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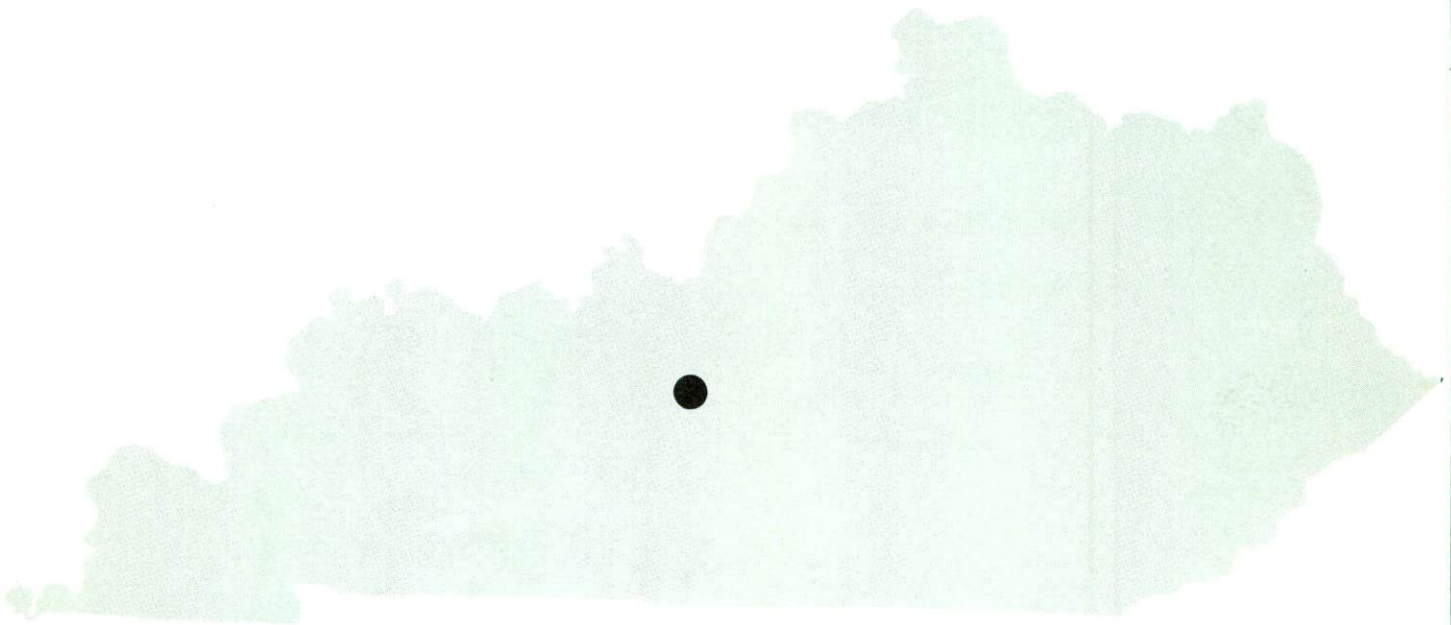
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HARDIN COUNTY

**A SUMMARY OF
RESOURCES
FOR ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

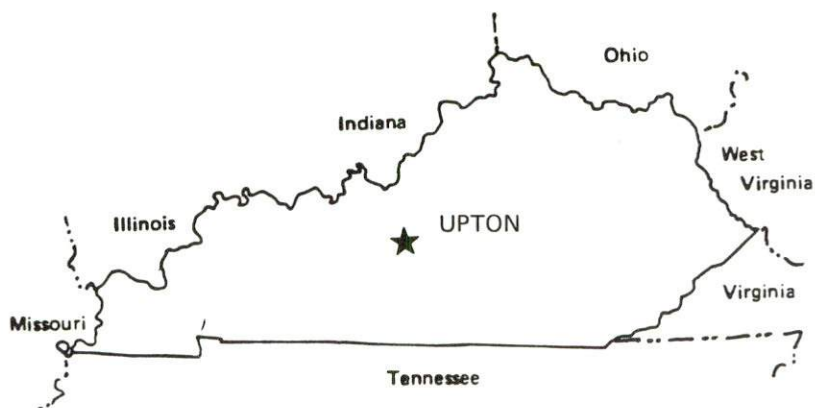
UPTON



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**SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES
UPTON, KENTUCKY**



POPULATION: 1982: Upton - 765
1982: Hardin County - 86,800; Labor Market Area - 275,100

UPTON LABOR MARKET AREA: Includes Hardin, Breckinridge, Bullitt, Grayson, Hart, Larue, Marion, Meade, Nelson and Washington Counties.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1983:

	<u>Hardin County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	28,085	112,719
Employment	25,657	99,982
Agricultural	837	7,675
Nonagricultural	24,820	92,307
Unemployment	2,428	12,737
Rate of Unemployment (%)	8.6	11.3

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME, 1982:

Hardin County - \$8,198; Labor Market Area Range - \$5,814 - \$8,198

ESTIMATED AVAILABLE LABOR SUPPLY, 1983:

Hardin County - 8,265 Male, 5,839 Female; Labor Market Area - 20,677 Male, 19,855 Female

LOCAL MANUFACTURING PLANTS:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>
The Kentucky Stone Company	Agricultural lime	30

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS:

There are no labor organizations representing manufacturing workers in Upton at this time.

TRANSPORTATION:

Rail: Upton is served by the Seaboard System Railroad. Services include four northbound and four southbound through freights daily; switching services; team track space for 20 cars. The nearest piggyback facilities are available at Louisville, 61 miles north of Upton.

Highways: Interstate 65 is located one mile east of Upton. Upton is also served by U.S. 31W a "AAA" rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. Access to Blue Grass Parkway and the Western Kentucky Parkway is available at Elizabethtown, 19 miles north of Upton via Interstate 65.

Road Distance in Miles:

Atlanta	357	Baltimore	641	Chicago	353
Detroit	421	New York	803	St. Louis	324

Truck: There are ten trucking companies that have the authority to serve Upton with interstate and intrastate service.

Water: Upton is located 61 miles south of Louisville where the Louisville and Jefferson County Riverport Authority has been designated as a Foreign Trade Zone and offers complete U.S. Customs services for imports and exports. A nine-foot navigation channel is maintained along the Ohio River.

Air: The nearest commercial airport is Standiford Field at Louisville, 61 miles north of Upton. Airlines serving the airport are Delta, Eastern, Ozark, Piedmont, TWA, United, USAir, Allegheny Commuter, Comair, and Florida Express. The Elizabethtown Municipal Airport, 19 miles north of Upton has a 5,000-foot paved runway.

UTILITIES:

Electricity: Upton and parts of Hardin County is served by the Kentucky Utilities Company, an electric generation and transmission company. The northern portion of Hardin County is served by the Louisville Gas and Electric Company. Hardin County is also served by the Nolin RECC, whose source of power is East Kentucky Power Cooperative.

Natural Gas: Natural gas service is not available in Upton.

Other Fuels: Propane and distillate fuel oil are available from distributors in Elizabethtown, 19 miles north.

WATER AND SEWERAGE:

Water: Upton Water Company serves the community. The source of raw water is two deep wells and the treatment plant capacity is 216,000 gallons per day. Average daily water consumption is 35,000 gallons; peak daily consumption has been 50,000 gallons; and storage capacity is 76,000 gallons.

Sewerage: Septic tanks are used for sewage disposal in Upton.

GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE:

City: Upton is served by a mayor elected to a four-year term and six council members elected to two-year terms.

County: Hardin County is served by a county judge/executive and eight magistrates elected to four-year terms.

TAXES:

Combined state and local property tax rates per \$100 valuation, 1984 (100% assessment)

	<u>Site Inside City of Upton</u>	<u>Site Inside Unincorporated Hardin County</u>
1. Land and buildings	\$0.7606	\$0.5106
2. Mfg. machinery, raw materials, goods in process, pollution control equipment	0.1500	0.1500
3. Finished goods, office equipment, other tangibles	0.9976	0.7476
4. Intangibles (accounts receivable, notes, bonds, etc.)	0.2500	0.2500
5. Leaseholds in industrial revenue bond financed plants	0.0150	0.0150

EDUCATION: Upton is served by the Hardin County School System. Total enrollment as of Spring 1984 in the Hardin County School System was 10,056, including 5,135 elementary, 2,131 junior high school, and 2,790 high school. Vocational educational training is available at the Elizabethtown State Vocational-Technical School in Elizabethtown, 19 miles north of Upton.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Telephone: General Telephone Company provides service to Upton.

Telegraph: Western Union counter service is available at Elizabethtown, 19 miles north. Also, a toll-free number, 1-800-325-5100, is available for sending messages.

Newspaper: The News-Enterprise is published daily in Elizabethtown, 19 miles north, and has a circulation of 16,400.

Radio Station: There are three radio stations in Elizabethtown, 19 miles north. They are WIEL-AM, WKMO-FM, and WQXE-FM.

Television: Cable service is available at Upton. Most major networks are received from Louisville and Bowling Green, Kentucky.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES:

Hospitals: The Hardin Memorial Hospital is located at Elizabethtown, 19 miles north of Upton. Facilities at the hospital include 197 acute care beds and nine psychiatric beds.

Churches: Most major denominations are represented in Hardin County.

Financial Institutions: The First Hardin National Bank has a branch bank in Upton. Additional banks and savings and loan associations are located in Hardin County.

RECREATION:

Mammoth Cave National Park is located 25 miles southwest of Upton near Cave City. Beneath 52,000 park acres, Mammoth Cave is among the major tourist attractions of all times. It is the largest cave network ever discovered, with at least 230 miles of caverns. Some famous sights are Snowball Dining Room (267 feet below surface), Frozen Niagra, Crystal Lake, and Bottomless Pit. The park also features scenic boat trips on the Green River and nature and hiking trails. Park accommodations include a hotel with distinctive gift shops featuring native Kentucky and Southern Highland handicrafts, a motor lodge, hotel cottages, woodland cottages, and a hotel annex with budget accommodations and craft shop featuring live exhibits of broom making and weaving. Other park facilities include the hotel dining room and coffee shop, a service center, group meeting facilities, a campground, a picnic area, and tennis and shuffleboard courts.

Nolin River Lake is just north of Mammoth Cave National Park. The lake has a surface area of 5,800 acres and offers facilities for camping, boating, and fishing.

Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site, located 31 miles northeast of Upton near Hodgenville, features the log cabin which was the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln, enclosed within a granite memorial shrine. The grounds include 116 acres of the original Thomas Lincoln farm and a visitors' center with audiovisual programs and exhibits on the Lincoln family.

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