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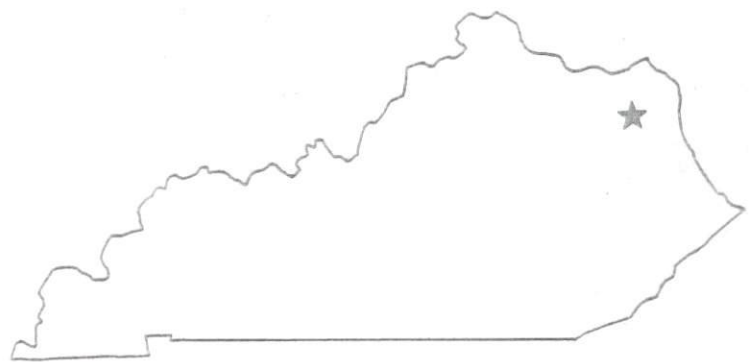
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Elliott County



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RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ELLIOTT COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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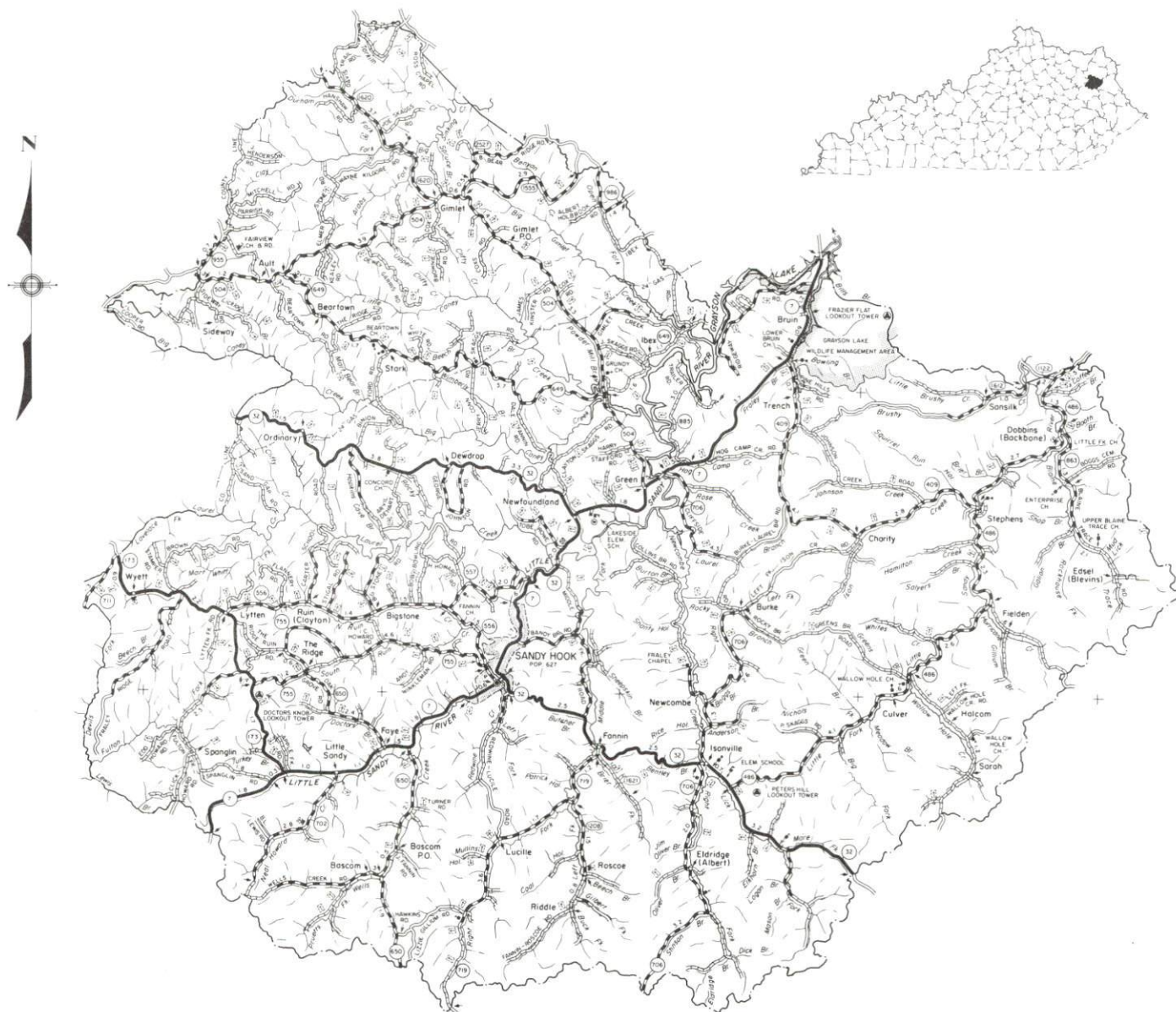
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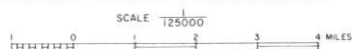
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
ELLIOTT COUNTY
 KENTUCKY

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ELLIOTT COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Sandy Hook, the county seat of Elliott County, had a 1990 population of 548. The city is located 53 miles southwest of Huntington, West Virginia, and 93 miles east of Lexington, Kentucky. Elliott County covers a land area of 234 square miles in Kentucky's Eastern Coal Field Region and had a 1990 population of 6,455.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Elliott County residents employed in 1990 averaged 1,239. Wholesale and retail trade provided 74 jobs; 28 people were employed in service occupations; and state and local government accounted for 268 employees.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 18,097 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1992 through 1996, 6,049 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

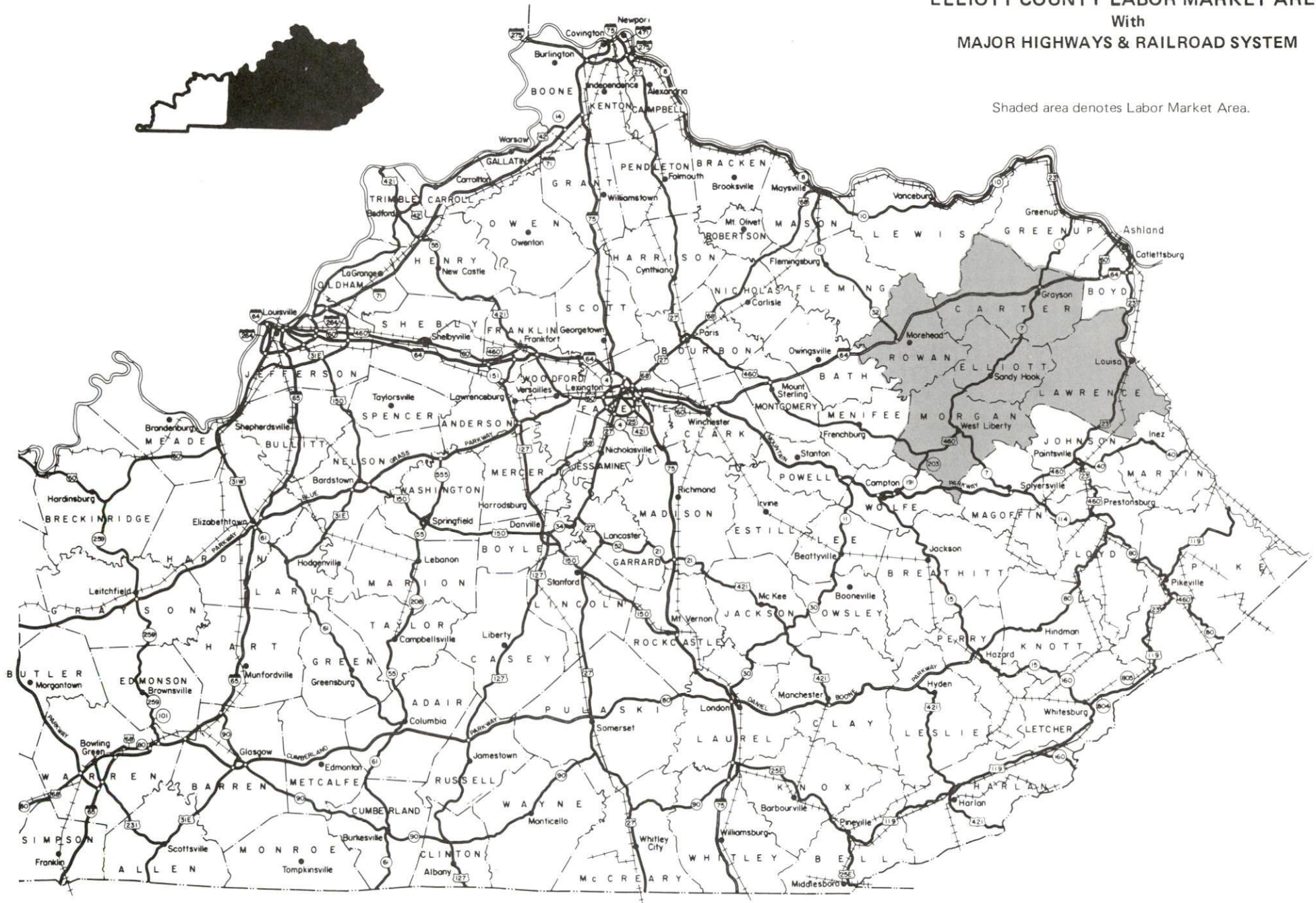
Transportation - Highways serving Elliott County include Kentucky Routes 7, 32, and 173. Interstate 64 is accessible 26 miles northeast of Sandy Hook via Kentucky 7. Eight common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Elliott County. CSX Transportation provides the nearest rail service to Elliott County at Louisa, 40 miles east of Sandy Hook, and at Paintsville, 39 miles southeast of Sandy Hook. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at the Tri-State Airport near Huntington, West Virginia, 50 miles northeast of Sandy Hook. West Liberty-Morgan County Airport, 19 miles south of Sandy Hook, maintains a 2,400-foot paved runway.

Power and Fuel - Electric power is provided to Elliott County by Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, which is supplied by East Kentucky Power Cooperative.

Education - Primary and secondary education is provided by the Elliott County School System. Morehead State University, 28 miles northwest of Sandy Hook in Morehead, Kentucky, offers degrees in associate, bachelors, masters, and specialty degree programs. In addition, there are four other colleges and universities within 55 miles of Sandy Hook. The Rowan State Vocational-Technical School, located in Morehead, Kentucky, 28 miles northwest and Morgan County Area Vocational Education Center, located in West Liberty, Kentucky, 19 miles south, each provide vocational training to the area.

ELLIOTT COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Elliott County Labor Market Area includes Elliott County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Carter, Lawrence, Morgan, and Rowan.

POPULATION

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	76,794	77,241	63,538
Sandy Hook	548	627	561
Elliott County	6,455	6,908	5,933

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, January 1991.

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2030</u>
Labor Market Area	81,540	84,000	84,960	84,300
Elliott County	7,090	7,250	7,170	6,910

Source: University of Louisville, Urban Studies Center, State Data Center.

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	<u>Current</u>				<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Employed Part-Time</u>	<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1992 thru 1996</u>
Labor Market Area*	18,097	2,899	4,327	10,871	6,049
Elliott County	2,640	274	446	1,920	571

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; Employed Part-Time - persons employed but working only 14 to 26 weeks per year; Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion that they do nationally).

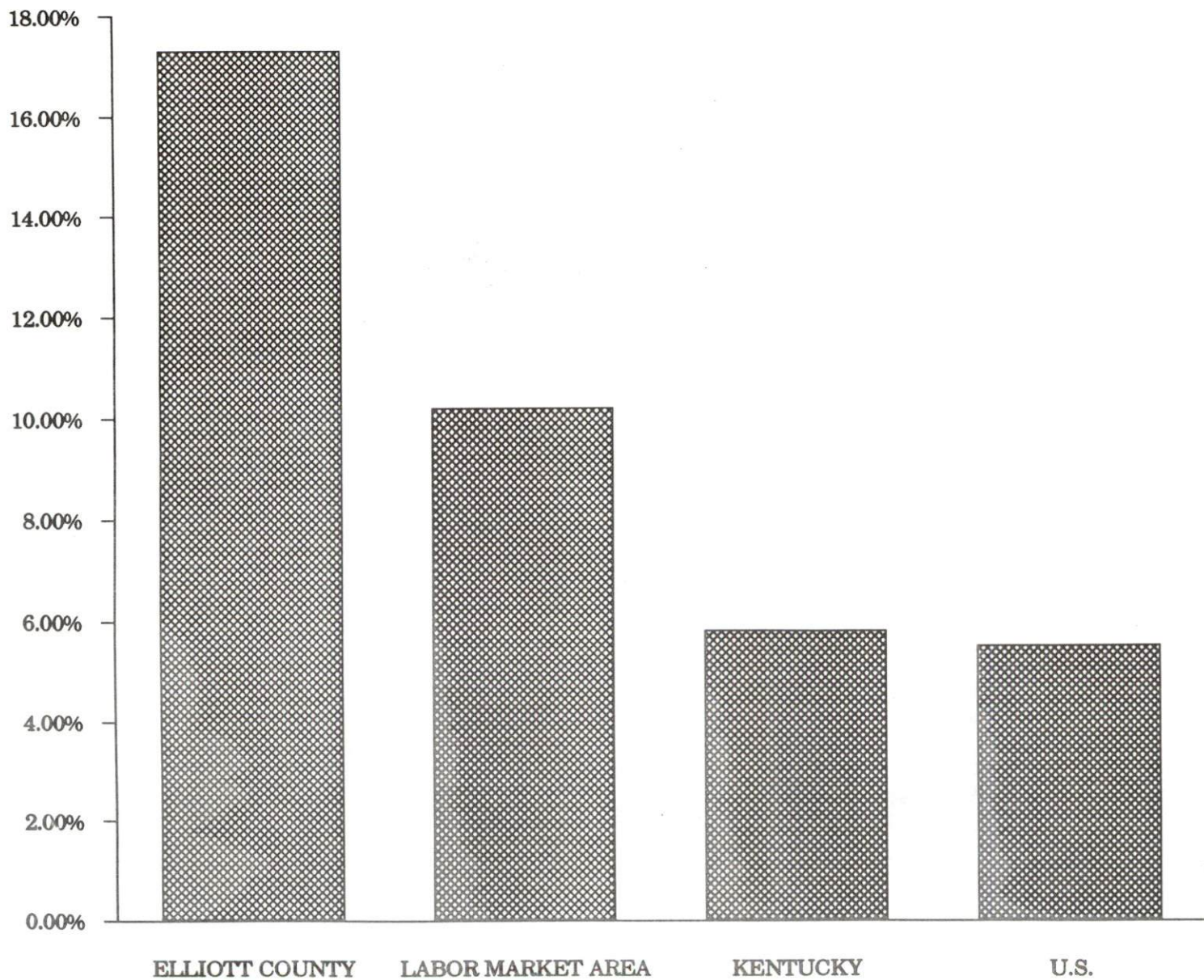
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1992 thru 1996.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1990

	<u>Elliott County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	1,499	28,303
Employment	1,239	25,427
Unemployment	260	2,876
Rate of Unemployment (%)	17.3	10.2

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1990.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1990



SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1990

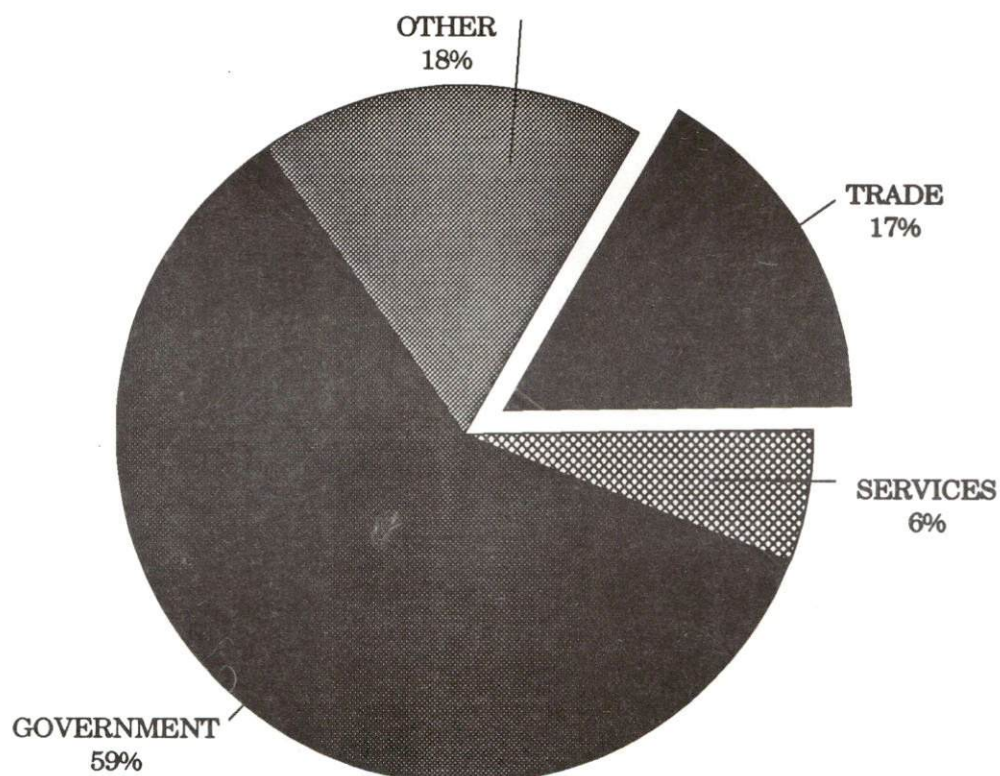
	<u>Elliott County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	451	16,086
Manufacturing	N/A	2,128
Wholesale & Retail Trade	74	4,194
Services	28	2,620
State/Local Government	268	4,662
Contract Construction	N/A	758

N/A Not available.

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1990.

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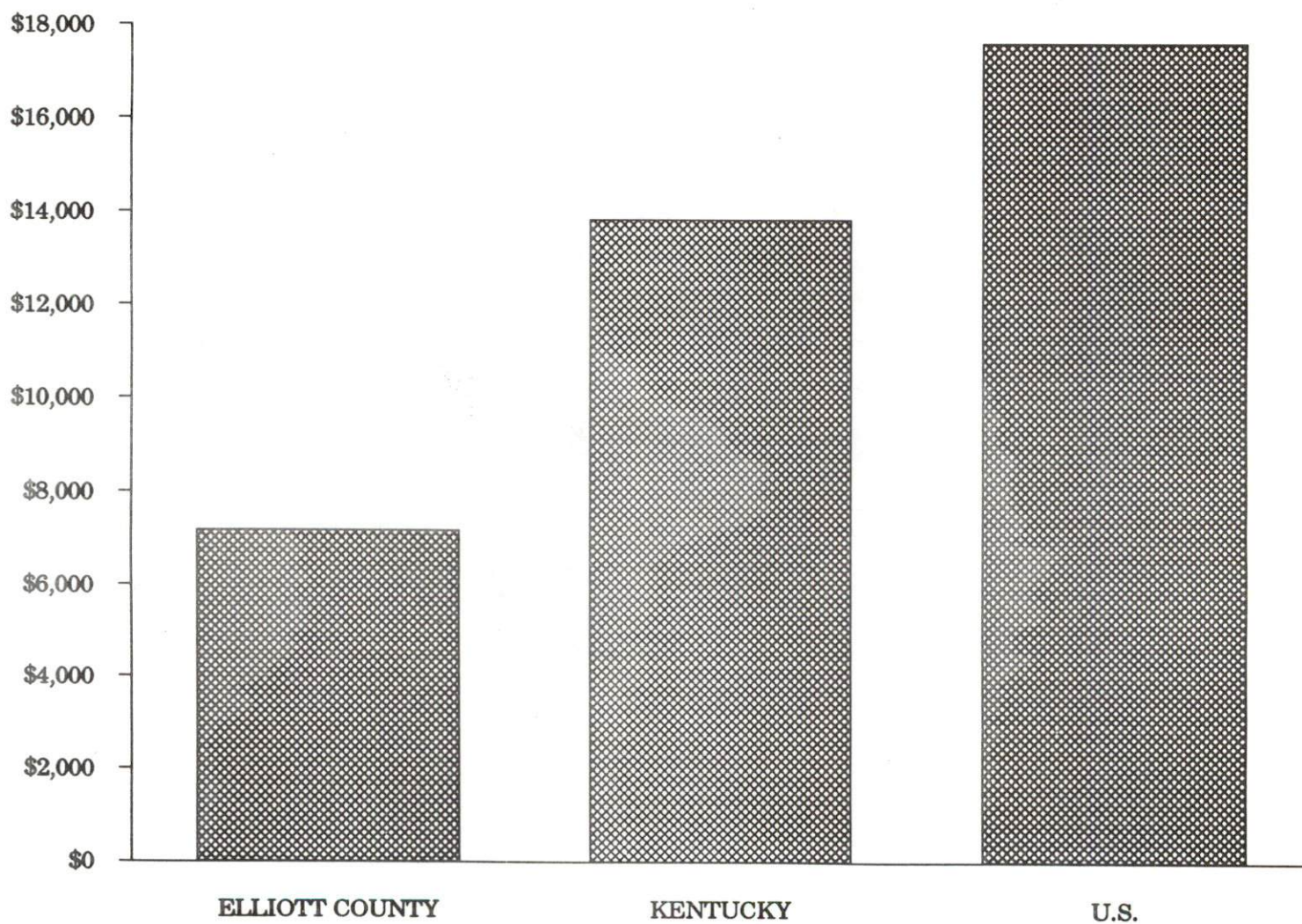


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1985	1989	Percent Change
Elliott County	\$5,816	\$7,181	23.5
Labor Market Area Range	\$5,816 - \$7,847	\$7,181 - \$10,289	-
Kentucky	\$10,755	\$13,823	28.5
U.S.	\$13,899	\$17,594	26.6

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1991.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME 1989



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

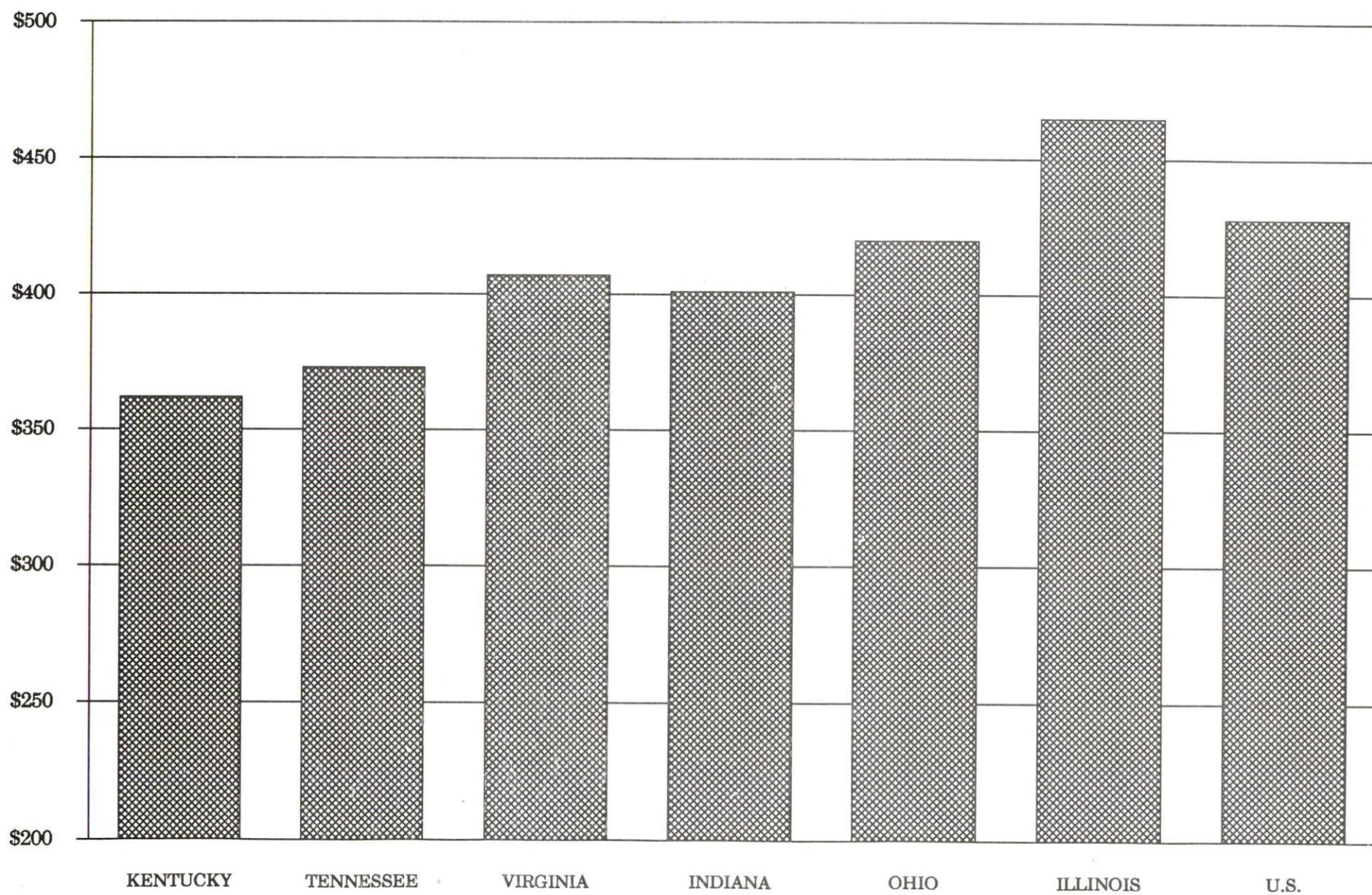
Elliott County is served by the Ashland local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Ashland local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 2,762 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

<u>OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS</u>	<u>AVERAGE WAGE(\$)</u>
All Occupations	2,762	4.59
Clerical	661	3.56
Sales	285	4.05
Services (excluding domestic)	720	3.43
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	6	3.76
Processing	308	8.88
Machine Trades	30	5.93
Bench Work	119	3.55
Structural	213	6.84
Motor Freight/ Transportation	47	7.15
Packaging and Materials Handling	271	4.05

The Ashland local office also serves Boyd, Carter,, Greenup, and Lawrence Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Department for Employment Services.

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1989



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1989*

	<u>Elliott County</u>	<u>Kentucky (State- Wide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$269.88	\$362.03	\$373.00	\$407.00
Mining & Quarrying	114.17	623.82	522.00	576.00
Contract Construction	N/A	388.21	407.00	434.00
Manufacturing	N/A	472.92	431.00	470.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	438.83	482.22	493.00	575.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	171.87	245.12	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	275.78	417.89	448.00	488.00
Services	141.01	310.29	357.00	409.00
State/Local Government	295.39	370.61	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$401.00	\$420.00	\$465.00	\$428.00
Mining & Quarrying	693.00	596.00	707.00	688.00
Contract Construction	464.00	480.00	608.00	485.00
Manufacturing	546.00	580.00	566.00	534.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	504.00	533.00	582.00	556.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	418.00	456.00	594.00	544.00
Services	328.00	360.00	419.00	399.00
State/Local Government	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

* Wages for U.S. and surrounding states rounded to nearest dollar.

N/A Not Available.

Note: The average weekly wage for each category includes the salaries and wages of all persons working for that type business. For example, the manufacturing category includes both production workers and administrative personnel. Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1989. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1989, October 1990.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

ELLIOTT COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1990</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Sandy Hook		
Carter Brothers, Inc. (1977)	Lumber, wood chips	15
Fannin Kitchen Cabinet Mfg. Company (1966)	Formica tops, kitchen cabinets	4

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research and Planning.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are presently no labor unions representing workers in Elliott County manufacturing firms.

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Sandy Hook</u>
Custom Data Processing	Prestonsburg, Kentucky	52
Custom Plastics Producers	Ashland, Kentucky	47
Electric Motor Repair	Morehead, Kentucky	28
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Huntington, West Virginia	53
Heat Treating Facilities	Lexington, Kentucky	93
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Ashland, Kentucky	47
	Huntington, West Virginia	53
Industrial Gases	Ashland, Kentucky	47
	Prestonsburg, Kentucky	52
Industrial Waste Removal	Ashland, Kentucky	47
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Louisa, Kentucky	40
Metal Castings	Cynthiana, Kentucky	98
Metal Finishers	Lexington, Kentucky	93
Metal Service Centers	Morehead, Kentucky	28
Millwrights	Stanton, Kentucky	68
Public Warehouse Facilities	Maysville, Kentucky	72

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research and Planning.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Kentucky Routes 7, 32, and 173 are "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Elliott County. Kentucky 32, east of Sandy Hook, is a "AA"-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. Interstate 64 is accessible 26 miles northeast of Sandy Hook via Kentucky 7. Access to the Mountain Parkway, a four-lane limited-access highway, is 42 miles south via Kentucky 7 and U.S. 460.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM SANDY HOOK, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	437	Los Angeles, CA	2,252
Baltimore, MD	460	Louisville, KY	164
Birmingham, AL	467	Nashville, TN	301
Chicago, IL	420	New Orleans, LA	807
Cincinnati, OH	135	New York, NY	643
Cleveland, OH	315	Pittsburgh, PA	290
Detroit, MI	358	St. Louis, MO	425
Knoxville, TN	242		

Note: Mileage computations are via the best interstate or primary highways, not necessarily the most direct route of travel.

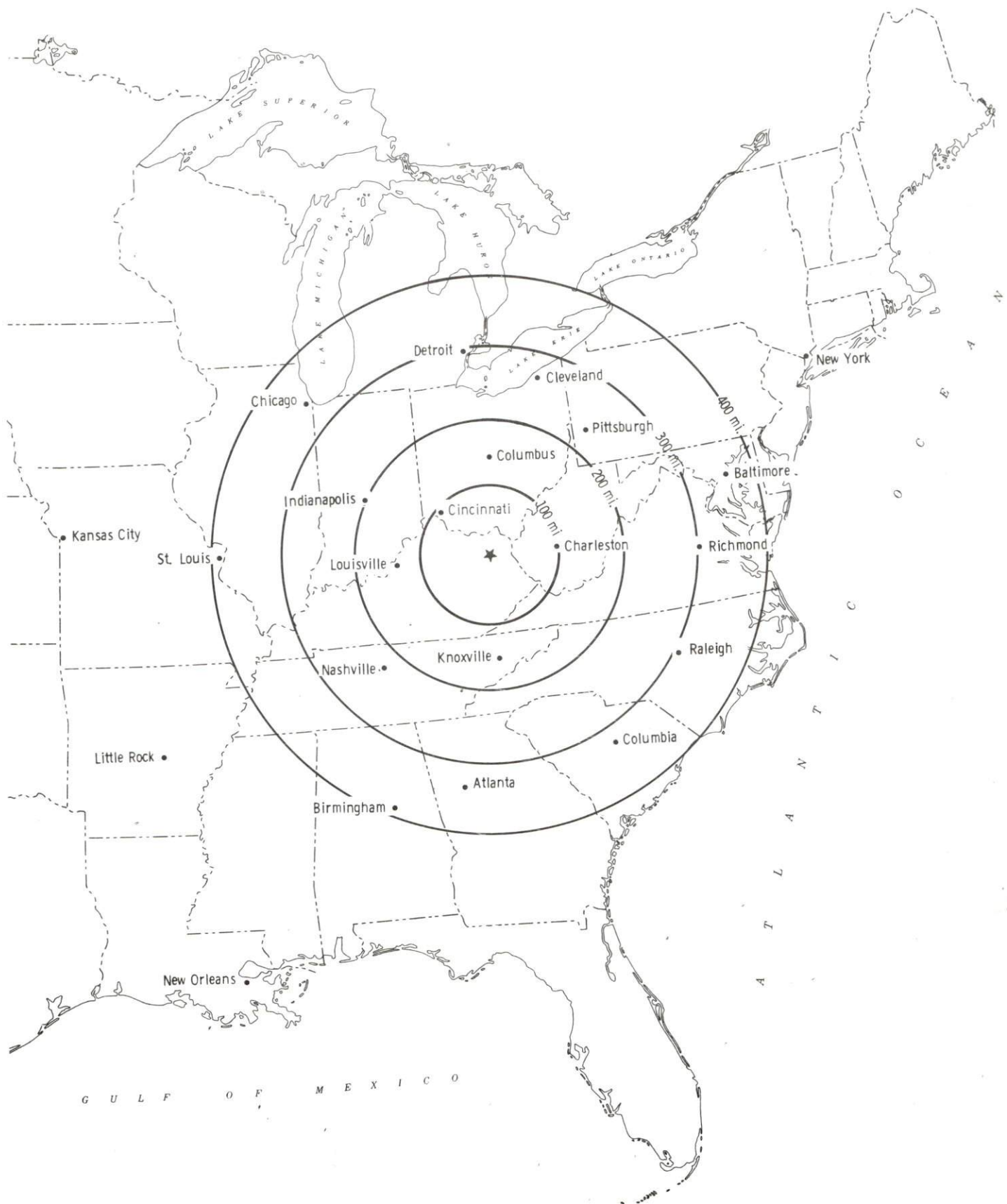
Sources: Rand McNally Deluxe Motor Carriers' Road Atlas, 1989. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.

Trucking Service

Eight common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Elliott County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1991.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

Elliott County is not served directly by rail. The nearest rail service is provided by CSX Transportation at Louisa, 40 miles east of Sandy Hook, and at Paintsville, 39 miles southeast of Sandy Hook. The nearest piggyback facilities are provided by Southern Railway System at Georgetown, Kentucky, 102 miles west of Sandy Hook.

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

Manager
Industrial Development
CSX Transportation
9420 Bunsen Parkway
Suite 212
Louisville, Kentucky 40220
(502) 499-3025

Air

Nearest Small Craft Airport

Location:	West Liberty-Morgan County Airport West Liberty, Kentucky 19 miles south of Sandy Hook
Runways:	1 paved
Length:	2,400 feet
Traffic	
Control:	Wind sock
Lighting:	None
Services:	Hangar, tie-down
Air Freight	
Service:	Chartered air freight service must be arranged

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Tri-State Airport (Walker-Long Field) 3 miles southwest of Huntington, West Virginia; 50 miles northeast of Sandy Hook
Air Service:	ComAir, USAir, C.C. Air, United Express
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	48

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving Sandy Hook and Elliott County - Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative
For industrial rates contact:

Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
109 Bagby Park
Grayson, Kentucky 41143
(606) 474-5136

and/or

Industrial Development Division
East Kentucky Power Cooperative
P.O. Box 707
Winchester, Kentucky 40392-0707
(606) 744-4812

Natural Gas

Natural gas service is presently not available in Elliott County. However, several local private wells have potential for commercial use.

Public Water Supply

Company serving Sandy Hook - Sandy Hook Water District
P.O. Box 196
Sandy Hook, Kentucky 41171
(606) 738-6282

Source - Wells	
Treatment plant capacity -	252,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption -	68,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption -	146,000 gallons
Storage capacity -	161,000 gallons
Water pressure -	40 psi to 95 psi

The Sandy Hook Water District is in the process of constructing an additional 22 miles of water lines, a 100,000-gallon storage tank, and a pumping station. The \$1 million project is scheduled for completion by Spring 1992.

Sewerage

Company serving Sandy Hook - Sandy Hook Sewage Treatment Plant
P.O. Box 274
Sandy Hook, Kentucky 41171
(606) 738-6489

Design capacity - 85,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - At capacity*
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - Little Sandy River

*The City of Sandy Hook is in the process of renovating and expanding its wastewater treatment plant, which will eventually double its capacity.

CLIMATE

Elliott County

Temperature

Normal (29-year record)	55.20 degrees
Average annual 1990	58.00 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (30-year record)	102.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (30-year record)	-16.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (29-year record)	4,676
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

Precipitation

Normal (29-year record)	40.74 inches
Mean annual snowfall (30-year record)	25.60 inches
Total precipitation 1990	51.92 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (29-year record)	139.50
Mean number days thunderstorms (28-year record)	41.40

Prevailing winds

N/A

Relative Humidity (29-year record, except 1 a.m. - 28 year record)

1 a.m.	78 percent (26-year record)
7 a.m.	83 percent (27-year record)
1 p.m.	58 percent (27-year record)
7 p.m.	61 percent (27-year record)

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1990. Station of record: Huntington, West Virginia.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Sandy Hook is governed by a mayor and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the council members each serve two-year terms. Elliott County is governed by a county judge/executive and seven magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

There is presently no planning and zoning agency in Elliott County.

Mandatory state codes enforced - Kentucky Plumbing Code, National Electric Code, Kentucky Boiler Regulations and Standards, Kentucky Building Code (modeled after BOCA code)

Local Fees and Licenses

There are presently no local fees and licenses assessed in Elliott County.

PROPERTY TAXES

The Kentucky Constitution requires the state to tax all classes of taxable property, and state statutes allow local jurisdictions to tax only a few classes. All locally taxed property is subject to county taxes and school district taxes (either a county school district or an independent school district). Property located inside of city limits may also be subject to city property taxes.

Special local taxing jurisdictions (fire protection districts, watershed districts, and sanitation districts) levy taxes within their operating areas (usually a small portion of community or county).

Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. A 15% reduction is automatically granted for accounts receivable.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1990 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.189	YES
Manufacturing Machinery	0.150	NO
Pollution Control Equipment	0.150	NO
Inventories		
Raw Materials	0.050	NO
Goods in Process	0.050	NO
Finished Goods	0.050	YES
Motor Vehicles	0.450	YES
Other Tangible Personal Property	0.450	YES
Intangibles (Accounts Receivable, Money on Hand)	0.250	NO

LOCAL PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1990

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Elliott County	*	*	\$0.3383
School Districts:			
Elliott County	*	*	0.3940
Cities:			
Sandy Hook	*	*	*

*Current data not available at the time research was conducted.

EDUCATION

Public Schools

Elliott County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1991)	1,345
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1989-90)	16.8-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1989-90)	46.2
Expenditures Per Pupil (1989-90)	\$2,896.39

Construction projects in the Elliott County School System include: a 50,000-square-foot addition at the high school which included several new classrooms, a new kitchen and cafeteria, new laboratories, and a new gymnasium; a library and several new classrooms were constructed at Sandy Hook Elementary as well. Total combined cost of these projects approximated \$5.4 million.

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1991)</u>
Kentucky Christian College	Grayson, Kentucky (24)	564
Morehead State University	Morehead, Kentucky (28)	8,812
Ashland Community College	Ashland, Kentucky (47)	3,190
Prestonsburg Community College	Prestonsburg, Kentucky (52)	2,863
Marshall University	Huntington, West Virginia (53)	12,205

Vocational Training

Vocational training is available at both the state vocational-technical schools and the area vocational education centers. The state vocational-technical schools are post-secondary institutions. The area vocational education centers are designed to supplement the curriculum of high school students. Both the state vocational-technical schools and the area vocational education centers offer evening courses to enable working adults to upgrade current job skills.

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.

Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation, an independent public corporation created and funded by the Kentucky General Assembly, provides programs of skills training to meet the needs of business and industry from entry level to advanced training, and from upgrading present employees to retraining experienced workers.

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation is the primary source for skills training assistance for a new or existing company. The Corporation works in partnership with other employment and job training resources and programs, as well as Kentucky's economic development activities, to package a program customized to meet the specific needs of a company.

<u>Vocational School</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1989-1990</u>
Rowan State Vocational- Technical School	Morehead, Kentucky (28)	639
Morgan County Area Vocational Education Center	West Liberty, Kentucky (19)	232

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 3
Dentists - 4

Hospitals

<u>Hospital</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Sandy Hook)</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Morgan County Appalachian Regional Hospital	West Liberty (19)	45
St. Claire Medical Center	Morehead (28)	159

Morgan County Appalachian Regional Hospital

Medical staff - ten active staff physicians, 31 registered nurses,
and 11 licensed practical nurses

St. Claire Medical Center

Medical staff - 40 active staff physicians, 93 registered nurses, and
37 licensed practical nurses

St. Claire Medical Center, located in Morehead, Kentucky, recently opened a
branch medical center in Sandy Hook which offers a variety of services.

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Sandy Hook Health Center
Elliott County Ambulance Service
Elliott County Disaster Emergency Services
St. Claire HomeCare & Hospice Services

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Peoples Bank of Sandy Hook

Telephone Service

Mountain Rural Telephone Cooperative Corporation, Inc.

Newspapers

The Elliott County News (weekly)

RECREATION

Local

Sandy Hook and Elliott County provide recreation through the local school facilities which include: softball and baseball fields, basketball courts, and gymnastics and karate classes.

Grayson Lake State Park is located in northern Elliott County and in southern Carter County near Grayson. Facilities available include 71 campsites, a beach, and a picnic area. The 1,500-acre Grayson Lake provides excellent fishing and boating opportunities. Organized recreation programs are available during the summer. The park is located within the 7,350-acre Grayson Lake Wildlife Area.

Special events in the county include the annual Fourth of July Celebration, sponsored by the local Lions Club. Attractions include fireworks, music, and booths. The Elliott County Tobacco Festival, held each Labor Day weekend, provides a source of entertainment for the area. Attractions include: carnival, crafts, music, booths, and contests.

Area (Within 65 miles)

Ashland, Kentucky
Carter Caves State Resort Park
Daniel Boone National Forest
Greenbo Lake State Resort Park
Jenny Wiley State Resort Park

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

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