

Union County

1) Brief History

The fifty-sixth county in order of formation, Union County was formed from part of Henderson County on January 15, 1811, and was named for the unanimous agreement of its citizens to create a new county. Morganfield is the county seat.

Union County was settled during the westward migration following the Revolutionary War. The very early settlers of Union County were squatters from Virginia. They did not generally remain and make permanent improvements, but, after hunting in the country for a few years, either returned to their Eastern homes or pushed further westward. They were followed in the early part of this century by Revolutionary officers, who held land grants under the United States Government for services in the Revolution.

After the fertility of the county was fully established, immigration set in from the eastern part of Kentucky. Oldham and Jefferson Counties furnished the largest share of the tide of immigration for these years. After this there was some immigration from Europe, especially around the coal regions, but, for the most part, it still came from the older counties of the State.

The river towns of Caseyville and Unionville were incorporated, along with the towns of Sturgis, Morgantown, and Waverly.

2) Geographical Description

Located on the western edge of the Western Coal Field, Union County has an area of 343 square miles. The Ohio River serves as the northern and western border for approximately 36 miles. In the southwest, Union County is separated from Crittenden County by the Tradewater River. Webster County borders the southeast section and to the northeast lies Henderson County.

The terrain varies from broad flat flood plains with elevations of less than 400 feet along the Ohio River to island-like hill masses that rise 150 to 200 feet or more above the valley flats. Principal streams are the Ohio and Tradewater Rivers.

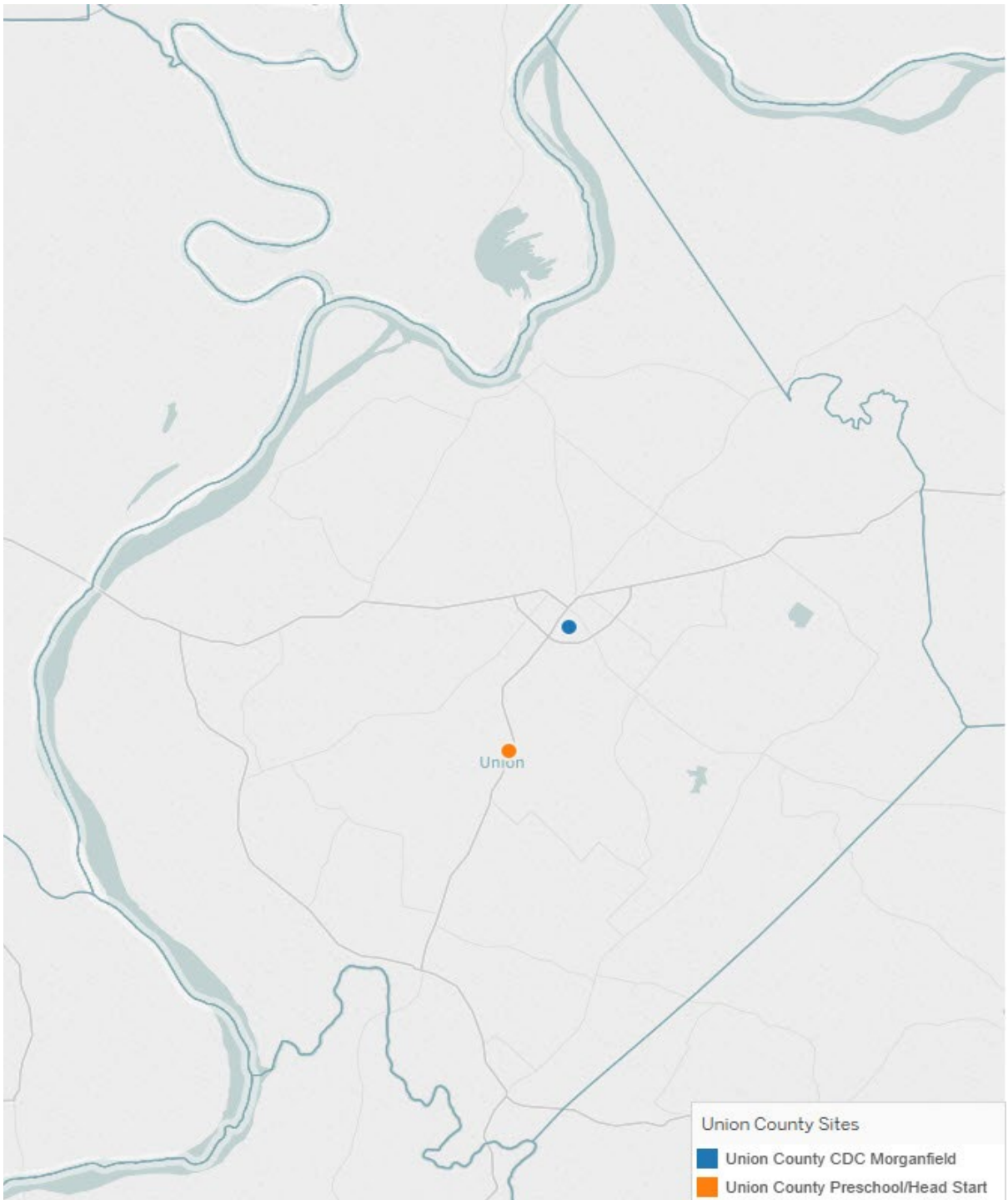
Marshes near Slim Island, Dennis O'Man, and Goose Pond ditches and the wildlife areas of Higginson, Henry, and Jenny Hole-Timber Slough are managed to provide a haven for ducks and geese, as well as game in controlled hunting situations.

Sources: *kyenc.org*

unioncountky.org

genealogytrails.com

3) Location of Centers



Union County CDC Morganfield
515 South Mart Street
Morganfield, KY 42437

Union County PreSchool/Head Start
4464 US Hwy 60
Morganfield, KY 42437

4) Demographic Data

a) Population Description and Projected Growth

Annual Estimates of Resident Population											
April 1, 2010								April 1, 2020 Estimates Base	Population Estimate (as of July 1)		
Census	Estimates Base	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		2020	2021	2022
15,007	15,007	15,072	14,951	14,765	14,620	14,471	14,381	13,670	13,665	13,166	12,961

Age Group as a Percent of Population

Total population	Under 5		5-9		10-14		15-19		20-24		25-34		35-44	
	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%
13,786	762	5.5%	574	4.2%	678	4.9%	971	7.0%	1,655	12.0%	1,575	11.4%	1,666	12.1%
	45-54		55-59		60-64		65-74		75-84		85 yrs+			
	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%	Actual	%		
	1,671	12.1%	936	6.8%	977	7.1%	1,516	11.0%	619	4.5%	186	1.3%		

b) Households and Families

Households and Families			
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		Estimate	%
Total households		4,934	
Households with one or more people under 18 years		1,435	29.1%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over		1,489	30.2%
Average household size		2.52	
Average family size		3.03	
GRANDPARENTS			
Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years		198	
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren		114	57.6%
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
Total housing units		5,901	
1-unit structures		4,687	79.4%
2-or more-unit structures		464	7.9%
Mobile homes, Boat, RV, etc.		750	12.7%
HOUSING TENURE			
Owner-occupied		3,478	70.5%
Renter-occupied		1,456	29.5%
VEHICLES AVAILABLE			
Occupied housing units		4,934	
No vehicles available		273	5.5%
1 vehicle available		1,447	29.3%

SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS		
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	10	0.2%
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	14	0.3%
No telephone service available	80	1.6%

c) Racial and Ethnic Demographics

Racial & Ethnic Demographics								
Total Population:	Not Hispanic or Latino							Hispanic or Latino:
	White	Black or African American	American Indian & Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian & Other Pac. Islander	Other race	2 or more races:	
13,586	11,320	2,008	0	81	0	4	173	400

d) Characteristics and Projected Growth

Census 2010 and 2020			
Actual			
Census 2010	Census 2020	Net Change	% Change
15,007	13,668	-1339	-8.92%

Population Projections 2025-2040											
Projections											
2025	Net Change	% Change	2030	Net Change	% Change	2035	Net Change	% Change	2040	Net Change	% Change
13,273	-395	-2.89%	12,806	-467	-3.52%	12,247	-559	-4.37%	11,578	-669	-5.46%

Summary Indicators												
Population			Median age (years)					Ratio Analysis				
Total	Male	Female	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	Median age (years)	Under 18 years	Male	Female	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)	65 years and over	Male	Female	Sex ratio (males per 100 females)
13,786	7,165	6,621	108.2	39.0	2,514	5,872	5,400	108.7	2,321	1,069	1,252	85.4

e) Social and Economic Status of Population

Educational Attainment					
Less than a High School Diploma or Equivalent	High School Diploma or Equivalent	Some College but No Degree	Associate's Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate or Professional Degree
8.7%	46.4%	22.7%	12.1%	6.2%	3.9%

Basic Facts						
Total Population	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income	Living In Poverty	Without Medical Insurance	Unemployment Rate	Access to Broadband Internet (2021)
13,786	\$50,533	\$24,173	18.4%	7.9%	4.1%	90.6%

5) Estimated Number of Head Start Eligible Children

Estimated Number of Early Head Start Eligible Children							
Total population (Estimate)	%	Under 5 Years	Children 0-2 Years Old	2021 Child Poverty Rate	Estimated Eligible Income	Funded Enrollment	Difference
13,786	5.2%	762	401	22.4%	90	8	-82
Estimated Number of Head Start Eligible Children							
Total population (Estimate)	%	Under 5 Years	Children 3-4 Years Old	2021 Child Poverty Rate	Estimated Eligible Income	Funded Enrollment	Difference
13,786	5.2%	762	279	22.4%	63	103	40

6) Nutrition

Health Outcomes and Factors															
Health Outcomes		Health Factors		Length of Life		Quality of Life		Health Behaviors		Clinical Care		Social & Economic Factors		Physical Environment	
Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank	Z-Score	Rank
0.06	76	-0.02	62	-0.36	27	0.42	98	0.11	94	-0.01	48	-0.14	42	0.02	90

Health Care Providers								
Primary Care Physicians			Dentists			Mental Health Providers		
# Primary Care Physicians	PCP Ratio	Z-Score	# Dentists	Dentist Ratio	Z-Score	# Mental Health Providers	MHP Ratio	Z-Score
3	4814:1	0.87	8	1693:1	-0.75	8	1693:1	0.40

7) Children with Disabilities

Services Received by Children													
Children 0-2 Years Old		Children 3-4 Years Old		<u>Risk Factors</u> - Birth to Teenage Girls 15-19 - Rate per 1,000 Females Ages 15-19		<u>Risk Factors</u> - Preterm Babies (born before 37 weeks of pregnancy)		Children Living Below 100% Poverty		Children Living Below 150% Poverty		Children Living Below 200% Poverty	
401	2.8%	279	1.9%	12	21	14.3%	333	35.2%	482	50.9%	623	65.8%	

Children Receiving Medicaid Insurance	Children Receiving KCHIP Health Insurance	KCHIP Expansion	<u>Risk Factors</u> - Low Birth Weight Babies (born >5.5 pounds)		<u>Risk Factors</u> - Children 0-17 years old with Substantiated Abuse / Neglect	
1,546	31	301	21	13.7%	31	

8) Strengths and Needs of Head Start Eligible Children and Families as Defined by the Families

Families in each county were given the opportunity to be involved in our Family Partnership Agreement process which included completing an individualized family goal, pre-assessment, and post assessment. The main areas for both assessments include: education, employment, housing, transportation, emergency assistance, child birth, relative child, family literacy, resources/training, volunteering, and community involvement. The purpose of the pre-assessment is to better understand the family's unique strengths and needs to determine if any follow-up of services or resources are needed.

Pre & Post Assessment with Families			
Assessment	1	2	+/-
Employment & Job Skills	3.5	3.5	▲0.1
Money Management	3.4	3.5	▲0.1
Safe and Stable Housing	4	3.9	▼0.1
Transportation Access	3.9	3.9	▲0.1
Medical, Dental & Vision Care	4	4	-
Mental Wellness	3.5	3.6	▲0.1
Nutrition	2.8	3	▲0.2
Parenting Practices	3.7	3.9	▲0.2
Actively Involved with Child	3.7	3.8	▲0.1
Language Development	3.7	3.8	▲0.1
Parent as Educator	3.5	3.7	▲0.2
Adult Education	2.1	2.2	▲0.1
Transitional Services	3.3	4	▲0.7
Support Network	3.3	3.5	▲0.1
Civic/Community Involvement	1.8	2.2	▲0.4
TOTAL	50.1	52.4	▲2.3

9) Other Child Development Programs

Early Care and Education Programs				
Kindergarten	Preschool	Head Start Enrollment	Total Child Care Capacity	Children Receiving Child Care Assistance (CCAP Program)
151	19	100	473	49

Child Care Providers				
Percent of Total Child Care Facilities by STAR Rating				
One Star	Two Stars	Three Stars	Four Stars	Unrated
14.3%	0.0%	28.6%	42.9%	14.3%

Licensed/Certified Child Care Centers and Capacity by STAR Rating				
STARS Licensed	STARS Certified	STARS Licensed Child Care Capacity	STARS Certified Child Care Capacity	Public Preschool
7		473		3

Access and Availability of Community Resources

Career Training, Employment, and Job Readiness

Career Associates

21 SE 3rd Street # 500
Evansville, IN 47708
www.career-associates.com

Phone: 812-423-7263

Kentucky Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

275 E. Main Street Mail Drop 2-EK
Frankfort, KY 40621

Toll Free:800-372-7172
Phone: 502-564-4440
Fax: 502-564-6745
Fax: 502-564-1268

Child Services

Protection and Permanency

717 U.S. 60
P.O. Box 510
Morganfield, KY 42437

Phone: 270-389-2314

Child Support Office

110 South Court Street
P.O. Box 28
Morganfield, KY 42437-0028

Phone: 270-389-0592

Family Education Assessment Treatment (F.E.A.T.)

Phone: 859-824-5074

Health Access Nurturing Development Services (H.A.N.D.S.)

Phone: 502-564-3756

Parenting Help for Teens

<http://members.tripod.com/xila/teens.html>

Clothing

Salvation Army

1213 Washington St.
Henderson, KY 42420

Phone: 270-826-4472

Disability Services

Protection & Advocacy

100 Fair Oaks Lane, Suite 302
Frankfort, KY 40601

*Issues related to disability www.kypa.net

Phone: 800-372-2988

Fax: 502-564-0848

Center for Accessible Living

1051 N. 16th Street Suite C
Murray, KY 42071

Phone: 270-753-7676

Domestic Violence

National Domestic Violence Hotline

Toll Free: 800-799-SAFE

Battered Women Justice Project

Toll Free: 800-903-0111

Ex-Offender/Sex Offender Assistance & Advocacy

Bluegrass Reentry Council

Chrysalis House

1589 Hill Rise
Lexington, KY 40504

Phone: 859-977-2502

Fax: 859-233-9231

Protection & Advocacy

100 Fair Oaks Lane, Suite 302
Frankfort, KY 40601

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Fax: 502-564-0848

Financial Assistance**Union County Outreach Office (OASIS)**

P.O. Box 308
Morganfield, KY 42347

Phone: 270-389-9906

Salvation Army

1213 Washington St.
Henderson, KY 42420

Phone: 270-826-4472

Heartland Cares

619 N. 30th Street
Paducah, KY 42001
www.hcares.org

Phone: 270-444-8183

Food Assistance**Audubon Area Community Services**

227 N. Richards Street
Morganfield, KY 42437

Phone: 270-389-3742

Union County Outreach Office (OASIS)

P.O. Box 308
Morganfield, KY 42347

Phone: 270-389-9906

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God's Pantry- Emergency Food Box Program

Phone: 859-288-5319

Gambler's Anonymous**1-888-GA-HELPS****Government Agencies (Includes State and Local Officials/Police Agencies)**

Clerk's office	Phone: 270-389-1334
Morganfield Police Department	Phone: 270-389-4357
Sturgis Police Department	Phone: 270-333-2166
Union County Sheriff's Department	Phone: 270-389-1303
Uniontown police Department	Phone: 270-822-4233

Halfway Houses, Homeless Shelters, and Housing

Heartland Cares 619 N. 30th Street Paducah, KY 42001 www.hcares.org	Phone: 270-444-8183
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Shelter for Women and Children, Inc. P.O. Box 1617 Henderson, KY 42420	Phone: 270-830-8547
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Matthew 25 AIDS Services 325 Washington Street Henderson, KY 42420	Phone: 270-854-4585
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Healthcare

Methodist Hospital Union County 4604 U.S. Hwy. 60W Morganfield, KY 42437	Phone: 270-389-5000
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Union County Health Department
218 West McElroy
P.O. Box 88 Morganfield, KY 42437

Phone: 270-389-1230

HIV/AIDS

KY HIV- AIDS Program

Toll Free: 800-420-7431

Identification: Birth Certificates, Driver's License, Social Security

Birth Certificate Information

Office of Vital Statistics
275 E. Main Street, 1E-A
Frankfort, KY 40621

Phone: 502-564-4212

Driver's License Information

Union Circuit Clerk
Court Annex Building
121 South Morgan Street
P. O. Box 59 Morganfield, KY 42437

Phone: 270-389-2264

Social Security Information

Social Security Office – Main Office
601 W. Broadway, Room 101
Louisville, KY 40202

Local #: 866-716-9671
National: 800-772-1213
TTY: 502-582-5517

Union County Social Security Office

Phone: 270-826-4451

Legal Help

Kentucky Legal Aid
1700 Destiny Lane
Bowling Green, KY 42104 www.klaid.org

Toll Free: 866-452-9243

Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services**River Valley/Union County Office**

233 North Townsend
Morganfield, KY 42437

Phone: 270-389-3240
Crisis #: 800-433-7291

Western State Hospital

P.O Box 2200
Hopkinsville, KY 42240

Phone: 270-889-6025

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Service Administration [SAMHSA]

<http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/databases/facility-search.aspx?state=KY>

National Alliance for the Mentally Ill (NAMI) Kentucky

C/O Somerset Community College
808 Monticello Street
Somerset, Kentucky 42501

Phone: 606-451-6935
Toll Free 800-257-5081

Alcoholics Anonymous

Toll Free:800-467-8091

Narcotics Anonymous

Toll Free 800-662-HELP

Mental Health Association of Kentucky

120 Sears Avenue Suite 213
Louisville KY 40207

Phone: 502-638-3501
Toll Free:888-705-0463

Medication Assistance Programs

Partnership for Prescription Assistance: www.pparx.org

RXAssist: <http://www.rxassist.org/>

Transportation

2-1-1 is an easy-to-remember telephone number that connects people with important community services, including transportation options