# **Bradley County, TN**





**Bradley County** is a Three-Star Community located in eastern Tennessee and includes the cities of Cleveland (county seat) and Charleston.

I-75 traverses the county from the southwest to the north, passing through the western edge of Cleveland. U.S. Hwy. 11 and U.S. Hwy. 64 intersect in downtown Cleveland. APD-40, made up of the U.S. 64 Bypass and a section of State Hwy. 60 forms a beltway and bypass route around the business district of Cleveland. Rail service is provided by Norfolk Southern Railway, which forks in the city and provides logistics for industries.

The Cleveland Regional Jetport serves the needs of general and business aviation users with a runway length of 5,500 feet. The Chattanooga Metropolitan Airport, located within 26 miles of Bradley County offers non-stop service to nine locations throughout the U.S. Air cargo is also available. Airlines serving the Chattanooga airport include: Allegiant, American Airlines, American Eagle, Delta and United Airlines.

There are three industrial parks in the area. Cleveland/Bradley County Industrial Park is located about 2.5 miles from Exit 20 off I-75 and contains 330 acres with approximately 30 acres of land still available. A Norfolk/Southern mainline serves the park. The Hiwassee River Industrial Park is a 121-acre development located about an eighth of a mile off I-75 at Exit 33. Approximately 20 acres are available. This site is home to Eastern Lighting Distribution Center and Wacker Polysilicon North America. The park offers local industries nearby access to the Cleveland Regional Jetport. Spring Branch Industrial Park is located near the I-75 interchange at Exit 20. This 330-acre site includes water, sewer and an access road.



Bradley County is part of the 11-county Foreign Trade Zone 134.

Post-secondary educational offerings include a comprehensive two-year community college, a university emerging as a leader in higher education in the Southeast region and a fully accredited seminary with an international student body.

Tennova Healthcare-Cleveland serves the community of Bradley County and the surrounding areas with a two-campus, acute care facility with 351 beds. The hospital offers a full range of health care services, including a 7,000 square-foot, 24-hour emergency care unit.



#### **MAJOR EMPLOYERS**

COMPANY	EMPLOYEES
Whirlpool Corporation, Cleveland Division	1,417
Bradley County Schools	1,200
Tennova Healthcare	1,157
Amazon.com	1,143
Peyton's Southeastern	950
Source: Companies	

#### **POPULATION**

Population 2018	106,209
Population 2023	110,865
Households 2018	40,589
Median Age	39.5
Median Household Income	\$47,913
Per Capita Income	\$24,622
Source: Gale Research	

#### **ANNOUNCED PROJECTS (2013-2017)**

Number of Projects New Jobs 691

Capital Investment \$256,216,025

Source: GCEP

# **LABOR FORCE (2017 ANNUAL AVERAGE)**

Labor Force 50,172 Unemployment Rate Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

## **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT**

Population 25+ 72,451 High School Graduate (only) 33.6% Some College 22.4% Associate's Degree 7.8% Bachelor's Degree 12.2% Graduate or Professional 7.3% **ACT-County** 19.5/20.3 **ACT-State** 19.8 Source: Gale Research, Tennessee Department of Education

## **EDUCATION**

Public Schools 27 Public School Enrollment 15,812 Private Schools Private School Enrollment 813 School Districts Colleges & Universities College & University Enrollment 8,386

Source: Tennessee Department of Education, Individual Schools and GCEP

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE**

New Employers (Maximum)

**Experience Rate Range** 0.01% to 10.0%

Taxable Base \$7,000

Source: Tennessee Department of Education, Individual Schools and GCEP

# **SALES TAX - GENERAL AND SPECIAL PROVISIONS**

Taxable Retail Sales (2017) \$1,569,914,150

Sales Tax Rate-State Sales Tax Rate-County 2.75% Electricity (State/Local) 7%/0% Piped Natural Gas (State/Local) 7%/0% Mfg. Water (State/Local) 1.0%/.33-.05% Mfg. Fuels (State/Local) 1.5%/0% Mfg. Equipment (State/Local) None Telecommunications (State/Local)

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

## **PROPERTY TAX (PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUE)**

Property Taxes-County Incorporated \$1.7084 Property Taxes-County Unincorporated Varies-\$2.1151-

\$2.2000

7%/2.5%

Property Taxes-County Seat \$3.7684

Source: Tennessee Department of Revenue

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## **INVENTORY TAX**

Finished Goods None None Raw Materials None Goods in Process Materials Consumed in Manufacturing None

**EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES (2017 ANNUAL AVERAGE)** 

	% OF TOTAL	WEEKLY WAGES
Natural Resources & Mining	0.7%	\$434
Construction	3.9%	\$1,077
Manufacturing	22.0%	\$1,032
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	18.5%	\$685
Information	0.7%	\$830
Financial Activities	2.9%	\$923
Professional & Business Services	14.6%	\$691
Education & Health Services	12.0%	\$936
Leisure & Hospitality	10.4%	\$288
Other Services	2.9%	\$577
Government Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics	11.3%	\$762

**ACCESSIBILITY** 

Cleveland Largest City or Town 44,483 Population-2017 Miles to Chattanooga 32

Nearest Commercial Airport Chattanooga Metropolitan Airport

7,400 and 5,575 Runway Length

Miles to Airport 26 Nearest Interstate I-75 Foreign Trade Zone Yes Population within 50-mile radius 1,165,968

Source: GCEP, Gale Research

#### **UTILITIES**

Cleveland Utilities, Volunteer Energy Name of Electricity Provider Is Natural Gas Available (Yes/No) Yes Chattanooga Gas Name of Natural Gas Provider Multiple municipal providers Name of Water Provider **Excess System Capacity** 

Cleveland Utilities Name of Wastewater Provider Yes

Excess System Capacity

Source: GCEP

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