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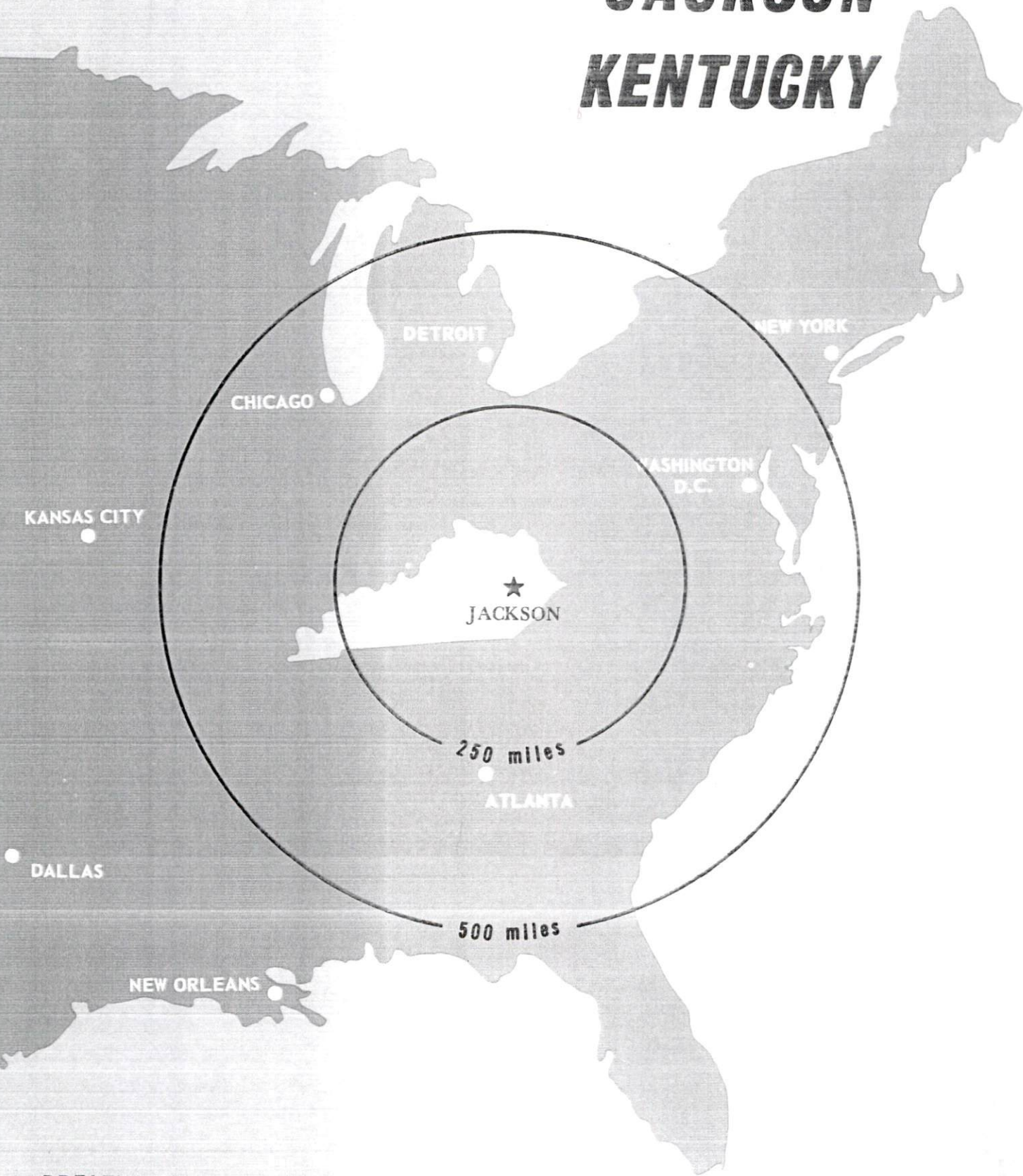
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

JACKSON KENTUCKY



BREATHITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY

CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES, JACKSON, KENTUCKY

This is a 1974 supplement to "Industrial Resources, Jackson, Kentucky" which was published in 1973.

Population

	<u>1972</u> (Provisional)	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>
Jackson	N.A.	1,887	1,852
Breathitt County	14,500	14,221	15,490
Labor Market Area	85,600	82,900	98,292
(Includes Breathitt, Knott, Lee, Magoffin, Owsley, Perry, and Wolfe Counties.)			

General Employment Characteristics

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Employment 1972</u>	
	<u>Breathitt County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	2,780	18,730
Agricultural	350	1,790
Nonagricultural	2,430	16,940
Manufacturing	40	686*
Trade and Services	1,080	4,620
Government	463	3,547
Other	847	8,087

*Manufacturing totals for Knott, Lee, and Wolfe Counties were taken from the 1973 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers.

Manufacturing Employment

<u>Type Industry</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>
TOTAL	73	147	- 50.3	869	437	98.8
Food & Kindred Products	22	22	0	68	90	- 24.4
Tobacco	0	0	0	0	2	-100.0
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	0	0	0	209	0	--
Lumber, Furniture	27	118	- 77.1	162	279	- 41.9
Printing & Publishing, Paper	16	7	128.5	28	7	300.0
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	0	0	16	20	- 20.0
Machinery & Metal						
Products, Equipment	8	0	--	386	36	972.2
Other	0	0	0	0	3	-100.0

There are presently 5 manufacturing firms in Jackson, Kentucky. Firms, employment, and year started operations:

<u>Firms</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Year started operations</u>
Big Sandy Ready Mix Concrete, Inc.	2	N. A.
East Kentucky Paving Company	10	N. A.
Inter-Mountain Publishing Company	13	1965
Royal Crown Bottling Company	21	1949
Sulphur Gap Chair and Woodwork Factory	6	N. A.

Labor Supply

	<u>Breathitt County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Current (1973)	2,530	1,400	1,130	15,340	8,350	6,990
Potential additions next five years	1,826	919	907	10,073	5,154	4,919

Personal Income

Breathitt County, 1971: Per Capita - \$1,322
 1961: Per Capita - 665

Local Government

Property Tax Rates

Property tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuation, 1973.

	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>
State	\$.015	\$.015
County	.492	.492
School	.692	.549
City	.200*	
Total	\$1.399	\$1.056

*Public Service Company - \$.25.

JACKSON INDUSTRIAL SITE

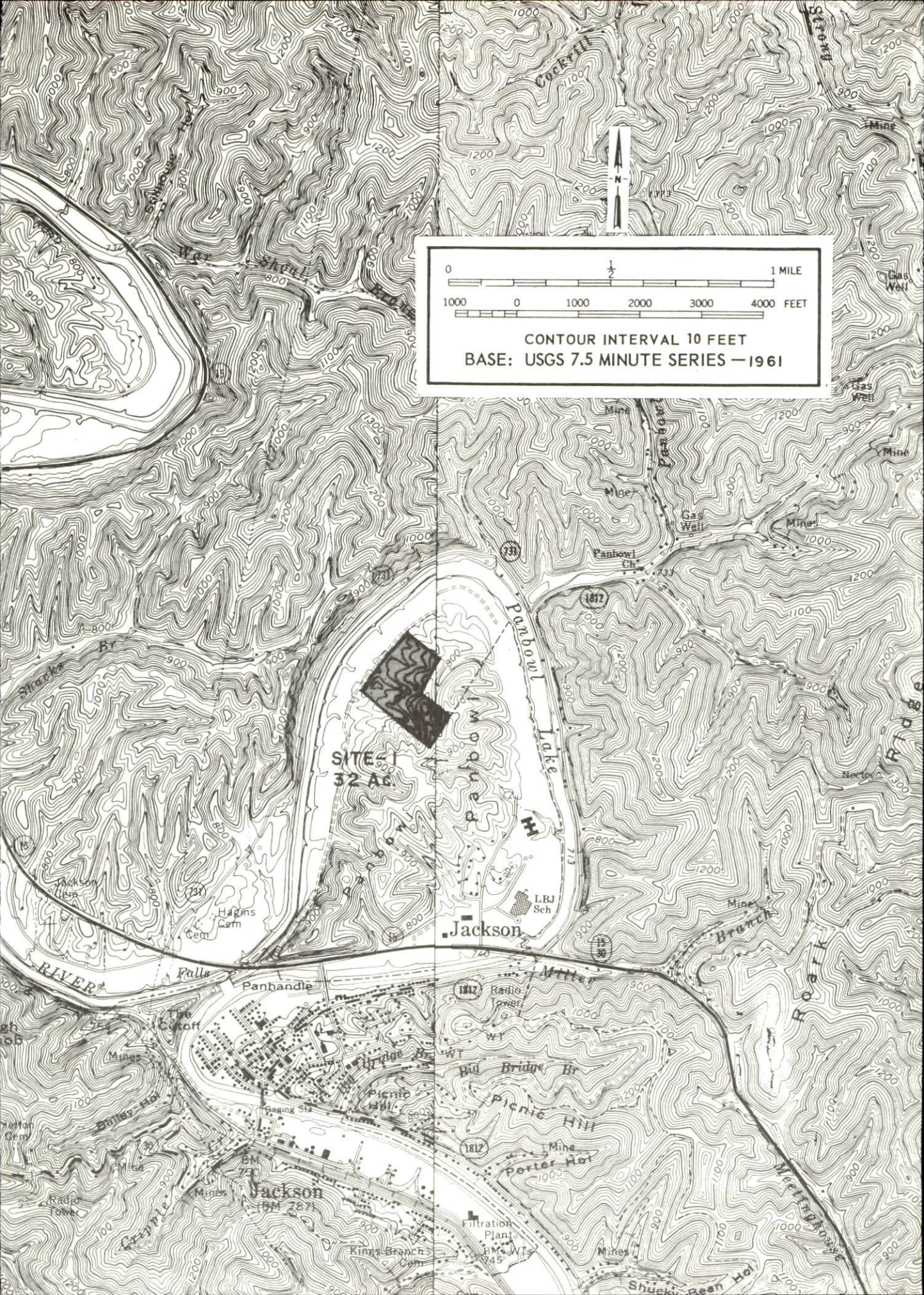
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JACKSON INDUSTRIAL SITES

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For more information about the following sites, contact Mr. Burt A. Knight, Jackson, Kentucky, or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Capital Plaza Office Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky.

SITE #1: ACREAGE: 32 acres
LOCATION: In county north of city
ZONING: None
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Kentucky 15, approximately 1 1/4 miles
from site via gravel access road
RAILROAD: Not rail served
WATER: Jackson Municipal Water Works
SIZE LINE: 12-inch line on site
GAS: Panbowl Gas Company
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
SEWERAGE: Jackson Municipal Sewage
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line on site
OWNERSHIP: Breathitt County Industrial Development
Foundation, Inc.



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BASE: USGS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES — 1961

SITE 1
32 AC.

Jackson

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JACKSON, KENTUCKY

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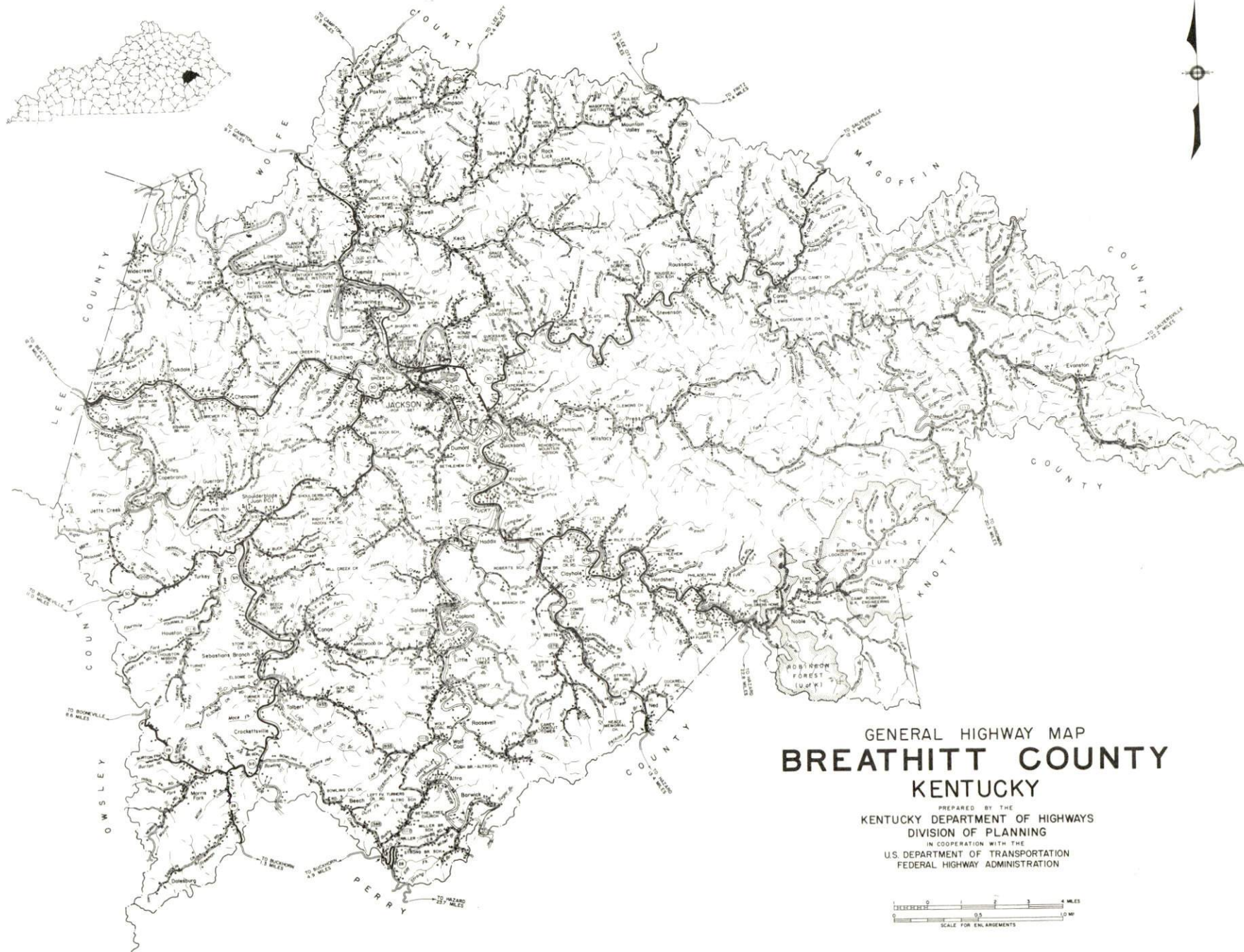
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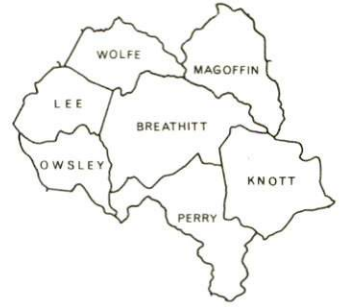


GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
BREATHITT COUNTY
 KENTUCKY

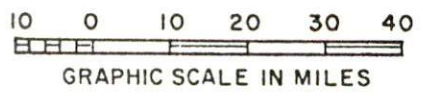
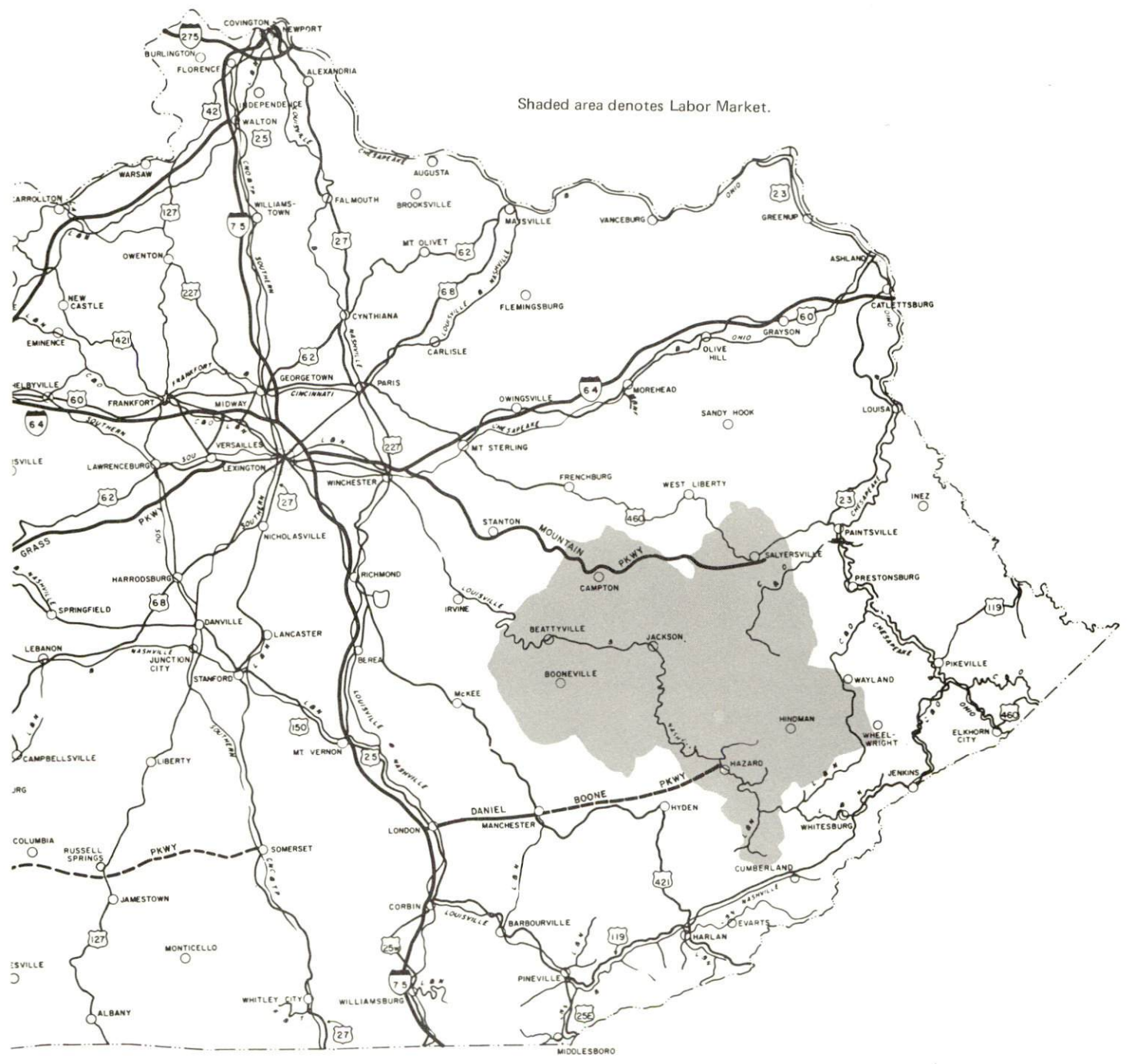
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JACKSON LABOR MARKET AREA



Shaded area denotes Labor Market.



JACKSON, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Jackson, the county seat of Breathitt County, is located in the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains at the edge of the Daniel Boone National Forest in the eastern section of Kentucky. Jackson is 159 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky, and 253 miles northeast of Knoxville, Tennessee.

Jackson had a 1970 population of 1,887. Breathitt County, covering 494 square miles, had a 1970 population of 14,221.

The Economic Framework

Total employment in Breathitt County averaged 2,470 jobs in 1971, with agriculture providing 370 jobs, government 1,030, manufacturing 50, trade and services 800, and mining and quarrying 185. The county's major products are soft drinks and barrel staves.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1970 was \$1,294.

In the Jackson labor market area, which includes Breathitt and its six surrounding counties, total employment in 1971 averaged 16,490. Agriculture provided 1,920 jobs, government 4,550, manufacturing 575, trade and services 4,185, and mining and quarrying 3,070. Area industrial employment is heaviest in leather products and electrical machinery.

The area has a deficit of 6,969 manufacturing jobs when measured against the national industrial employment-population ratio. This indicates an area with a potential for additional manufacturing production.

Resources for Growth

1. There is a current estimated labor supply of 11,720 men and 8,870 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, 5,280 young men and 4,945 young women will become 18 years of age by 1979 and potentially available for work.

2. The local transportation capability is good. Jackson is 20 miles from the Mountain Parkway which links up with Interstates 64 and 75. Rail service is provided by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad. Commercial air service is available at Lexington, 80 miles away.

3. Natural gas service is provided by the Panbowl Gas Company. Electricity is furnished by the Kentucky Power Company. The North Fork of the Kentucky River provides an adequate raw water supply.

4. Jackson has one available industrial site.

5. Breathitt County has two school systems, the Jackson Independent and Breathitt County Schools. The Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center is located in Jackson and offers eight courses. At Hazard, 31 miles away, the Hazard State Vocational-Technical School offers eighteen different courses. Jackson is also the home of Lees Junior College.

Community Programs for Improvement

Recently completed:

A motel opened in the Summer of 1972.

The Citizens Bank of Jackson opened a branch bank in December of 1972.

Nim Henson Geriatric Center opened in 1972.

Two new businesses opened in 1972.

Breathitt County Library relocated and opened in March of 1973.

Lees Junior College opened a new building in April of 1973 to house the library and science departments.

An ambulance service comprised of 5 ambulances has begun operations.

Lost Creek Speedway, 9 miles south of Jackson, opened in May of 1972.

Jackson Fire Department purchased 200 feet of 3-inch hose.

Breathitt County School System constructed a new school which was completed in 1972, and completed the addition of a wing to a second school.

Jackson Independent School District completed a new roof on the high school gymnasium.

Planned:

Two new businesses planned.

Jackson Municipal Sewage Department will extend 2 miles of lines.

Panbowl Gas Company is presently extending lines to two businesses and a 4-inch line will be extended to the industrial site when required, with intermediate pressure around 40 - 60 pounds depending on demand.

Breathitt County School System has proposed construction of a maintenance garage and administration building.

Jackson Independent School District will put new metal doors on all exits of the high school building.

Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Within Breathitt County excellent boating, fishing, and hunting can be found. Panbowl Lake offers superb fishing. Supervised recreational programs for children are available during the summer months with a swimming pool, baseball diamond and playgrounds.

Lees Junior College offers intercollegiate athletics, art exhibits and drama. The Breathitt County Arts Council and the Kentucky Arts Commission provide Jackson with an annual concert series. Also, auto racing can be enjoyed at the nearby Lost Creek Speedway.

Approximately 40 miles from Jackson is Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park. It includes 750 acres of land, a 1,250-acre lake, a lodge and camping facilities. The area offers fishing, a beach, dock, both covered and open boat slips, a picnic shelter, and playground.

The Daniel Boone National Forest lies near Buckhorn State Park. This vast Kentucky timberland encompasses hundreds of natural and historical attractions. Throughout the forest are picnic areas, playground, hiking areas, camping, fishing, and boating.

At Slade, 33 miles from Jackson, is Natural Bridge State Resort Park. The majestic natural bridge is a wonder of nature carved by wind and rain out of the porous sandstone formations of the area. The bridge's arched opening is 78 feet in length and 65 feet high. It may be reached by a chairlift or by hiking trails. There are 12 large natural arches in

the vicinity of the park, as well as numerous smaller arches, domes and natural formations. The park has a resort lodge, cottages and tent and trailer camping facilities.

Just east of Slade is an area called Red River Gorge. The gorge is a boulder-strewn area of rugged forests, streams, cliffs, overlooks, arches and rare plant life. Among the twenty natural stone arches is a natural bridge which is the only one in Kentucky under which a stream flows. The area has eighteen ranger-built hiking trails, picnic and camp sites.

THE LABOR MARKET

POPULATION TRENDS

<u>Area</u>	<u>Population</u>			<u>Percent Change</u>	
	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>1950</u>	<u>1960-70</u>	<u>1950-60</u>
Jackson	1,887	1,852	1,978	+ 1.9	- 6.4
Labor Market Area	82,900	98,292	124,367	-15.7	-21.0
Breathitt County	14,221	15,490	19,964	- 8.2	-22.4
Knott County	14,698	17,362	20,320	-15.3	-14.6
Lee County	6,587	7,420	8,739	-11.2	-15.1
Magoffin County	10,443	11,156	13,839	- 6.4	-19.4
Owsley County	5,023	5,369	7,324	- 6.4	-26.7
Perry County	26,259	34,961	46,566	-24.9	-24.9
Wolfe County	5,669	6,534	7,615	-13.2	-14.2

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970, 1960, 1950.

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1971

<u>Major Employment Group</u>	<u>Employment</u>	
	<u>Breathitt County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	2,470	16,490
Agricultural	370	1,920
Nonagricultural	2,100	14,570
Manufacturing	50	575
Government	1,030	4,550
Trade and Services	798	4,186
Mining and Quarrying	184	3,069
Other	38	2,190

Source: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Division of Research and Statistics.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY
MARCH 1972 AND 1962

Industry	Breathitt County			Labor Market Area		
	1972	1962	% Change	1972	1962	% Change
TOTAL	42	128	- 67.2	533	330	+ 61.5
Food & Kindred						
Products	22	18	+ 22.2	91	92	- 1.1
Tobacco	0	0	0	0	1	--
Apparel, Textiles,						
Leather	0	0	0	155	0	--
Lumber, Furniture	5	103	- 95.1	74	197	- 62.4
Printing & Publishing,						
Paper	15	7	+114.2	30	7	+328.6
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	0	0	16	14	+ 14.3
Machinery, Metal						
Products, Equip.	0	0	0	167	19	+778.9

Source: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, March 1972, March 1962.

JACKSON MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Firm	Product	Employment		
		Total	Male	Female
Big Sandy Ready Mix Concrete, Inc.	Ready mixed concrete	2	2	0
East Kentucky Paving Company	Asphaltic concrete	10	10	0
Inter-Mountain Publishing Company	Newspaper, job printing	N. A.*		
Jackson Stave Company	Barrel staves	16	16	0
Royal Crown Bottling Company	Soft drinks	21	20	1
Sulphur Gap Chair & Woodworks Factory	Chairs	6		

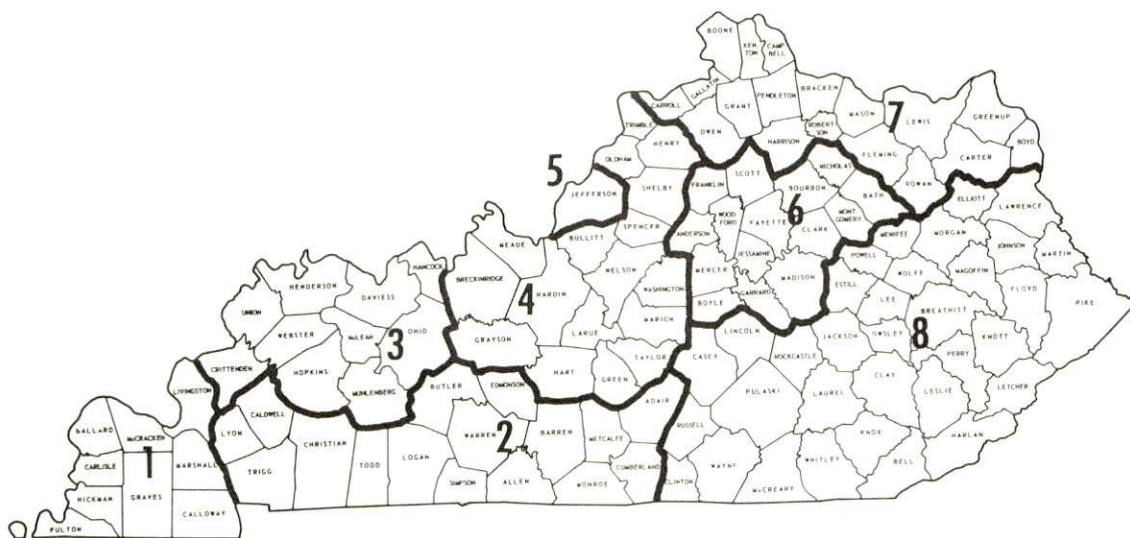
*Not available.

Source: Kentucky Department of Commerce, 1973 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers.

WAGES

Occupational wage rates for specific industries are usually not available to most government agencies, and wage data furnished to state employment agencies by industrial employers is protected from disclosure by federal law. The most reliable up-to-date wage information can be obtained by direct contact with local employers.

Associated Industries of Kentucky, a voluntary organization of Kentucky businesses, regularly collects occupational wage rates and fringe benefits data from participating member firms. Data is compiled for over 130 clearly defined office, production, and service occupations. Tabulations are published for eight regions of Kentucky, as shown on the map below. It should be noted that the data may be weighted by the preponderance of firms in the larger cities and may be somewhat higher than the rates paid in the smaller communities. Data from these tabulations are available, upon request, from the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



Associated Industries of Kentucky Area Wage Surveys

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

Presently, no labor unions represent manufacturing workers in Breathitt County.

ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY JACKSON LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 yrs. of age by 1979
Labor Market					
Area	11,721	7,816	1,227	2,678	5,277
Breathitt	2,055	1,342	128	585	941
Knott	2,140	1,516	193	431	965
Lee	1,026	628	64	334	396
Magoffin	1,694	1,205	237	252	629
Owsley	828	465	121	242	298
Perry	3,101	2,033	427	641	1,629
Wolfe	877	627	57	193	419

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1972. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1979.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY JACKSON LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 yrs. of age by 1979
Labor Market					
Area	8,868	6,148	693	2,027	4,946
Breathitt	1,440	1,002	72	366	921
Knott	1,505	1,085	107	313	916
Lee	748	480	36	232	395
Magoffin	1,292	928	133	231	632
Owsley	694	536	69	89	269
Perry	2,541	1,649	243	649	1,463
Wolfe	648	468	33	147	350

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1972. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1979.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Breathitt County	\$1,294*	\$ 641	+101.9
Labor Market Area			
Range	\$1,161 to 2,121*	\$507 to 1,175	N.A.
Kentucky	3,099	1,581	+ 96.0
U.S.	3,933	2,216	+ 77.5

*Unadjusted for commuting.

Sources: University of Kentucky, Office of Development Services and Business Research, Per Capita Income in Kentucky. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Survey of Current Business, August 1972.

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Line serving Jackson - Louisville & Nashville Railroad

Services - Freight, switching, siding

For details on routing, schedules, rates, and services, contact:

Manager of Industrial Development
Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company
908 West Broadway
Louisville, Kentucky 40203

Truck Service

Company

Bell Lines, Inc.
Hazard Express
Overnite Transportation
Company

Home Office

Charlestown, West Virginia
Lexington, Kentucky

Richmond, Virginia

Other Freight Services

REA Express
United Parcel Service*

Office at Jackson, Kentucky
Cornettsville, Kentucky, 46 miles
distant

*For regular scheduled pickups or for occasional pickups, arrangements must be made with the Louisville office of U. P. S.

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM
JACKSON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Delivery			Delivery		
	Highway Miles	Time TL	City	Highway Miles	Time TL	City
Atlanta, Ga.	412	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,266	5 to 7	
Birmingham, Ala.	472	2	Louisville, Ky.	159	1	
Chicago, Ill.	460	2 or 3	Nashville, Tenn.	290	2	
Cincinnati, Ohio	162	2 or 3	New Orleans, La.	862	3 or 4	
Cleveland, Ohio	414	2 or 3	New York, N. Y.	821	3 or 4	
Detroit, Mich.	428	2 or 3	Pittsburgh, Pa.	446	3 or 4	
Knoxville, Tenn.	253	1	St. Louis, Mo.	420	2 or 3	

Source: Delivery time only - Overnite Transportation Company, P. O. Box 1216, Richmond, Virginia 23209.

Air

Nearest Commercial

Location: Blue Grass Field
 Lexington, Kentucky, 80 miles away

Runways: 3 paved
 Length: 6,500 feet; 3,500 feet; 3,500 feet

Traffic Control: Tower, guards, approach control, ground control, ILS system

Lighting: Approach lighting system, beacon, runways, and obstructions lighted

Services: 80, 100, and 145 octane, jet fuel, major A & E repairs, storage, restaurant, Weather Bureau, and flight instruction, charter service, taxi, U-Drive-It service, Eastern, Delta, Piedmont and Allegheny Airlines

Air Freight Service: All commercial air carriers accept air freight on a space-available basis.

Bus

Southern Greyhound Bus Line

Taxi

Two companies provide 24-hour service

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Jackson and Breathitt County - Kentucky Power Company

Source of power - Kentucky Power Company

Total generating capacity - 1,080,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Power Company
Hazard, Kentucky

Natural Gas

Company serving Jackson - Panbowl Gas Company*

Source of supply - Local gas field

Size of transmission mains - 2, 3, and 4 inches (supplier)

Distribution mains - 4, 3, and 2 inches

Distribution pressure - 7 ounces (within city)

Btu content - 1,170 per cubic foot

For rates and supplies contact:

Panbowl Gas Company
1135 Main Street
Jackson, Kentucky

Other Fuels

Propane and Butane - Ideal Gas & Oil Company

Fuel Oils -

Distillate fuel oil - Ashland Petroleum Company

Ideal Gas & Oil Company (Texaco Petroleum Products)

Standard Oil Company

Residual fuel oil - arrangements must be made with the refinery.

Low sulphur content coal - Available locally

*Presently extending gas lines to two new businesses.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Jackson - Jackson Municipal Waterworks
Source - North Fork of the Kentucky River
Treatment plant capacity - 690,000 gpd
Average daily consumption - 350,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 500,000 gallons
Type treatment - Clarification, filtration
Storage capacity - 600,000 gallons
Size mains - 10, 8, and 6 inches
Average pressure - 75 psi
Average temperature - 50 to 55 degrees F.

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

First	2,000 gallons	\$3.50 (minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	1.25 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	1.05 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	.90 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	.65 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	.55 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	.40 per M gallons
All over	50,000 gallons	.30 per M gallons

Surface water sources - North and Middle Forks of Kentucky River
Average discharge - North Fork at Jackson, Kentucky, 1,272 cfs
(36 years), Middle Fork at Tallega, Kentucky, 691 cfs (33 years,
unadjusted)
Expected ground water yield - 5 to 50 gpm

Sewerage

Company serving Jackson - Jackson Municipal Sewage Department
Design capacity - 500,000 gallons
Average daily flow - 250,000 gallons
Type treatment - Aeration, digester, and drying beds
Treated effluent discharged into - North Fork of the Kentucky River
Size of sanitary mains - 10 and 8 inches
Rates - 60 percent of monthly water bill

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 6 councilmen - 2-year terms
Estimated income - General Fund \$109,000 (1973)
Water and Sewer Fund 109,200 (1972-73)
Fees and licenses - Occupational licenses range from \$10 to \$300
annually; auto tax sticker - \$5 annually

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 4 magistrates - 4-year terms
Budget 1972-73 - General Fund \$89,600; Road Fund \$35,700

Assessed Value of Property, 1972

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>
Real Estate	\$4,450,520	\$23,495,482
Tangibles	1,974,716	10,427,700
Public Service	881,123	9,139,681 (1971)

Property Taxes

Land and buildings are taxed by the state and may be taxed by local jurisdictions. The state rate is \$0.015 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Tangible personal property owned by manufacturers (automobiles, trucks, finished goods, office furniture, office equipment) is taxed by the state at \$0.15 per \$100 and may be taxed by local jurisdictions.

Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories, and goods in process inventories are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Property stored in public warehouses is not subject to local taxation. The state rate is only \$0.015 per \$100.

All property is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

Local Property Tax Rate Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1972*

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>
County	\$.478	\$.478
School	.684	.544
City	.200	

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Jackson Planning Commission
 Zoning enforced - City only
 Subdivision regulations enforced - City only
 Mandatory state codes enforced - Plumbing, National Fire Protection Association Code, National Building Code (for major buildings and residential construction containing more than 12 bedrooms per building)
 Other programs - Urban renewal, public housing, neighborhood development program

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>
Total staff	4	7
Radio-patrol cars	2	4

Fire

American Insurance Association Fire Rating	8
Full-time staff	1
Volunteers	15
Equipment:	
750 gpm pumper	1
Smoke injector	1
Other	200 feet of 3-inch hose

*Kentucky Department of Revenue, Kentucky Property Tax Rates, 1972

Sanitation

	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>
Type service	Private	Private
Fee charged:		
residential	\$2 monthly	\$5 monthly
business	\$5 monthly	Varies according to volume
Collection frequency:		
residential	Twice weekly	Twice weekly
business	Daily	Twice weekly
Trash pickup	5 days a week*	Twice weekly
Disposal method	Dump	Landfill

*City pickup - no charge

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	<u>Jackson Independent</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>
Total Enrollment (Fall 1972)	384	3,647
Elementary	208	2,236
Junior High		361
High School	176	1,050
Student-Teacher Ratio	21-1	23-1
Elementary	23-1	22-1
Junior High		19-1
High School	20-1	27-1
Percent High School Graduates to College	41.4	54.7
Expenditures Per Pupil (1971-72)	\$488.47	\$429.80
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1972	\$74,000	\$1,236,000

Nonpublic Schools

Total Enrollment	390
Elementary	100
High School	290
Student-Teacher Ratio	12-1
Elementary	13-1
High School	12-1

Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>	<u>Nearest Area Education Center</u>
	Hazard State Vocational-Technical School	Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center
Location	Hazard	Jackson
Miles Distant	31 miles	
Curriculum	Clerical Secretarial Practical Nursing Learning Lab Electronics (Industrial) Highway Technology Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Commercial Foods Cosmetology Diesel Mechanics Drafting Electricity Heavy Equipment Machine Shop Mine Maintenance Welding	Clerical Secretarial Appliance Repair Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Electricity Machine Shop

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area - Within 90 miles</u>		<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1972)</u>	
Lees Junior College	Jackson	352	Associate
Alice Lloyd College	Pippa Passes	280	Associate
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond	10,580	Masters, Ph. D.*
Hazard Community College	Hazard	203	Associate
Lexington Technical Institute	Lexington	**	Associate
Prestonsburg Community College	Prestonsburg	457	Associate
Southeast Community College	Cumberland	306	Associate
Southeastern Christian College	Winchester	130	Associate
Transylvania University	Lexington	726	Baccalaureate
University of Kentucky	Lexington	19,538	Ph. D., M. D., D. M. D., J. D.

*Cooperative program with the University of Kentucky, Lexington, for a Doctorate in Education only.

**Enrollment is included in University of Kentucky enrollment.

HEALTH

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital*	Hazard, Kentucky	152

General hospital facilities - 2 operating rooms, recovery room, emergency room, OB section, X-ray, laboratory

Medical staff - 18 doctors, 26 registered nurses, 80 licensed practical nurses

Nursing Homes

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Extended care homes	1	50
Personal care homes	1	75

Public Health

Facility - Breathitt County Health Department

Staff - 2 clerks, health officer, 2 registered nurses, registered nurse (part-time), auxiliary worker; Home Health Agency - 2 home health aides, registered nurse, social worker (part-time), 1 clerk

Budget 1972-73 - \$83,378

*April 4, 1973, construction began on an addition to the hospital. It will be an emergency care center and completion is expected in 1975.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

Telephone - South Central Bell Telephone Company
Services - Standard

Telegraph - Western Union
Services - Money orders, telephone, and mail

Postal - U.S. Post Office
Class - Second
Mail received - 3 times daily
Mail dispatched - 3 times daily

Newspapers - The Jackson Times
Weekly and circulation - 3,800
Other papers
received from - Louisville and Lexington, Kentucky

Radio - City, WEKG; County, WNTC
Stations received from - Hazard, Lexington, and Louisville,
Kentucky; Indianapolis, Indiana;
Cincinnati, Ohio; Nashville, Tennessee

Television -
Reception from - Hazard and Lexington, Kentucky; Huntington,
West Virginia; Johnson City, Tennessee
Kentucky Educational
Television - Channel 35, Hazard transmitter

Library Services

Public library - Breathitt County Public Library
Size collection - 17,000 volumes
Circulation, 1971-72 - 79,856
Services - Records and record player, magazines, pictures, story
hour, film strip machine, community room, colored TV, bookmobile

Religious Institutions

	<u>Jackson</u>	<u>Breathitt County</u>
Number of churches -	5	4
Denominations -	Baptist	Brethern
	Christian	Church of Christ
	Catholic	Free Methodist
	Presbyterian	Presbyterian U. S. A.
	United Methodist	

Nearest Synagogues - Lexington, 80 miles distant
Congregations - Adath Israel (reform); Ohavey Zion (traditional)

Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Statement as of December 30, 1972</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Citizens Bank of Jackson	\$9,051,038.69	\$8,239,797.41
The First National Bank	8,402,270.85	7,848,066.54

Hotels and Motels

Total number - 3
Units - 60

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Breathitt County Industrial Development Foundation, Inc., Jaycees, Kiwanis, Lions, Ministerial Association

Fraternal - Masonic Lodge, Blue Lodge and Royal Arch

Women's - Daughters of America, DAR, Eastern Star, Junior Woman's Club, Woman's Club

Youth - Beta Club, Boy Scouts, Circle K Club, Cub Scouts, FFA, FHA, 4-H, FTA

RECREATION

Local

Public Recreation Facilities

- Supervised program - Jackson Recreational Program
- Parks - 2
- Playgrounds - 4
- Swimming pool - 1
- Baseball diamond - 1

Private Recreation Facilities

- Movie theater - 1

Tourist Attractions

- The hills that surround Jackson and Breathitt County always provide scenic beauty.
- Lost Creek Speedway

Cultural Events

- Breathitt County Arts Council
- Kentucky Arts Commission
- Lees College Players

Area (Within 50 miles)

- Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park
- Daniel Boone National Forest
- Natural Bridge State Resort Park
- Red River Gorge

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture*

	<u>Breathitt County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total land area (acres)	316,224	1,362,112
Percent of area in farm land	26.9	27.9
Number of farms	554	3,266
Average size of farms (acres)	153.4	116.5
1969 value of all farm products	\$ 738,300	\$ 4,882,469
Value per farm	1,332	1,495
Total crop sales	543,624	3,669,420
Total livestock & livestock products	186,533	1,157,706
1970 agricultural production included:		
Burley tobacco (lbs.)	1,081,000	6,730,000**
Corn (bu.)	82,000	339,000
Cattle and calves (number)	2,200	16,400
Hogs and pigs (number)	2,300	9,500
Milk production, 1969 (lbs.)	3,420,000	14,170,000***

Natural Resources

Principal mineral resources	Coal and petroleum
Other mineral resources	Natural gas
Acres of commercial forest land	281,000
Most abundant tree species	Red oak, white oak, hickory, yellow poplar, yellow pine, beech, soft maple

*U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Agriculture, 1969. U. S. Department of Agriculture and Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Agricultural Statistics, 1971.

**Total does not include Knott County.

***Total does not include Knott, Lee, Owsley and Perry Counties.

Climate*

Breathitt County

Temperature

Annual mean (30-year record)	55.6 degrees
Average annual 1971	55.6 degrees
Record highest, July, 1966** (8-year record)	98.0 degrees
Record lowest, January, 1966** (8-year record)	-10.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,683
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

Precipitation

Mean annual total (30-year record)	44.73 inches
Mean annual snow and sleet (27-year record)	16.5 inches
Total precipitation 1971	44.67 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (27-year record)	128
Average number days thunderstorms (27-year record)	47
Prevailing winds (17-year record)	South

*U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services
Administration, Climatological Data, 1971. Station of record:
Lexington, Kentucky.

**Also on earlier dates, months or years.

HISTORY

Because of its early isolation, little is known of the history of the Jackson area prior to the arrival of the pioneers. A limited number of Indian artifacts found indicate that the many Indian tribes inhabiting the lands of the Appalachian Plateau generally regarded the interior as a forbidden place and avoided it except in times of dire necessity. The early remoteness of Jackson to other areas of Kentucky and the developing areas of the nation had a pronounced effect on Jackson's development.

Jackson is the county seat of Breathitt County. Breathitt County was formed in 1839 from parts of Estill, Clay, and Perry Counties. The county was named in honor of the Governor of Kentucky at that time, John Breathitt. Shortly thereafter, a commission was appointed to locate a county seat. In 1839, Simon Cockrell conveyed to the county a gift of ten acres for a town site, and in 1845, Jackson was named in honor of General Andrew Jackson.

During the period Jackson was establishing itself as a county seat, other functions also developed. Jackson became a small commercial center for a limited area. At that time, the principal means of transportation was the Kentucky River, and Jackson became an unloading point in the transport of commercial goods since most of the stream above Jackson was not navigable. Consequently, many of the early general stores were established near the river. Lodging became a necessity and several hotels were built during this period of Jackson's early development.

In 1891, Jackson incorporated. The Kentucky Union Railroad reached Jackson in 1891, and as the railroad's eastern terminal, the city enjoyed a growing boom that was to last for twenty years. In 1912, the railroad was extended to Hazard, and Jackson's importance as a regional trading center diminished.

Since the early 1900's, the county's economy has relied primarily on coal mining and small sawmilling operations. But today, with the opening of new highways in Eastern Kentucky, Jackson and Breathitt County have the potential of becoming a center of trade and industry.

In 1850, Breathitt County had a population of 3,785. By 1950, this had climbed to 19,964, followed by a decline in 1960 to 15,490 and still further in 1970 to 14,221.

Agriculture employment accounted for 370 of the county's 2,470 employed in 1971. In 1972, manufacturing employment was 42 with the major products being soft drinks and barrel staves. The major manufacturing firms are Royal Crown Bottling Company and Jackson Stave Company.