



Top 50 Major Employers in the Knoxville Area - 2011

Company	Employees	Description
U.S. Dept. of Energy – Oak Ridge Operations	13,082	Government – Federal Programs in Science & Technology, Science Education, Environmental Cleanup, Energy & Nuclear Fuel Supply, National Security, Reindustrialization & Technology Transfer/ Economic Development www.oakridge.doe.gov
Covenant Health	9,494	Health Services – Local Healthcare System; Covenant Home Care; & Fortress Corp. www.covenanthealth.com
Knox County Schools	6,891	Government – Public County School System www.knoxschools.org
University of Tennessee	6,400	Government – Four-Year State University www.utk.edu
Wal-Mart Stores	4,668	Retail Trade – discount stores & wholesale clubs www.walmartstores.com
University Health System	3,942	Health Services – Local Healthcare System www.utmedicalcenter.org
K-VA-T Food Stores (Food City)	3,924	Retail Trade – Grocery stores and service stations www.foodcity.com
Tennova Healthcare	3,857	Health Services – Local Healthcare System www.tennovahealthcare.com
State of Tennessee	3,528	Government – State Regional Offices including: economic development; transportation; highway patrol; & planning www.tennesseeanytime.org
McGhee Tyson Air National Guard Base	3,493	Military – U.S. Air Force Air National Guard Base www.ang.af.mil
Knox County Government	2,998	Government – County Government www.knoxcounty.org
City of Knoxville	2,811	Government – municipal government www.cityofknoxville.org
Dollywood Co.	2,534	Services – Theme/Water Parks www.dollywood.com
Sevier County Schools	2,500	Government – Public County School System www.sevier.org
Kroger Co.	2,401	Retail Trade – Grocery stores and service stations www.kroger.com
McDonald’s Corp.	2,364	Service – fast-food restaurants www.mcdonalds.com
Clayton Homes, Inc.	2,354	Manufacturing – manufactured & modular homes (CMH Manufacturing) Services – banking (Clayton Bank & Trust); mortgage loans (21 st Mortgage Corp. and Vanderbilt Mortgage & Finance Corp.) real estate (Clayton Home Communities) www.claytonhomes.com
Denso Manufacturing-TN	2,346	Manufacturing – automotive starters, alternators, & instrument clusters www.densocorp-na-dmtn.com

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Blount Memorial Hospital	2,150	Health Services – area hospital www.blountmemorial.org
East Tennessee Children’s Hospital	1,861	Health Services – area children’s hospital www.etch.com
Yum! Brands	1,703	Service – fast-food restaurants including: KFC, Taco Bell, Pizza Hut www.yum.com
Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA)	1,611	Government – regional power authority and development agency providing improvement in river navigation, flood damage reduction, agricultural & industrial development, and electric power in a 7-state region www.tva.gov
U.S. Postal Service	1,604	Government – mail service; shipping and delivery operations www.usps.com
Blount County Schools	1,600	Government – Public County School System www.blountk12.org
Copper Cellar Corp.	1,474	Service – full-service restaurants including: Calhoun’s, Cappuccino’s, Cherokee Grill, Chesapeake’s, Copper Cellar, Cumberland Grill, and Smoky Mountain Brewery www.coppercellar.com
Cracker Barrel	1,472	Service – full-service restaurants www.crackerbarrel.com
Pilot Flying J	1,443	Retail Trade – service stations and convenience stores www.pilotflyingj.com
CVS Caremark Corp.	1,377	Retail Trade – pharmacies, convenience stores, customer service center and pharmaceutical distribution www.cvscaremark.com
United Parcel Service/UPS	1,350	Transportation – shipping and delivery operations www.ups.com
Wyndham Hotel Group	1,252	Service – hotels, motels, resorts & vacation ownership www.wyndhamworldwide.com
UCOR	1,242	Engineering – environmental management & cleanup www.ucor.com
Alcoa, Inc. - Tennessee	1,233	Manufacturing – primary aluminum beverage can sheets www.alcoa.com
Elavon	1,200	Service – credit card processing and merchant services center www.elavon.com
Marriott International	1,168	Service – hotels, resorts & financial shared services center www.marriott.com
Roane County Schools	1,150	Government – public county school system www.roaneschools.com
Team Health, Inc.	1,135	Health Services – local network of healthcare providers www.teamhealth.com
Jewelry Television	1,100	Communications – satellite-based home- shopping cable networks specializing in precious gems and jewelry www.jtv.com
Home Depot, Inc.	1,093	Retail Trade – home improvement warehouses and building supplies www.homedepot.com
Ruby Tuesday, Inc.	1,088	Service – full-service restaurants www.rubytuesday.com

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Walgreens	1,072	Retail Trade – pharmacies and convenience stores www.walgreens.com/
Anderson County Schools	1,050	Government – public county school system www.acs.ac
Summit Medical Group	1,029	Health Services – local network of healthcare providers www.summitmedical.com
Pellissippi State Community College	1,013	Government – two-year technical community college www.pstcc.edu
Old Dominion Freight Line	1,001	Transportation – trucking www.odfl.com
Lowe’s Companies	992	Retail Trade – home improvement warehouses and building supplies www.lowes.com
Darden Restaurants	961	Service – full-service restaurants including: Olive Garden, Red Lobster, and Longhorn Steakhouse www.darden.com
Knoxville Utilities Board	945	Utilities – local utilities provider www.kub.org
Scripps Networks Interactive	925	Communications – cable networks including: HGTV; Food Network; Cooking Channel; DIY - Do-It-Yourself; Travel Channel; GAC; Shopzilla.com; Recipezaar.com www.scrippsnetworks.com/
Choice Hotels Int’l	924	Service – hotels & motels www.choicehotels.com
Science Applications International Corp. (SAIC)	923	Engineering – IT and environmental technologies consulting www.saic.com
Green Mountain Coffee	900	Manufacturing & Transportation – coffee roasting & distribution www.greenmountaincoffee.com

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