

Station History

Louisville, Kentucky

September 11, 1871: Station established in the Custom House and Post Office Building at the corner of Third Street and Green (Liberty) Street. Observations were started on that date by United States Army personnel.

February 29, 1872: Station moved to the corner of Main Street and Bullitt Street (on Main Street between Fourth and Fifth streets, most likely on the north side of Main).

March 3, 1877: Station moved to the southeast corner of Fourth Street and Green (Liberty) Street in the Courier-Journal Building.

May 1, 1893: Station moved to the Post Office Building on the northeast corner of Fourth Street and Chestnut Street.

July 1897: Civilian personnel began taking observations.

January 21, 1913: Station moved to the northeast corner of Fifth Street and Jefferson Street.

June 29, 1924: Station moved to the northwest corner of Fourth Street and Market Street.

January 1, 1928: Bowman Field (established August 7, 1920) began taking observations. Official location for Louisville remained at the city office on Fourth and Market.

April 29, 1939: Station moved to the Federal Building on the corner of Sixth Street and Broadway.

July 1, 1945: Station moved to Bowman Field. The City Office in the Federal Building downtown continued to take observations, but the official site for the city of Louisville was at the Bowman Field location as of this date.

December 1, 1947: Station moved to a hangar at Standiford Field. Observations continued to be taken at Bowman Field by FAA personnel. Observations also continued to be taken at the City Office location in the Federal Building downtown. The official site for the city of Louisville, however, was at Standiford Field as of this date.

September 19, 1950: Station relocated on Standiford Field to the Lee Terminal Building

January 18, 1955: The City Office in the Federal Building at the corner of Sixth Street and Broadway closed.

February 20, 1962: WSR-3 radar commissioned.

April 7, 1978: WSR 74-C dedicated.

July 29, 1981: Station relocated on Standiford Field to a new building with the FAA on the northeast side of the airport on Standiford Lane.

February 23, 1993: Office moved to Theiler Lane.

August 1, 1994: ASOS commissioned.

November 29, 1994: KLVX 88-D Doppler radar began service.

November 1, 1995: Official records location for the city of Louisville moved to the Theiler Lane station location. ASOS observations continued at Standiford Field, but the official site for the city of Louisville was at the Theiler Lane location as of this date.

November 16, 2000: Forecast expanded from five days to seven days.

January 1, 2006: Official site for Louisville weather records moved back to Standiford Field/Louisville International Airport, as taken by the ASOS unit there.

January 1, 2009: Started daily climate reports for Bowman Field.

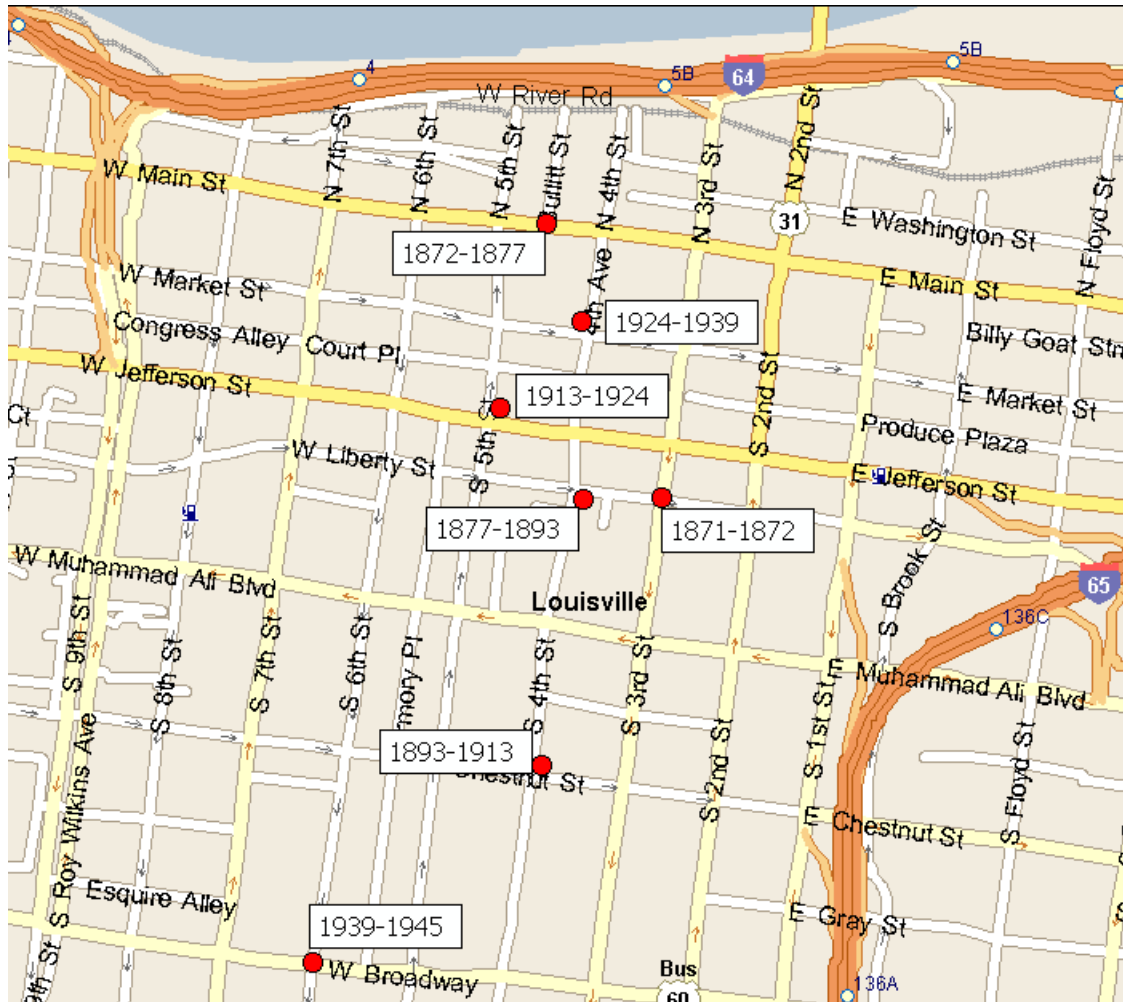
July 13, 2017: Bowman Field ASOS relocated.

Timeline of Official Louisville Weather Observation Locations:

Downtown: September 11, 1871 – June 30, 1945

Bowman Field: July 1, 1945 – November 30, 1947
Standiford Field: December 1, 1947 – October 31, 1995
Theiler Lane: November 1, 1995 – December 31, 2005
Louisville International Airport: January 1, 2006 - present

Downtown Office Locations (1871 – 1945):



Official Louisville Observation Locations:

