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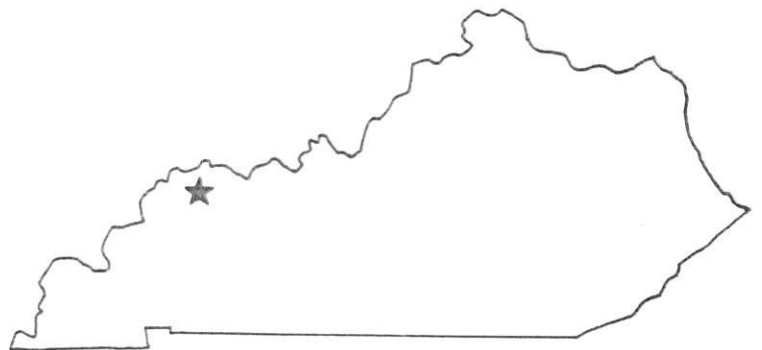
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HENDERSON, KENTUCKY

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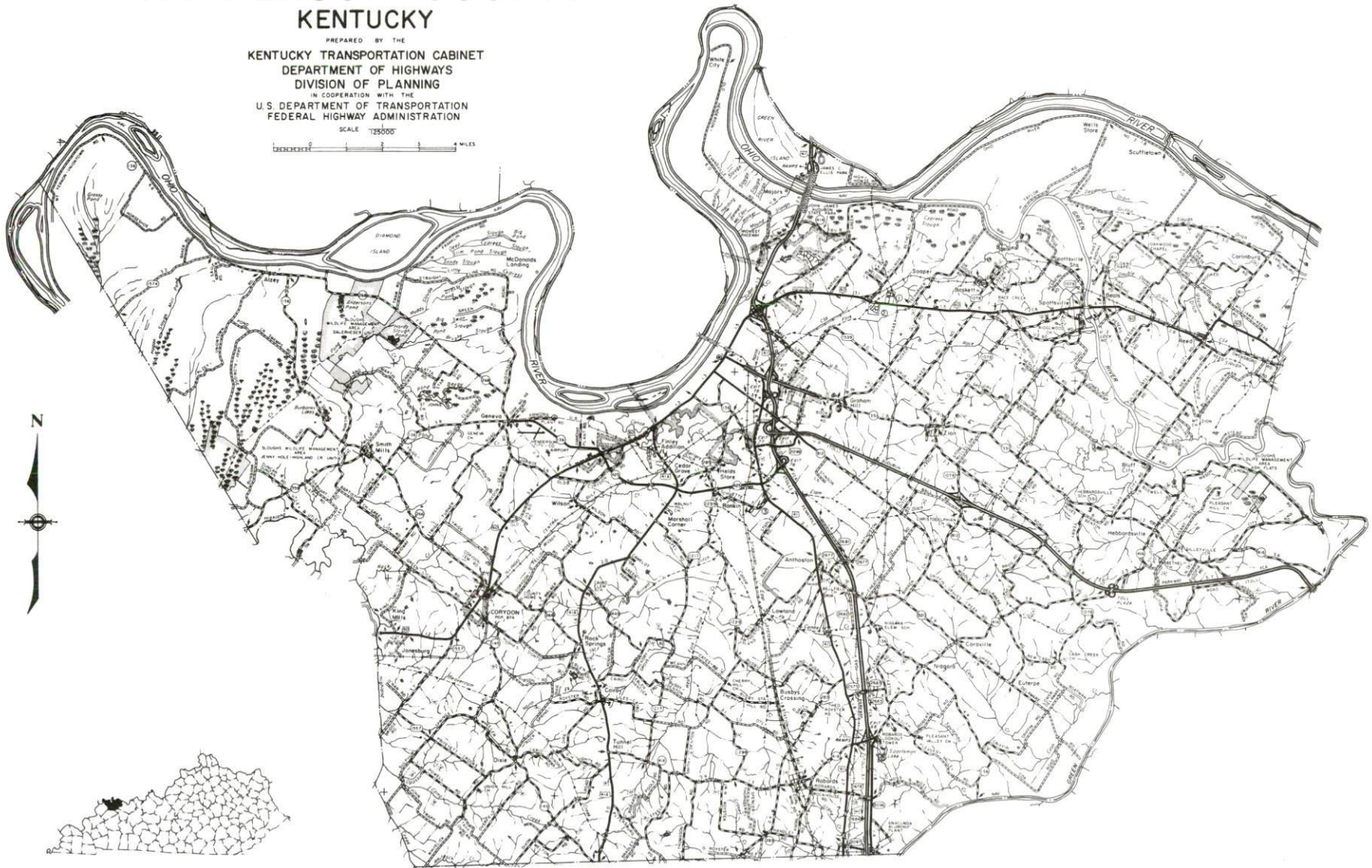
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP HENDERSON COUNTY KENTUCKY

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SCALE 1:25,000



HENDERSON, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Henderson, the county seat of Henderson County, is located in northwestern Kentucky along the banks of the Ohio River. The city had a 1988 estimated population of 25,640. Henderson is located 10 miles south of Evansville, Indiana; 121 miles west of Louisville, Kentucky; 141 miles northwest of Nashville, Tennessee; and 177 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri.

Henderson County covers a land area of 438 square miles in the Western Coal Field Region of Kentucky. The Ohio River forms the northern boundary of the county. Henderson County had an estimated population of 42,200 in 1988.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Henderson County residents employed in 1989 averaged 20,395. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 5,366 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 3,870 jobs; 3,623 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 1,781 employees; and contract construction firms provided 526 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 21,856 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1990 through 1994, 14,592 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - Henderson is serviced directly by U.S. Highways 41, 41A, and 60, and the Pennyriple and Audubon Parkways. In addition, Interstate 64 is accessible 25 miles northeast of Henderson via Interstate 164. Thirty-two trucking companies serve Henderson. CSX Transportation provides main line rail service, while the Indiana Hi-Rail Corporation provides branch line rail service to Henderson. The nearest commercial airport, Evansville Regional Airport, is located 13 miles north of Henderson. The Henderson City-County Airport, three miles southwest of Henderson, maintains a 4,800-foot paved runway. The Henderson County Riverport Authority offers public facilities at mile 808 on the Ohio River in Henderson.

Power and Fuel - Municipal Power and Light, a municipally-owned generating company, provides electric power to Henderson and part of Henderson County. Kentucky Utilities Company and the Henderson-Union Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation also serve Henderson County. Henderson Municipal Gas System provides natural gas service to the community.

Education - The Henderson County School System provides primary and secondary education to Henderson and Henderson County. Henderson Community College, a unit of the University of Kentucky Community College System, offers associate degree, continuing education, and community service programs. The College had a Fall 1990 enrollment of 1,371. Ten other institutions of higher learning are located within 100 miles of Henderson. The Daviess County State Vocational-Technical School and the Owensboro Vocational-Technical School, located in Owensboro, 30 miles east, and the Henderson County Area Vocational Education Center located in Henderson, each provide vocational training facilities to the community.

LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Henderson Labor Market Area includes Henderson County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Daviess, McLean, Union and Webster. In addition, the Labor Market Area is supplemented by Posey, Vanderburgh, and Warrick Counties in Indiana.

	POPULATION		
	1988*	1980	1970
Labor Market Area	191,400	191,306	172,533
Henderson	25,640	24,834	22,976
Evansville, IN-KY Metropolitan Statistical Area	281,200	276,252	254,515
Henderson County	42,200	40,849	36,031

* 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	195,980	198,270	197,480	193,250
Henderson County	44,290	45,370	45,760	45,310

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

	ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY				
	Total	Current			Future
		Unemployed	Employed Part-Time	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1990 thru 1994
Labor Market Area*	21,856	6,290	8,823	6,743	14,592
Henderson County	3,352	1,427	1,925	0	3,045

* 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).

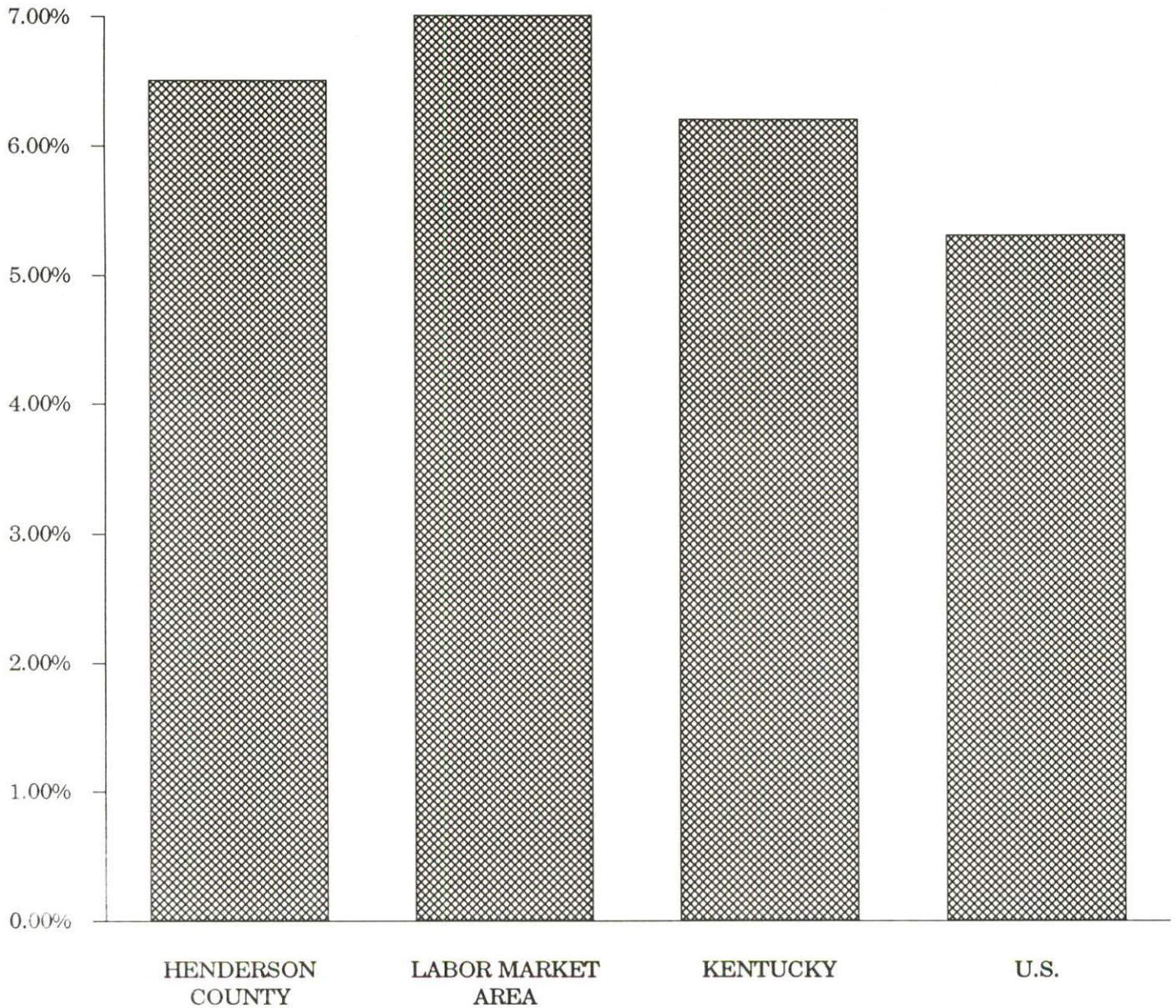
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1990 thru 1994.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1989

	<u>Henderson County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	21,822	90,459
Employment	20,395	84,169
Unemployment	1,427	6,290
Rate of Unemployment (%)	6.5	7.0

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

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1989

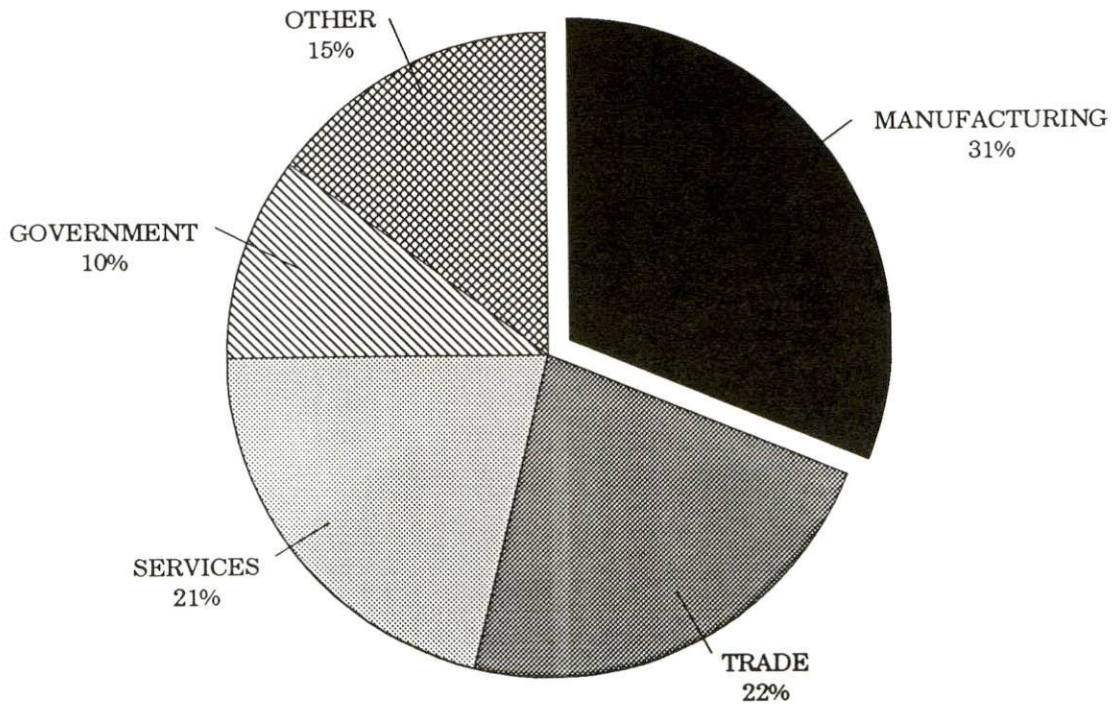


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1989

	Henderson County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	17,152	66,875
Manufacturing	5,366	15,179
Wholesale & Retail Trade	3,870	16,056
Services	3,623	12,805
State/Local Government	1,781	9,051
Contract Construction	526	2,950

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.

HENDERSON COUNTY

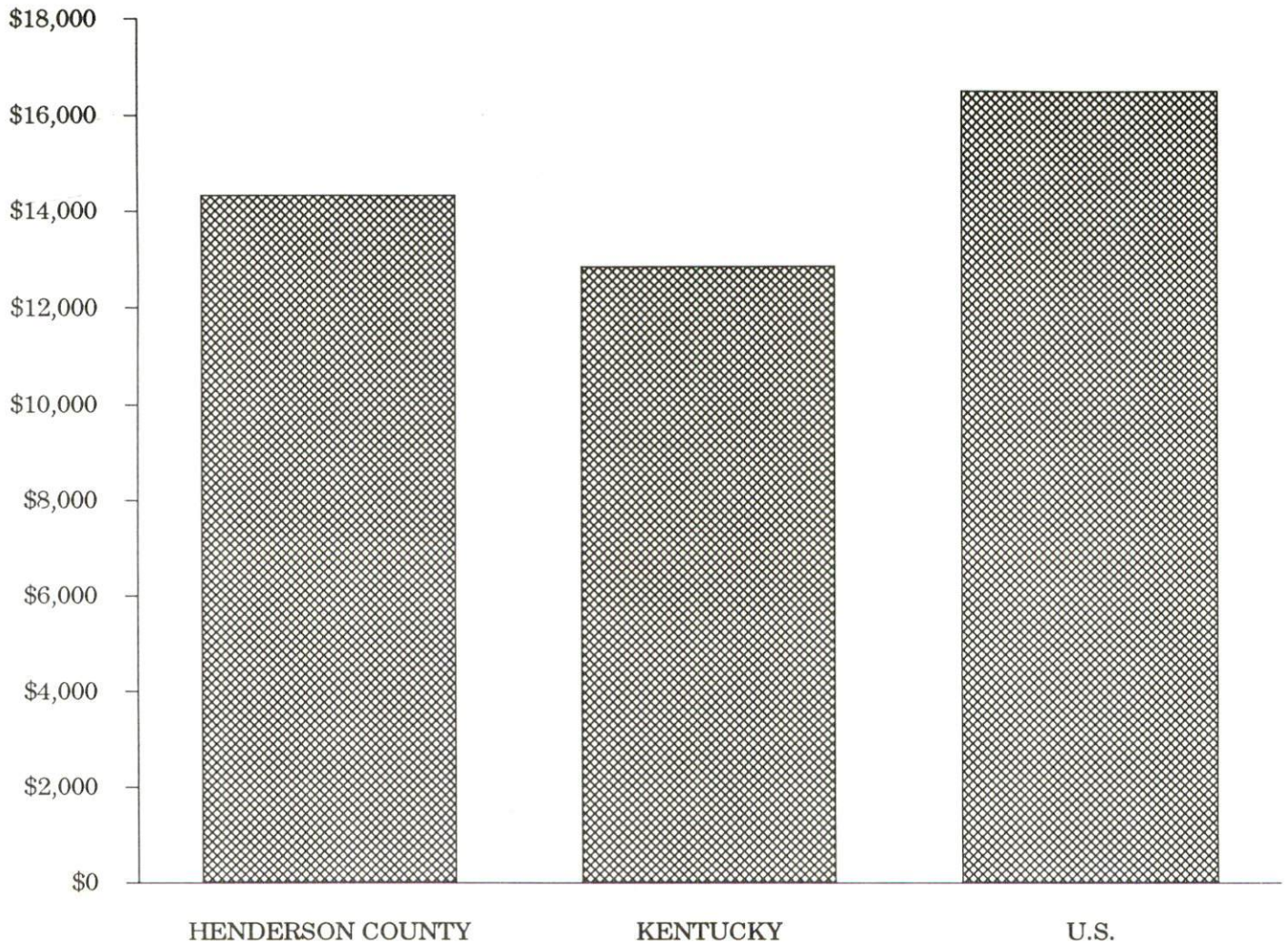


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1984	1988	Percent Change
Henderson County	\$12,436	\$14,312	15.1
Labor Market Area Range	\$9,322 - \$12,436	\$10,231 - \$14,536	-
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

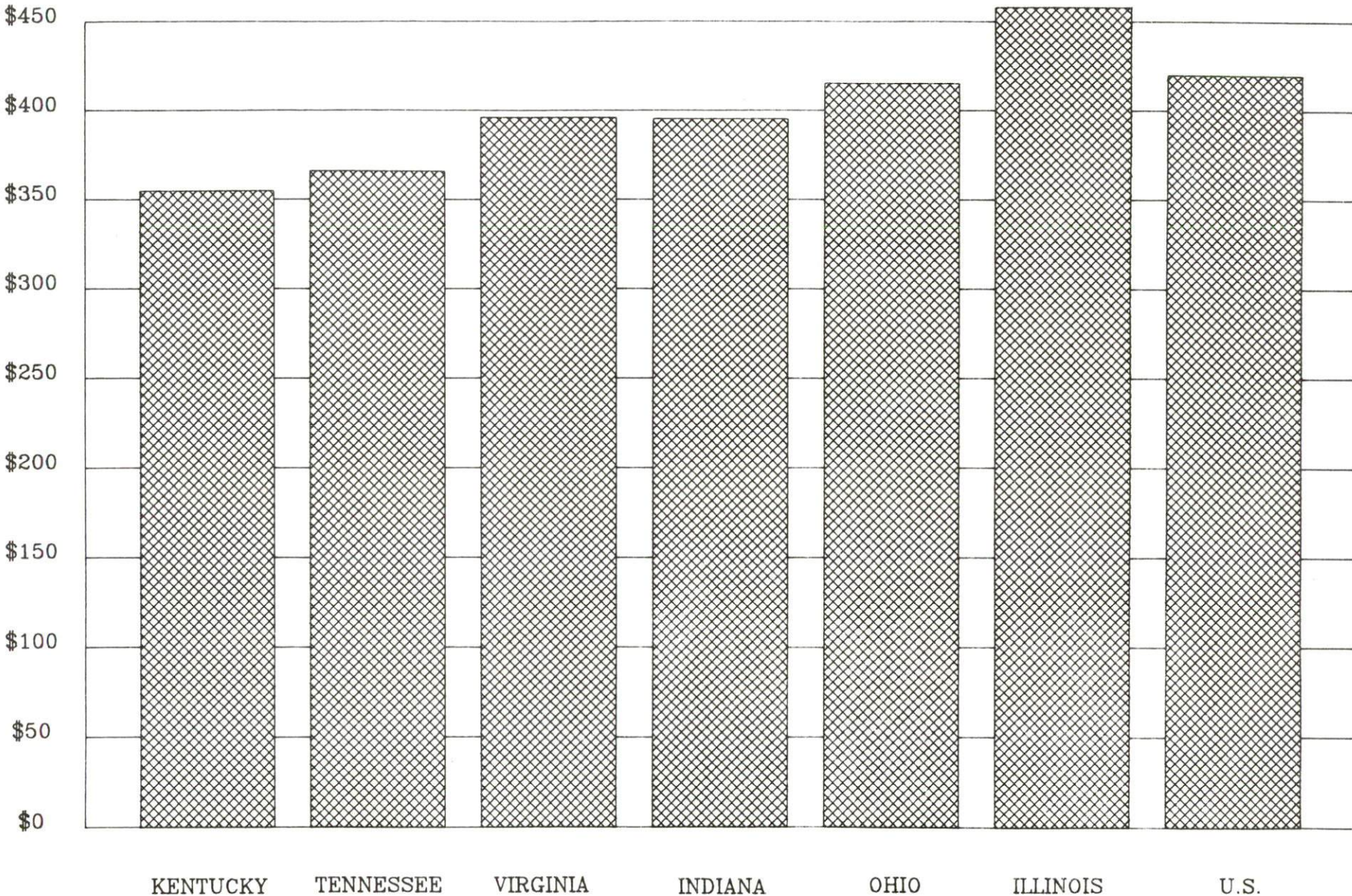
Henderson County is served by the Henderson local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Henderson local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 2,797 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	2,797	4.50
Clerical	652	4.01
Sales	49	4.62
Services (excluding domestic)	917	3.78
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	172	4.04
Processing	476	4.97
Machine Trades	86	5.95
Bench Work	81	5.51
Structural	128	6.51
Motor Freight/ Transportation	35	6.86
Packaging and Materials Handling	125	4.35
Other	19	14.91

The Henderson local office also serves Union, and Webster Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1988



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1988

	Henderson County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$378.45	\$352.31	\$363.12	\$392.56
Mining & Quarrying	729.06	603.27	495.85	596.88
Contract Construction	362.87	380.71	394.27	422.27
Manufacturing	501.18	464.92	416.73	452.60
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	506.87	468.17	485.13	554.17
Wholesale & Retail Trade	234.67	238.88	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	314.37	401.17	269.27	466.23
Services	284.33	298.98	343.48	391.67
State/Local Government	336.45	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 HENDERSON MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT*

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1990</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Accuride Corporation (1973)	Truck wheels and rims	625
Aeroquip, Inc. (1946)	Plastic auto and appliance parts	463
Alcan Ingot and Recycling (1970)	Primary aluminum ingot, aluminum extrusion billet, aluminum sheet ingot	786
CPS Corporation (1968)	Printed and laminated paper and foils	125
Cresline Plastic Pipe Company (1966)	Plastic pipe	97
Cyanede Plastics, Inc. (1951)	Molded thermo-plastics; automotive, appliance, and power tool components	250
Eaton Corporation, Axle Division, Henderson Plant (1970)	Axle and brake assembly trucks	348
Gamco Products Company (1956)	Zinc die castings	250
Gibbs Die Casting Aluminum Corporation (1966)	Magnesium die castings, aluminum die castings	617
Gleaner and Journal Publishing Company (1885)	Job printing, newspaper	75
Hydro Conduit Corporation (1960)	Prestressed concrete products	55
KB Alloys, Inc. (1981)	Master aluminum base alloys	57
The Osborn Manufacturing Corporation, A Unit of Jason Corporation (1946)	Industrial maintenance brushes	54
PB&S Chemical Company (1947)	Sodium hypochlorite solution, sodium bisulfite solution, ammonium bisulfite solution	245
Period Furniture (1939)	Custom furniture; motel, hotel, and dormitory furniture	80
Pittsburgh Tank and Tower Company (1987)	Steel tank fabrication and erection	60

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<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1990</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Hugh E. Sandefur Training Center (1967)	Corrugated partitions and pads, plastic air conditioner parts assembly	195
Schnadig Corporation, International Tables Division (1979)	Wood tables	150
Scott Lumber, Inc. (1945)	Skids, hardwood lumber	121
Service Tool and Plastics (1968)	Custom plastic injection molding	50
Sights Denim Systems, Inc., Finishing Plant (1987)	Finishing, pressing of denim	350
Sights Denim Systems, Inc., Laundry Plant (1987)	Stone and acid washing of denim	150
Sisco Corporation (1986)	Corrugated packaging	50
Sonoco Products Company (1967)	Aluminum and steel ends for containers	82
Thompson International, Inc. (1952)	Drill steel and collars, drill bits, fabricated hole openers	140
Vincent Industrial Plastic, Inc. (1981)	Custom plastic injection molding, plastic parts for auto and appliances	140
West Kentucky Plastics (1969)	Custom molded plastics, mold design	70

*Manufacturing firms with 50 or more employees.

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research and Planning; Henderson Area Economic Development Council.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Two firms recently began construction of new facilities in Henderson. Millstone Coffee, Inc. will eventually occupy a 35,000-square-foot facility and produce roasting gourmet beans. Scott Manufacturing, to open in late 1991, will produce insulation for the automotive industry. Three million dollars will be invested in the two projects creating a total of 60 new jobs.

Three companies including Accuride Corporation, PB&S Chemical Company, and CPS Corporation, are undergoing expansions in Henderson. The companies will invest approximately \$32 million and create a total of 110 new jobs.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
Aluminum, Brick and Glass Workers International Union, AFL-CIO	Alcan Ingot and Recycling
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO	Cresline Plastic Pipe Company
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America	Concrete Service Company; Hydro Conduit Corporation
International Chemical Workers Union, AFL-CIO	Custom Resins, Division of Bemis Company, Inc.
International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America	Accuride Corporation
Laborers International Union of North America, AFL-CIO	CPS Corporation; Hydro Conduit Corporation
United Furniture Workers of America, AFL-CIO	The Osborn Manufacturing Corporation, A Unit of Jason Corporation
United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO-CLC	Eaton Corporation, Axle Division, Henderson Plant
Upholsterer's International Union of North America, AFL-CIO	Schnadig Corporation, International Tables Division

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Henderson</u>
Custom Data Processing	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Custom Plastics Producers	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Electric Motor Repair	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Heat Treating Facilities	Evansville, Indiana	10
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Owensboro, Kentucky	30
Industrial Gases	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Industrial Waste Removal	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	Henderson, Kentucky	-
Metal Finishers	Owensboro, Kentucky	30
Metal Service Centers	Owensboro, Kentucky	30
Millwrights	Evansville, Indiana	10
Public Warehouse Facilities	Henderson, Kentucky	-

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Henderson is served by the Pennyriple Parkway, the Audubon Parkway, and U.S. Highways 41, 41A, and 60, all "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. The Pennyriple Parkway is a four-lane toll road that extends from Henderson southward and connects with the Western Kentucky Parkway, 46 miles to the south. The Audubon Parkway, also a four-lane toll road, connects Henderson with Owensboro, Kentucky. Interstate 164 connects with Interstate 64, 25 miles north of Henderson via U.S. 41.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM HENDERSON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	380	Los Angeles, CA	2,005
Baltimore, MD	720	Louisville, KY	121
Birmingham, AL	328	Nashville, TN	141
Chicago, IL	300	New Orleans, LA	639
Cincinnati, OH	222	New York, NY	881
Cleveland, OH	469	Pittsburgh, PA	509
Detroit, MI	457	St. Louis, MO	177
Knoxville, TN	297		

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

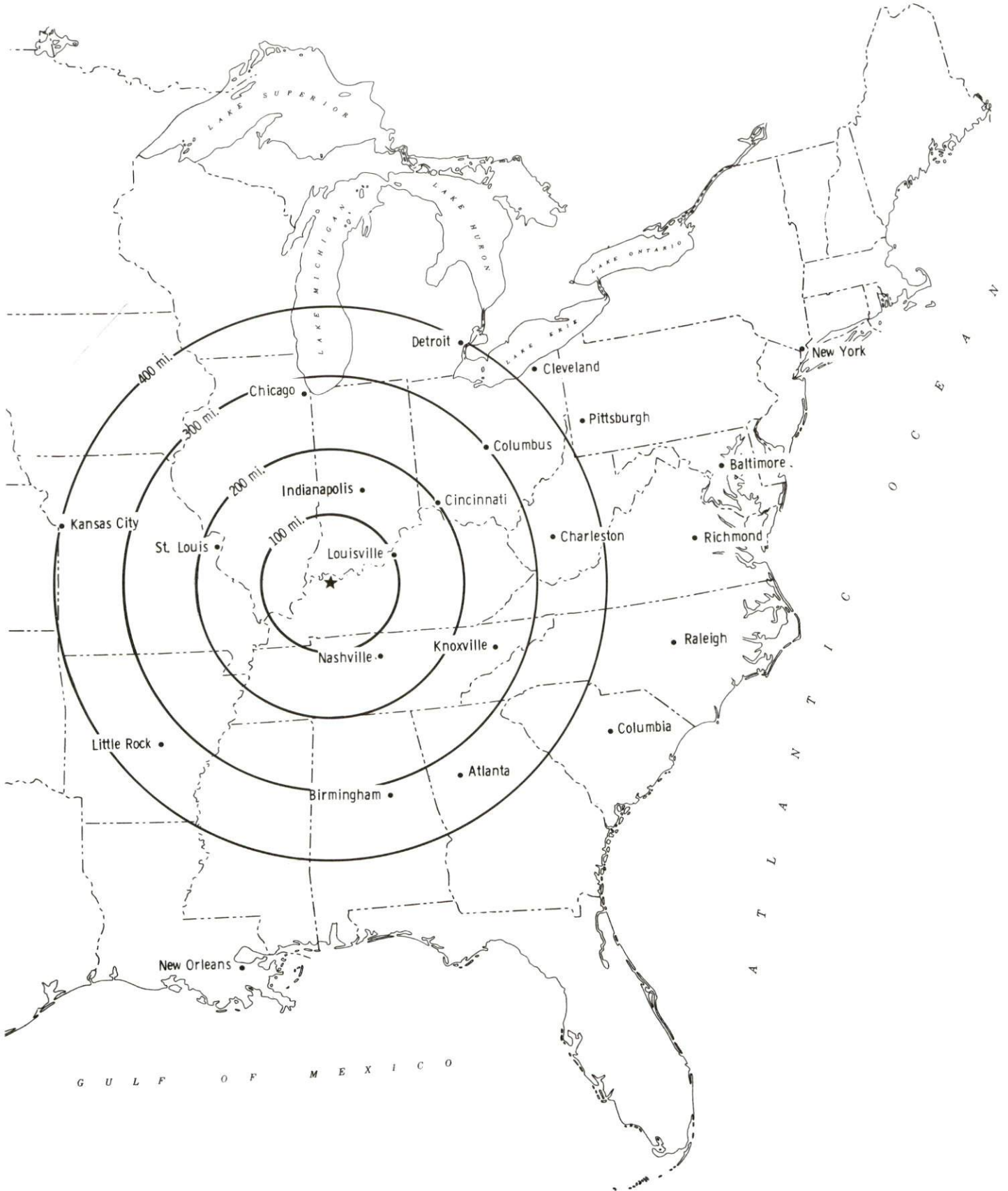
Sources: Rand McNally Deluxe Motor Carriers' Road Atlas, 1989. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.

Truck Service

Thirty-two common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Henderson.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1990.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Henderson, while Indiana Hi-Rail Corporation provides branch line service to the community. The Indiana Hi-Rail branch line connects with the CSX main line in Henderson. CSX Transportation provides the nearest piggyback facilities at Evansville, Indiana, 10 miles north of Henderson.

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

President
Indiana Hi-Rail Corporation
Rural Route 1
Connersville, Indiana 47331
(317) 825-0349 or (800) 826-2877

Air

Local

Location: Henderson City-County Airport
3 miles southwest of Henderson and adjacent to the
Henderson County Riverport Authority

Runways: 1 paved
Length: 4,800 feet with clear approaches

Traffic Control: Wind sock, wind tee, unicom, and AWOS system

Lighting: Runway lights and rotating beacon

Services: 100LL octane and Jet A-50 fuels; piston and
turbine approved repair station; major
A & P repairs; hangar and tie-down; airplane
and helicopter charter service; air ambulance
service; flight training; air taxi;
APU; oxygen and nitrogen; Cessna dealer; Bell
helicopter customer service facilities; taxi
and courtesy car

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Evansville Regional Airport
3 miles north of Evansville, Indiana;
13 miles north of Henderson

Air Service: ComAir, TransWorld Express, Northwest Air
Link, USAir, Atlantic Southeast,
Nashville Eagle, Simmons Express

Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 88

Water

Henderson enjoys a strategic location on the Kentucky shores of the Ohio River, approximately twenty miles from its confluence with the Green River. The Ohio River, which is maintained for a nine-foot navigation channel depth and a 300-foot channel width throughout its length, joins the Mississippi River approximately 175 river miles below Henderson. A nine-foot navigation channel is currently maintained on the Green River from Lock No. 3 near Rochester, Kentucky, to Henderson.

The Henderson County Riverport Authority operates a full service port facility at mile 808 on the Ohio River, just four miles below Henderson. The riverport offers both bulk commodity and general cargo handling facilities, as well as warehousing, yard storage, and fully intermodal transportation connections. Unit train to barge transfer facilities include a 180-railcar track storage capacity. A separate coal dock operates on port property.

Specific facilities include a bulk material loading system with dump scales, which has a loading capacity of 800 tons per hour, and can handle grain, coal and a variety of other bulk materials; a 42,000-square-foot, sprinkled, freezeproof transit warehouse designed to handle materials from barge, rail or truck; and 4,000 feet of river frontage which provides a sizeable fleet area with river towing services available.

Equipment includes a 125-ton electric pedestal crane capable of loading and unloading from barge, truck and rail; and a 60-ton crawler crane, end loaders, fork lifts and numerous other pieces of equipment used in material handling and barge cleaning. The terminal accommodates all types of integrated transportation activities, such as stevedoring, warehousing, and distribution.

Materials that have been handled within the port include the following: coal, coke, stone, gravel, sand, lime, fertilizers, phosphate, potash, salt, chrome alloy, cryolite, grains, steel aluminum, castings, wire, steel pipe and rods, concrete products, construction materials, and coal production equipment.

The riverport and the adjoining industrial park consist of 276 acres, with an additional 118 acres available for potential development. Adjoining the western city limits of Henderson on Highway 136 within the commercial zone of Evansville and in sight of the Henderson City-County Airport, the port-industrial park is connected to the Pennyryle and Audubon Parkways by the Henderson Bypass. All utilities are available at the industrial park, including gas, electric, water, and sewerage.

For more information contact:

Port Director
Henderson County Riverport Authority
6200 Riverport Road
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-1636

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving Henderson and parts of Henderson County - Municipal Power and Light

Source of power - Municipally-owned generators
For industrial rates contact:

Municipal Power and Light
P.O. Box 8
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-2726

Company serving parts of Henderson 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 a major portion of Henderson County - Henderson-Union Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

Source of power - Big Rivers Electric Corporation
For industrial rates contact:

Henderson-Union Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Drawer 18
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-3991 or 1-800-242-7069

Natural Gas

Company serving Henderson - Henderson Municipal Gas System

Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation
For rates and supplies contact:

Gas System Manager
Henderson Municipal Gas System
P.O. Box 452
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 831-1200

Public Water Supply

Company serving Henderson - Municipal Water and Sewer Commission
P.O. Box 341
510 North Water Street
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-2421

Source - Ohio River
Treatment plant capacity - 12,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 6,300,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 9,400,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 8,450,000 gallons, including clear well
Water pressure - 30 psi to 90 psi

The Henderson Municipal Water and Sewer Commission recently completed a major expansion project. The water plant capacity was doubled from 6 million gallons per day to 12 million gallons per day. Two storage tanks were constructed in that project, totalling 1,750,000 gallons of additional storage capacity.

Name of water district - Henderson County Water District
P.O. Box 655
655 South Main Street
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-9802

Area served - Most of unincorporated Henderson County, Corydon, and parts of Webster County

Source of supply of treated water - Henderson Municipal Water and Sewer Commission

Amount of treated water that can be purchased - 2,000,000 gallons per day (Based on a 30-day average but not to exceed 2,500,000 gallons)

Average daily consumption - 1,200,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 1,600,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,040,000 gallons
Water pressure - 30 psi to 110 psi

The Henderson County Water District extended its service area to include the Henderson County communities of Beals and Reed at an approximate cost of \$400,000. In addition, the Water District plans to renovate the water distribution system in Corydon and replace several water mains in that area. The \$1.1 million project is scheduled for completion by Spring 1991.

Raw Water

Surface water sources - Ohio River and Green River

Average discharge - Ohio River at Evansville, Indiana - 133,300 cfs
(34 years, 1941-74, USGS, unadjusted); Green River at Lock 2, at
Calhoun, Kentucky - 11,230 cfs (59 years, USGS, unadjusted)

Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm along Ohio River; 5 to
50 gpm throughout the central and southeast portion of the county;
5 gpm or less over the remainder of the county

Sewerage

Company serving Henderson - Municipal Water and Sewer Commission
P.O. Box 341
510 North Water Street
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 826-2421

Design capacity - 7,500,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 4,200,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Primary and secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - Ohio River

The Municipal Water and Sewer Commission recently completed a 2.5 million gallon-per-day expansion to the wastewater treatment system at an approximate cost of \$1.8 million.

CLIMATE

Henderson County

Temperature

Normal (29-year record)	55.70 degrees
Average annual 1989	55.20 degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (49-year record)	105.00 degrees
Record lowest, February 1951 (49-year record)	-23.00 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.)	4,729

Precipitation

Normal (29-year record)	41.55 inches
Mean annual snowfall (49-year record)	13.80 inches
Total precipitation 1989	47.34 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (49-year record)	115.10
Mean number days thunderstorms (49-year record)	45.10

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South-Southwest

Relative Humidity (28-year record)

Midnight	79 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, 1989. Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

The City of Henderson is governed by mayor, four commissioners, and a full-time city manager. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the commissioners each serve two-year terms. Henderson County is governed by a county judge/executive and five magistrates. Each county official is elected to a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Henderson City-County Planning Commission

Participating cities - Henderson and Corydon

Zoning enforced - All areas

Subdivision regulations enforced - All areas

Local codes enforced - Building and housing in 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 Henderson levies an annual occupational license fee ranging from \$25 to \$2,625, based on a sliding scale; the fee levied on manufacturing firms ranges from \$175 to \$2,100, based on gross revenue. Motor vehicle 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

	Henderson	Unincorporated Henderson County
Land and Buildings	\$1.0677	\$0.6607
Manufacturing		
Machinery	0.1500	0.1500
Pollution Control		
Equipment	0.1500	0.1500
Inventories		
Raw Materials	0.0010	0.0010
Goods in Process	0.0010	0.0010
Finished Goods	0.8540	0.4527
Automobiles & Trucks	1.4133	1.0120
Other Tangible		
Personal Property	1.3030	0.9017
Intangibles (Accounts receivable*, money in hand, stock, notes, bonds)	0.2500	0.2500
Goods Stored in Public Warehouses in Transit Status	0.0010	0.0010
Private Leaseholds in Industrial Revenue Bond Financed Facilities	0.0150	0.0150

Three watershed districts in Henderson County levy a special tax on property within their boundaries, not county-wide. The rates range from \$0.0541 to \$0.5000 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

	Henderson
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1990)	7,671
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1989-90)	20.4-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1989-90)	66.4
Expenditures Per Pupil (1989-90)	\$2,669.96

The Henderson County School System recently implemented the "Project-TECH" program, which provides computer laboratories in each school in Henderson County. The School System completed major renovations and expansions to Niagara and Cairo Elementary Schools. In addition, the School System plans to construct a new elementary school at Corydon and plans major renovation and/or expansion projects at Bend Gate, East Heights, Jefferson, and Seventh Street Elementary Schools.

Nonpublic Schools

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Grades</u>
Holy Name Elementary	514	K-8

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1990)</u>
Henderson Community College	Henderson, Kentucky	1,371
University of Southern Indiana	Evansville, Indiana (10)	5,713
University of Evansville	Evansville, Indiana (10)	3,290
Brescia College	Owensboro, Kentucky (30)	756
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky (30)	707
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro, Kentucky (30)	2,415
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky (39)	2,136
Oakland City College	Oakland City, Indiana (40)	649
Hopkinsville Community College	Hopkinsville, Kentucky (71)	1,828
Paducah Community College	Paducah, Kentucky (99)	2,796
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (100)	15,240

Henderson Community College

Henderson Community College is part of the Community College System of the University of Kentucky. It is charged with three specific functions: (1) to offer career-oriented programs designed to prepare students for immediate technical or para-professional employment; (2) to offer general education curriculum for the first two years of a baccalaureate program; and (3) to provide ongoing educational opportunities for area residents and business and industry. Henderson Community College had a 1989 enrollment of 1,246 students in the Fall Term. The College offers the following degrees: Associate in Arts; Associate in Science; and Associate in Applied Science with emphasis in Communications Technology, Business Management Technology, Community/Social Services, Computer Information Systems, Electrical Engineering Technology, Medical Laboratory Technology, and Nursing. Construction of a 60,000-square-foot civic auditorium and a 40,000-square-foot academic-technical building is under way at Henderson Community College. Total combined cost of the two projects is estimated at \$10 million.

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>
Daviess County State Vocational- Technical School	Owensboro, Kentucky (30)	417
Owensboro Vocational-Technical School	Owensboro, Kentucky (30)	426
Henderson County Area Vocational Education Center	Henderson, Kentucky	463

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 56
Dentists - 20

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Community Methodist Hospital	Henderson	213

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

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Green River Comprehensive Care Center
Green River District Health Department,
Henderson County Health Center
Henderson Cancer Center
Henderson Emergency Ambulance Service
Henderson Med-Surg.Center (outpatient surgery)

Construction of the new regional health department for the Henderson community was completed at a cost of \$600,000.

Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

Citizens Bank of Henderson County
Farmers Bank and Trust Company
First National Bank
Great Financial Federal
Ohio Valley National Bank
Union Federal Savings Bank

Hotels and Motels

Total number - 9
Total rooms - 500

Newspapers

The Gleaner (daily)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell Telephone Company

RECREATION

Local

Henderson offers a wide range of recreational opportunities for all ages. Public recreation activities available in the city include seven parks, a municipal swimming pool, a nine-hole municipal golf course and pro shop, 23 lighted tennis courts, 13 ball diamonds and four football fields. Two community centers, the Senior Citizens Recreation Center and the John F. Kennedy Community Center, provide year-round recreational activities. The Henderson Park and Recreation Department sponsors many softball and basketball leagues each year and supervised playground programs are offered during the summer months. Swimming instructions are offered at the pool and tennis instructions are available to all age groups during the summer. Development of a park for light industry and recreation is under way in Henderson. The 580-acre tract of land will include an 18-hole golf course and a swimming pool.

The Henderson County YMCA is very active in recruiting new members and promoting physical fitness. Its staff provides instruction in fitness programs ranging from aquatic sports to exercises designed for pre-school children through adulthood. The Henderson County Family YMCA has an indoor swimming pool, a health club, and four lighted tennis courts (three of which are available to the public in the evenings through a cooperative arrangement with the city and county governments). The Henderson County Country Club features an 18-hole golf course, swimming pool, and tennis courts. Other private recreational facilities include an indoor movie theater, a drive-in theater, a swim club, a roller rink, and a bowling facility.

Just north of Henderson is the John James Audubon State Park, a 692-acre park where the famed naturalist gathered material for his painting, "The Birds of America." Many paintings by Audubon and his sons, and 126 first-edition prints of his paintings are on display at the Audubon Memorial and Nature Museum which is the focal point of the park. Other park features include the Audubon Woods, a bird sanctuary, and a 12-acre nature preserve lake. The park has cottages and camping sites. Recreational facilities include a 28-acre recreational lake, a beach and a bathhouse, rental rowboats and pedal boats, a dock, a nine-hole golf course, a tennis court, hiking trails, picnic shelters, and playgrounds. Organized recreation programs are offered during the summer. The park is undergoing a major renovation and expansion of the nature center by an additional 10,000 square feet at a total cost of \$2 million.

Horse racing is another attraction available in Henderson. James C. Ellis Park and Thoroughbred Race Track provide 2 1/2 months of racing during the summer, and Riverside Downs features night quarterhorse racing in the spring and harness racing in the fall.

Henderson has several special events which are held annually. They include the Big River Arts and Crafts Show, held the first weekend in October; Christmas Village, held the last weekend in November; the Carousel of Arts, held in early June; Bluegrass in the Park; Trifest on Main Street; and Christmas in the Park.

Area (Within 75 miles)

Evansville, Indiana, 10 miles north of Henderson, Kentucky, is a major urban area with a wide variety of entertainment and recreational offerings. Among its major attractions are the Evansville Museum, the Mesker Park Zoological Gardens, cultural events such as the Evansville Philharmonic performances, and numerous restaurants, nightclubs, and theatres.

Owensboro, 30 miles east of Henderson, is Kentucky's third largest city. Owensboro is a source of many entertainment and recreational facilities associated with larger communities. Points of interest include museums, an orchestra and two colleges. Several festivals are held annually, including the International Bar-B-Que Festival, the Summer Festival, and the Bluegrass Festival.

Ben Hawes State Park
Higginson-Henry Wildlife Area
Holiday World (theme park)
Lake Malone State Park
Lincoln's Boyhood National Memorial
Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park
The Sauerheber Wildlife Refuge

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Recent

Henderson re-certified as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1990, and is distinguished as a gold award winner recognizing five consecutive years of certification and 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.

Two firms recently began construction of new facilities in Henderson. Millstone Coffee, Inc. will eventually occupy a 35,000-square-foot facility and produce roasting gourmet beans. Scott Manufacturing, to open in late 1991, will produce insulation for the automotive industry. Three million dollars will be invested in the two projects creating a total of 60 new jobs.

Thompson International, Inc. recently completed a 33,000-square-foot expansion to its existing facility. The \$2 million project created 63 new jobs.

Sonoco Products Company completed a new 80,000-square-foot facility at a cost of \$2.7 million and created 20 new jobs.

The Henderson Area Economic Development Council recently completed construction of a 60,000-square-foot "spec" building. The \$600,000 facility provides direct access to highways, rail, and all utilities.

The Henderson Municipal Water and Sewer Commission recently completed two expansion projects. The water plant capacity was doubled from 6 million gallons per day to 12 million gallons per day. Two storage tanks were constructed in that project, totalling 1,750,000 gallons of additional storage capacity. The Commission also completed a 2.5 million-gallon-per-day expansion to the wastewater treatment system. Total combined cost of the two projects was approximately \$5 million.

The Henderson County Water District extended its service area to include the Henderson County communities of Beals and Reed at an approximate cost of \$400,000.

The Henderson County School System recently implemented the "Project-TECH" program, which provides computer laboratories in each school in Henderson County. In addition, the School System completed major renovations and expansions to Niagara and Cairo Elementary Schools.

Construction of a welcome center in Henderson County was recently completed. The project was privately funded through local contributors.

An historic district in downtown Henderson was recently named to National Register of Historic Places. The designation historically recognized 85 buildings.

Construction of the new regional health department for the Henderson community was completed at a cost of \$600,000.

Under Way

Three companies including Accuride Corporation, PB&S Chemical Company, and CPS Corporation, are undergoing expansions in Henderson. The companies will invest approximately \$32 million and create a total of 110 new jobs.

Construction of a 60,000-square-foot civic auditorium and a 40,000-square-foot academic-technical building is under way at Henderson Community College. Total combined cost of the two projects is estimated at \$10 million.

Development of a park for light industry and recreation is under way in Henderson. The 580-acre tract of land will include an 18-hole golf course and a swimming pool.

Audubon State Park is in the process of renovating the park and expanding the nature center by an additional 10,000 square feet at a total cost of \$2 million.

Planned

The Henderson County Water District plans to renovate the water distribution system in Corydon and replace several water mains in that area. The \$1.1 million project is scheduled for completion by Spring 1991.

The Henderson County School System plans to construct a new elementary school at Corydon and plans major renovation and/or expansion projects at Bend Gate, East Heights, Jefferson, and Seventh Street Elementary Schools.