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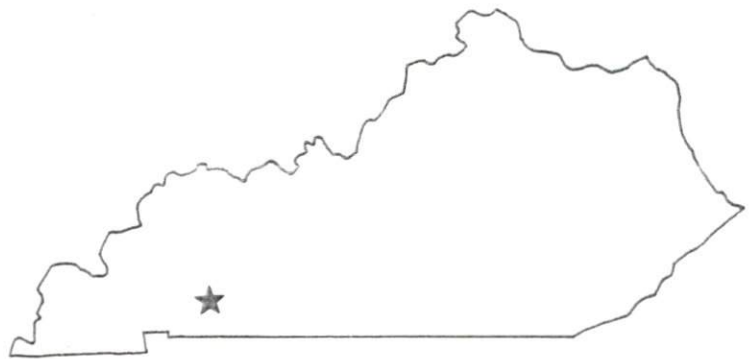
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*Resources for Economic Development*

# Hopkinsville- Christian County



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RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
HOPKINSVILLE-CHRISTIAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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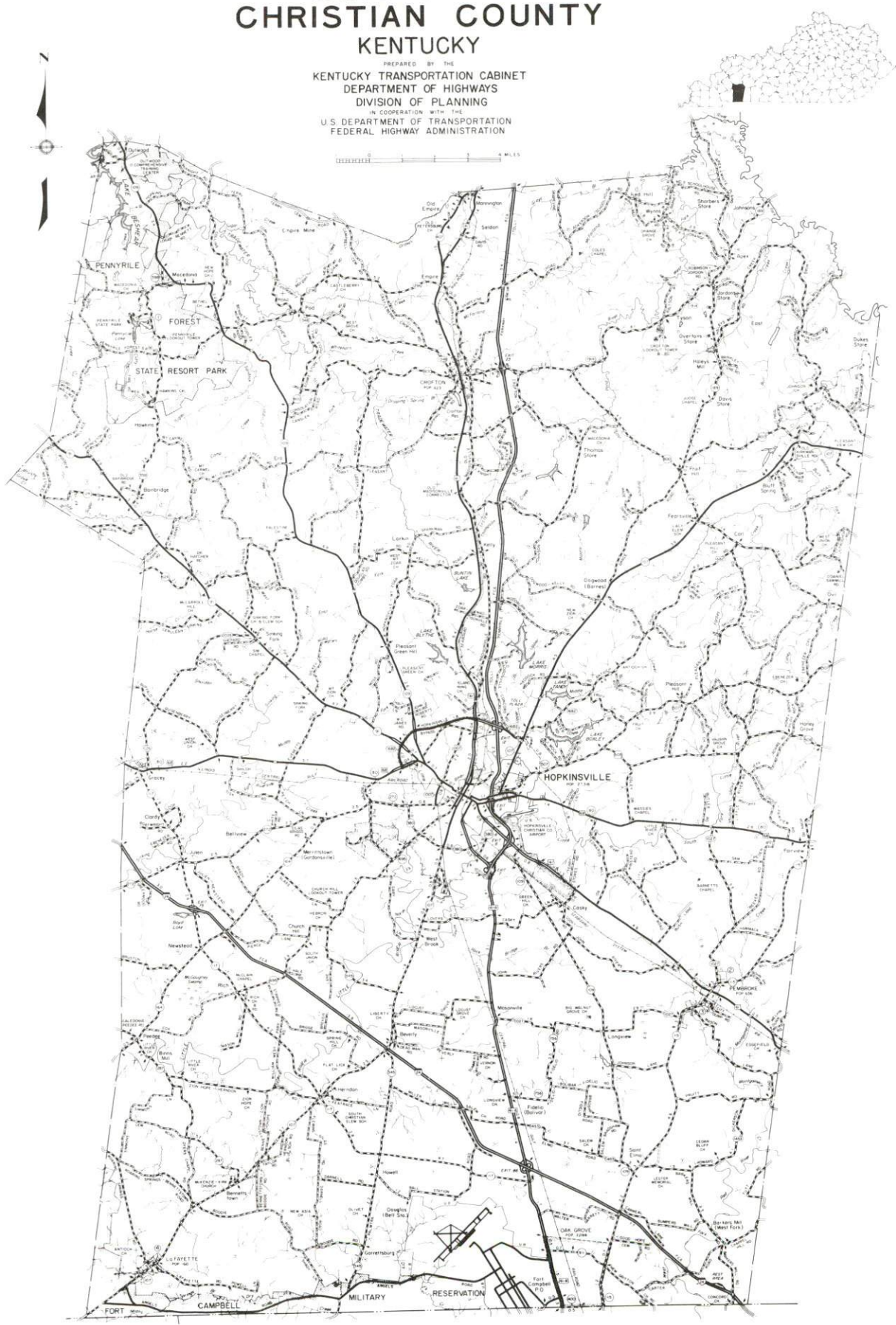
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# GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP CHRISTIAN COUNTY KENTUCKY

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## HOPKINSVILLE-CHRISTIAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Hopkinsville, the county seat of Christian County, is situated in southwestern Kentucky, 73 miles northwest of Nashville, Tennessee; 162 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; and 226 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. Hopkinsville had a 1988 estimated population of 29,680 persons. Crofton, a small community in northern Christian County, had a 1988 population of 1,090.

Christian County, covering a land area of 722 square miles, is Kentucky's second-largest county. The county is situated in the Mississippian Plateaus area of southwestern Kentucky, and borders Tennessee on the south and the Western Coal Field Region on the north. Christian County had a 1988 estimated population of 61,900.

**The Economic Framework** - The total number of Christian County residents employed in 1989 averaged 18,541. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 4,950 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 5,071 jobs; 3,887 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 2,627 employees; and contract construction firms provided 596 jobs.

**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 27,432 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1990 through 1994, 13,956 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - Hopkinsville is the southern terminus of the Pennyriple Parkway, a multi-lane toll road. Other "AAA"-rated trucking highways serving Hopkinsville include U.S. Highways 41, 41A, and 68. Interstate Highway 24 traverses southern Christian County, and is accessible 13 miles from Hopkinsville. Crofton is served directly by U.S. Highway 41 and Kentucky Highways 800 and 1348. The Pennyriple Parkway is located one mile east of Crofton. CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Hopkinsville and Crofton. Twenty-six common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Christian County. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Nashville Metropolitan Airport, 79 miles southeast of Hopkinsville, near Nashville, Tennessee. Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport maintains a 5,000-foot paved runway designed to accommodate small aircraft.

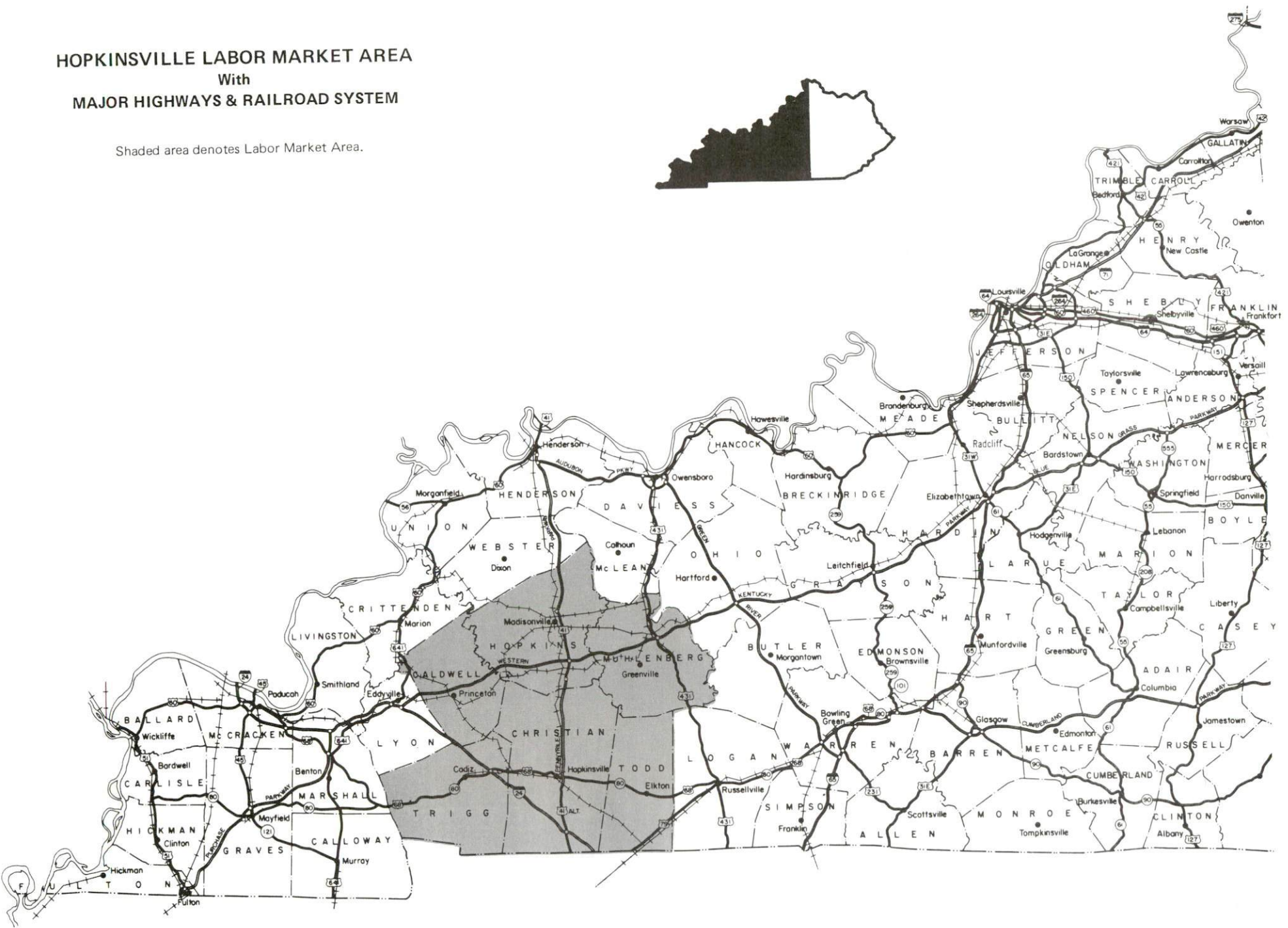
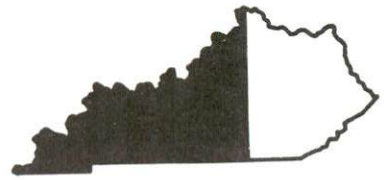
**Power and Fuel** - Hopkinsville Electric System provides electricity to Hopkinsville. Electric power is provided to Christian County by the Pennyriple Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation and the Kentucky Utilities Company. Natural gas service is provided by the Western Kentucky Gas Company.

**Education** - The Christian County School System provides primary and secondary education to the county. Five non-public schools operate in Christian County. The Hopkinsville Community College provides higher education to the community. In addition, 13 other institutions of higher learning are located within 75 miles of Hopkinsville. Vocational training is available at the Madisonville State Vocational-Technical School in Madisonville, 37 miles north, and at the Christian County Area Vocational Education Center in Hopkinsville.



# HOPKINSVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Hopkinsville-Christian County Labor Market Area includes Christian County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Caldwell, Hopkins, Muhlenberg, Todd, and Trigg. In addition, the Labor Market Area is supplemented by Montgomery and Stewart Counties, Tennessee.

POPULATION			
	1988*	1980	1970
Labor Market Area	172,600	180,021	154,550
Clarksville-Hopkinsville TN-KY Metropolitan Statistical Area	158,900	150,220	118,945
Hopkinsville	29,680	27,318	21,395
Crofton	1,090	823	631
Christian County	61,900	66,878	56,224

\* 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	174,240	177,300	178,030	176,380
Christian County	62,240	64,640	66,140	67,090

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*	27,432	4,761	7,659	15,012	13,956
Christian County	8,512	1,162	2,749	4,601	5,423

\* 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).

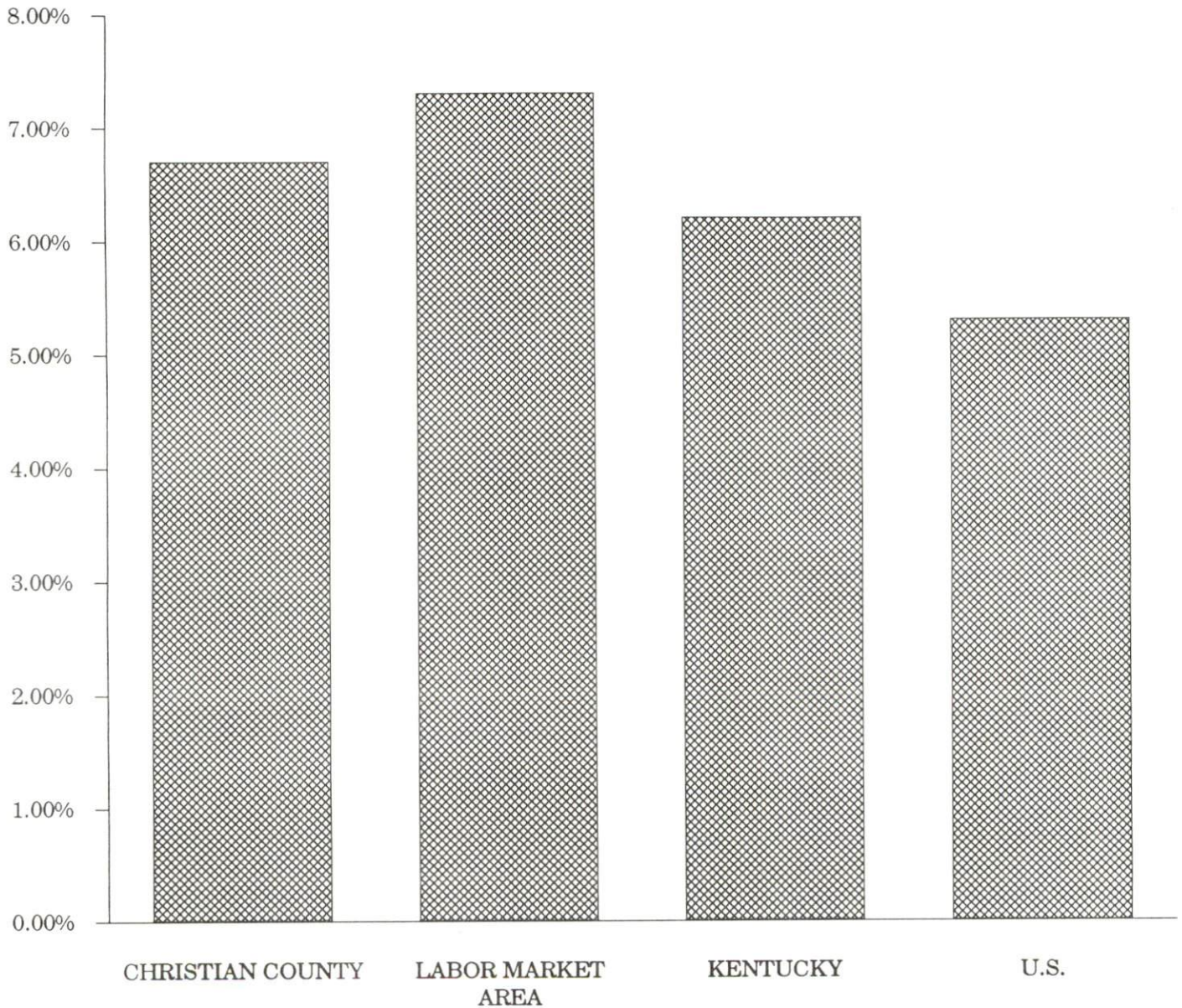
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1990 thru 1994.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1989

	<u>Christian County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	19,703	65,322
Employment	18,541	60,561
Unemployment	1,162	4,761
Rate of Unemployment (%)	6.7	7.3

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

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES  
1989

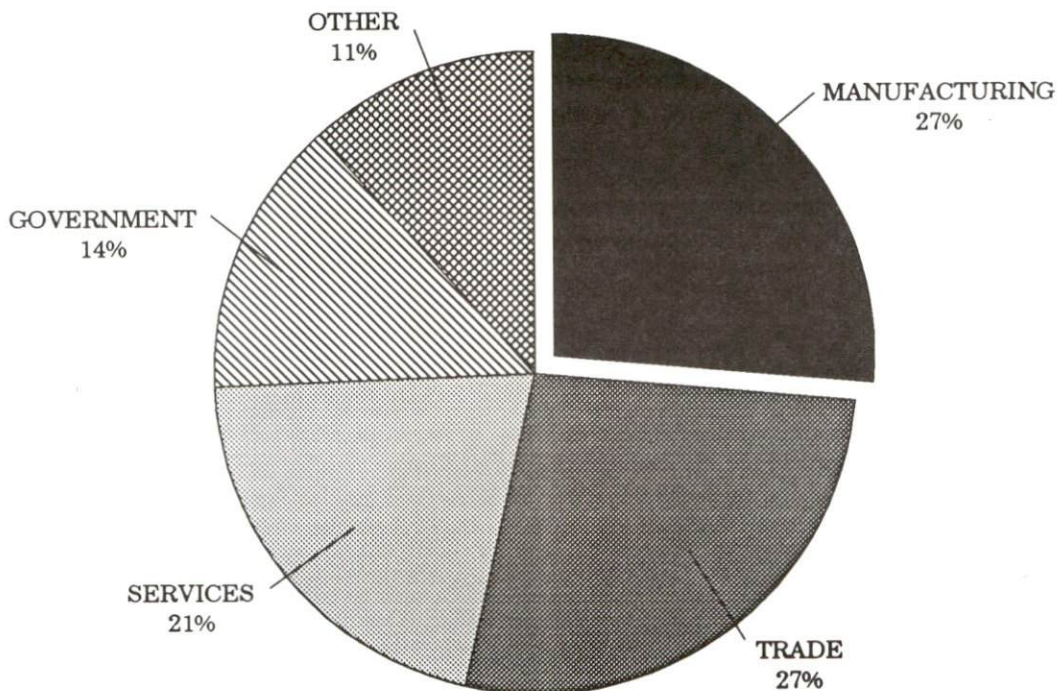


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1989

	Christian County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	18,622	51,623
Manufacturing	4,950	12,369
Wholesale & Retail Trade	5,071	13,284
Services	3,887	10,071
State/Local Government	2,627	7,406
Contract Construction	596	1,532

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.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

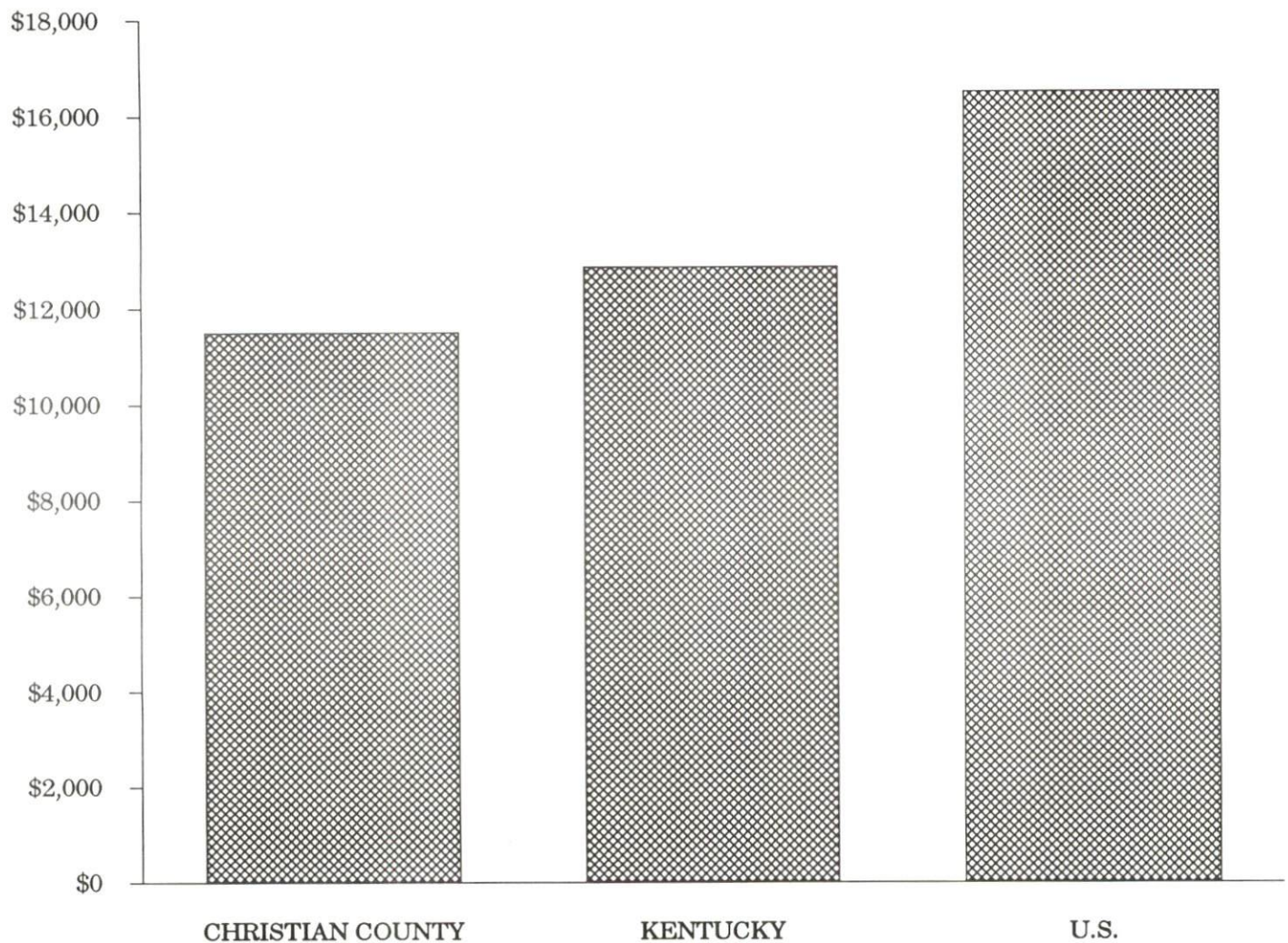


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1984</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Christian County	\$9,239	\$11,476	24.2
Labor Market Area Range	\$8,807 - \$12,378	\$10,181 - \$14,752	-
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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Christian County is served by the Hopkinsville local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Hopkinsville local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 1,598 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

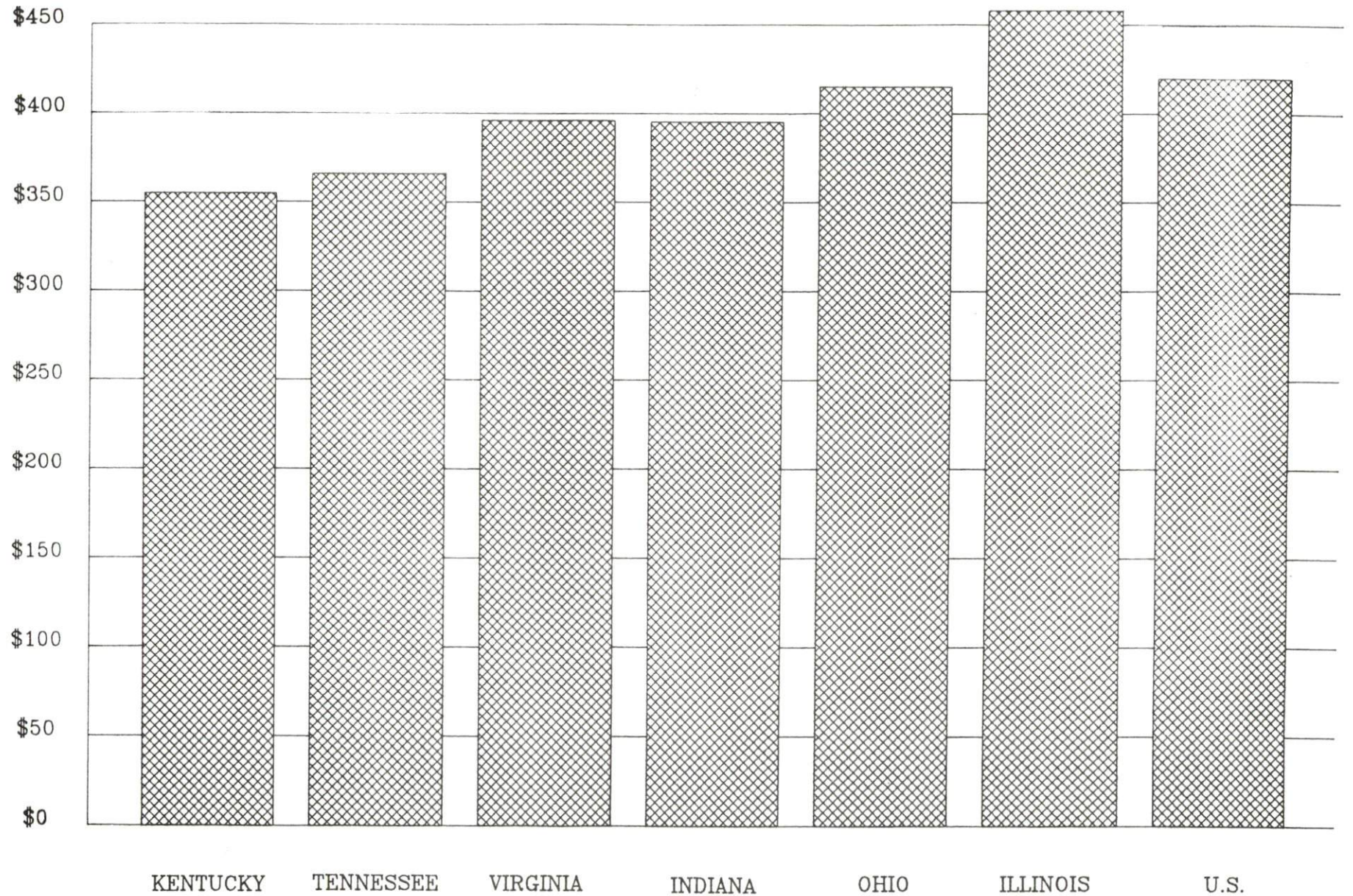
<u>OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS</u>	<u>AVERAGE WAGE(\$)</u>
All Occupations	1,598	5.21
Clerical	538	3.76
Sales	56	4.20
Services (excluding domestic)	205	5.59
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	15	4.77
Processing	126	5.88
Machine Trades	246	7.33
Bench Work	69	4.19
Structural	172	6.67
Motor Freight/ Transportation	25	5.22
Packaging and Materials Handling	96	4.79
Other	5	4.17

The Hopkinsville local office also serves Caldwell, Lyon, Todd, and Trigg Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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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

	<u>Christian County</u>	<u>Kentucky (State- Wide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$292.91	\$352.31	\$363.12	\$392.56
Mining & Quarrying	476.07	603.27	495.85	596.88
Contract Construction	325.93	380.71	394.27	422.27
Manufacturing	378.90	464.92	416.73	452.60
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	374.46	468.17	485.13	554.17
Wholesale & Retail Trade	218.70	238.88	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	323.48	401.17	269.27	466.23
Services	230.63	298.98	343.48	391.67
State/Local Government	344.99	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

MAJOR CHRISTIAN COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS,  
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT\*

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1989</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Adventure World, Inc. (1984)	Satellite antennas, steel carports	22
American Precision Machinery, Inc. (1990)	Machinery, machine tool	30
Autostyle Plastics (1982)	Automotive stampings, plastic injection molding	375
Brazeway, Inc. (1988)	Evaporators for frost-free refridgerators	45
Copar, Inc. (1988)	Radiators for industrial equipment	120
Dana Corporation (1989)	Automotive framing	86
Dixie Pavers, Inc. (1959)	Bituminous concrete paving	50
Duraco Products, Inc. (1982)	Custom injection molding	160
Ebonite International, Inc. (1967)	Bowling balls, bags, gloves	192
Elk Brand Manufacturing Company, Inc. (1930)	Men's & boy's jeans, men's & boy's slacks & walking shorts	200
Faultless Hardware Corporation, A Babcock International Company (1970)	Plastics products, decorative furniture cabinet hardware	117
Flynn Enterprises, Inc. (1976)	Men's & boy's jeans, women's and girl's jeans	1,200
Freudenberg Nonwovens Limited Partnership (1973)	Nonwoven textiles, industrial filtration products	103
Hampton Meat Processing (1975)	Meat processing	25
Hopkinsville Milling Company (1874)	Wheat flour, corn meal, grits	68
Hopkinsville Stone Company (1930)	Bituminous concrete, ready mixed concrete, crushed & agricultural limestone	25
International Paper Company, Folding Carton & Label Division (1982)	Folding cartons	112
Kentucky New Era, Inc. (1869)	Newspaper	113
Lee Masonry Products (1951)	Precast concrete products, concrete block	27

(Continued)

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1989</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Mid Continent Spring Company (1957)	Precision springs, compression torsion springs	145
Omnitech, Incorporated (1963)	Automation & robotics, jigs, fixtures, tools, dies, special machinery	70
Perdue Woodworks, Inc. (1981)	Laminated and unfinished household furniture	35
Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire Company, Hopkinsville Plant (1965)	Cooper magnet wire	450
Plymouth Tube Company, Hopkinsville Extrusion Plant (1978)	Extruded stainless steel shapes, extruded nonferrous shapes	50
Pop Fastener Division, A Black and Decker Company (1965)	Fasteners	100
Superior Graphite Company, Desulco Division (1976)	Desulfurized petroleum coke, granular synthetic graphite	68
Thomas Industries, Inc., Residential Lighting Division (1955)	Lighting fixtures	350
Trace Industries (1980)	Wooden stools, tables & chairs	56
U.S. Tobacco Company (1978)	Snuff, flour; tobacco processing	50
White Hydraulics, Inc. (1983)	Hydraulic motors	150

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\*Manufacturing firms with 20 or more employees.

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

### RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Recent manufacturing plant locations in Hopkinsville include: American Precision Machinery; Brazeway, Inc.; Dana Corporation; and OEM Exhaust. These four firms represented an investment of at least \$57 million and created more than 450 new jobs.

Fourteen manufacturing firms recently expanded their facilities in Hopkinsville. Investments totaled approximately \$15.7 million while 124 new jobs were created.

## LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

### Union

International Association of  
Machinists and Aerospace  
Workers, AFL-CIO

International Brotherhood of  
Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO

International Brotherhood of  
Teamsters, Chauffeurs,  
Warehousemen and Helpers  
of America

International Leather Goods,  
Plastic and Novelty Workers

International Union of Operating  
Engineers, AFL-CIO

International Union, United  
Automobile, Aerospace and  
Agricultural Implement  
Workers of America

Laborers International Union of  
North America, AFL-CIO

Retail, Wholesale and  
Department Store Union,  
AFL-CIO

### Representing workers at:

Pop Fastener Division,  
A Black and Decker Company

Thomas Industries, Inc.,  
Residential Lighting Division

Thomas Industries, Inc.,  
Residential Lighting  
Division;  
Duraco Products, Inc.

Ebonite International, Inc.

Dixie Pavers, Inc.

Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire  
Company, Hopkinsville Plant

Dixie Pavers, Inc.

Hopkinsville Milling Company

## SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Hopkinsville</u>
Custom Data Processing	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Custom Plastics Producers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Electric Motor Repair	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Heat Treating Facilities	Nashville, Tennessee	73
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Industrial Gases	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Industrial Waste Removal	Russellville, Kentucky Dawson Springs, Kentucky	36 41
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	Elkton, Kentucky	20
Metal Finishers	Hartford, Kentucky	66
Metal Service Centers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Millwrights	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Public Warehouse Facilities	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Kentucky Directory of Selected Industrial Services, 1987; Division of Research and Planning; Hopkinsville-Christian County Chamber of Commerce.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Highways

#### Hopkinsville

Interstate 24, a major east-west route, serves Christian County. Interstate 24 is accessible 13 miles south of Hopkinsville via U.S. 41A or 16 miles west of Hopkinsville via U.S. 68. Other major highways serving Hopkinsville include U.S. Highways 41, 41A and 68, all "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. Hopkinsville is the southern terminus of the Pennyriple Parkway, a multi-lane toll road. The Pennyriple Parkway serves Hopkinsville with four interchanges and extends north to connect with the Western Kentucky Parkway, 25 miles from Hopkinsville.

The rebuilding of U.S. 60-Kentucky 80 from Bowling Green, Kentucky to Interstate 24 near Cadiz, Kentucky is scheduled for the near future.

A southwest bypass around the city of Hopkinsville is in the planning stages. The \$9 million project will be completed in segments with phase one scheduled for completion in 1991.

#### Crofton

Crofton is served directly by U.S. Highway 41, a "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway, and Kentucky highways 800 and 1348. The Pennyriple Parkway, a multi-lane toll road, is located one mile east of Crofton. The Pennyriple Parkway connects with the Western Kentucky Parkway, a multi-lane toll road, 12 miles north of Crofton. Interstate 24, a major east-west route, is located 26 miles south of Crofton via U.S. 41 and U.S. 41A.

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

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	308	Los Angeles, CA	1,988
Baltimore, MD	736	Louisville, KY	162
Birmingham, AL	259	Nashville, TN	73
Chicago, IL	371	New Orleans, LA	574
Cincinnati, OH	262	New York, NY	914
Cleveland, OH	507	Pittsburgh, PA	544
Detroit, MI	520	St. Louis, MO	226
Knoxville, TN	243		

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

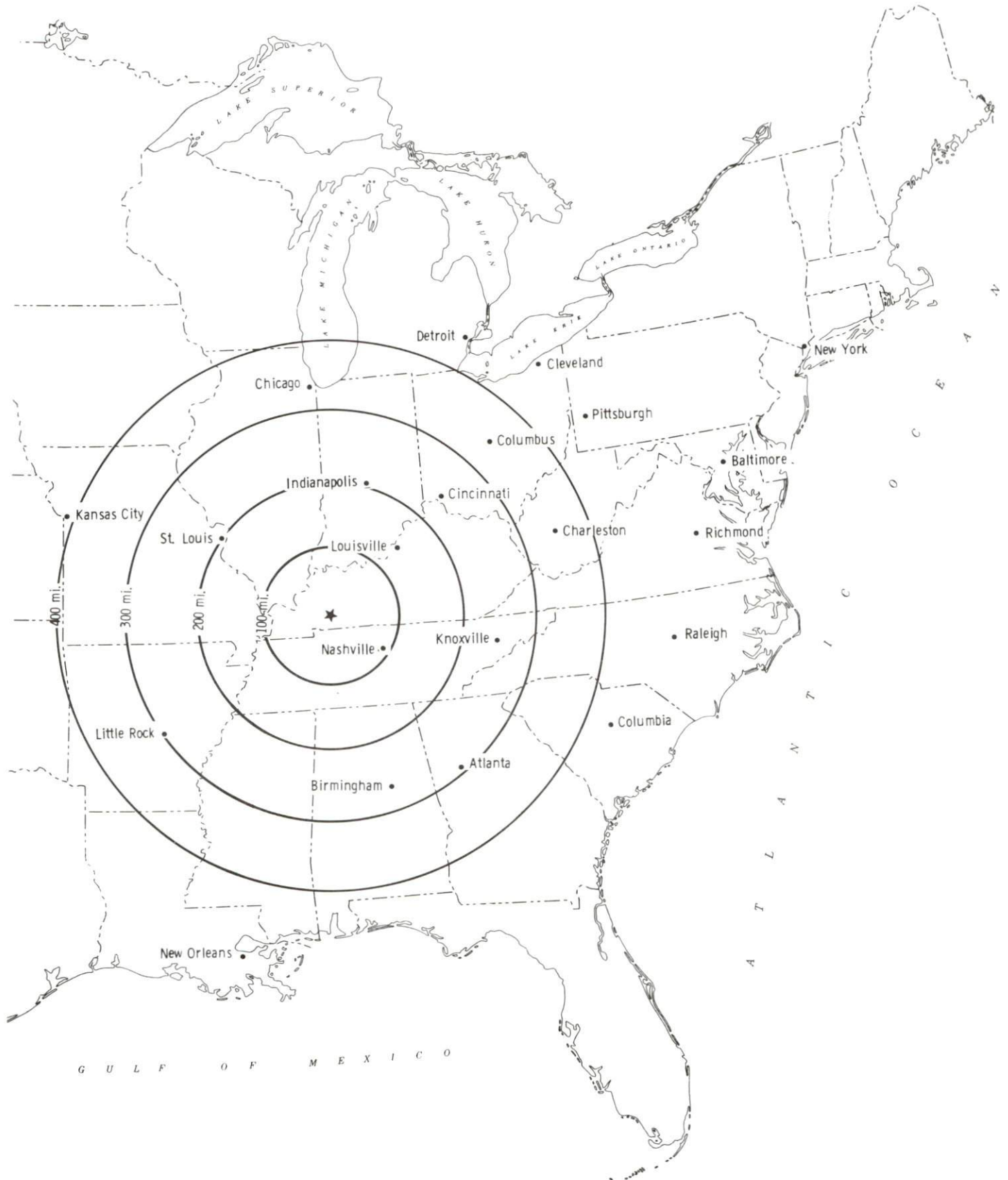
Sources: Rand McNally Deluxe Motor Carriers' Road Atlas, 1989. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.

#### Truck Service

Twenty-six common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Hopkinsville and Christian County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1990.

# Selected Market Centers



## Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Hopkinsville and Crofton. The nearest piggyback facilities are located at Nashville, Tennessee, 73 miles southeast of Hopkinsville and at Evansville, Indiana, 81 miles north.

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

## Air

### Local

Location: Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport  
1 mile east of Hopkinsville  
Runways: 1 paved  
Length: 5,000 feet  
Traffic Control: Wind socks on northwest and northeast  
corners, unicom  
Lighting: Sundown to sunrise, REILS  
Services: 100LL octane and jet-A fuel; minor A & P  
repairs; tie-downs, taxi and 30 T-hangars;  
heated storage hangar; car rental  
Navigation: Localizer, radar, NDB  
Air Freight Service: Chartered air freight services must be arranged.

The Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport recently completed the installation of REILS, a new taxiway lighting system. In addition, the Airport plans to install PAPIS lighting and construct an AWOS weather reporting station by summer 1991.

### Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Nashville Metropolitan Airport  
6 miles southeast of Nashville, Tennessee;  
79 miles southeast of Hopkinsville  
Air Service: American, Delta, Eastern, Northwest,  
TWA, Southwest, United, USAir,  
ComAir, Nashville Eagle, USAir Express  
Daily Arrivals  
& Departures: 440

## Water

The nearest navigable waterway is the Cumberland River at Clarksville, Tennessee, 27 miles south of Hopkinsville, where several public and private full service river terminal facilities are available. The Cumberland River connects with the Ohio River via Lake Barkley and is part of the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway Corridor.

## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Company serving the majority of Hopkinsville and a small portion of  
Christian County - Hopkinsville Electric System  
Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority  
For industrial rates contact:

Hopkinsville Electric System  
P.O. Box 544  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0544  
(502) 887-4210

Company serving a small portion of Hopkinsville and the majority of  
Christian County - Pennyriple 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

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

Company serving Crofton and a portion of northern Christian 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 Hopkinsville and Crofton- Western Kentucky Gas Company  
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation  
For rates and supplies contact:

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



## Public Water Supply

Company serving Hopkinsville - Sewerage & Water Works Commission  
101 North Main Street  
P.O. Box 628  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0628  
(502) 887-4246

Source - North Fork of Little River  
Treatment plant capacity - 7,000,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 4,900,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 6,600,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 7,300,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 45 psi to 90 psi

Company serving Crofton - Crofton Water and Sewer System  
P.O. Box 243  
Crofton, Kentucky 42217  
(502) 424-5111

Source - Reservoir  
Treatment plant capacity - 300,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 130,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 200,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 150,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 58 psi to 67 psi

The City of Crofton recently completed a project which provided additional access to a raw water supply. The water department also plans to extend service to the Empire community by Spring 1991.

## Sewerage

Company serving Hopkinsville - Sewerage and Water Works Commission  
101 North Main Street  
P.O. Box 628  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0628  
(502) 887-4246

Design capacity - Plant #1 2,880,000 gallons per day  
Plant #2 3,000,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow - 3,000,000 gallons  
Type of treatment - Primary and secondary  
Treated effluent discharged into - North Fork of Little River

Company serving Crofton - Crofton Sewer Department  
P.O. Box 243  
Crofton, Kentucky 42217  
(502) 424-5111

Design capacity - 100,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow - At capacity  
Type of treatment - Secondary  
Treated effluent discharged into - Snorton Branch

## CLIMATE

### Christian County

#### Temperature

Normal (29-year record)	59.20 degrees
Average annual 1989	58.80 degrees
Record highest, July 1952 (50-year record)	107.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (50-year record)	-17.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (29-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	3,756

#### Precipitation

Normal (29-year record)	48.49 inches
Mean annual snowfall (48-year record)	10.90 inches
Total precipitation 1989	57.03 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (48-year record)	118.80
Mean number days thunderstorms (48-year record)	53.50

#### Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South

#### Relative Humidity (24-year record)

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

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1989. Station of record: Nashville, Tennessee.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Structure

The City of Hopkinsville is governed by a mayor, 12 council members, and a full-time city administrator. The mayor is elected to a four-year term while the council members each serve two-year terms. The City of Crofton is governed 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.

Christian County is governed by a county judge/executive and eight magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

### Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Hopkinsville-Christian County Planning Commission  
Participating cities - Hopkinsville, Crofton, La Fayette, Oak Grove,  
Pembroke

Zoning enforced - Within city limits of Hopkinsville and Oak Grove  
Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city of Hopkinsville and  
unincorporated Christian 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 Hopkinsville levies an occupational license tax of 1 1/2% of gross wages, and a business license tax of .115% of gross receipts. Manufacturers with less than 50 employees are levied a business license fee of \$100, firms with 50-99 employees are charged \$150 and firms with 100 employees or greater pay \$200 per year.

The City of Crofton levies a full-time business license fee of \$65 annually, a part-time business license fee of \$25 per year, and a \$50 loading and unloading license fee annually.

### Tax Incentives

The City of Hopkinsville received enterprise zone status from the Kentucky Enterprise Zone Authority in December 1987. The Hopkinsville Enterprise Zone offers tax incentives and regulatory relief to qualifying businesses which locate or expand activities within the zone's boundaries. The zone comprises 6.5 square miles which includes commercial and industrial land.

## 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

	Hopkinsville	Crofton	Unincorporated Christian County
Land and Buildings	\$0.7341	\$0.7411	\$0.4881
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	0.5531	0.6021	0.3021
Automobiles & Trucks	0.9850	1.0340	0.7340
Other Tangible			
Personal Property	1.0021	1.0511	0.7511
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

Three special taxing districts, not county-wide, levy real estate taxes on property located within their boundaries ranging from \$0.0900 to \$0.1200 per \$100 valuation.

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

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

	Christian County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1989)	8,797
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1988-89)	20-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1988-89)	47.4
Expenditures Per Pupil (1988-89)	\$2,424.67

The Christian County School System recently completed several projects including the construction of a new middle school, an addition of six new classrooms at two elementary schools, an addition to the Board of Education building. Total cost of these projects exceeded \$5 million. Construction of \$4.4 million recreation complex is under way. The project includes construction of a football stadium, running track and alternative school, and is scheduled for completion by summer 1991. The School System also plans several improvement projects totaling \$4.2 million at five elementary schools.

### Nonpublic Schools

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Grades</u>
Fort Campbell	4,090	K-12
Life Tabernacle Christian	48	K-12
Pennyrile Christian Academy	34	K-5
Saints Peter & Paul Elementary	94	K-6
University Heights Academy	200	K-12

## Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1989)</u>
Hopkinsville Community College	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	1,877
Austin Peay State University	Clarksville, Tennessee (27)	6,292
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky (37)	1,960
Murray State University	Murray, Kentucky (57)	8,013
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (65)	14,821
Henderson Community College	Henderson, Kentucky (71)	1,246
Belmont College	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	2,706
David Lipscomb College	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	2,542
Fisk University	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	891
Free Will Baptist Bible College	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	269
Meharry Medical College	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	751
Trevecca Nazarene College	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	1,761
Tennessee State University	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	7,362
Vanderbilt University	Nashville, Tennessee (73)	9,059

## Hopkinsville Community College

The University of Kentucky's Hopkinsville Community College offers two years transfer or university parallel courses; and an associate degree in Business Technology with options in banking, management, and management information systems; Human Services Technology; Law Enforcement; Nursing; Dental Hygiene; Industrial Electrical Technology (IET); Secretarial and Office Administration. The Community College also offers a variety of credit and non-credit courses in proactive response to industrial and business needs which includes pre-employment testing, pre-employment training, middle-management training, Statistical Process Control (SPC), and Learning to Learn programs geared to industrial applications.

The Industrial Electrical Technology (IET) program at Hopkinsville Community College is an associate degree that helps to prepare an individual for an entry-level position in a technically related field. These positions could include; automated production, machine installation, maintenance, trouble-shooting or equipment testing. Upon completion of the program, students have a basic knowledge in the areas of electronics, hydraulics, mathematics, manufacturing and mechanics. The student is also exposed to computer logic and digital circuit analysis. With this background, graduates are capable of understanding and resolving problems that can occur in everyday operation of today's advanced technology manufacturing facilities.

The Community College conducts examinations for the Certification of Professional Secretaries (CPS), General Education Development tests (GEDs), and the State Merit Examinations (for employment with state government) on a routine basis, HCC is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools and have active 2 + 2 baccalaureate programs with nearby institutions of higher education such as Western Kentucky University, Murray State University, University of Kentucky, and Austin Peay State University.

## 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 distant)</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1989-1990</u>
Madisonville State Vocational-Technical School	Madisonville, Kentucky (37)	354
Christian County Area Vocational Education Center	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	335



## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 78  
Dentists - 23

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Jennie Stuart Medical Center	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	194
Regional Medical Center of Hopkins County	Madisonville, Kentucky, 37 miles north	410

#### Jennie Stuart Medical Center

Medical staff - 84 physicians, 120 registered nurses, and 65 licensed practical nurses

#### Regional Medical Center of Hopkins County

Medical staff - 85 active staff physicians, 26 courtesy staff physicians, 336 registered nurses, 115 licensed practical nurses

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Christian County Health Department  
Hopkinsville-Christian County Emergency  
Ambulance Service  
Pennyroyal Regional Mental Health-  
Mental Retardation Center  
Trover Clinic (100 employees)  
Western State Hospital (psychiatric)

### Banks and Savings and Loan Association

First City Bank and Trust Company  
First Federal Savings Bank of Hopkinsville  
Hopkinsville Federal Savings Bank  
Pennyroyal Citizens Bank and Trust Company  
Sovran Bank

### Newspapers

The Kentucky News Era (daily except Sunday)

### Telephone Service

South Central Bell Telephone Company

## RECREATION

### Local

Hopkinsville offers a variety of public recreation opportunities. Public facilities include ten parks, eight playgrounds, a swimming pool, fifteen tennis courts, eight baseball diamonds, three softball fields, a football field, two soccer fields, a nine-hole golf course (par-3), and a fishing lake. New public facilities include a football field and stadium, a senior citizen's walking course, an 18-hole miniature golf course, a nature fitness trail, an 18-hole golf course, and a fishing pond. The City of Hopkinsville is in the process of developing the Trail of Tears Commemorative Park on the banks of the Little River. The project will consist of the development of a canoe landing, nature trails, parking areas, and rehabilitating a log cabin for an information center.

The Hopkinsville-Christian County Recreation Department employs a full-time director and staff. Supervised recreational programs include classes in tennis, arts and crafts, soccer, aerobics, and special programs for the handicapped. Sports leagues include men's and women's softball, basketball and volleyball; co-ed softball, and boy's and girls' softball; Little League and Babe Ruth League baseball; junior league basketball; pee wee football; and soccer. Special events coordinated by the department are: "Life. Be in it. Superday", Christmas Parade, Haunted House, Little River Days Festival, Little River Road Races, Halloween Costume Parade and Pumpkin Painting Contest, and "Life. Be in it. Open House".

The Western Kentucky State Fair is held at the Christian County Fairgrounds each summer. A horse show, horse races, tractor pulls, and performances by famous entertainers are featured. The fair is the third-largest in Kentucky.

The Pennyroyal Area Museum, in Hopkinsville, houses exhibits of Civil War and Jefferson Davis memorabilia, Indian relics, and early pioneer displays.

Private recreational facilities include a golf and country club, swimming pools, bowling lanes, riding stables, five movie theatres, a roller skating rink, trap shooting facilities, and a racquetball and health club.

Several organizations in Hopkinsville hold periodic performances, programs or exhibits throughout the year. These groups include the Community Players, the Hopkinsville Art Guild, the Hopkinsville Madrigal Singers, the Oratorio Society, the Pennyrile Players, the Pennyroyal Crafts Group, the Pennyroyal Youth Choral, Hopkinsville Community Concerts, and the Southern Kentucky Independent Theatre (S.K.I.T.).

Several events held in Crofton each year include a 4th of July Homecoming, PTO Fall Festival and a Freedom Day.

### Area (Within 55 miles)

Jefferson Davis Monument State Shrine  
Kenlake State Resort Park  
Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park  
Lake Barkley State Resort Park  
Lake Malone State Park  
The Land Between the Lakes  
National Recreation Area  
Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park

## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Hopkinsville re-certified as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1990, and is distinguished as a gold award winner recognizing seven consecutive years of certification. Re-certification is based on achievement in the following areas: existing industry assistance, small business assistance, educational resources, and community development factors of health care, public safety, arts and culture, recreation, governmental awareness and resources. The Certified Cities Program is sponsored by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Recent manufacturing plant locations in Hopkinsville include: American Precision Machinery; Brazeway, Inc.; Dana Corporation; and OEM Exhaust. These four firms represented an investment of at least \$57 million and created more than 450 new jobs.

Fourteen manufacturing firms recently expanded their facilities in Hopkinsville. Investments totaled approximately \$15.7 million while 124 new jobs were created.

The Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport recently completed the installation of REILS, a new taxiway lighting system. In addition, the Airport plans to install PAPIS lighting and construct an AWOS weather reporting station by summer 1991.

A southwest bypass around the city of Hopkinsville is in the planning stages. The \$9 million project will be completed in segments with phase one scheduled for completion in 1991.

The rebuilding of U.S. 60-Kentucky 80 from Bowling Green, Kentucky to Interstate 24 near Cadiz, Kentucky is scheduled for the near future.

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Hopkinsville participates in the Kentucky Main Street Program, which through joint public-private ventures, provides funding for capital improvements for downtown development. The community plans several projects to enhance growth opportunities for the central business district.



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