### Labor and Workforce

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<td>Labor Force (2017)</td>
<td>176,554</td>
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<td>Employment (2017)</td>
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<td>Unemployment Rate (2017)</td>
<td>3.6%</td>
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<td>Labor Force Participation Rate (2017)</td>
<td>61.8%</td>
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### Demographics

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<td>Population (2012)</td>
<td>345,693</td>
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<td>Population (2017)</td>
<td>361,613</td>
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<td>Population Percent Change (2012-2017)</td>
<td>4.6%</td>
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<td>Median Age</td>
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### Entrepreneurship and Small Business

- **Chattanooga Small Business Development Center**
- SBDC is located at: Chattanooga State Community College
- Guide for entrepreneurs starting a business: [https://www.tnsmartstart.com/](https://www.tnsmartstart.com/)

### Economic Status

- **County Economic Status (FY 2019):** Transitional
- Personal Income Per Capita (2017): $50,196
- Market Income Per Capita (2017): $41,227
- Median Household Income (2017): $50,273
- Poverty Rate (2017): 14.5%

### Education

- **Average ACT Score (2018):** 19.9
- High School Graduation Rate (2018): 87.0%
- College Going-Rate (2017): 65.8%
- Age 25-64 with High School Degree or Higher: 90.0%
- Age 25-64 with Associates Degree or Higher: 41.5%
- Age 25-64 with Bachelor's Degree or Higher: 32.2%

### Safety

- Crime Rate Per 1,000 People (2017): 95.8

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**From 2015 to 2018, TNECD has made**

- **8** Investments through Community and Rural Development Grants and Consulting Services valued at: **$662,900**

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**Mayor Jim Coppinger**


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**Source information may be found at:** [https://openecd.tnecd.com](https://openecd.tnecd.com) and [https://tnecd.com/county-profiles/](https://tnecd.com/county-profiles/)

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