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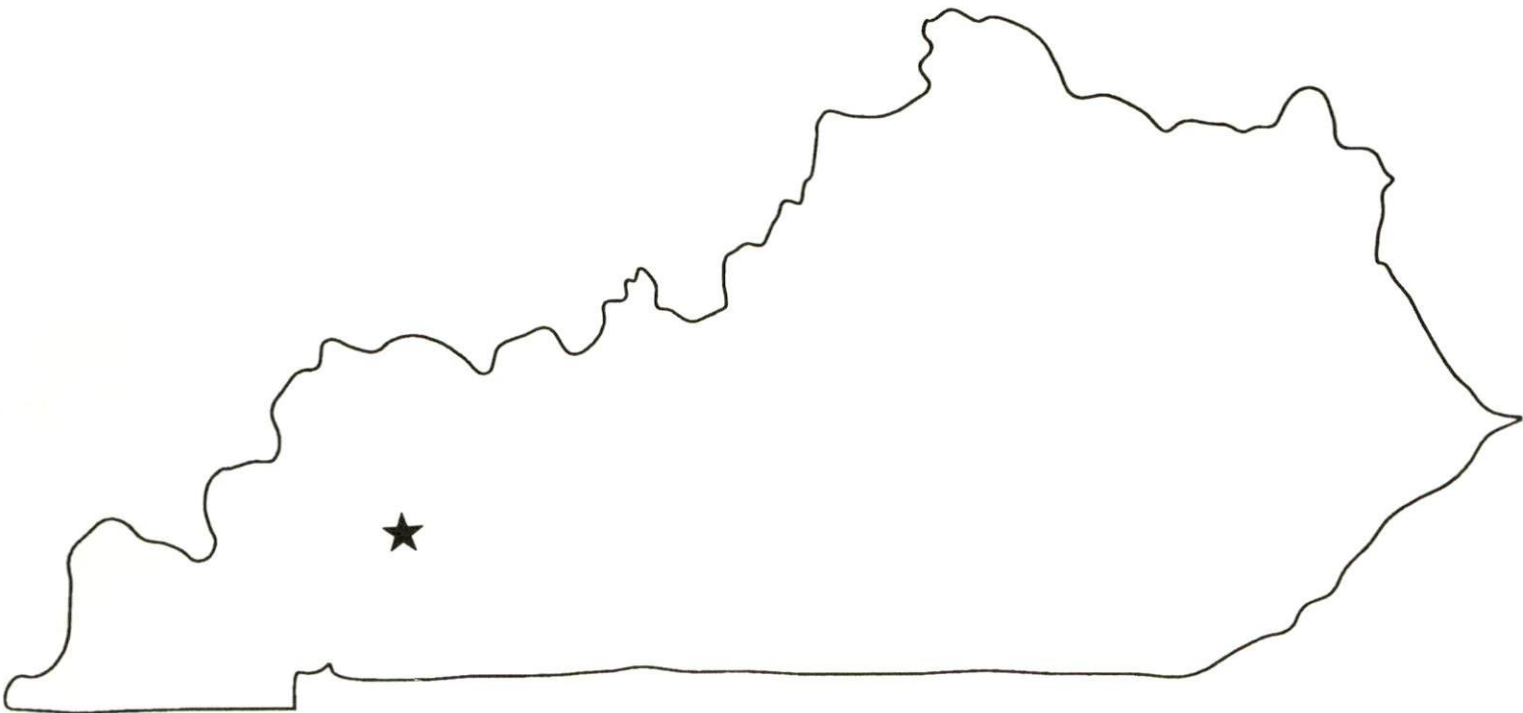
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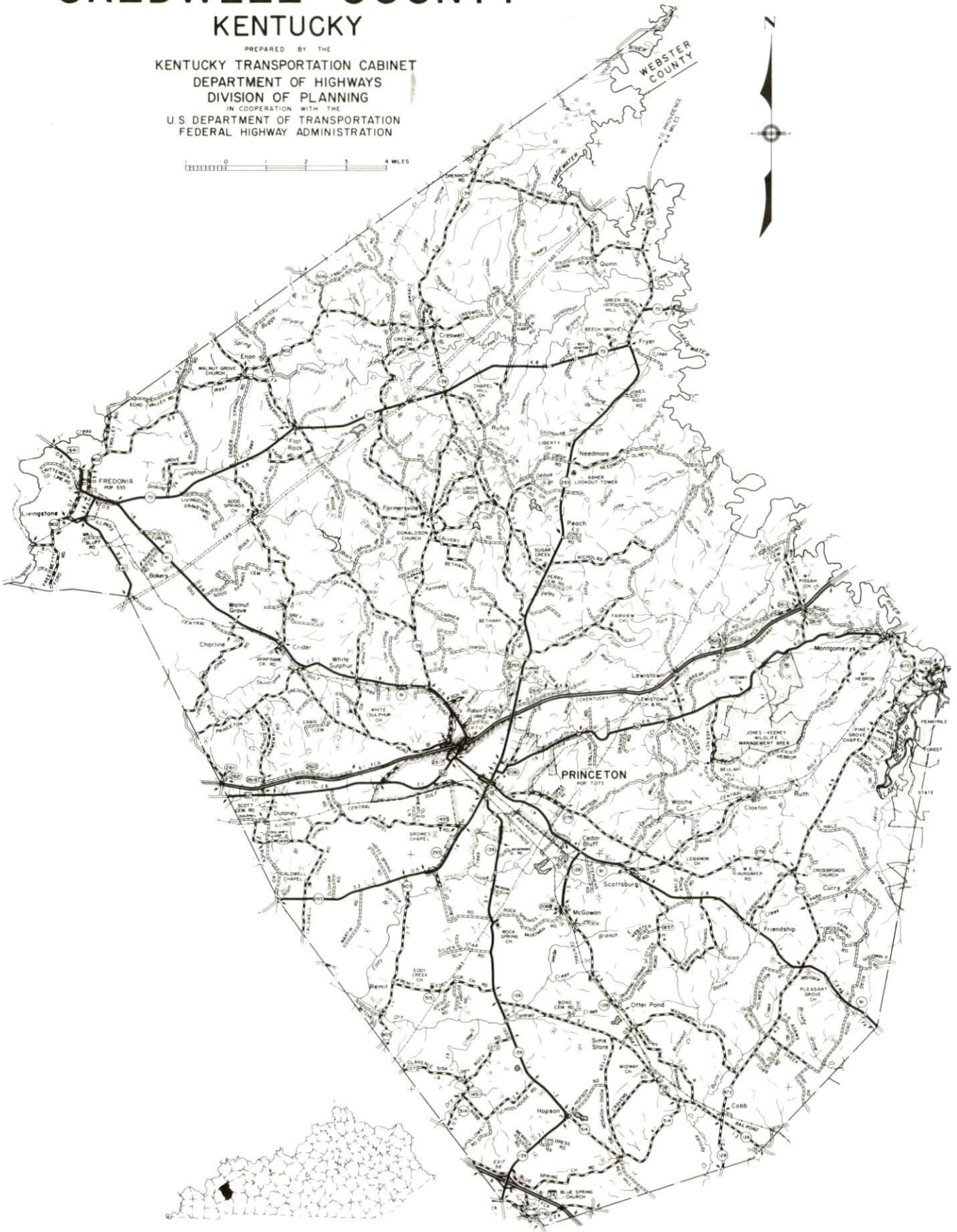
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
CALDWELL COUNTY
KENTUCKY

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PRINCETON, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Princeton, the county seat of Caldwell County, is located in the Pennyriple Region of Western Kentucky just east of Lake Barkley, the Land Between the Lakes and the vast Western Waterland area. Princeton, with a 1990 population of 6,940, is located 100 miles northwest of Nashville, Tennessee; 174 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; and 219 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri.

Caldwell County, with a 1990 population of 13,232, has a land area of 347 square miles.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Caldwell County residents employed in 1992 averaged 4,766. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 646 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 1,078 jobs; 519 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 671 employees; and contract construction firms provided 117 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 22,295 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1993 through 1997, 11,679 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

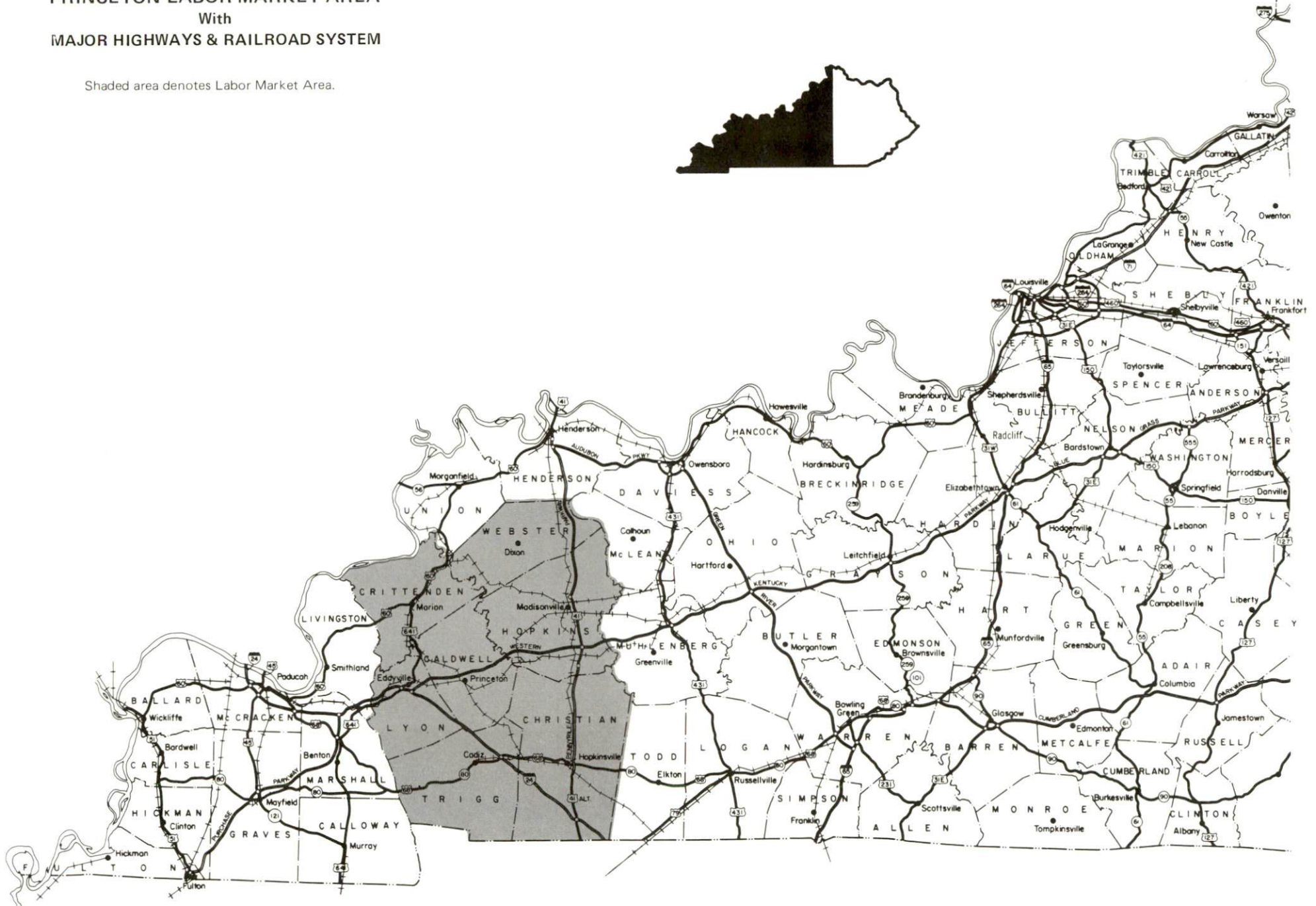
Transportation - Major highways serving Princeton include the Western Kentucky Parkway, U.S. Highway 62, and Kentucky Route 293. An interchange of Interstate 24 is located 13 miles west of the city. Twenty-two trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Princeton. The Paducah and Louisville Railway and the Tradewater Railway provide rail service to Princeton. The nearest commercial airline service is available at Barkley Regional Airport near Paducah, Kentucky, 55 miles west. The Princeton-Caldwell County Airport maintains a 3,000-foot paved runway.

Power and Fuel - Electric power is provided to Princeton by the Princeton Electric Plant Board. Caldwell County is served electric power by the Kentucky Utilities Company, the Henderson-Union Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, and the Pennyriple Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Princeton is provided natural gas service by the Western Kentucky Gas Company.

Education - Primary and secondary education is provided to Princeton and Caldwell County by the Caldwell County School System, which is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Eleven colleges and universities are located within 100 miles of Princeton. Vocational training is available at the Madisonville State Technical School located in Madisonville, 30 miles northeast, and at the Caldwell County Area Vocational Education Center in Princeton.

PRINCETON LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Princeton Labor Market Area includes Caldwell County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Christian, Crittenden, Hopkins, Lyon, Trigg, and Webster.

POPULATION

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	168,435	166,438	143,527
Princeton	6,940	7,073	6,292
Caldwell County	13,232	13,473	13,179

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	171,766	174,460	178,390	181,203
Caldwell County	13,256	13,227	13,105	12,957

Note: Population projections are from Moderate Growth Series forecast.

Source: University of Louisville, Urban Studies Center, State Data Center.

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	<u>Current</u>		<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>		<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1993 thru 1997</u>
Labor Market Area*	22,295	5,289	17,006	11,679
Caldwell County	1,918	638	1,280	902

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; 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). Underemployed persons (employed only 14 to 26 weeks during the year) are no longer included in labor surplus estimates.

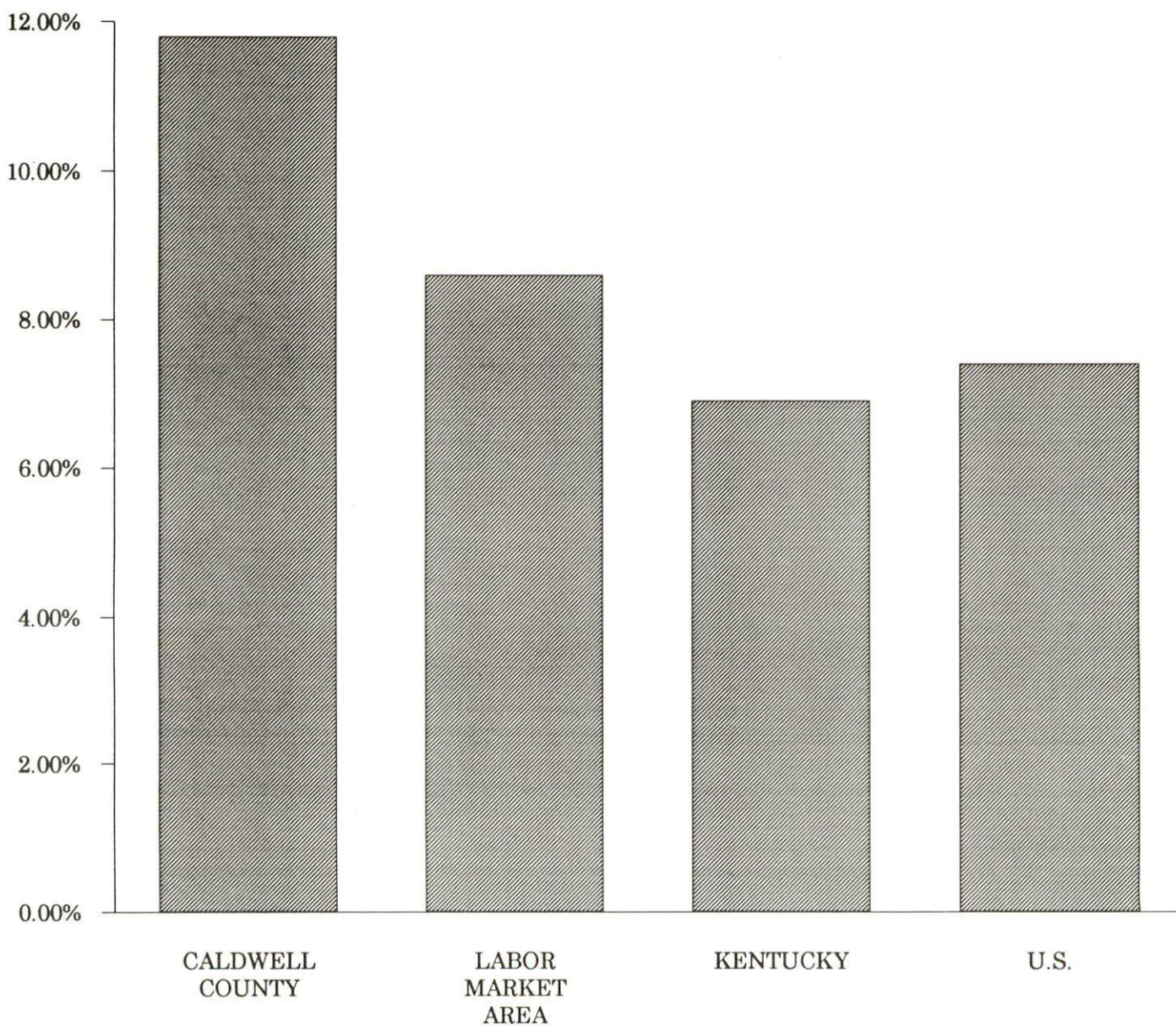
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1992. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1993 thru 1997.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1992

	<u>Caldwell County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	5,404	61,619
Employment	4,766	56,330
Unemployment	638	5,289
Rate of Unemployment (%)	11.8	8.6

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1992.

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1992**

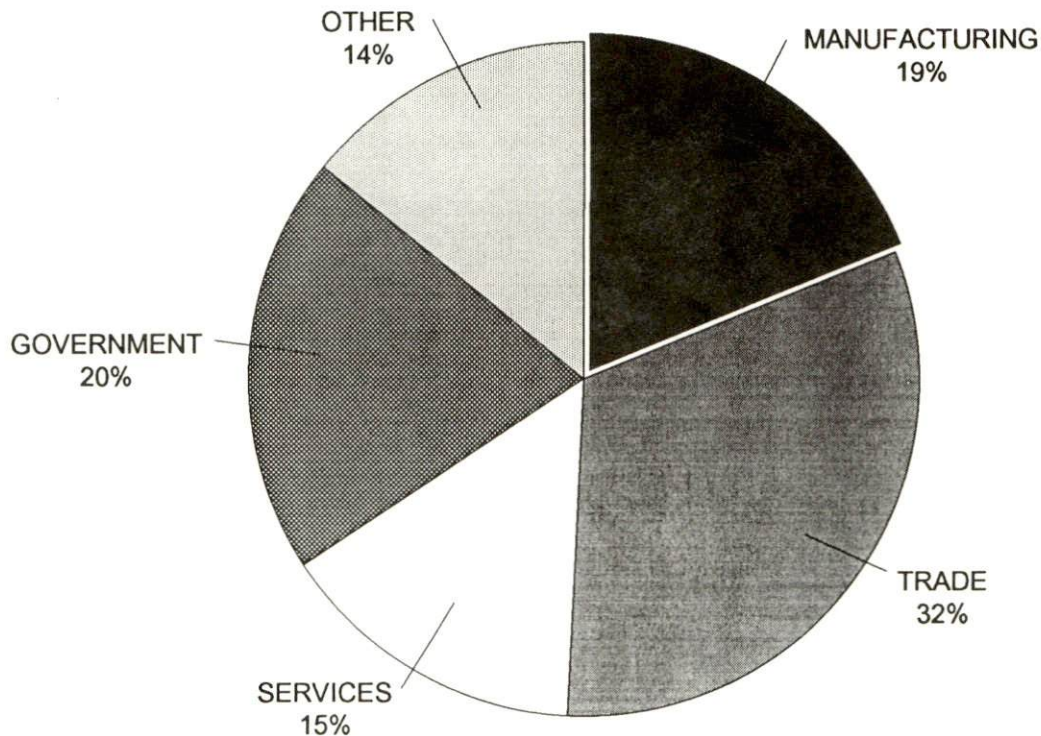


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992

	<u>Caldwell County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	3,380	50,695
Manufacturing	646	10,828
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,078	12,095
Services	519	10,544
State/Local Government	671	8,270
Contract Construction	117	1,536

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, 1992.

CALDWELL COUNTY

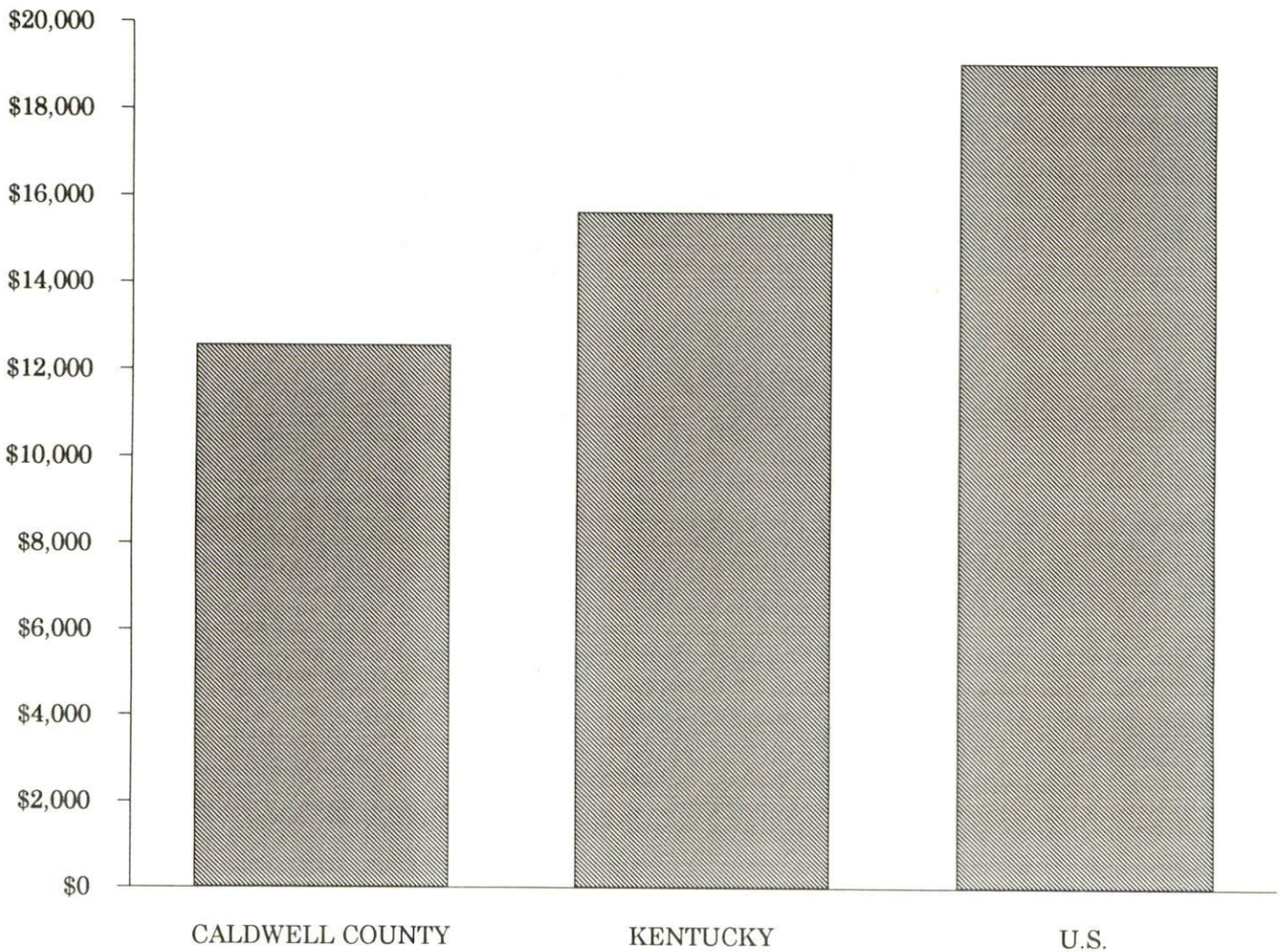


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1987	1991	Percent Change
Caldwell County	\$10,486	\$12,552	19.7
Labor Market Area Range	\$9,303 - \$13,995	\$11,296 - \$18,847	-
Kentucky	\$12,216	\$15,626	27.9
U.S.	\$15,638	\$19,091	22.0

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System, April 1993.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1991



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

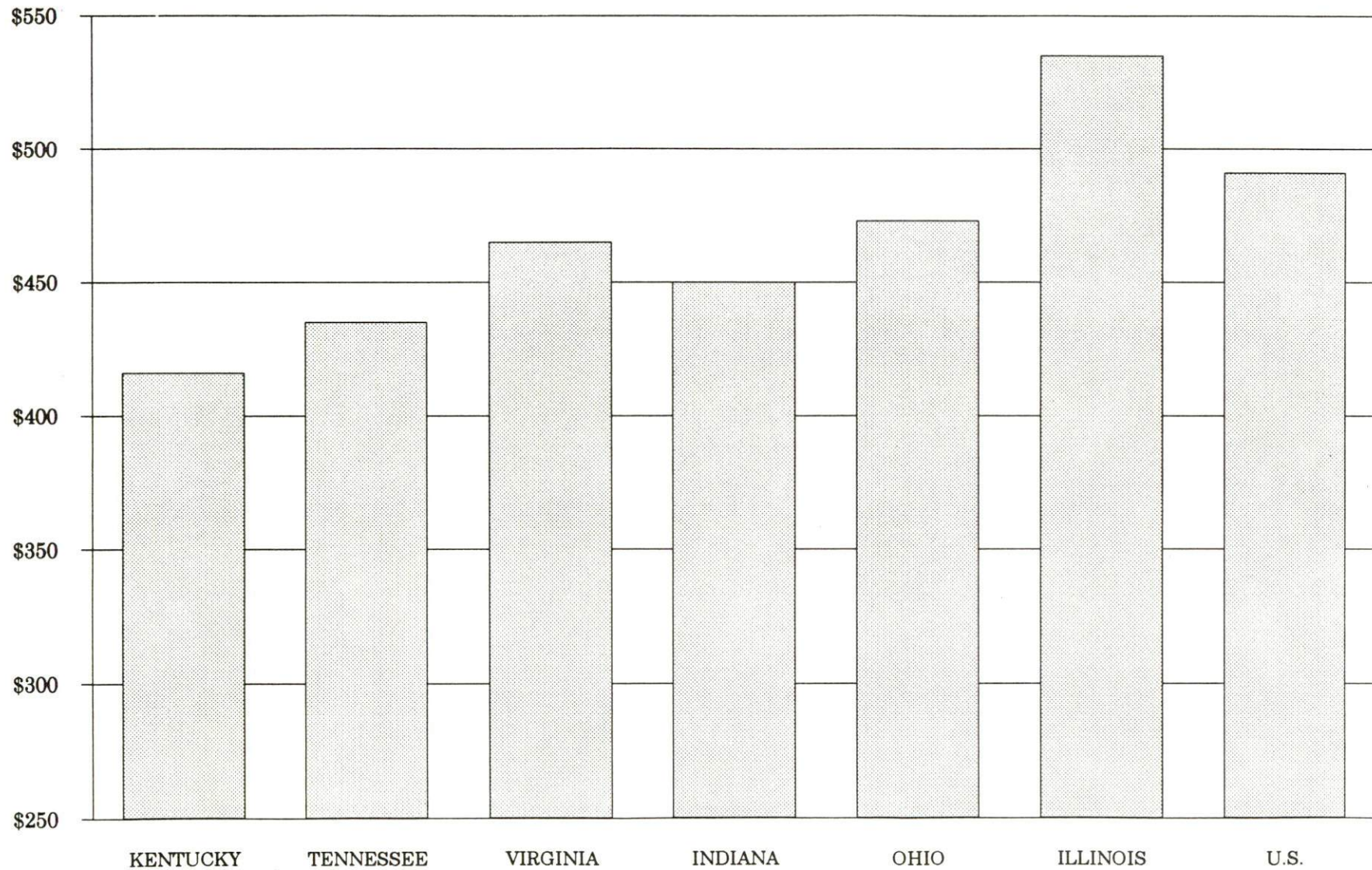
Caldwell County is served by the Hopkinsville local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Hopkinsville local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1993, the local employment office filled 1,401 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	1,401	5.28
Clerical	442	4.59
Sales	51	4.91
Services (excluding domestic)	218	4.51
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	14	5.63
Processing	95	6.37
Machine Trades	176	6.49
Bench Work	121	4.36
Structural	128	6.97
Motor Freight/ Transportation	22	6.35
Packaging and Materials Handling	94	5.08
Other	7	7.51

The Hopkinsville local office also serves Christian, Lyon, Todd, and Trigg 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 - 1992**



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992*

	Caldwell County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$302.21	\$415.94	\$435.00	\$465.00
Mining & Quarrying	430.40	685.48	564.00	690.00
Contract Construction	320.53	431.97	456.00	456.00
Manufacturing	332.42	535.73	510.00	535.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	458.80	560.84	561.00	637.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	217.38	282.29	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	453.14	493.68	548.00	576.00
Services	265.43	371.91	419.00	483.00
State/Local Government	374.13	434.01	N/A	N/A
	Indiana	Ohio	Illinois	U. S.
All Industries	\$450.00	\$473.00	\$535.00	\$491.00
Mining & Quarrying	731.00	639.00	787.00	799.00
Contract Construction	504.00	525.00	658.00	527.00
Manufacturing	609.00	653.00	652.00	612.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	548.00	590.00	674.00	632.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	511.00	545.00	728.00	670.00
Services	386.00	419.00	488.00	468.00
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, 1992. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1992, October 1993.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

PRINCETON MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Firm (Establishment date)	Product	1992 Average Employment
Ames Company, Inc. (1967)	Handles for garden tools, shovels and axes	30
John Beshear Sawmill (1975)	Mining timber, ties, lumber	8
Bremner, Inc. (1992)	Cookies, crackers	425
Fruit of the Loom (1992)	Men's and women's underwear, fleecewear	325
H & E Apparel, Inc. (1987)	Boys' and men's jeans	170
Kentucky Lakes Hosiery Mills (1990)	Children's and ladies' socks	60
Kentucky Specialty Meats, Inc. (1985)	Processed rabbit, BBQ	12
The Kentucky Stone Company (1872)	Asphaltic products, agricultural lime, crushed limestone	33
Lakewood Printers, Inc. (1965)	Printing, rubber stamps	4
O.P. Link Handle Company, Inc. (1956)	Sawdust, hickory blanks for tools, barbecue wood	15
Pennyroyal Industries, Inc. (1969)	Trophies, pallets	52
Special Metals Corporation (1971)	Powdered metals and consolidations	80
Thompson Steel Pipe Company (1990)	Lined and wrapped steel pipe, steel LP tanks	171
Times-Leader (1872)	Newspaper	28
Tri-State Stave Company (1965)	Furniture stock, cooperage stock	8
White Plastics (1993)	Greenhouses	8

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Princeton Industrial Foundation, Inc.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Bremner, Inc. and Fruit of the Loom located in Princeton and began operations in 1992. Bremner, Inc. manufactures cookies and employs approximately 425 persons. Fruit of the Loom manufactures fleecewear and men's and women's underwear and employs approximately 325 persons.

White Plastics located a manufacturing facility in Princeton in 1993. The company manufactures greenhouses and employs eight people.

The Princeton-Caldwell County Industrial Development Association purchased 183 acres adjacent to U.S. Highway 62 west in the summer of 1992. The tract is being developed into an industrial park.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO	Special Metals Corporation
United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO-CLC	Thompson Steel Pipe Company

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Princeton</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Dawson Springs, Kentucky	12
	Kuttawa, Kentucky	16
Electric Motor Repair	Princeton, Kentucky	-
Heat Treating Facilities	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	29
Industrial Waste Removal	Dawson Springs, Kentucky	12
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Cadiz, Kentucky	20
Metal Castings	Elkton, Kentucky	49
Metal Finishers	Madisonville, Kentucky	30
Metal Service Centers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	29
	Madisonville, Kentucky	30
Millwrights & Riggers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	29

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Major highways serving Princeton include the Western Kentucky Parkway, U.S. Highway 62, and Kentucky Route 293. Each is a "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. Other highways serving Princeton include Kentucky Highways 91 and 139.

An interchange of the Western Kentucky Parkway, a multi-lane east-west highway, is located one mile north of Princeton. Access to Interstate 24 is located 13 miles west via the Western Kentucky Parkway.

Construction of two ramps at the Kentucky 293 overpass, which connects with the Western Kentucky Parkway, was recently completed.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM PRINCETON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	341	Los Angeles, CA	1,967
Baltimore, MD	749	Louisville, KY	174
Birmingham, AL	287	Nashville, TN	100
Chicago, IL	371	New Orleans, LA	609
Cincinnati, OH	273	New York, NY	927
Cleveland, OH	520	Pittsburgh, PA	555
Detroit, MI	533	St. Louis, MO	219
Knoxville, TN	276		

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

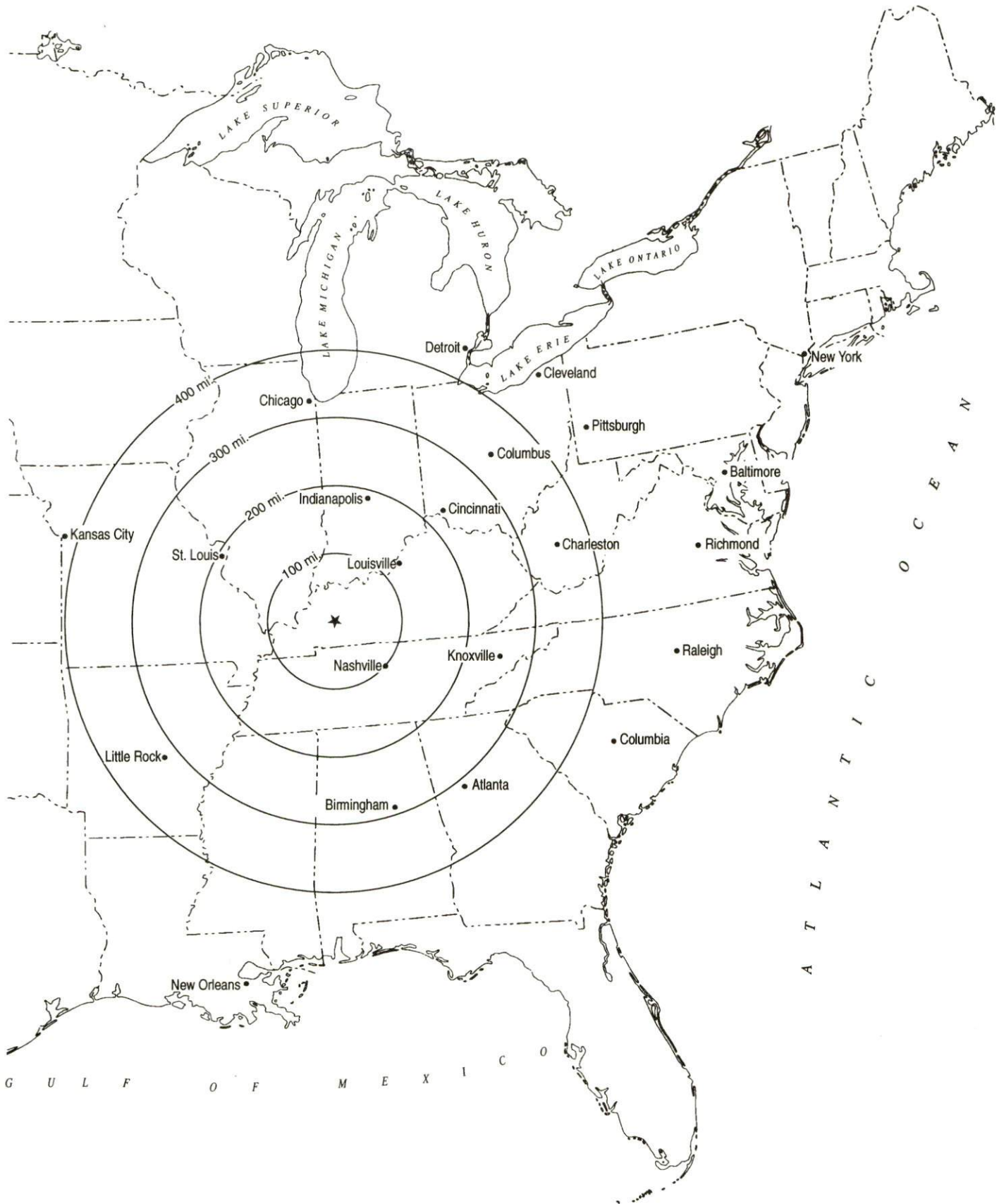
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

Twenty-two common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Princeton.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1993.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

Paducah and Louisville Railway provides main line rail service to Princeton. Tradewater Railway, a short line, connects in Princeton with the Paducah and Louisville line. Intermodal facilities are provided by Paducah and Louisville Railway in Paducah, 52 miles west of Princeton.

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

Air

Local

Location:	Princeton-Caldwell County Airport
Runways:	1 mile northeast of Princeton
Length:	1 paved
Traffic	3,000 feet
Control:	Wind tee
Lighting:	Beacon, runway lights
Services:	Tie-down, hangar

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service (Commuter)

Location:	Barkley Regional Airport
	6 miles west of Paducah, Kentucky;
	55 miles west of Princeton
Air Service:	American Eagle, TransWorld Express, Northwest Airlink,
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	36

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

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

Nearest International Airport

Nashville International Airport
Location: 6 miles southeast of Nashville, Tennessee;
106 miles southeast of Princeton
Air Service: American, Delta, Northwest, TWA, Southwest,
United, USAir, ComAir, USAir Express,
American Eagle, Atlantic Southeast
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 682

Water

Lake Barkley, located 12 miles west of Princeton, is part of the inland waterway system. Lake Barkley is formed by the Cumberland River and a nine-foot navigation channel is maintained. The Ohio, Tennessee and Cumberland Rivers are all part of the inland waterway system and are interconnected at or near the northwestern portion of Lake Barkley.

The Port of Lyon County operates a public port facility on Lake Barkley which is located approximately 12 miles west of Princeton. The Port consists of a 32-acre public port which includes loading facilities for grain, coal and limestone; a public dock with crane service; and outside storage areas.

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving Princeton and vicinity - Princeton Electric Plant Board
Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority
For industrial rates contact:

South Kentucky Industrial Development
Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 726
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0726
(502) 885-5392 Fax (502) 885-9451

and/or

Princeton Electric Plant Board
P.O. Box 608
Princeton, Kentucky 42445
(502) 365-2031

Company serving the central portion of Caldwell County - Kentucky
Utilities Company
Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company
For industrial rates contact:

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

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

Henderson-Union Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Drawer 18
435 South Wye
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-3991

and/or

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

Company serving the southern portion of Caldwell County - Pennyriple
Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority
For industrial rates contact:

Southern Kentucky Industrial Development
Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 726
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0726
(502) 885-5392 Fax (502) 885-9451

and/or

Pennyriple Rural Electric Cooperative
Corporation
2000 Harrison Street
P.O. Box 551
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240
(502) 886-2555

Natural Gas

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

Western Kentucky Gas Company
2201 New Hartford Road
P.O. Box 866
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302
(502) 685-8069

Pubic Water Supply

Company serving Princeton - Princeton Water and Wastewater Systems
101 East Market Street
Princeton, Kentucky 42445
(502) 365-9301

Source -	Lake Barkley
Treatment plant capacity -	2,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption -	935,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption -	1,300,000 gallons
Storage capacity -	1,400,000 gallons
Water pressure -	30 psi to 160 psi

Sewerage

Company serving Princeton - Princeton Water and Wastewater Systems
101 East Market Street
Princeton, Kentucky 42445
(502) 365-9301

Design capacity - 1,070,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 800,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - Eddy Creek

The Princeton Water and Wastewater Department plans to expand the wastewater treatment facilities. The \$3.5 million expansion will include installation of industrial sewer lines and sludge handling facilities and will increase treatment capacity to 1.57 million gallons per day. The project is scheduled to be complete in 1995.

CLIMATE

Caldwell County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	59.20 degrees
Average annual 1991	61.40 degrees
Record highest, July 1952 (52-year record)	107.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (52-year record)	-17.00 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.)	3,756

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	48.49 inches
Mean annual snowfall (50-year record)	10.50 inches
Total precipitation 1991	46.94 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (50-year record)	118.50
Mean number days thunderstorms (50-year record)	53.20

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South

Relative Humidity (26-year record)

Midnight	79 percent
6 a.m.	84 percent
Noon	57 percent
6 p.m.	61 percent

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

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

The city of Princeton is governed by a mayor and six council members. The mayor serves a four-year term, while the council members each serve two-year terms. Caldwell County is governed by a county judge/executive and eight magistrates. Each county official is elected to a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Princeton Planning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within city of Princeton only

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city and one mile beyond corporate limits

Local codes enforced - None

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 Princeton levies a one and one-half percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses. Business licenses within the city range from \$15 to \$200 annually. A truck delivery fee, ranging from \$20 to \$122.50 per year, is also assessed by the City of Princeton.

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. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1992 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.184	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, 1992

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Caldwell County	\$0.257	\$0.269	\$0.265
School Districts:			
Caldwell County	0.374	0.385	0.538
Cities:			
Princeton	0.114	0.122	0.122

EDUCATION

Public Schools

Caldwell County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1992)	2,147
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	17.4-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	61.7
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,563.37

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Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1992)</u>
Hopkinsville Community College*	Hopkinsville, Kentucky (29)	3,020
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky (30)	2,403
Paducah Community College	Paducah, Kentucky (52)	3,133
Murray State University	Murray, Kentucky (54)	8,190
Austin Peay State University	Clarksville, Tennessee (56)	7,816
Henderson Community College	Henderson, Kentucky (69)	1,458
Brescia College	Owensboro, Kentucky (85)	800
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky (85)	769
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro, Kentucky (85)	2,900
Bethel College	McKenzie, Tennessee (92)	461
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (94)	15,750

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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 (Mileage from Princeton)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1992-1993</u>		<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	
Caldwell County Area Vocational Education Center	Princeton	6	260	56	42
Madisonville State Technical School	Madisonville (30)	9	89	162	56
Madisonville Health Technology Center	Madisonville (30)	10	43	247	94

A \$3.2 million annex to the Health Technology Center was completed in October 1993. The addition enables the center to add training programs in pharmacy technician, ophthalmology assistant and occupational therapy assistant. Existing programs that were moved to the three-level, 46,000-square-foot annex are medical office technology, respiratory care, biomedical equipment technology, computer applications and paramedic training.

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 needing customized training should contact a Training and Development Coordinator located at the 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. A Career Connections mobile unit is available to potential Kentucky Tech students, business and industry and other agencies within Princeton and surrounding areas.

Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and post secondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a vocational-technical field. The Caldwell County School System is currently in the second year implementation of its program with concentration in the area of home economics and health services.

Adult Education Services

Adult education is available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills or earn a high school equivalency degree. In Princeton, adult literacy and adult basic education is available through The Adult Center.

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 a major 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 - 8
Dentists - 7
Orthodontists - 1

Hospital

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Caldwell County Hospital	Princeton	50

Medical staff - 7 active physicians, 26 consulting physicians,
45 registered nurses; and 22 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

The Caldwell County Health Center
Occupational Health Services
Highland Homes
Princeton Health Care Manor
Caldwell County Emergency Medical Services

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Farmers Bank and Trust Company
Fredonia Valley Bank
The First Bank and Trust Company
Princeton Federal Savings and
Loan Association

Newspapers

Times-Leader (bi-weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell Telephone Company

RECREATION

Local

Princeton and Caldwell County provide numerous and varied recreational facilities. Supervised sports programs by Youth Incorporated include basketball, football and soccer (for boys and girls) and softball (for girls ages 9 through 15). The City-County Park Board and the Board of Education provide three public parks, four playgrounds, six lighted tennis courts, six baseball/softball diamonds, two football fields and six basketball courts.

The 37-acre City-County Park is a well-maintained and supervised park featuring a swimming pool, two lighted tennis courts, two softball fields (supporting 25 adult leagues), a shelter house, 20 picnic tables, hiking trails, playground equipment, and a miniature golf course. Soccer fields were recently constructed at the park.

The Caldwell County School System maintains a community activity building which houses a gymnasium and physical education facilities.

Private recreational facilities available include the Princeton Country Club, with tennis courts, a swimming pool, an 18-hole golf course and meeting rooms. A new 21-lane bowling center was recently completed in Princeton.

Eddy Creek Resort and Marina is located 13 miles from Princeton in Lyon County. The resort provides camping, a full service marina and boat slips, pool, and lodging facilities.

Area (Within 30 miles)

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park
The Land Between the Lakes
Lake Barkley State Resort Park
Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Princeton re-certified as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1993, and is distinguished as a gold award winner recognizing six 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.

Bremner, Inc. and Fruit of the Loom located in Princeton and began operations in 1992. Bremner, Inc. manufactures cookies and employs approximately 425 persons. Fruit of the Loom manufactures fleecewear and men's and women's underwear and employs approximately 325 persons.

White Plastics located a manufacturing facility in Princeton in 1993. The company manufactures greenhouses and employs eight people.

The Princeton-Caldwell County Industrial Development Association purchased 183 acres adjacent to U.S. Highway 62 west in the summer of 1992. The tract is being developed into an industrial park.

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The Princeton Water and Wastewater Department plans to expand the wastewater treatment facilities. The \$3.5 million expansion will include installation of industrial sewer lines and sludge handling facilities and will increase treatment capacity to 1.57 million gallons per day. The project is scheduled to be complete in 1995.

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