

Mississippi Tables

Geographic Characteristics

State land area (sq. mi): 46,907	% of U.S.: 1.33
Coastline (mi): 44	Shoreline (mi): 359
County equivalents: 82	Coastal: 12
	Marine: 3

2000 Sex by Age: State of Mississippi and Average of Selected Fishing Communities

	Total	M	Under 5	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 to 74	75 to 84	85 and over
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Mississippi	2,844,658	48.3%	7.2%	15.3%	15.7%	13.4%	15.0%	12.7%	8.6%	6.5%	4.0%	1.5%
Fishing Communities	120,074	49.4%	6.8%	14.3%	13.6%	13.2%	15.1%	13.7%	9.8%	7.4%	4.4%	1.5%
		50.6%										

2000 Race and Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity: Mississippi and Average of Selected Fishing Communities

	Total Population	Race							Ethnicity
		White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	Some other race	Two or more races	% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
Mississippi	2,844,658	61.4%	36.3%	0.4%	0.7%	0.0%	0.5%	0.7%	1.4%
Fishing Communities	120,074	67.6%	27.3%	0.7%	2.4%	0.0%	0.7%	1.2%	1.3%

2000 Demographic Attributes: Selected Fishing Communities compared to State Total

Fishing Communities	Total Population	Median Household Income	% Family Households below Poverty Level	% Persons over 16 in Labor Force	Median Educational Attainment	% ≥5 yrs Speak Language other than English at Home
Mississippi	2,844,658	\$31,330	16.0%	59.4%	Some college	3.6%
Bay St. Louis	8,209	\$34,106	10.0%	60.7%	Some college	7.1%
Biloxi	50,644	\$34,106	11.2%	66.8%	Some college	10.1%
Gautier	11,681	\$41,244	15.1%	64.8%	Some college	5.8%
Lakeshore ¹	910	\$31,071	5.7%	57.3%	Some college	NA ²
Moss Point	15,851	\$32,075	15.8%	55.3%	HS graduate	2.3%
Pascagoula	26,200	\$32,042	18.1%	61.3%	Some college	6.8%
Pass Christian	6,579	\$40,743	8.2%	60.0%	Some college	7.8%

Indicators for Growth, Marine Health, and Population Well-being in Mississippi

Indicator	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Population ³	2,731,826	2,751,335	2,768,619	2,844,658	2,856,108	2,863,091	2,874,171	2,892,668	2,908,496	2,910,540
Building Permits	10,079	12,879	12,871	11,270	9,908	11,276	12,010	14,532	13,396	16,618
Unemployment Rate	6.1	5.4	5.3	5.6	5.6	6.7	6.4	6.3	7.8	6.8
Disaster Declarations	1	1	1	0	4	2	2	1	2	0
Emergency Declarations	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

¹Census data for Lakeshore was identified as Block Group 5, Census Tract 302 in Hancock County.

²NA = data not available.

³Estimated population for all years except 2000; actual count was available for this year.