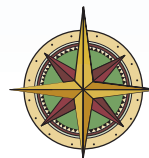


Coast Transit Authority serves Gulfport, Biloxi, D'Iberville, and Ocean Springs with fixed-route service. ADA/Paratransit service is provided to disabled persons within .75 miles of a fixed route, and Special Services to Senior Center, shopping, medical appointments, etc. is provided to senior citizens. See coasttransit.com.



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2013 COMMUNITY OVERVIEW: City of Gautier

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Gautier is located on the west bank of the Pascagoula River opposite the city of Pascagoula. It is named for Ferdinand Gautier who homesteaded in the area in 1867. Today that home, known as "The Old Place", still stands and is the site of many public and private events. Fernando Gautier established a sawmill alongside the railroad in Gautier and thus the town grew in population. With the outbreak of World War II, Gautier again experienced another growth spurt as people arrived to work at nearby Ingalls Shipyard. In 1986, Gautier incorporated and adopted a council-manager style of government. Gautier is the site of the Jackson County campus of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. With over seventy miles of waterfront within the city limits and two excellent golf courses, Gautier offers abundant recreational opportunities for families and retirees alike. **In fact, in 2009, Gautier was named by US News and World Report as one of the best places to retire in the USA.**

CITY OF GAUTIER
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Gautier-ms.gov
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2013 GOVERNMENT

Mayor Tommy Fortenberry

City Manager Samantha Abell

Councilmen:

Ward 1 Johnny Jones
 Ward 2 Hurley Ray Guillotte
 Ward 3 Gordon T. Gollott
 Ward 4 Scott D. Macfarland
 Ward 5 Adam D. Colledge
 At-Large Mary F. Martin

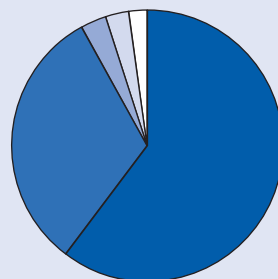


DEMOGRAPHICS

Race and Ethnicity	2010	2000	Annual Growth Rate (%)
White.....	11,355	12,050	-0.6
Black.....	6,012	4,229	4.2
Asian.....	274	199	3.8
Other.....	522	221	13.6
Two or more races	255	409	6.0
Total Population	18,572	16,954	1.0
Hispanic or Latin.....	990	482	10.5
Land Area (sq. mi.).....	30.2	30.2	n/a
Pop. Density (pop/sq. mi.).....	615.0	561.4	n/a
Median Age.....	34.9	32.7	n/a

Source: Population Data, US Census 2010 and US Census 2000

2012 POPULATION BY RACE



White.....61%
 Black.....32%
 Asian.....2%
 Other.....3%
 2 or more races2%

INCOME & SALES TAX INFO

Median Household Income.....\$42,720
 Main Operating Revenue Source Property Tax
 Retail Sales Tax7%

Source: Income Data, American Community Survey. The median household income is based on 2006-2010 data adjusted to 2010 dollars. Sales Tax Data, MS Dept. of Revenue; Revenue Source, City of Bay St. Gautier.

EMPLOYMENT

Major Employers	# Employees 2012
Pascagoula School District (Gautier Schools)	355
Lowe's	305
MS Gulf Coast Community College.....	225
Jerry Lee's Grocery Inc.	180
City of Gautier	147

Source: Gulf Regional Planning Commission

HOUSING STATISTICS

Indicator	2010	2000
Housing Units.....	8,047	4,597
Occupancy Rate.....	85.7	92.7
Apartment Occupancy Rate (8-units and up).....	87.1	n/a
Average Rent 2-bd Apartment (8-units and up).....	\$637	n/a
Average Household Size	2.68	2.51

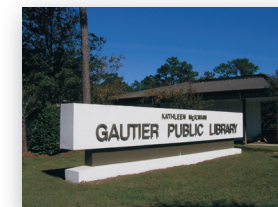
Source: Housing units and occupancy, Census 2010; Apartment Data, 2010 Gulf Coast Apartment Survey

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Kathleen McIlwain Public Library

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 Gautier, MS 39553
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<http://www.jgrls.org/branches>



HIGHEST TRAFFIC COUNT ROADWAYS, 2011

Ranking	Location	AADT*
1	Interstate 10.....	51,000
2	US 90	31,000
3	Gautier-Vancleave Road.....	23,000
4	Hwy 57	15,000
5	Ladnier Road.....	10,000

* Note: Average annual daily traffic on weekdays, holidays excluded.

Source: Gulf Regional Planning Commission 2010 Annual Average Daily Traffic Counts
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MULLET FESTIVAL

Gautier is proud to be the home of the Gautier Mullet & Music Fest held every October in the developing Town Center. The Music and Mullet fest hosts live entertainment and features local bands, school and community groups. The Heritage & Educational Area highlights a variety of exhibits to include Historical, Wildlife, Ecological, Fisheries, Community Goodwill, Health & Safety and local craftsmen giving live demonstrations. You will be able to participate in the famous Mullet Toss Contest, enjoy local art, crafts and food from a wide selection of regional vendors. The support we receive from the community helps to keep this a FREE Family Event.