**PARISH PROFILE**

**PARISH:** BOSSIER  
**PARISH SEAT:** BENTON  
**REGION/PREPLANNING DISTRICT:** NORTH  
**LABOR AREA/MISS R BK LOCATION:** BOSSIER CITY/SHREVEPORT  
**METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA:** SHREVEPORT  
**FRAME NUMBER/DATE OF UPDATE:** 47762/10/89  

**POPULATION 1980/% NONWHITE:** 80,721/20.4%  
**POPULATION 1970/% NONWHITE:** 65,877/19.8%  
**POPULATION CHANGE 1970-1980:** 22.5%  
**POPULATION DENSITY 1980:** 95.5 PERSONS PER SQUARE MILE  
**FEMALE POPULATION 1980/:%** 40,792/50.5%  
**MALE POPULATION 1980/:%** 39,929/49.5%  

**CURRENT ESTIMATED POPULATION:** 90,932  
**PROJECTED POPULATION 1990:** 99,592  
**PROJECTED POPULATION 1995:** 109,052  

**1980 POPULATION UNDER AGE 5:** 7,082  
**AGE 5 TO 9:** 7,200  
**AGE 10 TO 14:** 6,933  
**AGE 15 TO 19:** 8,323  
**AGE 20 TO 24:** 8,431  
**AGE 25 TO 29:** 7,257  
**AGE 30 TO 34:** 6,581  
**AGE 35 TO 39:** 5,382  
**AGE 40 TO 44:** 4,574  
**AGE 45 TO 49:** 4,143  
**AGE 50 TO 54:** 3,536  
**AGE 55 TO 59:** 3,118  
**AGE 60 TO 64:** 2,644  
**OVER 65:** 5,507  

**HOUSING UNITS OCCUPIED 1980/1970:** 26,577/19,370  
**PERCENT CHANGE 1980-1970:** + 37.7%  
**HOUSING UNITS VACANT 1980/1970:** 2,118/ 826  
**PERCENT CHANGE 1980-1970:** + 155.4%  
**HOUSING STARTS/YEAR:** /  

**# PUBLIC SCHOOLS K-12/ENROLLMENT:** 30/17,913  
**# PRIVATE SCHOOLS K-12/ENROLLMENT:** 2/ 371  
**# VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS/ENROLLMENT:** /  
**# COLLEGES/ENROLLMENT:** 1/ 2,250  

**ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES:** 1,125  
**ANNUAL VO-TECH GRADUATES:** 12.5 YRS FOR 42,752 POPULATION  
**SHRP-BOSSIER VO-TECH INST.:** NORTHEAST LA VO-TECH SCHOOL  

**VERTICAL FILE**
PER CAPITA INCOME CURRENT YEAR: $11,391/1987
PER CAPITA INCOME PREVIOUS YEAR: $11,158/1986
PER CAPITA INCOME PERCENT CHANGE: - 1.9%
PCI RANK WITHIN STATE: 12 OF 64
PERCENT OF U.S. PCI: + 73.5%
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS 1980: 26,654
MEAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME: $16,520
NUMBER OF FAMILIES 1980: 21,471
MEAN FAMILY INCOME: $19,639
FAMILIES BELOW POVERTY LEVEL / %: 2.188/10.2%
FAMILIES RECEIVING PUBLIC ASSISTANCE / %: 1.493/7.0%
PARISH MILLAGE RATE/YEAR: 73.90 MILLS/1988
STATE SALES TAX COLLECTIONS/YEAR: $5,924,594/1988
ESTIMATED PER CAPITA COLLECTIONS: $65.2
PARISH BOND RATINGS: A

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS:
ASSETS >$200 MILLION: RANKS SAVINGS & LOANS
ASSETS $100-200 MILLION: 2
ASSETS $50-100 MILLION: 1
ASSETS $40-60 MILLION: 5
ASSETS <$40 MILLION: 728
INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENTS/YEAR: $32,993,794/1988
PERMANENT JOBS CREATED: 728
INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENTS/YEAR: $4,815,494/1987
PERMANENT JOBS CREATED: 102
LABOR FORCE INFORMATION DATE: 8/89
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE: 36,600
NUMBER EMPLOYED: 33,500
NUMBER UNEMPLOYED: 3,100
% UNEMPLOYED: 8.4%
TOTAL NOT IN LABOR FORCE 1980: 55,251
MALES NOT IN LABOR FORCE 1980: 25,326
FEMALES NOT IN LABOR FORCE 1980: 29,925
NUMBER REPORTING PLACE OF WORK: 32,432
EMPLOYED IN PLACE OF RESIDENCE / %: 17,553/54.1%
COMMUTING TO ANOTHER LOCATION / %: 14,879/45.9%
AVERAGE TRAVEL TIME TO WORK: 18.4 MINUTES

TYPE OF PARISH GOVERNMENT: POLICE JURY
PLANNING COMMISSION:
ZONING COMMISSION:
BUILDING CODES:

SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL/PATROL CARS:
TYPE OF FIRE PROTECTION: 85/33

NUMBER OF HOSPITALS/HOSPITAL BEDS: 3/387
NUMBER OF DOCTORS: 86
PARAMEDIC PERSONNEL/UNITS: 7/3
ELECTRIC SUPPLIER: SWEP CO/BREMCO
NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER: ARK-LA GAS COMPANY
WATER SUPPLIER:

MAJOR STATE HIGHWAYS: 3 2 162
MAJOR U.S. HIGHWAYS: 71 80
MAJOR INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS/LOOPS: 20 /220
MAJOR RAILROADS: SOUTHERN PACIFIC
KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN
ILLINOIS CENTRAL
ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN

NEAREST GENERAL AIRPORT/MILES TO: SHREVEPORT DTN / 10
NEAREST COMMERCIAL AIRPORT/MILES TO: SHREVEPORT REG. / 18
NEAREST NAVIGABLE WATERWAY/MILES TO: RED RIVER / 5

COMMUNITY LEADERS

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