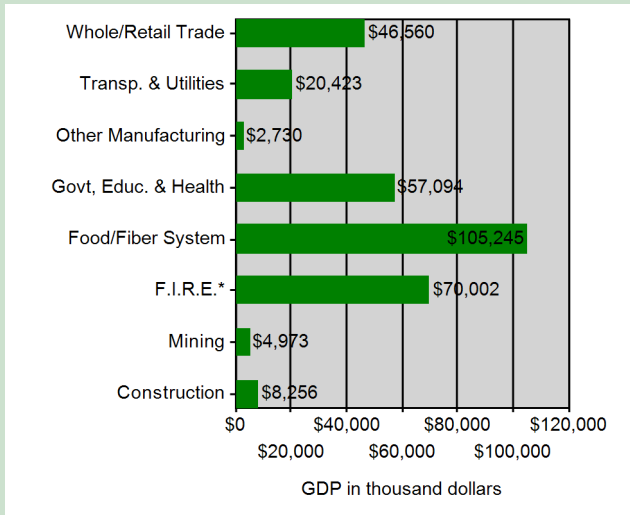


Sabine Parish generates approximately \$315 million in total economic activity in 2002 as measured by Gross Domestic Product (GDP). GDP measures the value-added that is created by the parish. Sabine Parish ranks 44 out of all 64 parishes in GDP created for the state.

Industrial Structure

The Food/Fiber System sector contributes more to Sabine Parish's GDP than any other sector totaling \$105,245 thousand. A breakdown of each major industry's contribution is shown in Figure 1.

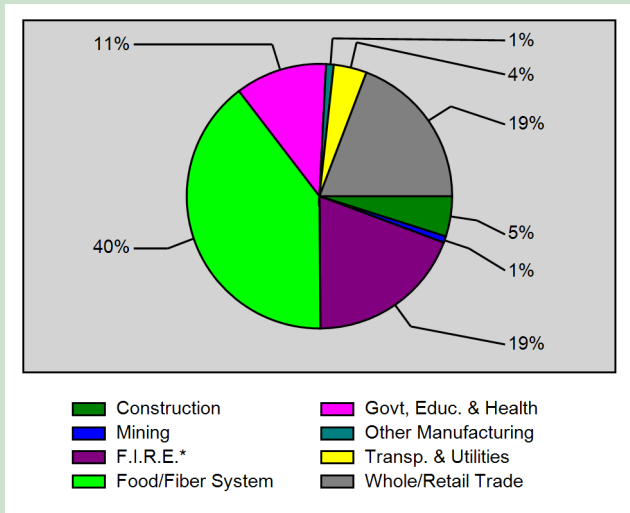
Figure 1: GDP (Value-Added) by major industry in 2002 (thousands of dollars)



* F.I.R.E. includes Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Other Services sectors.

The Food/Fiber System sector supplied the most full-time and part-time jobs to the parish in 2002 at 1,970 of the total 4,958 jobs in the parish. The distribution of jobs by major sector is presented in Figure 2.

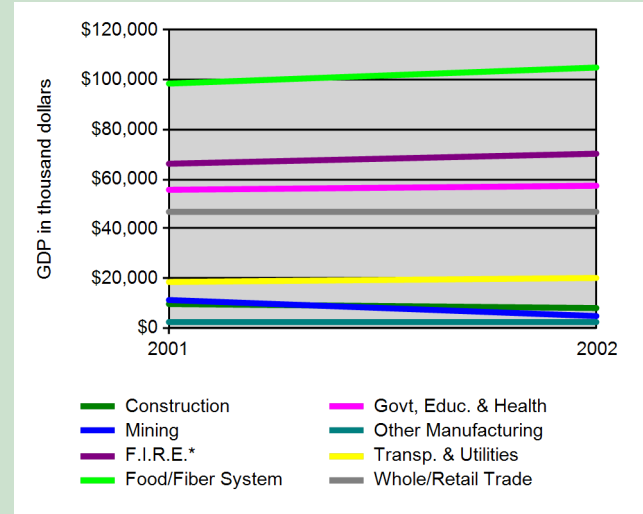
Figure 2: Distribution of Employment by major industry in 2002



Growth Trends

Sabine Parish has seen its economy grow by 2% as measured by GDP (inflation adjusted) between 2001 and 2002. The fastest growing sector during that period was the Transp. & Utilities sector that grew by 12%. The slowest growing sector was the Mining sector that grew by -56%. Sabine saw total full-time and part-time employment grow by 67 jobs, or 1% of total jobs over the two year period. Detailed growth in parish GDP for the most recent two year period is shown in Figure 3.

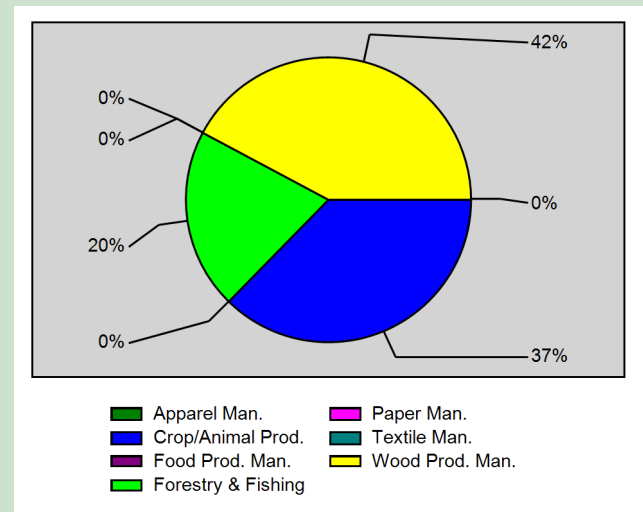
Figure 3: Two year growth in GDP (Value-Added) by major industry between 2001 and 2002



Food and Fiber System

The Food and Fiber System generates \$105,245 thousand for Sabine Parish's economy and ranks 1 in GDP among the parish's major industrial sectors. The system includes production agriculture, forestry and fishing sectors as well as food and fiber manufacturing (processing) sectors. These food and fiber product sectors generate \$101,218 thousand and supply 1,676 jobs. The distribution of GDP by each food and fiber product sector is presented in Figure 4.

Figure 4: Distribution of Food Fiber Product GDP (Value-Added) by major industry in 2002



This Food and Fiber System also includes food service and drinking establishments that generate \$4,027 thousand in GDP and supply 294 jobs to the parish.