**PARISH PROFILE**

**PARISH:** Avoyelles  
**PARISH SEAT:** Marksville  
**REGION/PLANNING DISTRICT:** Central/6  
**LABOR AREA/MISS R. BK LOCATION:** Alexandria/West  
**METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA:** Not in MSA  
**FRAME NUMBER/DATE OF UPDATE:** 4192/10/89

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<th>Population 1980/Nonwhite</th>
<th>41,393/25.8%</th>
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<td>Population 1970/Nonwhite</td>
<td>37,751/27.7%</td>
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<td>Population Change 1970-1980</td>
<td>9.6%</td>
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<td>Population Density 1980</td>
<td>48.7 persons per square mile</td>
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<td>Female Population 1980/Nonwhite</td>
<td>21,572/52.1%</td>
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<td>Male Population 1980/Nonwhite</td>
<td>19,821/47.9%</td>
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**Current Estimated Population:** 42,315  
**Projected Population 1990:** 45,031  
**Projected Population 1995:** 47,092

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<th>1980 Population Under Age 5</th>
<th>3,389</th>
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<td>Age 5 to 9</td>
<td>3,343</td>
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<td>1,966</td>
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<td>Age 60 to 64</td>
<td>2,033</td>
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<td>Over 65</td>
<td>5,638</td>
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**Housing Units Occupied 1980/1970:** 13,544/11,681  
**Percent Change 1980-1970:** +15.8%  
**Housing Units Vacant 1980/1970:** 855/327  
**Percent Change 1980-1970:** +161.5%  
**Housing Starts/Year:** /

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<th># Public Schools K-12/Enrollment</th>
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<td>6/990</td>
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**Annual High School Graduates:** 469  
**Annual Vo-Tech Graduates:** 53  
**Median Yrs Education—Pop Over 25:** 10.4 yrs for 23,135 population  
**Vocational Schools Serving Area:** Avoyelles Vo-Tech Institute

**VERTICAL FILE**
PER CAPITA INCOME CURRENT YEAR: $7,593/1987
PER CAPITA INCOME PREVIOUS YEAR: $7,461/1986
PER CAPITA INCOME PERCENT CHANGE: -1.2%
PCI RANK WITHIN STATE: 61 OF 64
PERCENT OF U.S. PCI: +49.0%
NUMBER OF HOUSEHOLDS 1980: 13,529
MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME: $9,971
NUMBER OF FAMILIES 1980: 10,863
MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME: $11,987
FAMILIES BELOW POVERTY LEVEL / %: 2,775/25.6%
FAMILIES REC. PUBLIC ASSIST. / %: 1,623/14.9%
PARISH MILLAGE RATE/YEAR: 60.70 MILLS/1988
STATE SALES TAX COLLECTIONS/YEAR: $1,737,938/1988
ESTIMATED PER CAPITA COLLECTIONS: $41.1
PARISH BOND RATING: 9AA
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: BANKS SAVINGS & LOANS
ASSETS $>200 MILLION: 1 /1988
ASSETS $100-200 MILLION: 2
ASSETS $60-100 MILLION: 4 /1987
ASSETS $40-60 MILLION:
ASSETS <$40 MILLION:
INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENTS/YEAR:
PERMANENT JOBS CREATED:
INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENTS/YEAR:
PERMANENT JOBS CREATED:
LABOR FORCE INFORMATION DATE: 8/89
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE:
NUMBER EMPLOYED: 16,025
NUMBER UNEMPLOYED: 2,300
% UNEMPLOYED: 14.3%
TOTAL NOT IN LABOR FORCE 1980:
MALES NOT IN LABOR FORCE 1980: 27,611
FEMALES NOT IN LABOR FORCE 1980: 10,433
FEMALES NOT IN LABOR FORCE 1980: 17,178
NUMBER REPORTING PLACE OF WORK: 10,828
EMPLOYED IN PLACE OF RESIDENCE / %: 7,815/72.2%
COMMUTING TO ANOTHER LOCATION / %: 3,013/27.3%
AVERAGE TRAVEL TIME TO WORK: 28.6 MINUTES
TYPE OF PARISH GOVERNMENT: POLICE JURY
PLANNING COMMISSION:
ZONING COMMISSION:
BUILDING CODES:
SHERIFF'S PERSONNEL/PATROL CARS: 47/37
TYPE OF FIRE PROTECTION:
NUMBER OF HOSPITALS/HOSPITAL BEDS: 2/106
NUMBER OF DOCTORS: 21
PARAMEDIC PERSONNEL/UNITS: /2
ELECTRIC SUPPLIER: LP&L/CLECO/SLEMC0
NATURAL GAS SUPPLIER: ENTEX GAS COMPANY
WATER SUPPLIER: 1 107 115

MAJOR STATE HIGHWAYS: KANSAS CITY SOUTHERN
MAJOR U.S. HIGHWAYS: LOUISIANA & ARKANSAS
MAJOR INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS/LOOPS: UNION PACIFIC
MAJOR RAILROADS: TEXAS PACIFIC
SOUTHERN RAILROAD
MARKSVILLE / 1
ALEXANDRIA / 30
RED RIVER / 10

NEAREST GENERAL AIRPORT/MILES TO: INDO.DEV.BO.OF CENTRAL LA., INC.
NEAREST COMMERCIAL AIRPORT/MILES TO: CHARLES T. TOSTEN, JR.
NEAREST NAVIGATION WATERWAY/MILES TO: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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