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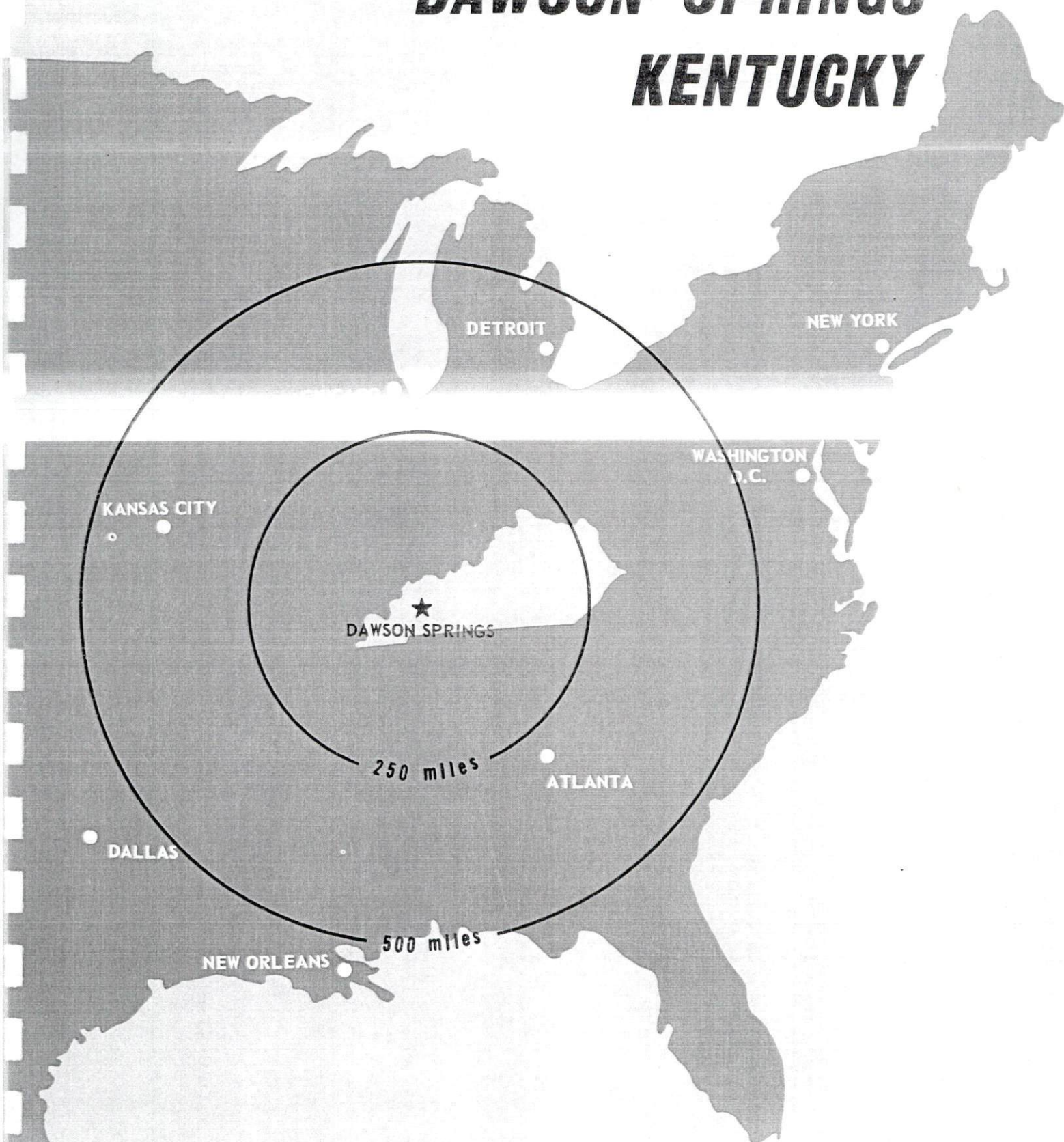
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

DAWSON SPRINGS KENTUCKY



HOPKINS COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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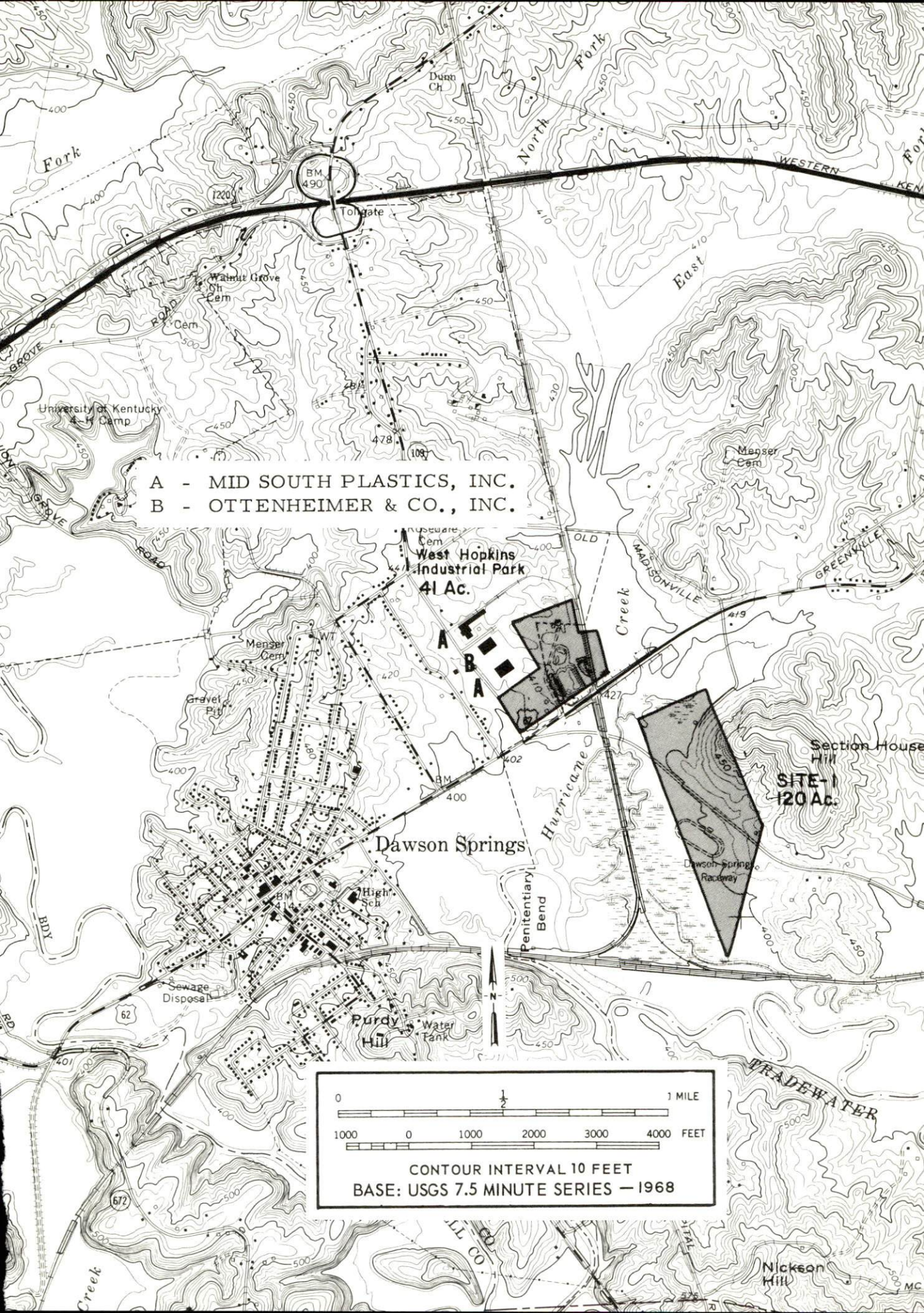
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For more information about the following sites, contact Mr. Jim Hunt, Kentucky Utilities Company, Dawson Springs, Kentucky 42408; or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

West Hopkins Industrial Park

ACREAGE: 41 acres
LOCATION: Northeast city limits
ZONING: Industrial
HIGHWAY ACCESS: U. S. 62 and four-lane paved access
road to Western Kentucky Parkway
RAILROADS: Illinois Central Railroad serves the park.
WATER: Dawson Springs Water System
SIZE LINE: 12-inch
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company
SIZE MAIN: 6-inch
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
SEWERAGE: Dawson Springs Sewer System
SIZE LINE: 8-inch
OWNERSHIP: West Hopkins Industries, Inc.

SITE #1: ACREAGE: 120 acres
LOCATION: Southeast of Dawson Springs
ZONING: None
HIGHWAY ACCESS: U. S. 62 is approximately 800 feet
north of site.
RAILROADS: Illinois Central Railroad touches south
boundary of site.
WATER: South Hopkins Water District
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line 1,800 feet from site
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company
SIZE MAIN: 6-inch main 2,500 feet from site; 4-inch
main 1,500 feet from site
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
SEWERAGE: Dawson Springs Sewer Company
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line 2,000 feet from site
OPTIONED BY: Dawson Springs Chamber of Commerce

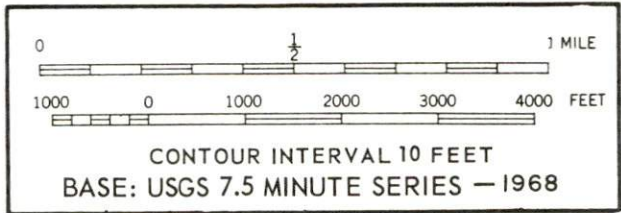


A - MID SOUTH PLASTICS, INC.
B - OTTENHEIMER & CO., INC.

West Hopkins
Industrial Park
41 Ac.

SITE-1
120 Ac.

Dawson Springs



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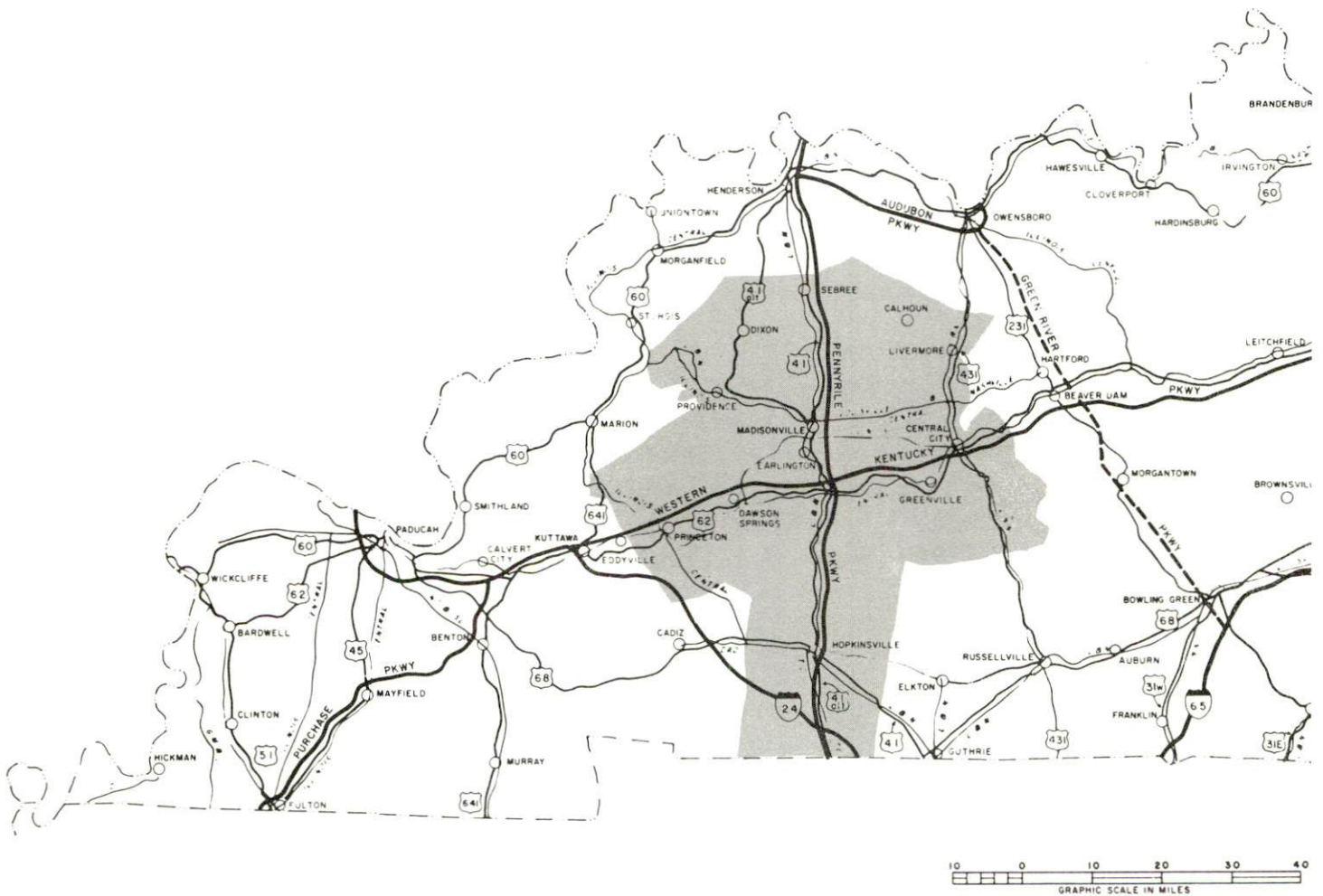
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DAWSON SPRINGS LABOR MARKET AREA

Shaded area denotes labor market area



DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Location

Dawson Springs is located in the southwestern portion of Hopkins County in the Pennyryle Region of western Kentucky. The Western Kentucky Parkway forms the northern boundary of the city limits. Dawson Springs is 160 miles southeast of Louisville, 50 miles east of Paducah, and 96 miles northwest of Nashville, Tennessee. The population of Dawson Springs in 1970 was 3,009 and the 1970 population of Hopkins County was 38,167.

The Economic Framework

Total employment in Hopkins County in 1970 averaged 13,800 with agriculture providing 700 jobs, mining 2,710, manufacturing 1,800, trade and services 3,840, and government 2,300. Since 1961 manufacturing employment was increased by approximately 212 percent. Major industrial products are apparel, fluorescent lamp ballasts, plastics, and leather.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1970 was \$3,219. This is an increase of approximately 55 percent between 1960 and 1970.

The Dawson Springs labor market area includes Hopkins County and the five surrounding counties. Area employment in 1970 totaled 53,000 jobs with agriculture providing 5,300, manufacturing 8,900, trade and services 11,585, government 9,100 and mining 6,070. Industrial employment in this area has increased approximately 116 percent since 1961 with the sharpest gains in apparel, rubber and plastic products, and machinery and metal products.

Despite important industrial gains in recent years, the area still has a deficit of 5,176 manufacturing jobs when measured against the national industrial employment-population ratio. This indicates an area where the potential for additional manufacturing production is excellent.

Resources for Growth

1. There is a current estimated labor supply of 11,040 men and 13,550 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, 7,725 young men and 7,320 young women will become 18 years of age by 1978 and potentially available for work.

2. The transportation capability is excellent. The Illinois Central Railroad serves Dawson Springs with a variety of services. The county has more than adequate trucking service. The Western Kentucky Parkway,

which is a major east-west highway artery, forms the northern boundary of the city limits. The Pennyrile Parkway, a major north-south route, is only 14 miles away. Dawson Springs is also served by U. S. 62. Charter plane service is available at the Madisonville Municipal Airport, 18 miles distant. Commercial air service is available at Barkley Field, Paducah, 50 miles west of Dawson Springs.

3. Electric power is supplied to Dawson Springs by the Kentucky Utilities Company. Natural gas is furnished in Dawson Springs by the Western Kentucky Gas Company, whose source of supply is the Texas Gas Transmission Corporation. Three distributors of propane and three distributors of distillate fuel oil are located in Dawson Springs.

4. Industrial sites - Dawson Springs has two sites available for industrial use.

5. Education is an important growth asset for Hopkins County. Three school systems operate within the county. Three senior colleges and three community colleges are located within a 70-mile radius of Dawson Springs.

The Madisonville Area Vocational School is located in Madisonville, 18 miles distant, and offers training in 14 different courses. An extension center is located in Hopkinsville, 27 miles distant, and offers six different courses.

Community Programs for Improvement

In 1971 Dawson Springs received a certificate of excellence in the "All Kentucky" cities award program sponsored by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce. The award was the result of successful community programs and a city beautification drive. The city is actively continuing its programs for community improvements. Completed projects which have been beneficial to the city's growth include a new physical education building and a new grade school, an enclosed heated swimming pool for Outwood Hospital, the purchase of the Old Hanby Well building, which has been placed on the National Historical register, a general clean-up and beautification drive in the city, and a commercial building which has been restored to its original architecture.

Projects under construction include a one-half million dollar joint flood control project, and three other commercial buildings which are being restored to their original architecture.

Planned projects include the construction of a modern motel, the making of the Hanby Well building into a city museum at the cost of \$60,000, the remodeling of the older section of the high school building and the remodeling of the old gymnasium into a little theater and a vocational department,

the construction of a new library at a cost of \$800,000, the construction of a 3,000,000 gpd water treatment plant, an elevated water storage tank, some larger water distribution lines, and improvements for the sewer system.

Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park, 6 miles from Dawson Springs, is a 436-acre park with a 55-acre lake, lodge, cottages, and camping facilities. The park recreational facilities and activities include: native pine and hardwood forest, lodge pool, beach, bathhouse, boat rentals, fishing, golf, horseback riding, hiking, picnic shelter, playground, and supervised recreation.

Lake Barkley State Resort Park, 32 miles away, is a 3,000-acre resort park. The facilities include a lodge, cottages, and camping sites. Recreational facilities include fishing, boating, swimming and golfing.

Lake Barkley and Barkley Dam have 1,004 miles of shoreline. Its reservoir is 93,000 acres. The facilities include fishing, boating, camping, swimming, hunting and picnicking.

Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area, 40 miles distant, is 170,000 acres of wooded ridge formed into a peninsula by Kentucky and Barkely Lakes for recreation, conservation, and education. The facilities include fishing, water sports, hunting and camping.

Kentucky Lake and Kentucky Dam, with 2,380 miles of shoreline, is the longest of any man-made lake in the world. Facilities include fine fishing and water sports, swimming, boating, and water skiing. The huge dam is TVA's largest and controls the waters of the Tennessee River near its junction with the Ohio River at Paducah. The dam is 206 feet high, 8,422 feet long, and cost \$115 million.

Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park, 50 miles distant, includes 1,200 acres and a Village Inn. The facilities include lodge, cottages, and camping facilities. The park includes a lodge, pool, 18-hole golf course, horseback riding trail, playground, tennis court, airstrip, and a lake for boating and fishing.

Jefferson Davis Monument State Shrine, 37 miles from Cadiz, is a 20-acre park with picnic shelter and playground area. It is the site of the farm on which the President of the Confederacy was born. A museum is housed in the monument, a 351-foot cast concrete obelisk, which is the tallest in the world. An elevator ride to the top of the monument affords a magnificent view of the countryside.

Lake Malone State Park, 35 miles from Dawson Springs, has 374 acres with camping accommodations, 826-acre lake with beach, boat rentals, paddle boats, dock launching ramp, picnic shelter, and playground.

THE LABOR MARKET

POPULATION TRENDS ^{1/}

Area	Population			Percent Change	
	1970	1960	1950	1960-70	1950-60
Dawson Springs	3,009	3,002	2,374	+ 0.2	+26.5
Labor Market Area	157,451	159,825	152,450	- 1.5	+ 4.8
Hopkins County	38,167	38,458	38,815	- 0.8	- 0.9
Caldwell County	13,179	13,073	13,199	+ 0.8	- 1.0
Christian County	56,224	56,904	42,359	- 1.2	+34.3
McLean County	9,062	9,355	10,051	- 3.1	- 6.6
Muhlenburg County	27,537	27,791	32,501	- 0.9	-14.5
Webster County	13,282	14,244	15,555	- 6.8	- 8.4

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1970 ^{2/}

Major Employment Group	Employment	
	Hopkins County	Labor Market Area
TOTAL	13,800	53,000
Agricultural	700	5,300
Nonagricultural	13,100	47,700
Manufacturing	1,800	8,900
Trade and Services	3,840	11,586
Government	2,300	9,100
Mining	2,709	6,069
Other	1,451	12,045

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY SEPTEMBER 1971 AND 1961 ^{3/}

Industry	Hopkins County			Labor Market Area		
	1971	1961	% Change	1971	1961	% Change
TOTAL	2,233	716	+ 211.9	9,781	4,522	+ 116.3
Food & kindred products	187	200	- 6.5	517	550	- 6.0
Tobacco	1	1	--	35	51	- 31.4
Apparel, textiles, leather	596	338	+ 76.3	2,857	1,726	+ 65.5
Lumber & furniture	207	68	+ 204.4	828	938	- 11.7
Printing, publishing, paper	54	41	+ 31.7	372	304	+ 22.4
Chemicals, petroleum, coal, rubber	429	2	--	589	93	+ 533.3
Stone, clay & glass	7	21	- 66.7	81	109	- 25.7
Primary metals	39	22	+ 77.3	509	22	+2213.6
Machinery & metal products	706	20	+3430.0	3,795	726	+ 422.7
Other	7	3	+ 133.3	198	3	--

DAWSON SPRINGS MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT ^{4/}

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>		
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Call, Waite & Capp, Inc.	Treated poles, posts, fencing	10	10	0
Chemical Coke Company	Chemical coke	45	45	0
Dawson Springs Progress	Newspaper, job printing	4	2	2
Vinise Menser Lumber Co.	Rough lumber	15	15	0
Mid South Plastics, Inc.	Custom injection molding	275	250	25
Ottenheimer & Co., Inc.	Washable service apparel	182	11	171
Parallel Rubber Products	Rubber washers, erasers, TV cushions	25		
Terry Brothers Lumber Company	Lumber, building material, concrete	24	23	1
U & W Pallet Co., Inc.	Sawmill	7		

WAGE RATES FOR SELECTED OCCUPATIONS
DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY ^{5/}

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Wages Per Hour</u>		
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Prevailing</u>
<u>Production Employees</u>			
Assembler	\$1.75	\$2.40	\$2.10
Inspector	1.75	2.50	2.30
Production Laborer	1.65	2.50	2.10
Welder, Arc or Acetylene (Class-A)	2.75	3.75	3.10
<u>Service Employees</u>			
Electrician (Class-A)	\$2.75	\$3.60	\$3.25
Laborer	1.60	2.50	2.00
Machinist	3.00	3.75	3.40
Mechanic, Maintenance	3.00	3.80	3.40
Truck Driver, Industrial (Class-A)	1.60	3.25	2.50
<u>Office Employees</u>			
Bookkeeper	\$1.80	\$2.25	\$2.00
File Clerk	1.65	2.00	1.80
Receptionist	1.65	2.00	1.80
Secretary	1.80	2.30	2.00
Typist	1.70	2.10	1.90

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

Union

United Mine Workers
Allied Garment Workers

Representing workers at:

Mid South Plastics, Inc.
Ottenheimer & Co., Inc.

CURRENT AND FUTURE LABOR SUPPLY - DAWSON SPRINGS LABOR MARKET AREA

<u>Area</u>	<u>Current Labor Supply, 1972 ^{6/}</u>			<u>Future Labor Supply by 1978 ^{7/}</u> <u>(Becoming 18 Years of Age)</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Labor Market Area	24,589	11,040	13,549	15,043	7,724	7,319
Hopkins Co.	5,258	2,234	3,024	3,751	1,979	1,772
Caldwell Co.	2,561	1,220	1,341	1,181	594	587
Christian Co.	6,912	3,546	3,366	5,162	2,636	2,526
McLean Co.	2,235	658	1,577	862	436	426
Muhlenberg Co.	4,914	2,023	2,891	2,785	1,431	1,354
Webster Co.	2,709	1,359	1,350	1,302	648	654

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME ^{8/}

<u>Area</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Hopkins County	\$ 122,900,000	\$ 79,724,000	+ 54.2
Labor Market Area	516,859,000	279,988,000	+ 84.6
Kentucky	9,719,647,000	4,779,695,000	+103.4

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME ^{9/}

<u>Area</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Hopkins County	\$3,219	\$2,073	+ 55.3
Labor Market Area Range	\$1,820 to 3,868	\$1,025 to 2,073	N. A.
Kentucky	3,019	1,573	+ 91.9

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	<u>Dawson Springs</u>	<u>Hopkins County</u>
Total Enrollment	565	7,855
Elementary	295	5,195
Junior High		880
High School	270	1,780
Student-Teacher Ratio	23-1	22-1
Elementary	20-1	25-1
Junior High		20-1
High School	25-1	17-1
State Rating of High School	Basic	Comprehensive-Merit Standard (2)
Percent High School Graduates to College	41.4	41.3
Current Expenditures Per Pupil	\$397.27	\$474.99
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1971	\$563,000	\$3,957,000

Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest Area School</u>	<u>Nearest Extension Center</u>
	Madisonville Area Vocational School	Christian County Extension Center
Location	Madisonville	Hopkinsville
Miles Distant	18	27
Curriculum	Certified Lab Assistant Health Careers Medical Assistant Medical Secretary Practical Nursing Radiologic Technologist Surgical Technician Electronics (Industrial) Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Drafting Electricity Machine Shop	Appliance Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Drafting Electricity Welding

Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area - Within 70 Miles</u>		<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	
Hopkinsville Community College	Hopkinsville	540	Associate
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville	359	Associate
Henderson Community College	Henderson	594	Associate
Brescia College	Owensboro	957	Baccalaureate
Kentucky Wesleyan	Owensboro	854	Baccalaureate
Murray State University	Murray	7,071	Masters

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Line serving Dawson Springs - Illinois Central Railroad

Services - Freight, siding, switching, REA Express

RAILWAY TRANSIT TIME FROM DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY, TO: 10/

City	No. of Days		City	No. of Days	
	CL			CL	
Atlanta, Ga.	4		Los Angeles, Calif.	6	
Birmingham, Ala.	3		Louisville, Ky.	2	
Chicago, Ill.	3		Nashville, Tenn.	2	
Cincinnati, Ohio	4		New Orleans, La.	5	
Cleveland, Ohio	5		New York, N. Y.	5	
Detroit, Mich.	5		Pittsburgh, Pa.	4	
Knoxville, Tenn.	4		St. Louis, Mo.	3	

Truck Service

Company

Home Office

A & H Truck Lines, Inc.	Evansville, Indiana
Harper Truck Service, Inc.	Paducah, Kentucky
A. Ligon Truck Line, Inc.	
(United Trucking)	Lebanon, Kentucky
McLean Trucking Company	Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Shroder's Express, Inc.	Cincinnati, Ohio
Skaggs Transfer, Inc.	Louisville, Kentucky
Tennessee Cartage, Inc.	Nashville, Tennessee
United Parcel Service	St. Charles, Illinois

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time 11/		City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time	
		LTL	TL			LTL	TL
Atlanta, Ga.	345	2-3	1	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,008	7-8	4-6
Birmingham, Ala.	283	2-3	1	Louisville, Ky.	160	1	1
Chicago, Ill.	367	2-3	1	Nashville, Tenn.	96	1	1
Cincinnati, Ohio	260	2	1	New Orleans, La.	664	3	2
Cleveland, Ohio	512	3	1-2	New York, N. Y.	936	3-4	2-3
Detroit, Mich.	526	3	1	Pittsburgh, Pa.	560	2-3	2
Knoxville, Tenn.	281	2	1	St. Louis, Mo.	246	2	1

Air

	<u>Nearest Local</u>	<u>Nearest Commercial</u>
Location:	Madisonville Municipal Madisonville, 18 miles from Dawson Springs	Barkley Field Paducah, 50 miles from Dawson Springs
Runways:	1 paved	2 paved
Length:	4,200 feet	6,500 feet; 4,000 feet
Traffic		
Control:	Wind sock, wind tee	Wind tee
Lighting:	Runway lighted sunset to sunrise, rotating beacon	Beacon, boundary, obstruction, runway lights and runway and identification lights
Services:	80-87 and 100 octane, flight training and charter - single-multi-engine, major and minor repairs, auto rental	80 and 100 octane; jet fuel; Delta and Ozark Airlines; taxi; limousine; U-Drive-It; storage; major A & E repairs

Bus

Continental Trailways, Inc.

Taxi

Two cab companies

Rental Service

Limited truck rentals

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Dawson Springs - Kentucky Utilities Company

Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company

Total generating capacity - 1,215,000 KW

Industrial rates furnished by - Kentucky Utilities Company, Dawson Springs, Kentucky

Company serving Hopkins County - Green River RECC; Henderson-Union RECC

Source of power - Big Rivers RECC

Total generating capacity - 400,000 KW

Industrial rates furnished by - Green River RECC, Owensboro, Kentucky; Henderson-Union RECC, Henderson, Kentucky

Natural Gas

Company serving Dawson Springs - Western Kentucky Gas Company

Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation

Size of transmission mains - 10 and 24 inches (supplier)

Distribution mains - 2, 4, and 6 inches

Distribution pressure - 10-25 psi

Btu content - 1,000

Specific gravity - .60

Rates - Industrial rates will be furnished by the Industrial Development Department, Western Kentucky Gas Company, Owensboro, Kentucky

Other Fuels

Propane distributors

Home Gas & Heating Company (Skelgas)

Kengas

Philgas

Distillate fuel oil distributors

Standard Oil Company

Sun Oil Company

Ashland Fuel Oil

Residual fuel oil

Arrangements must be made with the refinery.

Coal

Very small quantities of low sulphur coal are available. The major portion of coal in the area has a 3.5% average sulphur content.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Dawson Springs - Dawson Springs Water & Sewer System

Source - 6 wells

Treatment plant capacity - 720,000 gpd

Average daily consumption - 335,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 531,000 gallons

Type treatment - Settled, chlorinated, filtered

Storage capacity - 600,000 gallons

Size mains - 12, 10, 8, 6, 4, and 2 inches

Average pressure - 50 psi

Average temperature - 54° F.

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

First	133 cu. ft./mo.	\$2.40 (Minimum)
	250 cu. ft.	3.36
	450 cu. ft.	4.26
Next	150 cu. ft.	.96 per 100 cu. ft.
Next	700 cu. ft.	.90 per 100 cu. ft.
Next	2,000 cu. ft.	.78 per 100 cu. ft.
Next	3,000 cu. ft.	.66 per 100 cu. ft.
Next	3,000 cu. ft.	.60 per 100 cu. ft.
All over	9,300 cu. ft.	.48 per 100 cu. ft.

Name of water district - South Hopkins Water District

Area served - A portion of Hopkins and Caldwell Counties

Date when water district began operating - July, 1969

Source of treated water - Dawson Springs City Water & Sewer System

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 79,000 gallons

Water district storage facilities and capacities - 3 metal reservoirs,
150,000 gallons each

Average pressure - 100 psi

Size mains - 8, 6, 4, and 2 inches

Rates -

First	2,000 gallons	\$5.00
Next	8,000 gallons	1.50 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.25 per M gallons
Next	30,000 gallons	1.00 per M gallons
All over	50,000 gallons	.60 per M gallons

Surface water sources - Tradewater River

Average discharge - Tradewater River at Olney 318 cfs (29 years, USGS)

Expected ground water yield - 50 to 200 gpm in southern and western part of county; 5 to 50 gpm in bands running east-west in central part of county; 5 gpm or less in remainder of county

Sewerage

Company serving Dawson Springs - Dawson Springs Water & Sewer System

Design capacity - 320,000 gpd

Average daily flow - 250,000 gallons

Treatment - Primary and secondary

Type treatment - Primary and secondary clarifier, sludge digester, drying beds

Treated effluent discharged into - Tradewater River

Size of sanitary mains - 12, 10, 8, 6, and 4 inches

Size of storm mains - 24, 18, and 12 inches

Rates - 50 percent of monthly water bill

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 6 councilmen - 2-year terms
Budget 1972 - General Fund \$124,248
Fees and licenses - Occupational license tax - 1% net profit, \$50 minimum,
\$200 maximum annually; business license fee - \$35 to \$100 annually;
unloading fee - \$25 annually; city auto sticker - \$10

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 7 magistrates - 4-year terms
Budget 1971-72 - General Fund \$743,550; Road Fund \$109,300

Assessed Value of Property, 1972

<u>Classes of Property*</u>	<u>Dawson Springs</u>	<u>Hopkins County</u>
Real Estate and Tangibles	\$10,252,226	
Real Estate		\$182,134,868 (1971)
Tangibles		63,385,266 (1971)
Public Service	1,378,480	47,080,074 (1970)

Local General Property Tax Rates Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1971 ^{12/}

<u>Taxing Unit**</u>	<u>Dawson Springs</u>	<u>Hopkins County</u>
State	\$.015	\$.015
County	.148	.148
School	.980	.640
City	.260	
Total	\$1.403	\$.803

Planning and Zoning

Agency - Hopkins County Joint Planning Commission
Plans completed - Base Map, Existing Land Use Map, Existing Land Use
Analysis

*Property assessed at 100 percent of fair value.

**Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories and goods in process
inventories are not subject to local tax. State rate is only \$.15 per \$100.

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Dawson Springs</u>	<u>Hopkins County</u>
Total staff	3	7
Radio-patrol cars	2	4
Other equipment	Port-a-pack	

Fire

American Insurance Association Fire Rating	8
Volunteers	20
Equipment:	
750 gpm pumpers	2

Rescue Service

Hopkins County Rescue Squad
Number of volunteers - 40
Equipment - boats, dragging equipment, portable power plant, portable light, 1 plane is available
Personnel training - Red Cross training

Sanitation

	<u>Dawson Springs</u>	<u>Hopkins County</u>
Type service	municipal	private
Cost:		
residential	*	contracted
business	*	contracted
Collection frequency:		
residential	first and third Mondays	when desired
business	first and third Mondays	when desired
Trash pickup	first and third Mondays	when desired
Disposal method	landfill	landfill

*Service not in operation long enough to accurately determine rates.

HEALTH

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Hopkins County Hospital	Madisonville	272

General hospital facilities - Six operating rooms, recovery room, laboratory, X-ray, emergency room, pharmacy, O.B. section, nursery, physical therapy, intensive care, coronary unit

Medical staff - 55 doctors, 30 registered nurses, 84 licensed practical nurses, 206 nurses aides and orderlies

Other - District #1 State TB Hospital, Madisonville, Kentucky

Nursing Homes

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Extended care homes	3 (Madisonville)	206
Personal care homes	2	92
	3 (Madisonville)	271

Public Health

Facility - Hopkins County Health Department, Madisonville

Staff - Health officer, nurse, auxiliary worker, 3 clerks, 2 sanitarians

Budget 1971-72 - \$56,897

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

Telephone - South Central Bell Telephone Company
Services - Standard

Telegraph - Western Union
Services - Telephone and messenger

Postal - U. S. Post Office
Class - Second
Mail received - Once daily
Mail dispatched - Once daily

Newspapers - Dawson Springs Progress
Weekly and circulation - 3, 100
Other papers received from - Louisville, Madisonville, Hopkinsville,
and Paducah, Kentucky; Evansville, Indiana

Radio -
Stations received from - Louisville, Madisonville, Hopkinsville, Paducah,
Owensboro, and Bowling Green, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee;
Evansville, Indiana; Cincinnati, Ohio; New Orleans, Louisiana

Television -
Cable service
Reception from - Paducah and Bowling Green, Kentucky; Nashville,
Tennessee; Harrisburg, Illinois; Cape Girardeau, Missouri; Evansville,
Indiana
Kentucky Educational Television - Madisonville transmitter, Channel 35

Religious Institutions

Number of churches - 14
Denominations - Catholic, Southern Baptist, Methodist, Christian, Church
of Christ, Gospel Assembly, General Baptist, Primitive Baptist, Holiness

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of December 31, 1971</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Commercial Bank of Dawson	\$8, 171, 206	\$7, 509, 611

Savings and Loan AssociationAssetsShared Accounts

Hopkins County First Federal Savings
and Loan Association

\$19,671,423

\$17,227,187

Hotels and Motels

Total Number - 1

Units - 16

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Dawson Springs Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees,
Rotary

Fraternal - Masonic Lodge, Woodmen of the World, Modern Woodmen of
the World, American Legion, DAV, VFW

Women's - Eastern Star, Homemakers, Business and Professional Woman's
Club, Younger Woman's Club

Youth - YWCA, Brownies, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Explorers,
Little League baseball and basketball

Other - Dawson Springs Saddle Club

RECREATION

Local

Public Recreation Facilities

Supervised program - Dawson Springs Community Center

Parks - 2

Playgrounds - 3

Swimming pools - 2

Golf courses - 2

Tennis courts - 6

Baseball diamond - 1

Private Recreation Facilities

Movie theater - 1 indoor

Tourist Attractions

Mineral wells and springs

Area (Within 50 miles)

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park

Lake Barkley State Resort Park

Lake Barkley and Barkley Dam

Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area

Kentucky Lake and Kentucky Dam

Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park

Jefferson Davis Monument State Shrine

Lake Malone State Park

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture 13/

	<u>Hopkins County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total land area (acres)	353,920	1,735,680
Percent of area in farm land	53.5	63.4
Number of farms	1,071	6,327
Average size of farms (acres)	176.8	174.0
1964 value of all farm products	\$4,595,257	\$34,774,065
Value per farm	4,291	5,496
Total crop sales	2,550,110	19,158,060
Total livestock & livestock products	2,044,147	15,594,597
1969 agricultural production included:		
Burley tobacco (lbs.)	236,000	8,284,000
Corn (bu.)	1,842,000	10,771,000
Cattle and calves (number)	24,000	169,900
Hogs and pigs (number)	21,600	156,000
Milk production, 1968 (lbs.)	6,840,000	45,285,000

Natural Resources

Principal mineral resources	Coal, petroleum, miscellaneous clay
Acres of commercial forest land	165,600
Most abundant tree species	Red oak, white oak, hickory, sweet gum, ash, yellow poplar, soft maple

Climate 14/

	<u>Hopkins County</u>
Temperature	
Annual mean (30-year record)	57.0 degrees
Average annual 1971	56.9 degrees
Record highest, July, 1966 (11-year record)	104.0 degrees
Record lowest, January, 1963 (11-year record)	- 18.0 degrees
Seasonal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,435
Precipitation	
Mean annual total (30-year record)	41.45 inches
Mean annual snow and sleet (31-year record)	13.3 inches
Total precipitation 1971	40.25 inches
Mean number days precipitation, (.01 inch or more) (31-year record)	114
Average number days thunderstorms (31-year record)	14
Prevailing winds (14-year record)	South-southwest

HISTORY

Hopkins County lies in the Pennyryle region of western Kentucky and covers 553 square miles. Pond River flows along its eastern border, and Tradewater River along the western border. Green River, which is navigable, touches the county's northeastern corner. The land surface varies from flat in the river bottoms, to rolling and hilly. There are extensive deposits of coal and petroleum, and over 45 percent of the land area is forested.

Hopkins became Kentucky's forty-ninth county, taken from Henderson County in 1806. It was named for General Samuel Hopkins, a native of Virginia who settled on the Green River in Kentucky. A distinguished Revolutionary War veteran, Hopkins served in the U. S. Congress.

Madisonville, the county seat, was named for President James Madison. Located in the center of a plateau between the Pond and Tradewater Rivers, the town was built on land donated by Daniel McGary and Solomon Silkwood. Incorporated in 1810, the city grew steadily to a 1970 population of 15,332.

Earlington, to the south, and Dawson Springs, on the county's southwestern border, each has a population of over 2,000. Morton's Gap, in the southern part of the county, has over 1,000.

In 1810, four years after its founding, Hopkins County had a population of 2,964. This climbed to an all-time high of 38,815 in 1950, and has since leveled off at 38,458 in 1960 and 38,167 in 1970.

Agriculture accounted for 700 of the county's 13,800 employed in 1970, with corn, burley tobacco, cattle and hogs the principal products. Manufacturing employment increased from 712 in 1961 to 2,159 in 1971. The greatest concentration of production was in the apparel, food and chemical industries. Largest of Madisonville's firms are General Electric Company, making fluorescent lamp ballasts, Enro Shirt Company, which makes sport shirts, Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, which produces composition heel and sole products, and U. C. Milk Company. Hopkins County ranks high among the producers of coal and petroleum in the state.

Highway access into the county is excellent, with the Pennyryle Parkway intersecting the county from north to south and the Western Kentucky Parkway running from east to west.

Among the citizens important in Hopkins County's history was Ruby Lafoon, who was elected Governor of Kentucky in 1931.

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