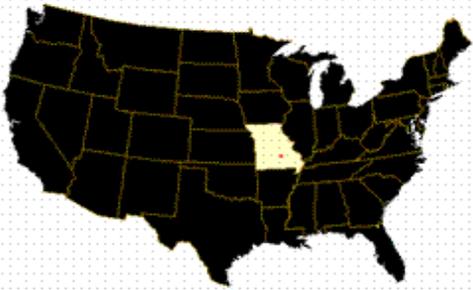


CITY OF SALEM



LOCATION AT A GLANCE



Within 15 miles of the
**Population
Center of the
Nation!**

PHYSICAL LOCATION

By Highway

Atlanta, GA	.....	585 miles
Branson, MO	.....	165 miles
Chicago, IL	.....	415 miles
Dallas, TX	.....	539 miles
Jefferson City, MO	.....	90 miles
Kansas City, MO	.....	240 miles
Memphis, TN	.....	280 miles
Springfield, MO	.....	120 miles
St. Louis, MO	.....	120 miles

SALEM

Latitude : 37.645558 degrees
Longitude : 091.53514 degrees
Elevation : 1240 ft

DENT COUTNY

Square Miles : 753.5

Demographic Information

POPULATION

YEAR	CITY	COUNTY
1980	4,454	14,517
1990	4,484	13,702
2000	4,854	14,927
2006	4,869	15,276

POPULATION DENSITY

Dent County 19.8 persons/ sq. mile

ETHNIC COMPOSITION

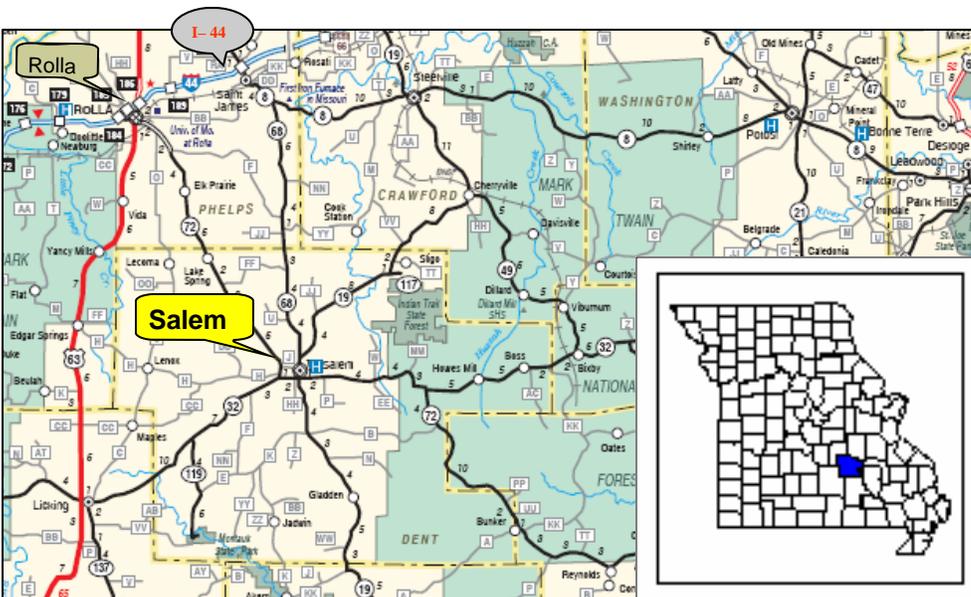
98.6% Caucasian
1.4% Other

POPULATION BY AGE

Under 20 years..... 27.5%
20 – 64 54.7%
65 and older..... 17.8%

LABOR - 2004

Number in the civilian labor force 6,733
Number unemployed 432
Number unemployed as % 6.8



Salem is 28 miles south of I-44 and equal distance from St. Louis and Springfield, MO. State Highways 72, 32, 19 and 68 intersect Salem.

Salem is located in the middle of the Missouri Ozarks. It is twenty minutes north of the National Ozarks Scenic Riverways National Park (Current River) and Montauk National State Park. Mark Twain National Forest blankets the east part of Dent County. Open public lands are plentiful.

More Community Information

COMMUNICATIONS

A number of telephone services, internet providers, dial-up high-speed, dedicated, wireless, cable and satellite services are available in the area. Salem is served by a twice-weekly newspaper and a local radio station. It has a first class post office and a number of independent mail providers.

AREA BUSINESSES - INSTITUTIONS

<u>Top Employers</u>	<u>Industry</u>	<u>Employees</u>	<u>Union</u>
US Food Service	Distribution	340	No
Wal-mart	Retail	250	No
Salem Memorial Hospital	Hospital	164	No
Royal Oak	Charcoal	100	No
Salem Wood Products	Staves/lumber	100	No
Doe Run Mining	Southeast Division	765	No
Doe Run Recycling	Recycling	291	No
Salem R-80 School	Education	217	No
Country Mart	Retail	85	No
Salem Care Center	Nursing Care	85	No
Seville Nursing Care	Nursing Care	75	No

TAXES

Taxes in the area are some of the lowest in the nation. Property Tax Rates plus Commercial Tax Rates = \$6.56 per \$100 of assessed value. *Local property tax rates are an aggregate of school, city, county, fire district, and state levies expressed in tax per \$100 of assessed value. Real property (land and buildings) are assessed as 32% of the true or fair market value*

ENHANCED ENTERPRISE ZONE

All of Salem and most of Dent County are in an Enhanced Enterprise Zone offering tax abatement for new real property development and job creation to qualifying businesses. State income tax credits may also be available.

EDUCATION

Salem R-80 Elementary, Secondary School
Southwest Baptist University—Salem Campus
Salem Telecommunication Resource Center
University of Missouri Science and Technology in Rolla is located 28 northwest of Salem

WEBSITE

www.salemmo.com is the official site of the City of Salem, Dent County and the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce

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