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Bayou Region Positives

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Assumption Parish

- Situated near the industrial activity of both the Mississippi River region and the Gulf of Mexico coastal area surrounding Morgan City to the south.
- Complete seasonal cycle with beautiful spring and fall.
- Assumption Community Hospital, located in Napoleonville with 39 beds, and Assumption Parish Health Unit.
- Ball fields, tennis courts, swimming pools, golf courses, parks, and challenging locations for hunting and fishing.
- Assumption boasts a progressive and industrious school district with parish-wide location of elementary, middle and secondary schools.
- Assumption Parish Library, located in Napoleonville has three branches within the parish. The approximate number of volumes is 49,564, with nearly 250 additions per month. The facility offers reading and reference materials, including periodicals, films, and audio materials.
- Lake Verret, Bayou Lafourche, Belle River, and Pierre Part provide abundant hunting, fishing, and water sports opportunities for residents and visitors.
- Madewood Arts Festival
- A Hard-working labor force, abundant raw materials, location near corridor of significant industrial activity, and land for commercial and industrial development make Assumption Parish an ideal prospect for business investment.
- Long growing seasons and well-drained farmland make it possible to produce an abundant variety of crops.
- Assumption Parish has a relatively light tax burden. Sales tax runs 8.5%. Ad valorem taxes account for 9.88% of total revenues. Sales and use taxes account for 10.74% of total revenues.
- Subdivisions are being built for the location of incoming residents and there is the possibility of the Louisiana Inter-modal Transportation Facility being located in neighboring parishes as well as in a portion of Assumption.

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Lafourche Parish

- Bayou Lafourche
- SouthLafourcheAirport development.
- Port Fourchon
- Thibodaux
- MunicipalAirport

- Thibodaux Civic Center

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St. Mary Parish

- Conrad Industries added a new aluminum shipyard in Amelia
- Flathead Power relocated from Sweden to Morgan City.
- Franklin Foundation building a new critical access hospital
- \$6.25 million in sewer bonds to complete extension projects
- Argus Health Products plans to formulate, package and distribute from Franklin.
- Atchafalaya Basin Program moves forward with the InterpretiveCenter
- \$1.2 million in bonds sold for public buildings
- Morgan City Civic Center
- Construction of Cypress Sawmill and Aviation museums.
- Professional Golf Course

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Terrebonne Parish

- Houma-Thibodaux MSA Ranked 14th in the nation in Milken Institute “Best Performing Cities” Index 2004. Up from 16th place in 2003.
- Consolidated city and parish government structure. New consolidated government facilities.
- GulfIsland Fabricators – new 250 feet wide, 350 feet deep and 100 feet high (87,500 square feet) indoor fabrication facility
- Recreational Marina along the Intracoastal Waterway
- Largest Mardi Gras celebration second only to New Orleans
- Houma Civic Center
- New library. Named LA Library of the Year
- Houma Terrebonne Chamber Named Chamber of the Year
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Morganza to the Gulf

- Sportsman Developments at Cocodrie, Dularge, Four Point, others
- TerrebonnePort and MunicipalAirport. Both accommodate private and corporate aircraft, and are among the busiest general aviation facilities in the state. Planned improvements to the airport
- Houma-TerrebonneAirport and the Thibodaux
- The HoumaNavigationalCanal runs north-south from Houma to Cocodrie and into the Gulf of Mexico.
- Intracoastal Waterway (ICWW), and near air, rail, and highway barge transportation systems. The Intracoastal Waterway (ICWW), a path that rims the coastal inland of the northern Gulf of Mexico, runs east-west through central Terrebonne Parish.
- The parish has 20 specifically designated industrial sites, ranging from less than 100 acres to approximately 9,000 acres
- LeonardJ.ChabertMedicalCenter, employs almost 1,000 workers, and offers patients over 200 beds
- Terrebonne General Medical Center (TGMC) employs almost 1,500 people, and offers 321 licensed beds.
- Approximately 500 retail establishments flourish in Terrebonne Parish, together employing around 7,000 people. Annual retail payroll figures in Terrebonne Parish top \$113 million. New retail establishments that came into Terrebonne Parish along the MLK corridor. Sams to open soon.
- Local workforce of 49,000.Regional workforce of 70,000

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Thibodaux

- Located close to New OrleansInternationalAirport approximately 50 miles
- Safe – very low crime rate
- NSU employs 800 people
- NichollsStateUniversity and John Folse Culinary Institute
- Culture – Cajun philosophy of strong family ties and values
- NSU – ResearchCenter
- Jean Lafitte National Historic Park and Preserve

- Cleanest city contest winner, 11 times District Winner, 4 times State Winner
- Thibodaux Regional Hospital recognized as the “Best Hospital in the US” by QHR
- Largest all volunteer fire department
- Milken Institute ranked Thibodaux in the top places to do business

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