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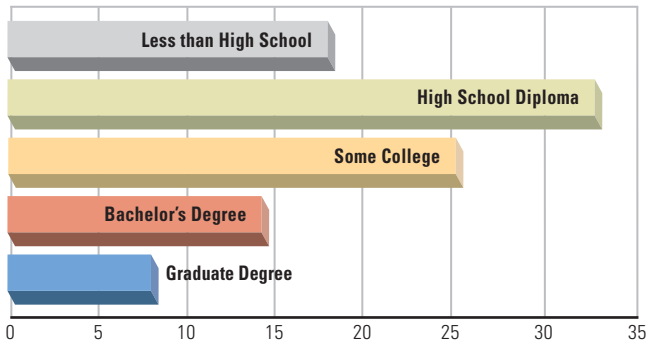


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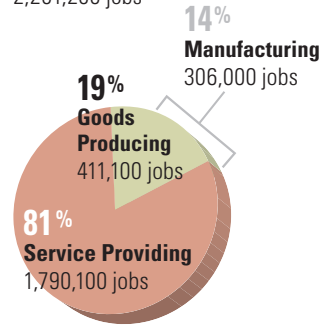
Governor: Bill Haslam (R) **tnecd.gov**
Population 2010: 6,326,157 **Population growth forecast 2010-2014:** 4.74% **Median household income:** \$47,614

Work Force Education by Percentage



Private Sector Employment

2,201,200 jobs



2010 New Economy Index Rankings

Overall: **40**

Immigration of Domestic and Foreign Knowledge Workers: **38**
 Manufacturing Value-Added: **33**
 Export Focus of Manufacturing and Services: **22**
 Industry Investment in R&D: **35**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$13.87**
 Right-to-work state? **YES**

Legislative Update

- In March, the state, along with Delaware, was one of the first winners of "Race to the Top" funding for education reform from the U.S. Dept. of Education, landing \$500 million in federal funds.
- The Tennessee Chamber of Commerce and Industry reported that none of

the 68 "anti-business bills" it opposed passed. Those included numerous tax increases, including a proposal to tax employers on compensation paid to those employees not living in the state.

- While some workers' compensation reform measures passed, tort reform was put off.