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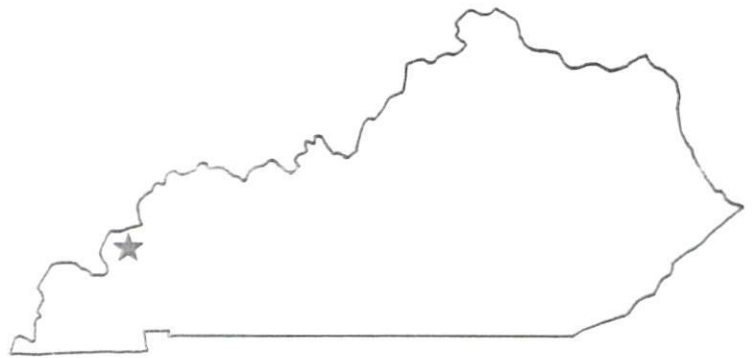
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MARION, KENTUCKY

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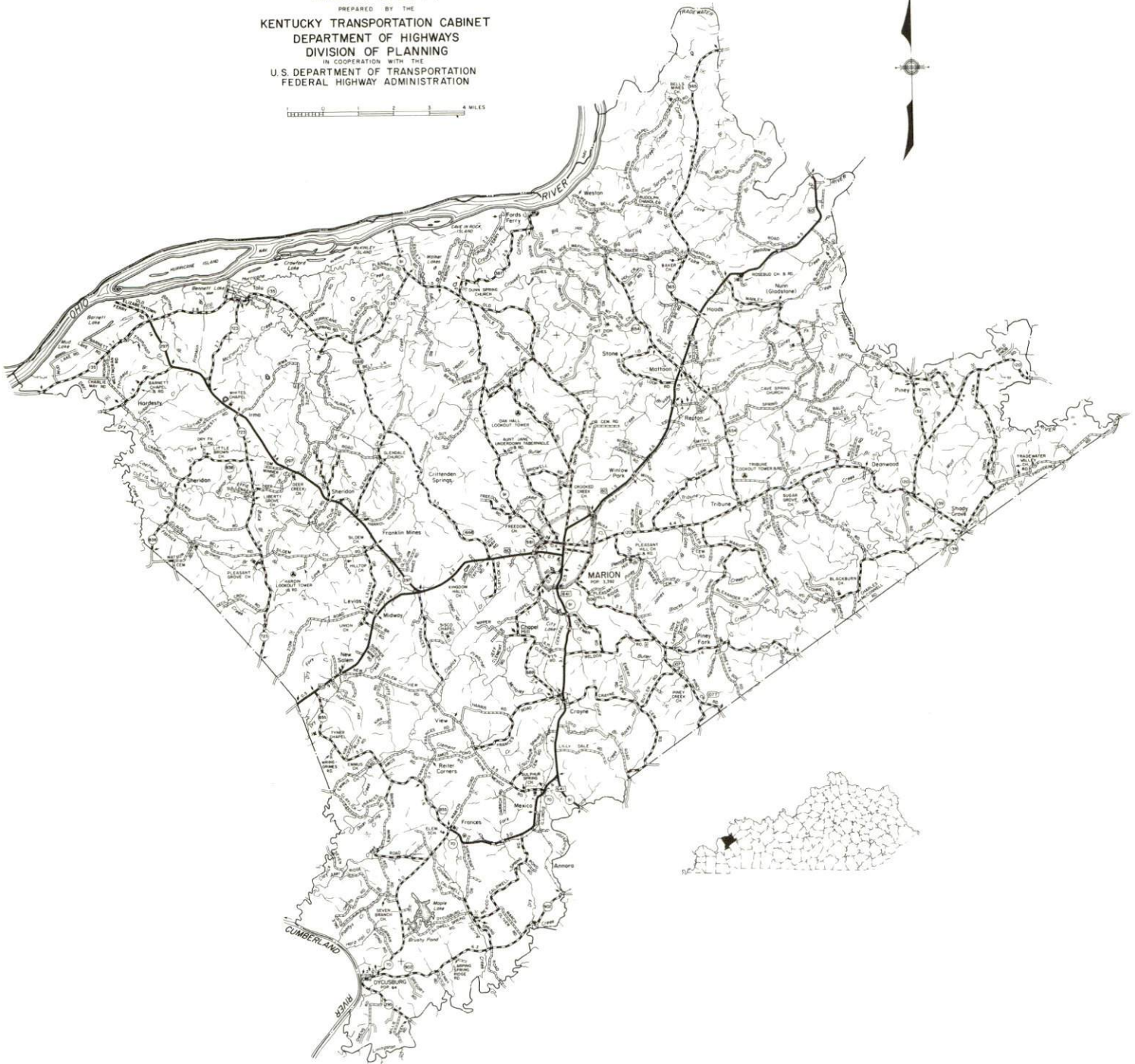
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
CRITTENDEN COUNTY
KENTUCKY

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MARION, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Marion, the county seat of Crittenden County, is located in the Western Kentucky Fluorspar District of the Mississippi Plateaus area of extreme western Kentucky. Marion is located 64 miles southwest of Evansville, Indiana; 122 miles northwest of Nashville, Tennessee; 175 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; and 181 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. Marion had a 1990 population of 3,320.

Crittenden County, which covers a land area of 362 square miles, is a well-dissected upland characterized by a variety of irregularly-shaped, sandstone-capped hills and ridges. The Ohio River forms the northwestern boundary of Crittenden County. Crittenden County had a 1990 population of 9,196.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Crittenden County residents employed in 1991 averaged 3,115. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 485 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 367 jobs; 470 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 339 employees; and contract construction firms provided 41 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 10,603 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1992 through 1996, 5,065 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

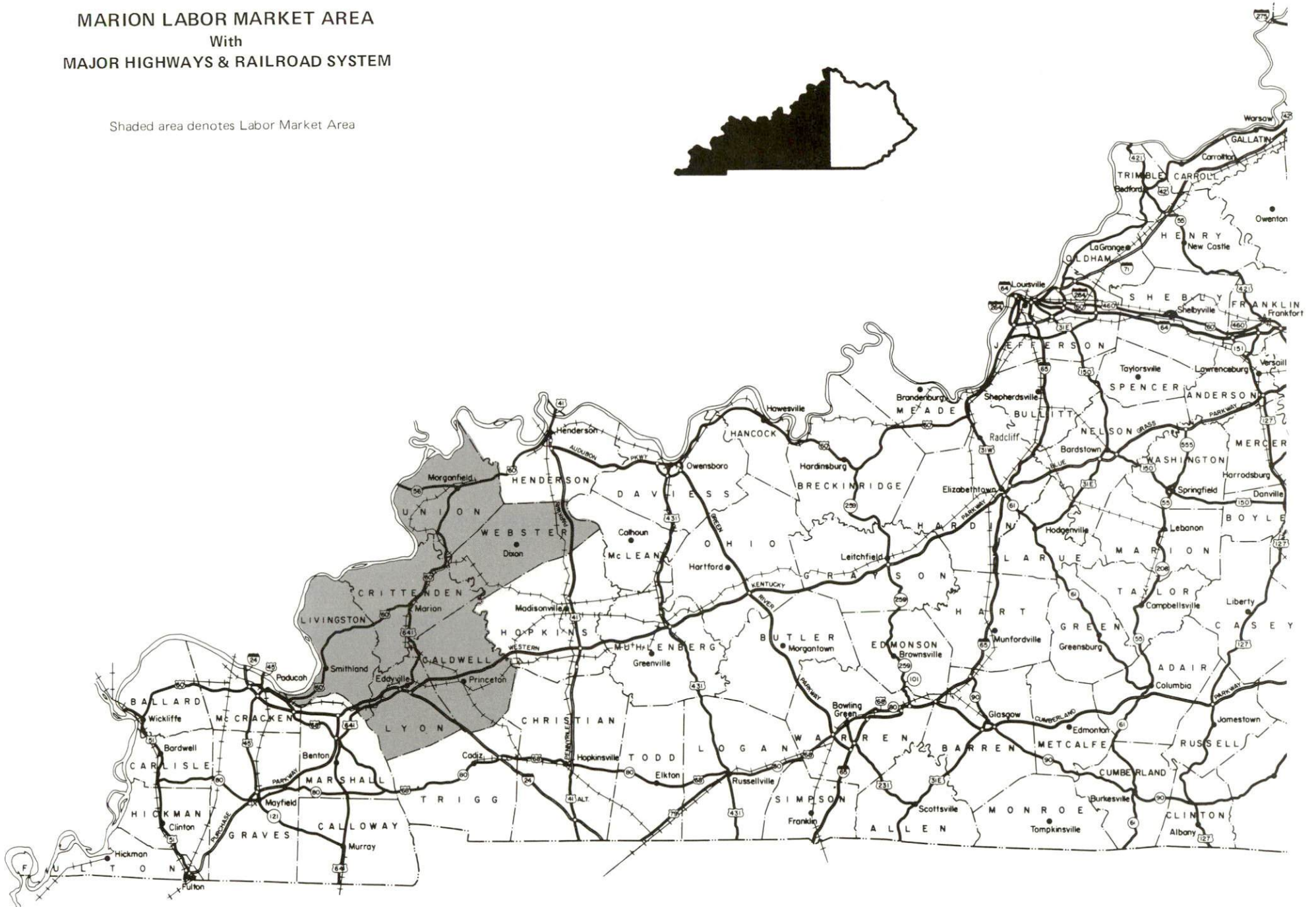
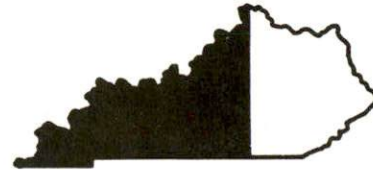
Transportation - Marion is served by U.S. 60 and 641, and Kentucky 91 all "AAA"-rated trucking highways. Interstate 24 is available 21 miles south of Marion via U.S. 641. Eighteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Marion. The Tradewater Railway Company provides rail service to Marion. The Marion Airport, two miles southwest of Marion, provides a 2,500-foot turf runway and the Sturgis Airport, 19 miles north of Marion, maintains three 5,000-foot paved runways. Scheduled commercial airline service is available at the Barkley Regional Airport near Paducah, 51 miles southwest; and at Evansville Regional Airport in Evansville, Indiana, 67 miles northeast of Marion.

Power and Fuel - Kentucky Utilities Company provides electric power to Marion and parts of Crittenden County. Crittenden County is also served by the Henderson-Union Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Western Kentucky Gas Company provides natural gas service to Marion.

Education - Crittenden County School System provides primary and secondary education to Marion and Crittenden County. Three universities and four community colleges are located within 65 miles of Marion. Madisonville Community College offers several evening courses at Crittenden County High School. Madisonville State Vocational-Technical School in Madisonville, 39 miles east of Marion and Caldwell County Area Vocational Education Center in Princeton, 22 miles southeast of Marion, each provide the nearest vocational training facilities.

MARION LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Marion Labor Market Area includes Crittenden County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Caldwell, Livingston, Lyon, Union and Webster. In addition, the labor market is supplemented by Hardin County, Illinois.

| POPULATION | | | |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 1990 | 1980 | 1970 |
| Labor Market Area | 68,626 | 71,042 | 63,994 |
| Marion | 3,320 | 3,392 | 3,008 |
| Crittenden County | 9,196 | 9,207 | 8,493 |

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, January 1991.

| POPULATION PROJECTIONS | | | | |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| | 1995 | 2000 | 2010 | 2020 |
| Labor Market Area | 68,484 | 68,183 | 67,439 | 66,169 |
| Crittenden County | 9,342 | 9,449 | 9,566 | 9,603 |

Note: Population projections are from the Moderate Growth Series forecast.
Source: University of Louisville, Urban Studies Center, State Data Center.

| ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| | Current | | | | Future |
| | Total | Unemployed | Employed Part-Time | Not in Labor Force | Becoming 18 years of age 1992 thru 1996 |
| Labor Market Area* | 10,603 | 2,090 | 3,424 | 5,089 | 5,065 |
| Crittenden County | 1,063 | 275 | 354 | 434 | 642 |

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; Employed Part-Time - persons employed but working only 14 to 26 weeks per year; Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion that they do nationally).

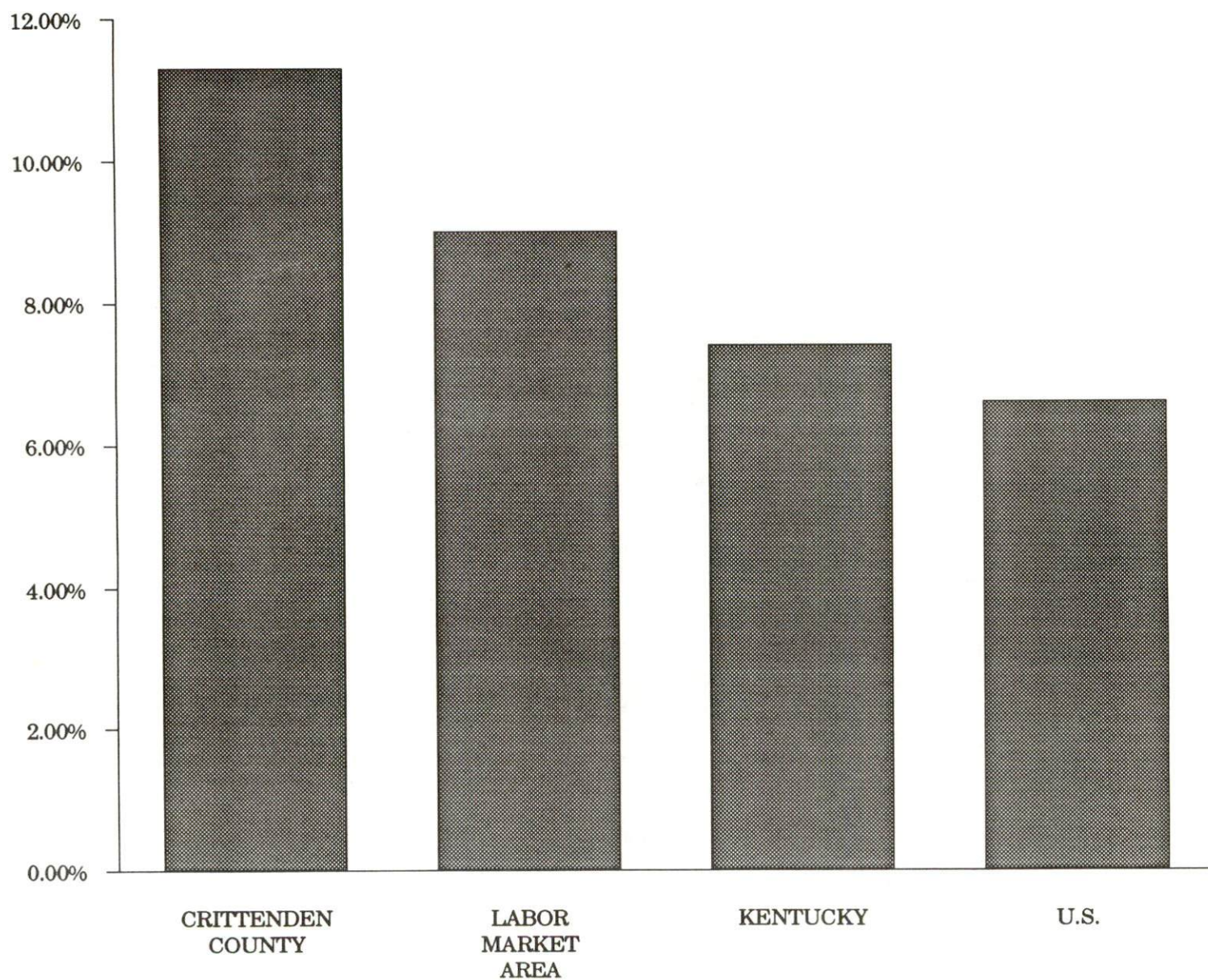
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1992 thru 1996.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1991

| | <u>Crittenden County</u> | <u>Labor Market Area</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Civilian Labor Force | 3,510 | 28,692 |
| Employment | 3,115 | 26,115 |
| Unemployment | 395 | 2,577 |
| Rate of Unemployment (%) | 11.3 | 9.0 |

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1991.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1991

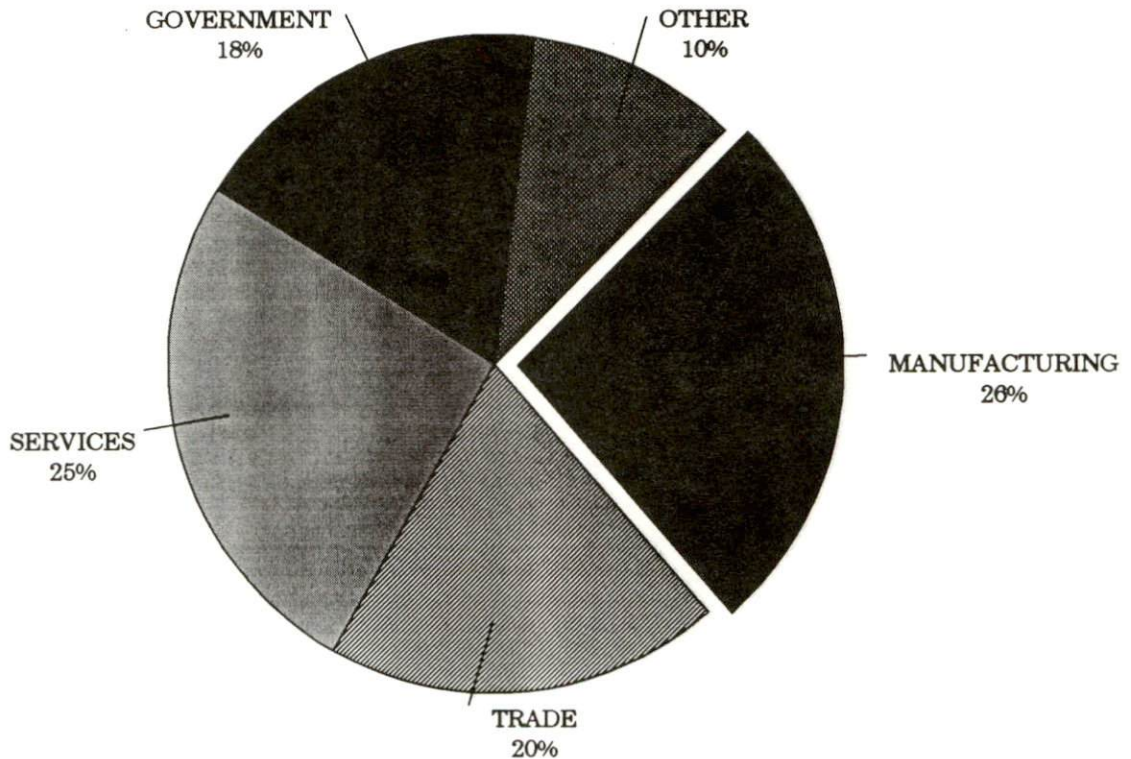


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1991

| | Crittenden County | Labor Market Area |
|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| All Industries (total) | 1,849 | 19,476 |
| Manufacturing | 485 | 3,505 |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | 367 | 3,852 |
| Services | 470 | 3,105 |
| State/Local Government | 339 | 3,262 |
| Contract Construction | 41 | 607 |

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.
Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1991.

CRITTENDEN COUNTY

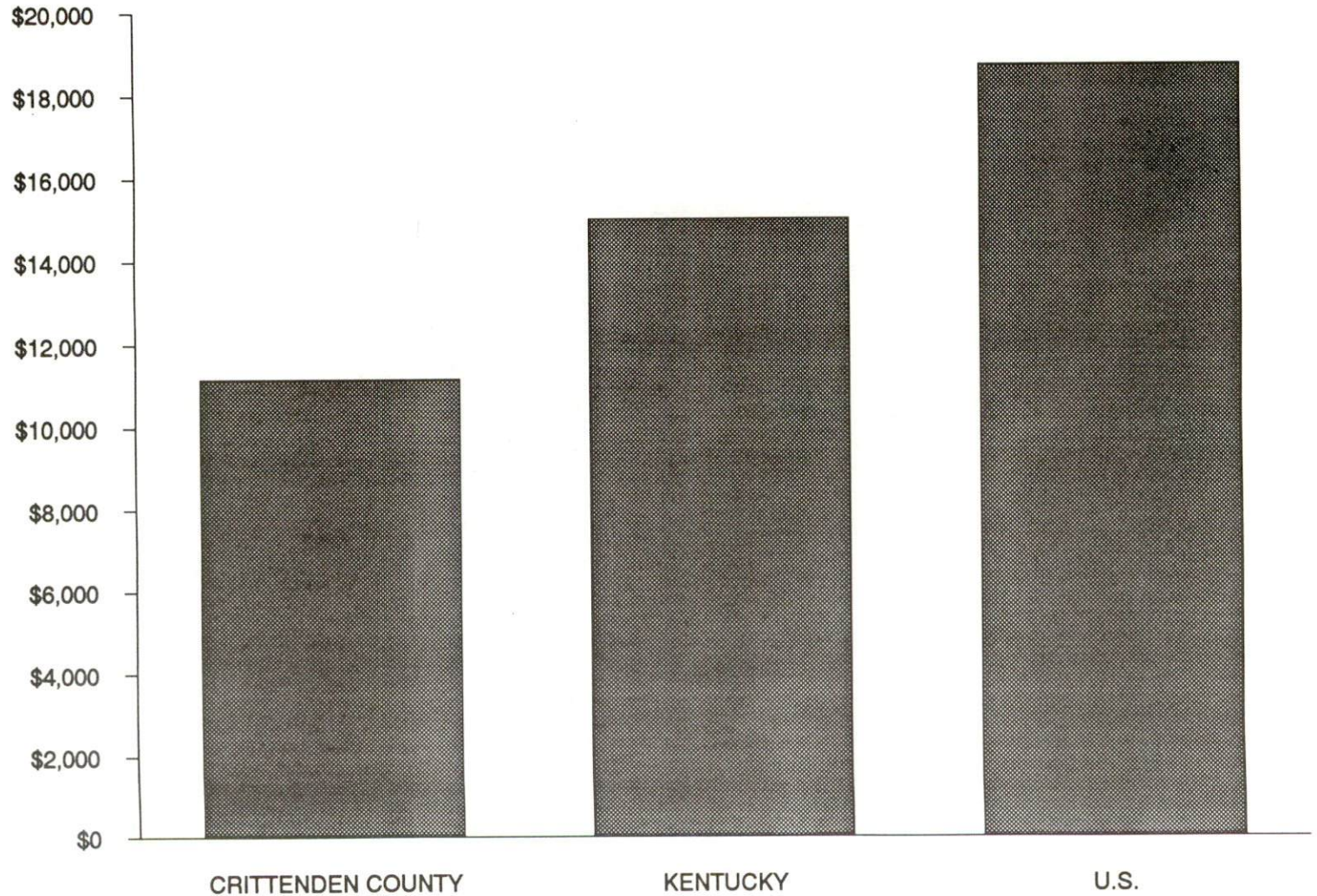


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

| Area | 1986 | 1990 | Percent Change |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Crittenden County | \$9,183 | \$11,157 | 21.5 |
| Labor Market Area Range | \$9,183 - \$11,832 | \$11,157 - \$16,883 | - |
| Kentucky | \$11,273 | \$14,992 | 33.0 |
| U.S. | \$14,654 | \$18,696 | 27.6 |

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1992.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1990



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

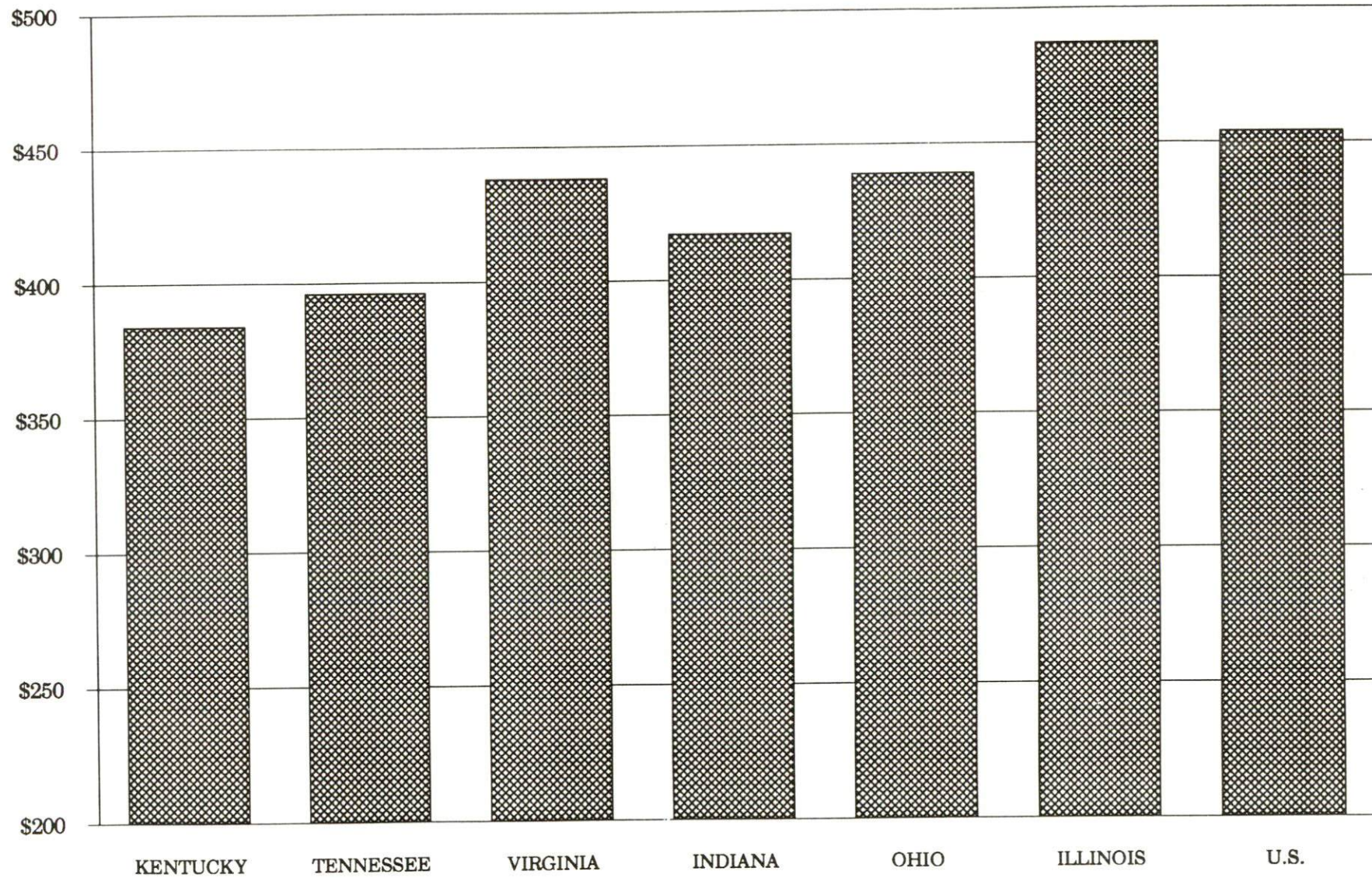
Crittenden County is served by the Madisonville local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Madisonville local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 1,782 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

| <u>OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY</u> | <u>NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS</u> | <u>AVERAGE WAGE(\$)</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| All Occupations | 1,782 | 5.04 |
| Clerical | 565 | 4.00 |
| Sales | 75 | 4.40 |
| Services (excluding domestic) | 244 | 3.71 |
| Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc. | 25 | 4.48 |
| Processing | 79 | 6.79 |
| Machine Trades | 49 | 8.12 |
| Bench Work | 314 | 4.01 |
| Structural | 139 | 6.42 |
| Motor Freight/ Transportation | 82 | 7.21 |
| Packaging and Materials Handling | 98 | 6.36 |
| Other | 58 | 14.43 |

The Madisonville local office also serves Hopkins and Muhlenberg Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Department for Employment Services.

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1990



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1990*

| | <u>Crittenden County</u> | <u>Kentucky (State- Wide)</u> | <u>Tennessee</u> | <u>Virginia</u> |
|---------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| All Industries | \$278.99 | \$379.97 | \$396.00 | \$438.00 |
| Mining & Quarrying | N/A | 654.24 | 535.00 | 635.00 |
| Contract Construction | 378.54 | 401.70 | 421.00 | 444.00 |
| Manufacturing | 347.25 | 496.95 | 449.00 | 487.00 |
| Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities | 432.39 | 500.70 | 523.00 | 575.00 |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | 184.18 | 255.93 | N/A | N/A |
| Finance, Insurance & Real Estate | 298.31 | 434.93 | 469.00 | 508.00 |
| Services | 242.58 | 329.76 | 378.00 | 430.00 |
| State/Local Government | 283.57 | 392.28 | N/A | N/A |
| | <u>Indiana</u> | <u>Ohio</u> | <u>Illinois</u> | <u>U. S.</u> |
| All Industries | \$417.00 | \$439.00 | \$487.00 | \$454.00 |
| Mining & Quarrying | 746.00 | 619.00 | 747.00 | 714.00 |
| Contract Construction | 475.00 | 504.00 | 624.00 | 503.00 |
| Manufacturing | 561.00 | 595.00 | 590.00 | 555.00 |
| Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities | 519.00 | 553.00 | 610.00 | 578.00 |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Finance, Insurance & Real Estate | 442.00 | 478.00 | 619.00 | 571.00 |
| Services | 349.00 | 382.00 | 444.00 | 423.00 |
| State/Local Government | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

* Wages for U.S. and surrounding states rounded to nearest dollar.

N/A Not Available.

Note: The average weekly wage for each category includes the salaries and wages of all persons working for that type business. For example, the manufacturing category includes both production workers and administrative personnel. Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1990. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1990, November 1991.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

MARION MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

| <u>Firm</u> (Establishment date) | <u>Product</u> | <u>1992</u> Average Employment |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Cera Tech, Inc. (1987) | Industrial ceramics | 25 |
| Crittenden Press, Inc. (1876) | Newspaper, offset printing | 12 |
| K-Tech (1991) | Industrial ceramics | 2 |
| The Kentucky Stone Company (1946) | Agricultural lime, crushed stone, asphalt | 30 |
| Marion Machine Works, Inc. (1936) | Precision machine work, steel fabrication & erection | 8 |
| Marion Mining Bolts Corporation (1987) | Mine roof bolts and plates | 55 |
| Ohio River Concrete Corporation (1973) | Ready-mixed concrete | 5 |
| Par-4 Plastics (1991) | Molded plastics | 22 |
| Potter & Brumfield- A Siemens Company (1959) | Electro-magnetic relays | 425 |
| Turner & Conyer Lumber Company, Inc. (1958) | Furniture stock, lumber, clay pipe spacers, pallets | 40 |

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research and Planning; Marion-Crittenden County Chamber of Commerce.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Two new businesses initiated operations in Marion during 1991. K-Tech, which manufactures industrial ceramics, currently employs two persons. Par-4 Plastics, which produces molded plastics, currently employs 22 but will increase to 45 persons by December 1992.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

| <u>Union</u> | <u>Representing workers at:</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| International Union of Operating Engineers, AFL-CIO | The Kentucky Stone Company |
| Laborers International Union of North America, AFL-CIO | The Kentucky Stone Company |

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

| <u>Types of Services</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Mileage from Marion</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Custom Data Processing | Paducah, Kentucky | 45 |
| Custom Plastics Producers | Kuttawa, Kentucky | 22 |
| | Providence, Kentucky | 22 |
| Electric Motor Repair | Madisonville, Kentucky | 39 |
| Grinding, Precision & Tool | Cadiz, Kentucky | 42 |
| | Corydon, Kentucky | 45 |
| Heat Treating Facilities | Evansville, Indiana | 64 |
| Industrial Equipment & Supplies | Madisonville, Kentucky | 39 |
| Industrial Gases | Madisonville, Kentucky | 39 |
| Industrial Waste Removal | Dawson Springs, Kentucky | 36 |
| Machine Shops, Tool & Die | Marion, Kentucky | - |
| Metal Castings | Henderson, Kentucky | 54 |
| Metal Finishers | Paducah, Kentucky | 45 |
| Metal Service Centers | Hopkinsville, Kentucky | 51 |
| Millwrights | Hopkinsville, Kentucky | 51 |
| Public Warehouse Facilities | Calvert City, Kentucky | 35 |

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research and Planning.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Major highways serving Marion include U.S. Highways 60 and 641. Both highways are "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. Other highways serving Marion include Kentucky Routes 91 and 120. Kentucky 91 is "AAA"-rated throughout Crittenden County.

Access to Interstate 24 is available 21 miles south of Marion near Eddyville. An interchange of the Western Kentucky Parkway, a multi-lane east-west highway, is also located 21 miles south of Marion.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM MARION, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

| City | Highway Miles | City | Highway Miles |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Atlanta, GA | 360 | Los Angeles, CA | 1,960 |
| Baltimore, MD | 761 | Louisville, KY | 175 |
| Birmingham, AL | 311 | Nashville, TN | 122 |
| Chicago, IL | 355 | New Orleans, LA | 583 |
| Cincinnati, OH | 277 | New York, NY | 934 |
| Cleveland, OH | 522 | Pittsburgh, PA | 564 |
| Detroit, MI | 510 | St. Louis, MO | 181 |
| Knoxville, TN | 295 | | |

Note: Mileage computations are via the best interstate or primary highways, not necessarily the most direct route of travel.

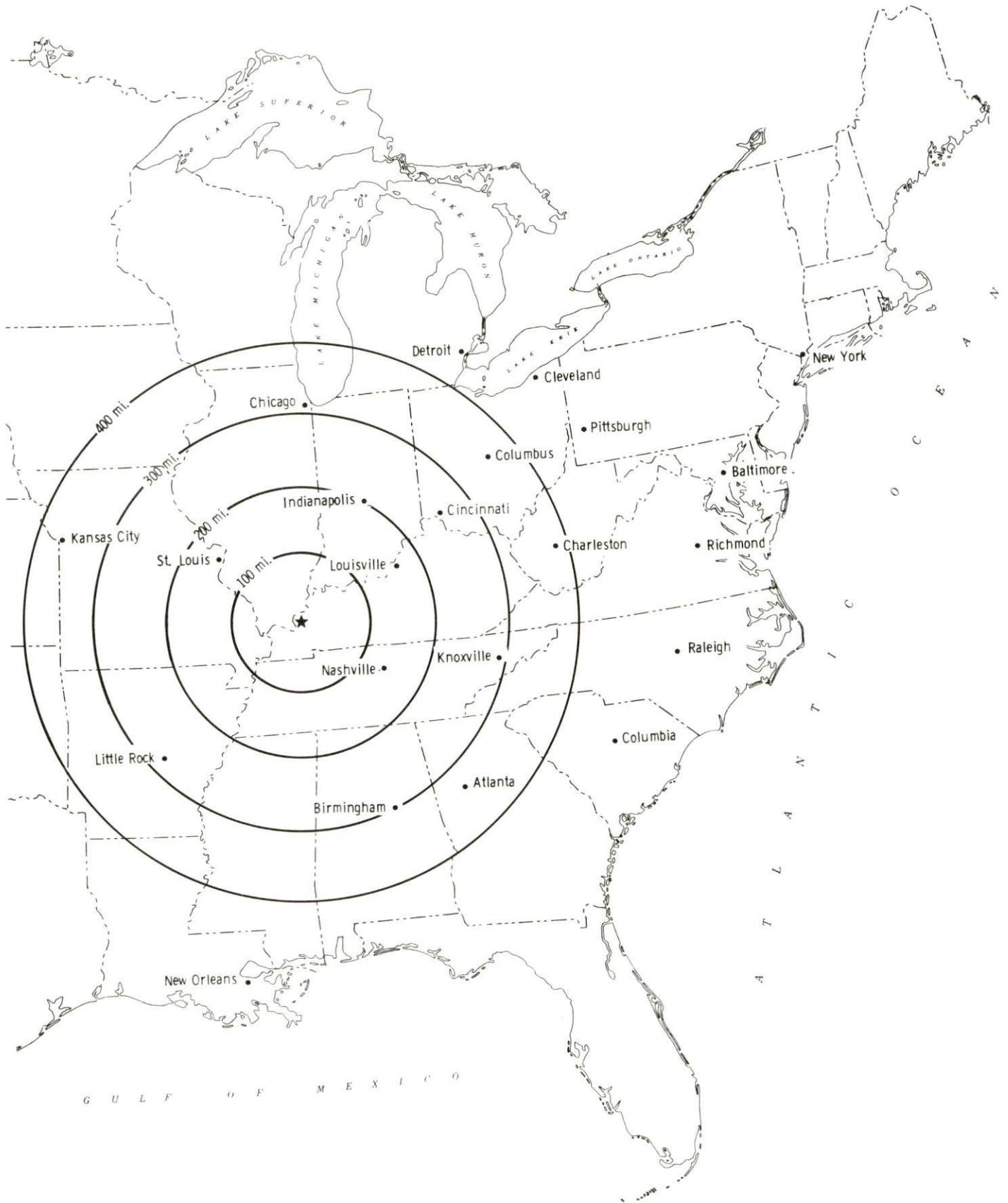
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

Eighteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Marion.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1992.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

Paducah and Louisville Railway, Inc. provides short line rail service under contract with the Tradewater Railway Company in Marion. Paducah and Louisville Railway provides intermodal facilities in Paducah, Kentucky, 45 miles southwest of Marion.

For details on routing, schedules, rates, and services contact:

Vice President - Marketing and Sales
Paducah and Louisville Railway
1500 Kentucky Avenue
Paducah, Kentucky 42001
(502) 444-4341

and/or

Tradewater Railway Company
P.O. Box 66
Sturgis, Kentucky 42459
(502) 333-4151

Air

Local

Location: Marion Airport
2 miles southwest of Marion
Runways: 1 turf
Length: 2,500 feet
Traffic
Control: None
Lighting: None
Services: None

Location: Sturgis Airport
1 mile southeast of Sturgis, Kentucky;
19 miles north of Marion
Runways: 3 paved
Length: 5,000 feet each
Traffic
Control: Wind sock and tetrahedron
Lighting: MIRL and VASI 18-36 sunset to sunrise,
rotating beacon, tetrahedron
Services: 100LL octane fuel, jet-A fuel, flight
training, tie-downs, hangars

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service (Commuter)

Location: Barkley Regional Airport
6 miles west of Paducah, Kentucky;
51 miles southwest of Marion
Air Service: American Eagle, TransWorld Express, Northwest
Air Link,
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 30

Nearest Major Commercial Airline Service

Location: Evansville Regional Airport
3 miles north of Evansville, Indiana;
67 miles northeast of Marion
Air Service: ComAir, TransWorld Express, Northwest Air
Link, USAir, Atlantic Southeast, American Eagle
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 88

Water

Marion is located approximately ten miles from the Ohio River which forms the northwestern boundary of Crittenden County. A nine-foot navigation channel is maintained the entire length of the Ohio River.

Three public riverports are located within a 55-mile radius of Marion. The Lyon County Riverport is located on Lake Barkley, 24 miles south of Marion; the Paducah-McCracken County Riverport is located 47 miles southwest of Marion; and the Henderson County Riverport is located approximately 54 miles northeast of Marion.

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving Marion and portions of southwestern Crittenden
County - Kentucky Utilities Company
Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company
For industrial rates contact:

Industrial Development Department
Kentucky Utilities Company
One Quality Street
Lexington, Kentucky 40507
(606) 255-2100

Company serving the majority of Crittenden County - Henderson-Union
Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Source of power - Big Rivers Electric Corporation
For industrial rates contact:

Manager of Economic Development
Big Rivers Electric Corporation
P.O. Box 24
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 827-2561

and/or

Henderson-Union Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Box 18
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-3991 or (800) 264-2191

Natural Gas

Company serving Marion - Western Kentucky Gas Company
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation
For rates and supplies contact:

Western Kentucky Gas Company
P.O. Box 866
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302
(502) 685-8067

Public Water Supply

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Company serving Marion - | City of Marion 108 East Bellville Street Marion, Kentucky 42064 (502) 965-2266 |
| Source of raw water - | Two municipally-owned lakes |
| Treatment plant capacity - | 829,000 gallons per day* |
| Source of treated water - | Crittenden/Livingston Water District |
| Amount that can be purchased - | 100,000 gallons per day |
| Average daily consumption - | 400,000 gallons |
| Peak daily consumption - | 809,000 gallons |
| Storage capacity - | 1,200,000 gallons |
| Water pressure - | 60 psi to 165 psi |

*The City of Marion is currently in the design phase of expanding and renovating its existing water treatment plant to 1,000,000 gallons per day. Construction will begin on the \$1.2 million project during March 1993.

Raw Water

Surface water sources - Ohio and Tradewater Rivers
Average discharge - Ohio River at Evansville, Indiana - 133,300 cfs
(34 years, USGS, unadjusted); Tradewater River at Olney, Kentucky -
339 cfs (51 years USGS)
Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm along Ohio River; 50 to
200 gpm along Tradewater River, west central and south central
portions of Crittenden County; 5 to 50 gpm in central and western
portions of county; 5 gpm or less along southeastern border of the
county

Sewerage

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Company serving Marion - | City of Marion 108 East Bellville Street Marion, Kentucky 42064 (502) 965-2266 |
| Design capacity - | 660,000 gallons per day |
| Average daily flow - | 610,000 gallons |
| Type of treatment - | Primary |
| Treated effluent discharged into - | Rush Creek |

The City of Marion plans to conduct a needs study for sewer system improvements.

CLIMATE

Crittenden County

Temperature

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Normal (30-year record) | 55.70 degrees |
| Average annual 1991 | 57.80 degrees |
| Record highest, July 1954 (51-year record) | 105.00 degrees |
| Record lowest, February 1951 (51-year record) | -23.00 degrees |
| Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.) | 4,729 |

Precipitation

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| Normal (30-year record) | 41.55 inches |
| Mean annual snowfall (51-year record) | 13.50 inches |
| Total precipitation 1991 | 32.68 inches |
| Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (51-year record) | 115.20 |
| Mean number days thunderstorms (51-year record) | 45.10 |

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South-Southwest

Relative Humidity (29-year record)

| | |
|----------|------------|
| Midnight | 79 percent |
| 6 a.m. | 82 percent |
| Noon | 59 percent |
| 6 p.m. | 63 percent |

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1991. Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

The City of Marion is governed by a mayor, six council members and a full-time city administrator. The mayor is elected to a four-year term while the council members each serve two-year terms. Crittenden County is governed by a county judge/executive and six magistrates. Each county official is elected to a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

There are no active planning and zoning agencies in Marion or Crittenden County at the present time.

Mandatory state codes enforced - Kentucky Plumbing Code, National Electric Code, Kentucky Boiler Regulations and Standards, Kentucky Building Code (modeled after BOCA code)

Local Fees and Licenses

The City of Marion levies an occupational tax of 0.75 percent on all wages, salaries and commissions earned within the city. A net profits tax of 0.75 percent and a \$25 business license fee are levied on businesses within the city. The license fee is credited toward the net profits tax. A municipal insurance premium tax of four percent is also levied by the City of Marion.

PROPERTY TAXES

The Kentucky Constitution requires the state to tax all classes of taxable property, and state statutes allow local jurisdictions to tax only a few classes. All locally taxed property is subject to county taxes and school district taxes (either a county school district or an independent school district). Property located inside of city limits may also be subject to city property taxes.

Special local taxing jurisdictions (fire protection districts, watershed districts, and sanitation districts) levy taxes within their operating areas (usually a small portion of community or county).

Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. A 15% reduction is automatically granted for accounts receivable.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

| <u>Selected Classes of Property</u> | <u>1991 State Rate</u> | <u>Local Taxation Permitted</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Real Estate | \$0.187 | YES |
| Manufacturing Machinery | 0.150 | NO |
| Pollution Control Equipment | 0.150 | NO |
| Inventories | | |
| Raw Materials | 0.050 | NO |
| Goods in Process | 0.050 | NO |
| Finished Goods | 0.050 | YES |
| Motor Vehicles | 0.450 | YES |
| Other Tangible Personal Property | 0.450 | YES |
| Intangibles (Accounts Receivable, Money on Hand) | 0.250 | NO |

LOCAL PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1991

| <u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u> | <u>Real Estate</u> | <u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u> | <u>Motor Vehicles</u> |
|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Crittenden County | \$0.1920 | \$0.1990 | \$0.1990 |
| School Districts: | | | |
| Crittenden County | 0.3900 | 0.3900 | 0.5410 |
| Cities: | | | |
| Marion | 0.2090 | 0.2290 | 0.2290 |
| Other: | | | |
| Floodplain District | 0.2500 | None | None |

EDUCATION

Public Schools

Crittenden County

| | |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Total Enrollment (Fall, 1991) | 1,540 |
| Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1990-91) | 16.5-1 |
| Percent High School Graduates to College (1990-91) | 58.3 |
| Expenditures Per Pupil (1990-91) | \$3,360.83 |

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Nonpublic Schools

| <u>School</u> | <u>Enrollment</u> | <u>Grades</u> |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|---------------|
| Marion Christian School Elementary | 7 | K-12 |

Area Colleges and Universities

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Location (Miles distant)</u> | <u>Enrollment (Fall, 1991)</u> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Madisonville Community College* | Madisonville, Kentucky (39) | 2,312 |
| Paducah Community College | Paducah, Kentucky (45) | 3,182 |
| Hopkinsville Community College | Hopkinsville, Kentucky (51) | 3,083 |
| Henderson Community College | Henderson, Kentucky (54) | 1,444 |
| Murray State University | Murray, Kentucky (63) | 8,328 |
| University of Evansville | Evansville, Indiana (64) | 3,046 |
| University of Southern Indiana | Evansville, Indiana (64) | 7,021 |

* Madisonville Community College offers several evening courses at Crittenden County High School in Marion, which might be transferrable to a four-year state-supported institution.

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TRAINING

Kentucky Tech schools are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and provide secondary (Sec) and postsecondary (P/S) vocational-technical training.

| <u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u> | <u>Location (Miles from Marion)</u> | <u>Number of Program Offerings</u> | <u>Cumulative Enrollment 1991-1992</u> | | <u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u> |
|--------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Caldwell County Area Vocational Education Center | Princeton (22) | 6 | <u>Sec</u> 200 | <u>P/S</u> 43 | 45 |
| Madisonville State Vocational-Technical School | Madisonville (39) | 9 | <u>Sec</u> 80 | <u>P/S</u> 283 | 40 |
| Madisonville Health Technology Center | Madisonville (39) | 10 | <u>Sec</u> 50 | <u>P/S</u> 246 | 160 |

An expansion of the Health Technology Center was approved by the General Assembly in 1990 and is expected to be completed in 1993. This new construction will add approximately 44,300 square feet of additional program space.

Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its Training and Development Coordinators will provide technical assistance and will identify and develop low cost customized training programs and services for both established and prospective businesses. Businesses wanting to develop a customized training program should contact a Training and Development Coordinator in Hopkins County, located at the Kentucky Tech West Region office in Madisonville.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, pre-hire assessment, psychomotor skills and academic potential. The school also has a Career Connections mobile unit that is available to potential Kentucky Tech students, business and industry, and other agencies within Crittenden County.

Adult Basic Education

Adult education is available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills, or earn a high school equivalency degree. In Crittenden County, adult education is provided by the Crittenden County Board of Education and adult literacy is provided through the Crittenden County Literacy Project.

Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation, an independent public corporation created and funded by the Kentucky General Assembly, provides programs of skills training to meet the needs of business and industry from entry level to advanced training, and from upgrading present employees to retraining experienced workers.

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation is the primary source for skills training assistance for a new or existing company. The Corporation works in partnership with other employment and job training resources and programs, as well as Kentucky's economic development activities, to package a program customized to meet the specific needs of a company.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 6
Dentists - 3

Hospitals

| <u>General Hospital</u> | <u>Location</u> | <u>Beds</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Crittenden County Hospital | Marion | 50 |

Medical staff - 8 physicians, 31 registered nurses, and 10 licensed practical nurses

Outpatient Clinics - Oncology, urology, cardiology, otorhinolaryngology and minor surgery

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Crittenden County Health Center
Crittenden County Ambulance Service
Home Health Care
Marion Physicians Clinic
Medical Arts Clinic

Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

Farmers Bank and Trust Company
First Federal Savings Bank
The Peoples Bank

Newspapers

Crittenden Press (weekly)
Early Bird Shoppers' Guide (weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell

RECREATION

Local

Public recreational facilities at Marion include two parks, two playgrounds, four tennis courts, five baseball/softball diamonds, two football fields, a fairground with an exhibition building, a livestock show barn and a horse show ring.

The Marion/Crittenden Park features four lighted baseball/softball diamonds, three lighted tennis courts, two lighted basketball courts, a six-lane running track, a shuffleboard court, a shelterhouse, restrooms, concession stand, picnic areas with grills and ample parking.

The Veterans Memorial Park provides excellent and well-maintained playground equipment and facilities for children age 12 and under.

Of special interest to residents and visitors to Marion is the Bob Wheeler Museum. This privately-owned museum contains the largest collection of hand tools and home utensils in western Kentucky. In addition to memorabilia, a circa 1800 loom is on display. In perfect working order, the loom is used in conjunction with the Crittenden County School System to teach students the art of weaving.

Fohs Hall Community Center is a restored school building which now houses the Chamber of Commerce. The center also provides facilities for community activities including symphony concerts and plays and contains a civic auditorium and art gallery. In addition, the development of the Clement Mineral Museum is presently under way and located adjacent to Fohs Hall. The \$125,000 project, when completed in 1993, will contain one of the world's largest collections of fluorspar minerals.

Private facilities include a country club with a nine-hole golf course which recently underwent a \$200,000 upgrade, a swimming pool and clubhouse; a drive-in movie theatre, and a racquet club.

Dam 50, located in northern Crittenden County and the site of the former lock and dam on the Ohio River, provides public space for primitive camping and a boat ramp.

Area (Within 60 miles)

Bluegrass Downs (quarter horse racing)
John James Audubon State Park
Kenlake State Resort Park
Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park
Lake Barkley State Resort Park
The Land Between the Lakes
National Recreation Area
Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Marion re-certified as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1992, and is distinguished as a gold award winner recognizing five consecutive years of certification. Re-certification is based on achievement in the following areas: existing industry assistance, small business assistance, educational resources, and community development factors of health care, public safety, arts and culture, recreation, governmental awareness and resources. The Certified Cities Program is sponsored by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Recent

Two new businesses initiated operations in Marion during 1991. K-Tech, which manufactures industrial ceramics, currently employs two persons. Par-4 Plastics, which produces molded plastics, currently employs 22 but will increase to 45 persons by December 1992.

The City of Marion recently constructed a new water storage tank which increased the overall storage capacity to 1.2 million gallons.

The Marion Country Club recently spent \$200,000 for an upgrade of its existing nine-hole golf course.

Under Way

The City of Marion is currently in the design phase of expanding and renovating its existing water treatment plant to 1,000,000 gallons per day. Construction will begin on the \$1.2 million project during March 1993.

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Planned

The City of Marion plans to conduct a needs study for sewer system improvements.



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