

## Location and Transportation

Tupelo is located in the northeast corner of Mississippi, which is commonly known as the Hills region. Tupelo is intersected by Highways 45, 78 and the Natchez Trace Parkway. Located just 90 miles from Memphis, TN and 135 miles from Birmingham, AL, Tupelo serves as a regional hub for the area whose population swells by 300% each day as people travel here to work and play. Air service to Atlanta and Memphis are offered by the Tupelo Regional Airport through Northwest and Delta Airlines.

## Population

According to the most recent census, Tupelo's population is 34,211.

## Climate

Tupelo's climate is mild with average summer highs of 92 degrees and lows of 68 degrees. Average winter temperatures range from highs of 54 degrees to lows of 32 degrees.

## Fun Facts

Tupelo is the birthplace of Elvis Presley.

The name Tupelo is of Indian origin. The word Tuh Pu Lah is said to mean to scream and make a loud noise.

Tupelo has been named an All America City by the National Civic League in 1967, 1989 and 1999.

The North MS Medical Center is the largest non-metropolitan medical complex in America and Tupelo's largest employer.

Tupelo was the first city in the nation to provide its citizens with electric power through the Tennessee Valley Authority.

The Tupelo area is home to 17 Fortune 500 companies.

Tupelo is home to the headquarters of the Natchez Trace Parkway, an All American Road and a national scenic byway.

