



Major Employers in the CLEDA Region

The Central Louisiana Economic Development (CLEDA) region consists of the Parishes of Allen, Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, La Salle, Natchitoches, Rapides, Vernon and Winn.

Sources: Hoovers, Sales Genie, Onsite Visits

Company	Parish	Line of Business	Employees
U.S. Dept. of the Army – Ft. Polk	Vernon	National Security	14,572
Rapides Parish School District	Rapides	Education	3,400
Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana	Allen	Hotels, Casinos, Resort	3,000
Tunica Biloxi Indians	Avoyelles	Hotels, Casinos, Resorts	1,500
Rapides Regional Medical Center	Rapides	Hospital	1,338
Christus St. Frances Cabrini	Rapides	Hospital	1,250
Cleco Corporation	Rapides	Power Generation	800
City of Alexandria	Rapides	Municipal Government	800
Northrup Grumman	Vernon	Search, Navigation and Guidance Systems	735
Alliance Compressors	Natchitoches	Compressor Manufacturer	700
UTLX Manufacturing	Rapides	Railroad Equipment Manufacturing	650
Natchitoches Parish Hospital Dist.	Natchitoches	Hospital	550
Northwestern State University	Natchitoches	Education	532
Pilgrim's Pride Corp.	Natchitoches	Poultry products	500
Procter & Gamble	Rapides	Soap & Other Detergent Manufacturing	500
Cubic Applications, Inc	Vernon	Support services for Ft. Polk	469
G.E. Energy	Rapides	Valves	450
Fruit of the Loom	Concordia	Clothing Distribution	365
Gilchrist Construction	Rapides	Highway and Street Construction	350
GEO Group	La Salle	Correctional Facilities Operations	340
Plastipak Packaging	Rapides	Plastic Containers	323
Diamond B Construction	Rapides	Highway and Street Construction	315