

SELECTED INFORMATION ABOUT MISSISSIPPI MUNICIPALITIES

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The following listing contains population, form of government, date of incorporation, and type of charter data on each municipality in Mississippi. *Mississippi Code* § 21-1-1 divides all Mississippi municipalities into three (3) classes. Municipalities with a population of two thousand (2,000) or more are classified as cities. Those with a population of less than two thousand (2,000) but at least three hundred (300) are classed as towns. A village has 100 to 299 inhabitants. The population figures are from the 2000 United States Census.

City/Town/Village (by Population)	2000 Population	Form of Government	Date of Incorporation	Type of Charter
100,000 and more				
Jackson	184,256	Mayor/Council	1823	Code
99,999 - 50,000				
Gulfport	71,127	Mayor/Council	1898	Code
Biloxi	50,644	Mayor/Council	1838	Code
49,999 - 25,000				
Hattiesburg	44,779	Mayor/Council	1899	Code
Greenville	41,633	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Private
Meridian	39,968	Mayor/Council	1860	Code
Tupelo	34,211	Mayor/Council	1870	Code
Southaven	28,977	Mayor/Aldermen	1980	Code
Vicksburg	26,407	Commission	1825	Private
Pascagoula	26,200	Council/Manager	1892	Code
Columbus	25,944	Mayor/Council	1822	Private
24,999 - 15,000				
Clinton	23,347	Mayor/Aldermen	1836	Code
Pearl	21,961	Mayor/Aldermen	1973	Code
Starkville	21,869	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code
Olive Branch	21,054	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Clarksdale	20,645	Commission	1890	Code
Ridgeland	20,173	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Natchez	18,464	Mayor/Aldermen	1803	Private
Greenwood	18,425	Mayor/Council	1844	Code
Laurel	18,393	Mayor/Council	1886	Code
Long Beach	17,320	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Ocean Springs	17,225	Mayor/Aldermen	1892	Code
Brandon	16,436	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
Moss Point	15,851	Mayor/Aldermen	1901	Code

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14,999 - 10,000				
Grenada	14,879	Council/Manager	1836	Private
Madison	14,692	Mayor/Aldermen	1944	Code
Yazoo City	14,550	Mayor/Aldermen	1830	Private
Horn Lake	14,099	Mayor/Aldermen	1973	Private
Corinth	14,054	Mayor/Aldermen	1856	Private
Cleveland	13,841	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
McComb	13,337	Mayor/Aldermen	1872	Private
Canton	12,911	Mayor/Aldermen	1836	Code
West Point	12,145	Mayor/Aldermen	1872	Private
Indianola	12,066	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Private
Oxford	11,756	Mayor/Aldermen	1836	Code
Gautier	11,681	Council/Manager	1986	Code
Picayune	10,535	Council/Manager	1904	Code
9,999 - 5,000				
Brookhaven	9,861	Mayor/Aldermen	1873	Code
Booneville	8,625	Mayor/Aldermen	1861	Code
Bay St. Louis	8,209	Mayor/Council	1858	Code
Holly Springs	7,957	Mayor/Aldermen	1837	Code
D'Iberville	7,608	Council/Manager	1988	Code
New Albany	7,607	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Petal	7,579	Mayor/Aldermen	1974	Code
Kosciusko	7,372	Mayor/Aldermen	1836	Code
Philadelphia	7,303	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Batesville	7,113	Mayor/Aldermen	1866	Code
Louisville	7,006	Mayor/Aldermen	1882	Private
Amory	6,956	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Hernando	6,812	Mayor/Aldermen	1866	Code
Senatobia	6,682	Mayor/Aldermen	1870	Code
Waveland	6,674	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Private
Columbia	6,603	Mayor/Aldermen	1819	Code
Pass Christian	6,579	Mayor/Aldermen	1848	Code
Aberdeen	6,415	Mayor/Aldermen	1837	Private
Richland	6,027	Mayor/Aldermen	1975	Code
Forest	5,987	Mayor/Aldermen	1865	Code
Crystal Springs	5,873	Mayor/Aldermen	1867	Code
Leland	5,502	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
Winona	5,482	Mayor/Aldermen	1867	Code
Ripley	5,478	Mayor/Aldermen	1837	Code
Pontotoc	5,253	Mayor/Aldermen	1872	Code
Waynesboro	5,197	Mayor/Aldermen	1876	Code

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<i>4,999 - 2,000</i>				
Flowood	4,750	Mayor/Aldermen	1955	Code
Carthage	4,637	Mayor/Aldermen	1834	Private
Hazlehurst	4,400	Mayor/Aldermen	1858	Code
Magee	4,200	Mayor/Aldermen	1900	Code
Houston	4,079	Mayor/Aldermen	1837	Code
Fulton	3,882	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Private
Wiggins	3,849	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Newton	3,699	Mayor/Aldermen	1880	Code
Water Valley	3,677	Mayor/Aldermen	1858	Private
Morton	3,482	Mayor/Aldermen	1866	Code
Ellisville	3,465	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Hollandale	3,437	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Saltillo	3,393	Mayor/Aldermen	1870	Code
Verona	3,334	Mayor/Aldermen	1865	Code
Baldwyn	3,321	Mayor/Aldermen	1861	Code
Ruleville	3,234	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Iuka	3,059	Mayor/Aldermen	1857	Code
Okolona	3,056	Mayor/Aldermen	1850	Private
Durant	2,932	Mayor/Aldermen	1865	Code
Shelby	2,926	Mayor/Aldermen	1903	Code
Collins	2,683	Mayor/Aldermen	1900	Code
Belzoni	2,663	Mayor/Aldermen	1895	Code
Poplarville	2,601	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
Moorhead	2,573	Council/Manager	1899	Code
Mendenhall	2,555	Mayor/Aldermen	1902	Code
Rolling Fork	2,486	Mayor/Aldermen	1919	Code
Quitman	2,463	Mayor/Aldermen	1901	Code
Macon	2,461	Mayor/Aldermen	1870	Code
Lucedale	2,458	Mayor/Aldermen	1901	Code
Drew	2,434	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Rosedale	2,414	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Private
Florence	2,396	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Tchula	2,332	Mayor/Aldermen	1882	Code
Eupora	2,326	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Shaw	2,312	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Fayette	2,242	Mayor/Aldermen	1858	Code
Lumberton	2,228	Mayor/Aldermen	1895	Code
Itta Bena	2,208	Mayor/Aldermen	1898	Code
Charleston	2,198	Mayor/Aldermen	1867	Code
Purvis	2,164	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Mound Bayou	2,102	Mayor/Aldermen	1898	Code
Bay Springs	2,097	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code

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Bruce	2,097	Mayor/Aldermen	1927	Code
Magnolia	2,071	Mayor/Aldermen	1866	Code
Sardis	2,038	Mayor/Aldermen	1866	Code
Lexington	2,025	Mayor/Aldermen	1836	Code
Union	2,021	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
1,999 - 1,000				
Lambert	1,967	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Belmont	1,961	Mayor/Aldermen	1908	Code
Nettleton	1,932	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Tylertown	1,910	Mayor/Aldermen	1907	Code
Calhoun City	1,872	Mayor/Aldermen	1906	Code
Port Gibson	1,840	Mayor/Aldermen	1808	Private
Farmington	1,810	Mayor/Aldermen	1997	Code
Monticello	1,726	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Jonestown	1,701	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
Ackerman	1,696	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code
Wesson	1,693	Mayor/Aldermen	1864	Code
Centreville	1,680	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code
Coldwater	1,674	Mayor/Aldermen	1867	Code
Raymond	1,664	Mayor/Aldermen	1830	Code
Shannon	1,657	Mayor/Aldermen	1880	Code
Flora	1,546	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
Marks	1,551	Mayor/Aldermen	1907	Code
Friars Point	1,480	Mayor/Aldermen	1854	Code
Pelahatchie	1,461	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Summit	1,428	Mayor/Aldermen	1858	Code
Decatur	1,426	Mayor/Aldermen	1906	Code
Tutwiler	1,364	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Edwards	1,347	Mayor/Aldermen	1871	Code
Taylorville	1,341	Mayor/Aldermen	1900	Code
Pickens	1,325	Mayor/Aldermen	1836	Code
Como	1,310	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
Marion	1,305	Mayor/Aldermen	1972	Code
Raleigh	1,255	Mayor/Aldermen	1935	Code
Goodman	1,252	Mayor/Aldermen	1865	Code
Woodville	1,192	Mayor/Aldermen	1814	Code
Guntown	1,183	Mayor/Aldermen	1861	Code
Brooksville	1,182	Mayor/Aldermen	1860	Code
Prentiss	1,158	Mayor/Aldermen	1903	Code
Plantersville	1,144	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Tunica	1,132	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Metcalfe	1,109	Mayor/Aldermen	1977	Code
Mantachie	1,107	Mayor/Aldermen	1969	Code

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Gloster	1,073	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code
Inverness	1,153	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Stonewall	1,149	Mayor/Aldermen	1965	Code
Vardaman	1,065	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Richton	1,038	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Bude	1,037	Mayor/Aldermen	1914	Code
Burnsville	1,034	Mayor/Aldermen	1882	Code
Leakesville	1,026	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Derma	1,023	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Caledonia	1,015	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Sumrall	1,005	Mayor/Aldermen	1903	Code
999 - 300				
Beaumont	977	Mayor/Aldermen	1955	Code
DeKalb	972	Mayor/Aldermen	1910	Code
Utica	966	Mayor/Aldermen	1880	Code
Ecru	947	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Coffeetown	930	Mayor/Aldermen	1836	Code
Crenshaw	916	Mayor/Aldermen	1903	Code
Anguilla	907	Mayor/Aldermen	1929	Code
Mount Olive	893	Mayor/Aldermen	1900	Code
Smithville	882	Mayor/Aldermen	1929	Code
Heidelberg	840	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Vaiden	840	Mayor/Aldermen	1860	Code
Kilmichael	830	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Maben	803	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Mayersville	795	Mayor/Aldermen	1976	Code
Sandersville	789	Mayor/Aldermen	1895	Code
Isola	768	Mayor/Aldermen	1919	Code
Crowder	766	Mayor/Aldermen	1917	Code
Walnut	754	Mayor/Aldermen	1912	Code
Duck Hill	746	Mayor/Aldermen	1870	Code
Boyle	720	Mayor/Aldermen	1895	Code
Mathiston	720	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
New Augusta	715	Mayor/Aldermen	1953	Code
Houlka	710	Mayor/Aldermen	1906	Code
Byhalia	706	Mayor/Aldermen	1873	Code
Sunflower	696	Mayor/Aldermen	1914	Code
Sidon	672	Mayor/Aldermen	1880	Code
Blue Mountain	670	Mayor/Aldermen	1873	Code
Merigold	664	Mayor/Aldermen	1901	Code
Terry	664	Mayor/Aldermen	1867	Code
Crawford	655	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Shubuta	651	Mayor/Aldermen	1887	Code

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Gunnison	633	Mayor/Aldermen	1892	Code
Liberty	633	Mayor/Aldermen	1828	Code
Scooba	632	Mayor/Aldermen	1886	Code
Bolton	629	Mayor/Aldermen	1871	Code
Renova	623	Mayor/Aldermen	1978	Code
Benoit	611	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
McLain	603	Mayor/Aldermen	1963	Code
Webb	587	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Oakland	586	Mayor/Aldermen	1848	Code
Duncan	578	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Ashland	577	Mayor/Aldermen	1871	Code
Roxie	569	Mayor/Aldermen	1894	Code
Hickory Flat	565	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Arcola	563	Mayor/Aldermen	1919	Code
Shuqualak	562	Mayor/Aldermen	1859	Code
State Line	555	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Weir	553	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code
Sherman	548	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Sledge	529	Mayor/Aldermen	1913	Code
Meadville	519	Mayor/Aldermen	1906	Code
Thaxton	513	Mayor/Aldermen	1973	Code
Algoma	508	Mayor/Aldermen	1987	Code
Bentonia	500	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code
Hickory	499	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
North Carrollton	499	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Artesia	498	Mayor/Aldermen	1878	Code
Potts Camp	494	Mayor/Aldermen	1888	Code
Walnut Grove	488	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code
Osyka	481	Mayor/Aldermen	1858	Code
Hatley	476	Mayor/Aldermen	1967	Code
Enterprise	474	Mayor/Aldermen	1880	Code
Beulah	473	Mayor/Aldermen	1939	Code
Courtland	460	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Dumas	452	Mayor/Aldermen	1874	Code
Ethel	452	Mayor/Aldermen	1911	Code
Cruger	449	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
New Hebron	447	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Cary	427	Mayor/Aldermen	1929	Code
Abbeville	423	Mayor/Aldermen	1975	Code
Noxapater	419	Mayor/Aldermen	1906	Code
Lyon	418	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Carrollton	408	Mayor/Aldermen	1829	Code
Lake	408	Mayor/Aldermen	1867	Code

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Myrtle	408	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Sumner	407	Mayor/Aldermen	1900	Code
Jumperton	404	Mayor/Aldermen	1975	Code
D'Lo	394	Mayor/Aldermen	1901	Code
French Camp	393	Mayor/Aldermen	1875	Code
Tremont	390	Mayor/Aldermen	1974	Code
Schlater	388	Mayor/Aldermen	1968	Code
Soso	379	Mayor/Aldermen	1973	Code
Lula	370	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Pace	364	Mayor/Aldermen	1923	Code
Crosby	360	Mayor/Aldermen	1934	Code
Puckett	354	Mayor/Aldermen	1955	Code
Chunky	344	Mayor/Aldermen	1900	Code
Georgetown	344	Mayor/Aldermen	1909	Code
Louin	339	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Silver City	337	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Seminary	335	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Rienzi	330	Mayor/Aldermen	1893	Code
Coahoma	325	Mayor/Aldermen	1981	Code
Winstonville	319	Mayor/Aldermen	1917	Code
Falcon	317	Mayor/Aldermen	1971	Code
Tishomingo	316	Mayor/Aldermen	1908	Code
Bassfield	315	Mayor/Aldermen	1903	Code
Louise	315	Mayor/Aldermen	1909	Code
Morgan City	305	Mayor/Aldermen	1968	Code
Snow Lake Shores	300	Mayor/Aldermen	1996	Code
299 or fewer				
Taylor	289	Mayor/Aldermen	1907	Code
Glen	286	Mayor/Aldermen	1993	Code
Glendora	285	Mayor/Aldermen	1910	Code
Mize	285	Mayor/Aldermen	1901	Code
Beauregard	265	Mayor/Aldermen	1865	Code
Marietta	248	Mayor/Aldermen	1899	Code
Pachuta	245	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Pope	241	Mayor/Aldermen	1872	Code
Sebastopol	233	Mayor/Aldermen	1924	Code
Alligator	220	Mayor/Aldermen	1916	Code
West	220	Mayor/Aldermen	1871	Code
Falkner	212	Mayor/Aldermen	1969	Code
Pittsboro	212	Mayor/Aldermen	1865	Code
Silver Creek	209	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Sturgis	206	Mayor/Aldermen	1882	Code
Golden	201	Mayor/Aldermen	1967	Code

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Toccopola	189	Mayor/Aldermen	1873	Code
McCool	182	Mayor/Aldermen	1872	Code
Braxton	181	Mayor/Aldermen	1901	Code
Kossuth	170	Mayor/Aldermen	1870	Code
Walthall	170	Mayor/Aldermen	1877	Code
Mantee	169	Mayor/Aldermen	1900	Code
Lena	167	Mayor/Aldermen	1912	Code
Woodland	159	Mayor/Aldermen	1905	Code
Blue Springs	144	Mayor/Aldermen	1887	Code
Polkville	132	Mayor/Aldermen	1969	Code
Big Creek	127	Mayor/Aldermen	1907	Code
Montrose	127	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Eden	126	Mayor/Aldermen	1904	Code
Slate Springs	121	Mayor/Aldermen	1857	Code
Tillatoba	121	Mayor/Aldermen	1873	Code
Sylvarena	120	Mayor/Aldermen	1969	Code
Gattman	114	Mayor/Aldermen	1890	Code
Sallis	114	Mayor/Aldermen	1875	Code
Doddsville	108	Mayor/Aldermen	1920	Code
Paden	106	Mayor/Aldermen	1919	Code
Memphis	87	Mayor/Aldermen	1973	Code
Satartia	68	Mayor/Aldermen	1875	Code
Learned	50	Mayor/Aldermen	1884	Code