



OAKLAND STATS



Oakland offers easy access to everything that Metro Orlando has to offer. Located just minutes from downtown Orlando's prosperous business area, theme parks and entertainment, Oakland's location is a prime area for doing

business. Primarily a suburban single-family residential community, Oakland is a sought after location for families and professionals.

Oakland has found a balance between rapid growth and small town charm and friendliness. Town officials are dedicated to developing and fostering a vibrant commercial environment by offering opportunities to businesses, both new and established. Architectural design, landscaping and signage regulations ensure tasteful commercial and residential development and reinforce the "sense of place" valued by Oakland residents.

For more information about doing business in Oakland, and the entire Metro Orlando region, contact the Metro Orlando Economic Development Commission at 407.422.7159

From The Mayor

"The Town of Oakland has experienced significant economic development in the past few years. We are anticipating our 150th occupational license this year.



We have adopted very strict development guidelines in our commercial corridor in order to maintain our small town identity. Despite, or because of this, we have approved many business developments recently. We continue to work to diversify Oakland's economy through the retention of corporations, as well as the growth of small businesses. This will provide additional resources from which our citizens will benefit through the provision of services."

Kathy Stark, Mayor

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

- Oakland Avenue Charter School
- ABC Bus ■ DJB Imports
- West Orange Lumber Co.
- Honda Motorsports

CITY STATS

Established

1887

Population

1,958

Government

Commission/Manager

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INCENTIVES

County Incentives

Orange County Commissioners have provided inducements to those companies creating a significant impact on the economy. Companies receiving incentives in the past have typically been well-established, high tech, high impact and high value-added corporations. They include Aetna Specialty Pharmacy, Digital Infrared Imaging, Electronic Arts - Tiburon, Indra, Whirlpool and Windoor.

Orange County also has Enterprise Zones which provide additional incentives for qualifying companies investing in these zones.

"I could base Dynetech anywhere, but the quality of life for my family is very important. And, frankly, this area just isn't subject to the economic downturns that most areas go through. While tourism/hospitality play a large role, the real story is its highly energetic economic environment. Metro Orlando attracts so many highly trained people that I've only had to hire two people from outside the area. Not many places can offer all of that."

*Larry Pino, Chairman/CEO
Dynetech Corporation*

MAJOR BUSINESS DISTRICT

District	Acreage	Classification	Industry Focus
R-NC	4	Residential/Neighborhood Commercial	Small restaurants/office
C-1	126	General Commercial	Retail/Restaurants Personal Service
C-2	1	Restricted Commercial	Low intensity commercial Mixed use
I-1 GCO	74 Overlay	General Industrial Gateway Corridor	Industrial/Manufacturing Commercial/Industrial

RECENT BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS/ACTIVITY

- Dr. Charles Pike DMD
- Britt Office Building
- Tubb Street LLC
- Palm Casual Furniture

OTHER ACTIVITY

The Oakland Nature Preserve opened the educational center, which is a replica of a Florida pioneer's log cabin, complete with a working scabble-stone chimney, yellow pine logs and a tin roof. It will showcase historical and nature exhibits as part of the group's mission to teach the public the legacy and importance of Lake Apopka.

Town's Comprehensive Plan has been completed with a new office conversion district.

The Florida Turnpike/SR 50 interchange improvements will be completed in 2010 providing direct and better access to and from surrounding communities.

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