



Located in Missouri's Lake of the Ozarks region, Camden County combines natural beauty with strategic business advantages. The county's diverse economy is anchored by tourism and complemented by healthcare, retail, and manufacturing sectors. With easy access via Highway 54 and proximity to Interstate 44, plus competitive business costs, Camden County offers an attractive environment for business investment and development.

Workforce Data

Unemployment

- Current unemployment rate (2023): 4.5%
- Historical unemployment trends: This is a 1% decline compared to the unemployment rate of 5.5% in February 2022.

Wages

- Average annual wage in Private Ownership Employment: \$44,648 or \$21.47
- Average annual wage in the Private and Public Sectors: \$44,745 or \$21.51

Demographics / Age

Population

- 43,227

Median age

- 56.2

Age distribution

- 0-18: 20.30%
- 18-24: 6.10%
- 25-44: 23.30%
- 65+: 19%

High School Graduate or higher

- 92.4%

Bachelor's Degree or Higher

- 24.5%

Education

Number of school districts: 4

- Camdenton R-III School District
- Climax Springs R-IV School District
- Macks Creek R-V School District
- Stoutland R-III School District

Average number of graduating seniors annually: 370

Post-secondary institutions:

- State Fair Community College
- Columbia College – Lake Ozark
- Lake Career & Technical Center

Population Growth & Housing

2010 - 2023: 0%

Housing Occupied Vs Vacant

- 16,494 vs 23,235

Homeownership: 81.9%

Median Property Value: \$248,700

Commuter Travel Time

- Less than 10 miles: 34.9%
- 10 to 24 miles: 23.7%
- 25 to 50 miles: 14.2%
- Greater than 50 miles: 27.1%

Residents working from home 2017 - 2022

- 4.7% vs 9.9%

Industry & Top Employers

Gross Domestic Product (GDP)

- 2022 County GDP: \$1,624.35 M
- 2022 GDP growth rate: -5.6%

Top Employers

- Lake Regional Health System
 - Health Care
- Camden County
 - Government
- Margaritaville Lake Resort
 - Hospitality
- Lodge of Four Seasons
 - Hospitality
- Camdenton R-III School District
 - Education

Infrastructure

Highways

- Major highways:
 - US Route 54
 - Route 5
 - Route 7

Airports

- Nearest commercial airport:
 - Kansas City International Airport (173.3 Miles)
 - St Louis Lambert International Airport (175.1 Miles)

Infrastructure

Airports

- Regional airports:
 - Columbia Regional Airport (76.8 Miles)
 - Springfield Branson National Airport (88 Miles)
- Local Airports
 - Camdenton Memorial Airport
 - Lee C Fine Memorial Airport
 - Grand Glaize Airport

Utility Providers

- Electricity:
 - Ameren Missouri
 - Southwest Electric Cooperative
 - Laclede Electric
 - Co-Mo Electric
- Natural Gas:
 - Summit Natural Gas
- Water and Sewer:
 - Municipal or Public Districts