

# Cape Girardeau Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Bollinger County	10,518	12,805	5,383	5,226	157	2.9%
Cape Girardeau County	82,899	84,612	41,621	40,511	1,110	2.7%
Dunklin County	27,406	28,765	10,970	10,454	516	4.7%
Iron County	9,414	7,494	3,494	3,335	159	4.6%
Madison County	12,753	13,304	5,459	5,274	185	3.4%
Mississippi County	11,688	11,443	5,107	4,932	175	3.4%
New Madrid County	15,695	12,554	8,180	7,908	272	3.3%
Pemiscot County	14,841	16,447	5,731	5,491	240	4.2%
Perry County	18,858	21,164	9,485	9,240	245	2.6%
Scott County	37,840	41,076	20,137	19,556	581	2.9%
St. Francois County	66,969	73,382	25,894	24,972	922	3.6%
Ste. Genevieve County	18,644	18,426	9,452	9,202	250	2.6%
Stoddard County	28,377	28,973	13,239	12,797	442	3.3%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>355,902</b>	<b>370,445</b>	<b>164,152</b>	<b>158,898</b>	<b>5,254</b>	<b>2.88%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC

Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Bollinger County	3,699	1,934	573	347	7,721
Cape Girardeau County	16,792	14,070	10,926	6,176	52,214
Dunklin County	7,676	4,676	1,505	1,117	18,906
Iron County	2,714	1,924	726	349	6,910
Madison County	3,643	2,640	855	519	8,748
Mississippi County	4,303	1,783	815	408	9,158
New Madrid County	5,223	2,657	829	746	11,491
Pemiscot County	4,804	2,333	722	509	10,486
Perry County	5,319	3,418	1,788	724	13,050
Scott County	9,829	7,099	3,442	1,819	25,928
St. Francois County	18,093	15,922	3,855	3,094	47,647
Ste. Genevieve County	4,927	4,583	1,547	955	13,142
Stoddard County	8,741	4,825	1,909	833	20,112
<b>Regional Total</b>	<b>95,763</b>	<b>67,864</b>	<b>29,492</b>	<b>17,596</b>	<b>245,513</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.



# Columbia/Jefferson City Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Audrain County	24,434	27,027	9,763	9,436	327	3.3%
Boone County	187,690	204,264	103,471	100,901	2,570	2.5%
Callaway County	44,762	55,096	22,256	21,668	588	2.6%
Camden County	43,768	49,124	19,948	19,289	659	3.3%
Cole County	76,969	83,583	40,514	39,537	977	2.4%
Cooper County	16,772	20,979	7,265	7,056	209	2.9%
Crawford County	22,659	27,895	10,915	10,566	349	3.2%
Dent County	14,467	15,694	6,156	5,938	218	3.5%
Gasconade County	14,768	15,921	7,708	7,513	195	2.5%
Howard County	10,168	10,307	4,751	4,614	137	2.9%
Laclede County	36,313	44,318	16,972	16,470	502	3.0%
Maries County	8,431	10,406	3,896	3,771	125	3.2%
Miller County	25,403	28,404	13,402	13,038	364	2.7%
Moniteau County	15,220	16,638	7,216	7,040	176	2.4%
Morgan County	21,785	24,827	8,672	8,387	285	3.3%
Osage County	13,399	13,704	7,215	7,049	166	2.3%
Phelps County	45,313	47,635	20,600	19,988	612	3.0%
Pulaski County	53,941	46,520	15,007	14,476	531	3.5%
Washington County	23,441	27,294	10,274	9,915	359	3.5%
<b>Regional Total</b>	<b>699,703</b>	<b>769,636</b>	<b>336,001</b>	<b>326,652</b>	<b>9,349</b>	<b>2.79%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC



Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Audrain County	7,418	5,172	1,761	881	17,452
Boone County	23,120	28,402	30,021	23,731	110,816
Callaway County	11,086	8,848	4,863	2,490	30,608
Camden County	11,953	10,562	5,033	2,281	32,646
Cole County	15,884	14,761	12,356	6,543	53,525
Cooper County	4,517	3,300	1,844	912	11,841
Crawford County	6,365	4,876	1,375	577	16,267
Dent County	4,246	2,766	995	607	10,273
Gasconade County	4,298	3,242	1,246	697	10,734
Howard County	2,255	1,716	962	867	6,598
Laclede County	10,256	6,660	2,775	1,264	24,218
Maries County	2,371	1,804	643	390	6,065
Miller County	6,666	5,115	2,285	1,059	16,994
Moniteau County	4,475	2,632	1,359	574	10,563
Morgan County	5,913	3,779	1,231	694	14,684
Osage County	3,821	2,573	1,492	489	9,118
Phelps County	8,411	8,196	4,699	4,030	27,965
Pulaski County	8,972	10,610	5,294	3,420	29,963
Washington County	6,687	4,535	1,333	754	16,535
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>148,714</b>	<b>129,549</b>	<b>81,567</b>	<b>52,260</b>	<b>412,090</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.



# Hannibal/Kirksville Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Adair County	25,165	24,913	9,937	9,567	370	3.7%
Clark County	6,723	6,904	2,977	2,875	102	3.4%
Knox County	3,776	3,758	1,679	1,635	44	2.6%
Lewis County	9,891	10,283	4,804	4,673	131	2.7%
Lincoln County	63,155	91,294	29,878	29,031	847	2.8%
Macon County	15,049	16,028	7,117	6,912	205	2.9%
Marion County	28,438	29,759	13,802	13,391	411	3.0%
Monroe County	8,652	9,590	3,861	3,750	111	2.9%
Montgomery County	11,470	11,513	5,921	5,755	166	2.8%
Pike County	17,664	18,728	7,308	7,087	221	3.0%
Ralls County	10,420	10,299	5,409	5,257	152	2.8%
Randolph County	24,622	27,738	10,615	10,288	327	3.1%
Schuyler County	4,002	3,999	1,791	1,723	68	3.8%
Scotland County	4,643	5,130	2,235	2,180	55	2.5%
Shelby County	5,982	5,764	3,012	2,942	70	2.3%
Warren County	37,260	46,241	19,168	18,633	535	2.8%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>276,912</b>	<b>321,941</b>	<b>129,514</b>	<b>125,699</b>	<b>3,815</b>	<b>2.63%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC



Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Adair County	4,610	3,457	2,076	2,440	13,692
Clark County	2,053	1,336	369	194	4,573
Knox County	1,120	639	237	142	2,466
Lewis County	2,979	1,808	519	319	6,587
Lincoln County	15,996	12,335	5,494	1,876	39,297
Macon County	4,756	2,830	1,261	594	10,451
Marion County	7,041	5,532	2,815	1,862	19,249
Monroe County	2,966	1,605	768	195	6,091
Montgomery County	3,507	2,056	897	416	8,010
Pike County	6,468	2,550	1,224	634	12,493
Ralls County	3,594	1,969	706	355	7,323
Randolph County	6,574	5,540	2,055	1,062	17,115
Schuyler County	1,322	849	204	59	2,714
Scotland County	1,223	712	290	146	2,985
Shelby County	1,774	1,152	528	266	4,194
Warren County	9,183	7,389	3,279	1,470	24,241
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>75,166</b>	<b>51,759</b>	<b>22,722</b>	<b>12,030</b>	<b>181,481</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.



# Joplin Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Barry County	34,926	44,295	14,206	13,741	465	3.3%
Barton County	11,694	13,730	5,271	5,123	148	2.8%
Dade County	7,660	6,977	3,420	3,316	104	3.0%
Jasper County	124,075	152,490	58,434	56,674	1,760	3.0%
Lawrence County	38,683	47,249	17,410	16,895	515	3.0%
Mcdonald County	23,588	28,078	11,511	11,179	332	2.9%
Newton County	60,011	66,663	27,548	26,738	810	2.9%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>300,637</b>	<b>359,482</b>	<b>137,800</b>	<b>133,666</b>	<b>4,134</b>	<b>2.59%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC

Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Barry County	10,080	7,028	2,544	1,090	24,371
Barton County	3,266	2,209	1,069	498	8,032
Dade County	2,400	1,743	646	114	5,495
Jasper County	27,173	24,064	13,549	5,709	80,462
Lawrence County	9,885	7,703	2,812	1,049	25,226
Mcdonald County	6,768	3,693	1,190	510	15,558
Newton County	13,968	12,627	6,088	2,891	39,862
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>73,540</b>	<b>59,067</b>	<b>27,898</b>	<b>11,861</b>	<b>199,006</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.



# Kansas City Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Cass County	110,394	136,933	56,958	55,400	1,558	2.7%
Clay County	257,033	300,021	143,796	140,131	3,665	2.5%
Jackson County	716,531	714,467	373,971	362,230	11,741	3.1%
Platte County	110,534	114,904	62,297	60,750	1,547	2.5%
Ray County	23,107	24,435	11,198	10,876	322	2.9%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>1,217,599</b>	<b>1,290,760</b>	<b>648,220</b>	<b>629,387</b>	<b>18,833</b>	<b>2.76%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC

Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Cass County	23,709	24,677	13,579	6,344	73,193
Clay County	46,008	54,904	38,403	19,637	169,909
Jackson County	136,438	150,265	99,225	58,287	486,192
Platte County	15,714	21,921	19,598	12,362	72,023
Ray County	7,353	4,566	1,734	755	16,121
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>229,222</b>	<b>256,333</b>	<b>172,539</b>	<b>97,385</b>	<b>817,438</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.



# Poplar Bluff Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Butler County	42,179	41,491	17,752	17,072	680	3.8%
Carter County	5,268	5,837	2,472	2,384	88	3.6%
Douglas County	11,975	13,934	5,293	5,127	166	3.1%
Howell County	40,631	43,414	16,198	15,630	568	3.5%
Oregon County	8,732	10,558	3,847	3,710	137	3.6%
Ozark County	8,940	8,457	3,495	3,363	132	3.8%
Reynolds County	6,006	6,285	2,863	2,775	88	3.1%
Ripley County	10,703	14,008	5,170	4,974	196	3.8%
Shannon County	7,193	9,693	3,300	3,165	135	4.1%
Texas County	25,336	22,169	9,289	8,959	330	3.6%
Wayne County	10,792	11,200	4,739	4,530	209	4.4%
Wright County	19,156	19,963	7,877	7,602	275	3.5%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>196,911</b>	<b>207,009</b>	<b>82,295</b>	<b>79,291</b>	<b>3,004</b>	<b>3.25%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC

Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Butler County	11,641	9,153	2,376	1,458	29,253
Carter County	1,910	796	293	190	3,667
Douglas County	3,431	2,545	746	372	8,470
Howell County	10,653	7,717	2,986	1,957	27,156
Oregon County	2,733	1,577	446	441	6,234
Ozark County	2,655	1,878	487	285	6,505
Reynolds County	1,738	1,195	495	131	4,573
Ripley County	3,131	2,356	539	255	7,681
Shannon County	2,396	1,242	435	353	5,161
Texas County	7,101	5,323	1,490	1,129	17,669
Wayne County	3,548	2,318	545	341	8,257
Wright County	5,193	3,451	957	458	12,124
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>56,130</b>	<b>39,551</b>	<b>11,795</b>	<b>7,370</b>	<b>136,750</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.



# Sedalia Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Bates County	16,177	18,923	7,817	7,585	232	3.0%
Benton County	20,224	20,228	7,405	7,115	290	3.9%
Carroll County	8,423	8,816	4,425	4,298	127	2.9%
Cedar County	14,601	13,207	5,803	5,615	188	3.2%
Chariton County	7,386	6,172	3,749	3,655	94	2.5%
Henry County	22,438	24,176	10,568	10,269	299	2.8%
Hickory County	8,630	9,292	4,236	4,095	141	3.3%
Johnson County	54,368	61,668	23,495	22,714	781	3.3%
Lafayette County	32,961	32,947	17,239	16,775	464	2.7%
Pettis County	43,353	47,349	20,240	19,618	622	3.1%
Saline County	23,007	21,140	10,492	10,182	310	3.0%
St. Clair County	9,576	9,184	3,892	3,740	152	3.9%
Vernon County	19,651	19,465	9,330	9,030	300	3.2%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>280,795</b>	<b>292,567</b>	<b>128,691</b>	<b>124,691</b>	<b>4,000</b>	<b>2.78%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC

Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Bates County	5,329	2,865	1,044	503	11,062
Benton County	6,065	4,814	1,113	1,024	14,969
Carroll County	2,674	1,556	773	402	5,981
Cedar County	3,857	3,089	885	631	9,821
Chariton County	2,430	1,338	639	367	5,226
Henry County	6,663	4,737	1,492	956	15,631
Hickory County	3,115	2,043	387	253	6,505
Johnson County	9,840	10,336	5,216	4,002	31,622
Lafayette County	9,885	5,813	2,933	1,956	22,768
Pettis County	9,988	9,618	3,012	2,166	28,360
Saline County	5,822	3,693	2,481	1,227	15,183
St. Clair County	2,837	2,231	633	275	6,785
Vernon County	5,320	3,974	1,533	990	13,227
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>73,825</b>	<b>56,107</b>	<b>22,141</b>	<b>14,752</b>	<b>187,140</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.



# Springfield Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Barry County	34,926	44,295	14,206	13,741	465	3.3%
Christian County	93,114	131,066	48,575	47,390	1,185	2.4%
Dade County	7,660	6,977	3,420	3,316	104	3.0%
Dallas County	17,626	22,172	7,325	7,109	216	2.9%
Greene County	303,293	329,825	159,297	155,177	4,120	2.6%
Lawrence County	38,683	47,249	17,410	16,895	515	3.0%
Polk County	32,693	40,139	14,988	14,530	458	3.1%
Stone County	32,136	40,346	13,865	13,357	508	3.7%
Taney County	56,821	68,041	26,677	25,739	938	3.5%
Webster County	40,335	53,282	17,978	17,477	501	2.8%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>657,287</b>	<b>783,392</b>	<b>323,741</b>	<b>314,731</b>	<b>9,010</b>	<b>2.92%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC

Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Barry County	10,080	7,028	2,544	1,090	24,371
Christian County	17,079	19,062	11,527	7,107	59,218
Dade County	2,400	1,743	646	114	5,495
Dallas County	5,666	2,957	821	703	11,685
Greene County	54,625	64,193	39,209	22,767	194,614
Lawrence County	9,885	7,703	2,812	1,049	25,226
Polk County	7,620	6,140	2,905	1,500	20,355
Stone County	8,150	8,538	3,322	1,659	24,063
Taney County	13,331	12,936	6,008	2,640	38,764
Webster County	9,724	7,673	3,041	1,583	25,219
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>138,560</b>	<b>137,973</b>	<b>72,835</b>	<b>40,212</b>	<b>429,010</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.

# St. Joseph Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Andrew County	18,003	19,670	9,476	9,247	229	2.4%
Atchison County	5,182	5,280	2,496	2,438	58	2.3%
Buchanan County	82,911	93,007	42,739	41,542	1,197	2.8%
Caldwell County	8,933	10,633	4,329	4,207	122	2.8%
Clinton County	21,328	27,124	10,922	10,627	295	2.7%
Daviess County	8,435	7,881	4,049	3,945	104	2.6%
Dekalb County	11,336	12,755	4,027	3,930	97	2.4%
Gentry County	6,253	4,759	3,178	3,098	80	2.5%
Grundy County	9,838	9,730	4,023	3,901	122	3.0%
Harrison County	8,199	9,632	3,701	3,583	118	3.2%
Holt County	4,262	4,094	2,455	2,400	55	2.2%
Linn County	11,820	10,696	5,229	5,061	168	3.2%
Livingston County	14,402	14,246	7,139	6,968	171	2.4%
Mercer County	3,437	3,142	1,676	1,633	43	2.6%
Nodaway County	20,670	23,018	11,163	10,851	312	2.8%
Putnam County	4,666	4,391	2,095	2,031	64	3.1%
Sullivan County	5,840	5,822	2,546	2,462	84	3.3%
Worth County	1,955	1,826	1,145	1,118	27	2.4%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>247,470</b>	<b>267,706</b>	<b>122,388</b>	<b>119,042</b>	<b>3,346</b>	<b>1.97%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC



Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Andrew County	4,713	3,577	2,087	1,327	12,517
Atchison County	1,688	1,009	574	229	3,887
Buchanan County	22,170	16,933	8,913	3,931	58,026
Caldwell County	2,697	1,765	631	267	6,007
Clinton County	6,330	4,218	2,165	949	14,636
Daviess County	2,286	1,471	743	377	5,595
Dekalb County	3,965	2,387	876	436	8,556
Gentry County	1,783	1,027	542	301	4,246
Grundy County	2,461	2,055	766	310	6,622
Harrison County	2,575	1,643	602	337	5,645
Holt County	1,469	839	418	239	3,149
Linn County	3,776	2,036	1,029	537	8,206
Livingston County	4,355	2,825	1,321	781	10,520
Mercer County	1,042	644	301	147	2,439
Nodaway County	4,654	3,414	2,008	1,250	12,055
Putnam County	1,404	1,185	392	247	3,420
Sullivan County	1,986	901	403	221	4,128
Worth County	693	334	172	86	1,406
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>70,047</b>	<b>48,263</b>	<b>23,943</b>	<b>11,972</b>	<b>171,060</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.

# St. Louis Region

Area	Population 2022	Population Projection 2030	Civilian Labor Force (May 2023)	Employment (May 2023)	Unemployment (May 2023)	Unemployment Rate (May 2023)
Franklin County	105,879	117,122	54,154	52,677	1,477	2.7%
Jefferson County	229,336	260,276	120,929	117,639	3,290	2.7%
St. Charles County	413,803	499,126	235,007	229,179	5,828	2.5%
St. Louis City	286,578	349,004	152,397	147,226	5,171	3.4%
St. Louis County	990,414	956,817	539,667	524,272	15,395	2.9%
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>2,026,010</b>	<b>2,182,345</b>	<b>1,102,154</b>	<b>1,070,993</b>	<b>31,161</b>	<b>2.8%</b>

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Census Bureau, and MERIC

Area	High School Diploma	Some College or Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree	Total Population 25 years and Over
Franklin County	24,440	25,430	9,618	5,703	72,477
Jefferson County	49,883	57,838	22,993	11,689	156,935
St. Charles County	63,606	83,913	73,334	41,712	275,283
St. Louis City	146,718	192,739	178,586	136,430	695,526
St. Louis County	53,352	58,568	46,496	36,523	218,427
<b>Region Total</b>	<b>337,999</b>	<b>418,488</b>	<b>331,027</b>	<b>232,057</b>	<b>1,418,648</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 5 year estimates, 2021. Educational Attainment for the population 25 years and over.

