

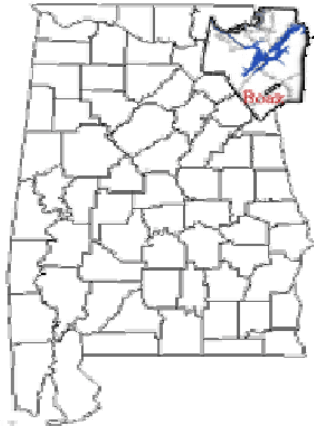
# Boaz

*The City of Possibilities*

## Boaz, Alabama Profile

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### OVERVIEW



In 1897, the year it was incorporated, the city of Boaz was named after the husband of Ruth, a Biblical character. Boaz is located on the top of the Sand Mountain Plateau, which is named after its sandy soil. Boaz, a city that covers 12.2 square miles, is in southern Marshall County, which is in the northeast corner of the state. Boaz is not part of a metropolitan area. The 2000 census shows Boaz has a population of 7411 and a retail trade area of 110,000.

An excellent city school system, a local two year college, industrial and retail opportunities, along with positive attitudes combine to promote and enhance community growth and development.

#### Nearby Metro Areas:

Atlanta	131 Miles	Birmingham	65 Miles
Huntsville	47 Miles	Memphis	235 Miles
Mobile	303 Miles	Montgomery	154 Miles
Nashville	162 Miles		

### POPULATION AND INCOME

	Projected 2011	2006	2000
<b>City</b>	10,455	8,500	7,411
<b>Trade Area</b>	111,937	110,166	108,632
<b>County</b>	88,234	84,419	82,231

Estimated Population (15 mile radius): 110,166  
 Households in County: 42,752  
 Household Income: Average \$41,620  
 Household Income: Median \$31,575  
 Median Age: 35.7

Sources: Economic Development Partnership of Alabama

### CITY GOVERNMENT AND SERVICES

City: Mayor & Council      County: County Commission

Land Use Regulations	City	County
Zoning Ordinances	Yes	No
Subdivision Regulations	Yes	Yes
Planning Commission	Yes	No

Garbage Service Available	Yes	Yes
Public Library	Yes	Yes
Number of volumes	60,831	2,000

Emergency Medical Services: Paramedics and E911

Fire Protection: Fire Insurance Rating 5ISO  
 Full Time Personnel: 14      Volunteers: 8

Police Protection:  
 Full Time Personnel: 33      Patrol Cars: 18

### EDUCATION

School System:	Boaz City School System		
School Year 2006	Enrollment	Teachers	Students
Boaz Elementary (K-1)	25		325
Corley Elementary (2-3)	26		376
Boaz Intermediate (4-5)	24		324
Boaz Middle (6-8)	29		528
Boaz High (9-12)	41		594
Total High School Graduates 2006: 113			

Nearest Post Secondary Education Opportunities:

Two Year Colleges	Enrollment	Location
Snead State Community College	2,213	Boaz
Gadsden State Community College	5,100	Gadsden
Northeast State Community College	2,224	Rainsville
Wallace State Community College	5,383	Hanceville

Four Year Colleges	Enrollment	Location
University of Alabama, Gadsden	3,200	Gadsden
Jacksonville State University	9,000	Jacksonville
University of Alabama, Huntsville	7,100	Huntsville
University of Alabama, Birmingham	17,410	Birmingham

### TRANSPORTATION FACTS

Highways Servicing Boaz:

Interstate	Federal	State
I-65 55 Miles	Hwy 11 15 Miles	Hwy 68 2 Miles
I-565 45 Miles	Hwy 278 13 Miles	Hwy 75 5 Miles
I- 59 20 Miles	Hwy 431 0 Miles	Hwy 77 12 Miles
		Hwy 168 0 Miles
		Hwy 205 0 Miles

Rail Services: CSX

Waterways: Tennessee River  
 Nearest Port: 13 Miles

Air Services:

**Municipal Service:**  
 Albertville Regional Airport  
 Guntersville Airport  
 Longest Runway: 6,200'  
 Surface: Paved  
 Aircraft Tie Down: Yes  
 Hangars: Yes  
 Lighted: Yes  
 ILS: Yes  
 Repair Facilities: Yes

**Commercial Service:**  
 Huntsville International 67 Miles  
 Birmingham International 64 Miles

Motor Freight Service: 1 local carrier less than truckload  
 Parcel Service: UPS, FEDEX, RPS, DHL



### TRAFFIC COUNTS

Intersection of Hwy 431 and Hwy 168	28,714 Cars Daily
Intersection of Hwy 431 and Industrial Blvd	28,510 Cars Daily

## UTILITIES

**Electricity:** Supplier: Tennessee Valley Authority  
 Distributors: Marshall Dekalb Electric Cooperative  
 Alabama Power Electric Cooperative  
 Cherokee Electric Cooperative

**Natural Gas:** Supplier: Southern Natural Gas  
 Distributors: Boaz Gas Board  
 Marshall County Gas

**Water:** Source: Lake Guntersville  
 Distributors: Boaz Water & Sewer  
 Northeast Alabama Water  
 Douglas Water Board  
 Sardis City Water Board

**Sewer:** Provider: Boaz Water & Sewer

**Sanitation:** Solid Waste Collector: Private Collector

## COMMUNICATION

### Telephone:

Local Telephone Provider: AT&T  
 Switching: Digital  
 Fiber Optics: Yes  
 Cellular Service: Yes  
 Long Distance Providers: 31

**Post Office Classification:** First Class

### Newspapers:

*The Sand Mountain Reporter*—Published three times weekly  
*The Huntsville Times*—Published daily  
*The Birmingham News/Post Herald* - Published twice daily  
*The Gadsden Times*—Published daily

### Radio:

AM— 2 stations FM—1 station

### Television:

Cable Service: Yes  
 Basic Expanded Service: 78 Channels  
 Digital Cable Service: Yes  
 Digital Service: 169 Channels

### Internet Services:

Local Dial-up Service: Yes  
 Broadband: Yes/DSL & Cable

## HEALTHCARE FACILITIES

### Hospitals:

Marshall Medical Centers  
 Marshall North Number of Beds: 90  
 Marshall South Number of Beds: 150

**Physicians:** 125

**Dentists:** 7

### Nursing Homes & Assisted Living:

Golden Living Nursing Home & Rehab 100 Beds  
 Assisted Living of Boaz 16 Rooms  
 Branchwater Village 30 Rooms 12 Apartments

## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

**Motels:** 5      **Rooms:** 206      **Meeting Rooms:** Yes  
**Restaurants:** Full Service 18      Fast Food 19

**Auditorium:** Yes      **Seating Capacity:** 1,042 maximum

**Churches/Synagogues:** Protestant-31

## RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

**Country Clubs:** No  
**Movie Theaters:** Yes  
**Ball Fields:** Yes  
**Health Clubs:** Yes

**Golf Courses:** Yes  
**Tennis Courts:** Yes  
**Swimming Pools:** Yes  
**Parks:** Yes

### Other Facilities:

Boaz Recreation & Neighborhood Center  
 Paradise Park Sports Complex  
 Boaz Youth Sports Complex  
 Rotary Park

**Nearest State Park:**  
**Nearest Public Lake:**

Lake Guntersville S.P. 20 miles  
 Lake Guntersville 12 miles

## LOCAL TAXES & RETAIL COLLECTION

Property Taxes:	Boaz	Marshall County	
State Tax	6.5	6.5	
County Tax	31.0	31.0	
Municipal Taxes	5.0	0.0	
Specialty School	7.5	0.0	
Total	<b>50.0 mls</b>	<b>37.5 mls</b>	
Retail Sales Tax:	<b>City</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Total</b>
	3.0%	4.0%	7.0%

### Income/Occupational Tax:

City Occupational Tax: None  
 County Occupational Tax: None  
 State Corporate Income Tax: 5.0%  
 State Individual Income Tax: 2.0% Minimum  
 5.0% Maximum  
 Deduction allowed for Federal Income Tax

**Inventory Tax:** None

**Retail Sales Tax Collection 2006: \$7,067,895**

## INDUSTRY

### Industrial Opportunities:

Industrial park—Approximately 300 Available Acres & 2 Spec Buildings

Largest Emp.	Product/Service	# Emp.
Pilgrim's Pride	Poultry Processing	2300
AlaTrade	Poultry Processing	1020
TS Tech Alabama	Honda Seat Manufacturer	705
Marshall Medical Ctr.	Medical Complex	600
Federal Mogul	Brake & Chasis Parts	375
Progress Rail Svcs.	Scrap Metals	300
Parker Hannifin	Instrumentation Fittings	155
Pinnacle Manufacturing	Storage Tanks	125
Ajax Tocco	Heat Induction Machinery	110
Kabco Builders	Manufactured Homes	100
Lowery Manufacturing	Farm Machinery	60

### Labor Market Data:

**Civilian Labor Force:** 46,568  
**Unemployment Rate:** 4.67

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