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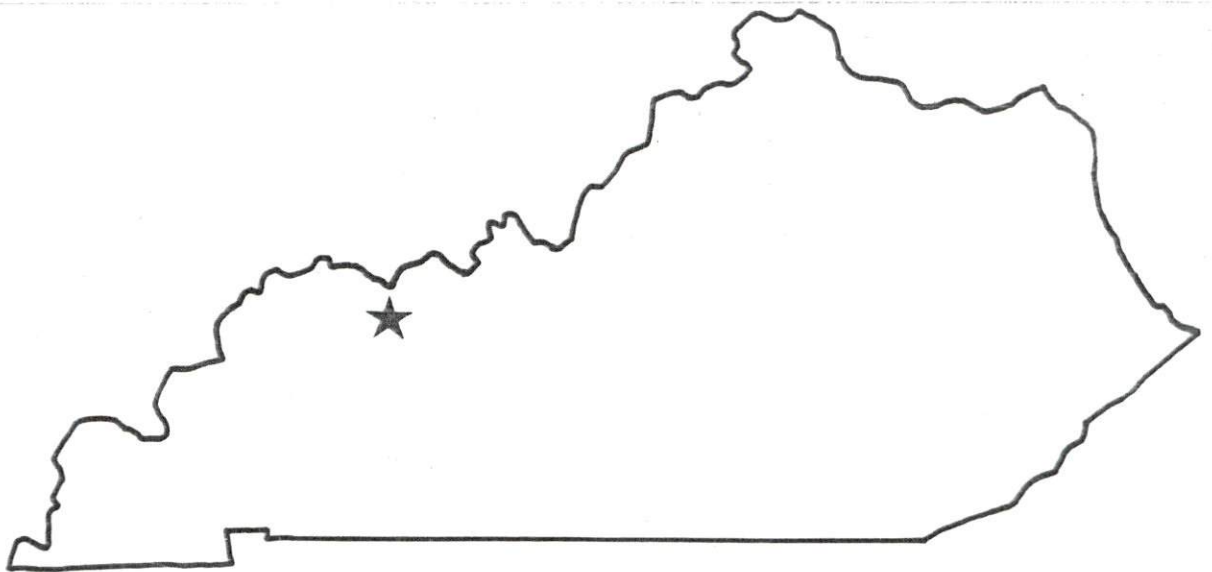
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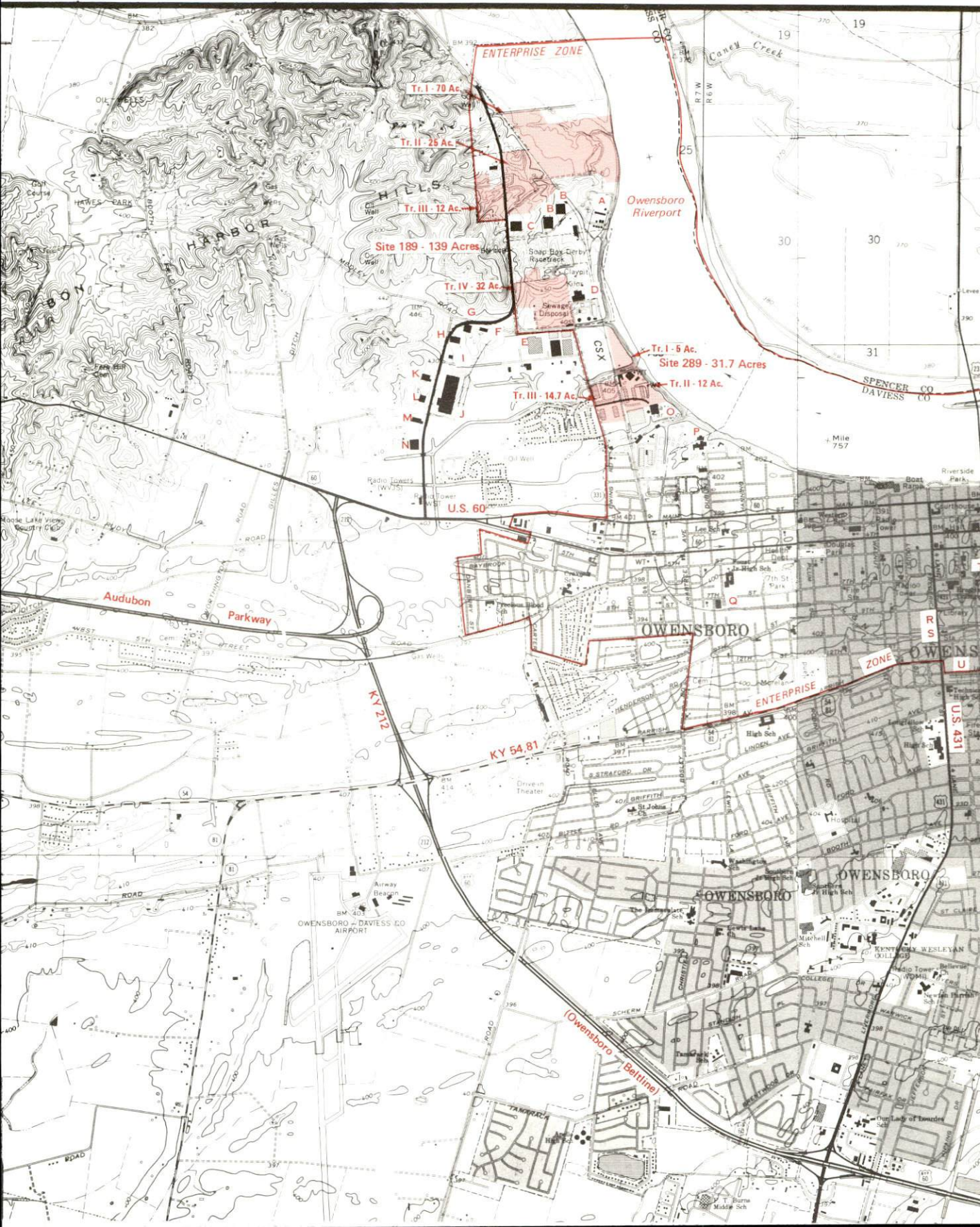
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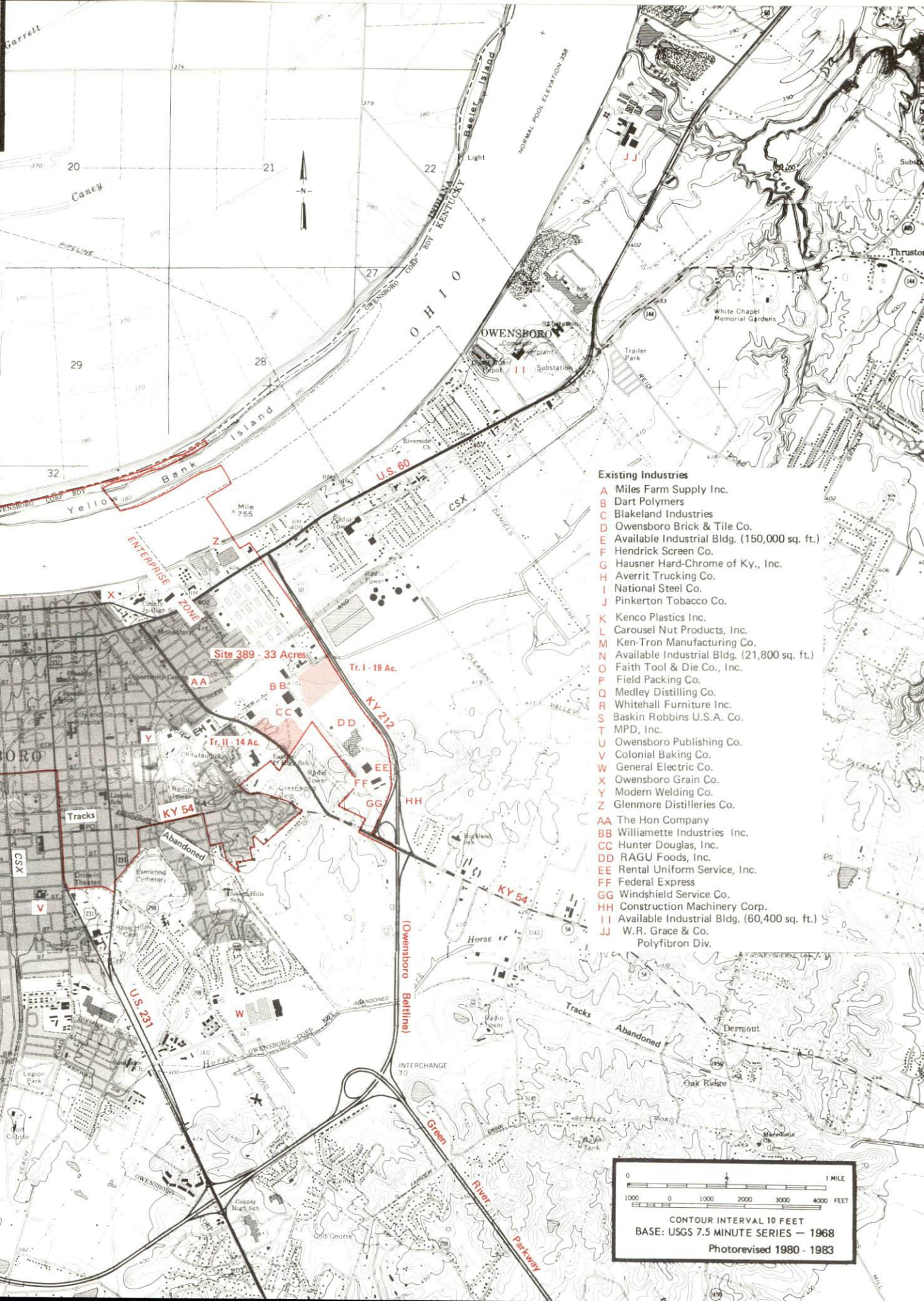


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- B Dart Polymers
- C Blakeland Industries
- D Owensboro Brick & Tile Co.
- E Available Industrial Bldg. (150,000 sq. ft.)
- F Hendrick Screen Co.
- G Hausner Hard-Chrome of Ky., Inc.
- H Averitt Trucking Co.
- I National Steel Co.
- J Pinkerton Tobacco Co.
- K Kenco Plastics Inc.
- L Carousel Nut Products, Inc.
- M Ken-Tron Manufacturing Co.
- N Available Industrial Bldg. (21,800 sq. ft.)
- O Faith Tool & Die Co., Inc.
- P Field Packing Co.
- Q Medley Distilling Co.
- R Whitehall Furniture Inc.
- S Baskin Robbins U.S.A. Co.
- T MPD, Inc.
- U Owensboro Publishing Co.
- V Colonial Baking Co.
- W General Electric Co.
- X Owensboro Grain Co.
- Y Modern Welding Co.
- Z Glenmore Distilleries Co.
- AA The Hon Company
- BB Willamette Industries Inc.
- CC Hunter Douglas, Inc.
- DD RAGU Foods, Inc.
- EE Rental Uniform Service, Inc.
- FF Federal Express
- GG Windshield Service Co.
- HH Construction Machinery Corp.
- II Available Industrial Bldg. (60,400 sq. ft.)
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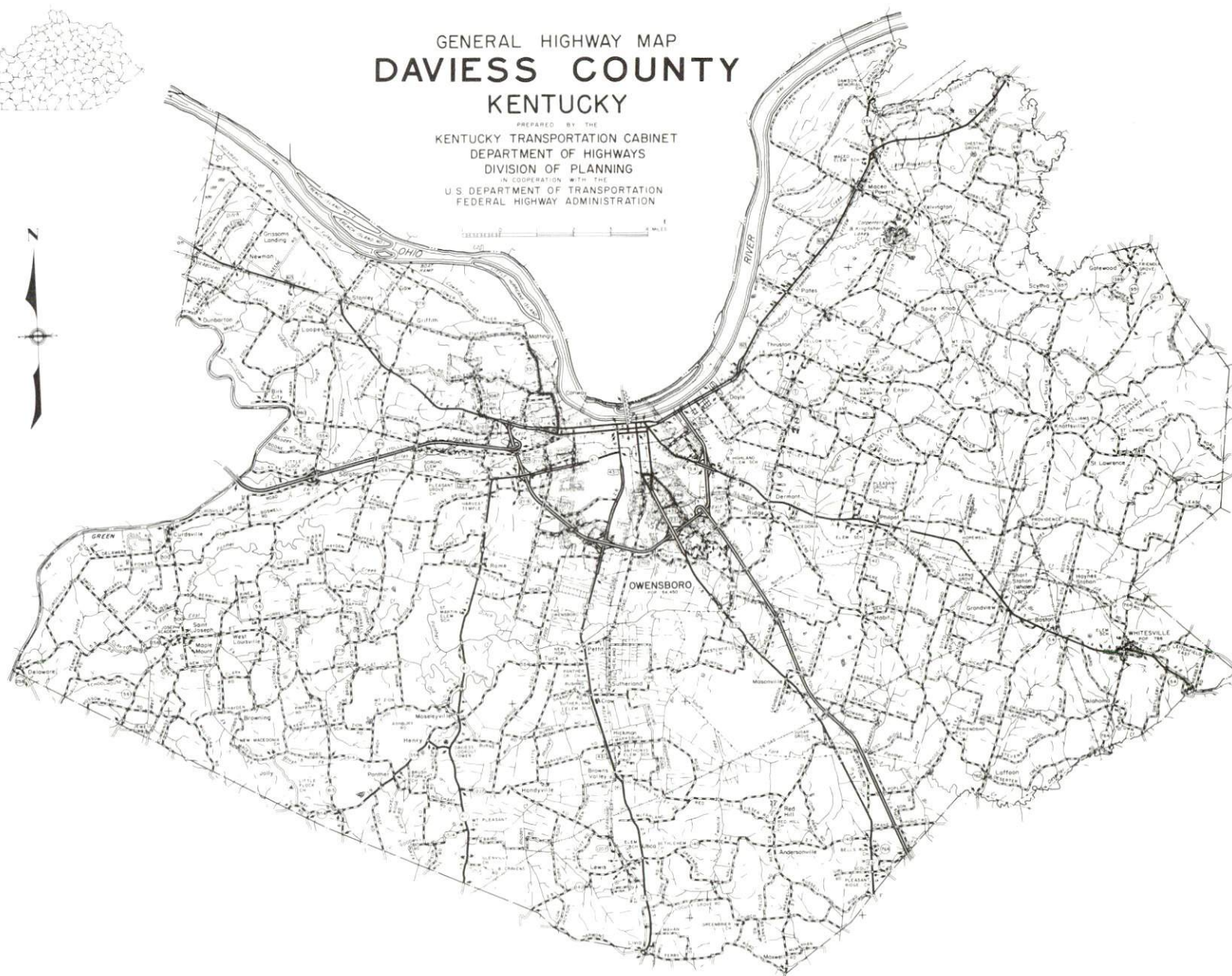




# GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP DAVIESS COUNTY KENTUCKY

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## OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Owensboro, the county seat of Daviess County, is Kentucky's third largest city with a 1986 estimated population of 56,280. Located on the bank of the Ohio River in northwestern Kentucky, Owensboro, is 40 miles southeast of Evansville, Indiana; 110 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; 132 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee; 208 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri; and 211 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Daviess County covers a total land area of 463 square miles in the Western Kentucky Coal Field Region. The Ohio River forms the northern boundary of the county and the Green River flows along part of the western border. In 1986, Daviess County had an estimated population of 87,500.

**The Economic Framework** - The total number of Daviess County residents employed in 1987 averaged 39,940. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 5,450 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 8,490 jobs; 6,470 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 4,500 employees; and contract construction firms provided 2,000 jobs.

**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 10,210 men and 12,860 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1988 through 1992, 6,970 young men and 6,730 young women in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

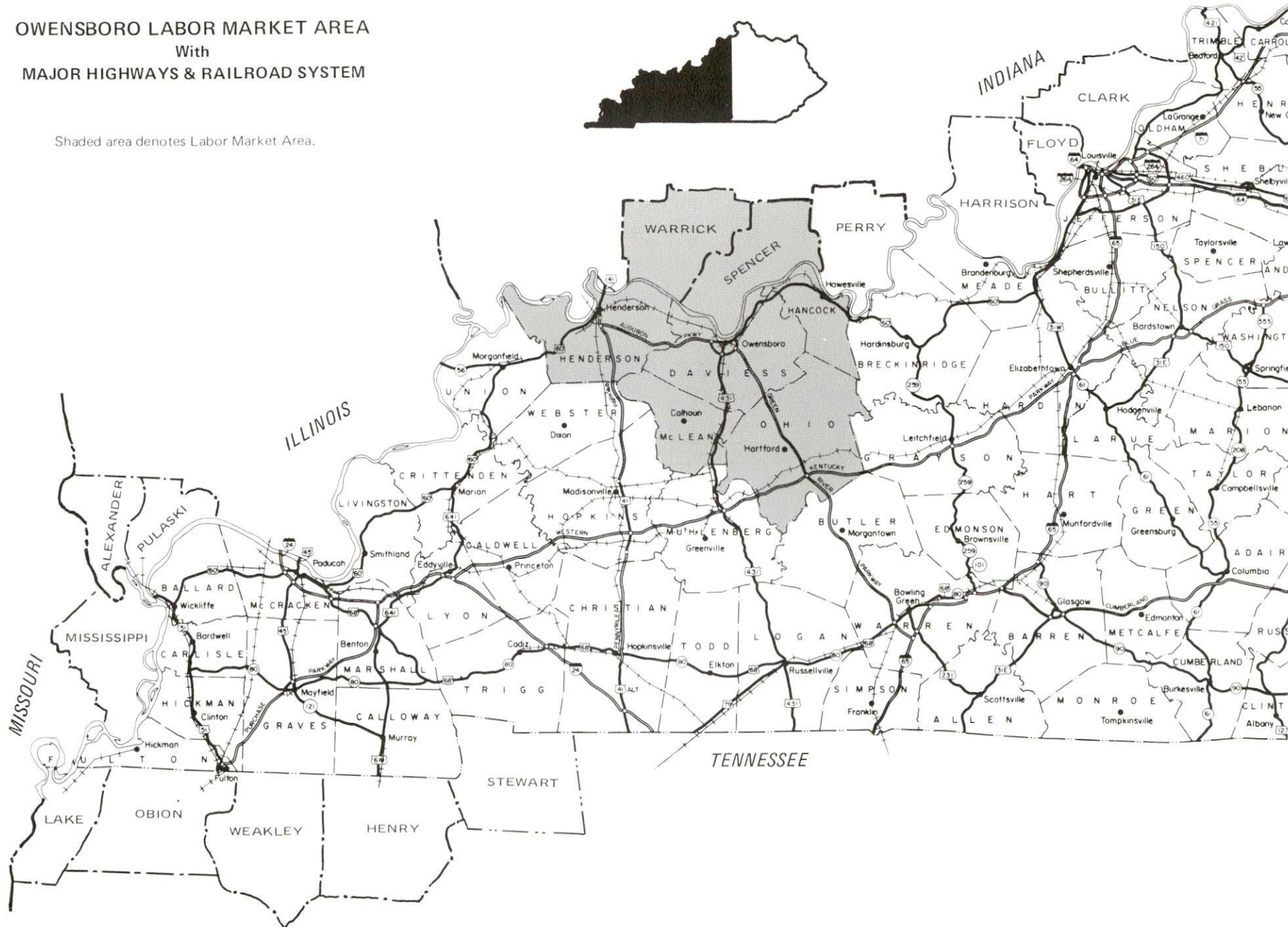
**Transportation** - CSX Transportation provides Owensboro with main line rail service and a variety of other services including piggyback facilities. Direct highway access to Owensboro is provided by the Audubon Parkway, the Green River Parkway, and U.S. Highways 60, 231 and 431, all "AAA"-rated trucking routes. The Western Kentucky Parkway, the Pennyryle Parkway, Interstate 65 and Interstate 64 are all located within 70 miles of Owensboro. Of the thirty-one common carrier trucking companies which serve Owensboro, four maintain local terminals. Commuter air carrier service is available at the Owensboro-Daviess County Airport, which has a 6,500-foot and a 3,700-foot paved runway. Scheduled commercial airline service is available at three airports within 140 miles of Owensboro. The Owensboro Riverport, a public river terminal located on the Ohio River, provides excellent water transportation facilities.

**Power and Fuel** - Electric power is provided to Owensboro and part of Daviess County by Owensboro Municipal Utilities. Daviess County is also provided electric power by Green River Electric Corporation and by Kentucky Utilities Company. Owensboro is provided natural gas service by the Western Kentucky Gas Company.

**Education** - Primary and secondary education is provided by the Owensboro Independent School System and the Daviess County School System, which are both accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Fifteen nonpublic schools also provide educational opportunities for approximately 4,000 kindergarten through high school students. There are two fully-accredited, coeducational, senior colleges located in the city: Brescia College and Kentucky Wesleyan College. Both colleges confer associate and baccalaureate degrees and have graduate level course offerings in cooperation with Western Kentucky University and Murray State University. Owensboro Community College began operations in the fall of 1986. The college confers an associate degree. Two vocational training facilities are located in Owensboro - the Daviess County State Vocational-Technical School and the Owensboro Vocational-Technical School.



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## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Owensboro Labor Market Area includes Daviess County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Hancock, Henderson, McLean and Ohio. The Labor Market Area also includes the Indiana counties of Spencer and Warrick.

### POPULATION

Area	1987*	1980	1970	Percent Nonwhite
				1980
Owensboro	56,280	54,450	50,329	6.7
Labor Market Area	234,500	227,230	195,555	-
Daviess County, KY	88,100	85,949	79,486	4.5
Hancock County, KY	8,100	7,742	7,080	1.6
Henderson County, KY	42,100	40,849	36,031	7.7
McLean County, KY	9,600	10,090	9,062	0.8
Ohio County, KY	20,400	21,765	18,790	1.4
Spencer County, IN	19,900	19,361	17,134	1.0
Warrick County, IN	46,300	41,474	27,972	1.2

\* Population estimates. City estimates are for 1986.

Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, June 26, 1987; University of Louisville, Urban Studies Center, Population Unit; 1980 Census of Population, General Population Characteristics - Indiana, PC 80-1-B16; 1970 Census of Population, General Social and Economic Characteristics - Indiana, PC(1)-C16.

### POPULATION PROJECTIONS

Area	1990	1995	2000	2010
Labor Market Area	248,155	256,906	263,461	270,690
Daviess County, KY	90,350	91,620	92,058	91,348
Hancock County, KY	8,369	8,697	8,995	9,437
Henderson County, KY	43,696	44,905	45,746	46,825
McLean County, KY	10,101	10,176	10,204	10,086
Ohio County, KY	21,539	21,608	21,558	21,094
Spencer County, IN	21,200	21,900	22,400	23,400
Warrick County, IN	52,900	58,000	62,500	68,500

Source: University of Louisville, Urban Studies Center, State Data Center, Newsletter Vol. 6, Nos. 3/4, March/June 1988; Indiana State Board of Health; Indiana University, School of Business, Population Projections, 1983 series.



# LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1987

	Daviess County	Labor Market Area*
Civilian Labor Force	44,667	112,883
Employment	39,938	101,671
Unemployment	4,729	11,212
Rate of Unemployment (%)	10.6	9.9

\* Includes the four Kentucky counties and the two Indiana counties.

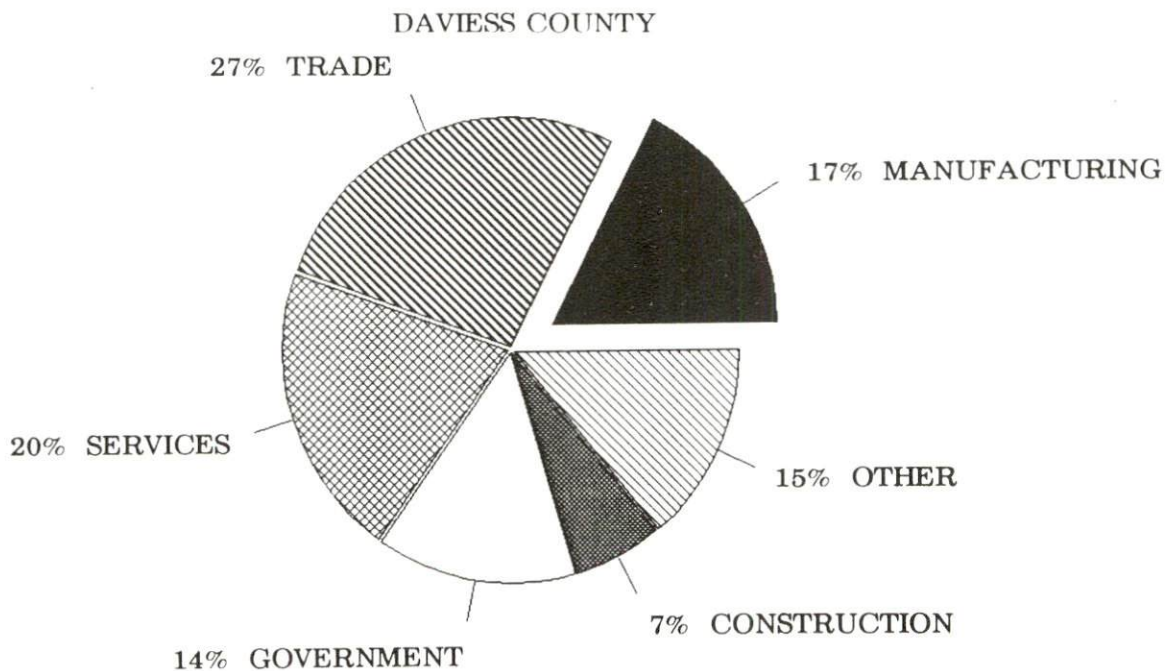
Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1987; Indiana Employment Security Division, Labor Market Information and Statistical Services, Labor Force Estimates, 1987 Annual Averages.

## SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK, 1987

	Daviess County	Labor Market Area*
All Industries (total)	31,338	56,316
Manufacturing	5,449	14,525
Wholesale & Retail Trade	8,489	13,437
Services	6,470	10,284
State/Local Government	4,496	7,750
Contract Construction	1,996	2,657

\* Includes the four Kentucky counties only.

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, 1987.



ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY  
OWENSBORO LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current				Future
	Total Male	Unemployed	Under-employed	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1988 thru 1992
Labor Market					
Area*	10,213	5,090	3,449	1,674	6,974
Daviess	4,387	2,586	1,801	0	3,530
Hancock	597	200	186	211	370
Henderson	1,964	1,170	794	0	1,768
McLean	621	369	252	0	400
Ohio	2,644	765	416	1,463	906

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY  
OWENSBORO LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current				Future
	Total Female	Unemployed	Under-employed	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1988 thru 1992
Labor Market					
Area*	12,857	4,757	4,177	3,923	6,726
Daviess	4,823	2,235	2,166	422	3,457
Hancock	940	155	194	591	364
Henderson	2,734	1,463	1,163	108	1,600
McLean	1,176	337	223	616	399
Ohio	3,184	567	431	2,186	906

\* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; Underemployed - 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, 1986. Kentucky Department of Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1988 thru 1992.

## AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

Daviess County is served by the Owensboro local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Owensboro 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, 1988, the local employment office filled 2,256 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	2,256	4.35
Clerical	421	3.81
Sales	185	3.67
Services (excluding domestic)	494	3.38
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	98	3.56
Processing	266	5.42
Machine Trades	57	6.36
Bench Work	157	4.55
Structural	124	6.59
Motor Freight/ Transportation	57	7.51
Packaging and Materials Handling	350	4.32
Other	6	4.22

The Owensboro local office also serves Hancock, McLean, and Ohio 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.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

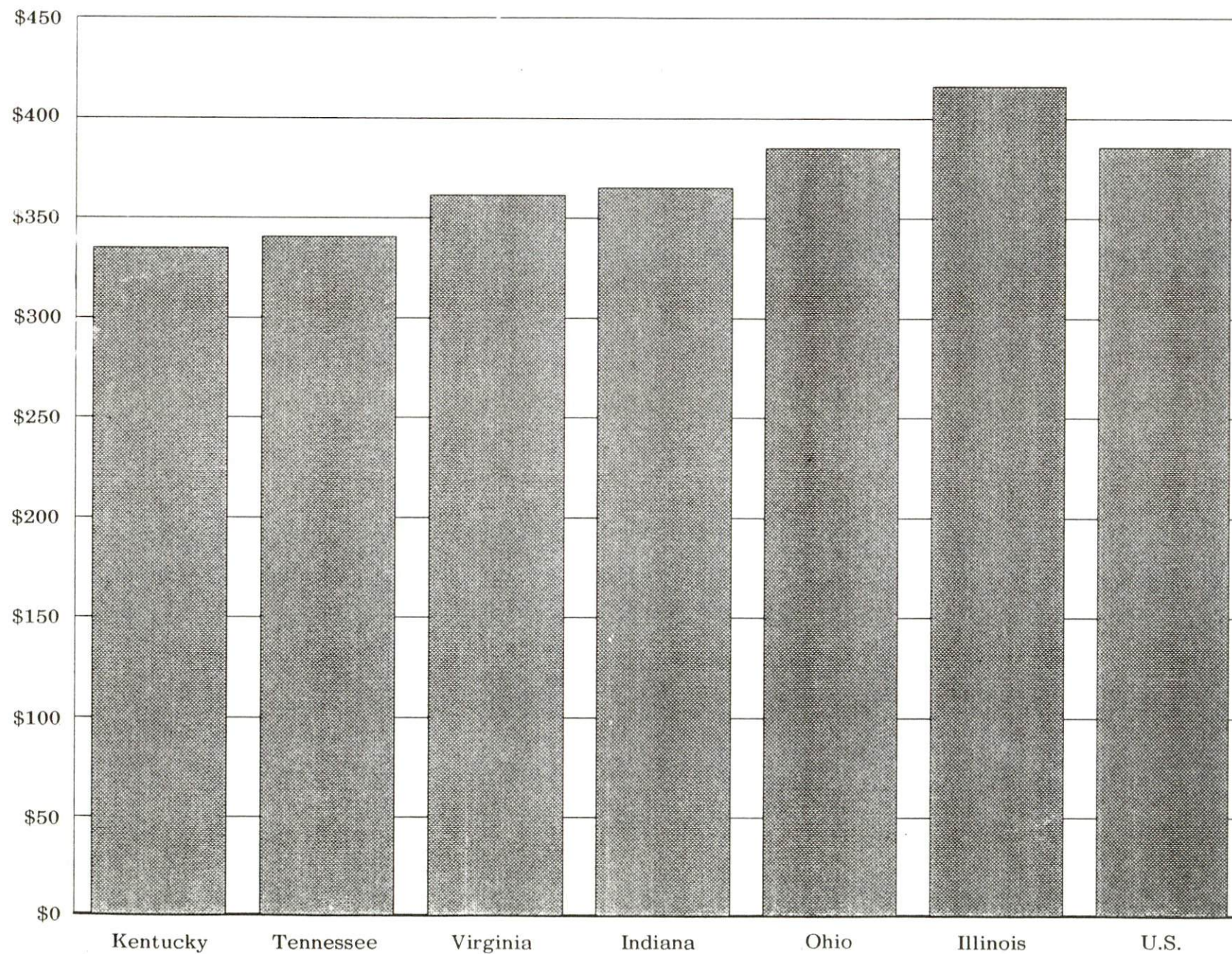
<u>Area</u>	<u>1982</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Daviess County	\$10,502	\$12,416	18.2
Labor Market Area Range*	\$8,418 - 10,817	\$9,580 - 13,254	-
Kentucky	\$9,277	\$11,342	22.3
U.S.	\$11,480	\$14,636	27.5

\* Includes the four Kentucky counties only.

Sources: Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1988.



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE F.Y. 1986-87





AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1987

	<u>Daviess County</u>	<u>Hancock County</u>	<u>Henderson County</u>
All Industries	\$325.95	\$577.48	\$368.02
Mining & Quarrying	473.20	284.59	697.66
Contract Construction	336.51	314.04	364.68
Manufacturing	430.94	677.25	489.65
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	521.44	*	496.66
Wholesale & Retail Trade	217.74	146.27	227.22
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	344.02	298.84	311.18
Services	279.32	177.37	281.07
State/Local Government	344.64	280.30	330.61
Other	248.55	272.16	275.27

	<u>McLean County</u>	<u>Ohio County</u>
All Industries	\$269.33	\$319.75
Mining & Quarrying	299.33	635.53
Contract Construction	169.45	256.57
Manufacturing	352.06	312.21
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	437.70	460.61
Wholesale & Retail Trade	205.85	190.45
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	267.46	288.26
Services	171.21	213.42
State/Local Government	275.83	281.40
Other	203.77	136.04

\* Not disclosed.

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, 1987.



## EXISTING INDUSTRY

### MAJOR OWENSBORO MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT\*

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1988</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Baskin Robbins, USA Company (1920)	Ice cream	63
Colonial Baking Company (1959)	Bread & rolls	187
Field Packing Company, Inc. (1915)	Meat packing	475
General Electric Com- pany (1977)	Electric motors & generators	402
Glenmore Distilleries Company (1869)	Whiskey, gin, vodka, cocktails, wine, brandy	350
W. R. Grace and Com- pany, Polyfibron Division (1959)	Battery separators, latex, cellulosic fibers	300
Green River Steel Cor- poration, Division of Athlone Industries, Inc. (1953)	Alloy-carbon steel bars & billets	140
The Hon Company (1945)	Office chairs, public building furniture	358
Hunter Douglas, Inc. (1981)	Plastic injection molding, die casting	75
Ken-Tron Manufacturing, Inc. (1960)	Wire drawing, electrical componet assembly, precision metal stamping	98
Kenco Plastics, Inc. (1974)	Custom blow molded auto- mobile parts, fire extinguishers	82

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<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1988</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
MPD, Inc. (1928)	Microwave components, commercial & special tubes & components	500
Modern Welding Company, Inc. (1933)	Storage tanks, pressure vessels, fabricated structural steel	160
OMICO, Inc. (1964)	Blow molding, automotive & appliance products	160
Opportunity Center Workshop (1960)	Surveying stakes, paper plant sleeves, wood shipping pallets	114
Owensboro Grain Company (1946)	Soybean oil, meal, grain	88
Owensboro Publishing Company (1929)	Newspaper, commercial offset printing, typesetting	178
Pinkerton Tobacco Company (1973)	Chewing, smoking, & snuff tobacco	757
Premium Allied Tool, Inc. (1966)	Metal stampings, wire forms	225
Ragu Foods, Inc., Division of Chesebrough-Ponds (1974)	Spaghetti sauce	256
Whitehall Furniture (1968)	Wood office furniture	175
Yager Materials, Inc. (1914)	Concrete, ready mix, asphalt paving, barge repair	160

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\* Manufacturing firms with 50 or more employees.

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Development, 1988 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers; Division of Research and Planning.



## MAJOR NON-MANUFACTURING EMPLOYERS

<u>Major Employers</u>	<u>Employment</u>
Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital	1,320
Daviess County School Board	935
Owensboro School Board	667
Texas Gas Transmission Corporation	594
City of Owensboro	543
Executive Inn	500
Mercy Hospital	455
Green River Mental Health-Mental Retardation Board	450
South Central Bell Telephone	287
Green Coal Company	285
Kroger	233
Lincoln Service Corporation	221

Source: Owensboro-Daviess County Chamber of Commerce.

## LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
Bakery, Confectionary and Tobacco Workers' International Union, AFL-CIO, CLC	Colonial Baking Company; Pinkerton Tobacco Company
Distillery, Wine and Allied Workers' International Union, AFL-CIO, CLC	Glenmore Distilleries Company
Graphic Communications International Union, AFL-CIO	Owensboro Publishing Company
International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers, AFL-CIO	W. R. Grace Company, Polyfibron Division
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO	Eastern Electric Apparatus Repair Company
International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers, AFL-CIO	Glenmore Distilleries Company
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America	Colonial Baking Company; Baskin Robbins, Inc.; Yager Materials, Inc.; Transit-Mix Concrete Company

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Union

International Guards Union of  
America

International Union, Allied  
Industrial Workers of  
America, AFL-CIO

United Brotherhood of  
Carpenters and Joiners of  
America, AFL-CIO

United Food and Commercial  
Workers International  
Union AFL-CIO

United Steelworkers of America,  
AFL-CIO

Upholsterer's International  
Union of North America,  
AFL-CIO

Representing workers at:

General Electric Company

MPD, Inc.;  
General Electric Company

Harpe & Sons, Inc.;  
Lloyds Mechanical Erection  
Company;  
Yager Materials, Inc.

Kenco Plastics, Inc.;  
Kustom Kwik Print

Green River Steel Corporation;  
Ken-Tron Manufacturing, Inc.;  
The Hon Company

The Hon Company



# SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Service</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Owensboro</u>
Custom Data Processing	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Custom Plastics Producers	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Electric Motor Repair	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Heat Treating Facilities	Evansville, Indiana	40
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Industrial Gases	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Industrial Waste Removal	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	Henderson, Kentucky	30
Metal Finishers	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Metal Service Centers	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Millwrights	Owensboro, Kentucky	-
Public Warehouse Facilities	Owensboro, Kentucky	-

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Development, Kentucky Directory of Selected Industrial Services, 1987; Division of Research and Planning.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Owensboro. Siding space, team track space, switching services, and piggyback facilities are available locally.

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

Manager  
Industrial Development  
CSX Transportation  
908 West Broadway  
P. O. Box 2157  
Louisville, Kentucky 40201  
(502) 587-7746

### Highways

Major highways providing direct access to Owensboro are the Audubon and Green River Parkways, and U.S. Highways 60, 431, and 231. Kentucky Highways 81 and 54 also provide access to Owensboro. With the exception of Kentucky Highway 54, all are "AAA"-rated trucking routes (80,000-pound gross load limit). Kentucky Highway 54 holds a "AA" rating (62,000-pound gross load limit).

The Audubon Parkway, a multilane toll road, extends 23 miles west of Owensboro and connects with the Pennyryle Parkway at that point. The Green River Parkway, also a multilane toll road, extends south from Owensboro. An interchange with the Western Kentucky Parkway is located 30 miles away, and then connects with Interstate 65 in Bowling Green, 70 miles from Owensboro.

Owensboro is encircled by the Wendell H. Ford Expressway, a multilane, controlled-access bypass. An interchange with Interstate 64, providing direct access to Louisville and St. Louis, is located 36 miles north of Owensboro via U.S. Highway 231.



## Truck Service

ABF Freight System, Inc.*	Majors Transit, Inc.**
ANR Freight System, Inc.*	Manning Motor Express, Inc.**
Advance Transportation Company**	Mural Transport, Inc.**
American Freight System, Inc. (T)*	NW Transport Service, Inc.**
Averitt Express, Inc. (T)**	The OK Trucking Company**
Bowman Transportation, Inc.*	Overnite Transportation Company**
Buske Lines, Inc.*	P-I-E Nationwide, Inc.**
Carolina Freight Carriers Corporation**	Preston Trucking Company, Inc.**
Central Transport, Inc.*	Quick Freight Systems**
Consolidated Freightways**	R-W Service System, Inc.**
F-F-E Transportation Services, Inc.**	Roadway Express, Inc. (T)*
Fore Way Express, Inc.**	Spartan Express, Inc.*
Hohenwald Truck Lines, Inc.**	TNT Holland Motor Express, Inc.**
Jones Truck Lines, Inc. (T)**	Transcon Lines**
K-Double-I Express**	Turner Trucking Company, Inc.**
	Yellow Freight System, Inc.**

(T) Local terminal.

\* Interstate service only.

\*\* Interstate and intrastate service.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1988.

## HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time TL	City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time TL
Atlanta, GA	374	1	Los Angeles, CA	2,053	3
Baltimore MD	708	3	Louisville, KY	110	1
Birmingham, AL	328	1	Nashville, TN	132	1
Chicago, IL	332	1	New Orleans, LA	649	2
Cincinnati, OH	211	1	New York, NY	858	3
Cleveland, OH	455	2	Pittsburgh, PA	498	3
Detroit, MI	470	1	St. Louis, MO	208	2
Knoxville, TN	309	1			

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

Sources: Rand McNally Deluxe Motor Carriers' Road Atlas, 1987. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980. Delivery time - Manning Motor Express, P. O. Box 685, Glasgow, Kentucky 42141.

## Air

### Local

Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport\*

Location: 1 mile west of Owensboro city limits

Runways: 2 paved

Length: 6,500 feet; 3,700 feet

Traffic

Control: Control tower, ground control, ILS

Lighting: Beacon, runway, windsock, obstruction, and taxi lights

Services: Allegheny Commuter, Northwest Airlink; 100LL, Jet-A fuel; storage; hangar tie-downs; major A & P repairs; general flying service; taxi, rental cars; restaurant; direct line to motel; Avionics; and terminal lounge

Air Freight Service: Air carriers accept freight on space available basis

### Area

Other area airports within close proximity of Owensboro which offer scheduled commercial service are: Evansville Dress Regional Airport in Evansville, Indiana (44 miles northwest of Owensboro); Standiford Field in Louisville, Kentucky (110 miles northeast); and Nashville Metropolitan Airport in Nashville, Tennessee (138 miles south of Owensboro).

## Air Express Service

Several major companies offer air express services in Kentucky. These companies provide a quick means of shipping small to medium-sized packages expeditiously.

\* The Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport recently completed a terminal expansion, parking area improvements, and taxiway improvements.



## Water

Located on the Ohio River, a major river in the Eastern United States Inland Waterways System, Owensboro is an excellent location for riverport facilities. Navigation on the Ohio River is being improved by the construction of new and larger locks and dams under the supervision of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This project, in part, provides for the number of lockages to be reduced from 46 to 18 and the present method of double locking large tows to be eliminated by the new 1,200-foot lock chambers.

The Owensboro Riverport Authority was established in 1967 by the City of Owensboro for the purpose of developing riverport facilities and developing land to attract river-oriented industries. The authority officially opened a \$5.6 million public river terminal in June 1976. This facility, located on a 50-acre site at Ohio River mile 759, has a 52,000-square-foot transfer warehouse, 9,300 square yards of paved outside storage, two 600,000-gallon liquid storage tanks, 14,200 tons of inside bulk storage, 2,000 ton/hour coal loading facility, grain loading facilities, and two 110-ton cranes (one located on a spud barge) for the transfer of commodities. The facility has eight mooring dolphins and fleeting is readily available. Tug and fleeting service is available 24 hours a day. The riverport is located on a main line of CSX Transportation Railroad and is served by a new state access road to the parkway and interstate systems. A 404-acre, fully-developed industrial park which includes natural gas service is located adjacent to the riverport facility. Approximately 200 acres are presently available for industrial use. The Owensboro Riverport Authority is now designated as a Customs Port of Entry.

Commercial barge lines providing regular service to Owensboro include American Commercial Barge Line Company, Mid-America Barge Lines, Inc., Riverway, Dravo Corporation, Walker Towing Corporation, Ohio River Company, and many others.

The Owensboro Riverport Authority plans to construct a new \$100,000 pile cell to moor barges. A 100-car capacity unit train rail loop for loading and unloading coal is also planned. Both projects will be completed in 1989.

# RIVER TERMINALS - OWENSBORO, KENTUCKY

Owner or Operator	Type of Freight	Shelter
Owensboro River Rail Terminal (Division of Yager Materials, Inc.)*	Steel, scrap iron and miscellaneous freight	None
Owensboro River Terminal	Petroleum products	Storage tanks
Owensboro Riverport Authority**	Steel, dry bulk, alu- minum, liquids, coal, grain	Warehouse/ storage tanks
Ashland Oil & Refining Company and Owensboro Ashland Company (Sohio-Ashland)	Oil (crude)	Storage tanks
Texaco, Inc.	Petroleum products	Storage tanks
Glenmore Distilleries	Grain alcohol	Storage tanks
Chevron Oil Company	Petroleum products and fuel oil	Storage tanks
Iceland Coal Dock	Coal	None
Missouri Portland Cement Company	Bulk cement	Silos
Owensboro Grain Company, Inc.	Grain	None
Yager Materials, Inc.	Sand and gravel	Silos, truck- loading hoppers and garage
Farmers Elevator	Grain	None
Green Coal Company	Coal	None
Pacific Molasses	Molasses	Storage tanks

\* Private and public facility.

\*\* Public facility; all others are private.



## POWER AND FUEL

### Electricity

Company serving Owensboro and parts of Daviess County - Owensboro

Municipal Utilities

Source of power - Owensboro Municipal Utilities

For industrial rates contact:

General Manager  
Owensboro Municipal Utilities  
115 East 4th Street  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302  
(502) 926-3200

Company serving a major portion of Daviess County - Green River Electric Corporation

Source of power - Big Rivers Electric Corporation

For industrial rates contact:

Green River Electric Corporation  
3111 Fairview Drive  
P. O. Box 1389  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302  
(502) 926-4141

and/or

Big Rivers Electric Corporation  
201 Third Street  
P. O. Box 24  
Henderson, Kentucky 42420  
(502) 827-2561

Company serving a small portion of Daviess 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) 255-1461

## Natural Gas

Company serving Owensboro - Western Kentucky Gas Company

Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation

Size of transmission mains - 26 and 30 inches (supplier); 8 inches (distributor)

Distribution mains - 2 to 8 inches

Distribution pressure - Up to 50 psi

Btu content - 1,025 per cubic foot

Specific gravity - 0.60

For rates and supplies contact:

Western Kentucky Gas Company

311 West 7th Street

Owensboro, Kentucky 42301

(502) 685-8067

## WATER AND SEWERAGE

### Public Water Supply

Company serving Owensboro - Owensboro Municipal Utilities\*  
 115 East Fourth Street  
 Owensboro, Kentucky 42301  
 (502) 926-3200

Source - Wells

Treatment plant capacity - 19,000,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption - 13,000,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 18,600,000 gallons

Treatment processes - Aeration, rapid mix, coagulation, flocculation, sedimentation, filtration, chlorination, fluoridation, corrosion control (phosphate)

Storage capacity - 9,000,000 gallons

Size lines - 2 to 24 inches

Water pressure - 35 to 60 psi

### MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR DOMESTIC, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

<u>Cubic Feet Delivered in Any One Month</u>		<u>Inside City Per 100 Cubic Feet</u>	<u>Outside City Per 100 Cubic Feet</u>
First	1,500	\$0.68	\$1.02
Next	38,500	0.51	0.77
All over	40,000	0.35	0.53

<u>Minimum Charge for Metered Service</u>		<u>Inside City</u>	<u>Outside City</u>
5/8 and 3/4-inch meter		\$ 2.10	\$ 3.15
1-inch meter		5.30	7.95
1 1/4-inch meter		9.00	13.50
1 1/2-inch meter		13.00	19.50
2-inch meter		22.00	33.00
3-inch meter		40.00	60.00
4-inch meter		66.00	99.00
6-inch meter		134.00	201.00
8-inch meter		268.00	402.00
10-inch meter		464.00	695.00
12-inch meter		1,030.00	1,545.00

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\* Owensboro Municipal Utilities has tentative plans to construct a new 10-million-gallon-per-day fresh water treatment plant. This plant would be in addition to the existing facility. A treatment capacity study is presently being performed to determine the feasibility of a new plant.



Fire Protection Service (Monthly Fees)	Inside City	Outside City
2-inch service connection	\$ 8.00	\$12.00
4-inch service connection	16.00	24.00
6-inch service connection	23.00	34.00
8-inch service connection	30.00	45.00
10-inch service connection	37.00	55.00
12-inch service connection	50.00	75.00

Tap-on charges

3/4-inch tap	\$150
1-inch tap	250
1 1/2-inch tap	450
2-inch tap and over	Charge at actual cost of installation

Name of water district - West Daviess County Water District  
3400 Bittel Road  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42301  
(502) 685-5594

Area served - West Daviess County

Date when water district began operating - 1968

Source of supply of treated water - Owensboro Municipal Utilities

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 1,014,500 gallons

Peak amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 2,193,800 gallons

Storage capacity - 650,000 gallons

Size lines - 3 to 12 inches

Water pressure - 40 to 105 psi

Monthly rates -

First	2,000 gallons	\$5.70 (Minimum)
Next	2,000 gallons	2.25 per M gallons
Next	2,000 gallons	1.85 per M gallons
Next	4,000 gallons	1.65 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	1.50 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	1.35 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	1.20 per M gallons
Next	30,000 gallons	1.05 per M gallons
Next	50,000 gallons	.95 per M gallons
Next	50,000 gallons	.80 per M gallons
Next	50,000 gallons	.65 per M gallons
All over	250,000 gallons	.50 per M gallons

Tap-on charge:

5/8-inch meter	\$250
1-inch meter	300
1 1/2-inch meter	450
2-inch meter	600

Name of water district - Southeast Daviess County Water District  
3400 Bittel Road  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42301  
(502) 685-5594

Area served - Southeastern Daviess County

Date when water district began operating - 1966

Source of supply of treated water - Owensboro Municipal Utilities

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 1,388,600 gallons

Peak amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 2,306,200 gallons

Storage capacity - 750,000 gallons

Size lines - 2 1/2 to 16 inches

Water pressure - 40 to 105 psi

Monthly rates -

First	2,000 gallons	\$5.43 (Minimum)
Next	8,000 gallons	1.293 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.193 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	1.093 per M gallons
All over	40,000 gallons	.993 per M gallons

Tap-on charge:

3/4 x 5/8-inch meter	\$250
1-inch meter	275
1 1/2-inch meter	400
2-inch meter	550

#### Raw Water

Surface water sources - Ohio River, Green River, and Panther Creek

Average discharge - Ohio River at Cannelton Dam, Kentucky - 127,400 cfs (12 years, USGS); Green River at Lock 2, at Calhoun, Kentucky - 11,150 cfs (57 years, unadjusted, USGS)

Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm along the Ohio River; 5 to 50 gpm in western tip of county; 5 gpm or less over remainder of county

## Sewerage

Company serving Owensboro - Owensboro Wastewater Treatment  
P. O. Box 847  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302  
(502) 685-8285

Design capacity - East Plant: 6,800,000 gallons per day  
West Plant: 12,000,000 gallons per day  
Total: 18,800,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow - East Plant: 5,500,000 gallons  
West Plant: 11,000,000 gallons  
Total: 16,500,000 gallons

Type of treatment - Secondary (both plants)

Treatment processes - Screening, grit removal, primary sedimentation,  
chlorination, filter press, activated sludge, trickling filter

Treated effluent discharged into - Ohio River (both plants)

Size of sanitary mains - 8 to 96 inches

Size of storm mains - 10 to 72 inches

Monthly rates - Based on metered water usage

Residential - \$1.01 per 100 cubic feet of metered water

Non-Residential - \$1.01 per 100 cubic feet of metered water plus

(1) \$0.144 per pound for B.O.D. in excess of 400 mg/l

(2) \$0.172 per pound for suspended solids in excess of 400 mg/l

Tap-on charge:

\$5.00 if sewer is at property and no street repair is needed.

\$150.00 plus cost of street repair if connection is under street.

\$1,500.00 per acre if sewer is not at property (\$500 minimum).



## CLIMATE

### Daviess County

#### Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	55.70 degrees
Average annual 1987	57.40 degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (47-year record)	105.00 degrees
Record lowest, February 1951 (47-year record)	-23.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,729
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

#### Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	41.55 inches
Mean annual snowfall (47-year record)	14.00 inches
Total precipitation 1987	34.51 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (47-year record)	115.70
Mean number days thunderstorms (47-year record)	45.10

#### Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South-Southwest

#### Relative Humidity (26-year record)

Midnight	78 percent
6 a.m.	81 percent
Noon	59 percent
6 p.m.	62 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1987. Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Structure

Owensboro is served by a mayor, four commissioners, and a city manager. The mayor serves a four-year term, the commissioners serve two-year terms. Daviess County is served by a county judge/executive and three commissioners. The county judge/executive and commissioners all serve four-year terms.

### Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Owensboro Metropolitan Planning Commission (includes Daviess County)  
Participating cities - Owensboro, Whitesville  
Zoning enforced - All areas  
Subdivision regulations enforced - All areas  
Local codes enforced - Building (all areas), Housing (Owensboro only)  
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 Owensboro levies a one percent occupational license fee on all gross wages, salaries, commissions, and other compensation earned in the city. The one percent tax is also levied on net profits on sales of all businesses, professions or occupations for activities conducted inside the city limits.

A 3 percent tax is levied on utilities receipts for schools in Daviess County. Tax is paid by all consumers of utilities as an add-on to the utilities bills. Exempted are receipts from utilities services that are resold and the receipts from the sale of energy or energy producing fuels that exceed 3 percent of the cost of production in manufacturing, processing, mining or refining.

## State and Local Property Taxes

All property in Kentucky, except items exempted by the state constitution, is taxed by the state. Property which also may be taxed by local jurisdictions includes land and buildings, finished goods inventories, automobiles, trucks, office furniture and office equipment. Local taxing jurisdictions in Kentucky include counties, cities, and school districts.

All property in Kentucky is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

### COMBINED STATE AND LOCAL RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1987

	Owensboro/ Owensboro Independent School District	Owensboro/ Daviness County School District	Unincorporated Daviness County
Land and Buildings	\$1.278	\$0.972	\$0.642
Manufacturing			
Machinery	0.150	0.150	0.150
Pollution Control			
Equipment	0.150	0.150	0.150
Inventories			
Raw materials	0.001	0.001	0.001
Goods in Process	0.001	0.001	0.001
Finished Goods	1.110	0.828	0.498
Automobiles & Trucks	1.620	1.277	0.947
Other Tangible			
Personal Property	1.559	1.277	0.947
Intangibles (Accounts receivable*, money in hand, stock, notes, bonds)	0.250	0.250	0.250
Goods Stored in Public Warehouses in Transit Status	0.001	0.001	0.001
Private Leaseholds in Industrial Revenue Bond Financed Facilities	0.015	0.015	0.015

Certified companies located within the enterprise zone are exempt from paying the city inventory tax.

\* Accounts receivable are taxed at 85 percent of face value, for an effective rate of \$0.2125 per \$100 valuation.



## Safety

Police	Owensboro	Daviess County
Total staff	128	27
Radio-patrol cars	43	16
Fire*		
Insurance Services Office, Public Protection Classification	3	**
Full-time staff	101	8
Volunteers	-	256

### Rescue Service

The Owensboro Fire Department Rescue Squad provides rescue service to Owensboro and Daviess County. Personnel from the Owensboro Fire Department staff the rescue squad. The Civil Defense also performs rescue operations in Daviess County in cooperation with the Owensboro and Daviess County Fire Department.

### Refuse Collection and Disposal

The city of Owensboro provides collection and disposal of refuse within the city. Private collection is available in unincorporated Daviess County with disposal in a county-operated landfill.

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\*\* The Daviess County Fire Department has 10 fire protection areas and 13 fire stations. The ISO fire rating classifications for these areas are listed below:

Daviess County F.P.A. #1 (Airport-Sorgho)	4/9
Knottsville F.P.A.	6/9
Masonville F.P.A.	5/9
Mosleyville F.P.A.	6/9
St. Joseph F.P.A.	5/9
Stanley F.P.A.	5/9
Thurston-Dermont F.P.A.	5/9
Utica F.P.A.	6/9
Whitesville F.P.A.	6/9
Yelvington F.P.A.	7/9

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

	Owensboro Independent	Daviess County*
Total Enrollment (August 1988)	4,416	9,367
Kindergarten	449	751
Elementary	1,784	3,606
Junior High	590	-
Middle School	586	2,090
High School	803	2,920
Special Education	204	-
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1986-87)	16-1	19-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1986-87)	45.8	62.1
Expenditures Per Pupil (1986-87)	\$3,040.00	\$2,244.00

\* The Daviess County School System has recently completed several construction and renovation projects. These projects include: construction of a new \$2.7 million elementary school; construction of a new gymnasium and six classrooms at Apollo High School; addition of ten new classrooms and two science labs at Burns Middle School; and classroom additions to three other elementary schools. Total cost of these projects was approximately \$14.7 million.

# Nonpublic Schools

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Grades</u>
Blessed Mother Elementary	420	K-8
Good Sheperd Christian	135	K-12
Immaculate Elementary	300	K-8
Mary Carrico Memorial	200	K-8
Our Lady of Lourdes	290	K-8
Owensboro Catholic	1,010	9-12
Owensboro SDA Elementary	22	1-8
Precious Blood Elementary	240	K-8
Saint Alphonsus Elementary	85	1-8
Saint Martin Elementary	105	K-8
Saint Mary Magdalene Elementary	80	1-8
Saint Mary of the Woods Elementary	290	1-8
Saint Pius X Elementary	360	K-8
The Cathedral School	320	K-8
Trinity High School	200	9-12



# Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1987)</u>	<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
Brescia College Kentucky	Owensboro, Kentucky	725	Baccalaureate*
Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky	774	Baccalaureate*
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro, Kentucky	1,530	Associate
Henderson Community College	Henderson, Kentucky (30)	1,116	Associate
University of Southern Indiana	Evansville, Indiana (40)	4,624	Masters
University of Evansville	Evansville, Indiana (40)	3,550	Masters
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky (46)	1,514	Associate
Oakland City College	Oakland City, Indiana (58)	635	Baccalaureate & Masters in Arts and Religion
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (70)	13,520	Masters, Specialist**

\* Courses in masters degree programs are taught on campus by faculty members of Western Kentucky University or Murray State University. The degrees are issued by Western Kentucky University or Murray State University.

\*\* Joint doctoral degree programs are offered in cooperation with the University of Kentucky, Lexington, and cooperative doctoral degree programs are offered with the University of Louisville. The degrees are issued by the University of Kentucky or the University of Louisville.

### Brescia College

Brescia College is a private liberal-arts college located in downtown Owensboro. Brescia offers Associate and Baccalaureate degrees in over 30 areas, and is especially well-known for programs in music, speech and hearing, special education, photography, and business. Brescia's Weekend College offers adults an opportunity to earn a degree through study on weekends, or in combination with day or evening classes.

### Kentucky Wesleyan College

Kentucky Wesleyan College was founded in 1858 by the Methodist Church. Academic programs combine a blend of liberal arts and career-oriented subjects. Both Associate and Baccalaureate degrees are conferred by Kentucky Wesleyan College. Over 30 areas of study are offered that supply specialized training. These programs include traditional liberal arts areas, such as history, languages, arts and sciences; to career-oriented fields, such as computer science, telecommunications, criminal justice, business administration and medical technology. Two-year degree programs are available in the areas of data processing, business, the arts, health careers, and nursing.

### Owensboro Community College

Owensboro Community College officially opened in the fall of 1986. The college confers Associate Degrees in Arts, Science and Applied Science. Current curriculum offerings allow students to earn the first two years of a baccalaureate program. Students may also prepare for immediate employment by completion of one of the following career programs -- data processing technology, business technology, human services, office administration, and engineering technology. Future programs include accounting technology, banking management, and radiologic technology. A new 100-acre campus will open the Spring 1989 semester.

### Vocational Training

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.

Vocational training is available at both the state vocational-technical schools and the area vocational education centers. The state vocational-technical schools are post-secondary institutions. The area vocational education centers are designed to supplement the curriculum of high school students. Both the state vocational-technical schools and the area vocational education centers offer evening courses to enable working adults to upgrade current job skills.

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Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

Nearest State Schools

Daviess County State Vocational-Technical School  
Owensboro

Business & Office	Drafting (with CAD/CAM)
Clerical	Welding
Secretarial	Learning Resource Center
Consumer & Home Economics	Public Service Occupations
Child Care Services	Business/Industry Security
Commercial Foods	Training
Health & Personal Services	CPR Training
Occupations	Electrical Safety Training
Cosmetology	Emergency Medical Care
Industrial Education	Fire Service Training
Auto Body Repair	First Aid & Safety
Auto Mechanics	Rescue & Emergency Services
Diesel Mechanics	Training

Owensboro Vocational-Technical School  
Owensboro

Health & Personal Services	Instrumentation
Occupations	Electronics
Health Services	Machine Shop
Licensed Practical Nursing	Masonry
Industrial Education	Plumbing
Air Conditioning	Sheet Metal
Carpentry	Small Engine Repair
Electricity	Welding
Electronics	Learning Resource Center



## HEALTH

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 135  
Dentists - 53

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital	Owensboro	480
Mercy Hospital	Owensboro	125

#### Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital\*

Medical staff - 147 doctors, 290 registered nurses, and 67 licensed practical nurses

#### Mercy Hospital

Medical staff - 117 doctors, 19 dentists, 147 registered nurses, and 45 licensed practical nurses

### Other Medical Facilities

Emergi-Center  
Green River District Health Agency  
Owensboro Ambulatory Surgical Facility  
Green River Comprehensive Care Center  
Valley Institute of Psychiatry  
Wendell Foster Center (cerebral palsy treatment center)

### Ambulance Service

Name - ODC Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc. - Based at the  
Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital  
Staff - 10 full-time paramedics; 4 part-time paramedics; 5 full-time  
emergency medical technicians; 6 part-time emergency medical  
technicians

Name - Arrow Non-Emergency Ambulance Service  
Staff - 14 emergency medical technicians

\* The Heart Surgery Center of Western Kentucky recently began operations at the Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital. All types of open-heart surgery, except transplants, are performed at the center.

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Communications

Telephone -	South Central Bell Telephone Company
Telegraph -	Western Union
	Toll-Free number, 1-800-325-6000
Newspapers -	Messenger-Inquirer
Daily and circulation -	32,576 (Sunday - 34,709)
Radio -	WVJS-AM, WSTO-FM, WOMI-AM, WBKR-FM, WKWC-FM
Television -	WFIE, WEHT
Airwave reception from -	Louisville, Henderson, Paducah, and Bowling Green, Kentucky; Evansville, Indiana; Olney, Illinois
Cable service -	Owensboro Cablevision Service
Educational Television -	The Kentucky Educational Television (K.E.T.) network is available statewide

### Library Services

- Public library - Owensboro-Daviess County Public Library  
Size collection - 121,594 volumes  
Circulation, 1986-87 - 344,656
- College library - Brescia College Library  
Size collection - 106,667  
Special collections - Kentuckiana
- College library - Kentucky Wesleyan College Library  
Size collection - 89,483 volumes (176,605 items)  
Special collection - Methodism (Kentucky United Methodist Heritage Center), Kentucky Collection, The Dr. & Mrs. M. D. Orrahood, Selective depository for U.S. documents, Kentucky Conference Annual Archives, Louisville Annual Conference Archive, Matsumoto Memorial Library (Japanese Cultural Archives), the Dan King Architectural Collections
- College library - Owensboro Community College Library  
Size collection - 7,500 volumes

## Religious Institutions

### Daviess County

Number of Churches -	Approximately 120
Denominations -	Approximately 16
Synagogues -	1
Congregations -	Adath Israel

## Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>
Central Bank and Trust Company	\$184,376,896.39	\$150,453,276.32	6/30/88
Citizens State Bank	213,832,000.00	178,631,000.00	6/30/88
Old National Bancorp	1,748,124,000.00	1,388,372,000.00	6/30/88
Owensboro National Bank	444,642,527.00	347,314,259.00	12/31/87

<u>Savings and Loan Associations</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>
Cardinal Federal Savings Bank	\$318,232,559.00	\$244,402,597.00	6/30/88
First Nationwide Bank	22,194,500,000.00	16,107,190,000.00	6/30/88
Great Financial Federal	1,009,938,293.00	843,653,149.00	12/31/87

## Hotels and Motels

Total number - 13  
Total rooms - 1,350



## RECREATION

### Local

Owensboro has excellent public recreation facilities that are sponsored and maintained by the Owensboro Parks and Recreation Department. Public recreation facilities include 16 parks, 15 playgrounds, 3 swimming pools, a 9-hole golf course, 32 tennis courts, 13 baseball diamonds, and 9 basketball courts. Owensboro's Sports Center has an air-conditioned, 7,000-seat auditorium-arena and enclosed ice rink. The Sports Center is the home court of the nationally known Kentucky Wesleyan College Panthers, winners of the NCAA small college championship four times since 1966.

Private recreation facilities at Owensboro include three country clubs with golf courses, five swimming pools, seven indoor and one outdoor movie theaters, two bowling facilities, Family-Y and indoor and outdoor tennis courts.

The Owensboro Summer Fest is one solid week of fun leading up to a grand finale on the 4th of July. A weekend of sports in late June offers something for everyone. The following weekend sets the stage for an outdoor orchestra concert, ballet, fireworks, fish fry, an assorted music and food festival and the Anything That Goes and Floats Race. All activities are staged on or near the Ohio River.

The International Barbecue Festival is held in Owensboro. This annual event features cooking competition, cooking exhibitions, mime and puppet shows, square dancing, clogging exhibition, fiddling, battle of the bands, a petting zoo, and a number of other festivities. What began in 1979 as a basic concept mixed with a little volunteer labor has become what is now the largest community event in the region.

Owensboro is also becoming well-known for its Bluegrass music. "Bluegrass With Class" is the theme of the annual Bluegrass festival sponsored by the local Tourism Commission. Thousands of Bluegrass listeners gather on the Ohio River bank at the English Park for three days of free top-name Bluegrass entertainment. In addition, the International Bluegrass Music Association has now made Owensboro its permanent home office.

The Owensboro Symphony Orchestra, the Owensboro Youth Orchestra, the Theatre Workshop, the Owensboro Concert Association, the Owensboro Museum of Fine Arts, the Owensboro Area Museum of Natural Science and the Owensboro Dance Theatre provide a wide variety of cultural events and attractions. Owensboro's Festival of Arts features art exhibits, dramatics, music events, and writing seminars. Kentucky Wesleyan College, Brescia College and Owensboro Community College also offer cultural events.

Other interesting attractions of the Owensboro area are Glenmore's Little Museum which features the second largest miniature bottle collection in the United States and artifacts of the distilling industry; the world's largest sassafras tree; tours of strip mining areas and coal mines; and tours of Pinkerton Tobacco Company.

**Ben Hawes State Park**, 8 miles west of Owensboro, is a 300-acre park which is open year-round. It features a playground, a softball field, tennis courts, hiking trails, a picnic area and shelters, including an 18-hole and 9-hole golf course, pro shop, driving range and archery range.

Three recreation areas in the Owensboro vicinity are Windy Hollow Campground and Recreation Area, Diamond Lake Recreation Area, and Miller Lakes, Inc. These areas offer facilities for camping, swimming, fishing, boating, and hiking.

#### Area (Within 55 miles)

Just north of Henderson, 32 miles east of Owensboro, is the **John James Audubon State Park**, a 692-acre park where the famed naturalist gathered material for his painting, "The Birds of America." Many paintings by Audubon and his sons, and 126 first-edition prints of his paintings are on display at the Audubon Memorial and Nature Museum which is the focal point of the park. Other park features include the Audubon woods, a bird sanctuary, and a 12-acre nature preserve lake. The park has cottages and camping sites. Recreational facilities include a 28-acre recreational lake, a beach and a bathhouse, rental rowboats and pedal boats, a dock, a 9-hole golf course, a tennis court, hiking trails, picnic shelters, planned recreation, and playgrounds. Organized recreation programs are offered during the summer.

Horse racing is another attraction available in Henderson. James C. Ellis Park and Thoroughbred Race Track provide two months of racing during the summer, and Midwest Harness Raceway features harness racing in the spring and fall.

The **Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial**, 30 miles north of Owensboro at Lincoln City, Indiana, preserves the Lincoln farm and the burial site of Nancy Hanks Lincoln. The memorial contains reconstructed log buildings, an exhibit shelter, and a visitor center with an auditorium and museum.

**Holiday World**, located 35 miles northeast of Owensboro at Santa Claus, Indiana, is a 45-acre amusement park.

Noteworthy for its spaciousness, **Rough River Dam State Resort Park** at Falls of Rough is 55 miles southeast of Owensboro. The 637-acre park on Rough River Lake features a 40-room lodge with a dining room, a coffee shop, a gift shop, a meeting room, and a 2,500-foot lighted airstrip. Cottages and camping sites are also available. Recreational facilities include a launching ramp, a dock with open and covered slips, fishing and pleasure boat rentals, a 9-hole, 3-par golf course, a swimming pool, a sand beach with a bathhouse complex, tennis courts, an archery range, hiking and fitness trails, picnic and playground areas, and planned recreation. Cruise boat excursions on Rough River Lake are available on the "Lady of the Lake" in season.

**Lake Malone State Park**, located in southern Muhlenberg County, 55 miles south of Owensboro, offers camping facilities, swimming, fishing, and boating on an 826-acre lake. Playground facilities and picnic shelters are located in a beautiful scenic cliff area. Located across from the entrance to the park is an inn featuring luxury rooms, a restaurant, a swimming lake, a beach, boating, fishing, tennis, and nature trails.



## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

### Recent

Owensboro was chosen as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1985-1987. The award is based on achievement in the following categories: economic development, transportation, public affairs, utilities, health, commercial development, housing, education and recreation. The Certified Cities Program is sponsored by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Thirteen Owensboro manufacturing firms have recently announced plans for expansions at their Owensboro facilities.

Owensboro Community College recently completed construction of facilities and relocated to the new 100-acre campus located on Veach Road.

Daviess County government recently acquired 108 acres for a new county park. The new park will contain hiking trails, soccer fields, picnic areas, and baseball and softball fields.

The Daviess County School System has recently completed several construction and renovation projects. These projects include: construction of a new \$2.7 million elementary school; construction of a new gymnasium and six classrooms at Apollo High School; addition of ten new classrooms and two science labs at Burns Middle School; and classroom additions to three other elementary schools. Total cost of these projects was approximately \$14.7 million.

The Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport recently completed a terminal building expansion, parking area improvements, and taxiway and runway improvements.

A new state access road was recently completed to the Owensboro Riverport and Industrial Park. This new road provides improved access to the parkway and interstate systems.

The Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital recently completed several improvement projects. Included in these projects were: establishment of a heart surgery center, renovation of OB-GYN facilities, a 29-bed addition in psychiatric care, additional emergency room beds and observation rooms, and acquisition of a new MRI. Total cost of these improvements was approximately \$11 million.

### Under Way

A new civic center, the River Park Center, is presently under construction in downtown Owensboro. The center will contain a 1,500-seat auditorium, a 300-seat studio/auditorium, and will house the International Bluegrass Music Association's Hall of Fame. The \$10 million center is scheduled to be completed in 1990.

A new Judicial Center is under construction in downtown Owensboro. The center is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 1989.



A new street, J. R. Miller Boulevard, is presently under construction in Owensboro. The street will serve as an alternate route to the south retail area. The new route is to be completed in the spring of 1989.

#### Planned

Construction of a new bridge over the Ohio River from Owensboro to U.S. 231 in southern Indiana is in the planning stages. Funds have been obtained for the design and right-of-way acquisition. Construction of the \$68 million bridge is expected to be performed within the next 5 to 6 years.

Another planned road improvement is the widening of Carter Road, from Parrish Avenue to Southtown Boulevard, from a two-lane to a four-lane highway. An interchange with the Wendell Ford Bypass is also included in the plan. This project is expected to be completed in 1990.

The Owensboro Riverport Authority plans to construct a new \$100,000 pile cell to moor barges. A 100-car capacity unit train rail loop for loading and unloading coal is also planned. Both projects will be completed in 1989.

Owensboro Municipal Utilities has tentative plans to construct a new 10-million-gallon-per-day fresh water treatment plant. This plant would be in addition to the existing facility. A treatment capacity study is presently being performed to determine the feasibility of a new plant.



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