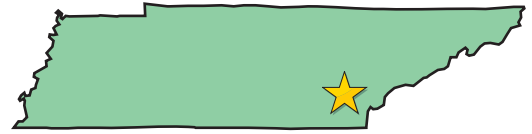


ATHENS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER

Athens, Tennessee

(Population: 13,625 • Service area: 52,247)



Nestled in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains you'll find a place known as "The Friendly City." Welcome to Athens, a community where southern hospitality has never gone out of style.

THE HOSPITAL

Athens Regional Medical Center is a 118-bed acute-care facility that serves the area of McMinn, Monroe and Meigs County. Athens Regional is the 2005 recipient of LifePoint



Hospital's "High Five" Award for outstanding performance in all five of the company's core values: quality patient care, creating an excellent workplace for employees, supporting physicians, providing community value, and

ensuring fiscal responsibility. Sophisticated medical technology is a hallmark of the hospital. Athens Regional Medical Center offers a state-of-the-art 1.5T MRI Scanner, a GE Lightspeed CT Scanner, two ultrasound systems, nuclear medicine, PET/CT, bone densitometry, and complete x-ray imaging. An in-house Lithotripter (used for the removal of kidney stones) enables patients to receive immediate treatment. Athens Regional also offers a full spectrum of surgical services.

THE COMMUNITY

Athens is a true shopper's delight. The downtown area features a host of boutiques, antique stores and specialty shops. There are also four shopping centers located in the Athens area.

Education is an important priority for Athens. There are five schools in the Athens City School System and several four-year colleges in the area. *Tennessee Wesleyan College*,

located in Athens, offers a wide range of majors in its four-year program. *The University of Tennessee* at both Knoxville and Chattanooga are within easy commuting distance.

Also, *Cleveland State Community College* has a satellite location in Athens, and the *Workforce Development Center* offers several 2-year degree programs and course programs. *The Tennessee Technology Center at Athens* also provides a wide range

of programs and certifications.

RECREATION

Whether you fish, hunt, hike or golf, Athens provides a host of recreational opportunities. The area is blessed with majestic mountains, vast forests and many miles of rivers and lake shorelines. *Watts Bar Lake* is a 39,000-acre recreation area that offers sailing,

Local Points of Interest

- **Town Square Shopping** – with plenty of boutiques, antiques stores and specialty shops to choose from, Athens is a shoppers dream.
- **Watts Bar Lake** – 39,000 acres of fun. From sailing, to fishing, this Lake will keep you busy.
- **Ocoee River** – a famous white-water destination, the Ocoee is a favorite location for amazing rafting and canoeing.



water skiing or fishing. The nearby beautiful *Ocoee River* is famous for its white-water rafting and kayaking, and the *Tellico River* is one of the most scenic trout streams in

America. Hiking, fishing and camping are also available at *Bald River Falls* and in the *Cherokee National Forest*. Many swimming and tennis facilities and four golf courses, which include, *Ridgewood Golf Club*,

Springbrook Golf and Country Club, *White Oaks Golf Course* and *Willow Springs Golf Course*, are available in Athens and in McMinn County. Located nearby is the *Lost Sea*, the world's largest underground lake. Athens has a host of city parks, the biggest of which is the 160-acre *Regional Park*. It has five lighted softball fields, four soccer fields, concession building, large picnic pavilion and a three-mile nature trail for walking, mountain biking and in-line skating. Athens is also home to the Agriculture Centers and the Southeast Tennessee Trade and Conference Center.



Distance to Major Cities

Knoxville, TN	50 miles
Chattanooga, TN	50 miles
Atlanta, GA	160 miles
Nashville, TN	188 miles

