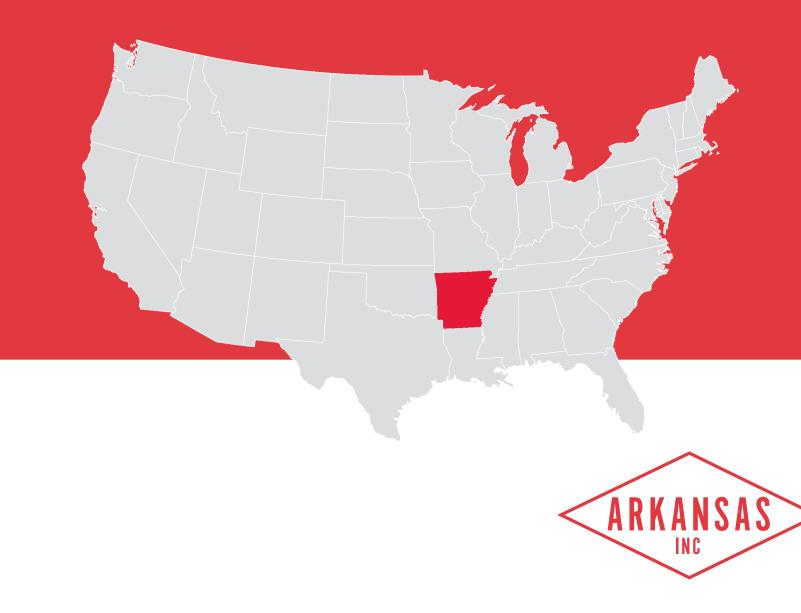
ARKANSAS ECONOMIC OVERVIEW





OVERVIEW



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GEOGRAPHY

Arkansas is strategically located in the center of the United States. Its borders adjoin Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Missouri and Oklahoma with the Mississippi River forming the state's eastern border.



Land Surface: **34,036,717 acres**

East: Alluvial valleys of the Arkansas and Mississippi rivers, with agricultural land dominated by cotton, rice, and soybeans North and West: Mountainous or coastal plains South: Wildlife refuges and timberlands







Navigable Waterways: approx. 1,000 miles



Class 1 Railroad: **1,683 miles**

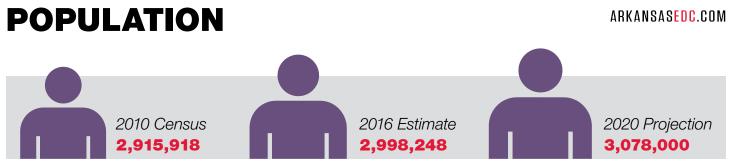




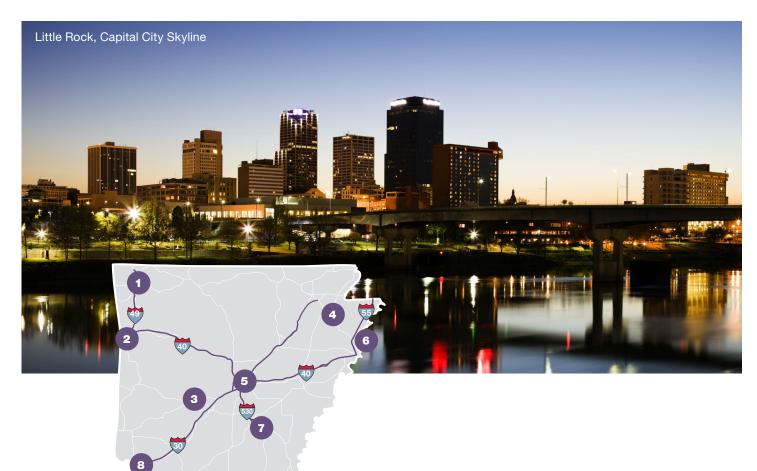




State and U.S. Highways: **16,418 miles**



Source: U.S. Census



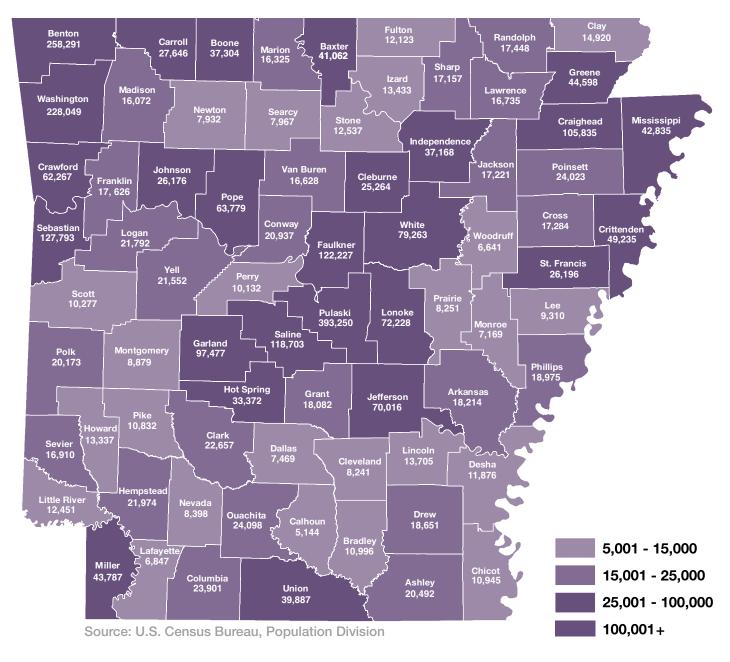
MAJOR URBAN CENTERS (2016)

- 1 Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR MO MSA
 - 525,032
- 2 Fort Smith, AR OK MSA
 - 281,227
- 3 Hot Springs, AR MSA
 - 97,447
- 4 Jonesboro, AR MSA
 - 129,858

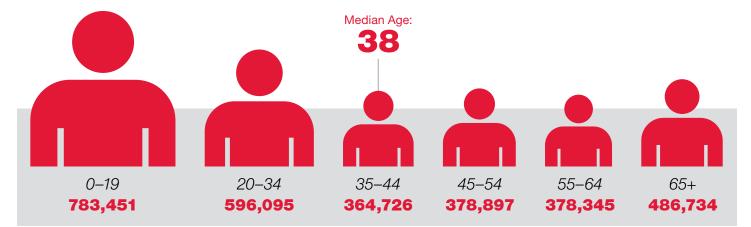
5 Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway, AR MSA 734,622
6 Memphis, TN - MS - AR MSA 1,342,842
7 Pine Bluff, AR MSA 91,962
8 Texarkana, AR MSA 150,098

POPULATION by county 2016

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COST OF LIVING INDEX



CLIMATE:



TEMPERATURE average high average low 722.80 522.50 Overage low

ANNUAL PRECIPITATION



STATE OF BUSINESS











The Transportation Logistics Company









NATURAL RESOURCES





WATER

Arkansas has over **283,000 hectares** (699,293 acres) of surface water.

Over 800 billion liters of high quality ground water are contained in aquifers.



TIMBER

Forests cover approximately **19 million** acres, or **53%** of the entire state.

Timber growing, harvesting, management, transporting, and processing are major industries in Arkansas.







MINERALS Commercial Production

Bromine (#1 in world) Cement Rock Clay Crushed Stone Dimension Stone Gravel Gypsum Kaolin and Fireclays (#4 in the US) Lasco (#1 in the US)



Limestone

Serpentine Rock

Novaculite (only producer in US)

Quartz Crystals (#1 in the US)

Marble

Sand

Shale

Slate

Syenite

Silica Sand

OIL

Crude Oil Total Production 4,035 thousand barrels (2016)

Natural Gas

Total Production 826,917 million cubic feet (2016) Reserves 4,279 billion cubic feet (2015)

Coal

Total Production 91 thousand short tons (2015) Number of mines 2 (2014)

BUSINESS CLIMATE/GDP

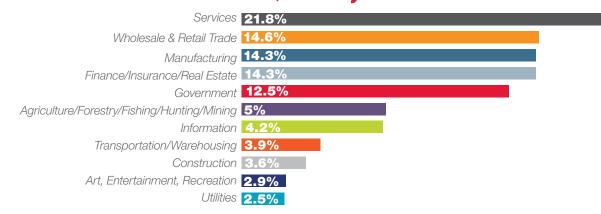
40% of the U.S. population is within a day's drive (550 miles/880 kilometers)



Source: Arkansas Foreign Owned Business Report, August 2017

2016 REAL GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT FOR ARKANSAS (MILLIONS OF CHAINED 2009 DOLLARS)

TOTAL GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT= \$108,676



PRINCIPAL INDUSTRIES







AGRICULTURE







TOURISM

PRINCIPAL MANUFACTURING GOODS

Chemicals Electronic Equipment Food and Kindred Products Furniture Lumber and Wood Products Machinery Paper and Pulp Rubber and Plastic Products Steel Transportation Equipment

PRINCIPAL AG PRODUCTS (2016) & NATIONAL RANKING

RICE #1

POULTRY #2

CATFISH #3

GRAIN SORGHUM #4

COTTON #5

COTTONSEED #6

SWEET POTATOES #6

SOYBEANS #10

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