

# Cocke County Profile



## LOCATION

State: Tennessee  
Region: East  
Square Miles: 434  
Cities: Newport, Parrottsville

## RECREATION

Parks: 8  
Golf Courses: 1  
Swimming Pools: 5  
Hotels & Motels: 11  
Restaurants: 53

## POPULATION (2017)

Cocke County: 35,556  
Newport: 6,790  
Parrottsville: 288  
County population percentage change from 2010 to 2017 is -0.2%.

## CHARACTERISTICS

Median Age: 42.9 years  
Age Distribution:  
0-19: 23.9%  
20-64: 59.4%  
65+: 15.1%  
85+: 1.5%  
Race Distribution:  
Black or African-American, alone: 2.1%  
American Indian, Alaska Native, alone: 0.6%  
Asian, alone: 0.4%  
Native Hawaiian, Other Pacific Islander, alone: 0.1%  
Two or more races: 1.7%  
Hispanic or Latino: 2.4%  
White not Hispanic/Latino, alone: 93.1%

Gender: Male- 48.4%  
Female- 51.6%  
Avg. Household Size: 2.39

## CLIMATE

Annual Avg. Temp: 57° F  
Monthly Avg. High Temp:  
January 48° F  
July 88° F  
Monthly Avg. Low Temp:  
January 26° F  
July 65° F  
Annual Avg. Precipitation:  
44.75"  
Annual Avg. Snowfall: 4"  
Elevation: 1,055'  
Prevailing Winds: Southwest  
Mean Length of Freeze-free  
Period: 180 days

## GOVERNMENT

City: Mayor & City Council  
County: Mayor & County  
Commission

## TAX STRUCTURE

Sales Tax  
State: 7%  
County: 2.75%  
Hotel-Motel Tax  
County: 3%  
City of Newport: 2%  
Property Tax Rate (per \$100  
value)  
County: \$2.83  
City of Newport: \$2.6386

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (Nov. 2018)

Tennessee: 3.6%  
Cocke County: 4.10%

## AVAIL. WORK FORCE

Cocke County: 15,230  
25-mile, 30-min radius:  
128,070  
50-mile, 60-min radius:  
383,110

## MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME (2017 dollars)

Cocke County: \$32,027  
Tennessee: \$48,708  
East TN Region: \$39,647

## PER CAPITA INCOME (2017 dollars)

Cocke County: \$20,189  
74% of the state average  
and 64.8% of the national  
average

## TRANSPORTATION

Interstates: I-40, I-81 (9mi),  
I-26 (65mi), I-75N (45mi),  
I-75S (60 mi)  
US Highways: 25W-70, 25E,  
41, 321  
State Highways: 32, 9, 35, 73  
Railroad: Served by Norfolk  
Southern Rail Service  
Bus Service: No  
General Aviation Airport:  
Moore-Murrell Airport  
(MOR), 18 mi  
Runway: 5700 ft  
Surface: Asphalt  
Lighting: MIRL/VASI  
Fuel: 100 LL/Jet A  
Repair: Major  
Commercial Airport: McGhee  
Tyson (TYS), 61 mi  
Airlines: AirTran,  
Allegiant, American Eagle,  
Continental, Delta,  
Frontier, United, US  
Airways  
Daily Flights: 146  
Navigable Waterway:  
Tennessee River  
Nearest Port: Knoxville, 45 mi