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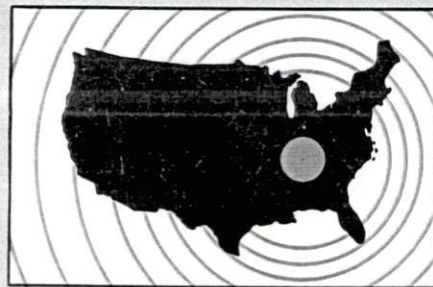
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

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BROWNSVILLE, KENTUCKY

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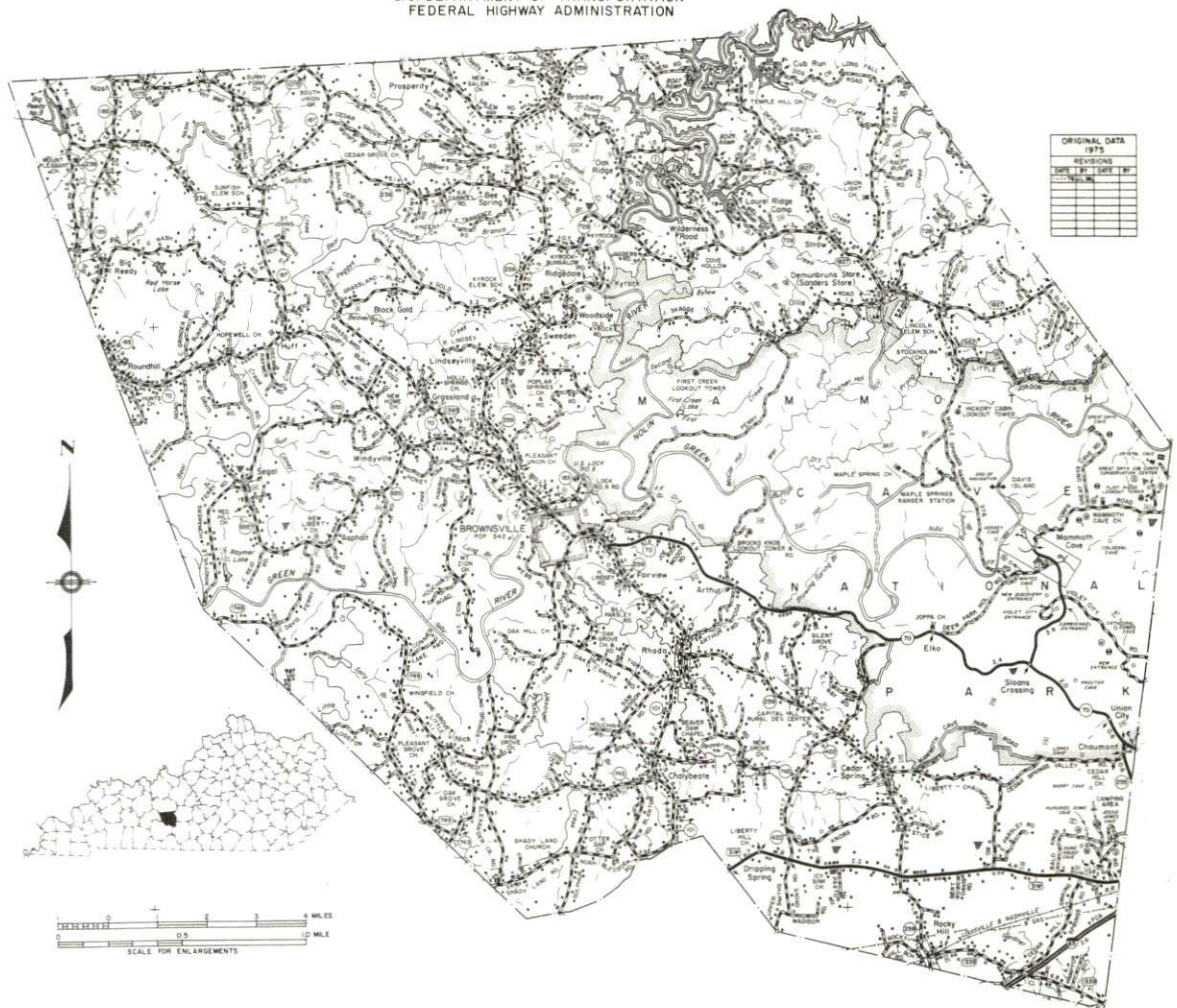
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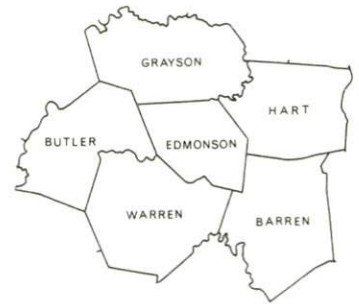
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP EDMONSON COUNTY KENTUCKY

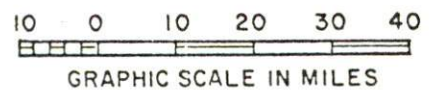
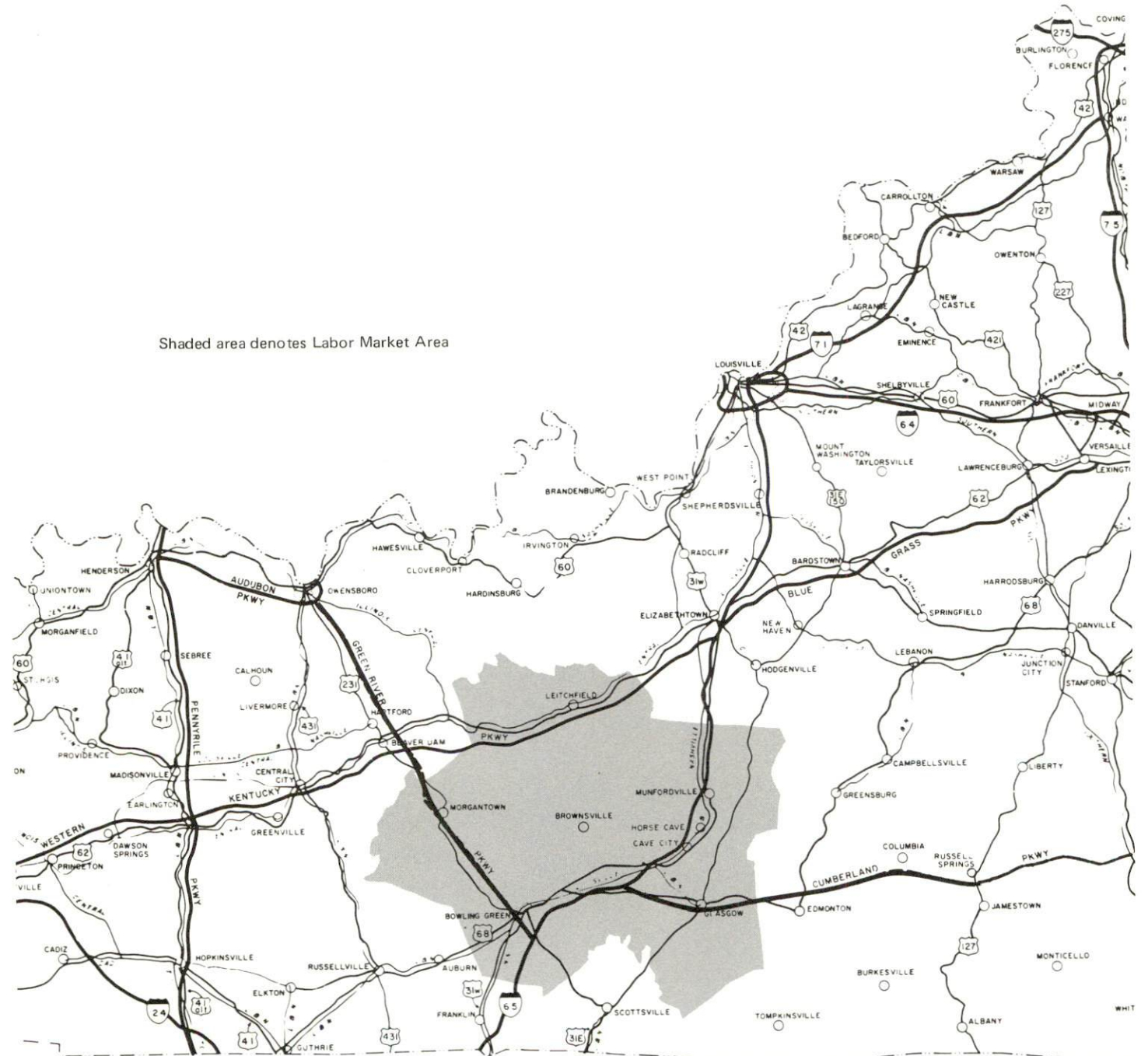
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BROWNSVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA



Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area



BROWNSVILLE, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Brownsville, the county seat of Edmonson County, is a small community situated in the central section of the county at the western edge of the Mammoth Cave National Park. Brownsville is 30 miles northeast of Bowling Green, Kentucky; 92 miles northeast of Nashville, Tennessee; and 103 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky. In 1973, Brownsville's population was estimated to be 572.

Edmonson County, with a land area of 298 square miles, is located in southwestern Kentucky, partly within the Western Coal Field Region and partly within the Mississippian Plateau Region. In 1975, Edmonson County had an estimated population of 9,500.

The Economic Framework

The total number of Edmonson County residents employed in 1974 averaged 2,780, including 270 in agriculture and 500 in government. Manufacturing employers in the county reported 335 workers; trade and services firms employed 270. The major industrial product of the county is ladies' sportswear.

Total unemployment in Edmonson County averaged 7.6 percent of the labor force in 1974.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1974 was \$2,623, an increase of 49.6 percent since 1970.

The Brownsville labor market area includes Edmonson and the five adjoining counties. The total number of residents of the labor market area employed in 1974 averaged 66,310, including 7,820 in agriculture and 8,870 in government. Manufacturing employers in the labor market area reported 15,240 workers; trade and services firms employed 15,790.

Resources for Growth

1. Labor Supply - There is a current labor supply of 5,740 men and 5,680 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, 6,640 young men and 6,270 young women in the area will become 18 years of age before 1982 and potentially available for work.

2. Transportation - The Louisville and Nashville Railroad offers a variety of services at Cave City, 21 miles distant. Interstate 65 is only 15 miles from Brownsville. Three trucking companies serve the city and a United Parcel Service shipping center is located in Bowling Green,

30 miles distant. Air Kentucky Airlines (commuter air carrier) serves the Bowling Green-Warren County Airport, 30 miles from Brownsville, providing daily connecting service to Louisville, Owensboro, and Frankfort, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio.

3. Utilities and Fuel - Electricity is furnished to Brownsville and Edmonson County by the Warren RECC, whose source of supply is the Tennessee Valley Authority. Farmers RECC, whose source of supply is the East Kentucky Power Cooperative, supplies electricity to part of the county. Natural gas service is not available. Seven distributors of propane are located within 30 miles of Brownsville. One distributor of distillate fuel oil is located in Brownsville and ten are located within 30 miles of the city.

4. Education - Primary and secondary education is provided in the county by the Edmonson County School System. One university and one community college are located within 60 miles of Brownsville. The nearest state vocational training facility is located at Bowling Green, 30 miles distant, and courses are offered in twenty-one vocational areas.

THE LABOR MARKET AREA

POPULATION

<u>Area</u>	<u>1975*</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>Percent Nonwhite</u>
			<u>1970</u>
Brownsville	572**	542	N. A.
Labor Market Area	145,600	135,460	N. A.
Edmonson County	9,500	8,751	2.7
Barren County	30,700	28,677	6.3
Butler County	10,100	9,723	0.7
Grayson County	18,200	16,445	0.8
Hart County	14,700	13,980	9.9
Warren County	62,400	57,884	8.6

*Provisional Estimates.

**1973 Population Estimates.

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970. U. S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 562, June 1975; Series P-26, No. 75-17, May 1976.

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1974

<u>Major Employment Group</u>	<u>Employment by Place of Residence of Workers</u>	
	<u>Edmonson County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total Employment	2,778	66,314
Agriculture	268	7,818
Government	496	8,868
	<u>Employment by Location of Jobs</u>	
	<u>Edmonson County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Manufacturing	335	15,238
Trade and Services	268	15,793

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Bureau for Administration and Operations.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY
SEPTEMBER 1975

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Edmonson County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	398	13,860
Food & Kindred Products	0	885
Tobacco	0	143
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	381	4,344
Lumber, Furniture	13	632
Printing & Publishing, Paper	4	655
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal,		
Rubber	0	168
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	113
Primary Metals	0	162
Machinery, Metal Products,		
Equipment	0	6,617
Other	0	141

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, September, 1975.

BROWNSVILLE MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm (Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>			<u>Organized</u>
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Brownsville Manufactur-					
ing Company (1973)	Ladies' sportswear	375	75	300	*
Edmonson News (1927)	Newspaper	3	3	0	
Sun Valley Feed Mill					
(1954)	Feed, fertilizer	2	2	0	
VanMeter Hardware &	Tobacco sticks,				
Lumber Company	rough lumber				
(1961)	posts, truck				
	beds and framing	3	3	0	

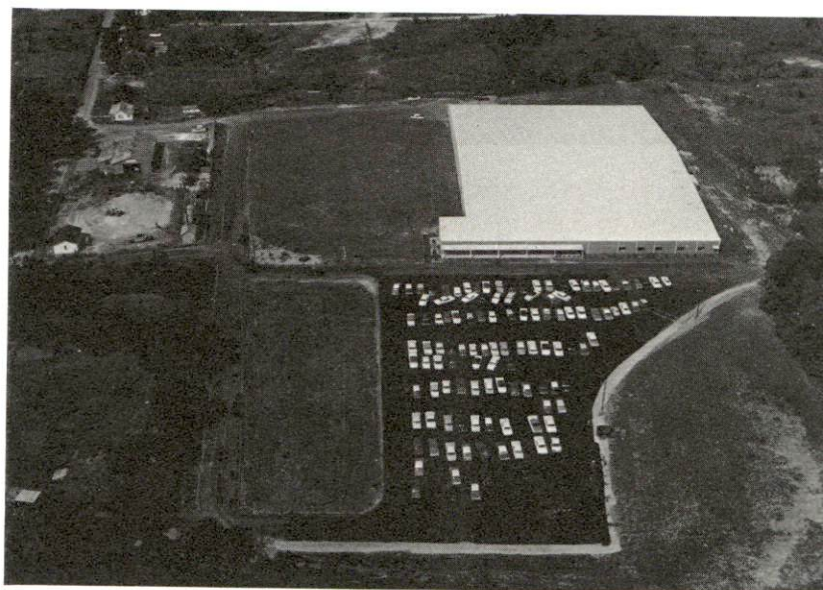
*See Labor Organizations below.

Source: Kentucky Department of Commerce, Division of Research and Planning.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing manufacturing workers at:</u>
International Ladies' Garment Workers Union	Brownsville Manufacturing Company

Brownsville Manufacturing
Company



Edmonson County High School

Brownsville Elementary School



ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY
BROWNSVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Future	
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed	Under-employed	Reaching 18 yrs. of age before 1982
Labor Market					
Area	5,740	510	1,890	3,340	6,643
Edmonson	240	0	130	110	443
Barren	970	0	440	530	1,458
Butler	890	510	170	210	473
Grayson	680	0	360	320	860
Hart	360	0	160	200	747
Warren	2,600	0	630	1,970	2,662

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1975. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply before 1982.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY
BROWNSVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA

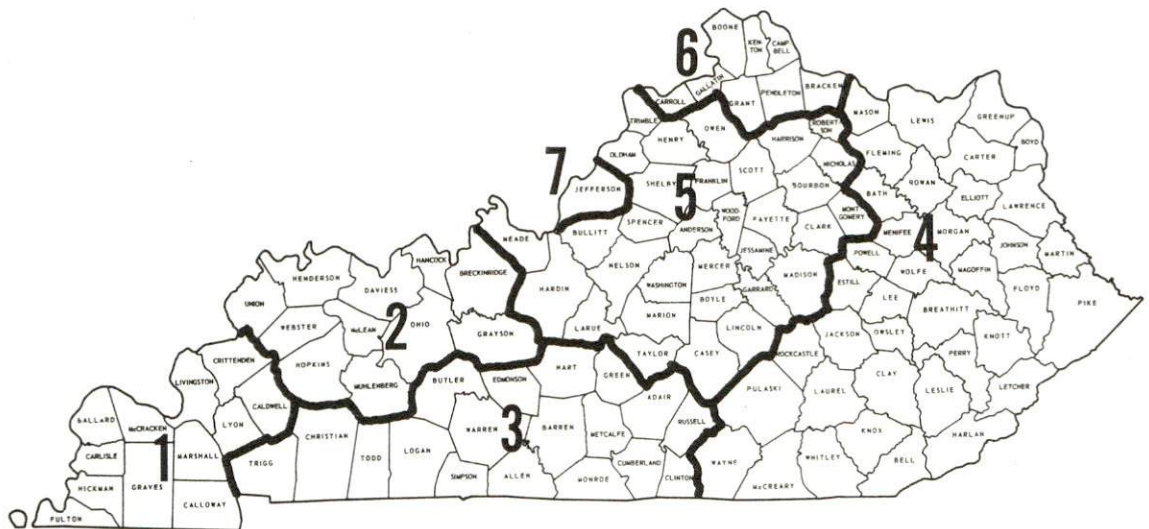
Area	Current			Future	
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed	Under-employed	Reaching 18 yrs. of age before 1982
Labor Market					
Area	5,680	1,160	1,220	3,300	6,274
Edmonson	590	350	100	140	441
Barren	790	0	300	490	1,318
Butler	790	460	130	200	486
Grayson	470	90	110	270	780
Hart	660	260	110	290	709
Warren	2,380	0	470	1,910	2,540

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1975. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply before 1982.

WAGES

Occupational wage rates for specific industries are usually not available to most government agencies, and wage data furnished to state employment agencies by individual 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 127 clearly defined office, production, and service occupations. Tabulations are published for seven 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

Up-to-date occupational wage rates of the existing industries are maintained by the South Kentucky Industrial Development Association, Post Office Box 726, Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1974</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Edmonson County	\$2,623	\$1,753	49.6
Labor Market Area			
Range	\$4,225 - 2,505	\$2,848 - 1,753	N.A.
Kentucky	4,442	3,112	42.7
U.S.	5,448	3,966	37.4

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Survey of Current Business, August 1975. U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, March 1976.

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Nearest railroad - The Louisville & Nashville Railroad at Cave City,
21 miles distant

Services - Three northbound and three southbound freights stop
weekly; six northbound and six southbound through freights daily;
team track space for 25 cars; switching facilities; piggyback
facilities at Bowling Green, 30 miles from Brownsville

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

Manager of Industrial Development
Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company
908 West Broadway
Louisville, Kentucky 40203
(502) 587-5000

Highways

Interstate 65 is 15 miles southwest of Brownsville via Ken-
tucky Route 101. Kentucky Route 259 connects Brownsville with the
Western Kentucky Parkway, 24 miles to the north.

Truck Service

Company

Home Office

Armellini Express Lines, Inc.

P. O. Box 608
Vineland, New Jersey 08360

Bowling Green Express, Inc.

Plum Springs Road
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Majors Transit, Inc.

P. O. Box 7
Caneyville, Kentucky 42721

Other Freight Services

Nearest Shipping Center

United Parcel Service*

Bowling Green, 30 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
BROWNSVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Delivery		City	Delivery	
	Highway Miles	Time TL		Highway Miles	Time TL
Atlanta, Ga.	334	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,117	6
Birmingham, Ala.	288	2	Louisville, Ky.	103	1
Chicago, Ill.	395	2	Nashville, Tenn.	92	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	204	1	New Orleans, La.	609	2
Cleveland, Ohio	448	2	New York, N. Y.	851	4
Detroit, Mich.	463	2	Pittsburgh, Pa.	491	3
Knoxville, Tenn.	269	2	St. Louis, Mo.	286	1

Source: Delivery Time Only - Majors Transit, Inc., P. O. Box 7,
Caneyville, Kentucky 42721.

Air

Nearest Commuter

Location: Bowling Green-Warren County Airport
Bowling Green, 30 miles distant
Runways: 2 paved
Length: 4,000 feet and 6,500 feet
Traffic Control: Wind tee, Airport Advisory Service
Lighting: Runways, obstructions, taxiways,
beacon, wind tee, strobes
Services: Air Kentucky (commuter air carrier)
80 and 100 octane, jet A-50, storage,
minor A & E repairs, FAA Flight
Service Station, taxi and rental car
service, snack bar

Air Freight
Service: Chartered air services must be arranged

Commercial air service is available at Nashville, Tennessee,
92 miles to the south, and at Louisville, Kentucky, 103 miles to the
north.

Bus - Trailways Bus Line

Nearest Rental Services - Automobile, truck and trailer rentals at
Bowling Green, 30 miles distant.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Brownsville and Edmonson County - Warren RECC

Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority

Total generating capacity - 26,723,430 KW

For industrial rates contact:

South Kentucky Industrial
Development Association, Inc.
Post Office Box 726
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42240
(502) 885-5392

and/or

Warren RECC
P. O. Box 1118
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101
(502) 842-6541

Company serving Edmonson County - Farmers RECC

Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Total generating capacity - 496,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Industrial Development Division
East Kentucky Power Cooperative
P. O. Box 707
Winchester, Kentucky 40391
(606) 744-4812

and/or

Farmers RECC
504 South Broadway
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141
(502) 651-2191

Natural Gas

There is no natural gas service in Brownsville.

Other Fuels

Propane and butane

John E. Foster & Son (Citgo LP Gas)
207 N. Main
Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754

Foster's Gas, Inc.
126 West Market
Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754

McClard Doxol Gas Company
801 Victoria
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Miller's Bottled Gas, Inc.
110 E. Campbell Lane
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Pargas of Glasgow
214 Industrial Drive
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141

Southern States Bowling Green Petroleum Cooperative
Emmett Drive
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Ugite Gas Incorporated
N 31-W
Horse Cave, Kentucky 42749

Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil -

Browning Oil Company (Shell)
Louisville Road
Bowling, Green, Kentucky 42101

Exxon Company USA
3170 Industrial Boulevard
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Gentry's Standard Service
N. Race
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141

Gulf Oil Company (Virgil M. Taylor, Distributor)
700 W. Main
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141

Hall Standard Service
107 Columbia Avenue
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141

R. C. McKinney (Texaco)
110 Plain Avenue
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Ramsey Oil Company (Phillips 66)
633 US 31-W By Pass
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Standard Oil Company
210 Leslie Avenue
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141

Standard Oil Company Plant
316 Portage Railroad
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

Tri-County Oil Company, Inc.
715 W. Main
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141

Wells Oil Company
Brownsville, Kentucky 42210

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

Low sulphur content coal - Available in eastern Kentucky.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Brownsville - Brownsville Water System
City Clerk's Office
Brownsville, Kentucky 42210
(502) 597-3814

Source - Purchases treated water from the Edmonson County Water District

Average daily consumption - 60,000 gallons

Size lines - 12, 10, 8, 6, 4 and 2 inches

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

First	2,000 gallons	\$4.20 (Minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	1.60 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	1.50 per M gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	1.15 per M gallons
All over	25,000 gallons	.95 per M gallons

Tap-on charge: Residential - \$125 (plus cost of
installation of over 25 feet of line)
Commercial - \$200

Name of water district - Edmonson County Water District*

Box 216

Brownsville, Kentucky 42210

(502) 597-3777

Area served - Brownsville, Park City and Edmonson County

Date when water district began operating - 1970

Source of raw water - Green River

Capacity of treatment plant - 500,000 gallons per day

Type of treatment - Chlorine, flouride, alum and lime coagulation

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 325,000 gallons

Peak amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 485,000 gallons

Storage capacity - 850,000 gallons

Average pressure - 65 psi

Average temperature - 48 degrees F.

Size lines - 8, 6, 4, 3 and 2 inches

Rates -

First	2,000 gallons	\$6.00 (Minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	.21 per 100 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	.125 per 100 gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	.095 per 200 gallons
All over	25,000 gallons	.06 per 100 gallons

Tap-on charge: \$250

Surface water sources - Green River

Average discharge - Green River at Lock 6, Brownsville, 4,233 cfs
(44-year record, USGS)

Expected ground water yield - 50 to 200 gpm in northwestern portion of county; 5 to 50 gpm in western, eastern, and southeastern portion of county; 5 gpm or less in remainder of county

Sewerage

Company serving Brownsville - Brownsville Sewer System

City Clerk's Office

Brownsville, Kentucky 42210

(502) 597-3814

Design capacity - 100,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow - 40,000 gallons; Treatment - Primary and secondary

Type treatment - Aeration, clarification and aerobic digestion of sludge

Treated effluent discharged into - Green River

Size of sanitary mains - 8 inches

Rates - 90 percent of monthly water rate

Tap-on charge: \$125 (plus cost of installation of over 25 feet of line)

*Plans are being made to double the treatment plant capacity, and to add approximately 61 miles of water line, three 150,000-gallon storage tanks, and three booster station pumps.

CLIMATE

Edmonson County

Temperature

Annual mean (30-year record)	55.2 degrees
Average annual 1975	55.9 degrees
Record highest, July, 1966 (12-year record)	98.0 degrees
Record lowest, January, 1972 (12-year record)	-11.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,729
(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)	44.49 inches
Mean annual snowfall (30-year record)	15.60 inches
Total precipitation 1975	59.11 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (31-year record)	131
Average number days thunderstorms (31-year record)	47

Prevailing Winds (17-year record)

South

Relative Humidity

1 a.m.	76 percent (11-year record)
7 a.m.	81 percent (12-year record)
1 p.m.	59 percent (12-year record)
7 p.m.	64 percent (12-year record)

Source: U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services
Administration, Climatological Data, 1975. Station of record:
Lexington, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Structure - Board of Trustees: Chairman - 2-year term; 4 board members - 2-year terms

Budget 1975 - General Fund \$14,663.73

Water and Sewer Fund 77,159.01

Fees and licenses - Unloading license - \$25 annually

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 6 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1975-76 - General Fund \$61,399; Road Fund \$40,550

Assessed Value of Property

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Brownsville (1975)</u>	<u>Edmonson County (1976)</u>
Real Estate	\$2,098,950	\$37,586,259
Tangibles	1,403,635	11,120,840

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 good, 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, pollution control equipment, and goods in process inventories, are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Property stored in public warehouses in transit status 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, 1975*

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Brownsville</u>	<u>Edmonson County</u>
County	\$.143	\$.143
School	.368	.368
City	.154	
Special (not county wide):	Fire Protection	\$.02
	Watershed	.10
	Watershed Flood Plain	1.00 per acre

Planning and Zoning

There is no active planning and zoning agency in Brownsville or Edmonson County at present.

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)

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Brownsville</u>	<u>Edmonson County</u>
Total staff	1	8**
Radio-patrol cars	1	2**

Fire

American Insurance		
Association Fire Rating	10	10
Volunteers	12	14

Rescue Service

Edmonson County Civil Defense
Number of volunteers - 23
Equipment - Truck, jeep, van, converted bus (camper-type), generator, boat and motor, dragging hooks, and stretchers
Personnel training - Standard first aid

*Kentucky Department of Revenue, Kentucky Property Tax Rates, 1975.

**The county sheriff's office also provides police protection to the city.

Solid Waste

Brownsville and Edmonson County

Type service	Private
Fee charged:	
residential	\$5.00 per month
business	Varies with amount collected
industrial	Varies with amount collected
Collection frequency:	
residential	Once weekly
business	Varies
industrial	Varies
Trash pickup	On request - \$2 fee
Disposal method	Sanitary landfill

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	<u>Edmonson County</u>
Total Enrollment (June 1976)	1,932
Elementary	952
Junior High	422
High School	558
Student-Teacher Ratio	24-1
Elementary	24-1
Junior High	30-1
High School	20-1
Percent High School	
Graduates to College	21.3
Expenditures Per Pupil	
(1974-75)	\$554.44
Bonded Indebtedness,	
June 30, 1975	\$1,068,000

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u> <u>(Miles Distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment</u> <u>(Fall, 1975)</u>	<u>Highest Degree</u> <u>Conferred</u>
Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown (60)	1,345	Associate
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green (30)	13,040	Masters, Ph. D. *

*Cooperative program with the University of Kentucky, Lexington, for a Ph. D. in education only.

Vocational Schools

Nearest State School

Location	Bowling Green State Vocational-Technical School
Miles Distant	Bowling Green 30
Curriculum	Commercial Foods Distributive Education Dental Assisting Health Careers Nursing Assistant Surgical Technician Industrial Education Air Conditioning and Heating Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Civil Highway Technician Drafting Electronics (Technology) Graphic Arts (Printing) Industrial Electricity Machine Shop Masonry Radio and TV Repair Small Engine Repair Tool and Die Making Welding

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.

HEALTH

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 2

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
T. J. Samson Community Hospital	Glasgow, 30 miles distant	199 beds
Bowling Green-Warren County Hospital	Bowling Green, 30 miles distant	275 hospital beds including 15 psychiatric beds; 28 extended care facility beds; 24 bassinets
Greenview Hospital	Bowling Green, 30 miles distant	157 beds

T. J. Samson Community Hospital

General hospital facilities and services - 3 operating rooms, intensive recovery room, 3 emergency rooms, coronary care-intensive care, 2 diagnostic radiological rooms with image intensifiers and automatic film processor, nuclear medicine department, inhalation therapy department, physical therapy department, and clinical and anatomical laboratory services on the premises

Medical staff - 26 doctors, 30 registered nurses, 50 licensed practical nurses, radiologist, pathologist, psychiatrist, ophthalmologist, internist, pediatrician, neurologist, urologist, obstetrical-gynecologist, general surgery, general practice, and family practice

Bowling Green-Warren County Hospital

General hospital facilities and services - 5 operating rooms, 5 emergency rooms, 4-bed coronary care unit, 6-bed intensive care unit, physical therapy department, respiratory therapy department, 15-bed psychiatric unit, laboratory and pathology, electrocardiograph, X-ray facilities, ambulance service, pharmacy, social services, home health agency, coffee shop

Medical staff - 68 doctors, 91 registered nurses, 37 licensed practical nurses, 109 aides and 247 other employees

Greenview Hospital

General hospital facilities and services - 4 operating rooms, emergency facilities, 8-bed coronary care-intensive care unit, physical therapy department, pathological laboratory, electroencephalography, nuclear medicine diagnostic department, inhalation therapy, X-ray department, outpatient department, pharmacy, coffee shop, gift shop

Medical staff - 68 doctors, 73 registered nurses, 18 licensed practical nurses, and 96 other employees

Ambulance Service

Name - Brownsville-Edmonson County Ambulance Service
Staff - 10 full-time employees
Service - 24-hour, county wide
Equipment - 2 fully equipped medi-vans

Nursing Homes

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Personal care homes	1	37

Public Health

Facility - Edmonson County Health Department
Staff - Full-time: Registered nurse and clerk
Part-time: 2 registered nurses, health environmentalist,
and laboratory assistant

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

Telephone - Kentucky Telephone Company
Services - Standard

Telegraph - Western Union
Services - Telephone to Louisville

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

Newspapers - Edmonson News
Weekly and circulation - 2,700
Other papers received from - Bowling Green and Louisville,
Kentucky

Radio -
Stations received from - Bowling Green, Louisville, Glasgow,
Leitchfield and Munfordville, Kentucky;
Nashville, Tennessee

Television -
Cable service
Reception from - Bowling Green and Louisville, Kentucky;
Nashville, Tennessee
Kentucky Educational Television - Bowling Green transmitter,
Channel 53

Library Services

Public library - Edmonson Free Public Library
Size collection - 19,120 volumes
Circulation, 1975-76 - 61,693
Services - Bookmobile, story hour, records, paintings, films, books
and records taken weekly to nursing home, and meeting room for
clubs and organizations

Religious Institutions

Number of churches - 3

Denominations - General Baptist, Missionary Baptist

Nearest Synagogues - Owensboro, 81 miles distant

Congregations - Adath Israel (reform)

Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>
Bank of Edmonson County	\$9,003,533.35	\$8,084,722.09	6/30/76
Brownsville Deposit Bank	8,715,426.20	7,804,163.80	6/30/76

Hotels and Motels

Total number - 1

Total units - 22

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Lions Club, Optimist

Fraternal - American Legion, Masonic Lodge, Odd Fellows

Women's - Homemakers, Rebekahs

Youth - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, FFA, FHA, FTA, FBLA, Little League, 4-H, Youth Club

Other - Edmonson County Saddle Club, Mammoth Cave Saddle Club, Band Boosters



Park Mammoth Resort - Motel
Approximately 15 miles from Brownsville



U. S. Post Office

RECREATION

Local

A Community Recreation Center in Brownsville provides facilities for year-round recreational activities. In addition, the city is in the process of developing a recreational park which will contain two tennis courts. A playground, football field, and baseball diamond are available. Other recreation facilities include a Baptist Church Camp and a private golf course located in southern Edmonson County.

Area

Brownsville is located in a region rich in scenic and recreational attractions. Nolin River Lake lies approximately 10 miles to the north. This 5,800-acre lake offers excellent boating and fishing. The Green River, which runs through Brownsville and Edmonson County, also offers opportunities for water sports.

Mammoth Cave National Park, 14 miles east of Brownsville, has much historic significance as well as scenic beauty. The cave is one of the largest cave networks ever discovered with at least 150 miles charted on 5 levels plus vast areas not yet mapped. In addition to the cave attractions, the park offers nature trails, an amphitheater, tent and trailer campsites, swimming, picnic areas, fishing, and a scenic boat trip on the Green River.

Diamond Cavern, Mammoth Onyx Cave, Jesse James Cave, Crystal Onyx Cave, Hundred Dome Cave and numerous tourist attractions are all within 25 miles of Brownsville.

Brownsville is 30 miles from Bowling Green. Attractions here include the Hobson House, a restored mansion located on 236 acres of parkland overlooking Barren River, and Beech Bend Park and Beech Bend International Raceway. Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green offers an array of cultural and athletic activities.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Recent:

1. A new shopping center is now in operation, bringing five new stores to the Brownsville area.
2. A bank has opened a new branch office in the shopping center.
3. A new addition to the Edmonson County Courthouse has been completed and is now in use.
4. Two county elementary schools have been enlarged and remodeled.

Underway:

1. A 26-unit federally subsidized low-rent apartment complex is being built.
2. Two new subdivisions are being developed near the city.
3. A recreational park containing two tennis courts is being developed in the city.
4. Preparations are being made for the opening of a new restaurant.
5. Two businesses in the shopping center are being expanded.
6. A bank in the city is being remodeled.

Planned:

1. The City of Brownsville, with the assistance of the Barren River Area Development District, is preparing to establish a planning and zoning commission.

2. The city is planning to annex two nearby subdivisions and to begin action to raise the city to fifth class status.
3. The Edmonson County Water District is planning to double the water treatment capacity of its plant and to add three 150,000 gallon storage tanks, three booster stations, and approximately 61 miles of water line.
4. The Edmonson County School System is in the process of developing plans for a new high school.
5. Members of the community are beginning to organize a Chamber of Commerce.

HISTORY

Edmonson County is situated in the southcentral part of Kentucky. Its 298 square mile area is bisected by the Green River, one of the deepest narrow streams in the world. The Nolin River unites with the Green at Brownsville, flowing from the northeastern part of the county where much of the Nolin Reservoir, a 5,800-acre lake, lies. The surface of the land is gently rolling to hilly, and the soil is fairly fertile, especially in the river valleys. Among the natural oddities of the area is Indian Hill, a circular land formation once used by early Indians, as indicated by numerous artifacts and burial places. Dismal Rock, a 160-foot high rock formation, is the subject of much Indian lore. Most outstanding of the county's natural wonders, however, is world-famous Mammoth Cave.

Discovered about 1800, Mammoth Cave is of interest not only as a natural wonder but also for its historical significance. The more than 325 passageways of the cave have been mapped to a distance of over 150 miles and are filled with extraordinary formations. Many of the passages are now lighted, giving tourists access to the spectacular domes, pits and chambers. In the War of 1812, Mammoth Cave played a crucial role as the United State's only source of saltpeter for making gunpowder. Mammoth Cave National Park is a 51,000-acre nature sanctuary with complete tourist facilities and is one of the main tourist attractions of the state.

Edmonson became Kentucky's seventy-ninth county in 1825, named for Captain John Edmonson, an early Fayette County settler and military leader in the War of 1812. Brownsville, the county seat was established in 1825 and was named for General Jacob Brown, a military commander in the War of 1812. In 1970 the city's population was 542, and in 1973 it was estimated to be 572.

The earliest recorded population figure for Edmonson County was 2,642 in 1830. This reached 9,376 in 1950, followed by a decline to 8,085 in 1960. In the next decade, however, significant industrial growth was accompanied by an upswing in population for a total of 8,751 in 1970. The county's population was estimated to have grown to 9,500 by 1975.

There were 2,780 residents of Edmonson County employed in 1974. The largest portion were employed by government, which accounted for 500 jobs. Agriculture employed 270. Edmonson County manufacturing firms employed 335 and trade and services firms employed 270. The largest manufacturing firm in the county is the Brownsville Manufacturing Company, which produces ladies' sportswear.

Edmonson County is served by Interstate 65, which has an interchange near Brownsville. Unusually good recreational opportunities are afforded by Mammoth Cave National Park and Nolin River Reservoir, where there is excellent fishing.

Among distinguished citizens of Edmonson County have been United States Senator M. M. Logan and U. S. Congressman B. M. Vincent. Charles E. Whittle became the youngest college president in America when he assumed the executive office at Ogden College.

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