem property taxes** assessed on renovations and improvements with an option for a second 5-year exemption. Commercial property owners and homeowners who expand, restore, improve, or develop an existing structure in a qualifying district are eligible. [Learn more](#)

EDUCATION



North Louisiana offers six state university systems as well as six private colleges and community colleges, all of which are located within a one hour drive from the town of Arcadia.



UNIVERSITIES/COLLEGES

There are seven, four-year colleges & universities within commuting distance

Louisiana State University
Louisiana Tech
University of Louisiana at Monroe
Centenary
Grambling State University
Evangel Christian Academy
Southern University

TECHNICAL COLLEGES

Four Technical and Vo-Tech Schools

Bossier Parish Community College
Louisiana Delta Community College
Louisiana Technical College
Northwest Louisiana Technical College of Minden

PRIMARY/SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Eight Bienville Parish Public Schools
• 2422 enrolled students

PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Bienville Parish Public Library serves the parish with the main branch in Arcadia, and branch libraries in Ringgold and Saline. The library system has a collection of over 70,000 books, DVDs and books on CDs plus periodicals and art prints. The Arcadia Library has a genealogy room with an outstanding collection of records.



QUALITY OF LIFE



North Louisiana is many things to many people -- a great place to do business, a desirable place to live and raise a family, and an exciting place to enjoy night life, world-class cultural and recreational opportunities, and a sportsmen's paradise. From enticing communities with small town charm to bucolic college towns offering an environment of innovation to inviting urban areas, you can find nearly everything in North Louisiana.

The American dream is still alive in North Louisiana. Low housing costs, a below average cost of living and a low unemployment rate allow many to afford a better life style and in some cases to own their first home. North Louisiana's K-12 school systems offer top quality options from some of the best public schools in the state to excellent private schools. A sophisticated and diverse healthcare system in North Louisiana provides quality health care with some of the highest patient satisfaction rates. Whether you enjoy hunting for game or hunting for bargains, living in northern Louisiana offers something for everyone: a sense of community, great climate, and diverse entertainment and recreational options. No wonder Louisiana has been named the **"Happiest State in the America"** (Science, 2009).

Arcadia offers a unique lifestyle. A beautiful 18 hole golf course, two museums, Bonnie & Clyde Trade Days (a large meet and swap sale), Bluegrass music, great restaurants, and numerous antique shops draw people from all over the Arkansas, Louisiana, and Texas area. We're located in the heart of Louisiana's Piney Hills Country, surrounded by many lakes, as well as Louisiana's best fishing, deer, and turkey hunting. Arcadia and Bienville Parish are a true sportsman's paradise. Arcadia has two large modern senior care centers and more than 14 area churches.





Bienville Unemployment Rate

Bienville Unemployment Rate	2000	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Percent Unemployed	6.30%	6.80%	4.50%	4.90%	5.70%	9.70%	9.00%

Bienville Parish Payroll Costs by Industry

BIENVILLE PARISH PAYROLL COSTS BY INDUSTRY (2009)			
Average Annual Salary by Major Industry	Annual Wages	Average Employment	Average Annual Salary
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	7,242,816	157	\$46,133
Mining	8,913,519	143	\$62,332
Utilities	2,565,134	45	\$57,003
Construction	2,823,884	102	\$27,685
Manufacturing	33,571,556	1,216	\$27,608
Wholesale trade	4,634,365	105	\$44,137
Retail trade	5,705,597	308	\$18,525
Transportation and warehousing	10,654,428	227	\$46,936
Information	566,216	23	\$24,618
Finance and insurance	5,057,676	132	\$38,316
Real estate and rental and leasing	6,803,897	111	\$61,296

Professional and technical services	754,097	38	\$19,845
Management of companies and enterprises	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	*	*	*
Educational services	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	11,793,574	515	\$22,900
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	1,363,811	149	\$9,153
Other services, except public administration	755,971	45	\$16,799
Public administration	5,498,118	167	\$32,923
Total	131,828,528	4,015	\$32,834

*Data Non-publishable

Source: Louisiana Department of Labor

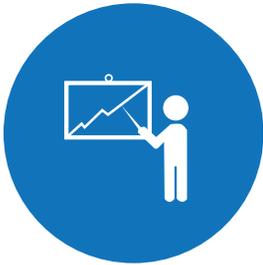
Employment by Sector

Employment Reported by Industry**	Total Number & Percentages of Employed Persons											
	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
Total Employment	4,270	100.00%	4,310	100.00%	4,613	100.00%	3,945	100.00%	4,034	100.00%	4,214	100.00%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	206	4.80%	202	4.70%	182	3.90%	172	4.40%	153	3.80%	160	3.80%
Mining	84	2.00%	129	3.00%	129	2.80%	196	5.00%	111	2.80%	96	2.30%
Utilities	38	0.90%	43	1.00%	51	1.10%	46	1.20%	43	1.10%	47	1.10%
Construction	187	4.40%	134	3.10%	114	2.50%	101	2.60%	103	2.60%	240	5.70%

	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009		2010	
Manufacturing	1,023	24.00%	1,054	24.50%	1,229	26.60%	1,103	28.00%	1,308	32.40%	1,298	30.80%
Wholesale trade	*	*	*	*	*	*	116	2.90%	90	2.20%	106	2.50%
Retail trade	343	8.00%	323	7.50%	325	7.00%	304	7.70%	313	7.80%	327	7.80%
Transportation and warehousing	219	5.10%	236	5.50%	292	6.30%	274	6.90%	208	5.20%	233	5.50%
Information	21	0.50%	23	0.50%	21	0.50%	22	0.60%	23	0.60%	21	0.50%
Finance and insurance	130	3.00%	135	3.10%	129	2.80%	132	3.40%	137	3.40%	132	3.10%
Real estate and rental and leasing	63	1.50%	67	1.60%	66	1.40%	64	1.60%	106	2.60%	121	2.90%
Professional and technical services	55	1.30%	73	1.70%	36	0.80%	38	1.00%	30	0.70%	32	0.80%
Management of companies and enterprises	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Administrative and waste services	60	1.40%	80	1.90%	89	1.90%	113	2.90%	*	*	54	1.30%
Educational services	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Health care and social assistance	473	11.10%	483	11.20%	471	10.20%	482	12.20%	512	12.70%	536	12.70%
Arts, entertainment, and recreation	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Accommodation and food services	112	2.60%	116	2.70%	127	2.80%	131	3.30%	163	4.00%	138	3.30%
Other services, except public administration	48	1.10%	44	1.00%	46	1.00%	44	1.10%	47	1.20%	51	1.20%
Public administration	152	3.60%	155	3.60%	165	3.60%	165	4.20%	170	4.20%	178	4.20%

Note: Due to unclassified and non-publishable data, major divisions may not total to parish or RLMA.

** Employment reported by employers subject to the Louisiana employment security law.



LOUISIANA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT AND TRAINING PROGRAM

DESCRIPTION

This program provides funding for customized workforce training programs, if all qualifications are met, in order to improve the competitiveness and productivity of Louisiana 's workforce and business community and to assist Louisiana businesses in promoting employment stability.

FUNDING

\$2.5 million in an annual state appropriation.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE

Existing Louisiana businesses that have been operating less than three years and companies located outside of Louisiana locating a facility within the state.

Minimum of 10 net new jobs must be created unless upgrade training is involved. Upgrade training must be provided to a minimum of 10 full-time permanent Louisiana employees. Pre-employment and/or on-the-job training are eligible.

(Excludes retail, gaming or gambling, trucking, lodging or hospitality, assisted living, funeral homes, nursing homes, retirement communities and others as determined by LED)

THE PROCESS

1. Application filed by company requesting approval of funding.
2. Application reviewed for completeness and content by program manager.
3. Application presented to La. Economic Development Corporation Board for approval.
4. Contract approval process.

TRAINING LOCATION

Training takes place at the company, community or technical college campus.

For more information, contact the Louisiana Department of Economic Development

Ms. Cathy Breaux in Baton Rouge, LA at (225) 342-5375 or breaux@la.gov

LED - Louisiana Economic Development

<http://www.louisianaeconomicdevelopment.com>

DEMOGRAPHICS



BIENVILLE PARISH DEMOGRAPHICS

Population	Historical		Estimated		Projected			
	1990	%	2000	%	2010	%	2015	%
Age Groups:								
Under - 19	4,945	30.90%	4,721	30.00%	3,763	25.70%	3,609	25.30%
20 - 34	3,135	19.60%	2,535	16.10%	2,704	18.50%	2,842	19.90%
35 - 54	3,430	21.50%	4,128	26.20%	3,642	24.90%	3,181	22.30%
55 - 74	2,972	18.60%	2,964	18.80%	3,198	21.80%	3,325	23.30%
75 - Older	1,497	9.40%	1,404	8.90%	1,343	9.20%	1,326	9.30%
Total	15,979	100%	15,752	100.00%	14,654	100.00%	14,283	100.00%
Median Age	34.6		37.8		40.7		39.8	

Households	Historical		Estimated		Projected			
	1990	%	2000	%	2010	%	2015	%
Number	5,852		6,108		6,603		6,845	
Median Household Income	\$16,062		\$23,943		\$29,598		\$32,066	
Average Household Income	\$21,690		\$31,621		\$39,166		\$42,570	

Household Income Distribution

Under - \$34,999	4,724	80.70%	4,028	65.90%	3,750	56.80%	3,662	53.50%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	586	10.00%	902	14.80%	957	14.50%	999	14.60%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	393	6.70%	764	12.50%	1,032	15.60%	1,088	15.90%
\$75,000 - Above	159	2.70%	414	6.80%	864	13.10%	1,098	16.00%
Average Household Size	2.7		2.5		2.2		2.1	

Workforce Education Attainment (25+ Years of Age)	Historical				Estimated		Projected	
	1990	%	2000	%	2010	%	2015	%
Under Grade 9	1,614	16.00%	1,075	10.50%	1,018	10.30%	987	10.20%
Grade 9 - 12	2,150	21.40%	1,791	17.60%	1,709	17.30%	1,663	17.20%
High School	3,794	37.70%	4,207	41.30%	4,154	42.00%	4,133	42.60%
Some College-No Degree	1,375	13.70%	1,738	17.00%	1,683	17.00%	1,649	17.00%
Associate Degrees	197	2.00%	215	2.10%	211	2.10%	210	2.20%
Bachelor Degree	652	6.50%	695	6.80%	672	6.80%	646	6.70%
Graduate Degree	278	2.80%	471	4.60%	443	4.50%	408	4.20%
Age 25+ Population	10,061	100.00%	10,196	100.00%	9,890	100.00%	9,696	100.00%

Source: US Census Bureau; DemographicsNow.com

TAX INCENTIVES



ENTERPRISE ZONE

The Enterprise Zone (EZ) Program is a job creation incentive program that provides Louisiana Income and Franchise tax credits to a business hiring a minimum number of net new employees. A tax credit of \$2,500 per new job is typically awarded. The Enterprise Zone program also rebates the state sales tax (4%) and local sales tax (5%) on materials purchased for new building, machinery, and equipment.

INVENTORY TAX CREDIT PROGRAM

The Louisiana Inventory Tax Credit Program provides a credit for the ad valorem taxes paid to local parishes on inventory held by manufacturers. This credit can be applied against state corporate income or corporate franchise taxes. The credit is equal to 100% of the ad valorem taxes paid to local parishes. Any allowable credit which exceeds the corporate income or franchise tax liability is refunded.

QUALITY JOBS

An annual rebate for up to ten years of 5% or 6% of gross annual payroll for certain conditions and a rebate of state sales/use tax on materials for building and machinery and equipment purchased during the construction period.

INDUSTRIAL TAX EXEMPTION PROGRAM

A five year property tax exemption renewable for additional five years on capitalized purchases for new and expanding manufacturers.

FREEPORT TAX

An exemption from property taxes on goods moving through Louisiana if final destination is outside state.

RENEWAL COMMUNITY TAX INCENTIVES

Wage Credit: Up to \$1,500 or 15 percent of an employee's salary up to \$10,000 for each employee who lives and works in the renewal community.

Work Opportunity Credit: Up to \$2,400 for employees hired from groups that have high unemployment rates or other special employment needs, including youth ages 18 to 24 who live in the renewal community. Other qualified groups include veterans, ex-felons, food stamp recipients, vocational rehabilitation referrals and summer youth.

Welfare to Work Credit: Up to \$3,500 for the first year and \$5000 for the second year for each new hire of someone on long term family assistance.

Increased Section 179 Deduction: Allows businesses to take a deduction of up to \$35,000 on equipment purchases. That lets businesses deduct all or part of the equipment cost the year it is purchased instead of deducting the expense over time.

Commercial Revitalization Deduction: Businesses can elect to treat qualified revitalization expenditures chargeable to a capital account for any qualified revitalization building in either of the following ways:

- Deduct half of the expenditures for the tax year the building is placed in service,

OR

- Amortize all the expenditures over a 120-month period beginning with the month the building is placed in service.

Electing to take this deduction, disallows taking a depreciation deduction for the same expenditures.

Claiming this deduction enables the business to recover half (or all) of your qualified revitalization expenditures over a shorter period of time than depreciation.

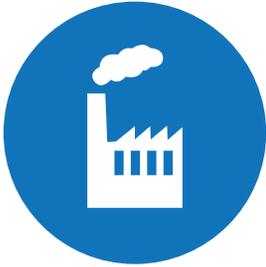
The commercial revitalization deduction is also allowed for both regular tax and alternative minimum tax purposes.

Maximum value of incentive \$10,000,000.

Environmental Clean up Cost Deduction: Allows businesses looking for land to deduct clean up costs of hazardous substances in qualified areas.

Zero Percent Capital Gains Rate: A business that holds an asset for at least five years does not have to pay taxes on the profit of its sale.

INDUSTRIAL SITE



INTERSTATE HIGHWAY ACCESS

2 miles south of I-20

RAIL ACCESS

Kansas City Southern Railroad adjacent to the site

OTHER HIGHWAYS

On U.S. Highway 80

OWNER

Town of Arcadia

LAND COST/ACRE

69 Acres

\$2500 per acre / price negotiable upon job creation

EXISTING STRUCTURES

One new company on 4.5 acres

ZONING

Zoned for industrial use only

REAL ESTATE TAX FORMULA

5.68 m/15% Ten year suspension of taxes

MUNICIPAL INCENTIVES AVAILABLE

Arcadia is a "Renewal Community" with five different federal tax credits available with other state tax incentives

FLOODWAY OR CRITICAL FLOOD ZONE

Not in a flood zone

ELECTRICAL SERVICE PROVIDERS

Entergy, Claiborne Electric Co-Op

NATURAL GAS PROVIDER

Centerpoint Energy
4" main

WATER PROVIDER

Town of Arcadia Water Department

NEAREST MAIN LOCATION/SIZE (WATER)

8" main

CAPACITY AVAILABLE (WATER)

1.5 million gallons per day

SEWER PROVIDER

Town of Arcadia

CAPACITY AVAILABLE (SEWER)

500,000 gallons per day

TELEPHONE PROVIDER

AT&T



UTILITY INFORMATION



North Louisiana is consistently named as the **most cost competitive place** to do business by Forbes and KPMG Competitive Alternatives. Our value added cost structure is due in part to our region's great utility rates which are often times well below the national average.

Many of the utility providers will offer **industrial or commercial rates** that recognize an employer's economic impact in the region. Contact NLEP at (318) 677-2536 or (318) 387-0787 to learn more about North Louisiana's competitive utility providers.



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318-547-9082



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888-302-2968



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Claiborne Electric Co-
op
800-361-3011



ELECTRIC:
Entergy
800-368-3749



GAS:
Center Point Energy
800-992-7552



PHONE:
AT&T
1-866-213-6300



WATER:
Town of Arcadia
318-263-8456

MARKET ACCESS



Distance from Arcadia to:

- Ruston, LA / 18 miles
- Minden, LA / 24 miles
- Monroe, LA / 48 miles
- Shreveport, LA / 50 miles
- Dallas, TX / 239 miles
- Jackson, MS / 168 miles

Highways:

- Interstate 20
- US Highway 80
- LA Highway 4, 7, 9, 150, 154, 501, 747, 754, 792

Freight Rail:

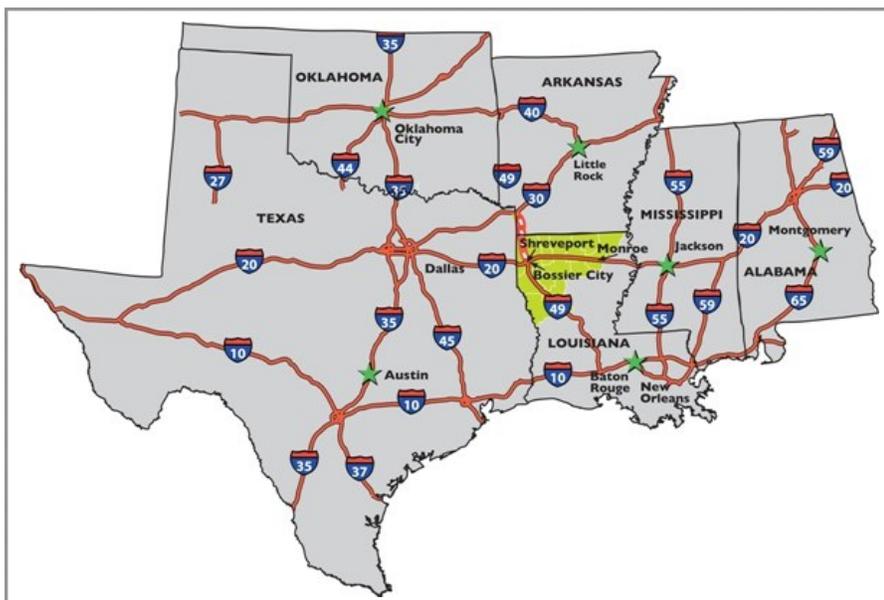
- Kansas City Southern

Navigable Waterways/Ports:

- Caddo-Bossier Port (shallow)
- Channel Depth 9' 55 miles
- Port of Lake Charles
- Channel Depth 40' 200 miles

Airports:

- Monroe Regional (Commercial)
- Runway Length 8,351' 50 miles
- Shreveport Regional (Commercial)
- Runway Length 7,500' 55 miles
- Arcadia Bienville (General)
- Runway Length 3,000' In Parish



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ABOUT ARCADIA'S IDENTITY

Great identities incorporate purpose, meaning, conviction, and beliefs. They represent our nature, attitude, what we do, and why we work so hard every day. Arcadia's identity is no different. The "A" serves as the bridge crossed from challenges to triumphs. Arcadia's patriotism and loyalty for our country is exemplified by the American flag, whose stripes jet onward as Arcadia proudly proclaims, "We're Moving Forward".

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