# Community Profile

**Location:** Benton, La.

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<th><strong>City:</strong></th>
<th>Benton</th>
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<td><strong>Parish:</strong></td>
<td>Bossier</td>
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<td><strong>Region/Planning District:</strong></td>
<td>North 7</td>
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<td><strong>Labor Area/MISS R. BK Location:</strong></td>
<td>Bossier City</td>
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<td><strong>Frame Number/Date of Update:</strong></td>
<td>47762/ 10/89</td>
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<td><strong>Population 1980/% Nonwhite:</strong></td>
<td>1,917/39.7%</td>
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<td><strong>Population 1970/Nonwhite:</strong></td>
<td>1,493/35.3%</td>
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<td><strong>Housing Units 1980/Occup/Vacant:</strong></td>
<td>592/58</td>
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**Type Local Government:** Mayor-Alderman

**Planning-Zoning Codes:** Y/Y

**Police Personnel/Police Cars:** 3/2

**Firemen—Full Time/Volunteer:** 1/23

**Fire Trucks/Fire Insurance Rating:** 4/1

**Hospitals/Number of Beds:** /BOSSIER CITY /10

**Nearest Full Service ER/Miles To:** Shreveport /15

**Nearest Burn Unit/Miles To:** /BOSSIER CITY /10

**Number of Nursing Homes:** /

**Doctors/Dentists:** /

**Churches—Protestant/Catholic:** 12/1

**Jewish Temples/Other:** /

**Schools K-12—Public/Private:** 2/SHVP-DOSSIER VO-TECH INST.

**Annual # of High School Graduates:** 65

**Vocational Schools:** /

**Number of Colleges:** 4

**Financial Institutions:**

- **Banks:**
- **Savings & Loans:**

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<th><strong>Assets $200 Million:</strong></th>
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**Bond Rating:** NR

| **Hotels & Motels/Number of Rooms:** | /

**Daily Newspapers/Wkly Newspapers:** 1

**TV Stations:** /

**Cable Channels:** 22

**Telephone Company Name:** South Central Bell

06925
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION: DON PIERSON
GRTR BOSSIER ECO. DEV. FND.

AVERAGE TAX MILLAGE/YEAR: 73.90/1988
6.5%

TOT. SALES TAX (STATE+PAR.+LOCAL):

ELECTRIC SUPPLIER: SWECO
NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER: ARK-LA GAS COMPANY
WATER SUPPLIER/WATER SOURCE: MUNICIPAL/WELLS
MAXIMUM DAILY CAPACITY: .5 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY
AVERAGE DAILY CAPACITY: .3 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY
MAXIMUM DAILY CONSUMPTION: .3 MILLION GALLONS PER DAY
STORAGE CAPACITY: .5 MILLION GALLONS
SEWER SERVICE SUPPLIER: MUNICIPAL

SANITARY SEWER COVERAGE: 100%
STORM SEWER COVERAGE: 75%
TREATMENT PLANT TYPE: OXIDATION POND/LAGOON
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL TYPE: SANITARY LANDFILL

STATE HIGHWAYS: 3,162
U.S. HIGHWAYS: / / /
INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS/LOOPS: ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN
RAILROADS:

PIGGYBACK/CONTAINER SERVICE:
SWITCHING FREQUENCY:
PUBLIC TRANSIT (CITY):
INTERCITY BUS SERVICE:
SPECIAL DELIVERY SERVICE:

TRAILWAYS:
UNITED PARCEL SERVICE 1

MOTOR FREIGHT CARRIERS:

NEAREST GEN. AIRPORT/MILES TO: SHREVEPORT DTN / 12
NEAREST COMM. AIRPORT/MILES TO: SHREVEPORT REG. / 17
NEAREST NAVIG. WATERWAY/MILES TO: RED RIVER / 15
PUBLIC BARGE DOCK/DEEP WATER PORT:
MILES TO NEAREST DEEP WATER PORT: 181

MAJOR NON-MANUFACTURING EMPLOYERS

COMPANY NAME/NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES:
BOSSIER PARISH SCH. BOARD/ 7
TOWN OF BENTON / 5
SCHOOL BOARD CENT. OFFICE/ 4
BANK OF BENTON / 3
FIRST NATIONAL BANK / 1

RECREATIONAL FACILITIES:
PARKS GOLF COURSE
COMMUNITY LEADERS

ORGANIZATION NAME: TOWN OF BENTON
CONTACT NAME: CHARLES MORN
CONTACT TITLE: CLERK
ADDRESS: P. O. BOX 336
CITY/ZIP: BENTON /LA 71006
TELEPHONE: 318/965-2781

ORGANIZATION NAME: TOWN OF BENTON
CONTACT NAME: GEORGE L. FORREST
CONTACT TITLE: MAYOR
ADDRESS: P. O. BOX 336
CITY/ZIP: BENTON /LA 71006
TELEPHONE: 318/965-2781

ORGANIZATION NAME: GRTR BOSSIER ECO. DEV. FND.
CONTACT NAME: DON PIERSON
CONTACT TITLE: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ADDRESS: 710 BENTON ROAD
CITY/ZIP: BOSSIER CITY /LA 71111
TELEPHONE: 318/746-0252

ORGANIZATION NAME: COORDINATING & DEV. COUNCIL
CONTACT NAME: MAX LECOMTE
CONTACT TITLE: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ADDRESS: P. O. BOX 37005
CITY/ZIP: SHREVEPORT /71103
TELEPHONE: 318/226-7557

ORGANIZATION NAME: SWEPCO
CONTACT NAME: NEAL BAREMORE
CONTACT TITLE: MANAGER, AREA DEVELOP
ADDRESS: P. O. BOX 21106
CITY/ZIP: SHREVEPORT /LA 71156
TELEPHONE: 318/222-2141

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