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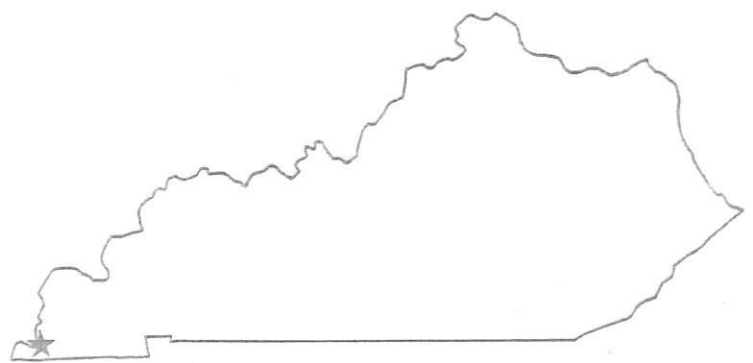
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Fulton County



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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
FULTON COUNTY
KENTUCKY

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

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FULTON COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Fulton County, covering 209 square miles, is located in the Jackson Purchase Region of extreme west Kentucky. The county 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 1990 population of 8,271 persons.

Fulton, the largest of two incorporated cities in Fulton County, is located on the Kentucky-Tennessee state line, adjacent to South Fulton in Obion County, Tennessee. Fulton is 49 miles southwest of Paducah, Kentucky; 126 miles northeast of Memphis, Tennessee; and 214 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. Fulton had a 1990 population of 3,078 persons.

Hickman, the county seat of Fulton County, is situated on the Mississippi River. Hickman was designated an enterprise zone in 1984, allowing eligible businesses to qualify for tax incentives, utility rate reductions, and certain other forms of federal, state and local government assistance. Hickman is located 20 miles west of Fulton and had a 1990 population of 2,689.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Fulton County residents employed in 1991 averaged 3,113. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,115 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 797 jobs; 396 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 480 employees; and contract construction firms provided 20 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 1992 through 1996, 3,702 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - Fulton County is served by the Purchase Parkway at Fulton, a multi-lane highway which connects with Interstate 24, 50 miles to the northeast. The county is also served by U.S. Highways 51 and 45, plus Kentucky Highways 94, 125, 129, 166, 239 and 307. The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport, a major riverport of the Mississippi River, is located in Hickman. The Illinois Central Railroad provides main line rail service to Fulton, while Tennessee-Kentucky Railroad directly serves Hickman. Twenty-one common carrier trucking firms provide interstate and/or intrastate service to the county. 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.

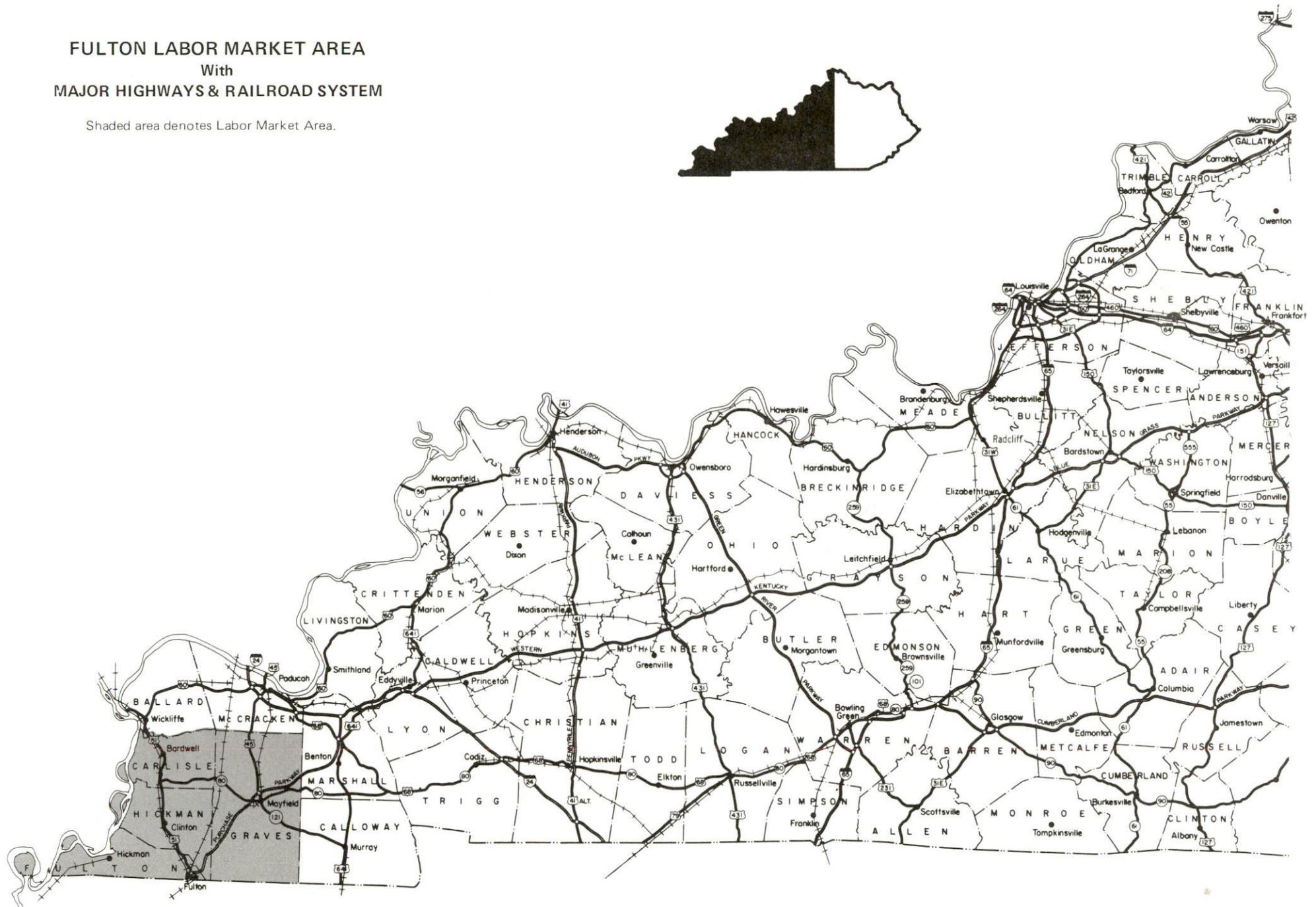
Power and Fuel - Fulton Electric System, Hickman Electric System, and Hickman-Fulton Counties Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation each provide electric power to Fulton County. The City of Fulton and Hickman Natural Gas System each provide natural gas service in the county.

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 Fulton County Area Vocational Education Center in Hickman; and at the West Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School in Paducah, Kentucky, 49 miles northeast.

FULTON LABOR MARKET AREA

With
MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

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

Additional data and information concerning the Fulton County labor market is available from the Fulton County Economic Development Partnership, phone (502) 472-2125 or (502) 236-2594.

POPULATION			
	1990	1980	1970
Labor Market Area*	123,443	127,704	119,399
Fulton	3,078	3,231	3,250
Hickman	2,689	2,894	3,048
Fulton County	8,271	8,971	10,183

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

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, January 1991.

POPULATION PROJECTIONS				
	1995	2000	2010	2020
Labor Market Area	52,401	52,106	51,481	50,916
Fulton County	8,138	7,988	7,662	7,373

Note: Population projections are from Moderate Growth Series forecast.

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY					
	Current			Not in Labor Force	Future Becoming 18 years of age 1992 thru 1996
	Total	Unemployed	Employed Part-Time		
Labor Market Area*	6,893	1,665	2,463	2,765	3,702
Fulton County	1,166	230	392	544	570

* 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).

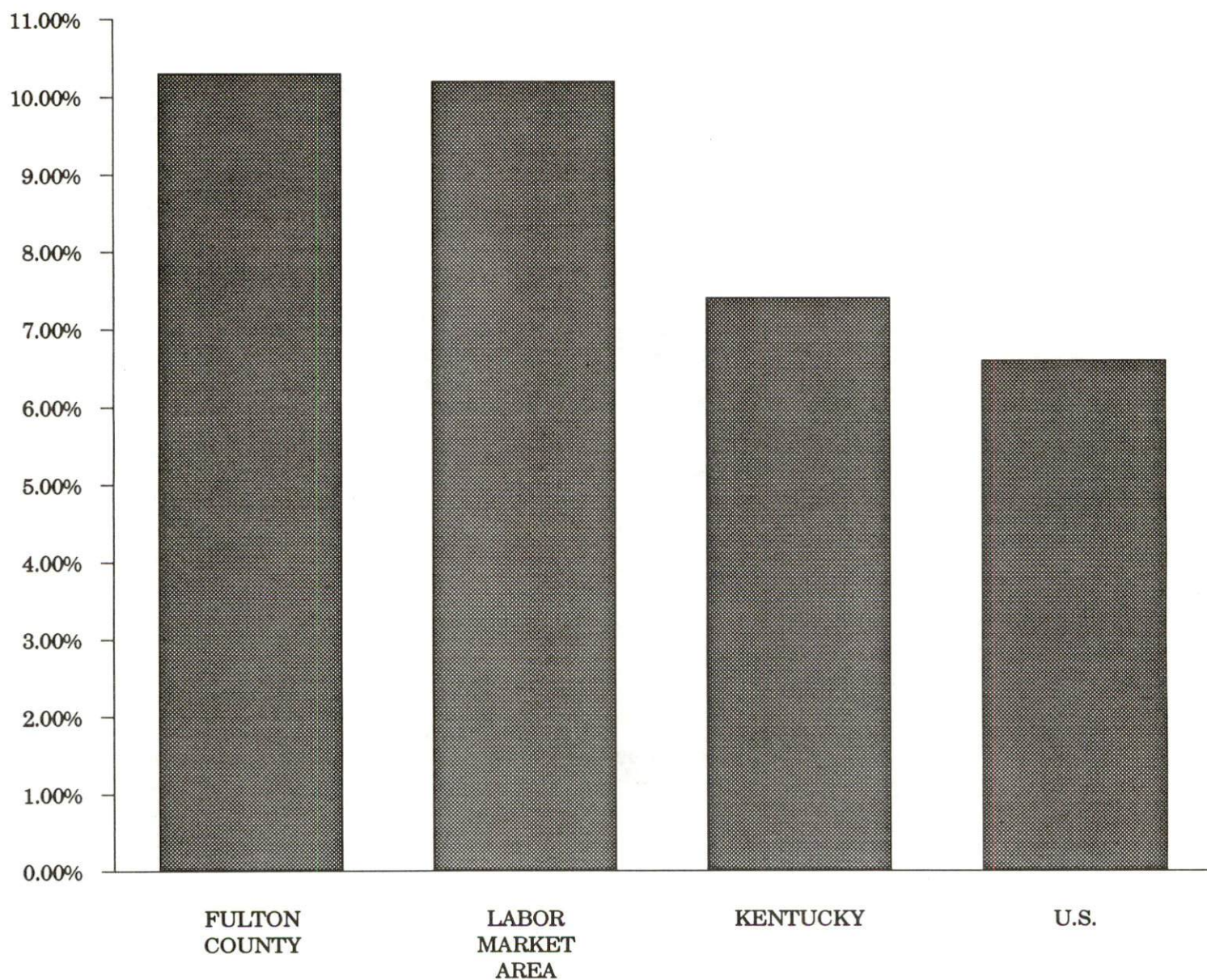
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1992 thru 1996.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1991

	<u>Fulton County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	3,470	24,297
Employment	3,113	21,814
Unemployment	357	2,483
Rate of Unemployment (%)	10.3	10.2

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1991.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1991

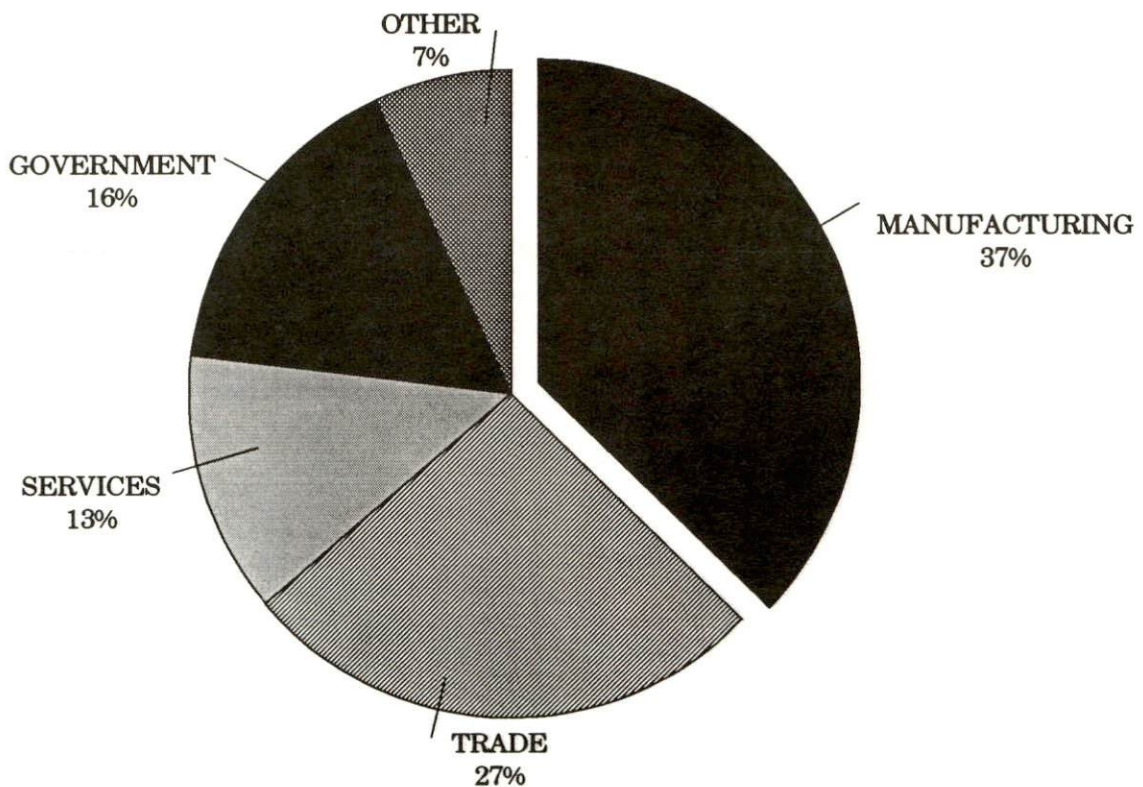


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1991

	<u>Fulton County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	2,989	15,223
Manufacturing	1,115	5,756
Wholesale & Retail Trade	797	3,429
Services	396	2,202
State/Local Government	480	2,276
Contract Construction	20	370

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, 1991.

FULTON COUNTY

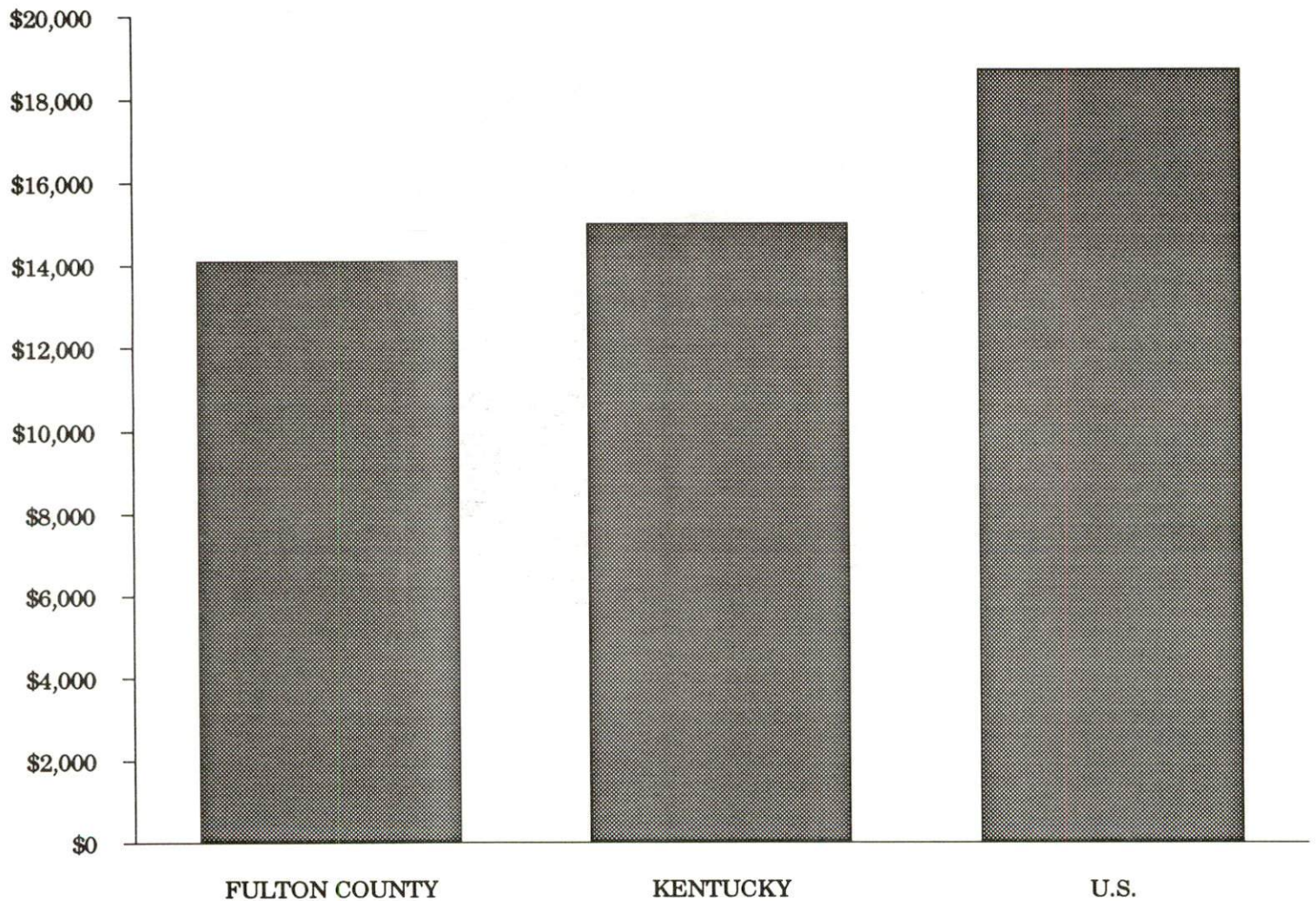


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1986	1990	Percent Change
Fulton County	\$12,125	\$14,100	16.3
Labor Market Area Range	\$10,478 - \$12,125	\$12,623 - \$14,335	-
Kentucky	\$11,273	\$14,992	33.0
U.S.	\$14,654	\$18,696	27.6

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1992.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1990



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

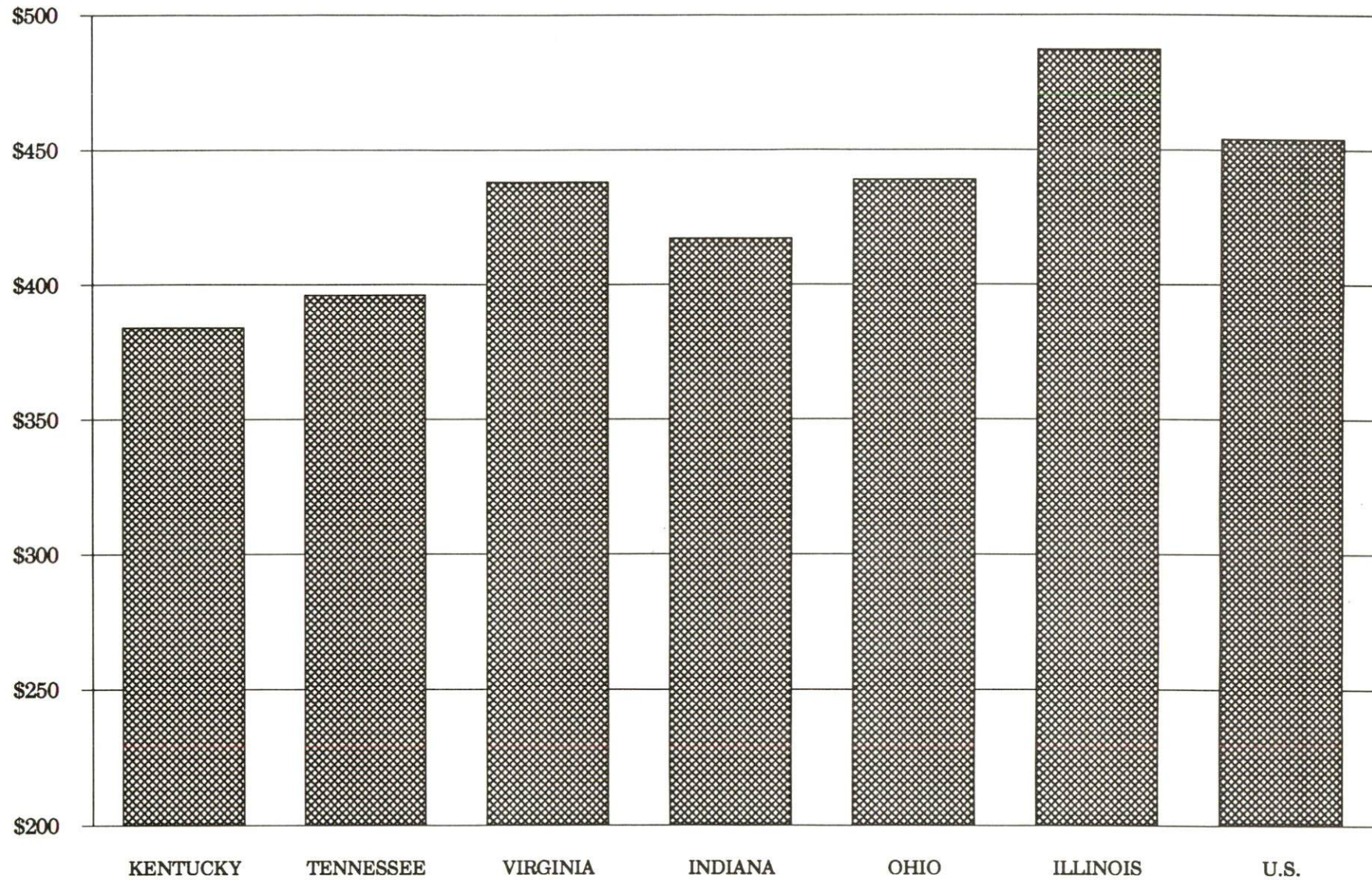
Fulton County is served by the Mayfield local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Mayfield local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 2,823 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	2,823	4.41
Clerical	560	3.82
Sales	24	4.06
Services (excluding domestic)	229	3.72
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	26	4.59
Processing	61	4.60
Machine Trades	93	4.60
Bench Work	1,184	4.35
Structural	362	5.40
Motor Freight/ Transportation	27	5.30
Packaging and Materials Handling	195	4.36

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 - 1990



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1990*

	Fulton County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$268.08	\$379.97	\$396.00	\$438.00
Mining & Quarrying	0	654.24	535.00	635.00
Contract Construction	347.84	401.70	421.00	444.00
Manufacturing	291.97	496.95	449.00	487.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	406.13	500.70	523.00	575.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	195.28	255.93	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	279.39	434.93	469.00	508.00
Services	245.96	329.76	378.00	430.00
State/Local Government	341.14	392.28	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$417.00	\$439.00	\$487.00	\$454.00
Mining & Quarrying	746.00	619.00	747.00	714.00
Contract Construction	475.00	504.00	624.00	503.00
Manufacturing	561.00	595.00	590.00	555.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	519.00	553.00	610.00	578.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	442.00	478.00	619.00	571.00
Services	349.00	382.00	444.00	423.00
State/Local Government	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

N/A Not Available.

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

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1990. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1990, November 1991.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

FULTON COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1991</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Fulton, Kentucky		
Excel Manufacturing of Kentucky (1985)	Automobile glass components	200
Fields-Ashby Lumber Company (1956)	Lumber, wood chips, switch ties, hardwood mulch, planer shavings	40
Fulton Machine Industries, Inc. (1988)	Machine shop, metal fabrication, dies, tools, and jigs	5
Fulton Publishing Company, Inc. (1898)	Newspaper, commercial printing	14
H.I.S. Manufacturing Company (1989)	Sportswear	175
Turner Dairies, Inc. of Fulton (1965)	Juice, milk	100
UARCO, Inc. (1983)	Business forms	155
Hickman, Kentucky		
Ash-Tex Industries (1985)	Men's jeans	260
SGL Carbon (1990)	Carbon electrodes	64
The Hickman Courier, Inc. (1859)	Newspaper	2
Hickman Pipe & Tube (1988)	Water pipe	18
Kentucky Nut Corporation (1982)	Shelled pecan meats; salted cashews, pecans, & peanuts; mixed nuts; popcorn	6
South Fulton, Tennessee		
Central Metal Products Company, Inc. (1958)	HVAC duct work, blow pipe and fittings, boiler breeching	16
Henry I. Siegel Company, Inc. (1959)	Women's sportswear	600
Liggett Corporation (1983)	Outerwear	250

(Continued)

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1991</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Martin Tool & Die, Inc. (1959)	Metal stampings, special tooling, production machining; metal working equipment	15
McAdoo Companies, Inc. (1940)	Ready-mixed concrete	5
Waymatic, Inc. (1952)	Vending & concession trailers, conveyors & materials handling equipment, merchandise displays	107

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; 1992 Directory of Tennessee Manufacturers.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Excel Manufacturing of Kentucky, located in Fulton, recently expanded its operations. The \$3.1 million project created 150 new jobs. In addition, Excel is in the process of engaging in another expansion which will create 30-40 new jobs with an investment of \$2 million.

MAJOR NON-MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Type of Operation</u>	<u>1991</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Fulton, Kentucky		
Advance Seed	Seed packaging	100

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America	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, Division of Research.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Fulton is the southern terminus of the Purchase Parkway, a multi-lane highway through extreme western Kentucky. Hickman is located approximately 20 miles west via Kentucky Highways 166 and 125. 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. Kentucky 125, a "AAA"-rated highway, serves Hickman. "AA"-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Fulton County include Kentucky Highways 94, 129, 239, and 307.

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

HIGHWAY MILES FROM FULTON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	386	Los Angeles, CA	1,925
Baltimore, MD	825	Louisville, KY	250
Birmingham, AL	336	Nashville, TN	147
Chicago, IL	412	New Orleans, LA	513
Cincinnati, OH	352	New York, NY	1,003
Cleveland, OH	597	Pittsburgh, PA	633
Detroit, MI	592	St. Louis, MO	214
Knoxville, TN	323		

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

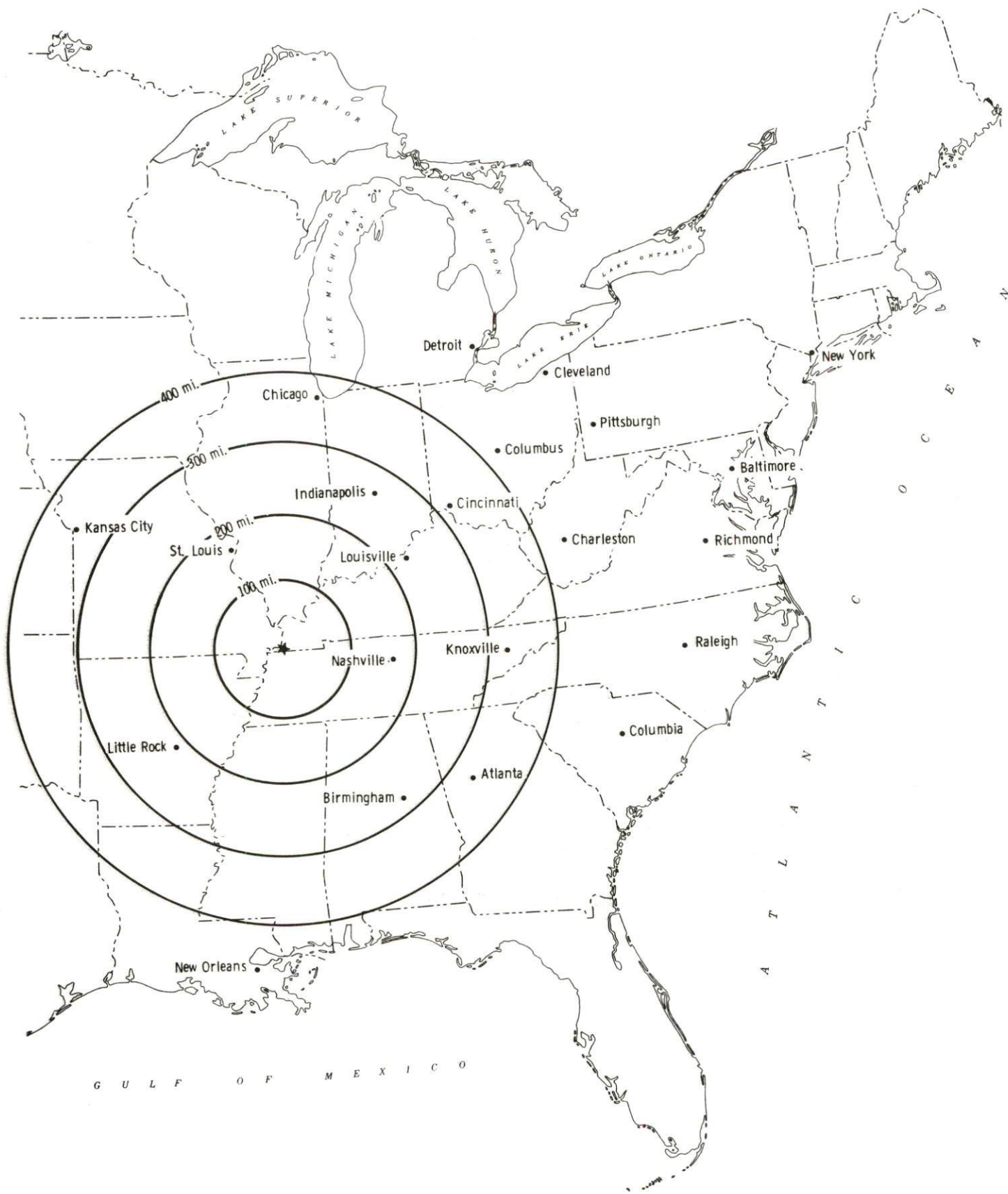
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

Twenty-one common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Fulton County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1992.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

Illinois Central Railroad provides main line service to Fulton. Tenn-Ken Railroad Company, Inc. provides short line rail service to Hickman. Paducah and Louisville Railway provides the nearest intermodal 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

Tenn-Ken Railroad Company, Inc.
1200 East Cherry Street
Dyersburg, Tennessee 38024
(901) 286-2530

and/or

Amtrack Distribution Center
(800) 872-7245

Air

Local

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, automated weather observation service 135.325

Location:	Fulton Municipal Airport 2 miles northwest of Fulton
Runways:	1 paved
Length:	2,700 feet
Traffic	
Control:	Wind sock
Lighting:	Runway lights sunset to sunrise
Services:	100LL fuel, tie downs

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service (Commuter)

Location: Barkley Regional Airport
6 miles west of Paducah, Kentucky;
55 miles north of Fulton
Air Service: American Eagle, TransWorld Express, Northwest
Air Link,
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 30

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Memphis International Airport
9 miles southeast of downtown Memphis, Tennessee;
135 miles southwest of Fulton
Air Service: Northwest, Delta, USAir, United, Midway,
Northwest Air Link, American, Exec Express,
Enterprise, TW Express, Southwest Airlines,
Alaskan Airlines, Key Air
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 570

Water

The Mississippi River bounds Hickman on the west. The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority has a 30-acre general cargo facility on Hickman Harbor, a still, warm-water harbor on the Mississippi River.

The heart of the port is the transfer facility, consisting of three 16-foot diameter mooring cells, two 20-foot diameter mooring and conveyor cells, one mooring dolphin, and a 30-foot diameter crane cell which supports a 9,720 American pedestal-mounted crane rated at 125 tons.

The transfer facility is linked to the storage and processing portion of the facility via an 86-foot truck bridge with paved roadway over the levee. Also linking the transfer facility is a conveying system rated at 450 tph. The conveying system can be used for direct transfer to rail as well as truck.

The port can also transfer bulk materials to outside storage via a 1,254-foot, 350 tph conveying system to a 125-foot radial stacker stockpiling up to a five barge storage capacity.

Providing more efficient trans-loading of waterborne commodities, the Hickman-Fulton County Riverport comprises an area designated as one of Kentucky's first enterprise zones.

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/rail interface consists of elevator and conveying system rated at 450 tph, thus allowing direct transfer between barge, rail and truck
- 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, SGL Carbon, 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 portion of Fulton County** - Fulton Electric System

Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority

Company serving **Hickman and vicinity** - Hickman Electric System

Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority

For industrial rates contact:

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

and/or

Hickman-Fulton Counties Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
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 is in the process of increasing its overall natural gas capacity, which will provide additional service at the industrial park. The project is scheduled for completion by March 1993.

Company serving **Hickman** - Hickman Natural Gas System
Source of supply - GasTrak and Trunkline Gas Company
For rates and supplies contact:

Hickman Natural Gas System
P.O. Box 230
202 Jackson Street
Hickman, Kentucky 42050
(502) 236-2535

Public Water Supply

Company serving **Fulton** - City of Fulton
P.O. Box 1350
Fulton, Kentucky 42041
(502) 472-1320 (office)
(502) 472-2434 (plant)

Source - Wells: total pumping capacity 1,300 gpm
Treatment plant capacity - 1,500,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 625,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 725,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,000,000 gallons
Water pressure - 80 psi to 100 psi

Company serving **Hickman** - City of Hickman
202 Jackson Street
P.O. Box 230
Hickman, Kentucky 42050
(502) 236-2535

Source - Wells: pumping capacity 1,296 gpm
Treatment plant capacity - 2,200,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 500,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 600,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,450,000 gallons
Water pressure - 30 psi to 100 psi

Raw Water

Surface water sources - in Fulton County - Mississippi River, Obion Creek
and Bayou de Chien
Average discharge - Mississippi River at Thebes, Illinois - 198,100 cfs
(59 years, USGS, unadjusted); Bayou de Chien near Clinton - 106 cfs
(51 years, USGS)
Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm over the entire county

Sewerage

Company serving **Fulton** - City of Fulton
 P.O. Box 1350
 Fulton, Kentucky 42041
 (502) 472-1320 (office)
 (502) 472-2434 (plant)

Design capacity - 940,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 540,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - Bayou De Chien

The City of Fulton recently expanded its wastewater treatment plant from 540,000 gallons per day to 940,000 gallons per day. Additional improvements were made to enhance the overall efficiency of the sewerage system. Total cost of the project approximated \$2 million.

Company serving **Hickman** - City of Hickman
 202 Jackson Street
 P.O. Box 230
 Hickman, Kentucky 42050
 (502) 236-2535

Design capacity - 160,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 120,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - Bayou de Chien to Mississippi River

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CLIMATE

Fulton County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	57.20 degrees
Average annual 1991	59.90 degrees
Record highest, August 1988 (8-year record)	104.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (8-year record)	-15.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,283
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	46.89 inches
Mean annual snowfall (8-year record)	10.50 inches
Total precipitation 1991	39.44 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (8-year record)	109.50
Mean number days thunderstorms (8-year record)	60.10

Prevailing winds

N/A

Relative Humidity (7 year record)

Midnight	82 percent
6 a.m.	86 percent
Noon	58 percent
6 p.m.	64 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1991. Station of record: Paducah, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

The City of Fulton and the City of Hickman are each governed by a mayor, four commissioners, and a full-time city manager. The mayors are elected to four-year terms while the commissioners each serve two-year terms. 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 - Within 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)

City agency - Hickman Planning and Zoning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within the corporate limits of Hickman

Subdivision regulations enforced - City of Hickman and five miles beyond corporate limits

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 License,

The City of Fulton levies a one and one-half percent occupational license tax on the wages of individuals. An occupational license tax of gross receipts is levied on businesses and is based upon the type of business. Manufacturers pay only 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.

The City of Hickman levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals. Business license fees range from \$40 to \$800 and are based upon total net profits for the previous year.

PROPERTY TAXES

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

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

Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. A 15% reduction is automatically granted for accounts receivable.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1991 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.187	YES
Manufacturing Machinery	0.150	NO
Pollution Control Equipment	0.150	NO
Inventories		
Raw Materials	0.050	NO
Goods in Process	0.050	NO
Finished Goods	0.050	YES
Motor Vehicles	0.450	YES
Other Tangible Personal Property	0.450	YES
Intangibles (Accounts Receivable, Money on Hand)	0.250	NO

LOCAL PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1991

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Fulton County	\$0.2715	\$0.2523	\$0.2483
School Districts:			
Fulton Independent	0.7930	0.7930	0.8880
Fulton County	0.3700	0.3700	0.4130
Cities:			
Fulton	0.2800	0.2800	0.2800
Hickman	0.3050	0.3050	0.2340
Other:			
(other county-wide)			
Enterprise Zone			
Fire Protection District	0.0480	None	None

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Fulton Independent	Fulton County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1991)	642	870
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1990-91)	16.8-1	17.1-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1990-91)	48.9	37.2
Expenditures Per Pupil (1990-91)	\$3,540.52	\$3,677.38

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Fulton County School System, in accordance with its ten-year plan, is in the process at the high school: constructing six new classrooms, renovating the gymnasium, and creating additional space for art and music. Three additional construction phases at the high school will follow over the next ten years.

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Fulton)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1991)</u>
University of Tennessee, at Martin	Martin, Tennessee (12)	5,494
Murray State University	Murray, Kentucky (35)	8,328
Bethel College	McKenzie, Tennessee (37)	581
Paducah Community College	Paducah, Kentucky (49)	3,182

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TRAINING

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

<u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Fulton)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1991-1992</u>	<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
Fulton County Area Vocational Education Center	Hickman (20)	4	<u>Sec</u> 148 <u>P/S</u> 13	33
West Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School	Paducah (49)	29	<u>P/S</u> 1,169	218

Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its Training and Development Coordinators, will provide technical assistance and will identify and develop low cost customized training programs and services for existing, as well as new and expanding businesses and industries. Businesses and industries needing customized training or a continuing education program for its employees should simply contact a Training and Development Coordinator located at the Kentucky Tech West Region office in Madisonville.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, psychomotor skills and academic potential as well as pre-hire assessment.

Adult Basic Education

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills or earn a high school equivalency diploma. In Fulton County, adult basic education is provided by the Fulton County Board of Education and the Fulton Independent School System. Adult literacy is provided through the Fulton County Literacy Program.

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.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 13
Dentists - 4

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 - 50 physicians, 34 registered nurses, and 38 licensed practical nurses

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

Baptist Memorial Hospital

Medical staff - 24 active staff physicians, 60 registered nurses, 45 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

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

Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

The Citizens Bank (Hickman)
City National Bank (Fulton)
Fulton Bank
Security Trust Federal
Savings and Loan (Fulton and Hickman)

Newspapers

Fulton Leader (weekly)
The Hickman Courier (weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell

RECREATION

Local

Fulton County provides an array of recreation facilities including: Fulton's 35-acre public park which contains baseball diamonds, double tennis courts, picnic shelters and playgrounds. Supervised baseball activities are offered here in the summer. A park in east Hickman offers three tennis courts, two basketball courts, a large playground area, a walking/jogging trail, a picnic area, public shelters, concession areas, and restrooms. Sanger Field at Fulton County High School, contains two baseball diamonds and a football field. Hickman also features an historic courthouse, and numerous antebellum buildings. Other swimming and tennis courts are available for public use.

The Hickman Country Club offers private recreational facilities including a nine-hole golf course, a swimming pool, and a tennis court.

Fulton County is located on the Mississippi River in a prime hunting and fishing area. Numerous Indian mounds and historical sites are nearby. The scenic Great River Road runs along the Mississippi River through Fulton County from Canada to the Gulf of Mexico, offering the traveler a diverse Mississippi River experience that is both enjoyable and educational.

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 participates 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 and the Great River Road/U.S. 51 Festival held annually on Memorial Day weekend, which features 102 miles of antiques, arts and crafts, yard sales, and town events of music and food.

Restoration of the Old Carnegie Library was recently completed in Hickman. The 405,000 project will provide space for the proposed Great River Road Museum.

Area (Within 50 miles)

A Confederate cannon, a network of earthen trenches, and a massive chain and anchor are all featured at the **Columbus-Belmont Battlefield State Park** in Columbus, 23 miles northwest of Fulton. Other attractions at the 156-acre park include a 38-site campground, a gift shop, a historical hiking trail, miniature golf, a picnic area, and a playground. The museum is located in a building that served as a Civil war infirmary. It offers a display of Civil War relics, early Indian artifacts and an audiovisual slide program on the Battle of Belmont.

Reelfoot Lake and Kentucky Madrid Bend are approximately 25 miles from Fulton. Reelfoot Lake is a 70-square mile lake in 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.

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 nine-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.

Paducah is located 49 miles northeast of Fulton. As Kentucky's seventh largest city, Paducah provides many recreational opportunities. Points of interest include the Alben Barkley Museum; the Market House Square-Museum; quarter horse racing at the Bluegrass Downs; Whitehaven, an 1860 antebellum home; Museum of the American Quilters Society; and many other attractions.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Fulton re-certified as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1992, and is distinguished as a gold award winner recognizing ten consecutive years of certification. Re-certification is based on achievement in the following areas: existing industry assistance, small business assistance, educational resources, and community development factors of health care, public safety, arts and culture, recreation, governmental awareness and resources. The Certified Cities Program is sponsored by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Recent

Excel Manufacturing of Kentucky, located in Fulton, recently expanded its operations. The \$3.1 million project created 150 new jobs. In addition, Excel is in the process of engaging in another expansion which will create 30-40 new jobs with an investment of \$2 million.

The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport Authority recently completed a port-rail interface project which consists of a elevator and conveying system rated at 450 tons per hour, thus allowing direct transfer between barge, rail and truck.

The City of Fulton recently expanded its wastewater treatment plant from 540,000 gallons per day to 940,000 gallons per day. Additional improvements were made to enhance the overall efficiency of the sewerage system. Total cost of the project approximated \$2 million.

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The Citizens Bank in Hickman recently invested in the future of Fulton County by constructing a new bank facility including a community room. Total cost of the project was \$1.2 million.

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Several communities in the Fulton County vicinity through a joint effort, provide fire protection for major fires.

Under Way

Fulton County is in the process of organizing a county-wide economic development group which will encourage a more concerted effort in attracting industry for the community.

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A downtown restoration project is under way in Fulton. The \$350,000 project will involve the renovation of several old buildings, construction of new facades, new sidewalks and lighting, and development of a mini-park including a railroad museum which would depict the early railroad heritage of Fulton, and a walking trail.

A recent Kentucky Infrastructure Authority grant is helping in the establishment of a three-county recycling center in Fulton County.

Fulton County is in the process of implementing the enhanced version of the "911" emergency dispatch system.



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