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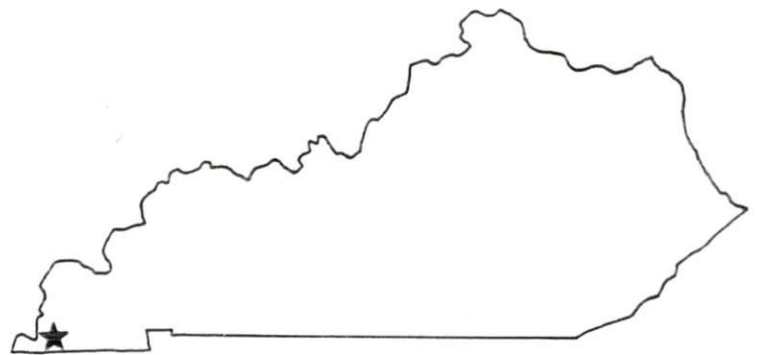
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FULTON, KENTUCKY

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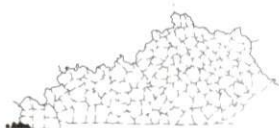
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
FULTON COUNTY
KENTUCKY

PREPARED BY THE
KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
DIVISION OF PLANNING
IN COOPERATION WITH THE
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

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FULTON, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Fulton, the largest of two incorporated cities in Fulton County, is located in the Jackson Purchase Region of extreme western Kentucky. The city is situated on the Kentucky-Tennessee state line, adjacent to South Fulton in Obion County, Tennessee. The two cities utilize many common facilities and unite in efforts to ensure economic and cultural growth. Fulton is a seven-time recipient of the "Kentucky Certified City" award, based upon progress in community and economic development. Fulton is 49 miles southwest of Paducah, Kentucky; 126 miles northeast of Memphis, Tennessee; and 212 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. Fulton had a 1988 estimated population of 2,810 persons.

Fulton County covering 211 square miles, is bordered to the south by Tennessee; to the northeast by Hickman County, Kentucky; and to the northwest by the Mississippi River, which separates Fulton County from Missouri. The county had a 1988 estimated population of 7,700 persons.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Fulton County residents employed in 1989 averaged 3,032. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 908 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 778 jobs; 291 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 425 employees; and contract construction firms provided 46 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 6,893 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1990 through 1994, 3,702 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - Fulton is served by the Purchase Parkway, a multi-lane toll road which connects with Interstate 24, 50 miles to the northeast. The city is also served by U.S. Highways 51 and 45, plus Kentucky Highways 94, 129, 166 and 307. The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport, a major riverport on the Mississippi River, is 20 miles distant. The Illinois Central Railroad provides main line rail service to Fulton. Seventeen common carrier trucking firms provide interstate and/or intrastate service to the city. The nearest scheduled commercial airline services are available at Barkley Regional Airport near Paducah, Kentucky, 55 miles north of Fulton; and at Memphis International Airport in Memphis, Tennessee, 135 miles southwest of Fulton. The Everett Stewart Airport in Union City, Tennessee, 13 miles southwest of Fulton, maintains a 5,000-foot paved runway; and the Fulton Municipal Airport has a 2,700-foot paved runway.

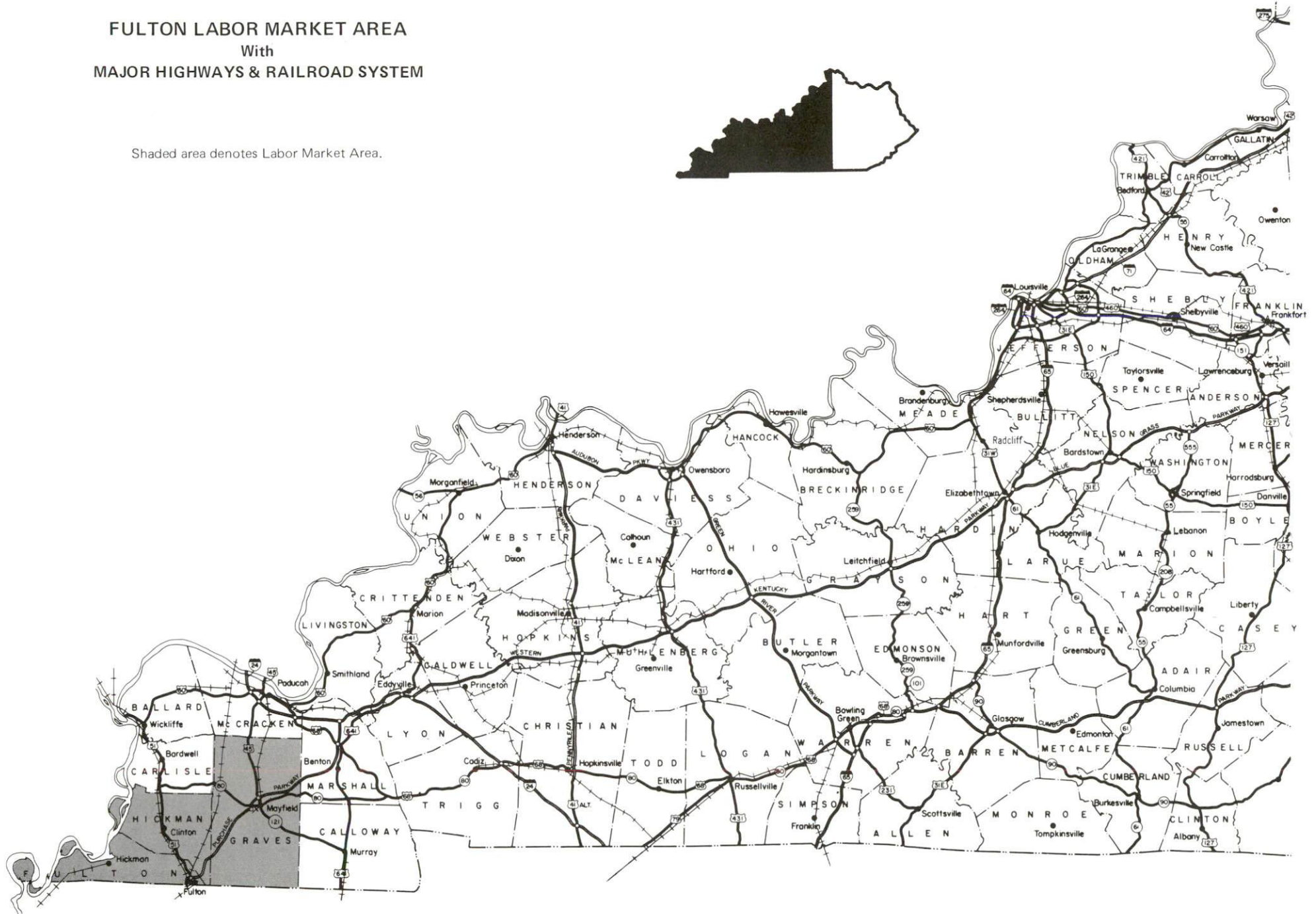
Power and Fuel - Fulton Electric System and the Hickman-Fulton Counties RECC each provide electric power to Fulton. The City of Fulton provides natural gas service to the city.

Education - Primary and secondary education is provided by the Fulton Independent School System and the Fulton County School System. Four institutions of higher learning are located within 50 miles of Fulton. Two universities provide masters level degrees. Vocational education is available at the West Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School in Paducah, Kentucky, 49 miles northeast; and at the Fulton County Area Vocational Education Center in Hickman, 20 miles west of Fulton.

FULTON LABOR MARKET AREA

With
MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Fulton Labor Market Area includes Fulton County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Carlisle, Graves, and Hickman. Although not included in the statistics below, the labor market is supplemented by the nearby Tennessee counties of Lake, Obion, and Weakley.

	POPULATION		
	1988*	1980	1970
Labor Market Area**	124,200	127,704	119,399
Fulton	2,810	3,231	3,250
Fulton County	7,700	8,971	10,183

* Population estimates.

* Includes populations of Lake, Obion, and Weakley Counties, Tennessee

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

	POPULATION PROJECTIONS			
	2000	2010	2020	2030
Labor Market Area	49,120	47,720	46,080	43,780
Fulton County	7,050	6,810	6,540	6,180

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

	ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY				
	Total	Current			Future Becoming 18 years of age 1990 thru 1994
		Unemployed	Employed Part-Time	Not in Labor Force	
Labor Market Area	6,893	1,665	2,463	2,765	3,702
Fulton County	1,166	230	392	544	628

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).

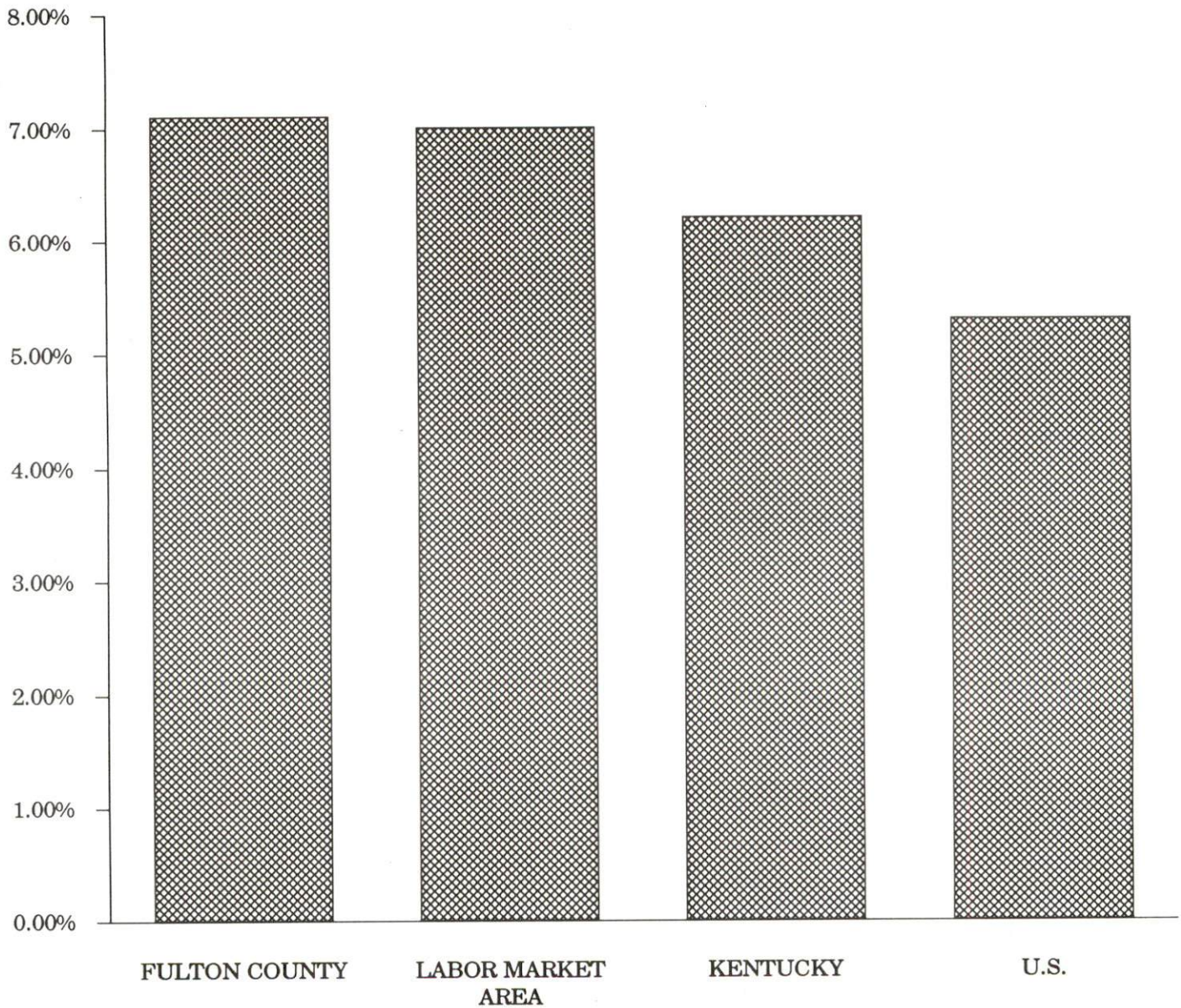
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1990 thru 1994.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1989

	Fulton County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	3,262	23,761
Employment	3,032	22,096
Unemployment	230	1,665
Rate of Unemployment (%)	7.1	7.0

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

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1989

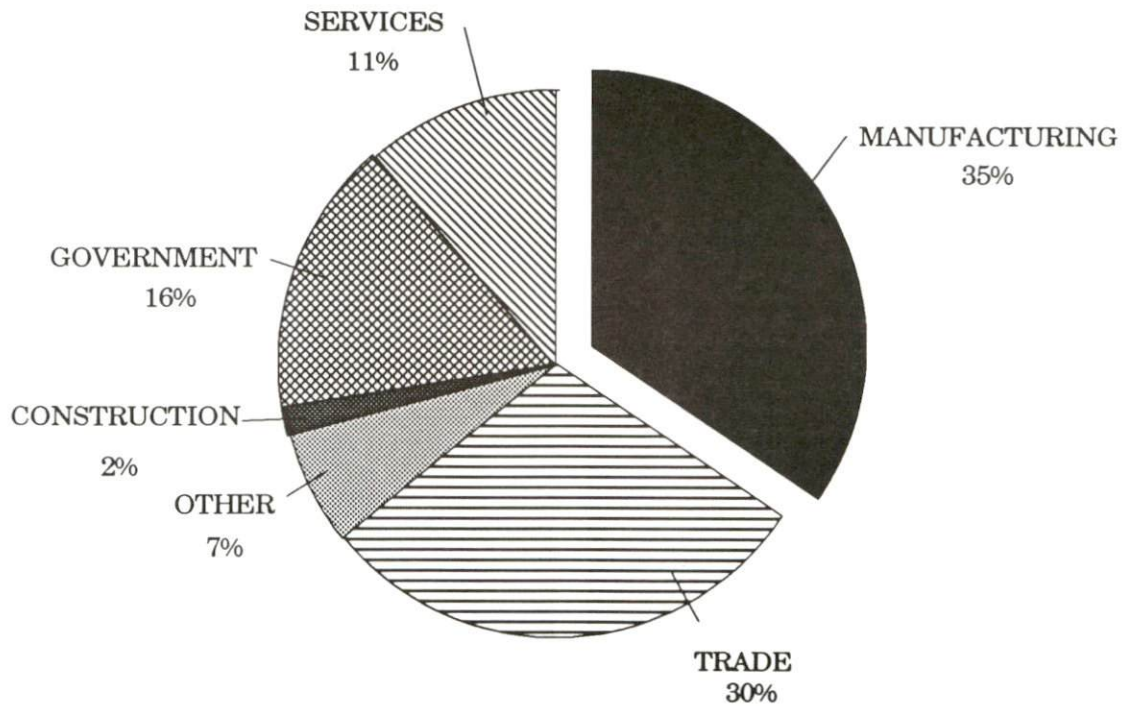


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1989

	<u>Fulton County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	2,619	14,680
Manufacturing	908	5,727
Wholesale & Retail Trade	778	3,482
Services	291	1,945
State/Local Government	425	2,042
Contract Construction	46	375

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.

FULTON COUNTY

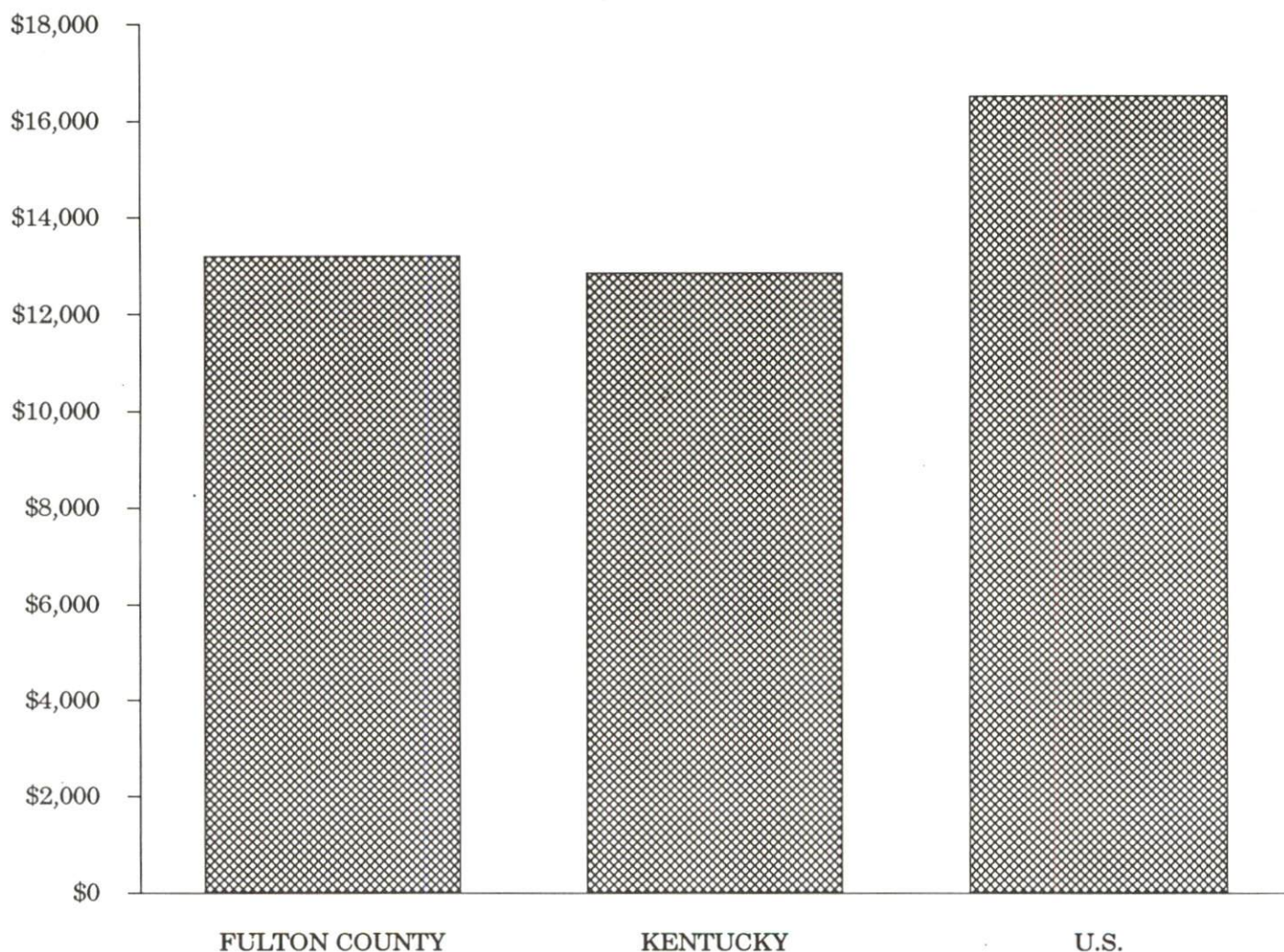


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1984	1988	Percent Change
Fulton County	\$11,275	\$13,719	21.7
Labor Market Area Range	\$9,813 - \$11,275	\$12,105 - \$13,719	-
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

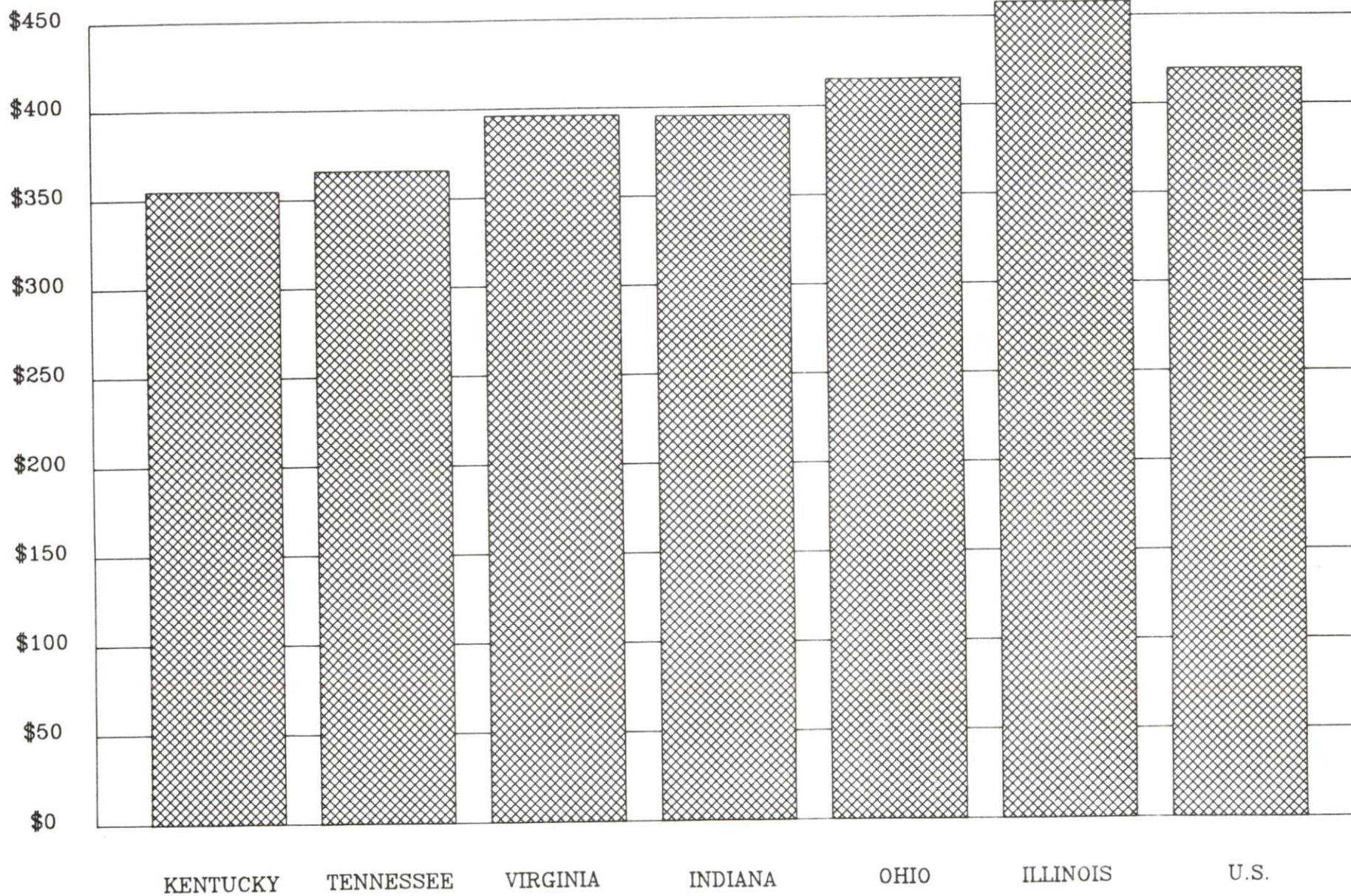
Fulton County is served by the Mayfield local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Mayfield local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1989, the local employment office filled 2,843 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	2,843	4.48
Clerical	330	3.67
Sales	33	4.25
Services (excluding domestic)	326	3.43
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	18	4.32
Processing	75	6.04
Machine Trades	51	5.80
Bench Work	1,452	4.54
Structural	206	5.55
Motor Freight/ Transportation	36	5.04
Packaging and Materials Handling	246	4.35
Other	3	8.37

The Mayfield local office also serves Calloway, Graves, and Hickman 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

	Fulton County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$263.83	\$352.31	\$363.12	\$392.56
Mining & Quarrying	0	603.27	495.85	596.88
Contract Construction	263.15	380.71	394.27	422.27
Manufacturing	321.53	464.92	416.73	452.60
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	429.57	468.17	485.13	554.17
Wholesale & Retail Trade	172.87	238.88	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	282.48	401.17	269.27	466.23
Services	219.96	298.98	343.48	391.67
State/Local Government	327.32	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

FULTON MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> (Establishment date)	<u>Product</u>	<u>1990</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Fulton, Kentucky		
Excel Manufacturing of Kentucky (1985)	Automobile glass components	220
Fields-Ashby Lumber Company (1956)	Lumber, wood chips, switch ties, hardwood mulch, planer shavings	35
Fulton Machine Industries, Inc. (1988)	Machine shop, general jobbing, metal fabrication, dies, tools, and jigs	5
Fulton Publishing Company, Inc. (1898)	Newspaper, commercial printing	18
H.I.S. Manufacturing Company (1989)	Sportswear	175
Turner Dairies, Inc. of Fulton (1965)	Plastic jugs, milk, ice cream	83
UARCO, Inc. (1983)	Business forms	155
South Fulton, Tennessee		
Central Metal Products Company, Inc. (1958)	Duct work, blow pipe and fittings, boiler breeching	16
Liggett Company (1983)	Outerwear	280
McAdoo Companies, Inc. (1940)	Ready-mixed concrete	5
Martin Tool & Die, Inc. (1959)	Metal stampings, special tooling, cadmium plating, metal working equipment	13
Henry I. Siegel Company, Inc. (1959)	Women's sportswear	500
Waymatic, Inc. (1952)	Vending & concession trailers, conveyors & materials handling equipment, merchandise displays	80

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, 1990 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers; 1990 Directory of Tennessee Manufacturers; The Chamber of Commerce of the Twin Cities.

MAJOR NON-MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Advance Seed Company maintains a seed packaging company in Fulton and has 138 employees.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

H.I.S. Manufacturing recently located its operations in Fulton. The 175-employee operation produces sportswear.

Excel Manufacturing of Kentucky is in the process of expanding its operation in Fulton. The \$3.1 million project will create 150 new jobs.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Union

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

Representing workers at:

Turner Dairies, Inc. of Fulton

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Fulton</u>
Custom Data Processing	Paducah, Kentucky	49
Custom Plastics Producers	Fulton, Kentucky	-
Electric Motor Repair	Mayfield, Kentucky	24
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Mayfield, Kentucky	24
Heat Treating Facilities	Memphis, Tennessee	126
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Mayfield, Kentucky	24
Industrial Gases	Paducah, Kentucky	49
Industrial Waste Removal	Paducah, Kentucky	49
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	South Fulton, Tennessee	1
Metal Castings	Elkton, Kentucky	114
Metal Finishers	Paducah, Kentucky	49
Metal Service Centers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	94
Millwrights	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	94
Public Warehouse Facilities	Mayfield, Kentucky	24

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Fulton is the southern terminus of the Purchase Parkway, a multi-lane toll road through extreme western Kentucky. The Purchase Parkway connects with Interstate 24, 50 miles northeast of Fulton, and locally with U.S. 45, U.S. 51, and Kentucky 166, all "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. "AA"-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Fulton include Kentucky 94, Kentucky 129, and Kentucky 307.

U.S. Highway 51 connects Fulton with Interstate Highways 40 and 55 near Memphis, Tennessee, 126 miles southwest; and with Interstate 57, 48 miles northwest. U.S. 45 provides access to Interstate 24, 45 miles northeast of Fulton, and to Interstate 40, approximately 61 miles south of the city.

Kentucky Highway 94 in Fulton County was recently straightened, widened, resurfaced, and had new shoulders added. The \$12 million improvement was a part of the Great River Road project.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM FULTON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	396	Los Angeles, CA	1,921
Baltimore, MD	825	Louisville, KY	252
Birmingham, AL	342	Nashville, TN	155
Chicago, IL	415	New Orleans, LA	512
Cincinnati, OH	353	New York, NY	1,003
Cleveland, OH	600	Pittsburgh, PA	633
Detroit, MI	611	St. Louis, MO	212
Knoxville, TN	333		

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

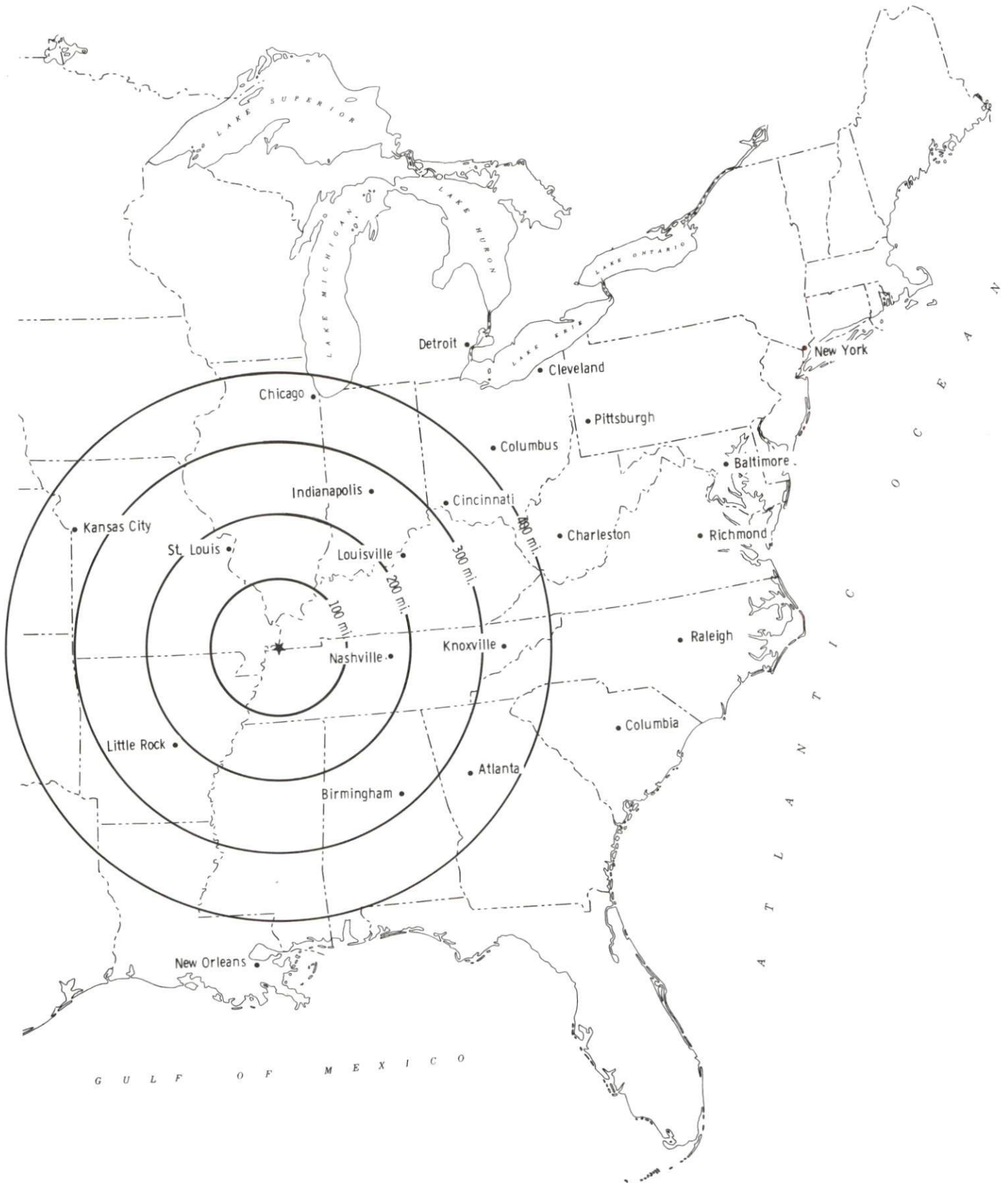
Sources: Rand McNally Deluxe Motor Carriers' Road Atlas, 1989. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.

Truck Service

Seventeen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Fulton.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1990.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

Illinois Central Railroad provides main line service to Fulton. Paducah and Louisville Railway provides the nearest piggyback services in Paducah, 49 miles northeast of Fulton. Amtrack currently provides passenger rail service to Fulton.

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

Industrial Development Department
Illinois Central Railroad
233 North Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois 60601
(312) 819-7477

and/or

Amtrack Distribution Center
(800) 872-7245

Air

Local

Location: Fulton Municipal Airport
Runways: 2 miles northwest of Fulton
Length: 1 paved
Traffic: 2,700 feet
Control: Wind sock
Lighting: Runway lights sunset to sunrise

Location: Everett Stewart Airport
Union City, Tennessee; 13 miles southwest of
Fulton
Runways: 1 paved
Length: 5,000 feet
Traffic:
Control: Unicom
Lighting: Lighted runway from sunset to sunrise
Services: 100LL and jet-A fuels, minor A & P repairs,
automatic weather observation service

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Barkley Regional Airport
6 miles west of Paducah, Kentucky;
55 miles north of Fulton
Air Service: Northwest, TransWorld, American Eagle
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 14

Location: Memphis International Airport
9 miles southeast of downtown Memphis, Tennessee;
135 miles southwest of Fulton
Air Service: Northwest, Delta, USAir, United, TWA, Midway,
Northwest Air Link, American, Exec Express
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 550

Water

The nearest navigable waterway is the Mississippi River at Hickman, 20 miles west of Fulton, where riverport facilities are available. The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority has completed a \$4.5 million general cargo facility within the Hickman Harbor, a still, warm-water harbor on the Mississippi River.

HICKMAN-FULTON COUNTY RIVERPORT

- Mississippi River Mile 922 (lower)
- West of Hickman, off Kentucky Highway 94
- Easy access to Kentucky Route 94, with connections to Kentucky's I-24, Tennessee's U.S. 51 and I-40, and Missouri's I-55
- River mileage to major markets: Louisville-409, St. Louis-213, Chicago-575, Memphis-188, and New Orleans-813
- TennKen Railroad provides a spur to the warehouse dock, and connects with The Illinois Central Railroad at Dyersburg, Tennessee
- Port is fully equipped with a reversible conveyor system capable of trans-loading 350 tons per hour outbound or 400 tons per hour inbound --30-inch wide belt and 125-foot-long radial stack with capacity to stockpile five barges of material
- Port utilizes a 125-ton pedestal mounted crane, with a 120-foot boom
- Storage facilities consist of a 6,000-square-foot warehouse, 10,000 square feet of outside paved storage area and nine acres of unpaved storage area
- 600 feet of waterfront footage
- Enterprise Zone
- Products transferred through the riverport include: grain, steel, iron ore, rock, fertilizer, graphite electrodes, petroleum coke, bulk salt, manganese, hay, and lead
- Tenants include: River Grain Company, International Salt Company, Superior Fireplace, Sigri Carbon Corporation, Farmer's Agri-Center, and Hickman Pipe & Tube
- Switching and fleeting services available
- Eight-acre tract, immediately adjacent to riverport, and thirty-one-acre tract, approximately 1,300 feet from the port are available for prospective tenants

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving **Fulton and a small portion of Fulton County** - Fulton Electric System

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

Company serving **a major portion of Fulton County** - Hickman-Fulton Counties 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

Hickman-Fulton Counties RECC
P.O. Box 190
Hickman, Kentucky 42050
(502) 236-2521

Natural Gas

Company serving **Fulton** - City of Fulton

Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation

For rates and supplies contact:

City of Fulton
City Hall
101 Nelson Tripp Place
Fulton, Kentucky 42041
(502) 472-1320

The City of Fulton plans to increase its overall natural gas capacity, which will provide additional service at the industrial park.

Public Water Supply

Company serving Fulton - Fulton Municipal Water System
P.O. Box 305
Fulton, Kentucky 42041
(502) 472-2434

Source - Wells: total pumping capacity 1,250 gpm
Treatment plant capacity - 1,500,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 850,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 966,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,180,000 gallons
Water pressure - 50 psi to 90 psi

Raw Water

Surface water sources in Fulton County - Mississippi River, Obion Creek
and Bayou de Chien
Average discharge - Mississippi River-unlimited; Bayou de Chien
near Clinton - 106 cfs (44 years, USGS)
Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm over the entire county

Sewerage

Company serving Fulton - Municipal Sewerage System
P.O. Box 305
Fulton, Kentucky 42041
(502) 472-2434

Design capacity - 540,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 340,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - Bayou De Chien Creek

The City of Fulton recently completed an expansion to its existing wastewater treatment facility. The \$1.6 million project doubled its capacity. The sewer company is also in the process of upgrading the lagoon system for its wastewater treatment facility. The \$1.6 million project is scheduled for completion in Fall 1990.

CLIMATE

Fulton County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	57.20 degrees
Average annual 1988	57.20 degrees
Record highest, August 1988 (5-year record)	104.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (5-year record)	-15.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	4,283

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	46.89 inches
Mean annual snowfall (5-year record)	14.70 inches
Total precipitation 1988	42.97 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (5-year record)	106.60
Mean number days thunderstorms (23-year record)	59.20

Prevailing winds

N/A

Relative Humidity (4 year record)

Midnight	81 percent
6 a.m.	86 percent
Noon	57 percent
6 p.m.	62 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1988. Station of record: Paducah, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

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

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Fulton Planning Commission

Zoning enforced - City only

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city and five miles beyond corporate limits

Local codes enforced - Building and housing

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 Fulton levies a one and one-half percent occupational license tax on the wages of individuals. An occupational license tax on businesses is based on the type of business. Manufacturers pay an annual fee based upon number of employees: less than 50 - \$100, 50 to 100 - \$150, and over 100 - \$200. The City of Fulton also levies an unloading license fee of \$75 annually and a city vehicle license fee of \$10 annually.

State and Local Property Taxes

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

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

COMBINED STATE AND LOCAL RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1989

	<u>City of Fulton and Fulton Independent School District</u>	<u>City of Fulton and Fulton County School district</u>	<u>Unincorporated Fulton County</u>
Land and Buildings	\$1.5327	\$0.9137	\$0.6337
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	1.3183	0.6993	0.4193
Automobiles & Trucks	1.7353	1.0183	0.7383
Other Tangible			
Personal Property	1.7673	1.1483	0.8683
Intangibles (Accounts receivable*, money in hand, stock, notes, bonds)	0.2500	0.2500	0.2500
Goods Stored in Public Warehouses in Transit			
Status	0.0010	0.0010	0.0010
Private Leaseholds in Industrial Revenue Bond Financed Facilities	0.0150	0.0150	0.0150

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

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Fulton Independent	Fulton County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1989)	633	869
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools	-
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1988-89)	16.9-1	16.6-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1988-89)	42.9	52.9
Expenditures Per Pupil (1988-89)	\$2,598.78	\$2,877.45

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Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1989)</u>
University of Tennessee, at Martin	Martin, Tennessee (12)	5,088
Murray State University	Murray, Kentucky (35)	8,013
Bethel College	McKenzie, Tennessee (37)	674
Paducah Community College	Paducah, Kentucky (49)	2,544

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 1988-1989</u>
West Kentucky State Vocational- Technical School	Paducah, Kentucky (49)	1,014
Fulton County Area Vocational Education Center	Hickman, Kentucky (20)	208

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 13

Dentists - 6

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Parkway Regional Hospital	Fulton, Kentucky	70
Baptist Memorial Hospital	Union City, Tennessee 13 miles southwest	173

Parkway Regional Hospital

Medical staff - 44 physicians, 21 registered nurses, and 14 licensed practical nurses

Special services - The Parkway Regional Hospital provides a full range of programs and services for industry including a 24-hour emergency room, work therapy programs, substance abuse programs, drug screening, and health education programs.

Baptist Memorial Hospital

Medical staff - 25 physicians, 79 registered nurses, 56 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities

Fulton County Health Department (a public health facility)
Fulton Fire Department Municipal Ambulance Service
Western Kentucky Mental Health Association
Hillview Clinic
Bushart Clinic

Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

City National Bank
Fulton Bank
Security Trust Federal
Savings and Loan

Newspapers

Fulton Leader (Weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell Telephone Company

RECREATION

Local

The City of Fulton's 35-acre public park contains baseball diamonds, double tennis courts, picnic shelters and playgrounds. Supervised baseball activities are offered here in the summer.

The Willow Plunge Corporation, a non-profit recreational organization in Fulton, provides a swimming pool and tennis courts.

The local country club features an 18-hole golf course, swimming pool, and three tennis courts. Other private recreational facilities in the area include a bowling alley, supper clubs, and a youth recreation center.

The International Banana Festival is held annually in Fulton and draws thousands of visitors. This festival, celebrating the area's historic role as a center for the redistribution of bananas, is a tribute to the community's warm relationship with Latin America as well as with its sister community, South Fulton, Tennessee, which also takes part in the festival.

Other annual events in the area include the Mississippi River water festivities which are the highlight of the Fourth of July "Spirit of America" celebration at Hickman, 20 miles to the west; and the Great River Road/U.S. 51 Festival held annually on Memorial Day weekend, features 102 miles of antiques, arts and crafts, yard sales, and town events of music and food.

Area (Within 45 miles)

Dixie Gun Works, located in Union City, Tennessee, 17 miles southwest of Fulton, is a museum featuring displays of firearms from many periods in U.S. history. Exhibits also include a display of more than 30 antique automobiles.

Reelfoot Lake and the Kentucky Madrid Bend are approximately 25 miles from Fulton. Reelfoot Lake is a 70-square mile lake in Kentucky and Tennessee known for its fishing. Kentucky maintains a 2,000-acre wildlife area near the lake for hunting. The Kentucky Madrid Bend is land totally separated from the state by the Mississippi River.

A Confederate cannon, a network of earthen trenches, and a massive chain and anchor give the feeling of being transported back to the Civil War. All of this and more can be discovered at Columbus-Belmont Battlefield State Park at Columbus, 23 miles northwest of Fulton. Other attractions at the 156-acre park include a 38-site campground, a gift shop, a historic hiking trail, miniature golf, a picnic area, and a playground. A visit to the museum at the park, which is in a building that served as a Civil War infirmary, offers a display of Civil War relics and early Indian artifacts and an audiovisual slide program on the Battle of Belmont.

Charm and serenity exemplify Kenlake State Resort Park which is located on Kentucky Lake, 45 miles northeast of Fulton. The park offers hotel and cottage accommodations and an efficient camping site. Other facilities include a 9-hole golf course, pool and lake swimming, horseback riding, hiking trails, fishing, boating, picnicking, planned recreation, an activities room, and one of the finest tennis complexes in the area.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Recent

Fulton was chosen as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1989, 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.

H.I.S. Manufacturing recently located its operations in Fulton. The 175-employee operation produces sportswear.

The City of Fulton recently completed an expansion to its existing wastewater treatment facility. The \$1.6 million project doubled its capacity.

Kentucky Highway 94 in Fulton County was recently straightened, widened, resurfaced, and had new shoulders added. The \$12 million improvement was a part of the Great River Road project.

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Under Way

Excel Manufacturing of Kentucky is in the process of expanding its operation in Fulton. The \$3.1 million project will create 150 new jobs.

The City of Fulton is in the process of upgrading the lagoon system for its wastewater treatment facility. The \$1.6 million project is scheduled for completion in Fall 1990.

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A complete restoration of the Fulton County Courthouse is under way. The Courthouse, which is listed on the National Register of Historic Places, will cost \$2 million for its renovation.

Planned

The City of Fulton plans to increase its overall natural gas capacity, which will provide additional service at the industrial park.



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