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**COUNTY OFFICIALS' SALARIES  
FISCAL YEAR 1988-89**

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COUNTY EXECUTIVES  
 Minimum Salaries  
 Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-112  
 Fiscal Year 1988-89  
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County Class	1980 Population	Salary			Total Budget	
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	Eff. 9/1/88 2 Mos. @	Eff. 9/1/88 10 Mos. @	Base	FY 88-89 Salary
1st	400,000 - 600,000	71,016	74,212	11,836	61,843	73,679
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	65,335	68,275	10,889	56,896	67,785
3a	74,500 - 150,000	43,903	45,878	7,317	38,232	45,549
3b	50,000 - 74,500	41,577	43,448	6,929	36,207	43,136
3c	67,300 - 67,600	43,700	45,667	7,283	38,056	45,339
4th	24,500 - 50,000	35,638	37,241	5,940	31,034	36,974
5th	12,000 - 24,500	32,667	34,137	5,445	28,448	33,893
6th	6,000 - 12,000	28,211	29,481	4,702	24,567	29,269
7th	6,000 or less	26,728	27,931	4,455	23,276	27,731
7th*	6,000 or less	25,577	26,728	4,263	22,273	26,536

NOTE: T.C.A. 8-24-112 specifies the County Executive's minimum salary is at least 15% higher than the maximum salary payable to the County Trustee. The minimum salary statute does not apply to the following counties, by population classification: Shelby, McMinn, Rhea, and Humphreys.

\*Applicable to counties with a population of 6,000 or less where no increase was given to officials effective 9/1/87 (Van Buren).

COUNTY HIGHWAY OFFICIALS  
 Minimum Salaries  
 Provided for by T.C.A. 54-7-106  
 Fiscal Year 1988-89  
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BASED ON COUNTY CLERK EARNING MAXIMUM SALARY:

County Class	1980 Population	Clerk's		Clerk's		Total Budget FY 88-89 Salary
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/88	Eff. 9/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/88	10 Mos. @ 9/1/88	
1st	400,000 or more	61,753	64,532	10,292	53,777	64,069
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	47,381	59,370	7,897	49,475	57,372
3a	74,500 - 150,000	38,176	39,893	6,363	33,245	39,608
3b	50,000 - 74,500	36,153	37,780	6,026	31,483	37,509
3c	67,300 - 67,600	38,000	39,710	6,333	33,092	39,425
4th	24,500 - 50,000	30,990	32,384	5,165	26,987	32,152
5th	12,000 - 24,500	28,406	29,684	4,734	24,737	29,471
6th	6,000 - 12,000	24,533	25,637	4,089	21,365	25,454
7th	6,000 or less	23,242	24,288	3,874	20,240	24,114
7th**	6,000 or less	22,241	23,242	3,707	19,368	23,075

BASED ON COUNTY CLERK EARNING MINIMUM SALARY:

County Class	1980 Population	Clerk's		Clerk's		Total Budget FY 88-89 Salary
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/88	Eff. 9/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/88	10 Mos. @ 9/1/88	
*	600,000 or more	28,272	29,544	4,712	24,620	29,332
1st	400,000 - 600,000	32,517	33,980	5,420	28,317	33,737
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	32,257	33,709	5,376	28,090	33,466
3rd	50,000 - 150,000	26,587	27,784	4,431	23,153	27,584
4th	24,500 - 50,000	23,117	24,157	3,853	20,131	23,984
5th	12,000 - 24,500	20,659	21,589	3,443	17,991	21,434
6th	6,000 - 12,000	17,819	18,621	2,970	15,518	18,488
7th	5,000 - 6,000	16,169	16,897	2,695	14,081	16,776
8th	5,000 or less	15,236	15,922	2,539	13,268	15,807
8th**	6,000 or less	14,580	15,236	2,430	12,697	15,127

NOTE: The county highway official's minimum salary cannot be less than the salary of the county clerk (T.C.A. 54-7-106). The schedules above use the maximum and minimum base salaries of the county clerk to calculate the highway official's minimum salary (T.C.A. 8-24-102 and 8-24-104). If the county clerk in your county draws compensation between the minimum and maximum rates, you should contact the clerk to determine what your minimum salary should be effective July 1, 1988. The County Uniform Highway Law provides that if two or more persons act as the chief administrative officer of the county highway department, the compensation amount above is equally divided between or among them.

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COUNTY TRUSTEES, CLERKS OF COURTS, CLERKS AND MASTERS,  
CLERKS OF PROBATE COURTS, CLERKS OF CIRCUIT COURTS, REGISTERS  
OF DEEDS, CLERKS OF CRIMINAL COURTS, ASSESSORS OF PROPERTY,  
AND CLERKS OF GENERAL SESSIONS COURTS

Maximum Salaries  
Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-102  
Fiscal Year 1988-89  
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County Class	1980 Population	Maximum Salaries				Total Budget FY 88-89 Salary
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	Max. Salary Eff. 9/1/88	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/88	10 Mos. @ 9/1/88	
1st	400,000 or more	61,753	64,532	10,292	53,777	64,069
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	47,381	59,370	7,897	49,475	57,372
3a	74,500 - 150,000	38,176	39,893	6,363	33,245	39,608
3b	50,000 - 74,500	36,153	37,780	6,026	31,483	37,509
3c	67,300 - 67,600	38,000	39,710	6,333	33,092	39,425
4th	24,500 - 50,000	30,990	32,384	5,165	26,987	32,152
5th	12,000 - 24,500	28,406	29,684	4,734	24,737	29,471
6th	6,000 - 12,000	24,533	25,637	4,089	21,365	25,454
7th	6,000 or less	23,242	24,288	3,874	20,240	24,114
7th**	6,000 or less	22,241	23,242	3,707	19,368	23,075

Minimum Salaries  
Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-104  
Fiscal Year 1988-89  
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County Class	1980 Population	Minimum Salaries				Total Budget FY 88-89 Salary
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	Min. Salary Eff. 9/1/88	2 Mos. @ Eff. 7/1/88	10 Mos. @ 9/1/88	
*	600,000 or more	28,272	29,544	4,712	24,620	29,332
1st	400,000 - 600,000	32,517	33,980	5,420	28,317	33,737
2nd	150,000 - 400,000	32,257	33,709	5,376	28,090	33,466
3rd	50,000 - 150,000	26,587	27,784	4,431	23,153	27,584
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5th	12,000 - 24,500	20,659	21,589	3,443	17,991	21,434
6th	6,000 - 12,000	17,819	18,621	2,970	15,518	18,488
7th	5,000 - 6,000	16,169	16,897	2,695	14,081	16,776
8th	5,000 or less	15,236	15,922	2,539	13,268	15,807
8th**	6,000 or less	14,580	15,236	2,430	12,697	15,127

NOTE: The minimum salary of the Assessor is equal to the maximum compensation of the Trustee, with the Assessor in Shelby County (by population) receiving an additional \$3,600. The Circuit Court Clerk serving as General Sessions Clerk in counties with a population of 7,600 to 8,000 and the Register and Clerk & Master in counties with a population of 22,050 to 22,200 (using the 1970 or a subsequent federal census) have a salary equal to the maximum compensation of the Trustee. (T.C.A. 8-24-104(b)(1)). In Class 2 counties, special provisions apply regarding the maximum salary of the Trustee (and therefore the minimum salary of the Assessor,) until 9/1/88, when the salary would be as stated above.

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MINIMUM SALARIES FOR MOORE COUNTY

Fiscal Year 1988-89

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					Total Budget
	Base Salary Eff. 9/1/88	2 Mos. @	10 Mos. @	FY 88-89	
	Eff. 7/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	Eff. 7/1/88	9/1/88	Base	Salary
County	17,263	18,040	2,877	15,033	17,910
Clerks and					
Probate Court Clerks					

MINIMUM SALARIES FOR VAN BUREN COUNTY

Fiscal Year 1988-89

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					Total Budget
	Base Salary Eff. 9/1/88	2 Mos. @	10 Mos. @	FY 88-89	
	Eff. 7/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	Eff. 7/1/88	9/1/88	Base Min.	Salary
County	16,520	17,263	2,753	14,366	17,139
Clerks and					
Probate Court Clerks					

COUNTY SHERIFFS\*  
 Base Salaries  
 Provided for by T.C.A. 8-24-102  
 Fiscal Year 1988-89  
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County Class	1980 Population	Salary			Total Budget	
		Base Salary Eff. 7/1/88 @ 4.5% Inc.	Eff. 9/1/88 2 Mos. @	Eff. 9/1/88 10 Mos. @	Base	FY 88-89 Salary
1st	400,000 or more	61,753	64,532	10,292	53,777	64,069
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7th**	6,000 or less	22,241	23,242	3,707	19,368	23,075

\*Sheriffs may receive additional compensation set by the county legislative body.

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