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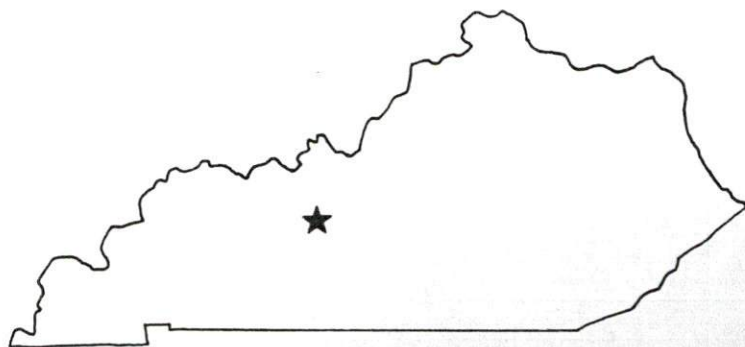
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# *Resources for Economic Development*

## Ohio County



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RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
OHIO COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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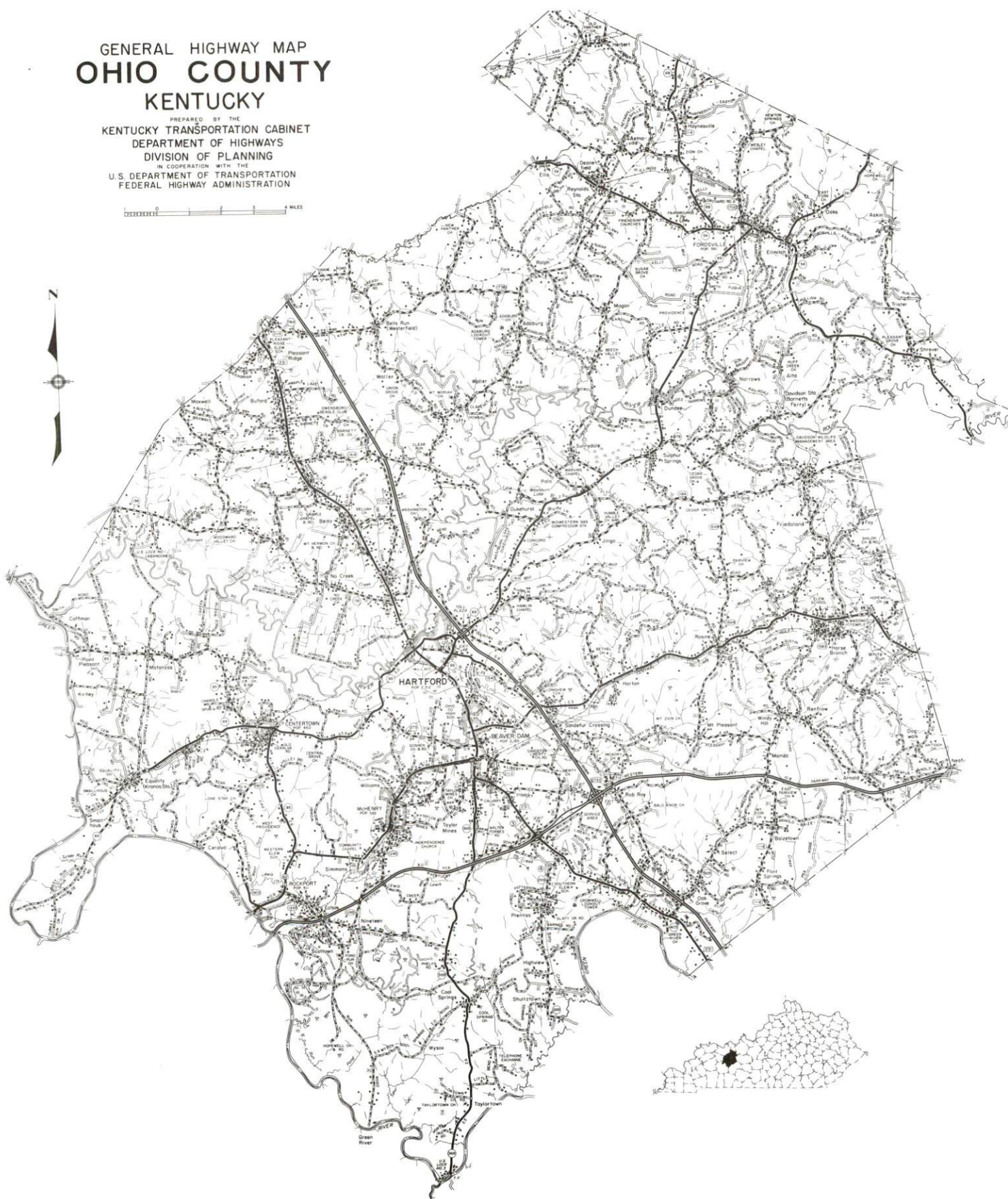
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# GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP OHIO COUNTY KENTUCKY

PREPARED BY THE  
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

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## OHIO COUNTY, KENTUCKY - RESOURCE PROFILE

Ohio County, located in Kentucky's Western Coal Field Region, is a major coal-producing area of the state. The county's western boundary is formed by the Green River, one of Kentucky's major transportation waterways. Two primary cities are located in Ohio County - Beaver Dam and Hartford. Beaver Dam, the county's largest city, had a 1988 estimated population of 2,800 persons, and is located 4 miles south of Hartford, the county seat. Hartford had a 1988 estimated population of 2,410 persons, and is located 108 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee; 115 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; and 231 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. Ohio County, with a land area of 596 square miles, had a 1988 estimated population of 20,800 persons.

**The Economic Framework** - The total number of Ohio County residents employed in 1989 averaged 5,820. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,258 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 987 jobs; 510 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 925 employees; and contract construction firms provided 84 jobs; and 382 people were employed by mining and quarrying operations.

**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 30,973 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1990 through 1994, 16,105 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - The Paducah and Louisville Railway provides main line rail freight service to Beaver Dam. CSX Transportation provides branch line rail freight service to Hartford. "AAA"-rated trucking highways serving Hartford and Beaver Dam include the Western Kentucky Parkway, the Green River Parkway, U.S. Highways 62 and 231, and Kentucky Route 69 north and east of Hartford. Twelve common carrier trucking companies are authorized to serve Ohio County. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Evansville Dress Regional Airport, 68 miles northwest of Hartford near Evansville, Indiana. Commuter air carrier service is available near Owensboro, Kentucky, 29 miles northwest of Hartford. The Ohio County Airport maintains a 2,500-foot paved runway. The nearest navigable waterway is the Green River, 14 miles southwest of Beaver Dam, where a 9-foot navigation channel is maintained. Public riverport facilities also are located near Owensboro.

**Power and Fuel** - Kentucky Utilities Company provides electric power to Hartford, Beaver Dam, and portions of southwestern Ohio County. Green River Electric Corporation, Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, and Warren County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation serve the remainder of the county. Western Kentucky Gas Company provides natural gas service to Hartford, Beaver Dam, and Fordsville.

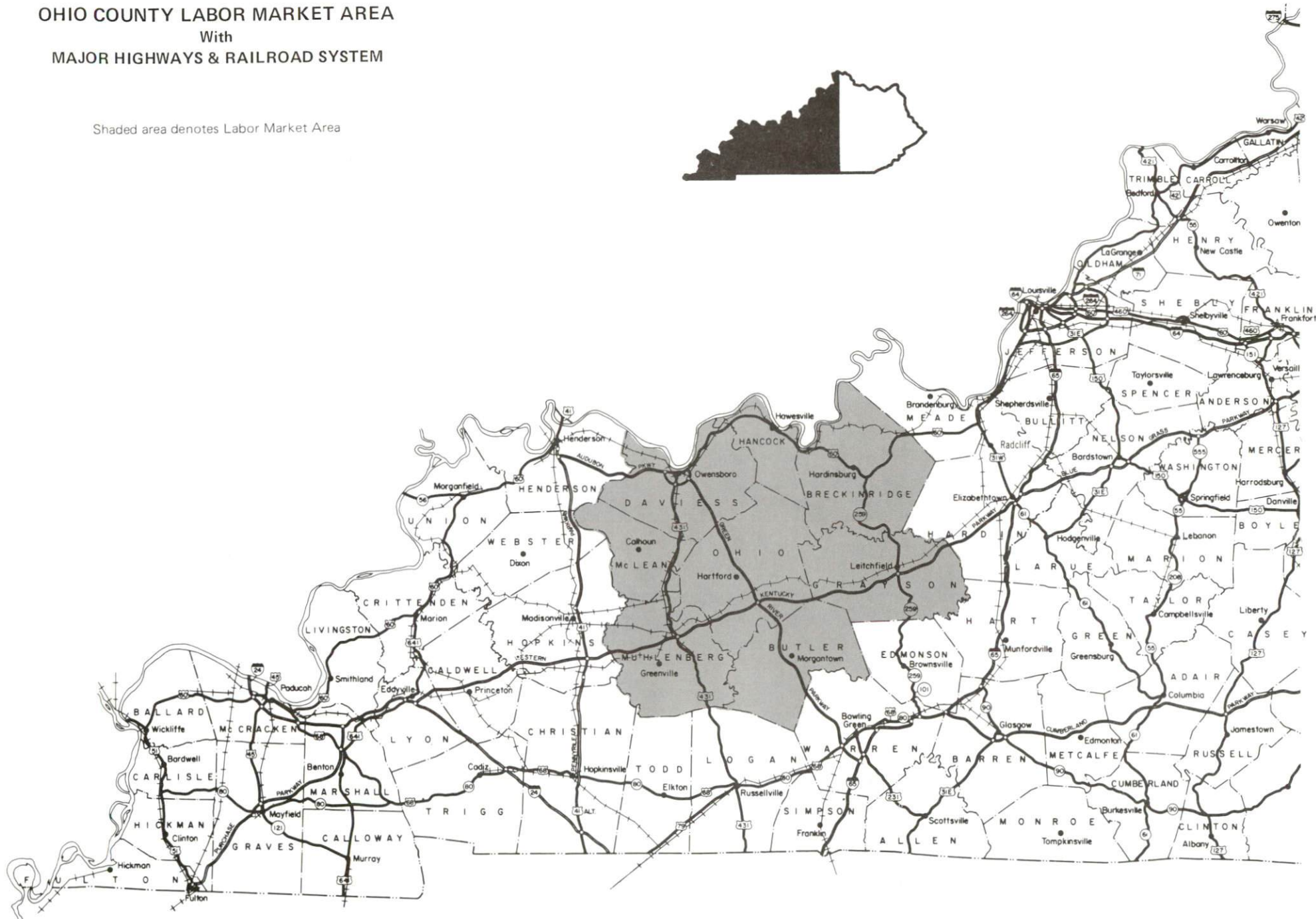
**Education** - Primary and secondary education is provided by the Ohio County School System. Eight institutions of higher learning are located within 65 miles of Hartford. In addition, state vocational training facilities are available in Owensboro, Kentucky; 29 miles northwest of Hartford and the Ohio County Area Vocational Education Center at Hartford.



# OHIO COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA

With  
MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area



## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Ohio County Labor Market Area includes Ohio County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Breckinridge, Butler, Daviess, Grayson, Hancock, McLean and Muhlenberg.

POPULATION			
	1988*	1980	1970
Labor Market Area	207,300	206,563	182,912
Hartford	2,410	2,512	1,868
Beaver Dam	2,800	3,185	2,622
Ohio County	20,800	21,765	18,790

\* Population estimates.

Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, August 1989; November 1989.

POPULATION PROJECTIONS				
	2000	2010	2020	2030
Labor Market Area	213,270	216,020	215,220	210,530
Ohio County	20,890	20,870	20,510	19,780

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 1990 thru 1994
Labor Market Area*	30,973	7,511	9,421	14,041	16,105
Ohio County	5,479	884	792	3,803	1,826

\* 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, 1990 thru 1994.

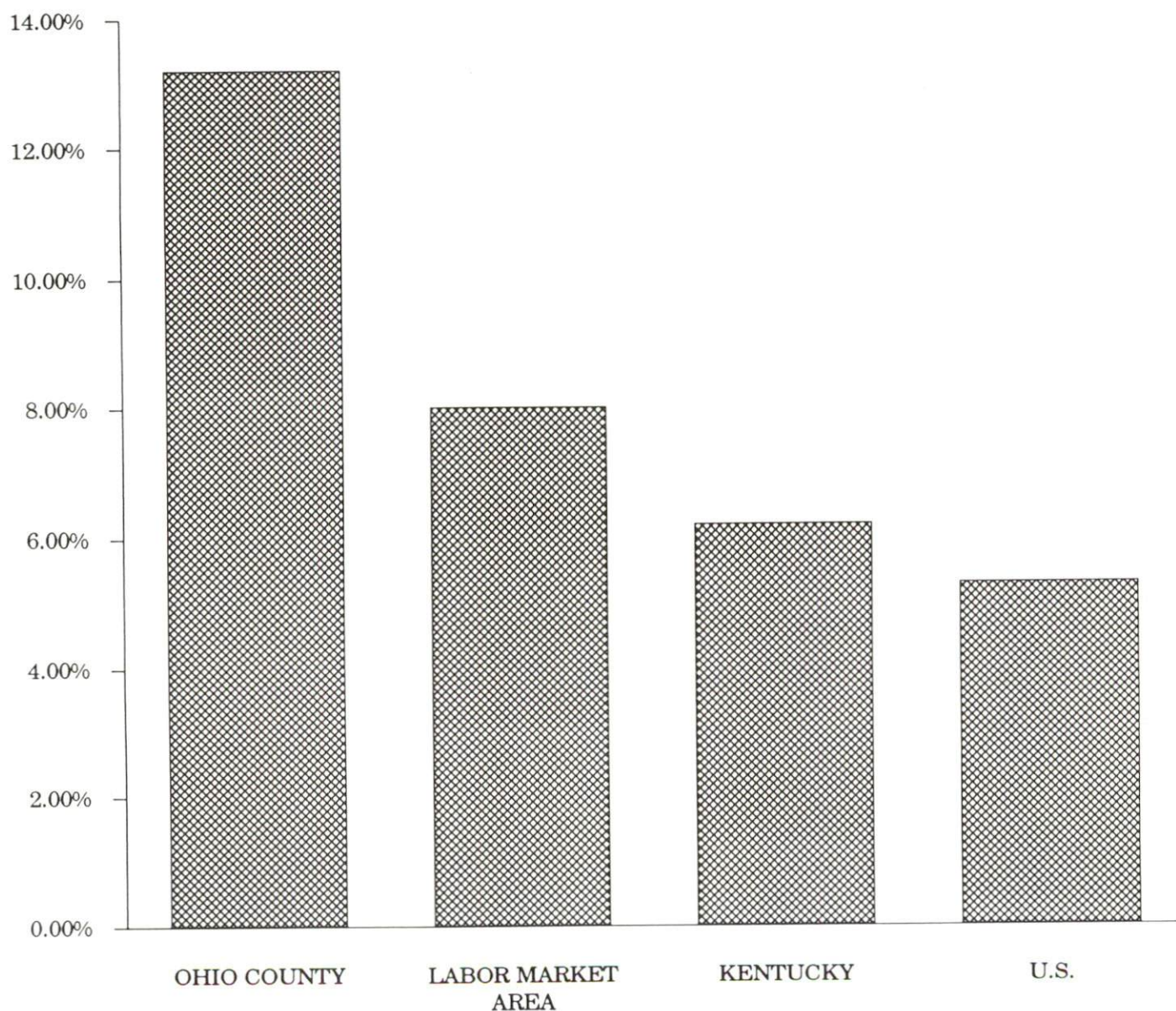


# LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1989

	Ohio County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	6,704	94,253
Employment	5,820	86,742
Unemployment	884	7,511
Rate of Unemployment (%)	13.2	8.0

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1989.

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1989

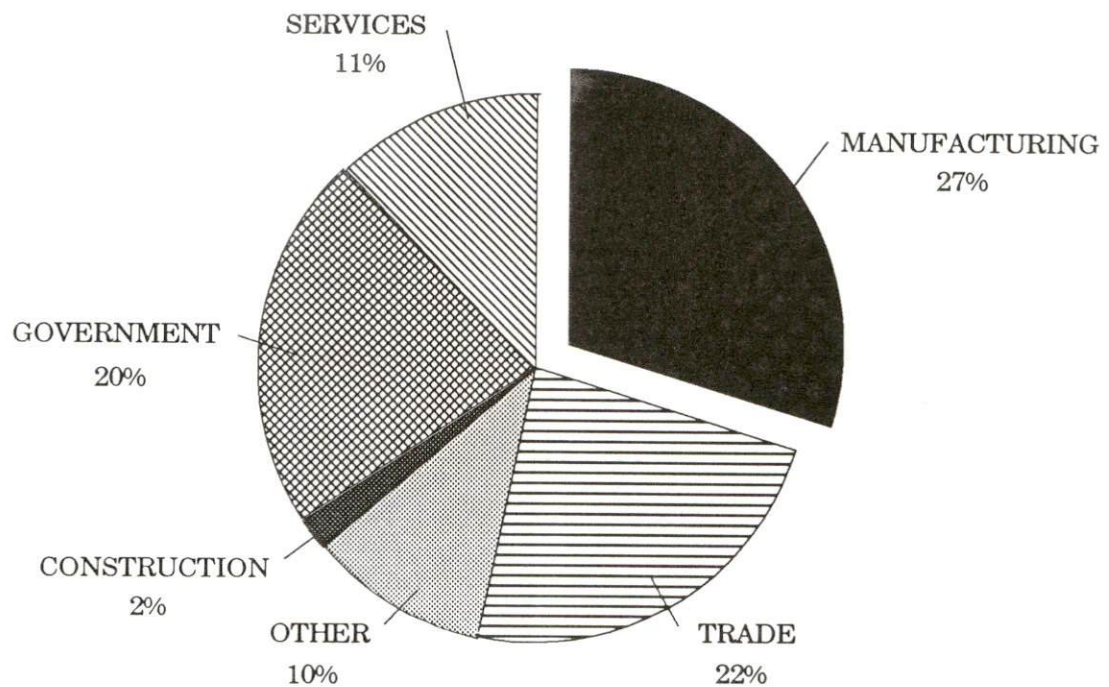


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1989

	Ohio County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	4,583	62,384
Manufacturing	1,258	16,335
Wholesale & Retail Trade	987	15,384
Services	510	9,997
State/Local Government	925	9,505
Contract Construction	84	3,058
Mining & Quarrying	382	2,093

**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, 1989.

OHIO COUNTY



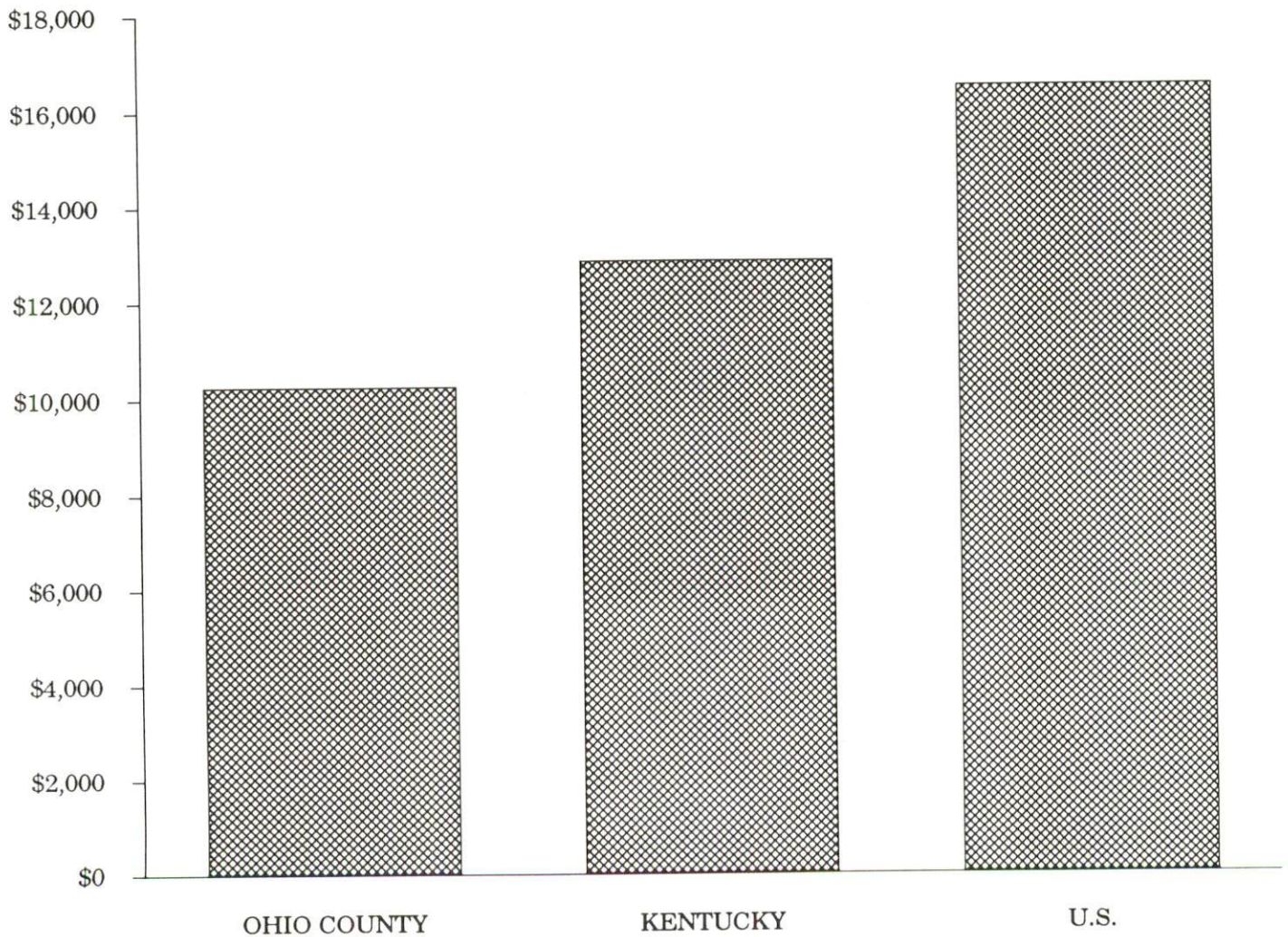


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1984	1988	Percent Change
Ohio County	\$9,322	\$10,231	9.8
Labor Market Area Range	\$7,277 - \$11,617	\$9,136 - \$13,525	-
Kentucky	\$10,411	\$12,830	23.2
U.S.	\$13,116	\$16,490	25.7

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1990.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME  
1988



## AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

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Ohio 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, 1989, the local employment office filled 2,319 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	2,319	4.54
Clerical	271	4.26
Sales	99	4.47
Services (excluding domestic)	519	3.38
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	59	3.44
Processing	192	5.70
Machine Trades	83	5.61
Bench Work	278	5.28
Structural	176	6.51
Motor Freight/ Transportation	56	6.24
Packaging and Materials Handling	535	4.17
Other	3	5.58

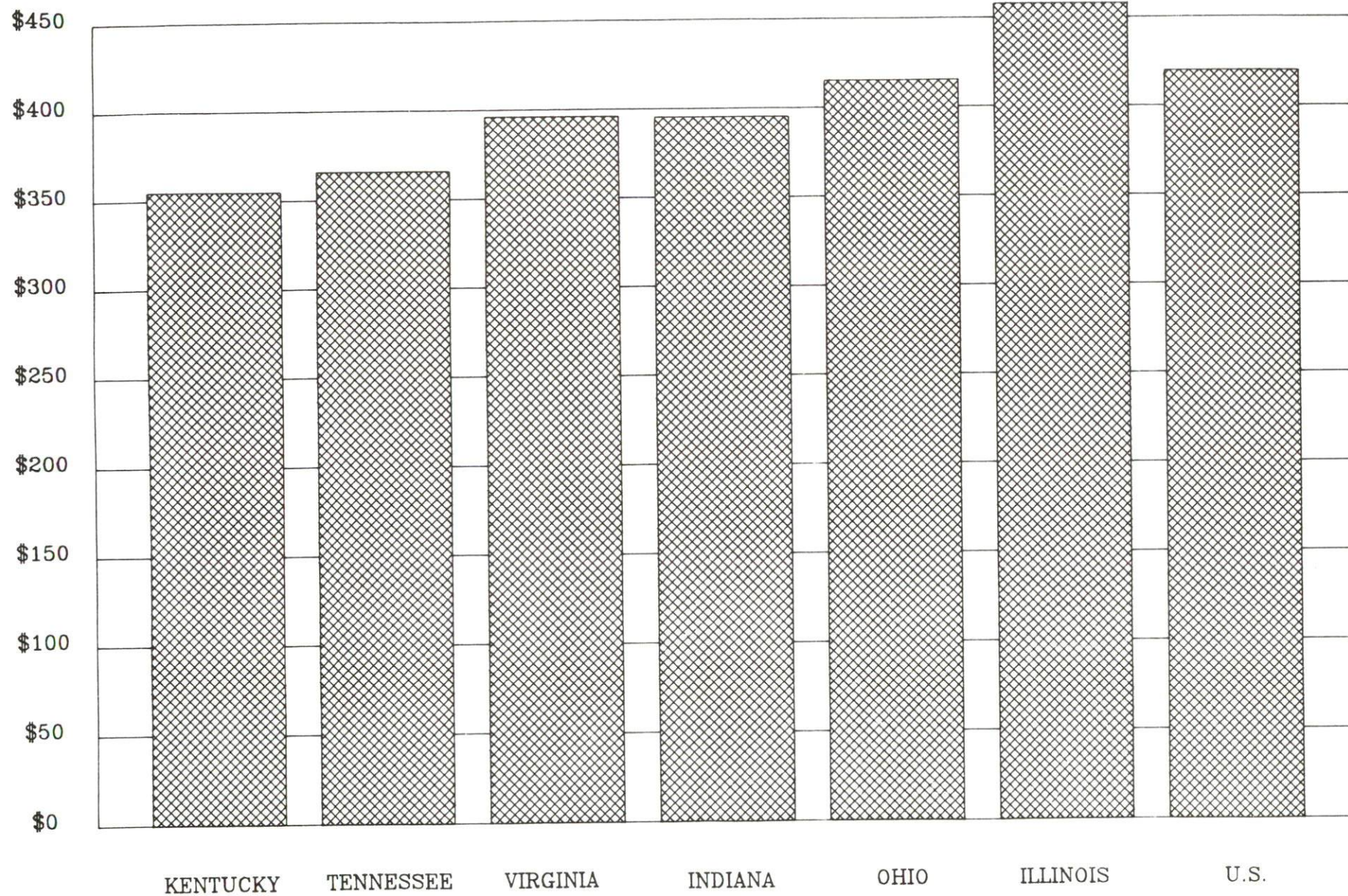
The Owensboro local office also serves Daviess, Hancock, and McLean Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1988





AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1988

	Ohio County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$310.39	\$352.31	\$363.12	\$392.56
Mining & Quarrying	677.98	603.27	495.85	596.88
Contract Construction	246.33	380.71	394.27	422.27
Manufacturing	301.01	464.92	416.73	452.60
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	487.24	468.17	485.13	554.17
Wholesale & Retail Trade	183.98	238.88	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	297.05	401.17	269.27	466.23
Services	234.26	298.98	343.48	391.67
State/Local Government	291.09	377.81	403.21	457.00
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$392.63	\$411.08	\$454.10	\$416.33
Mining & Quarrying	635.77	579.73	674.62	660.40
Contract Construction	449.87	465.46	584.10	469.85
Manufacturing	532.06	569.98	555.83	517.62
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	502.69	519.17	584.83	542.33
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	406.58	444.33	579.88	532.52
Services	317.98	348.48	402.38	384.31
State/Local Government	395.31	428.10	453.12	442.71

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, 1988. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Average Annual Pay by State and Industry, August 29, 1989.



## EXISTING INDUSTRY

### OHIO COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1989</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
<b>Hartford</b>		
Agri-Grow Farm Center, Inc. (1983)	Fertilizer blending	4
Dockery Slaughterhouse (1957)	Meat processing	4
Hartford Standard Corporation (1959)	Metal plating, finishing, stampings, and painting	19
Likens Printing Company (1974)	Offset printing	5
Medusa Aggregates Company (1951)	Agricultural lime, crushed limestone	23
Montpelier Glove Company, Inc. (1954)	Vinyl, cloth & leather combination, and leather gloves	89
Smith Brothers Lumber (1976)	Lumber	15
<b>Beaver Dam</b>		
Beaver Dam Industries, Inc. DBA American Fabri-Tec (1981)	Nonwoven fabric	100
Beaver Dam Sportswear (1987)	Women's sportswear	70
The Embry Newspapers, Inc. (1930)	Newspaper	5
Nationwide Lure Manufacturing Company, Inc. (1973)	Fishing lures	9
Nestaway Division, Axia, Inc. (1966)	Painted & plated wire racks, plastic coated trays	120
Thomas Industries, Inc. (1966)	Lighting fixtures	165
Young Manufacturing Company, Inc. (1946)	Furniture dimension millwork	134
Young Sawmill, Inc. (1973)	Lumber, ties, chips	31
<b>Fordsville</b>		
Dunaway Timber Company, Inc. (1953)	Barrel staves, lumber, wood chips	116
Montpelier Glove Company, Inc. (1966)	Welding gloves, leather accessories, work gloves	33
National Office Furniture Company (1973)	Office furniture	196

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<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1989</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
<b>McHenry</b>		
McHenry Brass, Inc. (1975)	Machine shop, brass bushings, parts, bronze casting	25
McHenry Cabinet Shop (1978)	Kitchen wood cabinets	4

#### **Dundee**

Dame Manufacturing (1989)	Men's, ladies, and boys jeans	100
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Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research and Planning.

### **LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS**

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America	Nestaway Division, Axia Inc.
United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, AFL-CIO	Young Manufacturing Company, Inc.
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO	Thomas Industries, Inc.

### **RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS**

American Fabri-Tec, Inc., has a \$1 million expansion of the existing facility underway. The project involves a massive renovation of several machines and the installation of a new "hi-tech" textile machine. In addition, approximately 100 new jobs will be created.

A \$1.5 million expansion was recently completed at the Young Manufacturing Company in Beaver Dam. The investment created 30 additional jobs and increased capacity in the wood-drying operation threefold.

Dunaway Timber Company, Inc. recently reported a \$500,000 expansion that will create 10 new jobs.

Westvaco recently announced they will begin operations in Beaver Dam. This wood processor will have an initial investment of \$1,100,000 and will employ five persons.

## SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Hartford</u>
Custom Data Processing	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
Custom Plastics Producers	Livermore, Kentucky	15
Electric Motor Repair	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
Heat Treating Facilities	Evansville, Indiana	66
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
Industrial Gases	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
Industrial Waste Removal	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	McHenry, Kentucky	8
Metal Castings	McHenry, Kentucky	8
Metal Finishers	Hartford, Kentucky	-
Metal Service Centers	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
	Greenville, Kentucky	33
Millwrights	Owensboro, Kentucky	29
Public Warehouse Facilities	Owensboro, Kentucky	29

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

## TRANSPORTATION

### Highways

Ohio County is served by an excellent highway system. Two major multilane parkways are routed through the county. The east-west Western Kentucky Parkway has two interchanges within ten miles of Hartford and connects Interstate 24, 83 miles west of Hartford, with Interstate 65 and the Blue Grass Parkway, approximately 71 miles east of Hartford. The Western Kentucky Parkway intersects the Green River Parkway, a multilane toll road, 5 miles east of Beaver Dam. The north-south Green River Parkway also has an interchange 2 miles east of Hartford, and connects Owensboro, Kentucky, and the Audubon Parkway, approximately 31 miles northwest of Hartford, with Bowling Green, Kentucky, and Interstate 65, approximately 49 miles southeast of Hartford.

Other "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Ohio County include U.S. 62 through Beaver Dam, U.S. 231 through Beaver Dam and Hartford, and Kentucky Route 69 north and east of Hartford.

A project to widen U.S. Highway 231 between Hartford and Beaver Dam to five lanes is under way and scheduled for completion by 1990.

#### HIGHWAY MILES FROM HARTFORD, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	346	Los Angeles, CA	2,059
Baltimore, MD	686	Louisville, KY	115
Birmingham, AL	295	Nashville, TN	108
Chicago, IL	351	New Orleans, LA	628
Cincinnati, OH	216	New York, NY	865
Cleveland, OH	463	Pittsburgh, PA	493
Detroit, MI	474	St. Louis, MO	231
Knoxville, TN	253		

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, 1989. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.

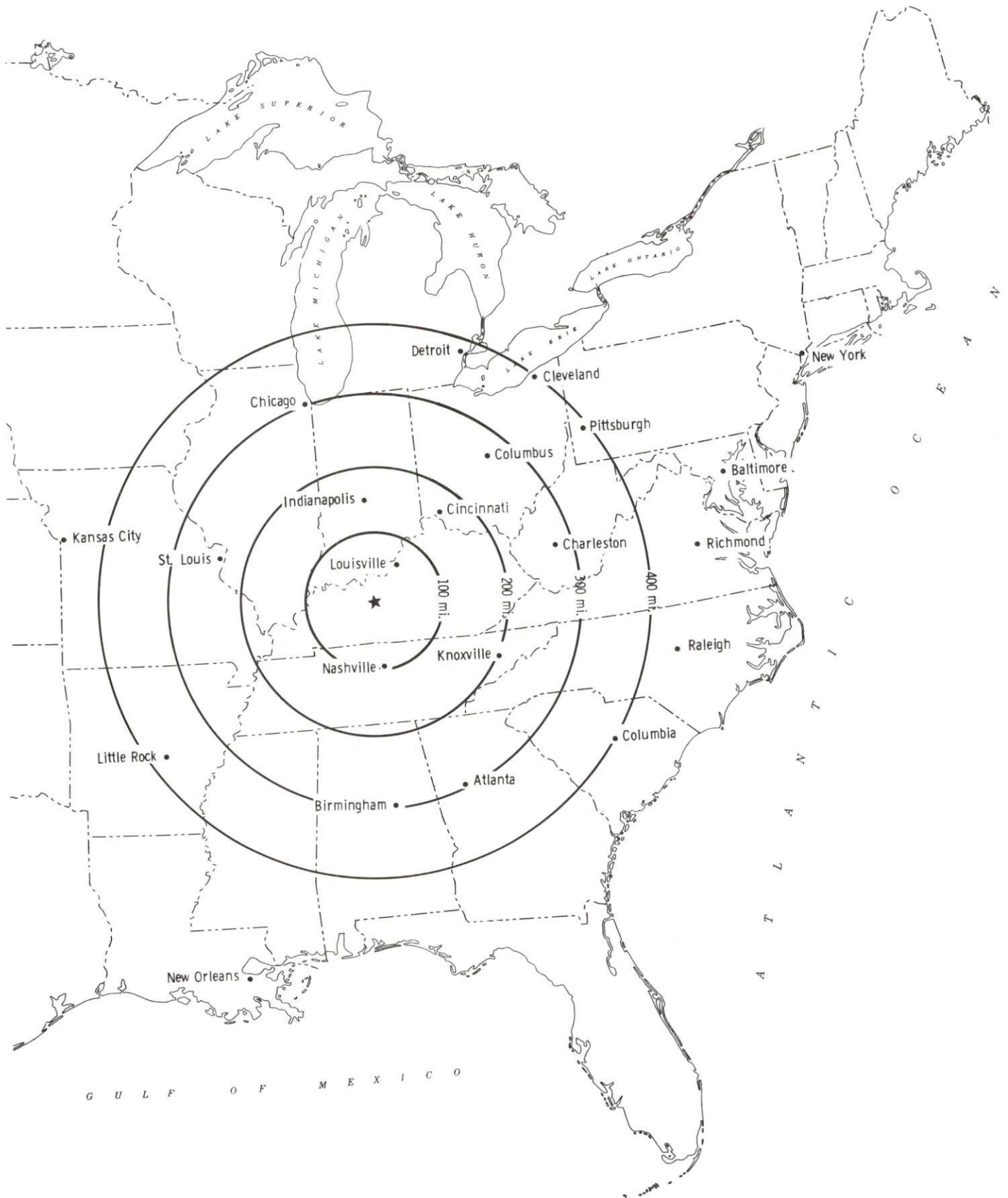
### Truck Service

There are currently twelve common carrier trucking companies that provide interstate and/or intrastate trucking service to Ohio County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1990.



## Selected Market Centers



## Rail

The Paducah and Louisville Railway provides main line rail service to Beaver Dam. CSX Transportation provides branch line service to Hartford. CSX Transportation provides the nearest piggyback facilities at Owensboro, 29 miles northwest of Hartford.

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

Manager  
Industrial Development  
CSX Transportation  
9420 Bunsen Parkway  
Suite 212  
Louisville, Kentucky 40220  
(502) 499-3025

and/or

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

## Air

### Local

Location:	Ohio County Airport
Runways:	1.5 miles northeast of Hartford
Length:	1 paved
Traffic	2,500 feet
Control:	Wind sock
Lighting:	Runway, taxi, and VASI on one end; radio-controlled on Unicom 122.8
Services:	100 octane; tie-downs, hangar; minor A & P repairs; charter, flight instruction, rental car
Air Freight Service:	Chartered air freight services must be arranged

An additional 2,500 feet of runway length, a total of 5,000 feet, is available for landings. This addition has been graded and leveled and is planned to be paved in 1992.

### Regional

Location: Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport  
3 miles southwest of Owensboro  
29 miles northwest of Hartford

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: American Eagle, Northwest Airlink Link; 100LL, Jet-A fuel; storage; hangar tiedowns; 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

### Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Evansville Dress Regional Airport  
3 miles north of Evansville, Indiana;  
68 miles northeast of Hartford

Air Service: American Eagle, ComAir, TransWorld Express, Northwest Link, USAir, United Express

Daily Arrivals & Departures: 88

### **Water**

The Green River is located 14 miles southwest of Hartford, and forms the southwestern border of Ohio County. A 9-foot navigation channel is maintained on the Green River from Rochester, near the southern tip of the county, northwest to its confluence with the Ohio River. Several coal-loading docks are located on the Ohio County side of the Green River.

Public riverport facilities are located near Owensboro, 29 miles northwest of Hartford. The riverport offers open and covered storage, liquid storage, coal processing and loading, and two 110-ton cranes for transfer of commodities. Owensboro is designated as a Port of Entry and offers U.S. Customs service on a daily basis.



## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Company serving Beaver Dam, Hartford, and portions of southwestern  
Ohio 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

Company serving portions of northern and western Ohio County - Green  
River Electric Corporation and Meade County Rural Electric  
Cooperative 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

Meade County Rural Electric  
Cooperative Corporation  
Junction of Highway 448 and By-Pass Road  
P.O. Box 367  
Brandenburg, Kentucky 40108  
(502) 422-2162

Company serving portions of southern and eastern Ohio County - Warren  
Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation  
Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority  
For industrial rates contact:

South Kentucky Industrial Development  
Association, Inc.  
P.O. Box 726  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240  
(502) 885-5392

and/or

Warren Rural Electric Cooperative  
Corporation  
951 Fairview Avenue  
P.O. Box 1118  
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101  
(502) 842-6541

## Natural Gas

Company serving **Beaver Dam, Hartford, and Fordsville** - Western  
Kentucky Gas Company  
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation  
For rates and supplies contact:

Director of Industrial Marketing  
Western Kentucky Gas Company  
311 West Seventh Street  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42301  
(502) 685-8067

## Public Water Supply

Company serving **Hartford** - Hartford Municipal Water and Sewer  
102 North Main Street  
Hartford, Kentucky 42347  
(502) 298-3101

Source - Rough River  
Treatment plant capacity - 500,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 450,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 500,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 320,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 50 psi to 120 psi

Construction of a new 1,000,000 gallon capacity water treatment plant is scheduled to start Spring, 1991. The \$1,600,000 project is planned to be completed Fall, 1991.

Company serving **Beaver Dam** - Beaver Dam Water and Sewer System  
P.O. Box 408  
Beaver Dam, Kentucky 42320  
(502) 274-7106

Source - Ohio County Water District; wells (total pumping capacity 75 gpm)  
Treatment plant capacity - 110,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 400,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 500,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 250,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 40 psi to 80 psi

Name of water district - Ohio County Water District  
130 Washington Street  
Hartford, Kentucky 42347  
(502) 298-7704

Area served - Ohio County; portions of Daviess, McLean, Butler, and Grayson Counties

Source of raw water - Green River

Capacity of treatment plant -	1,700,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption -	1,200,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption -	1,700,000 gallons
Storage capacity -	2,350,000 gallons
Water pressure -	30 psi to 180 psi

An expansion project is scheduled to start in the Spring of 1991. The project, which will include a new water intake structure, new settling basin and filter, is planned to be completed in the Fall of 1991, costing \$700,000.

### Sewerage

Company serving **Hartford** - Hartford Municipal Water and Sewer  
102 North Main Street  
Hartford, Kentucky 42347  
(502) 298-3101

Design capacity -	250,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow -	220,000 gallons
Type of treatment -	Primary and secondary
Treated effluent discharged into -	Rough River

The installation of a lagoon and aeration system for the existing wastewater treatment facility is under way. The \$100,000 project is planned to be completed in 1991.

Company serving **Beaver Dam** - Beaver Dam Water and Sewer System  
P.O. Box 408  
Beaver Dam, Kentucky 42320  
(502) 274-5804

Design capacity -	711,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow -	350,000 gallons
Type of treatment -	Primary, secondary, tertiary
Treated effluent discharged into -	Rough River

A new 700,000-gallon wastewater treatment plant was constructed October, 1990, costing \$1,500,000. The old treatment plant was converted to an equalization basin and sludge storage compound.



## CLIMATE

### Ohio County

#### Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	55.70 degrees
Average annual 1988	55.60 degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (48-year record)	105.00 degrees
Record lowest, February 1951 (48-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 (48-year record)	13.90 inches
Total precipitation 1988	38.43 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (48-year record)	115.20
Mean number days thunderstorms (48-year record)	44.90

#### Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South-Southwest

#### Relative Humidity (27-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, 1988. Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Structure

The city of Hartford is served by a mayor and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the council members each serve two-year terms. The city of Beaver Dam is served by a mayor, elected to a four-year term, and four commissioners, each serving two-year terms. Ohio County is served by a county judge/executive and five magistrates. Each official is elected to a four-year term.

### Planning and Zoning

There is currently no planning and zoning commission in Ohio County.

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 Hartford levies business license fees ranging from \$30 to \$75 annually for most businesses. Unloading licenses are \$30 to \$75 per year. Automobile stickers are \$5 annually. Annual business licenses in the city of Beaver Dam range from \$20 to \$75 for most businesses. Unloading licenses are \$25 per year.

## 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, 1989

	<u>City of Hartford</u>	<u>City of Beaver Dam</u>	<u>Unincorporated Ohio County</u>
Land and Buildings	\$0.7360	\$0.7510	\$0.5140
Manufacturing			
Machinery	0.1500	0.1500	0.1500
Pollution Control			
Equipment	0.1500	0.1500	0.1500
Inventories			
Raw Materials	0.0010	0.0010	0.0010
Goods in Process	0.0010	0.0010	0.0010
Finished Goods	0.5287	0.5477	0.3067
Automobiles & Trucks	0.9077	0.9207	0.6797
Other Tangible			
Personal Property	0.9777	0.9967	0.7557
Intangibles (Accounts receivable*, money in hand, stock, notes, bonds)	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500
Goods Stored in Public Warehouses in Transit Status	0.0010	0.0010	0.0010
Private Leaseholds in Industrial Revenue Bond Financed Facilities	0.0150	0.0150	0.0150

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



## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

	Ohio County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1989)	4,229
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1988-89)	20.8-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1988-89)	47.3
Expenditures Per Pupil (1988-89)	\$2,389.63

### Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Hartford)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1989)</u>
Brescia College	Owensboro, Kentucky (29)	689
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky (29)	716
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro, Kentucky (29)	2,125
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (46)	14,821
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky (53)	1,960
Henderson Community College	Henderson, Kentucky (59)	1,246
University of Evansville	Evansville, Indiana (65)	3,290
University of Southern Indiana	Evansville, Indiana (65)	5,713

## Vocational Training

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.

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.

### 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.

<u>Vocational School</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Hartford)</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1988-1989</u>
Daviess County State Vocational- Technical School	Owensboro, Kentucky (29)	471
Owensboro Vocational-Technical School	Owensboro, Kentucky (29)	411
Ohio County Area Vocational Education Center	Hartford, Kentucky	409

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 10  
Dentists - 8

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
HCA Ohio County Hospital	Hartford	68

Medical staff - 5 physicians, 47 registered nurses, 11 licensed practical nurses

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Green River District Health Department-  
Ohio County Health Center  
Green River Comprehensive Care Center  
Medical Center  
Beaver Dam Nursing Manor  
Medco Center of Fordsville  
Professional Care Home  
Ohio County Emergency Ambulance  
Service, Inc.  
Ohio County Disaster and Emergency  
Services

### Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

Bank of Ohio County  
Bank of Fordsville  
Beaver Dam Deposit Bank  
Citizens Bank  
The Hartford Bank and Trust  
First Kentucky Federal Savings Bank

### Newspapers

Ohio County Times-News (weekly)  
Ohio County Messenger (weekly)

### Telephone Service

South Central Bell



## RECREATION

### Local

Ohio County offers a variety of recreational opportunities for all types of interests. Public recreational facilities include Oldham Park and Little League Park in Beaver Dam, featuring ball fields and tennis courts; and Little League Park and City Park at Hartford, featuring ball fields, tennis courts, a swimming pool, handball courts and a playground.

The Ohio County Park Board recently developed a 340-acre recreational complex two miles east of Hartford. The facility includes a softball field, a volleyball court, a horse show ring, two fair buildings, an amphitheater, and a picnic area with shelter and restrooms. In addition, the board is planning to develop a 10-acre lake, including a beach area.

Ohio County offers supervised recreation programs during the summer months, and a number of baseball, softball, and bowling leagues are available for team activities.

Private recreational facilities in the area include the Ohio County Country Club, which offers an excellent 9-hole golf course, a clubhouse, tennis courts, a pool, and a fishing lake. Several popular hunting grounds are also located in the Ohio County area.

Among the annual recreational events held in Ohio County include the Ohio County Fair; the springtime and summertime festivals at Rosine, Kentucky; the Fourth of July Festival; and the Ohio County Band Festival. The Ohio County Fair features a variety of activities including a horse show, a beauty pageant, displays, and entertainment.

### Area (Within 70 miles)

Rough River Dam State Resort Park  
Ben Hawes State Park  
Lake Malone State Park  
James Audubon State Park  
Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park  
Jefferson Davis Monument State Shrine  
Mammoth Cave National Park  
Nolin River Lake

## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

### Recent

Hartford re-certified as a Kentucky Certified City in 1989, and is distinguished as a silver award winner recognizing three 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.

A \$1.5 million expansion was recently completed at the Young Manufacturing Company in Beaver Dam. The investment created 30 additional jobs and increased capacity in the wood-drying operation threefold.

Dunaway Timber Company, Inc. recently reported a \$500,000 expansion that will create 10 new jobs.

Westvaco recently announced they will begin operations in Beaver Dam. This wood processor will have an initial investment of \$1,100,000 and will employ five persons.

The Ohio County Industrial Foundation recently named a full-time director in the organization, including an executive director of economic and industrial development. In addition, office space has been designated for the director and the President of the Ohio County Chamber of Commerce.

The Ohio County Airport has an additional 2,500 feet of runway length, a total of 5,000 feet, available for landings. This addition has been graded and leveled and is planned to be paved in 1992.

The Beaver Dam Water and Sewer System constructed a new 700,000-gallon wastewater treatment plant in October, 1991, costing \$1,500,000. The old treatment plant was converted to an equalization basin and sludge storage compound.

The Ohio County Industrial Foundation has constructed a 20,000-square-foot industrial "spec" building. The site is accessible to all utilities and was completed in October, 1990.

### Under Way

American Fabri-Tec, Inc., has a \$1 million expansion of the existing facility under way. The project involves a massive renovation of several machines and the installation of a new "hi-tech" textile machine. In addition, approximately 100 new jobs will be created.

The installation of a lagoon and aeration system for the Hartford Municipal Water and Sewer's existing wastewater treatment facility is under way. The \$100,000 project is planned to be completed in 1991.

A project to widen U.S. Highway 231 between Hartford and Beaver Dam to five lanes is under way and scheduled for completion by 1991.

## Planned

The Ohio County Water District has an expansion project scheduled to start in the Spring of 1991. The project, which will include a new water intake structure, new settling basin and filter, is planned to be completed in the Fall of 1991, costing \$700,000.

Construction of a new 1,000,000 gallon capacity water treatment plant for the Hartford Municipal Water and Sewer System is scheduled to start Spring, 1991. The \$1,600,000 project is planned to be completed Fall, 1991.

The Ohio County Park Board is planning to develop a 10-acre lake, including a beach area.

A Bill Monroe Bluegrass Museum, the father of Bluegrass Music and an Ohio County native, is planned. The museum will showcase the history of Bluegrass Music and display his awards.