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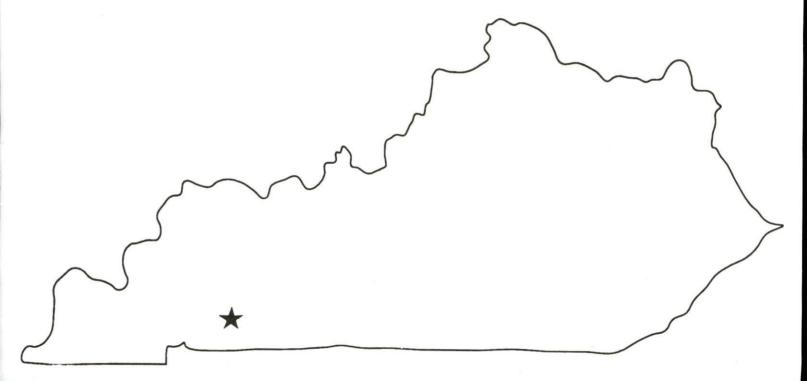
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HOPKINSVILLE-CHRISTIAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Hopkinsville, the county seat of Christian County, is situated in southwestern Kentucky, 70 miles northwest of Nashville, Tennessee; 162 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; and 226 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. Hopkinsville had an estimated 1994 population of 32,283 persons. Crofton, a small community in northern Christian County, had an estimated 1994 population of 653.

Christian County, covering a land area of 721 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 an estimated 1994 population of 66,846.

The Hopkinsville area was listed in the September 1995 <u>Builder magazine</u> as the 19th Hottest Market in the U.S. and the October 1994 issue of <u>Entrepreneur magazine</u> listed Hopkinsville as one of the 25 best cities to own a business. <u>American Demographics</u> also listed Hopkinsville in the top twenty metropolitan areas ranked by percent change in per-capita income for the next 10 and 20 years at 18.9 percent and 34.4 percent respectively.

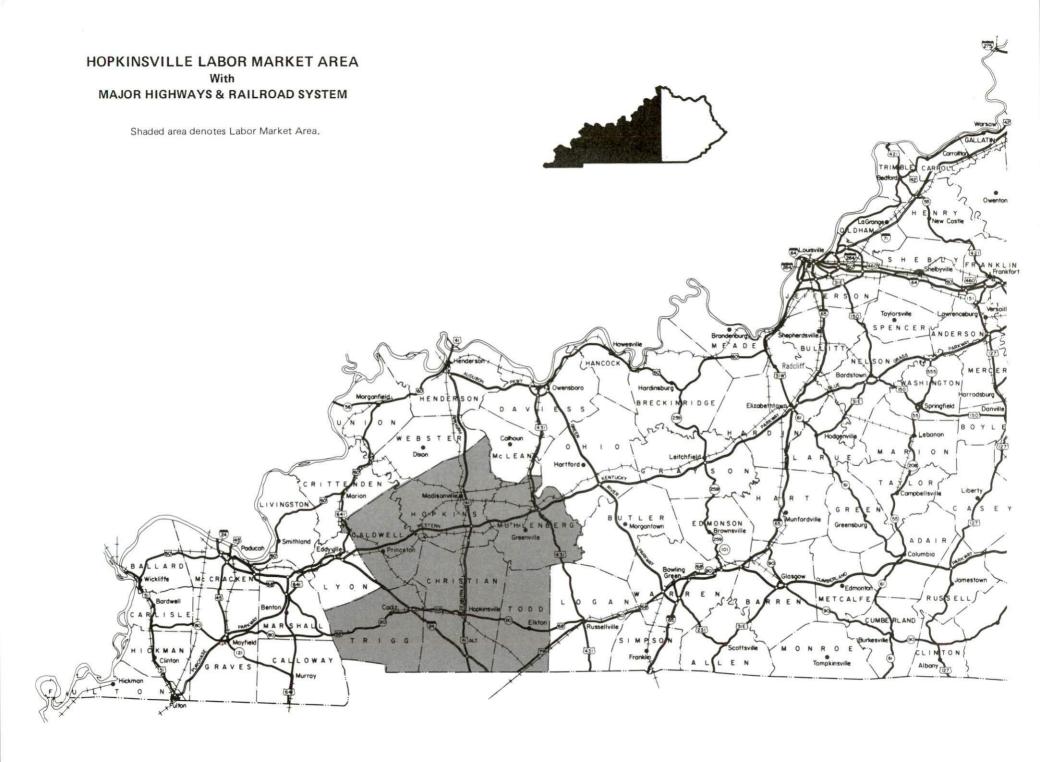
The Economic Framework - The total number of Christian County residents employed in 1994 averaged 23,084. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 5,841 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 5,166 jobs; 4,462 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 3,081 employees; and contract construction firms provided 657 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 15,226 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1996 through 2000, 12,908 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 Pennyrile Parkway, a multi-lane highway. Other "AAA"-rated trucking highways serving Hopkinsville include U.S. Highways 41, 41A, and 68. Interstate Highway 24 traverses southern Christian County, and is adjacent to the city limits of Hopkinsville. Crofton is served directly by U.S. Highway 41 and Kentucky Highways 800 and 1348. The Pennyrile Parkway is located one mile east of Crofton. CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Hopkinsville and Crofton. Twenty-eight common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Christian County. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Nashville International Airport, 76 miles southeast of Hopkinsville near Nashville, Tennessee; and at Evansville Regional Airport, 85 miles north of Hopkinsville near Evansville, Indiana. 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 Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation and Kentucky Utilities Company. Natural gas service is provided by 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. Hopkinsville Community College provides higher education to the community. In addition, 12 other institutions of higher learning are located within 75 miles of Hopkinsville. Vocational training is available at the Christian County Area Technology Center in Hopkinsville, at the Madisonville Regional Technology Center, and at the Madisonville Health Technology Center, both in Madisonville, 34 miles north.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Hopkinsville Labor Market Area includes Christian County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Caldwell, Hopkins, Muhlenberg, Todd, and Trigg. Although not included in the statistics below, the Labor Market Area is supplemented by Montgomery and Stewart Counties, Tennessee. Additional data and information concerning that area may be available from the Hopkinsville-Christian County Economic Development Council.

POPULATION

	1994*	1990	1980	1970
Labor Market Area	179,810	180,918	180,021	154,550
Clarksville-Hopkinsville TN-KY Metropolitan	186,016	169,439	150,220	118,945
Statistical Area Hopkinsville	32,283	29,818	27,318	21,395
Crofton	653	699	823	631
Christian County	66,846	68,941	66,878	56,224

^{*}Population estimates.

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	1995	2000	2010	2020
Labor Market Area	181,241	187,890	197,779	206,075
Christian County	67,619	71,381	77,999	84,621

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

		Current		Future
	Total	Unemployed	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1996 thru 2000
Labor Market Area* Christian County	15,226 4,726	4,258 1,075	10,968 3,651	12,908 4,708

^{*} Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion that they do nationally). Underemployed persons (employed only 14 to 26 weeks during the year) are no longer included in labor surplus estimates.

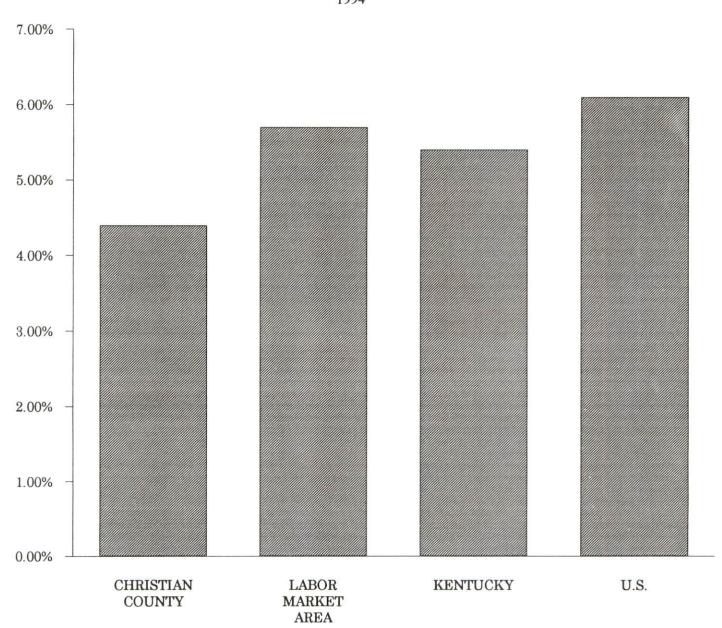
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1994</u>. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, <u>Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1996 thru</u> 2000.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1994

	Christian County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	24,159	75,050
Employment	23,084	70,792
Unemployment	1,075	4,258
Rate of Unemployment (%)	4.4	5.7

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages 1994.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1994



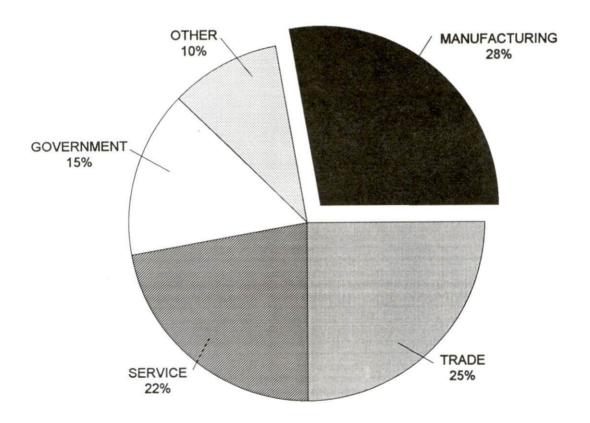
SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK, 1994

	Christian County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	20,799	55,819
Manufacturing	5,841	13,701
Wholesale & Retail Trade	5,166	13,676
Services	4,462	11,636
State/Local Government	3,081	8,626
Contract Construction	657	1,865

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky</u> Unemployment Insurance Law, 1994.

CHRISTIAN COUNTY

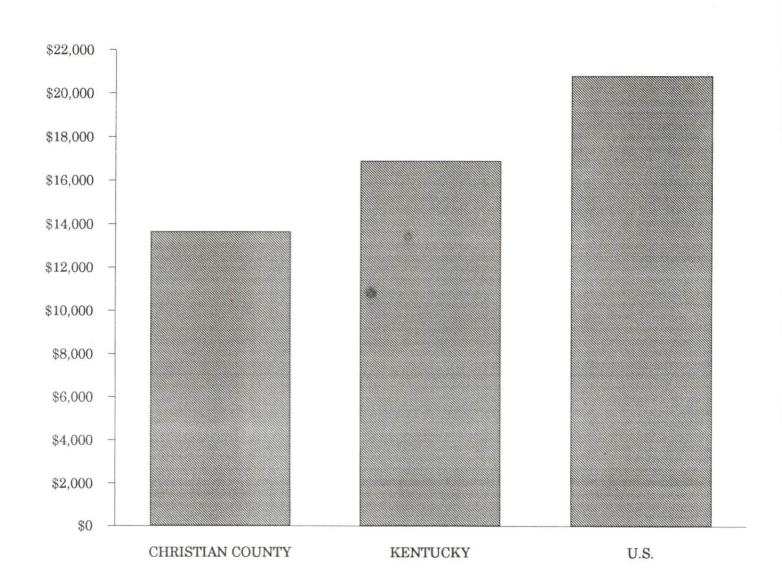


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1989	1993	Percent Change
Christian County	\$10,835	\$13,655	26.0
Labor Market Area Range	\$10,835 - \$15,011	\$13,462 - \$17,207	
Kentucky	\$13,756	\$16,889	22.8
U.S.	\$17,690	\$20,800	17.6

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME 1993



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

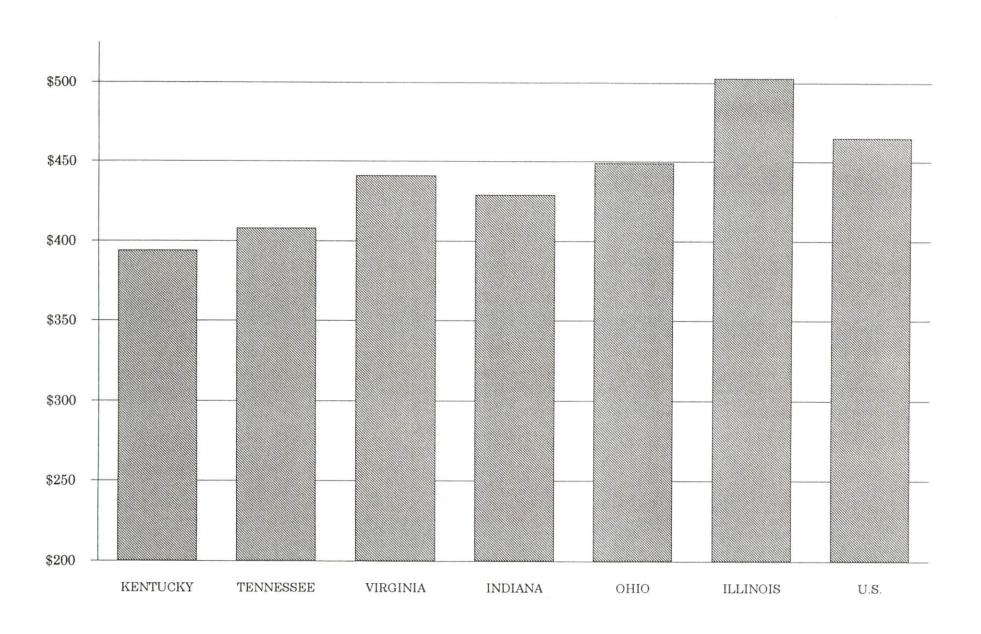
Christian County is served by the Hopkinsville local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Hopkinsville local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1995, the local employment office filled 1,212 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS	AVERAGE WAGE(\$)
All Occupations	1,212	6.25
Clerical	183	5.17
Sales	61	5.24
Services (excluding domestic)	175	4.80
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	29	5.12
Processing	158	6.71
Machine Trades	171	7.84
Bench Work	64	4.74
Structural	201	8.02
Motor Freight/ Transportation	18	5.66
Packaging and Materials Handling	118	5.72
Other	3	5.57

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

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

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1991



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY BY PLACE OF WORK, 1993*

	Christian	Kentucky		
	County	(Statewide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$377.46	\$421.30	\$444.00	\$473.00
Mining & Quarrying	708.89	691.01	605.00	684.00
Contract Construction	337.66	440.47	467.00	464.00
Manufacturing	503.98	541.18	522.00	543.00
Transportation,				
Communications &				
Public Utilities	486.57	567.94	572.00	648.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	260.41	287.24	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	418.35	449.89	495.00	523.00
Services	303.48	350.41	394.00	455.00
State/Local Government	412.72	413.84	N/A	N/A
	Indiana	<u>Ohio</u>	Illinois	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$460.00	\$481.00	\$542.00	\$499.00
Mining & Quarrying	757.00	645.00	738.00	816.00
Contract Construction	509.00	534.00	658.00	530.00
Manufacturing	629.00	670.00	667.00	623.00
Transportation,				
Communications &				
Public Utilities	561.00	600.00	682.00	643.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	527.00	568.00	748.00	693.00
Services	391.00	422.00	494.00	475.00
State/Local Government	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

N/A Not Available.

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

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1993</u>. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, <u>Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1993</u>, October, 1994.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

MAJOR CHRISTIAN COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT*

Firm		1995
(Establishment date)	Product	Average Employment
Hopkinsville		
Adventure World, Inc. (1982)	Steel shelters	22
Agri-Chem, Inc. (1976)	Agricultural products and chemicals	48
Autostyle Plastics (1982)	Injection molded plastics	28
Brazeway, Inc. (1988)	Evaporators for frost-free refrigerators	178
Copar, Inc. (1988)	Radiators for industrial equipment	176
Dana Corporation (1990)	Motor vehicle frames	516
Dunlap Sales, Inc. (1968)	Industrial sewing machine parts	75
Ebonite International, Inc. (1967)	Bowling balls, bags, gloves	319
Elk Brand Manufacturing (1964)	Jeans	85
EMS-TOGO/Dinol Corporation (1987)	Automotive caulking and waxes, automotive plastisol sealant	41
Flynn Enterprises, Inc. (1976)	Men's, boys', women's, and girls' jean products	1,060
Freudenberg Nonwovens, Limited Partnership (1973)	Nonwoven textiles, industrial filtration products	216
Hampton Meat Processing (1975)	Meat processing (sausage)	28
Hopkinsville Aggregate Company (1952)	Crushed stone	20
Hopkinsville Milling Company (1874)	Wheat flour, corn meal, grits	60
International Paper Company, Folding Carton Division (1982)	Folding cartons (fast food boxes)	120
Kentech Plastics, Inc. (1967)	Injection molded plastics	195
Kentucky Derby Hosiery Company, Inc. (1948)	Women's/men's and children's hosiery	46
Kentucky New Era, Inc. (1869)	Newspaper	80

(Continued)

Firm (Establishment date)	Product	1995 Average Employment
Lee Masonry Products, dba Lee Brick & Block (1951)	Precast concrete products, concrete block	32
MHI Machine Tools U.S.A., Inc. (1990)	Vertical machining, CNC turning, and horizontal machining center	71
Mid Continent Spring Company (1957)	Precision springs, compression torsion springs	200
Model Pure Milk Company, Inc. (1948)	Dairy products	25
O.E.M. Exhaust (1988)	Tailpipes for automobiles	20
Perdue Furniture, Inc. (1981)	Laminated furniture	110
Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire Company, Hopkinsville Plant (1965)	Copper magnet wire	412
Plymouth Tube Company, Hopkinsville Extrusion Plant (1978)	Extruded stainless steel shapes, extruded non-ferrous shapes	62
Pop Fasteners Division, A Black and Decker Company (1965)	Fasteners	155
Porta Carport, Inc. (1989)	Carports, garages, steel buildings	20
Rockwell International Suspension Systems, Inc. (1991)	Automotive torsion bar- suspension systems	38
Rogers Group, Inc. (1959)	Bituminous concrete, asphalt	75
Siemer Milling (1994)	Flour milling	25
Superior Graphite Company, Desulco Division (1976)	Desulfurized petroleum coke, granular synthetic graphite	83
Thomas Industries, Inc., Residential Lighting Division (1955)	Lighting fixtures	250
Trace Industries (1980)	Wood stools, tables & chairs	64
U.S. Tobacco Manufacturing Company (1978)	Snuff flour, tobacco processing	64
White Hydraulics, Inc. (1983)	Hydraulic motors	232
Crofton		
Crofton Wood Products, Inc. (1988)	Wooden light fixtures	27

^{*}Manufacturing firms with 20 or more employees.

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Hopkinsville-Christian County Economic Development Council.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

A new company, IG Autotrim, is under construction and expected to start production in 1996 with a start-up of 150 employees. The company will manufacture automobile headliners.

A new 48,000-square-foot "spec" building has recently been completed in the 400-acre Commerce Park. A spec building is available at all times.

MAJOR NON-MANUFACTURING EMPLOYERS

Christian County Board of Education	1,100
Christian County Government	117
City of Hopkinsville	200
Ft. Campbell Army Post	
- Civilian Personnel	4,502
- Military Personnel	22,378
Jennie Stuart Medical Center	652
Wal Mart	198
Western State Hospital	634

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Union	Representing Workers at:
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO	Pop Fastener Division, A Black and Decker Company
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO	Thomas Industries, Inc., Residential Lighting Division
International Leather Goods, Plastic and Novelty Workers Union, AFL-CIO-CLC	Ebonite International, Inc.
International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America	Phelps Dodge Magnet Wire Company, Hopkinsville Plant EMS-TOGO/Dinol Corporation
International Union of Operating Engineers, AFL-CIO	Rogers Group, Inc.
Retail, Wholesale and Department Store Union, AFL-CIO	Hopkinsville Milling Company

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

Types of Services	Location	Mileage from Hopkinsville
Custom Plastics Producers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Electric Motor Repair	Hopkinsville, Kentucky Crofton, Kentucky	13
Heat Treating Facilities	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Industrial Waste Removal	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	Elkton, Kentucky	20
Metal Finishers	Madisonville, Kentucky	34
Metal Service Centers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	-
Millwrights & Riggers	Bowling Green, Kentucky Franklin, Kentucky	60 60

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Hopkinsville

Interstate 24, a major east-west route, serves Christian County. Interstate 24 is adjacent to the city limits 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 Pennyrile Parkway, a multi-lane highway. The Pennyrile 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. 68-Kentucky 80 from Bowling Green to Cadiz, Kentucky, is currently under construction. This will effectively connect Interstate 65 with Interstate 24, which will include a by-pass around the city.

Crofton

Crofton is served directly by U.S. Highway 41 and Kentucky Highways 800 and 1348. The Pennyrile Parkway, a multi-lane highway is accessible one mile east of Crofton. The Pennyrile Parkway is accessible one mile east of Crofton. The Pennyrile Parkway connects with the Western Kentucky Parkway, 12 miles north of Crofton. Interstate 24 is located 26 miles south of Crofton via U.S. 41 and U.S. 41A.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

	Highway		Highway
City	Miles	City	Miles
Atlanta, GA	308	Los Angeles, CA	1,988
Baltimore, MD	736	Louisville, KY	162
Birmingham, AL	259	Nashville, TN	70
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	e planticulari de la compagnio de missar e o 🖋 en 140 (150 (150 (150 (150 (150 (150 (150 (15	

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

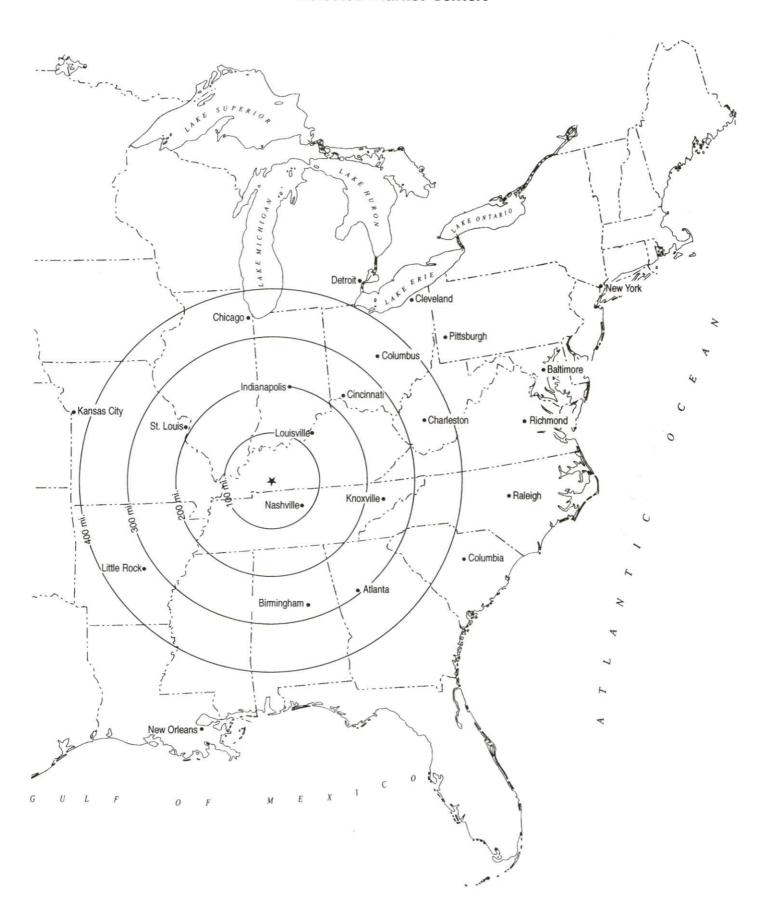
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1988.

Truck Service

Twenty-eight common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Hopkinsville and Christian County. Eight terminals operate in Hopkinsville.

Sources: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1995; Hopkinsville-Christian County Economic Development Council.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Hopkinsville and Crofton. The main rail line from Chicago to Miami traverses the southwest boundary of the industrial park. A rail spur is in the Hopkinsville Industrial Park and space is available for several in the Commerce Park. Daily service is available. The nearest intermodal facilities are located at Nashville, Tennessee, 70 miles southeast of Hopkinsville and at Evansville, Indiana, 80 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

Hopkinsville-Christian County Airport

Location: 1 mile east of Hopkinsville

Runways: 1 paved 5,000 feet Length:

Width: 75 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.

Nearest International Airport

Nashville International Airport

Location: 6 miles southeast of Nashville, Tennessee;

76 miles southeast of Hopkinsville

Air Service: American, AirTrans, ASA, Continental

> Connection, ComAir, Delta, American Eagle, Northwest, Southwest, TWA, United, USAir, USAir Express, Valujet

Daily Arrivals

564 & Departures:

Other Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Evansville Regional Airport

Location: 3 miles north of Evansville, Indiana;

85 miles north of Hopkinsville

Air Service: ASA, Chicago Express, ComAir,

American Eagle, Northwest Airlink,

TW Express, USAir, US Air Express

Daily Arrivals

& Departures:

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Water

The nearest navigable waterway is the Cumberland River at Clarksville, Tennessee, 26 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 - 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 - Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority
For industrial rates contact:

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

and/or

Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation 2000 Harrison Street P.O. Box 551 Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241 (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:

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

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 -

Hopkinsville Water Environment Authority

P.O. Box 628

Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0628

(502) 887-4241

Source - North Fork of Little River (four lakes) and three quarries

Treatment plant capacity-

7,000,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption -

5,300,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption -

6,300,000 gallons

Storage capacity -

6,361,000 gallons

Water pressure -

40 psi to 70 psi

The Hopkinsville Water Environment Authority is constructing a new ten million-gallon-per-day water treatment facility at a cost of \$10 million. The project is scheduled for completion by December 1996. The Authority recently completed a \$600,000 project to replace galvanized mains and valves.

Company serving Crofton -

Crofton Water Department

P.O. Box 243

Crofton, Kentucky 42217 (502) 424-5111 or 424-8111

Source -

Crofton Lake

Treatment plant capacity-

300,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption - Peak daily consumption -

207,000 gallons 237,000 gallons

Peak daily consumpt Storage capacity -

100,000 gallons

Water pressure -

30 psi to 110 psi

Sewerage

Company serving Hopkinsville -

Hopkinsville Water Environment Authority

P.O. Box 628

Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0628

(502) 887-4241

Design capacity - Plant #1

2,890,000 gallons per day

Plant #2

6,000,000 gallons per day

Total average daily flow -

4,700,000 gallons

Type of treatment -

Tertiary

Treated effluent discharged into -

North Fork of Little River

The Hopkinsville Water Environment Authority placed into service in late 1995 an expanded and upgraded Hammond-Wood Wastewater Treatment Plant (#2). Four new pumping stations were constructed in the renovation. The expansion doubled the existing treatment capacity. The Northside Wastewater Treatment Plant (#1) is in the design stage of upgrading as are sewer extensions for both plants. The total cost for all expansions/renovations when completed is estimated at \$26 million.

Company serving Crofton -

Crofton Sewer Department

P.O. Box 243

Crofton, Kentucky 42217

(502) 424-5111

Design capacity -

350,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow -Type of treatment - 155,000 gallons Primary

Treated effluent discharged into -

McFarland Creek

CLIMATE

Christian County

<u>Temperature</u>

Normal (30-year record)	59.10 degrees
Average annual 1994	59.90 degrees
Record highest, July 1952 (55-year record)	107.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (55-year record)	-17.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	3,729
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of	
negative departures of average daily	
temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

Precipitation

Prevailing Winds (through 1963)

South

Relative Humidity (29-year record)

1 a.m.	79 percent
7 a.m.	84 percent
1 p.m.	57 percent
7 p.m.	61 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, <u>Climatological Data</u>, 1994. Station of record: Nashville, Tennessee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

The City of Hopkinsville is governed by a mayor, twelve 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, LaFayette, Oak Grove,
Pembroke
Zoning enforced - Within city limits of Hopkinsville and Oak Grove
Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city of Hopkinsville and
unincorporated Christian County
Local codes enforced - Building (All areas)
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 (payroll) tax of 1.5% on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals. A business license fee on gross receipts is levied as follows for the respective classifications: wholesale .0575%, retail .115%, and professional services .345%. 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 rebates 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.

PROPERTY TAXES

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

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

Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

Selected Classes of Property	1994 State Rate	Local Taxation Permitted
Real Estate	\$0.172	YES
Manufacturing Machinery	0.150	NO
Pollution Control Equipment	0.150	NO
Inventories		
Raw Materials	0.050	NO
Goods in Process	0.050	NO
Finished Goods	0.050	YES
Motor Vehicles	0.450	YES
Other Tangible Personal Property	0.450	YES
Intangibles (Accounts Receivable,		
Money on Hand)	0.250	NO

LOCAL PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1994

Taxing Jurisdiction	Real Estate	Finished Goods & Tangibles	Motor <u>Vehicles</u>
Christian County	\$0.1457	\$0.1847	\$0.1547
School Districts:			
Christian County	0.3480	0.3480	0.5660
Cities:			
Hopkinsville	0.2530	0.2510	0.2510
Crofton	0.2500	0.4110	0.3000
Other:			
Watershed Districts			
West Fork, Pond River	0.1000	None	None
East Fork, Pond River	0.0900	None	None
Tradewater River	0.1000	None	None

EDUCATION

Public Schools

9,233
Southern Association of Colleges and Schools

Christian County

Accreditation

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1995)

Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1994-95) 17.7-1

Percent High School Graduates to College (1994-95)

52.1

Expenditures Per Pupil (1994-95)

\$4,040.61

All Christian County Middle Schools have added state-of-the-art computer labs.

Source: Hopkinsville-Christian County Economic Development Council.

Nonpublic Schools

School	<u>Enrollment</u>	Grades
Fort Campbell	4,356	K-12
Heritage Christian Academy	242	PK-10
Life Tabernacle Christian School	51	K-12
Saints Peter and Paul Elementary	211	PS-8
University Heights Academy	275	PS-12

Area Colleges and Universities

Name	Location (Miles from Hopkinsville)	
Hopkinsville Community College	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	3,000*
Austin Peay State University	Clarksville, Tennessee (26)	7,440
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky (34)	2,513
Murray State University	Murray, Kentucky (57)	7,960
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (65)	14,765
Belmont University	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	2,617
David Lipscomb University	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	2,307
Fisk University	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	854
Meharry Medical College	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	712
Nashville State Technical Institute	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	6,386
Trevecca Nazarene College	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	1,500
Tennessee State University	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	8,180
Vanderbilt University	Nashville, Tennessee (70)	10,088

(* Fall 1995)

Hopkinsville Community College

Hopkinsville Community College is a part of the University of Kentucky Community College System. The College offers an Associate of Arts degree or an Associate of Science degree for students seeking to complete the first two years of their college education before transferring. For students seeking a technology degree, Hopkinsville Community College offers an Associate of Applied Science Degree in Business Technology with options in banking, management, and management information systems; Human Services Technology; Law Enforcement; Associate Degree Nursing; Industrial Electrical Technology (IET); Early Childhood Education; and Office Administration.

The Community College offers a variety of college credit and continuing education credit courses in proactive responses in industrial and business needs which includes pre-employment testing and training, Continuous Quality Improvement, self directed teams, OSHA safety and health training, electrical training, job skills, customer service, statistics, and QS9000. Other services include interactive video, satellite downlink for workshops and seminars, video production capabilities, and personal enrichment activities. Examinations for the General Education Development (GED) test (high school equivalency), American College Testing (ACT) (a college entrance examination) and the State Merit Examination (exam needed for employment with state government) are conducted at the college.

The Industrial Electrical Technology (IET) program at Hopkinsville Community College is an Associate of Applied Science 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, troubleshooting, 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.

Hopkinsville Community College is fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The college has an active 2+2 program with nearby universities which include Austin Peay State University, Murray State University, and the University of Kentucky. Through cooperative arrangements and by interactive television and traditional classroom instruction, upper division and graduate classes are offered on the Hopkinsville campus by Murray State University. Additionally, other upper division and graduate programs are being explored via ITV for service to the community and our students.

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TRAINING

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

Kentucky Tech Schools	Location (Mileage from Hopkinsville)	Number of Program Offerings	Cumulative Enrollment 1994-1995	Approximate Number Completing Long-Term Programs Annually
Christian County Area Technology Center	Hopkinsville	8	Sec P/S 201 40	38
Madisonville Regional Technology Center	Madisonville (34)	11	Sec P/S 97 6,190	42
Madisonville Health Technology Center	Madisonville (34)	11	Sec P/S 105 284	139

Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its Training and Development Coordinators, will provide technical assistance and will identify and develop low-cost customized training programs and services for both established and prospective businesses. Businesses needing customized training should contact a Training and Development Coordinator in Hopkins County, located at the Madisonville Regional Technology Center in Madisonville, (502) 824-7544.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, pre-hire assessment, psychomotor skills and academic potential. Career Connections is located on the Madisonville Regional Technology Center Campus (502) 825-5059. The school also has a Career Connections mobile unit that is available to potential Kentucky Tech students, business and industry, and other agencies within Christian County.

Adult Education Services

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills or earn a high school equivalency degree. In Christian County, adult literacy and adult basic education are available through the Christian County Adult Learning Center.

Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and postsecondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a vocational-technical field. Madisonville-North Hopkins High School in conjunction with Madisonville Regional Technology Center, and the Madisonville Community College offers tech prep in the areas of business, welding, and the auto and construction fields.

Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

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

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

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Personnel

Physicians - 72 Dentists - 20

Hospitals

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

Jennie Stuart Medical Center

Medical staff - 58 physicians, 17 surgeons, 150 registered nurses, and 34 licensed practical nurses

Trover Clinic (Hopkinsville)

Medical staff - 30 physicians, 1 registered nurse, 53 licensed practical nurses

Regional Medical Center of Hopkins County

Medical staff - 86 active staff physicians, 16 courtesy staff physicians, 295 registered nurses, 74 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Christian County Health Department
Cumberland Hall (psychiatric)
E.C. Green Cancer Center
Hopkinsville-Christian County Emergency
Ambulance Service
Pennyroyal Regional Mental HealthMental Retardation Center
Western State Hospital (psychiatric)

Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

First City Bank and Trust Company
Bank One
Fort Campbell Federal Credit Union
Hopkinsville Federal Savings Bank
NationsBank of Kentucky
Pennyrile Citizens Bank and Trust Company
United Southern Bank

Newspapers

The Kentucky New Era (daily except Sunday)

Telephone Service

BellSouth

- "enhanced 911" emergency dispatch system.

Television

W43AG TV-43

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, an 18-hole golf course and a nine-hole golf course (par-3), two fishing lakes, a football field and stadium, a senior citizens' walking course, an 18-hole miniature golf course, and a nature fitness trail.

Trail of Tears Commemorative Park, in Hopkinsville, is located on the banks of the Little River and highlights the Cherokee movement through Kentucky. An annual Indian Pow Wow, held the first weekend after Labor Day, features authentic Indian dancing and foods, Cherokee storytelling, and arts and crafts. Facilities include a two-room log cabin museum/visitor's center, canoe landing, and nature trails.

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; 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.

The Western Kentucky State Fair, held at the Christian County Fairgrounds the first week in August, features a horse show, horse races, tractor pulls, and performances by famous entertainers.

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 country club, swimming pools, riding stables, 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, and Hopkinsville Community Concerts. The Military Affairs Committee of the Chamber of Commerce puts on Hopkinsville Salutes Fort Campbell Week the second weekend after Labor Day.

Several events held in Crofton each year include a 4th of July Homecoming, PTO Fall Festival, and Freedom Day. The City of Crofton recently developed a community park. Facilities include a playground, basketball court, picnic areas, walking trail, volleyball courts, and a community building. A variety of seasonal activities are held there each year.

Area (Within 45 miles)

Jefferson Davis Monument State Historic Site Kenlake 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 Pratt Military Museum, Ft. Campbell



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