

Kentucky

Kentucky is music.

The Bluegrass State's musical heritage has deep roots in Appalachian folk music, but has spread to encompass a broad swath of styles and sounds. Kentucky's live bluegrass scene is second to none, but it also hosts festivals featuring blues, country, folk, jazz, rock, and beyond.

Music Venues & Festivals

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| Al's Bar | KFC Yum! Center |
| Appalachian Wireless Arena | Lexington Opera House |
| BB&T Arena | Madison Theater |
| Festival of the Bluegrass Festival | Romp Fest Festival |
| Forecastle Festiva | Summer Motion Festival |

Notable Musicians

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| Bill Monroe | My Morning Jacket |
| Billy Ray Cyrus | Rosemary Clooney |
| Chris Stapleton | Sturgil Simpson |
| Loretta Lynn | |

\$447.7M

Music industry contribution to state GDP
(Economists Inc.)

8,526

Jobs Supported
(Economists Inc.)

1,341

Music Establishments
(A2IM/Economists Inc./NIVA)

1,286

Royalty Recipients
(SAG-AFTRA/SoundExchange)

742,006

Streaming Music Subscribers

14,226

Songwriters
(ASCAP/BMI/GMR/SESAC)