

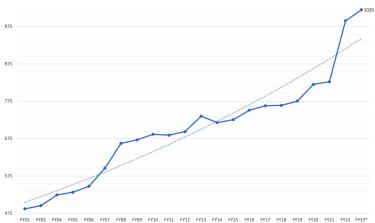


# OASIS OF OPPORTUNITY

### **RETAIL SALES**

#### Southern Illinois' Billion Dollar City

\*FY23 Estimated: Retail Sales in Millions of Dollars



#### **ROADS**



#### **Interstate Centric**

Direct access to I-57 via 3 Interchanges including single point & diverging diamond

- < 10 miles to I-24; AND
- < 40 miles to I-64

Illinois Route 13 intersects Illinois from the Ohio to the Mississippi Rivers with Marion as the mid-point at the I-57 intersection

#### RAIL



#### **Two Class I Rail Lines**

Santa Fe (BNSF) & Union Pacific (UP)

Connected by short line provider Progressive Rail

Transload, rail car repair, and high rail conversion services available

#### **AIR**



#### **Daily Passenger Service**

Veterans Airport (MWA)

Service to Lambert International Airport in St. Louis, MO (STL) and Nashville, TN (BNA) via Cape Air

Funding available to add flight to Chicago (ORD)

8,500 foot runway accommodates the largest jets

#### **EDUCATION**



#### **Colleges & K thru Job**

15 miles to Southern Illinois University at Carbondale

A network of four Community Colleges: John A Logan, Shawnee, Southeastern, and Rend Lake Colleges, leaders in workforce development

\$60 million dollar High School



# **EMPLOYERS**



#### **DISTRIBUTION HUB**

Pepsi Mid-America

Aisin Manufacturing

FedEx Distribution Center

Readerlink

# **SERVICES**



#### **Center for Healthcare**

The Hospital, Heartland Regional Medical Center continues to expand.

VA Hospital at Marion serves the Tri-State area.

A number of specialty clinics, mental health services and social service organizations are located in Marion.

# **LIVABILITY**



#### **High Benefit, Low Cost**

Cost of Living is 15.9% less than State of Illinois

Community facilities include: The HUB Recreation Center, Marion Cultural and Civic Center, The Pavilion Event Center, Market Street Music Conservatory & more

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