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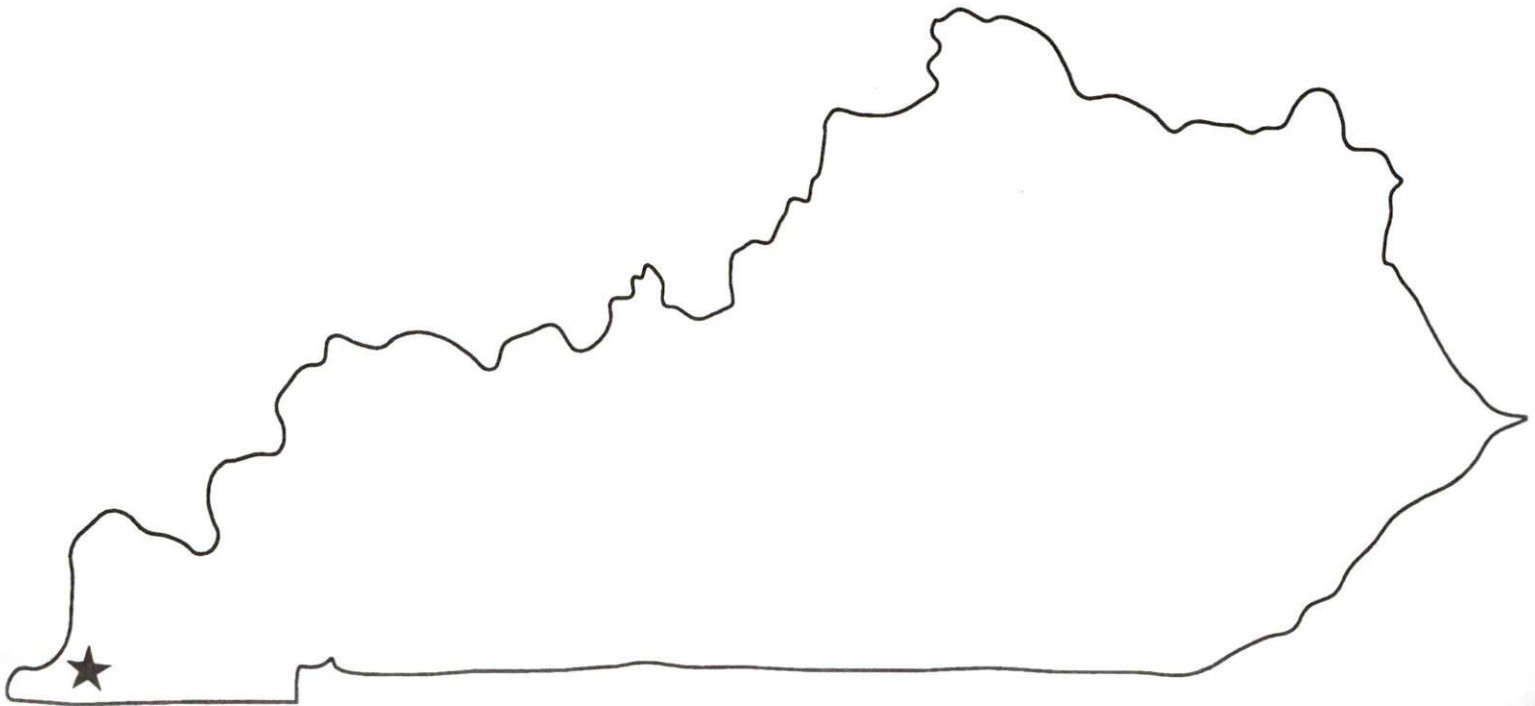
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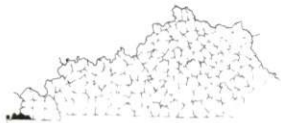
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
FULTON COUNTY
KENTUCKY

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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 an estimated 1994 population of 7,388 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 an estimated 1994 population of 2,703 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 an estimated 1994 population of 2,466.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Fulton County residents employed in 1994 averaged 3,337. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,276 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 853 jobs; 395 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 544 employees; and contract construction firms provided 26 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 3,938 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1996 through 2000, 3,731 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

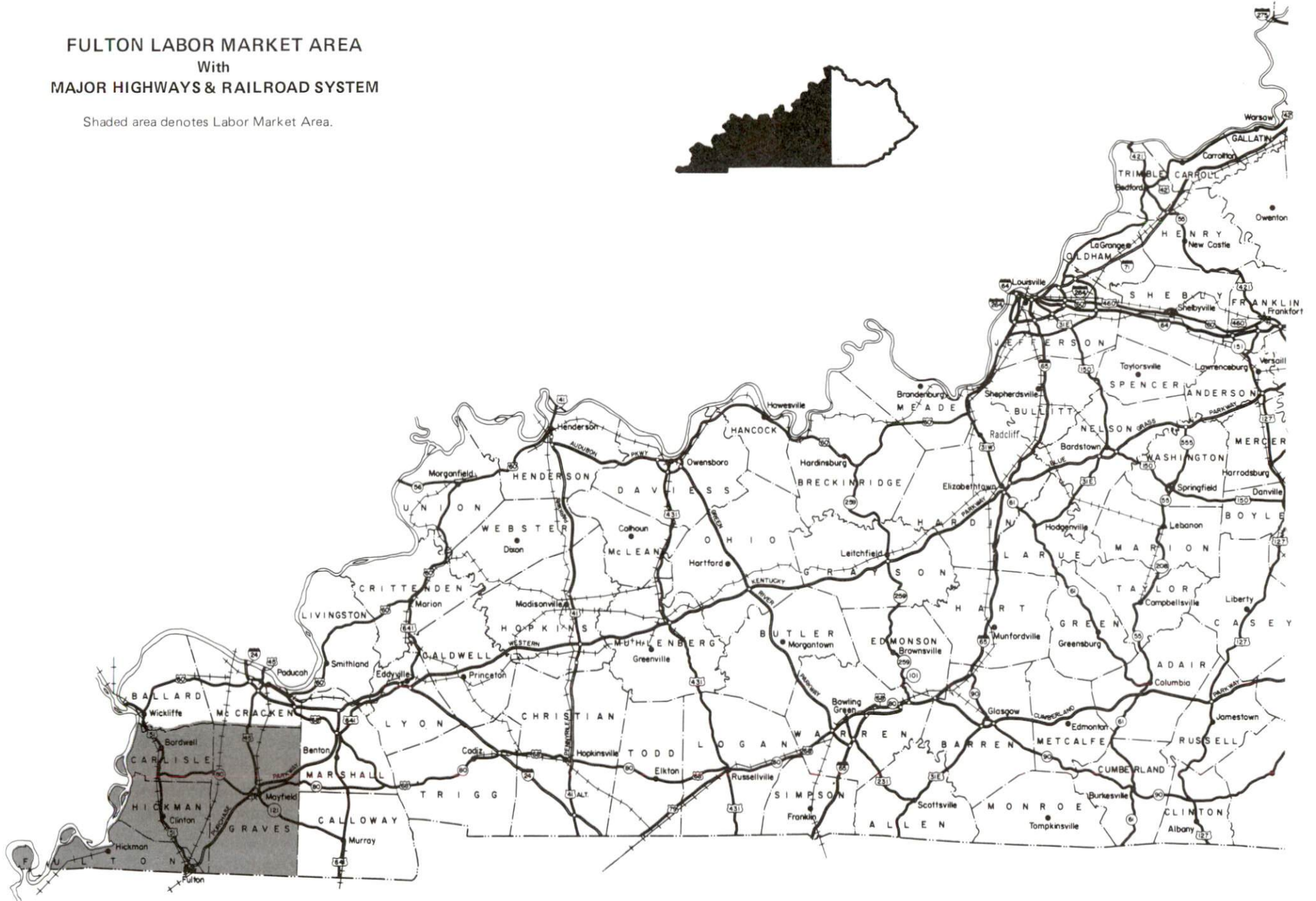
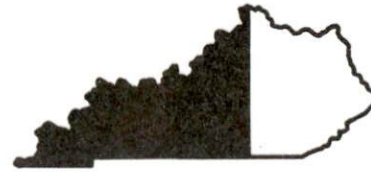
Transportation - Fulton County is served by the Purchase Parkway at Fulton, a multi-lane highway which connects with Interstate 24, 50 miles to the northeast. The county is also served by U.S. Highways 51 and 45, plus Kentucky Highways 94, 125, 129, 166, 239 and 307. The Hickman-Fulton County Riverport, 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. Eighteen 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 Technology Center in Hickman; and at the West Kentucky Regional Technology Center 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 surrounding 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. Additional data and information concerning the Fulton County labor market is available from the Fulton County Economic Development Partnership, (502) 472-2125.

POPULATION

	<u>1994*</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	52,828	52,625	54,572	52,740
Fulton	2,703	3,078	3,231	3,250
Hickman	2,466	3,658	2,894	3,048
Fulton County	7,388	8,271	8,971	10,183

*Population estimates.

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	53,048	53,962	55,041	56,014
Fulton County	7,383	7,351	7,247	7,098

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	<u>Current</u>		<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>		<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1996 thru 2000</u>
Labor Market Area*	3,938	1,744	2,194	3,731
Fulton County	366	194	172	619

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; 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). Underemployed persons (employed only 14 to 26 weeks during the year) are no longer included in labor surplus estimates.

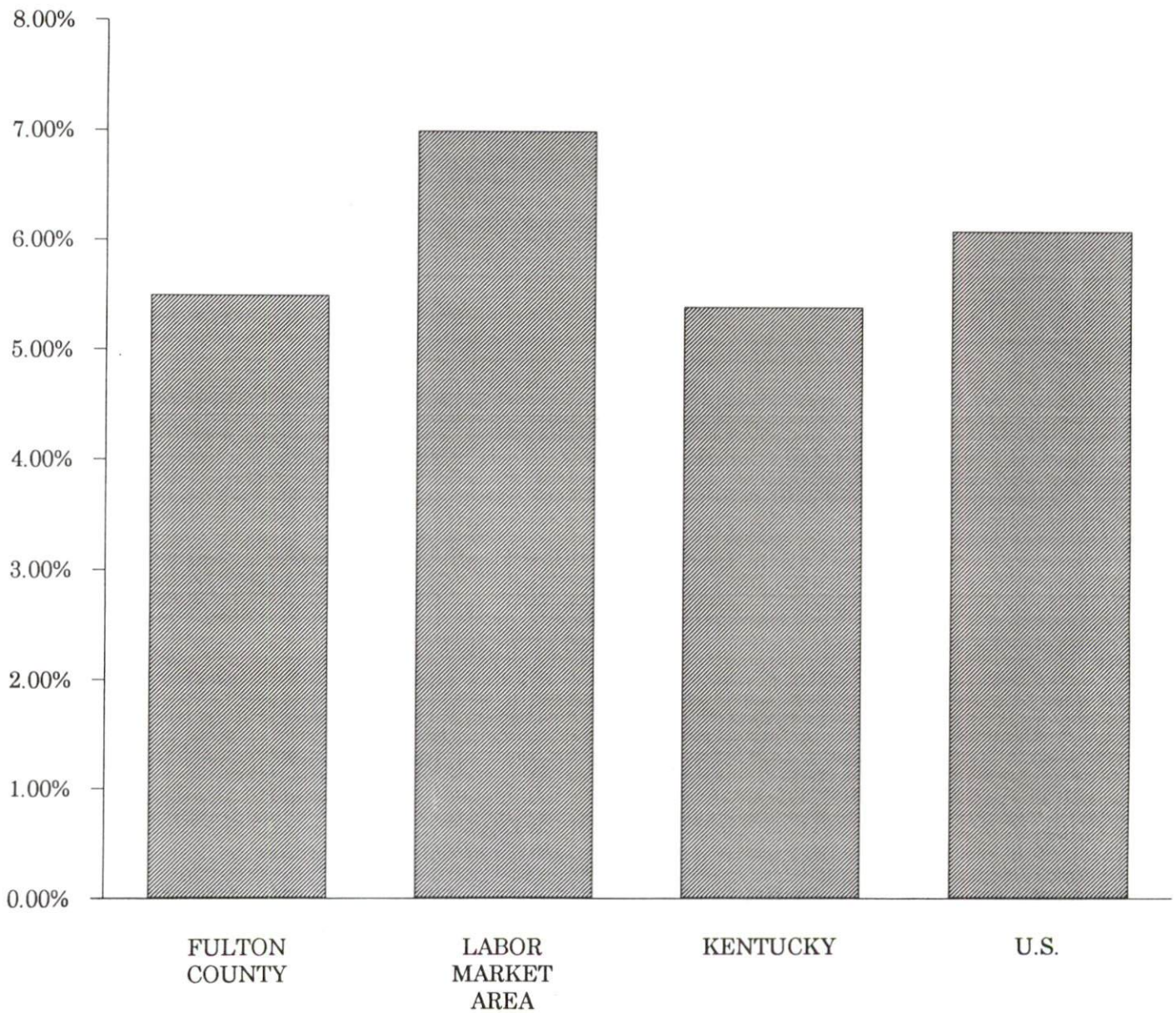
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1994. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1996 thru 2000.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1994

	<u>Fulton County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	3,531	24,793
Employment	3,337	23,049
Unemployment	194	1,744
Rate of Unemployment (%)	5.5	7.0

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages 1994.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1994

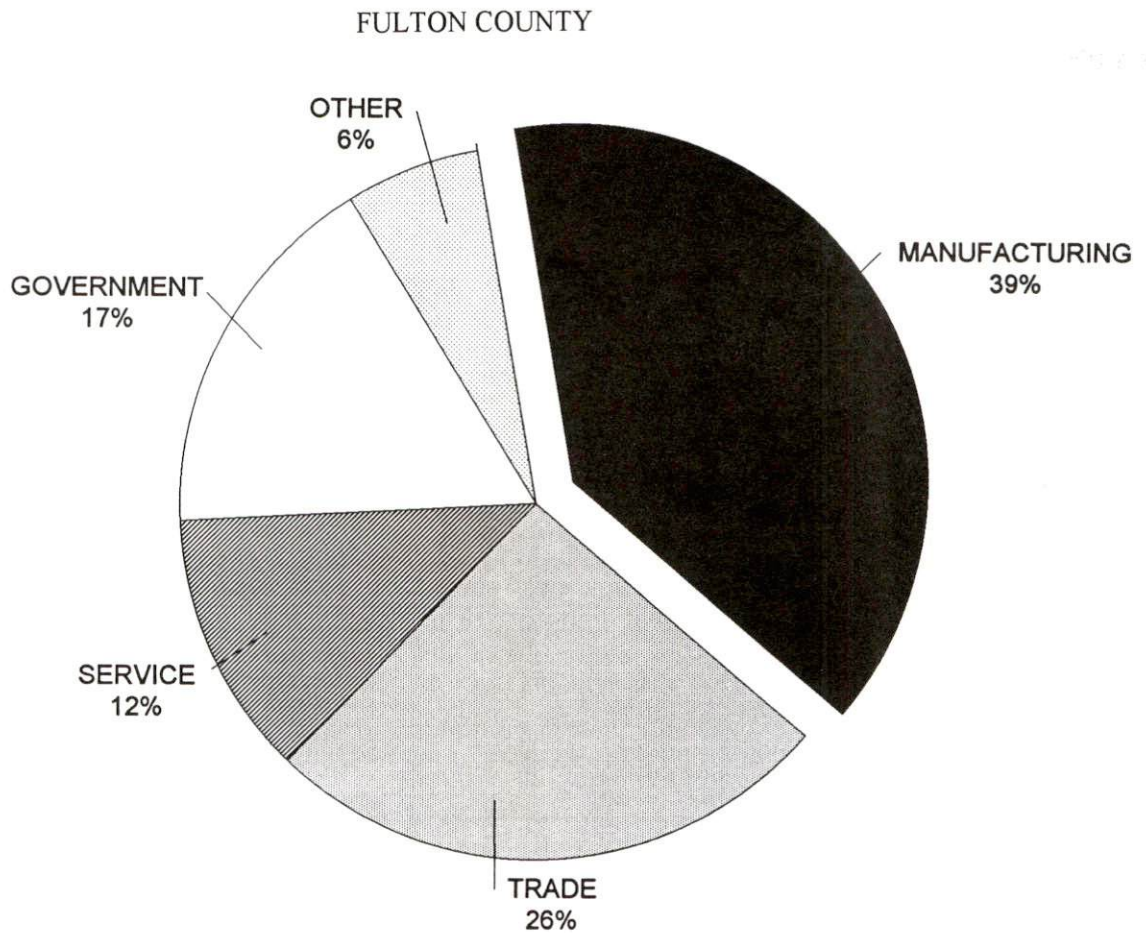


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1994

	<u>Fulton County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	3,286	16,590
Manufacturing	1,276	5,943
Wholesale & Retail Trade	853	3,646
Services	395	2,650
State/Local Government	544	2,480
Contract Construction	26	495
Mining & Quarrying	0	114

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, 1994.

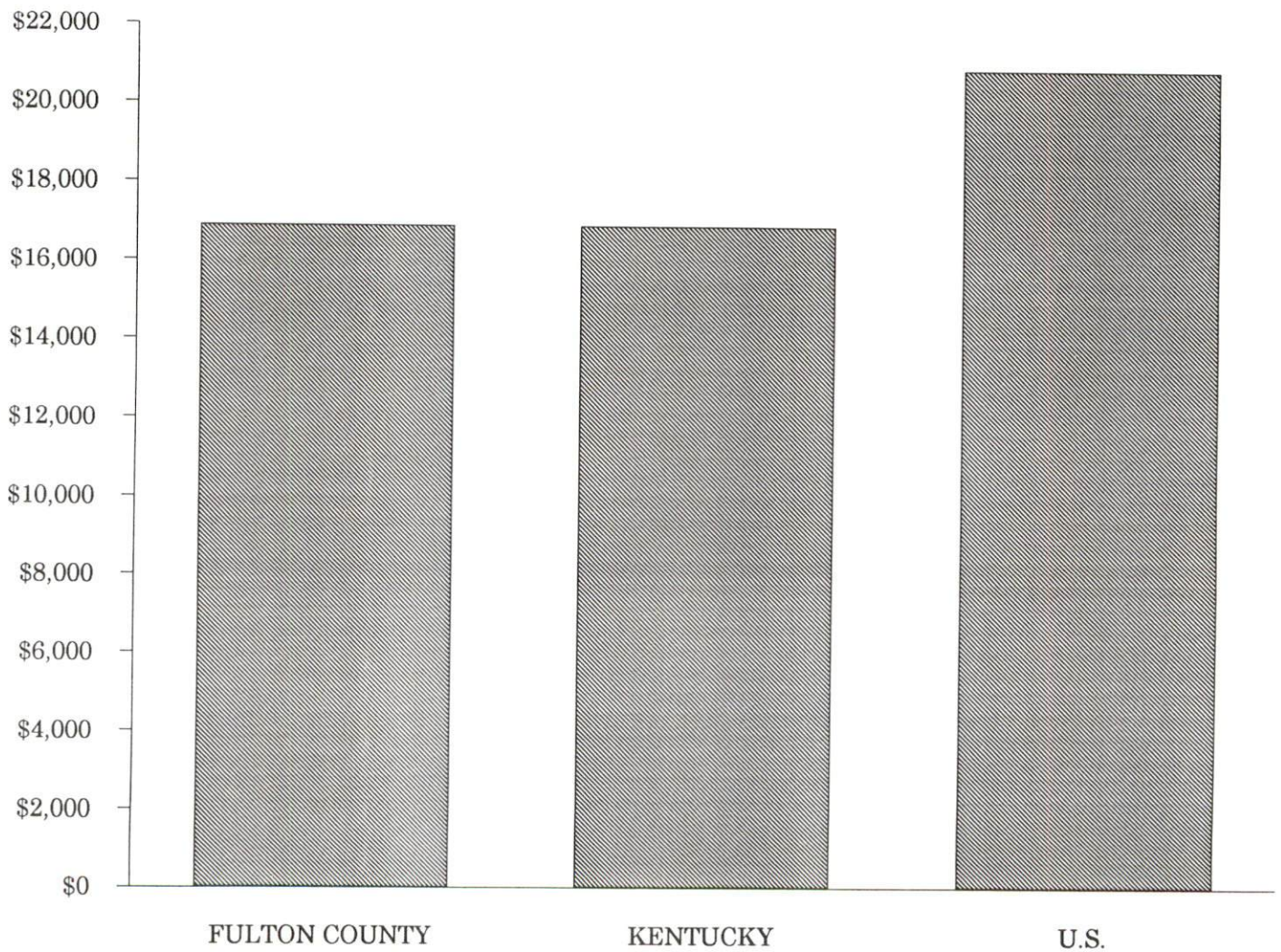


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1989</u>	<u>1993</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Fulton County	\$13,380	\$16,898	26.3
Labor Market Area Range	\$12,463 - \$13,783	\$15,309 - \$17,137	-
Kentucky	\$13,756	\$16,889	22.8
U.S.	\$17,690	\$20,800	17.6

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1993



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

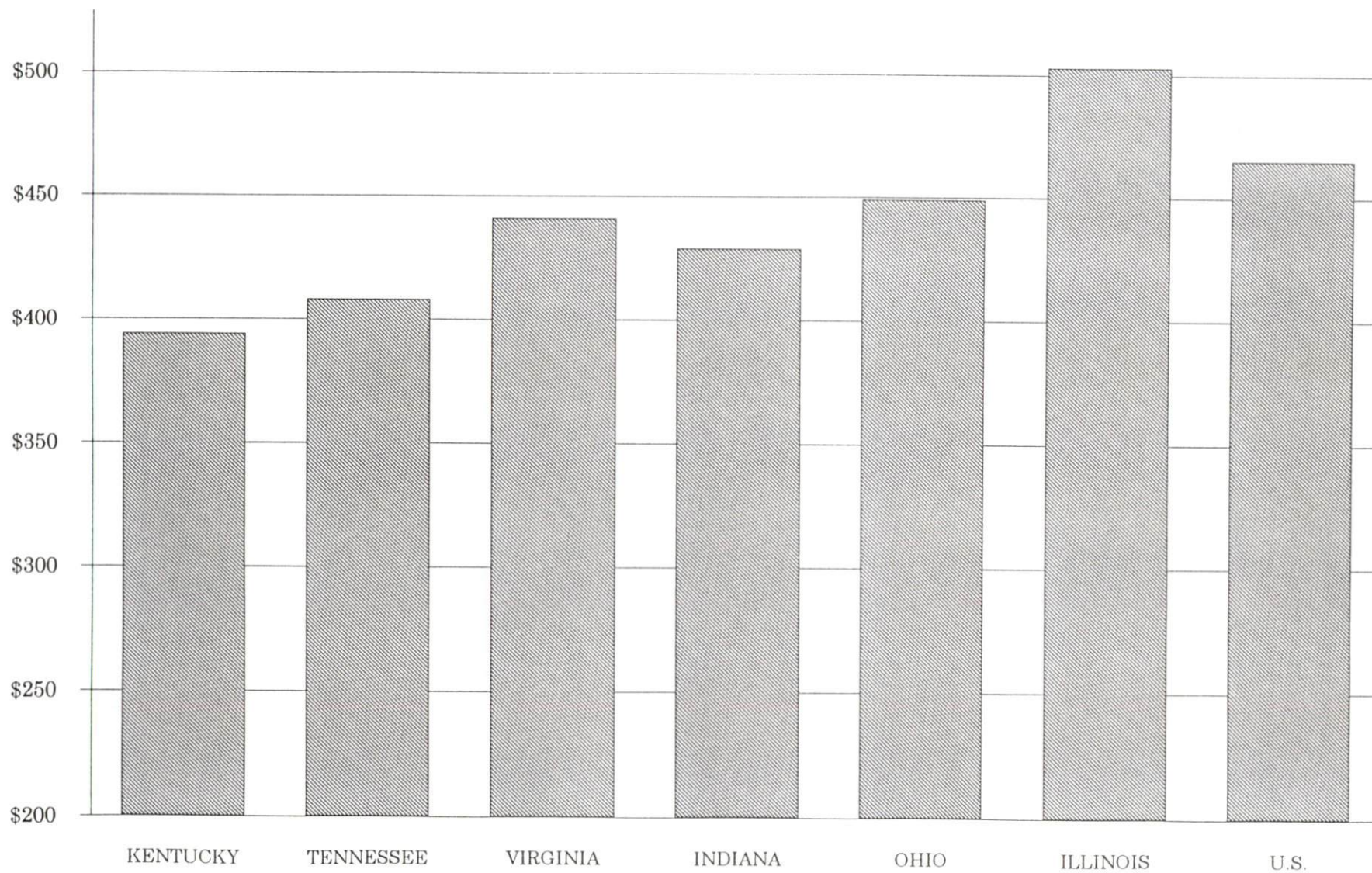
Fulton County is served by the Mayfield local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Mayfield local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1995, the local employment office filled 3,815 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	3,815	5.29
Clerical	202	4.89
Sales	33	4.71
Services (excluding domestic)	553	4.86
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	47	5.69
Processing	1,177	5.44
Machine Trades	43	7.18
Bench Work	1,093	5.08
Structural	337	5.68
Motor Freight/ Transportation	50	6.85
Packaging and Materials Handling	219	5.38
Other	2	5.75

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 - 1991



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1993*

	<u>Fulton County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$317.73	\$421.30	\$444.00	\$473.00
Mining & Quarrying	0.00	691.01	605.00	684.00
Contract Construction	410.96	440.47	467.00	464.00
Manufacturing	352.86	541.18	522.00	543.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	479.82	567.94	572.00	648.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	233.02	287.24	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	317.84	449.89	495.00	523.00
Services	297.60	350.41	394.00	455.00
State/Local Government	360.64	413.84	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$460.00	\$481.00	\$542.00	\$499.00
Mining & Quarrying	757.00	645.00	738.00	816.00
Contract Construction	509.00	534.00	658.00	530.00
Manufacturing	629.00	670.00	667.00	623.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	561.00	600.00	682.00	643.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	527.00	568.00	748.00	693.00
Services	391.00	422.00	494.00	475.00
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, 1993. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1993, October, 1994.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

FULTON COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> (Establishment date)	<u>Product</u>	1995 <u>Average Employment</u>
Fulton, Kentucky		
Excel Manufacturing of Kentucky (1985)	Automobile glass components	550
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	7
Fulton Publishing Company, Inc. (1898)	Newspaper, commercial printing	15
H.I.S. Sportswear (1989)	Ladies' and girl's jeans, belts	175
Plumley Companies, Fulton Plant (1994)	Sealing component assemblies	80
The Liggett Corporation, Fulton Division (1990)	Mens' fleece pants/shorts; knit tops; ladies' shorts	125
Turner Dairies, Inc. of Fulton (1965)	Juice, milk	100
UARCO, Inc. (1983)	Business forms	150
Hickman, Kentucky		
H.I.S. Laundry (1995)	Stone washing of jeans	100
H.I.S. Sportswear (1994)	Ladies' jeans	300
SGL Carbon (1990)	Carbon electrodes	62
The Hickman Courier, Inc. (1859)	Newspaper	2
Hickman Pipe & Tube (1988)	Water pipe	50
Kentucky Nut Corporation (1982)	Shelled pecan meats; cashews, pecans, & peanuts; mixed nuts	6

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Fulton County Economic Development Partnership.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Working in conjunction with the Tennessee Valley Authority, the Fulton County Economic Development Partnership is planning the development of industrial parks for both Hickman and Fulton.

Northwestern Steel and Wire Company is currently in phase I of construction in Hickman that will create 100 jobs. Northwestern will manufacture wire reinforcement materials used in concrete building products. A proposed expansion at H.I.S. Laundry will create 150 new jobs, also in Hickman.

MAJOR NON-MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Type of Operation</u>	1995 <u>Average Employment</u>
Fulton, Kentucky		
Advance Seed	Seed packaging	180

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
International Brotherhood of Teamsters	Turner Dairies, Inc. of Fulton

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Fulton</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Fulton, Kentucky	-
Electric Motor Repair	Mayfield, Kentucky	24
Heat Treating Facilities	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	94
Industrial Waste Removal	Fulton, Kentucky	-
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Fulton, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	Elkton, Kentucky	114
Metal Finishers	Madisonville, Kentucky	115
Metal Service Centers	Mayfield, Kentucky	24
Millwrights & Riggers	Mayfield, Kentucky	24

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research. Note: Please contact the Fulton County Economic Development Partnership for services that may be available at closer sites in Tennessee.

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.

Fulton County is in the planning considerations for the I-66 and I-69 corridor project.

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	415	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.

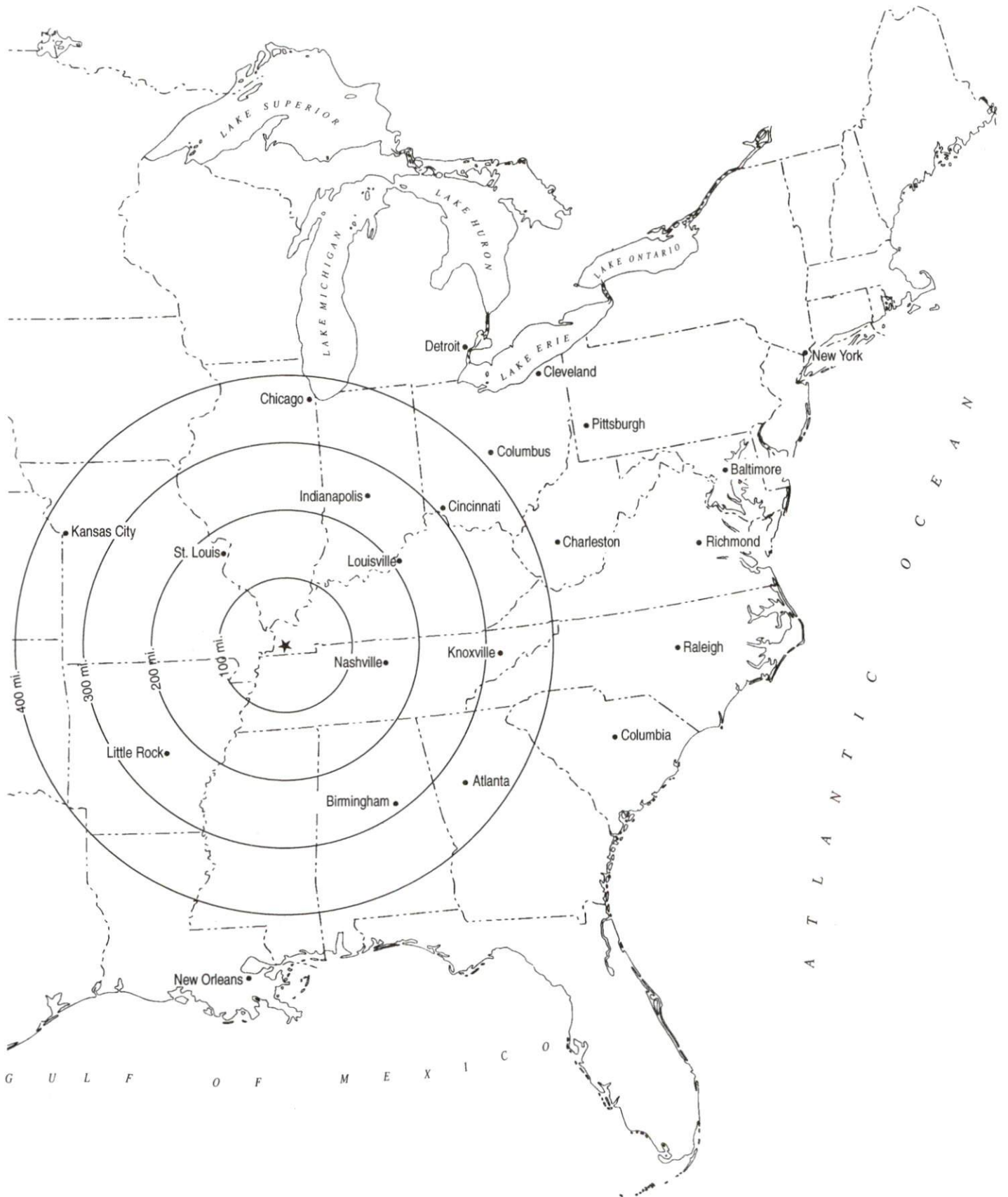
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1988.

Truck Service

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

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1995.

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;
17 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,
aircraft maintenance facility, 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, Northwest Airlink, TW Express
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 26

Nearest International Airports

Location: Memphis International Airport
9 miles southeast of downtown Memphis, Tennessee;
135 miles southwest of Fulton
Air Service: American, ComAir, Delta, Northwest, Northwest
Airlink, Laker Airways, TW Express, United,
USAir, Valujet
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 520

Location: Nashville International Airport
6 miles southeast of Nashville, Tennessee;
147 miles southeast of Fulton
Air Service: American, AirTrans, ASA, Continental
Connection, ComAir, Delta, American
Eagle, Northwest, Southwest, TWA,
United, USAir, USAir Express, Valujet
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 564

Water

Fulton County is the northern most point of the Mississippi River, without locks or dams, south to the Gulf of Mexico. It is also the northern most point that does not experience freezing in winter. 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. It is the only harbor between Greenville, Mississippi and St. Louis, Missouri (approximately 800 miles). 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.

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 a 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.

HICKMAN-FULTON COUNTY RIVERPORT

- New intermodal bulk transfer facility, which includes linkage between rail, truck, and barge at one point, capacity 450 tons per hours
- 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
- Tenn-Ken 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: Continental Grain, Watterfield Grain, SGL Carbon, 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:

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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

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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

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

Source- Wells: total pumping capacity 1,300 gallons per minute
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

A \$337,400 water improvement project is underway that will extend water lines west of Fulton.
Expected completion date is November 1995.

Company serving **Hickman** - City of Hickman
1812 South 7th Street
Hickman, Kentucky 42050
(502) 236-2535

Source- Wells: pumping capacity 1,290 gallons per minute
Treatment plant capacity- 1,800,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 500,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 700,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,450,000 gallons
Water pressure - 40 psi to 115 psi

Raw Water

Surface water sources - in Fulton County - Mississippi River, Obion Creek and Bayou de Chien
Average discharge - Mississippi River at Hickman - 733, 000 cfs (66 years, USGS);
Bayou de Chien near Clinton - 104 cfs (55 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

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

Company serving **Hickman** - City of Hickman
1812 South 7th Street
Hickman, Kentucky 42050
(502) 236-2535

Design capacity - 600,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 300,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Tertiary
Treated effluent discharged into - Bayou De Chien

CLIMATE

Fulton County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	57.20 degrees
Average annual 1993	57.70 degrees
Record highest, August 1988 (10-year record)	104.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (10-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 (10-year record)	46.89 inches
Mean annual snowfall (10-year record)	10.60 inches
Total precipitation 1993	47.30 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (10-year record)	110.50
Mean number days thunderstorms (10-year record)	60.40

Prevailing winds

N/A

Relative Humidity (9-year record)

12 a.m.	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, 1993. 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

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city

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 & Zoning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within the corporate limits of Hickman

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 gross wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals. An occupational license tax on 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 tourism (motels/hotels) and restaurant tax of three percent and one percent quarterly.

The City of Hickman levies a one percent occupational license tax on net profits of businesses and on gross wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals.

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. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1994 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.172	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, 1994

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Fulton County	\$0.2717	\$0.2629	\$0.2483
School Districts:			
Fulton Independent	0.8070	0.8110	0.8880
Fulton County	0.3660	0.3680	0.5570
Cities:			
Fulton	0.2800	0.2800	0.2800
Hickman	0.3120	0.4110	0.2340

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Fulton Independent	Fulton County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1994)	621	906
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1993-94)	13.6-1	15.5-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1993-94)	58.3	56.8
Expenditures Per Pupil (1993-94)	\$4,415.36	\$4,295.89

The Fulton County School System was the first system in the state to provide access to interactive television which enables the school system to share courses via this telecommunications linkage. In addition, the system is connected via the Kentucky Telelinking Network with all state universities for college level courses and teleconferences, as well as selected school districts and state government.

The Fulton County School System, in accordance with its ten-year plan, has recently completed at the high school: construction of six new classrooms, renovation of the gymnasium, and adding space for art and music. Three additional construction phases will follow over the next ten years to add/renovate facilities for agriculture and technology education, vocational labs, and administrative areas.

The Fulton County School System has received national recognition for development of a system to utilize social service agencies to provide assistance to students and families, as well as for programs tracking assistance to families with infants/toddlers and for their preschool/head start program for all three and four year olds in the county. National recognition/funding was also received for their district-wide partnership for enhancing education and quality of life of students.

The Fulton Independent School System is in preliminary stages of a long-range facilities plan involving construction at the high school to accommodate middle school students; an addition at Carr Elementary to house preschool students; and renovation of the alternative education center. A \$175,000 wiring/network project was recently approved that will allow computer connections and Internet access.

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Fulton)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1994)</u>
University of Tennessee, at Martin	Martin, Tennessee (12)	5,608
Murray State University	Murray, Kentucky (35)	7,960
Bethel College	McKenize, Tennessee (37)	483
Paducah Community College	Paducah, Kentucky (49)	2,918

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 (Mileage from Fulton)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1994-1995</u>	<u>Approximate Number Completing Long-Term Programs Annually</u>
Fulton County Area Technology Center	Hickman (20)	4	<u>Sec</u> <u>P/S</u> 224 7	22
Mayfield Area Technology Center	Mayfield (24)	5	<u>Sec</u> <u>P/S</u> 157 161	60
West Kentucky Regional Technology Center	Paducah (49)	28	<u>P/S</u> 1,134	289

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 both established and prospective businesses. Businesses needing customized training should contact a Training and Development Coordinator located at West Kentucky Regional Technology Center, Paducah, Kentucky, (502) 554-4991.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, pre-hire assessment, psychomotor skills and academic potential. Career Connections is located on the West Kentucky Regional Technology Center campus, (502) 554-4991.

Adult Education Services

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.

Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and postsecondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a vocational-technical field. Fulton County Area Technology Center offers tech prep in the business and technical industrial areas. West Kentucky Regional Technology Center has tech prep programs in business, health and humanities, and industrial technology.

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 a major 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 - 12
Dentists - 5

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 - 59 physicians, 30 registered nurses, and 19 licensed practical nurses

Recent improvements include a new outpatient surgery center, radiology center, and new Medical Arts Building adjacent to the hospital.

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. The hospital has established a PPO (Perferred Provider Organization) program that is important in recruiting industry.

Baptist Memorial Hospital

Medical staff - 29 active staff physicians, 83 registered nurses, 50 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
Affiliated with Parkway Regional Hospital
Clinton Family Care Clinic
Hillview Medical Clinic
Hickman/Fulton County Medical Clinic

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

The Citizens Bank (Hickman)
City National Bank (Fulton)
Fulton Bank

Newspapers

Fulton Leader (weekly)
The Hickman Courier (weekly)

Telephone Service

BellSouth

Fulton County will complete implementation of the enhanced version of the "911" emergency dispatch system by December 1995.

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 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. 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. An 18-hole private executive golf course is also available at Doe Valley, just south of Fulton.

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. 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. Hickman also features an historic courthouse, and numerous antebellum buildings.

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, gift shop, 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.

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