

# CARBONDALE COMMUNITY PROFILE

*Carbondale is the trade, tourism and educational center of Southern Illinois. Bordered by a national forest, a national wildlife refuge and a state park, and home of Southern Illinois University, the community serves as the host and focal point for many of the region's business & recreation activities.*

***Platted November 27, 1852  
Incorporated August 23, 1873  
Council / Manager form of government  
Home Rule municipality  
Area in square miles 17.06  
Number of full time equivalent employees 268.38***

## POPULATION

	City	County	State
1970	22,816	55,008	11,110,285
1980	26,414	61,522	11,428,518
1990	27,033	61,067	11,430,602
2000	20,681	59,612	12,419,293
2010	25,902	60,218	12,830,632

## HIGHWAY MILEAGE

### Carbondale to:

Atlanta - 447  
Chicago-331  
Cincinnati-332  
Dallas-648  
Detroit-551  
Denver-972  
Indianapolis-264  
Kansas City-356  
Los Angeles-1,919  
Memphis-213  
Milwaukee-423  
Minneapolis-662  
Nashville-200  
New Orleans-608  
New York-1,007  
Orlando - 884  
Seattle-2,200  
Savannah - 694  
St. Louis-103  
Washington DC - 820

## RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

### In City or within 10 miles:

Public Golf course	4
Public tennis courts	18
Country clubs	1
Public parks	14
Public swimming pool	2
Outdoor Spray Parks	1
Public access to lakes and rivers for: Swimming, water skiing, fishing, & boating	

## COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

8	- Banks
4	- Local Radio Stations
245	- Cable TV channels
1,040	- Seating cap. of Largest Banquet Rooms
11	- Hotel/Motels with 714 Total Rooms
2	- Taxi Companies

## NEWSPAPERS

1	Local Daily Newspaper
1	Local Weekly Newspaper
1	Daily University Newspaper

## LIBRARY

1	- Public Library
1	- Morris ( Southern Illinois University)

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<b>EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Teachers</b>	<b>Enrollment</b>	<b>Grades</b>
Carbondale School District #95	4	122	1,396	K-8
Unity Point School District	1	48	697	K-8
Giant City School District	1	17	280	K-8
High School District #165	1	76	1,100	9 -12
Private/Parochial	3	43	396	K-12
John A. Logan Community College	1	105	16,525	2yr. /Continuing Ed)
Southern Illinois University- Carbondale	1	952	18,847	BA/MA/PHD
Trade/Technical – (Part of Southern Illinois University and John A. Logan Community College)				

## **MAJOR AREA EMPLOYERS**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Product/Service</b>	<b>Employees</b>
Southern Illinois University	Higher Education/Research	7,352
Memorial Hospital of Carbondale/SIH	Regional Medical Facility	3,000
Center for Comprehensive Services	Head Injury Rehabilitation	673
Illinois Department of Transportation	Highway Regional Office	286
Com-Pac, Inc.	Medical/Specialty Plastic Bags MFG.	200
Southern Illinoisan	Regional Newspaper Publishing	145

## **RETAIL SHOPPING**

- University Mall, an enclosed shopping center (677,000 sq. ft.) with anchors: J.C. Penny, Macy's, Bed Bath and Beyond and AMC Theaters an 8 Screen Complex
- Murdale Shopping Center (87,600 sq. ft.) with anchors: Neighborhood Food Co-op and Tru-Value
- University Place, an open-air center (250,000 square feet) with anchors: Dick's Sporting Goods, Best Buy, Petco, AMC Theatre an 8 Screen Complex, TJ Maxx, Party City,
- Eastgate Shopping Center with anchors: Ashley Furniture
- Central Business district
- West Park Plaza, an open-air center (55,332) with anchors of Gold's Gym and Sherwin Williams Paint

## **AWARDS**

Selected as "Best Small City in Illinois," 1990, 1997  
 Winner, "Governor's Hometown Award," 1991, 1992, 2009  
 Winner, "GFOA Distinguished Budget Presentation Award," since 1986  
 Selected as "Tree City USA," since 1981  
 All-America City Finalist, 2009  
 City Livability Award, 2009  
 Finalist, Award for Municipal Excellence, 2009  
 Sunshine Transparency in Government Award, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013  
 Ameren Progressive City Award, 2012