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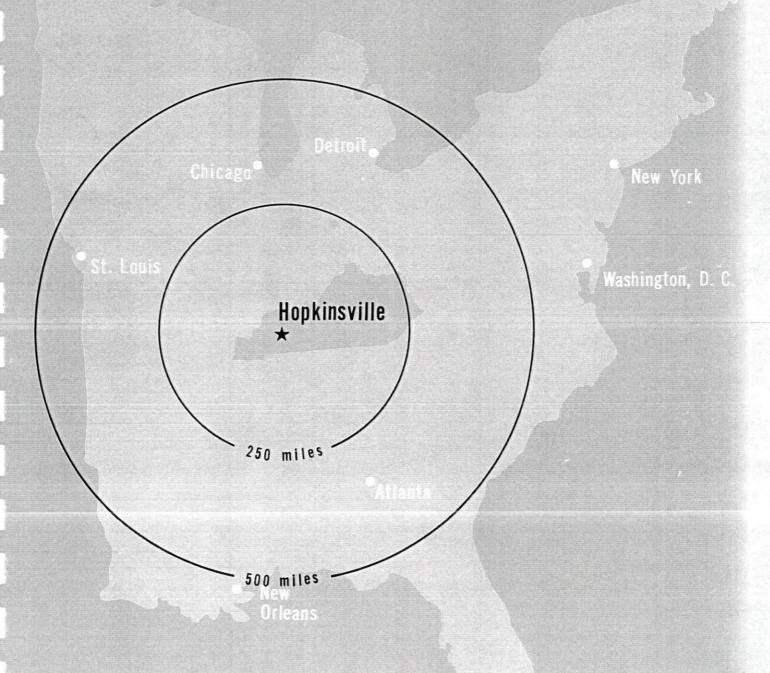
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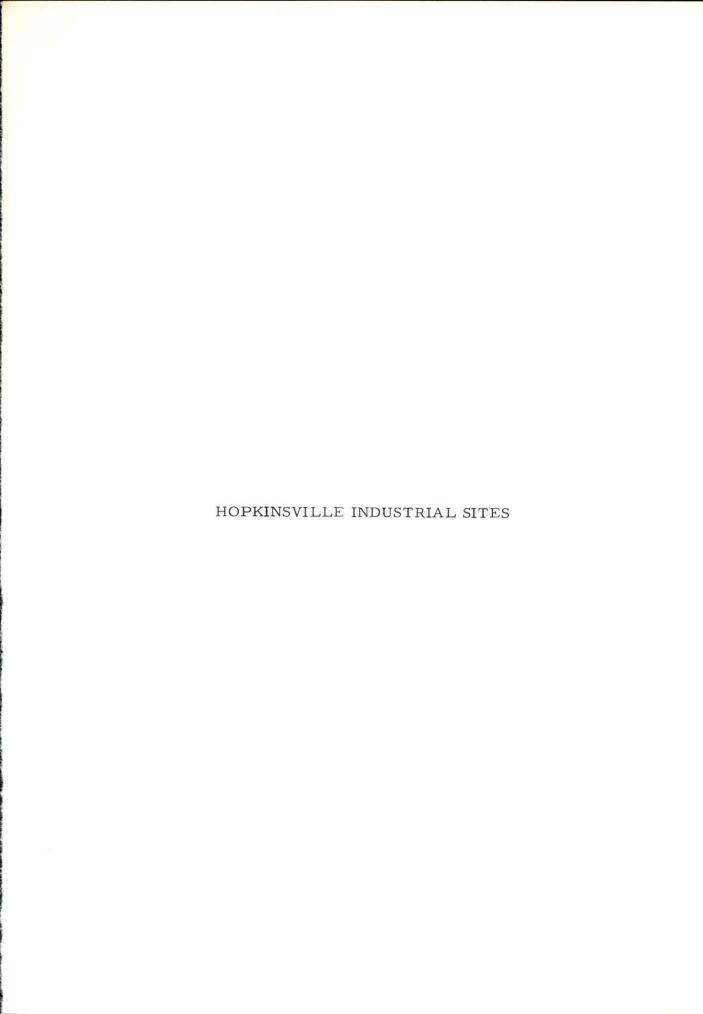
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

HOPKINSVILLE KENTUCKY





HOPKINSVILLE INDUSTRIAL SITES

For additional site information, contact the Agent, Mr. W. W. Bryan, Executive Director, Hopkinsville Chamber of Commerce, Inc., Hopkinsville, Kentucky, or the Kentucky Department of Commerce.

SITE #1: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 114 acres; level to SITE #5: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 80 acres; gently rolling

LOCATION: North of Hopkinsville just outside the city limits

HIGHWAY ACCESS: Just off U.S. 41 near the Pennyrile Parkway

RAILROADS: Louisville & Nashville Railroad track on site

WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; nearest line is 2,000 feet from site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 6-inch line is 2,000 feet from site

ELECTRICITY: Pennyrile RECC, 50,000 KW line at the site

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 8-inch line 2,000 feet from site

OWNERSHIP: E. G. Adams

SITE #2: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 30 acres;

slightly rolling

LOCATION: West side of Hopkinsville

HIGHWAY ACCESS: On North Drive

RAILROADS: Illinois Central Railroad track at site

WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 12-inch line at site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 8-inch

line in front of site ELECTRICITY: Hopkinsville Electric Plant Board;

50,000 KW line at site

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 10-inch line at site

OWNERSHIP: First City Bank & Trust Company

SITE #3: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 20 acres; gently sloping

LOCATION: 1/2 mile southeast of Hopkinsville

HIGHWAY ACCESS: On Kentucky 380 between U.S. 41 and U.S. 41-A near the Pennyrile Parkway

RAILROADS: None

WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 12-inch line at site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 8-inch line in front of site

ELECTRICITY: Hopkinsville Electric Plant Board; 50,000 KW line at site

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 10-inch line at site

OWNERSHIP: James C. Givens

SITE #4: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 35 acres;

sloping to gently rolling

LOCATION: 1/4 mile southeast of Hopkinsville HIGHWAY ACCESS: On Ky. 380 between U.S. 41 and U.S. 41-A near the Pennyrile Parkway

RAILROADS: Louisville & Nashville Railroad track

WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 12-inch line at site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 8-inch line in front of site

ELECTRICITY: Hopkinsville Electric Plant Board; 50,000 KW line at site

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 10-inch line at site

OWNERSHIP: James C. Givens

sloping to gently rolling

LOCATION: 1/4 mile southeast of Hopkinsville HIGHWAY ACCESS: On Ky. 380 between U.S. 41 and U.S. 41-A near the Pennyrile Parkway

RAILROADS: Louisville & Nashville Railroad track at site

WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 12-inch line at site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 8-inch line in front of site

ELECTRICITY: Hopkinsville Electric Plant Board; 50,000 KW at site

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 10-inch line at site

OWNERSHIP: James C. Givens

SITE #6: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 17 acres; sloping to gently rolling

LOCATION: 1 mile southeast of Hopkinsville

HIGHWAY ACCESS: Between U.S. 41 and U.S. 41-A just off the Pennyrile Parkway

RAILROADS: Louisville & Nashville Railroad track at site

WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 12-inch line at site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 8-inch line in front of site

ELECTRICITY: Hopkinsville Electric Plant Board; 50,000 KW line at site

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 10-inch line at site

OWNERSHIP: James C. Givens

SITE #7: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 13 acres; sloping to gently rolling

> LOCATION: 1 mile southeast of Hopkinsville HIGHWAY ACCESS: Between U.S. 41 and U.S. 41-A just off the Pennyrile Parkway

RAILROADS: Louisville & Nashville Railroad is 900 feet from site.

WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 12-inch line at site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 8-inch line in front of site

ELECTRICITY: Hopkinsville Electric Plant Board; can put 50,000 KW line at site

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 10-inch line at site

OWNERSHIP: James C. Givens

SITE #8: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 120 acres; sloping to gently rolling

LOCATION: I mile southeast of Hopkinsville HIGHWAY ACCESS: At junction of U.S. 41 and the

Pennyrile Parkway RAILROADS: None

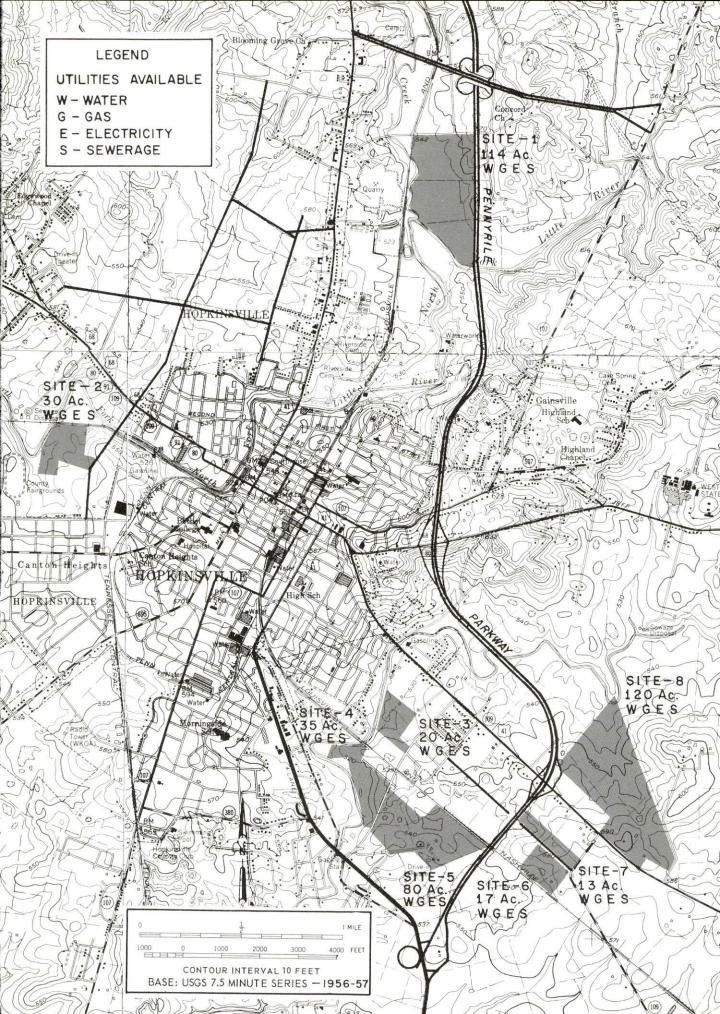
WATER: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission; 12-inch line at site

GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company; 8-inch line in front of site

ELECTRICITY: Hopkinsville Electric Plant Board and Pennyrile RECC can supply any power needed

SEWERAGE: Hopkinsville Sewerage and Water Works Commission, 10-inch line at site

OWNERSHIP: The Cherokee Trace Realty, Inc.



STATISTICS

HOPKINSVILLE 1967 CHRISTIAN COUNTY KENTUCKY

Hopkinsville Po	opulation (196	60 Census)			.19,465						
Hopkinsville Population (1960 Census)											
	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967						
Bank Deposits		\$50,840,523	\$54,400,844	\$61,601,400	\$68,714,458						
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Electric Meters	9,058	9,317		9,598	9,694						
Telephones (City)	8,637	8,786	9,100	9,587	10,006						
Automobiles License	d 18,200	18,295	19,660	21,200	23,412						
Trucks Licensed	4,450	4,519	4,757		5,421						

INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY

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HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, A PROFILE

Location

Hopkinsville is a bustling urban city located in Western Kentucky, 170 miles southwest of Louisville, 80 miles south of Evansville, and 70 miles north of Nashville. The population of Hopkinsville in 1960 was 19,465, an increase of 55.4 percent from 1950. This large increase in population is only one of the many indications of the spirit of growth found in Hopkinsville. The city is dotted with new public buildings, retail stores, industries, churches, and homes. Yet, despite this tremendous growth, Hopkinsville's past is equally reflected in the quiet majesty of the Victorian homes that line South Main Street.

The Economy

The economy is diverse and solid, no one field of employment or employer is dominant. There is an equal mixture of manufacturing, farming, trade and services, civil employment, and self employment. Fort Campbell, 16 miles to the south, provides a strong demand stimulant to trade and service activity.

Labor Supply

The current labor supply in the Hopkinsville commuting area is estimated to be 5,650 men and 3,450 women. This labor supply will be constantly augmented by normal growth of the labor force. During the next 5 years, for example, 7,800 boys and 7,600 girls will become 18 years old and of working age.

Industrial Sites and Services

Eight industrial sites totaling 429 acres are now being shown by the Hopkinsville Chamber of Commerce. These sites vary in size from 13 to 120 acres.

Hopkinsville is well located to reach major market areas in Kentucky and the Midwest.

- ...Rail service is provided by the Illinois Central Railroad, and the Louisville and Nashville Railroad
- ... Hopkinsville is on the Pennyrile Parkway, 25 miles south of the Western Kentucky Parkway and Interstate 24 will pass 8 miles south of the city when completed.

- ... Six trucking firms, of which three have terminals in Hopkinsville, serve the city.
- ... Commercial air service is available at Outlaw Field, 20 miles south of the city near Fort Campbell, and facilities for private aircraft are available at the Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport.

Powers and fuels are available in adequate volume. Gas is provided by the Western Kentucky Gas Company and electricity is furnished by the Electric Plant Board of Hopkinsville and by the Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation.

Recreation

Recreational opportunities are numerous and varied in the Hopkinsville area. The city itself maintains a strong program of organized recreation, and it is virtually surrounded by state and national recreational facilities.

Professional sports are available in Louisville and St. Louis. Major college sports are played at Vanderbilt, Western Kentucky, and Murray State Universities, all within 70 miles of Hopkinsville.

Horse racing is available at Henderson, Kentucky.

There are several organized groups which provide fine arts for the city.

THE LABOR MARKET

Population

Hopkinsville has shown a net increase in population for each decade of this century. The largest gain was from 12,526 persons in 1950 to 19,465 persons in 1960, an increase of 55.4 percent. Christian County has also had an upward trend in population during most of this century. Currently, the population is estimated to be 59,800 persons, an increase of 5.1 percent over 1960.

POPULATION TREND-HOPKINSVILLE AND CHRISTIAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY 1/

TABLE 1

	Hopkins	sville	Christian County			
Year	Population	% Change	Population	% Change		
1900	5,833		37,692			
1950	12,526	+114.7	42,359	+12.4		
1960	19,465	+ 55.4	56,904	+34.3		
1968 (Est.)	$22,500 \frac{2}{}$	+ 15.6	$59,800 \frac{3}{4}$	+ 5.1		

Employment Characteristics

Balance characterizes the Christian County economy which is not dominated by any one field of employment. There was an average monthly employment of 15,850 persons during 1967 with 2,550 persons working in agriculture while 13,300 were employed in nonagricultural occupations.

Major fields of nonagricultural employment were trade and services, manufacturing, and government. Manufacturing in late 1967 included these major groups: Apparel, (1,260); metal products and machinery, (1,025); primary metals, (255); food and beverages, (242).

TABLE 2

HOPKINSVILLE MANUFACTURING FIRMS WITH 25 OR MORE EMPLOYEES

		Em	ployn	nent
Firm	Product	T	M	F
Harry Berry, Inc.	Asphalt and lime	27	25	2
Beverages, Inc.	Carbonated beverages	47	44	3
Blue Lake Block Co.	Septic tanks, lintels,			
	concrete blocks, sills	24	23	1
Central Tool & Die	Dies, tools	52	49	3
		(cc	ntinu	ed)

		Em	ploym	ent
Firm	Product	T	M	F
Coca Cola Bottling Co.	Soft drinks	36	31	5
Ebonite Co.	Bowling balls	115	113	2
Elk Brand Mfg. Co., Inc.	Men's insulated underwear,			
	men's and boys' jeans,			
	men's outerwear	100	20	80
Hopkinsville Clothing Mfg. Co.	Work pants, dress jeans	453	91	362
Hopkinsville Milling Co.	Wheat, flour, corn meal	72	70	2
Hopkinsville Stone Co.	Bituminous concrete,			
	agricultural lime	41	37	4
International Shoe Co.	Women's shoes	424	170	254
K-Y Clothing Mfg., Inc.	Men's insulated underwear,			
	men's insulated outerwear,			
	men's and boys' dungarees	56	10	46
Kentucky New Era, Inc.	Newspaper	45	36	9
Mid Continent Spring Company				
of Kentucky	Industrial springs	163	83	80
Model Pure Milk Co., Inc.	Fluid milk, cottage cheese	25	24	1
C. Owen Co.	Hardwood dimension, pallets	121	118	3
Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire Corp.	Magnet wire	373	356	17
Phillips Products Co., Inc.	Plastic products	59	34	25
Southwestern Tobacco Co., Inc.	Tobacco redrying	175	115	60
Thomas Industries, Inc.	Lighting fixtures	780	414	366
United Shoe Machinery Corp.	Rivets	60	55	5

Manufacturing employment in the Hopkinsville labor supply area - Christian, Caldwell, Hopkins, Muhlenberg, Todd and Trigg Counties - totals slightly more than 8,000, a gain of 70 percent during the 1960's. Location of a number of major new plants during this period has been a strong influence on this trend and indicates the production advantages of the area. Some of the new plants and their locations are: Phelps Dodge, United Shoe Machinery, Phillips Products Division of Phillips Petroleum, Ebonite Bowling Ball Division of S. W. Industries, all in Hopkinsville; Hoover Ball and Bearing in Cadiz; Cowden Manufacturing in Greenville; and Arvin Industries in Princeton.

TABLE 3 ${\tt MANUFACTURING\ EMPLOYMENT,\ HOPKINSVILLE\ LABOR\ MARKET\ AREA*} \stackrel{4}{\scriptstyle -}/$

Industry	Employment
TOTAL	8,057
Apparel	2,966
Metal products and machinery	2,654
Lumber and furniture	897
Other	1,540

^{*}Includes only those workers covered by unemployment insurance.

Wage Levels

The 1967 average weekly wage for all industries in Christian County covered by unemployment insurance was \$83.08. The weekly average in manufacturing was \$84.62. Comparable figures for Kentucky were \$104.50 for all industries and \$115.08 for manufacturing.

An indication of occupational wage rates is shown in Table 4.

	W	ages Per Hou	r
	Starting	Maximum	Prevailing
Annahlan	#1 /0	42 10	#1 00
Assembler	\$1.60	\$2.10	\$1.90
Drill Press Operator	1.70	2.21	2.00
Grinder, Machine	3.00	3.80	3.30
Inspector	1.85	2.47	1.96
Lathe Operator	2.00	3.00	2.90
Machinist, Set Up	2.00	3.00	2.90
Polisher and Buffer	1.75	2.01	1.75
Production Laborer	1.60	3.00	2.30
Punch Press Operator	1.68	1.90	1.68
Sprayer or Painter	1.75	2.01	2.09
Welder, Arc or Acetylene	1.60	2.00	1.65
Welder, Resistance or Spot	1.68	1.90	1.68
Carpenter	2.00	4.70	3.05
Crane Operator	3.00	4.30	4.00
Electrician	3.75	5.10	4.00
Janitor	1.60	1.60	1.60
Laborer	1.60	2.97 1/2	1.75
Machinist	2.00	3.00	2.90
Mechanic, Maintenance	1.90	3.20	1.90
Pattern Maker	2.15	3.20	2.66
Shipping Clerk	1.60	2.10	1.92
Truck Driver	1.60	3.59	2.50
Tool, Die or Gauge Maker	3.00	3.80	3.30
Welder, Acetylene, Carbon, and Arc	2.50	4.35	3.50
Bookkeeper or Accounting Clerk	1.70	2.20	1.80
Chief Clerk	1.90	2.50	2.00
Draftsman	2.25	3.13	3.10
File Clerk	1.60	2.10	1.75
Key Punch Operator	1.60	2.10	1.75
Receptionist	1.60	2.20	1.80
		(continued)	

	Wages Per Hour						
	Starting	Maximum	Prevailing				
Secretary	\$1.60	\$2.20	\$2.00				
Stenographer	1.60	2.10	1.60				
Tabulating Machine Operator	1.60	2.10	1.60				
Telephone Operator	1.60	2.29	2.00				
Typist	1.60	2.10	1.80				

Labor Supply

Currently, there is an estimated labor supply of 5,650 men and 3,450 women in the Hopkinsville labor market area. The labor supply is based on November 1966 estimates and includes the unemployed, underemployed, and persons who would enter the labor force if jobs became available.

This supply will be augmented by 7,950 boys and 7,600 girls who will become 18 years of age during the next five years.

The highway network and level topography of this area is conducive to commuting if suitable employment is available.

TABLE 5

CURRENT AND FUTURE LABOR SUPPLY,
HOPKINSVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA

0.			4.1		Future Labor Supply by 1974 7						
	Curre	nt Labor	Supply 6/	(Becomin	rs of Age)						
County	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female					
Labor Market											
Area	9,100	5,650	3,450	15,550	7,950	7,600					
Christian	2,000	1,350	650	5,700	2,900	2,800					
Caldwell	900	650	250	1,200	600	600					
Hopkins	2,550	1,350	1,200	3,850	1,950	1,900					
Muhlenberg	1,800	1,050	750	2,750	1,400	1,350					
Todd	900	550	350	1,100	550	550					
Trigg	950	700	250	950	550	400					

Labor Organizations

The following labor organizations are represented in Hopkinsville: International Leather, Plastic, and Novelty Workers; Retail, Wholesale, and Department Store Workers; United Mine Workers of America, District 50; International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers.

Income and Sales

The effective buying income of Christian County in 1967 was estimated to be \$130,825,000. The estimated average household income was \$7,834 and retail sales were estimated to total \$85,404,000. During that same period, estimates for Hopkinsville were as follows: effective buying income, \$56,881,000; average household income \$8,126; retail sales, \$66,085,000. 8/

There were 523 retail trade establishments operating in Christian County in 1963. $\frac{9}{}$

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Hopkinsville is served by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad and the Illinois Central Railroad.

The Louisville & Nashville Railroad provides both passenger and freight service. There are two northbound and two southbound passenger trains each day. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad has switching facilities on 39 tracks which can accommodate 250 cars. Inbound carloads average 170 per month, while outbound carloads average 400 per month. There is also a "piggyback" loading ramp in Hopkinsville.

The Illinois Central Railroad provides freight service only. There are switching facilities on 25 tracks which can accommodate 200 cars. Inbound carloads average 75 per month and outbound carloads average 50 per month. The Illinois Central also has "piggyback" facilities.

REA Express pickup and delivery service is available Monday through Friday. The United Parcel Service also operates in Hopkinsville.

TABLE 6 RAILWAY TRANSIT TIME FROM HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO: $\frac{10}{}$

	No. of Days		No. of Days
Town	CL	Town	CL
Atlanta, Ga.	3	Louisville, Ky.	2
Birmingham, Ala.	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	9
Chicago, Ill.	3	Nashville, Tenn.	1
Cincinnati, Ohio	3	New Orleans, La.	4
Cleveland, Ohio	5	New York, N. Y.	6
Detroit, Mich.	6	Pittsburgh, Pa.	5
Knoxville, Tenn.	4	St. Louis, Mo.	2

Highways

Hopkinsville is approximately 25 miles south of the Western Kentucky Parkway. High speed access to the Parkway will be available in the Fall of 1968 with the completion of the Pennyrile Parkway from Hopkinsville to Nortonville. The Pennyrile Parkway is expected to be open to Henderson, Kentucky, in 1969. Interstate 24 will pass within 8 miles of Hopkinsville when completed.

Hopkinsville is also served by US Highways 41, 41-A, and 68, and Kentucky Highways 91, 107, 109, 272, 345, 507, 508, and 695.

Truck Service: The following trucking firms serve Hopkinsville:

Cincinnati, Ohio

Marvin Hayes Lines, Inc.* Ellis-Ligon Truck Line, Inc.* McLean Trucking Co. Skaggs Transfer, Inc.* T.I. M. E. Freight, Inc. Home Office Clarksville, Tennessee Indianapolis, Indiana Winston-Salem, North Carolina Louisville, Kentucky Lubbock, Texas

TABLE 7

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME FROM HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

		Deliv	very			Deliv	
	Highway	Time	Days)	Highway	Tin	ne <u>11</u> /
Town	Miles	LTL	TL	Town	Miles	LTL	TL
Atlanta, Ga.	330	2	1	Louisville, Ky.	170	1	1
Birmingham, Ala	. 280	2	2	Los Angeles, Cal	. 2,100	6	4
Chicago, Ill.	380	2	2	Nashville, Tenn.	70	1	1
Cincinnati, Ohio	285	2	2	New Orleans, La	. 600	3	2
Cleveland, Ohio	530	2	2	New York, N. Y.	935	4	3
Detroit, Mich.	540	3	2	Pittsburgh, Pa.	565	3	3
Knoxville, Tenn.	265	2	2	St. Louis, Mo.	255	2	2

Air

The nearest commercial airport is Outlaw Fieldnear Fort Campbell, Kentucky, 20 miles south of Hopkinsville on US 41-A. Ozark Airlines serves Outlaw Field with six flights daily. Car rental is available.

The Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport has a 5,000 by 75-foot lighted, paved runway. Available services are charter flights, flight training, car rental, and tie down and taxi service. A new hangar and administration building have just been completed. Field elevation is 540 feet; Hopkinsville - longitude 87°, 28 feet, latitude 36°, 51 feet.

Other Transportation Services

Wilson Freight Co.

The Bowling Green-Hopkinsville Bus Line operates a daily schedule of four buses each way between Bowling Green and Hopkinsville.

^{*}Terminal in Hopkinsville.

The West Kentucky Stages run four buses each way between Paducah and Hopkinsville and make seven round trips to Fort Campbell each day.

Southern Greyhound has a daily schedule of eight through buses running between Nashville and Evansville - four north and four south.

Three taxi companies provide 24-hour taxi service for Hopkinsville. Car and truck rental are also available.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

The Electric Plant Board of Hopkinsville serves the city's electrical needs. The source of current is the TVA. The Electric Plant Board had 9,755 customers in July 1968. Current rates are as follows:

Character of Service

Alternating current, single or three-phase, 60 cycles. Power sold under "A" below will be delivered at a voltage available in the vicinity or agreed to by distributor. Power sold under "B" below will be delivered at a transmission voltage of 161 kv or, if such transmission voltage is not available, at the highest voltage available in the vicinity, unless at the customer's request a lower standard voltage is agreed upon.

Rates

A. If the customer's demand for the month or contract demand is not more than 5,000 kilowatts:

Demand Charge:

First 50 kilowatts of demand per month, no demand charge Excess over 50 kilowatts of demand per month, at \$1.10 per kilowatt

Energy Charge:

First 200 kilowatt-hours per month at 2.20 cents per kwh Next 300 kilowatt hours per month at 1.35 cents per kwh Next 1,500 kilowatt-hours per month at 0.91 cent per kwh Next 1,000 kilowatt-hours per month at 0.70 cent per kwh Next 7,000 kilowatt-hours per month at 0.97 cent per kwh Next 90,000 kilowatt-hours per month at 0.42 cent per kwh Next 400,000 kilowatt-hours per month at 0.31 cent per kwh Additional energy 0.29 cent per kwh

B. If the customer's demand for the month or contract demand is greater than 5,000 kilowatts:

Demand Charge:

First 75,000 kilowatts of demand per month, at \$1.10 per kilowatt Excess over 75,000 kilowatts of demand per month, at \$1.05 per month

Additional charge for any demand in excess of customer's contract demand, at \$1.10 per month per kilowatt.

Energy Charge:

First 50,000,000 kilowatt-hours per month at 2.80 mills per kwh Additional energy 2.75 mills per kwh

Facilities Rental Charges Applicable Under "B" on the Preceding Page

No facilities rental charge is applicable for delivery at less than 161 kv. For delivery at less than 161 kv the customer will pay, in addition to all other charges hereunder, a facilities rental charge of 15 cents per kw per month for the first 10,000 kw of the customer's contract demand and 5 cents per kw per month for the portion of contract demand which is in excess of 10,000 kw.

Expansion of the Electric Plant Board's services will be made according to need.

Christian County is served by the Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation whose source of supply is also the TVA. Currently, Pennyrile serves 21,900 customers of which 6,500 are located in Christian County.

Natural Gas

Natural gas is distributed in Hopkinsville by the Western Kentucky Gas Company. The source of the gas is local production and the Texas Gas Transmission Corporation. There is a 6-inch, high pressure transmission line, 200 psi, carrying gas from the Texas Gas line at Fruithill to Hopkinsville. Currently, an 8-inch transmission line is being constructed parallel to the 6-inch line.

Distribution lines are 2, 4, and 6 inches. Pressure is maintained at 10 psi to 50 psi. The specific gravity of the gas is .65 and the btu content is 1,000.

Gas rates are as follows:

Rate 3-A:

Gas service under this rate is available only to customers who require and contract for not less than 100,000 cubic feet per day, or 24,000,000 cubic feet per year. Service may be 100 percent interruptible, or 100 percent firm, or a combination of the two. If additional information is needed, please contact the Industrial Development Department, Western Kentucky Gas Company, Owensboro, Kentucky.

Firm Service:

Cu. Ft. Per Mo.			
First Next Next Next All additional	1,000 2,000 7,000 40,000	\$1.50 .895 Per Mcf .725 Per Mcf .655 Per Mcf .585 Per Mcf	
Interruptible Service:			
First Next Next All additional	2,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000	\$950.00 44.5¢ Per Mcf 42.5¢ Per Mcf 36.5¢ Per Mcf	

Minimum Charge: \$950.00 Per meter per month

Coal

Hopkinsville is served by both the Eastern and Western Kentucky Coal Fields. A representative delivery cost can be determined for each district shown below. $\frac{12}{}$

Type of Coal	Freight Delivery Cost (net ton)
Industrial and domestic	\$1.62
Industrial and	
domestic	4.23
Industrial and	
domestic	4.35
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domestic	4.35
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WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Water is supplied to Hopkinsville by the Sewerage and Water Works Commission whose source of raw water is four impounded lakes on the Little River and nearby quarries. Treatment includes flocculation, sedimentation, filtration, chlorination, and fluoridation.

The treatment plant has a design capacity of 5,000,000 gpd. Average daily use is 3,000,000 gallons and the maximum daily use has been 4,300,000 gallons. An average pumping time of 14 hours is required to meet daily needs. In case of an emergency, the plant can switch to full pumping capacity immediately.

Distribution lines vary from 2 to 16 inches, and water pressure is maintained at 80 to 90 psi. Water temperature varies from 45° to 50° F. during the winter and 65° to 70° F. in the summer.

Storage facilities include a 150,000-gallon standpipe, three 150,000-gallon elevated tanks, two 300,000-gallon elevated tanks, and a 1,000,000-gallon elevated tank.

Current water rates are as follows:

First	3,000 cu.	ft. 50 d	cents per	100 cu.	ft.
Next	3,000 cu.	ft. 40 d	cents per	100 cu.	ft.
Next	3,000 cu.	ft. 30 d	cents per	100 cu.	ft.
Next	3,000 cu.	ft. 25 d	cents per	100 cu.	ft.
Next	3,000 cu.	ft. 20 d	cents per	100 cu.	ft.
All over	15.000 cu.	ft. 16 2	2/3 cents	per 100	cu. ft.

Sewerage

Sewage treatment is provided by the Sewerage and Water Works Commission. Treatment is by a high rate filter system - primary and secondary. Treated sewage is discharged in the North Fork of the Little River below Hopkinsville. The design flow of the treatment plant, built in 1958, is 3,000,000 gpd or 21,000 persons per day.

The system consists of 21-inch and 10-inch interceptors, 8-inch trunks and 6-inch laterals. The city also maintains separate storm sewers.

The current sewerage rate is 80 percent of the water bill. Manufacturers and large users may have special meters for water not being returned to sewer lines - there is no sewerage charge on this meter.

Planned expansions include the building of another 3,000,000 gpd treatment plant, new outfalls and collectors, and new pumping stations.

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture

The approximate land area of Christian County is 464,000 acres with 73.2 percent of the area devoted to farming. In 1964, there were 1,653 farms in the county with an average size of 205 acres, valued at \$193 per acre including buildings.

Farm income in the county is largely from the production of tobacco, corn, grain, seed crops, and popcorn. Income is supplemented substantially by the production of cattle, hogs, and dairy products. The 1964 value of sales of all farm products totaled \$13,631,203, averaging \$8,246 per farm. Crop sales totaled \$7,737,779; livestock and livestock products totaled \$5,886,168.

In 1967, agricultural production in Christian County included 5.5 million pounds of burley tobacco, 2.2 million pounds of dark tobacco, 6.3 million bushels of corn, and 760,000 bushels of wheat. Livestock on farms on January 1, 1967, included 60,300 cattle and calves, 43,100 hogs and pigs, and 1,250 sheep and lambs. Milk cows on farms during 1965 averaged 3,300 head, with milk production for the year totaling 17.8 million pounds.

Mineral Resources

The principal mineral resources of Christian County consist of petroleum, natural gas, limestone, coal, and clay. Small quantities of dimension sandstone have been quarried in the past. Sand deposits suitable for general construction purposes are available, as is rock asphalt, although generally not considered commercial. Total value of all minerals for 1966 was \$2,011,347.

Although on the decline, large quantities of petroleum and related products have been produced in the past and are currently being produced. Petroleum and natural gas accounts for about 40 percent of total mineral value.

A generally high calcium limestone belt traverses the central portion of the county. Most of the stone produced is used as concrete aggregate, road construction, and for agricultural purposes. Limestone accounts for a large portion of the mineral income.

Coals of high quality occur in the northern portion of the county and are high volatile bituminous used in steam generation and domestic trade.

Water Resources

The largest supply of surface water is available from the North and South Forks of Little River. Other sources may be obtained by impounding small streams.

The available ground water varies widely from area to area; however, in general, wells yield from only domestic supply to approximately 100 gpm depending on the site. In some small areas, wells will individually yield 500 gpm. When taken in total, the ground water situation is moderate to excellent.

Forests

There are 129,600 acres of commercial forest land in Christian County covering 27.9 percent of the total land area. The most abundant species are red oaks, white oaks, hickories, sweetgum, ash, yellow poplar, hard maple, beech, and soft maple.

Within a 50-mile radius of Hopkinsville there are 1,699,000 acres of commercial forest land. In 1962, 158 million board feet of timber were harvested from this area. Forestry authorities agree that the desirable annual cut of fiber sizes and grades could be larger. The adjacent part of Tennessee is also well forested. While some of the timber harvest is used locally, much of it is shipped out of the area for further processing.

Forests of the entire area receive organized protection from fire from the State Department of Natural Resources.

Climate

Hopkinsville has an attractive year-round climate which is characterized by the lack of extremes and severe changes.

Winter is short - snowfall is light, an average of 4 days with 1.0 inch or more of snow or sleet, and occurs mostly during January and February. The snow rarely lasts longer than a few days.

Rainfall is sufficient to meet the needs of each season. The wettest month is January with an average rainfall of 5.35 inches, and the driest month is October with an average rainfall of 2.42 inches. The average yearly precipitation is 47.52 inches.

The average yearly temperature is 58.1° F. The warmest month of the year is July with an average temperature of 78.5° F., and the coolest is January with an average temperature of 37.3° F. The temperature in Hopkins-ville rarely falls below freezing from the middle of April through the middle of October.

Each year, there is an average of 105 clear days, 107 partly cloudy days, and 153 cloudy days. There is an average of 117 days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or over, and an average of 15 days with heavy fog.

The prevailing wind is from the south.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Hopkinsville is a third-class city governed by a council consisting of a mayor and twelve councilmen. The mayor is elected for a four-year term and the councilmen for two-year terms by district.

Christian County is governed by a fiscal court consisting of the county judge and eight magistrates. All are elected for a term of four years.

Finance

Hopkinsville's income for the period ending June 30, 1968, was \$964,482.09 while expenditures totaled approximately \$924,000. As of July 1, 1967, the city had \$800,000 in industrial revenue bonds outstanding.

The county budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1968, is \$496,300. Bonded indebtedness of Christian County as of July 1, 1968, was as follows: courthouse addition - \$40,000; courthouse annex - \$70,000.

Taxes

Property taxes are the major source of income for Hopkinsville and Christian County. Property must be assessed at 100 percent of value under the provisions of Kentucky's Constitution. Net assessed value of property in these jurisdictions for 1968 is as follows:

Major Classes of Property	Hopkinsville	Christian County
Total	\$107, 936, 182	\$227, 167, 317
Real Estate	82, 235, 527	177,671,003
Tangibles	19, 569, 238	32, 180, 482
Public Service	6, 131, 417*	17, 315, 832

^{*1968} estimate.

TABLE 8

PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUE FOR HOPKINSVILLE AND CHRISTIAN COUNTY, 1968

Taxing Unit	Hopkinsville 13/	Christian County 14
State	\$.015	\$.015
County	. 135	. 135
School	. 649	. 365
City	305	<i>a</i>
Total	\$1.104	\$.515

A property owner living inside the city, but in the county school district, will pay county school taxes rather than city school taxes.

The City of Hopkinsville requires a business license which has a minimum of \$10\$ and a maximum fee of \$3,750 per year. The city also levies an occupational tax of 1% of gross wages or salary earned in Hopkinsville.

As provided by state law, Hopkinsville may allow a five-year exemption from municipal taxation for new industry.

Planning and Zoning

The Hopkinsville Planning Commission, organized in 1957, completed a Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance, Subdivision Regulations, and several detailed studies. In 1966, Christian County and Hopkinsville formed a joint planning commission. Current projects include Major Revisions of Hopkinsville's Comprehensive Plan, Subdivision Regulations, Zoning Ordinance, Public Improvements Program and Budget. Christian County's base studies are also in process.

Hopkinsville's Workable Program for Community Improvement has been recertified through April, 1969 and the city has adopted and enforces all codes. The Bassett Urban Renewal Project, begun in 1963, is slated for completion this year and an 80-unit, low-cost housing project for the elderly is planned on adjoining property.

Safety

<u>Fire:</u> Hopkinsville has a Class-5 NBFU fire insurance rating. The fire department maintains a central fire station and two substations staffed by a chief and forty full-time firemen.

Motorized fire fighting equipment includes: one 85-foot aerial truck; five pumpers; 3 cars; one 1,000-gpm pumper. A 1,250-gpm pumper is on order and should be delivered by the Fall of 1968. The new pumper will carry 500 gallons of water. All vehicles are radio-equipped.

Special services include fire prevention and fire brigade training at hospitals, nursing homes, and industry.

Police: The Hopkinsville Police Department is staffed by a chief, four captains, seven sergeants, twenty-five uniformed policemen, and five detectives. Motorized equipment consists of four radio-equipped, marked cruisers and one unmarked, radio-equipped cruiser.

The Christian County Sheriff's Office is staffed by the sheriff and five deputies. Motorized equipment includes four radio-equipped, marked cruisers.

Law enforcement in the area is augmented by twenty-three trained auxiliary policemen. The auxiliary policemen also maintain a rescue squad. Equipment available to the rescue squad includes land vehicles, boats, and aircraft plus conventional rescue apparatus. The squad conducts rescue and search missions.

Sanitation

Garbage is collected by the City of Hopkinsville. Garbage is picked up daily in the business district and once a week in residential areas. Collection fees are \$1.80 per month for residential service and \$4.30 to \$43.20 per month for commercial service. Garbage is deposited in a land fill.

EDUCATION

Elementary and High School

The Hopkinsville and Cristian County School Systems are fully accredited. The Christian County High School has a comprehensive rating by the State Department of Education, and the Hopkinsville High School has a standard rating.

The Hopkinsville School System is composed of a high school, a junior high school, a seventh grade center, six elementary schools, and a school for the retarded.

Recent improvements include the high school which was built in 1964 and two new libraries. Currently, a new library, gymnasium, and reading clinic are being constructed. The new gym will seat 5,500 persons and house complete indoor athletic facilities including a swimming pool.

The Hopkinsville School System maintains an extensive program for education of the retarded. Trainable children receive instruction in the school for the retarded while special classes for the educable are held at each grade below the high school level.

The curriculum of the Hopkinsville School System includes numerous special programs. There is a reading clinic to diagnose and help correct slow readers, a coordinated program with the federally sponsored teacher corps to aid the culturally deprived, and vocational preparatory programs. This latter group includes shop, vocational business, distributive education, exploratory shop, and sending students to the Hopkinsville vocational extension for special instruction in vocational skills. Gifted students are allowed to take courses at the Hopkinsville Community College.

Special personnel includes two supervisors of education, a library supervisor, a speech therapist, and counselors.

The Christian County School System is composed of a high school, nine elementary schools, and, beginning in the Fall of 1968, a junior high school. Presently, a new high school which will accommodate 1,800 students is being constructed at a cost of \$2,000,000. Grades 7 through 8 will move into the old high school.

Special personnel and programs include reading clinics, language labs, an education supervisor, mental education, and counselors for grades 7 through 12. Students in the county schools are also allowed to take vocational courses at the vocational extension and to attend the Community College.

The 1967-68 budget for the Hopkinsville school system was \$1,526,923.05. During that same period the Christian County School System operated on a budget of \$2,356,054.

TABLE 9

SCHOOLS, ENROLLMENT, NUMBER OF TEACHERS, STUDENTTEACHER RATIO IN HOPKINSVILLE AND CHRISTIAN COUNTY, 1967-68 15/

		W		Student-
			No. of	Teacher
School	Grades	Enrollment	Teachers	Ratio
Hopkinsville High School	10-12	695	33	21-1
Koffmann Junior High School	8- 9	601	27	22-1
Attucks	7	342	15	23-1
Hopkinsville Elementary				
(six schools)	1- 6	2,010	86	23-1
S. S. Peter and Paul	1- 8	181	6	30-1
Christian County High School	9-12	1,648	70	23-1
Christian County Elementary				
(nine schools)	1-8	4,983	173	29-1
Ft. Campbell High School	7-12	758	34	22-1
Ft. Campbell Elementary				
(four schools)	K-6	2,450	59	28-1

Vocational Schools

The Hopkinsville labor market area is served by the Madisonville Vocational Technical School and Extension Centers in Christian County and Muhlenberg County. The school in Madisonville offers courses in auto body repair, auto mechanics, carpentry, drafting, electronics technician, industrial electricity, and machine shop. The Christian County Extension offers courses in appliance repair, auto mechanics, building trades, drafting, industrial electricity, and welding. Muhlenberg County Extension offers courses in auto mechanics, building trades and welding. Upgrading courses are offered in Evening Extension classes for employed persons. Special courses are also available for eligible people under the Manpower Development and Training Act.

Colleges

The Hopkinsville Community College, a member of the University of Kentucky's system of fifteen community colleges, was founded in 1965. As an integral part of the University, the Hopkinsville Community College maintains the same standards as the parent institution. At the same time the college, through its local advisory board and other ties, relates itself to the needs of Kentucky's Pennyrile area.

The Community College has been charged with three responsibilities:

- 1. The first is to offer the basic liberal arts and sciences for those who wish to complete the first two years of a baccalaureate program for transfer to a four-year institution.
- 2. A second obligation is that of offering two-year technical or career programs designed to prepare the student for immediate employment on a technical or semi-professional level.
- 3. Finally, the College provides continuing education opportunities for citizens of its area.

Enrollment at the College in 1967-68 totaled 413 plus 240 persons taking various community service courses. Additional hundreds participated in the many workshops, radio programs, clinics, art exhibits, concerts, and lectures.

A building program to accommodate enrollment increases is underway at the local institution with bid-letting scheduled for late Fall, 1968. An outstanding college-community recreational program is also in the planning stage with the recent opening of College Park as a part of the campus.

Other institutions of higher learning in the general Hopkinsville area include:

College or University	Location	Distance
Austin Peay State College	Clarksville, Tennessee	25 miles
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky	36 miles
Murray State University	Murray, Kentucky	55 miles
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky	65 miles
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky	76 miles
Brescia College	Owensboro, Kentucky	76 miles
Vanderbilt University	Nashville, Tennessee	70 miles

Student Aid

Hopkinsville has an excellent program to aid graduates of local high schools in procuring additional education ranging from the vocational to post graduate level. The foundation of the program is the Rotary Student Loan Fund and the Elizabeth Stone Educational Fund. Through its resources the program is able to aid the students by helping them obtain scholarships or by making them loans.

As of June 30, 1968, the program had made loans to 1,015 students since its beginning in 1951. Loans for the same period amounted to \$742,142.40. Administrators of the program say that repayment of loans is excellent.

HEALTH

Hospitals

Hopkinsville is served by the Jennie Stuart Memorial Hospital. The hospital contains 175 beds, 26 bassinets, and 4 operating rooms. There is a staff of 30 doctors, 38 nurses, a physical therapist, a Ph. D. bacteriologist, 4 registered X-ray technicians, and 8 registered lab technicians.

Hospital facilities include pediatrics, maternity, X-ray, radioisotope, laboratory, pathology, physical therapy, blood bank, intensive care units, pharmacy, and emergency rooms.

The Pennyroyal Mental Health Clinic and the Western State Hospital, also a mental institution, are located in Hopkinsville. In addition, there is a care center with 58 beds for convalescents.

Nursing Homes

There are two nursing homes in Hopkinsville containing a total of 94 beds. Three additional homes are now under construction and, when completed, they will add an additional 207 beds. Also serving the area is a 33-bed home for the aged and a 22-bed retirement and rest home.

Public Health

The Christian County Health Department is located in Hopkinsville. The office is staffed by 16 full-time employees, a doctor (four days per week), and 5 nurses.

Services provided by the Department include environmental health, clinical and laboratory services, venereal disease control, handicapped children's program, maternal and child health, school health, tuberculosis control, nutrition, and health education.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Housing

There is an adequate supply of salable or rentable housing in Hopkinsville. The cost of building a two-bedroom brick house with lot varies from \$10,000 to \$15,000 while the cost of renting a two-bedroom house varies from \$65 to \$85 per month. There are several apartment complexes in Hopkinsville - approximately 100 units are available. Currently, there are 250 units of public housing and another 80 will be constructed in the near future. Public housing rents from \$25 to \$85 per month including utilities.

Hotels and Motels

There are twenty motels and one hotel in Hopkinsville with a total of 505 rooms.

Communication

Telephone: Hopkinsville is served by the South Central Bell Telephone Company. South Central Bell has 9,847 subscribers in Hopkinsville and 14,256 in Christian County. Complete telephone service is available.

Telegraph: Western Union Telegraph provides telegraph service for Hopkinsville. Western Union's hours are 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Friday; 7:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday; and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday.

<u>Postal</u>: Hopkinsville has a first-class post office. Mail is received ten times and dispatched nine times each day. Mail is also received and dispatched by air once each day. There is one delivery in the business district daily.

<u>Newspapers:</u> The Kentucky New Era is published in Hopkinsville daily except Sunday. Currently, the Kentucky New Era has a circulation of 12, 200. Other newspapers are received from Evansville, Indiana; Louisville, Kentucky; and Nashville, Tennessee.

Radio: Hopkinsville has two radio stations. WHOP-AM broadcasts on 1230 kilocycles at a power of 250 watts while WHOP-FM broadcasts on 98.7 megacycles at a power of 39,000 watts. Both broadcast from 5 a.m. to 12 midnight.

WKOA-AM broadcasts on 1480 kilowatts at a power of 1000 watts from sunrise to sunset. WKOF-FM, operated by WKOA, broadcasts on 100.3 megacycles at a power of 30,000 watts from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Other stations are received from Fort Campbell, Cadiz, Russell-ville, Madisonville, and Bowling Green, Kentucky. Also, stations are received from Clarksville and Nashville, Tennessee.

Television: Television is received by both cable and outside antennas. Numerous cities are received and all the major networks are available on several channels.

Libraries

Library facilities are provided by the Hopkinsville Public Library. The library contains 22,000 volumes and has an annual circulation of 44,000 volumes. In addition, the library subscribes to approximately 150 periodicals, contains 300 LP's, and supplies films. Hours of operation are Monday - 12 noon to 8 p.m.; Tuesday through Saturday - 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Christian County is served by a bookmobile which operates three days each week and has an annual circulation of 150,000 volumes.

Churches and Synagogues

The following denominations are represented in Hopkinsville: Assembly of God; Baptist; Catholic; Christian; Church of Christ; Church of God; Church of Latter Day Saints; Episcopal; Jehovah's Witnesses; Lutheran; Methodist; Pentecostal; Presbyterian; Salvation Army; Seventh Day Adventist; Universalist, Congregation Adath Israel.

Financial Institutions

	Statement as of June 30, 1968		
Bank	Assets	Deposits	
	*		
First City Bank & Trust Co.	\$29,671,732.48	\$26, 627, 249. 61	
Planters Bank & Trust Co.	44,730,552.00	41,458,750.00	
Savings and Loan Associations	Assets	Shared Accounts	
*			
First Federal Savings & Loan			
Association	\$11,043,024.29	\$ 9,688,017.01	
Hopkinsville Federal Savings &			
Loan Association	20, 398, 149. 22	18, 203, 171. 10	

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic: Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary, Optimist, Civitan, Toastmaster, Ruritan-Pembroke - 10 miles, Medical Society, Dental Society, Ministerial Association, Salvation Army, Red Cross

Fraternal: American Legion, IOOF, Masonic Lodge, Moose Lodge, Shrine, VFW, Elks, Woodsmen of the World

Women's Clubs: B & PW, DAR, Eastern Star, Homemakers, Garden, Rebekah, Lioness, Jaycettes, Civitana, Altrusa, Elks Auxiliary, Moose Auxiliary, American Legion Auxiliary, VFW Auxiliary, American Association of University Women, Daughters of the Confederacy, League of Women Voters

Youth: Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Brownies, FFA, FHA, 4-H, FTA, FAA, Beta Club, Girl Guards, Sunbeams

Recreation

Local: The Hopkinsville Recreation Department maintains an active program of organized recreation for young people from five to twenty years of age. Organized activity includes swimming, tennis, baseball, football, basketball (year-round), softball, crafts, and field trips including visits to professional sporting events in St. Louis, Missouri. Teachers and coaches from local schools aid in supervising these programs. Bridge lessons are also offered.

At the present, the Department is constructing a recreation building which will contain numerous facilities - basketball, badminton, handball, tumbling, boxing, volleyball, cafeteria, activities rooms, recreation classes, and dances. Plans for additional buildings of a similar nature are now in the formative stages.

Hopkinsville's organized recreation is supplemented by other programs. The Kentucky Department of Conservation organizes camping trips for fifth and sixth graders and the Boy Scouts operate a day camp.

Local recreational facilities include five parks, twelve playgrounds, a bowling alley, two indoor theaters, an 18-hole golf course, a 9-hole golf course, a skating rink, a municipal swimming pool, a semi-public swimming pool, two country club swimming pools, several motel swimming pools, and numerous private swimming pools.

Regional: Recreation facilities in the Hopkinsville area are plentiful. Within easy driving distance of Hopkinsville are Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area; Mammoth Cave National Park; Jefferson Davis Monument State Shrine; Kenlake State Park; Kentucky Dam Village State Park; Lake Barkley State Park; Pennyrile Forest State Park; John James Audubon State Park; and Lake Blythe.

Racing: There are two annual thoroughbred and harness racing meets at Henderson and Hopkinsville is developing a racing facility for quarter horses.

There are several automobile race tracks in the Hopkinsville area.

Professional Sports: A full schedule of professional sports is available at St. Louis, Missouri; Cincinnati, Ohio; and Louisville, Kentucky.

College Sports: A full schedule of college athletics is available at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tennessee; Murray State University in Murray, Kentucky; Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green, Kentucky; and Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tennessee.

Fine Arts: A number of fine arts programs are held each year. Included are: Community Concert Association - opera, orchestra, vocal, solo concert, chamber music, the dance; community college - concerts; Art Guild - exhibitions; Pennyrile Festival of Arts - art exhibit, two concerts, dramatic performance, flower show; Community College English Department - dramatic productions.

Other: Each year the Western Kentucky State Fair is held in Hopkins-ville. Major events are a parade, livestock competition, fireworks, music, beauty pageant, harness racing, horse show, talent show, numerous contests, and exhibits.

Recent Community Improvements

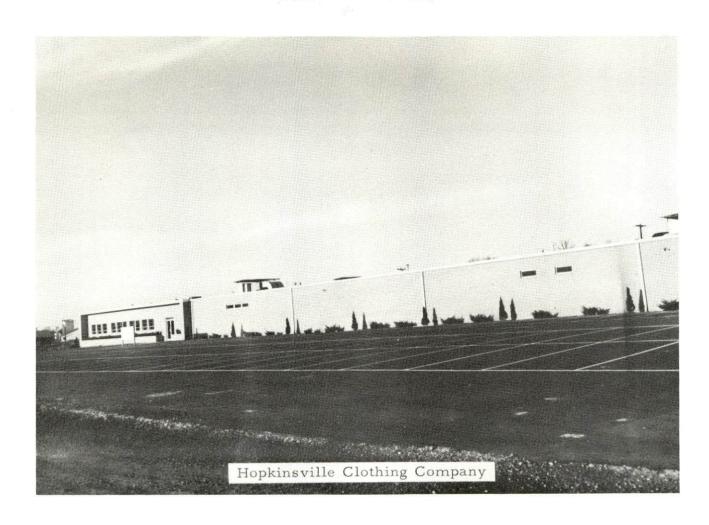
Public: Completed are: a new post office; state office building; airport runway extended from 2,000 to 5,000 feet and hangar constructed; a series of impoundments on the North Fork of the Little River which will impound two billion gallons of water; an 80,000 square foot building on the grounds of the Western Kentucky State Fair. Under construction: new county high school; recreation center; physical education building at Hopkinsville High School; Student Center at Community College; four-laning U. S. Highway 41 from Hopkinsville to the Phelps Dodge plant.

Business and Industrial: Thomas Industries is building a garage to house its fleet of trucks; Phelps Dodge has just completed an addition; Grant Plaza Shopping Center has just opened.

Phelps Dodge Manufacturing Company

USM Fastener Company

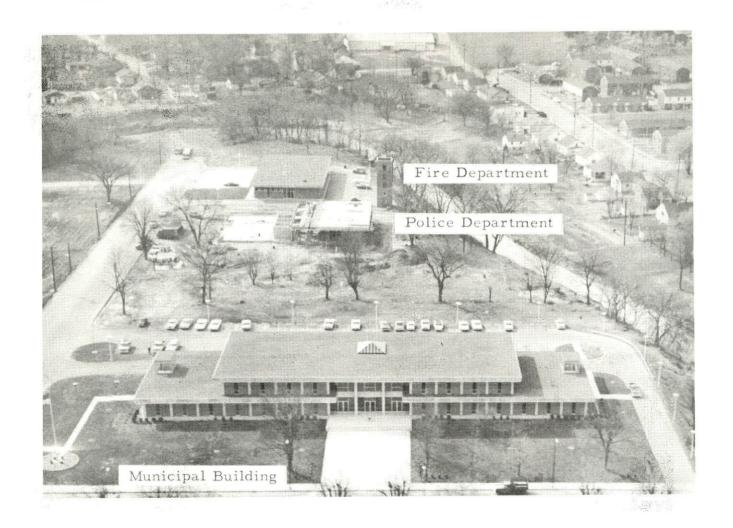
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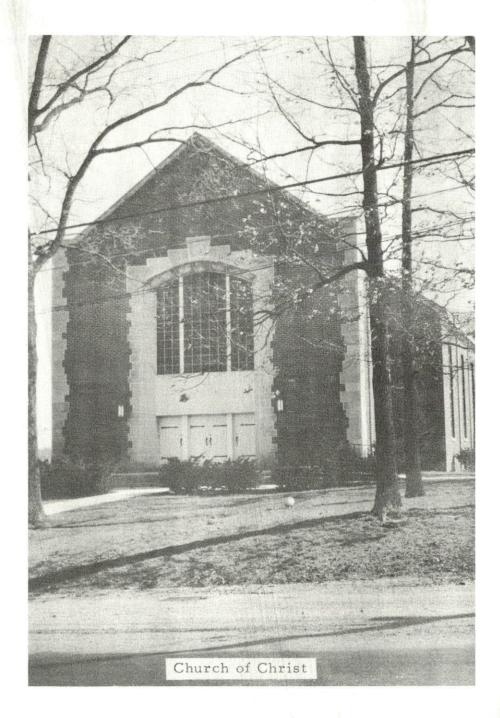


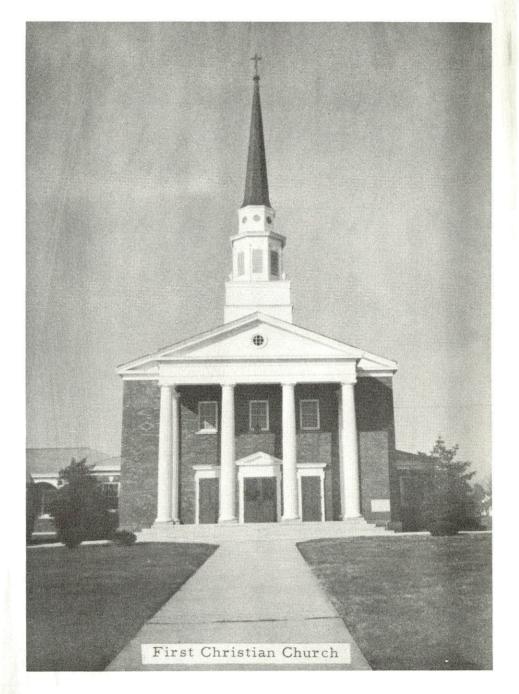






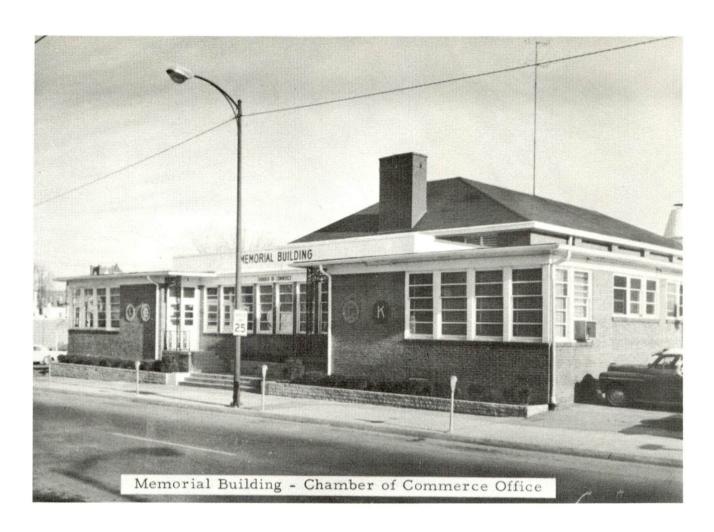


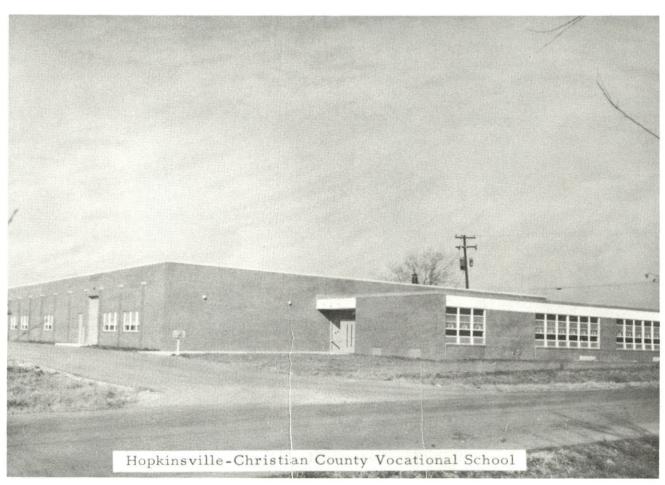


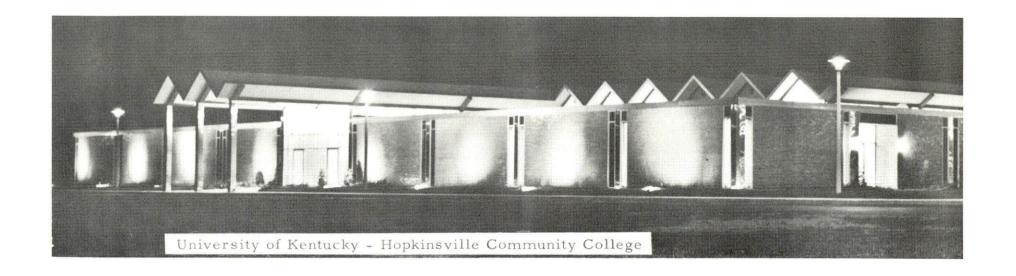


















Convention Center and Exhibition Hall 80,000 square foot building

HISTORY

Christian County was formed in 1796. It is the second largest county in Kentucky and contains 726 square miles. The county was named for Colonel William Christian, a soldier, statesman, and brother-in-law of Patrick Henry. The county is located in the southwestern part of Kentucky on the Tennessee line, and topographically the county surface varies from rolling plains and hills in the north to flatlands in the southern portion.

The first settlement in Christian County was made by John Montgomery and James Davis of Virginia in 1785. They built a block house on the West Fork of the Red River near a large cave in which they hid from the Indians. Other settlers came and within eleven years enough people had arrived to petition the Legislature for a new county organization.

The town site on which Hopkinsville now stands was donated by Bartholomew Wood and selected as the county seat in 1797. From the date of its formation until 1804 the city was called Elizabeth. When it was discovered that there was another Kentucky city named Elizabeth, the town was renamed Hopkinsville for General Samuel Hopkins of Revolutionary War fame. To date, there are no other cities in the United States named Hopkinsville.

One of the most colorful events in Hopkinsville's history is the occupation of the city by night riders on December 7, 1907. The night riders were groups of farmers disgruntled by the low tobacco prices who attempted to organize against the tobacco companies. They often used violence in their dealings and made Hopkinsville one of their targets because of its tobacco warehouses. They entered town on horseback at night, burned the warehouses, and took over all the communication offices of the city. After they finished, they rode out of town with a posse in hot pursuit.

More recently, Hopkinsville was a headquarters of the Farm Security Administration's Christian-Trigg farms in the 1930's. This was a project that covered more than 8,000 acres in Christian, Trigg, and Todd Counties. It was designed to provide small farms for a selective group of tenants who, through a diversified crop plan, raised the major portion of their foods and feed for livestock and planted legumes to enrich the soil.

Hopkinsville is the location of several interesting old homes including the steamboat-shaped Ross Dillard House. Tradition is that before the Civil War Dillard traveled to New Orleans in a steamboat and upon his return built a house shaped like the boat on which he traveled. During the Civil War, federal troops used the home as a headquarters.

Throughout its history, Hopkinsville and Christian County have maintained a status of being economically strong. Historically, the economy has had an agricultural foundation, but today it has become quite diversified and relies both on agriculture and industry.

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