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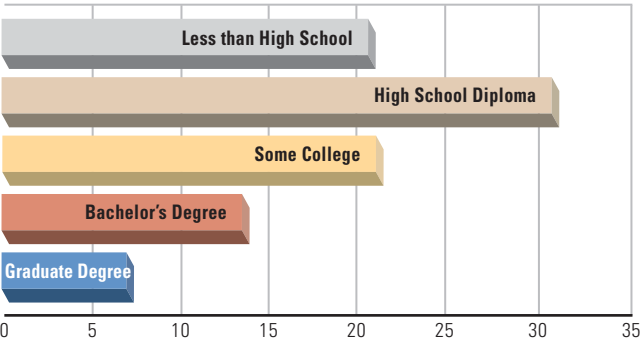
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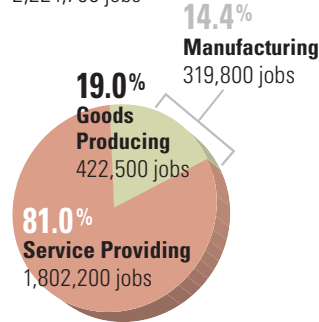
Population 2009: 6,192,397 **Population growth forecast 2009-2013:** 5.68% **Median household income:** \$46,876

Work Force Education by Percentage



Private Sector Employment

2,224,700 jobs



Employment by Majority-Owned U.S. Affiliates of Foreign Firms in 2007: **139,000**
Percent of Total State Employment: **5.7**

Median Hourly Wage for Production Occupations: **\$13.46**
Right-to-work state? **YES**

U.S. Recovery Act Highlight: TN Dept. of Economic and Community Development **\$84.9 million**

Legislative Update

- Gov. Phil Bredesen signed into law the Tennessee Clean Energy Future Act of 2009. Among other changes, the Clean Energy Future Act requires state government to do a better job "leading by example" in managing its buildings and vehicle fleet; and makes the clean-energy technology sector eligible for Tennessee's emerging industry tax credit.
- Highlights of the 2009-2010 budget include fully funding the Basic

Education Program, the state's funding formula for K-12 education; fully funding economic development projects currently under way, including Wacker Chemie AG, Hemlock Semiconductor and Volkswagen Group of America; and providing for development of the Haywood County megasite in West Tennessee, including a five-megawatt 20-acre demonstration solar farm.