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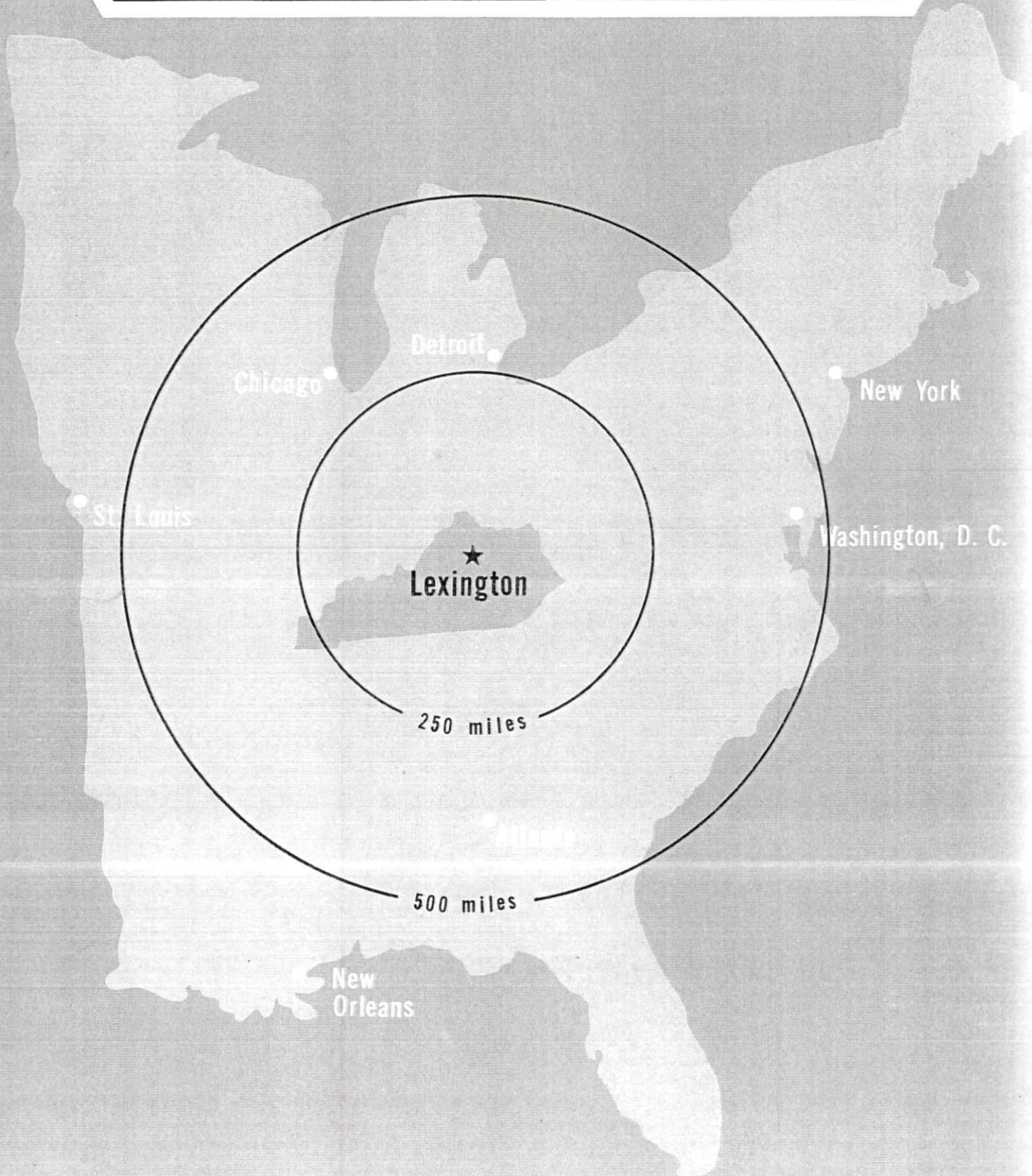
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

**LEXINGTON
KENTUCKY**



LEXINGTON INDUSTRIAL SITES

Cost per acre of the following sites will be furnished upon request by D. Ray Gillespie, 239 North Broadway, Lexington, Kentucky, Phone 254-4447; or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Washington and Wapping Streets, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

SITE #1: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 49 acres, gently rolling to level
 LOCATION: Northwest side of city off Mercer Road
 ZONING: Light industrial
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. 25, New Circle Road, I-64, I-75
 RAILROADS: None
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 12-inch
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: Lexington Sewerage Department
 OWNED BY: Lexington Industrial Foundation

SITE #4: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 27 acres, gently rolling
 LOCATION: North of city facing U.S. 25
 ZONING: Agricultural
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. 25
 RAILROADS: None
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: None
 OPTIONED BY: Oral option to Chamber of Commerce

SITE #2: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 10.4 acres, level
 LOCATION: Northwest side of city off Mercer Road
 ZONING: Light industrial
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. 25, New Circle Road, I-64, I-75
 RAILROADS: Southern Railway System
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 12-inch
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: Lexington Sewerage Department
 OWNED BY: Southern Railway System

SITE #5: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 392.9 acres, level to gently rolling
 LOCATION: North of city on U.S. 25
 ZONING: Agricultural
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. 25
 RAILROADS: None
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: None
 OPTIONED BY: Oral option to Chamber of Commerce

SITE #3: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 118 acres, gently rolling
 LOCATION: North of city, facing U.S. 25
 ZONING: Agricultural
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. 25
 RAILROADS: Southern Railway System
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 8-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: None
 OPTIONED BY: Oral option to Chamber of Commerce

SITE #6: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 140 acres, gently rolling
 LOCATION: Southeast of city on Todds Road
 ZONING: Agricultural
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: Todds Road, U.S. 25, I-64, I-75
 RAILROADS: Chesapeake & Ohio Railway
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 6-inch
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 12-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: None
 OPTIONED BY: Oral option to Chamber of Commerce

MELBOURNE INDUSTRIAL PARK

ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 153.9 acres, gently rolling
 LOCATION: Northside of city on New Circle Road
 ZONING: Light industrial
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: New Circle Road, U.S. 25, I-64, I-75
 RAILROADS: None
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 20-inch
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 12-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: Lexington Sewerage Department
 OWNED BY: Vincent Fister, Sr. - Agent
 770 East 3rd Street
 Lexington, Kentucky 40505
 Phone: 252-8861

BLUE SKY INDUSTRIAL ESTATES

ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 108 acres, gently rolling
 LOCATION: Southeast of city on I-75 and Ky. 418
 ZONING: Industrial
 HIGHWAY ACCESS: I-75, I-64
 RAILROADS: None
 WATER: Lexington Water Company
 SIZE LINE: 30-inch trunk
 GAS: Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
 SIZE LINE: 12-inch
 ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company
 SEWERAGE: Private treatment plant
 OWNED BY: Blue Sky Estates, Richard Sutherland, Jr., Pres.
 Richard Sutherland, Jr. - Agent
 P. O. Box 7036
 Lexington, Kentucky 40502
 Phone: AC 606 - 266-1564



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 G - GAS
 E - ELECTRICITY
 S - SEWERAGE

SITE-6
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AERIAL VIEW OF LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY

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LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY, A PROFILE

Location

Lexington, in the heart of the Bluegrass Region of Kentucky, is an attractive, thriving city with a metropolitan population of 150,000. Located on Interstates 75 and 64 and the Blue Grass Parkway, Lexington forms the southeastern apex of the industrial triangle anchored by Louisville on the west and the Cincinnati metropolitan area on the north. Within the 80-mile legs of the triangle is one-third of the state's population and one-half of its manufacturing jobs.

Lexington is an unusual blending of the industriousness of the Midwest and the adaptability and progress of the "new South." Farm estates and Revolutionary War customs and traditions stand serene and welcome the sounds of bulldozers, electric saws and hammers, as new roads, new manufacturing plants, new schools and other facilities take shape almost daily. Lexington, named after the first battle in the War for Independence, is encircled by mushrooming suburbs and history-rich towns like Winchester, Versailles, Paris, and Danville, landscaped by the most beautiful countryside in America (covered by *poa pratensis* or bluish-green grass), and laced by modern four-lane highways and tree-shaded country lanes.

Though no section in the U. S. is about to challenge the Bluegrass' long-held position as the world's largest burley tobacco market and the capital of thoroughbred horse-breeding, the area, because of its many amenities, has experienced an extraordinary rate of industrial growth in postwar years. Where once tobacco, whiskey, and horses were the area's principal industries, Lexington and her sister cities today produce a startling diversity of products, ranging from electric typewriters to peanut butter and from parachutes to electronic equipment. The tobacco farmer and the country gentleman (who is more likely to raise cattle and sheep than horses) is as much at home in the Bluegrass as the industrialist and the physicist. And the area's increasing academic and cosmopolitan atmosphere is just as congenial to Van Cliburn and rock n' roll as it is to Op art and farmers' almanacs.

The Economy

The economy of Lexington and Fayette County is balanced and prosperous. During 1968, nonagricultural employment averaged 75,000 with 25,000 working in trades and services, 17,000 in manufacturing, and 20,500 in government. Agricultural employment was approximately 3,000.

The addition of more than 7,000 new manufacturing jobs during the 1960's has generated substantial continuing expansion in the other sectors of the economy. This is obvious not only in the volume and type of construction throughout the metropolitan area, but also in the annual growth in bank deposits and retail sales.

Lexington is the hub of a seven-county trade area which had a total of 115,000 jobs during 1967. There were 35,220 working in trades and services (mainly concentrated in Lexington), 25,900 in manufacturing (an increase of 66 percent since 1960) and 12,625 agricultural jobs. Government employment was in excess of 25,400, centered mainly in the Lexington area at the Lexington-Blue Grass Army Depot, the University of Kentucky, the Veterans Administration Hospital, and the National Institute of Mental Health Clinical Research Center.

Growth in the central Bluegrass Region has bordered on the spectacular in recent years and available resources indicate even more rapid progress in the coming years.

Labor Supply

There is a current labor supply of 3,750 men and 3,650 women available for industrial jobs in the 7-county Lexington labor market area. This force is gradually being augmented by the 12,100 boys and 11,828 girls becoming 18 years old by 1974.

Industrial Sites and Services

Lexington has 6 industrial sites, totaling 737.3 acres, and 2 industrial parks, totaling 261 acres. The parks have all utilities and sewerage. The industrial sites all have gas and electricity, three have full rail service, two have full utilities, and the remaining have water available.

Complete transportation services are available.

Rail - Louisville & Nashville, Chesapeake and Ohio, and Southern.

Air - Jet and prop service by four national airlines: Delta, Eastern, Piedmont, and Allegheny.

Truck and Highway - 28 inter- and intra-state carriers, maintaining 21 local terminals, provide full service on the two interstate highways and two state parkways which serve Lexington.

Power and fuel in large blocks are available from Kentucky Utilities Company and Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.

Commercial banking services, convention services, insurance and job training services are available and sophisticated.

Education

Lexington offers full educational opportunities ranging from Montessori preschools through public, private, and parochial elementary and high schools to college, university, theological seminaries, and advanced private research facilities. Fayette County has the highest median educational completion level (11.2%) of any county in the state, ranking above the Kentucky (8.7%) and the United States (10.6%) averages.

Recreation

Lexington and the Central Bluegrass region offer the full spectrum of recreational and cultural advantages. For sports fans, there are many public and private golf courses, water sports on area rivers and lakes, hunting (including elegant Fox Hunting), standard-bred and thoroughbred racing, polo, the world-famous basketball of the Rupp-coached University of Kentucky Wildcats and major league baseball and football 83 interstate miles north at Cincinnati.

Cultural offerings start with three local symphony orchestras and run through repertory, summer stock companies, and children's theaters to local and national art exhibits. The annual community concert and lecture series offers world and national luminaries in science and the arts.

In addition, the scenic landscape encourages relaxing drives and the area is a paradise for the antique and handcraft collector.

THE LABOR MARKET

Location and Population

Lexington, second largest city in the state, is located in the center of the Inner Bluegrass Region with gently undulating topography on a well-drained limestone base. It is 83 miles south of the Cincinnati metropolitan area and 77 miles east of Louisville via interstate highways.

Settled in the late 1700's, Lexington was for some time the largest city in the state and known as the "Athens of the West." In the half century since 1900, Lexington's population increased almost 90 percent. But the story of the tremendous growth of the 1960's is not yet complete. The 32 percent increase from 1960-68 is based on conservative estimates and slow annexation. However, a master annexation plan, activated over the next three years, plus continued in-migration is expected to credit Lexington with a population of 150,000 and Fayette County with 180,000 by the end of 1970.

TABLE 1

POPULATION TREND - LEXINGTON AND FAYETTE COUNTY, KENTUCKY ^{1/}

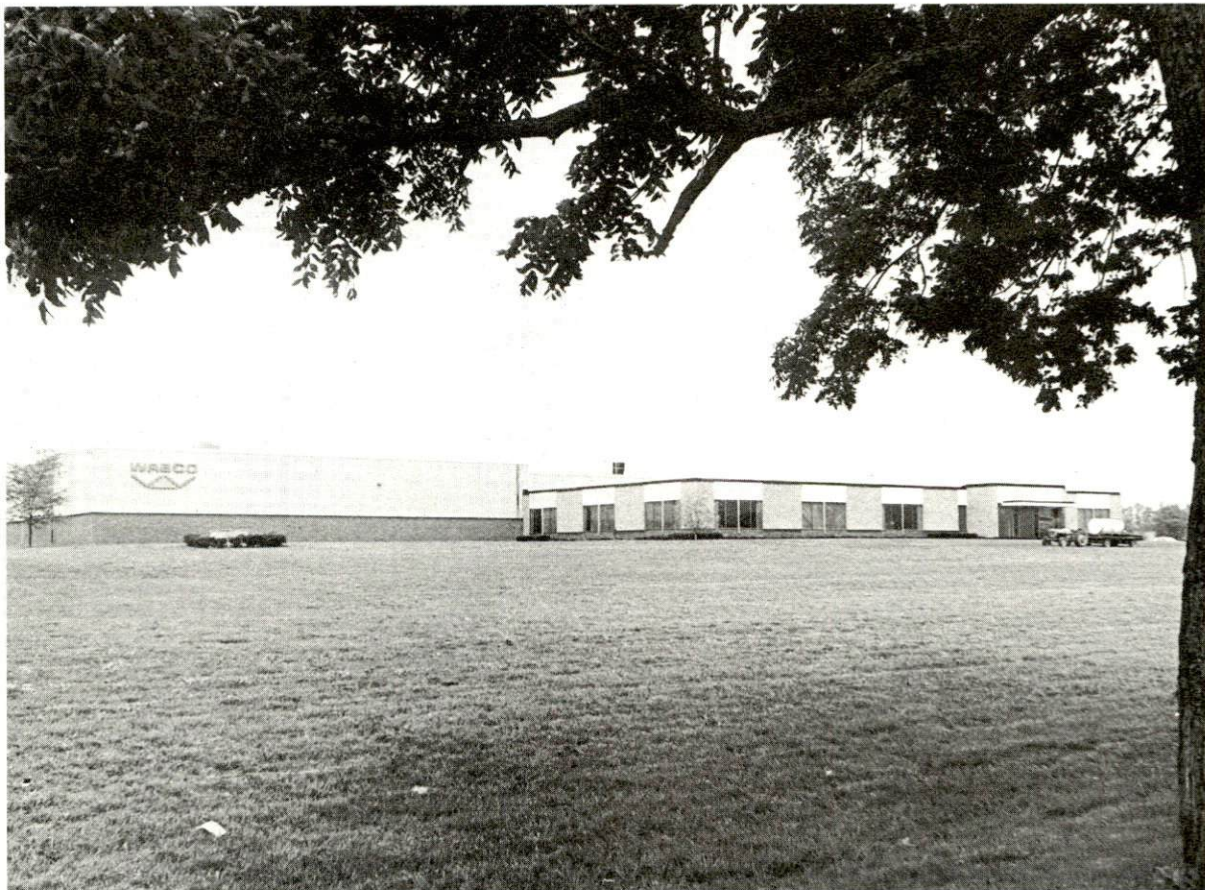
Year	Lexington		Fayette County	
	Population	% Change	Population	% Change
1900	29,369		42,071	
1950	55,534	89.1	100,746	139.5
1960	62,810	13.1	131,906	30.9
1968 (Est.)	83,000	32.1	165,500	25.5

Employment Characteristics

During 1968 nonagricultural employment in Fayette County averaged 75,000 with approximately 17,000 working in manufacturing, the majority of which was in durable goods. There were approximately 25,000 employed in trades and services and 20,500 in government. The large government sector is comprised of the 7,100 employed at the University of Kentucky, the 3,299 at the Lexington-Blue Grass Army Depot, and the substantial employment of the two federal hospitals, city and county personnel, and employees of other federal and state departments and bureaus.



INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINE CORPORATION



WESTINGHOUSE AIR BRAKE COMPANY

TABLE 2

MAJOR LEXINGTON MANUFACTURING FIRMS WITH PRODUCTS
AND EMPLOYMENT 2/

Firm	Product	Employment		
		Total	Male	Female
American Can Co. , Dixie Products	Paper cups	345	175	170
American Technical Machine Corp.	Artificial wreaths	225	150	75
Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.	Tobacco redrying	361	184	177
General Electric Co. , Lexington Lamp Plant	Sealed beam automotive headlamps	312	92	220
International Business Machines	Electric typewriters	5,800	5,160	640
Irving Air Chute Co. , Inc.	Parachutes, auto seat belts	850	200	650
Lexington Herald-Leader Co.	Newspaper	380	310	70
Lexington Redryers, Inc.	Tobacco redrying	500	350	150
Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.	Tobacco redrying	350	200	150
P. Lorillard Co.	Tobacco processing	245	150	95
Parker Seal Co.	Synthetic rubber rings, seals	473	205	268
The Square D Co.	Electrical equipment	1,329	901	428
Trane Co.	Air conditioning and heating equipment	750	650	100
V. R. Wesson Division, Fansteel Metallurgical Corp.	Carbide tools	247	155	92
Westinghouse Air Brake Co.	Hydraulic and pneumatic cylinders	375	292	83

Expansion at an accelerating rate has been the story of the 1960's in all employment categories. In the 7-county Lexington labor market area during the past 8 years, there have been 43 announcements of new manufacturing plants, employing 4,837 with a total investment well in excess of \$54 million. In addition, there have been 82 expansions of existing facilities with an increased employment of 3,984 and added investment of more than \$30 million. Of this, Lexington accounted for 12 new plants, 43 expansions, 2,316 jobs, and total capital investment of more than \$22 million.

TABLE 3

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT, LEXINGTON LABOR MARKET
AREA, MARCH, 1968 - MARCH, 1960 ^{3/}

Industry	Employment, 1968	Employment, 1960
TOTAL	25,900	15,594
Metal products and machinery	13,706	7,649
Apparel	2,738	1,742
Food and beverages	2,035	2,012
Other	7,421	4,191

The manufacture of metal products and machinery is by far the most important industrial category with apparel and food and beverages following far behind in terms of employment.

Wage Levels

The average weekly wage during 1967 in industries covered by unemployment insurance in Fayette County was \$107.29. The weekly average in manufacturing was \$128.54. Comparable figures for Kentucky were: \$104.50 in all industries; \$115.08 in manufacturing. In 1967, wages for all covered industries totaled \$269,932,835 of which the manufacturing payroll was \$113,879,878 or 42.2 percent.

During 1967, unemployment was a low 2.5 percent of the labor force.

The following wage rates are presented as a rough guideline to the Lexington wage situation.

<u>Production Employees</u>	<u>Wages per Hour</u>	
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Assembler	\$1.90	\$2.90
Grinder, Machine	3.25	4.07
Inspector	2.00	3.62
Lathe Operator	2.73	3.53
Production Laborer	1.90	
Punch Press Operator	2.28	2.49
Sprayer or Painter	2.24	2.41
Welder	2.23	2.94

(Contd.)

<u>Service Employees</u>	<u>Wages per Hour</u>	
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Janitor	\$1.97	\$2.46
Mechanic, Maintenance	2.50	3.57
Shipping Clerk	2.16	3.00
Tool, Die or Gauge Maker	2.80	4.50

<u>Office Employees</u>	<u>Monthly Salaries</u>		
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Prevailing</u>
Draftsman	\$425	\$568	\$480
File Clerk	260	329	280
Key Punch Operator	287	383	326
Receptionist	292	376	329
Secretary	363	486	417
Stenographer	310	407	348
Tabulating Machine Operator	383	483	422
Typist	278	362	288

Labor Supply

There is an estimated current labor supply of 3,750 men and 3,650 women available for industrial jobs in the Lexington labor market area. This supply is annually augmented by a portion of the 12,100 boys and 11,828 girls reaching 18 years of age by 1974. Immigration from beyond the labor market area is another factor adding to the total labor supply and future labor supply potential.

TABLE 4

CURRENT AND FUTURE LABOR SUPPLY - LEXINGTON LABOR MARKET AREA ^{4/}

County	<u>Current Labor Supply</u> July, 1968			<u>Future Labor Supply by 1974</u> (Becoming 18 Years of Age)		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Labor Market Area	7,400	3,750	3,650	23,928	12,100	11,828
Bourbon	1,000	500	500	1,854	924	930
Clark	800	300	500	2,173	1,119	1,054
Fayette	2,000	1,100	900	12,764	6,469	6,295
Jessamine	1,000	500	500	1,403	715	688
Madison	1,700	900	800	3,126	1,552	1,574
Scott	600	300	300	1,373	679	694
Woodford	300	150	150	1,235	642	593

Labor Organizations

Unions represented in the Lexington area are:

Bakery and Confectionery Workers International Union of America
Communications Workers of America
United Mine Workers of America
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
International Union of Journeymen Horseshoers of the U. S. and
Canada
International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of America
American Federation of Musicians
Office Employees International Union
International Stereotypers and Electrotypers Union of North America
United Textile Workers of America
Tobacco Workers International Union
Amalgamated Transit Union
International Typographical Union
Building Service Employees' International Union
Carpenters Local No. 1650
Central Kentucky Building and Construction Trades Council
International Union of Operating Engineers
Kentucky Laborers District Council
Plumbers and Steam Fitters Local 452
Teamsters Local Union 779
United Auto Workers Local 912

Income and Sales

During 1967, effective buying income in Fayette County totaled \$479,534,000, an income per household of \$9,990, one of the highest in the state. A high 65.5 percent of all county households had incomes of \$5,000 or more. Retail sales totaled \$283,134,000. ^{5/} The 1963 Census of Business (latest available data) listed 1,228 retail establishments in the Lexington SMSA.

EDUCATION

The educational system in the Lexington area has the facilities to produce an effective labor force for future industrial growth.

Elementary and High Schools

Public Schools - The Fayette County School System serves Lexington and Fayette County with 4 senior high schools, 10 junior high schools, and 32 elementary schools enrolling a total of 34,855 students. The system also operates the Bluegrass School for students requiring special education and will complete another such facility by Fall, 1969.

The system is considered one of the outstanding leaders in the state for several reasons. The elementary and junior high schools have the fluid, non-graded approach with curricula designed to accommodate the growth variations of each child with limitations imposed only by the physical facilities. All the newer schools are designed for this method of teaching, one having been featured in an article in Look magazine. This system will eventually be incorporated in the senior high schools also. The schools' cultural programs are also excellent, many having earned national recognition.

During the past two years a total of 59 new classrooms, one library, and a new junior high school have been built. Two new elementary schools and a combination gymnasium-student center will be opened by Fall, 1969. Bonded indebtedness of the Fayette County School Board was \$22,483,000 in school revenue bonds as of June 30, 1968.

Parochial Schools - There are 4 Catholic elementary schools and one Catholic high school enrolling 1,691 students. In addition, one of the churches, St. Peter Clavier, sponsors a Montessori preschool.

Private Schools - There are two private schools enrolling a total of 691 students. One of these, the Lexington School, has a Montessori preschool in addition to its regular kindergarten program.

TABLE 5

SCHOOLS, ENROLLMENT, NUMBER OF TEACHERS, STUDENT-
TEACHER RATIO IN LEXINGTON AND FAYETTE COUNTY, 1968-69

School	Grades	Enrollment	No. of Teachers	Student- Teacher Ratio
Fayette County Senior High	10-12	6,526	295	22-1
Fayette County Junior High	7- 9	8,653	417	20-1
Fayette County Elementary	1- 6	19,676	884	22-1
Lexington Catholic High	9-12	427	29	14-1
Parochial Elementary	2- 8	1,264	51	25-1
Sayre School	K -12	500	47	10-1
The Lexington School	K - 9	191	20	9-1

Vocational Schools

The Lafayette Extension Center and the new Central Kentucky Area Vocational School serve Lexington and Fayette County. There are presently 323 high school students and 253 adult students from Fayette County enrolled at the two facilities. Course offerings include: appliance repair, auto body repair, auto mechanics, commercial foods, data processing, distributive education, drafting, electronics communications, health occupations, high-way technology, industrial electricity, machine shop, practical nursing, radio and TV repair, sheet metal, tool and die design, and welding.

Adult Distributive Education Courses are also available for business owners and managers, supervisory personnel, and sales people. Some specific short courses in this program are: job instruction training, human relations, effective speaking, business telephone usage, salesmanship, and waitress training.

Special courses are also available for eligible people under the Manpower Development and Training Act.

Colleges

Lexington is the home of the University of Kentucky, Transylvania College, the Lexington Theological Seminary, and the Episcopal Theological Seminary. Combined student enrollment presently exceeds 17,500.

The University of Kentucky is the state's oldest and primary public institution of higher learning offering 22 baccalaureate degrees, 20 master degrees, and 6 doctorates through 10 colleges, schools of architecture, allied health professions, and home economics; a graduate school and a division of university extension.

Transylvania College, founded in 1780, is the oldest institution of higher learning west of the Allegheny Mountains and offers baccalaureate degrees in the liberal arts.

Other institutions of higher learning in the Lexington area include:

<u>College or University</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Distance</u>
Midway Junior College	Midway, Kentucky	12 miles
Georgetown College	Georgetown, Kentucky	12 miles
Kentucky State College	Frankfort, Kentucky	23 miles
Asbury College	Wilmore, Kentucky	17 miles
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond, Kentucky	26 miles
Berea College	Berea, Kentucky	35 miles
Centre College	Danville, Kentucky	36 miles

Industrial Research

The University of Kentucky Research Foundation, an administrative division of the University, solicits and administers research contracts, grants and gifts. The following research entities perform sophisticated contractual research in a variety of fields:

- The National Tobacco Research Laboratory
- Wenner-Gren Aeronautical Laboratory
- Kentucky Geological Survey
- Water Resources Institute
- The Institute for Theoretical and Applied Mechanics
- Agricultural Experiment Station
- Institute for Public Administration
- Center for Developmental Change
- Office of Development Services and Business Research
- Institute for Environmental Change
- Bureau of School Services

Spindletop Research, the largest private research firm in the state, is also located in Lexington. It offers professional, scientific, and management services to clients on a contract basis.



SPINDLETOP RESEARCH

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Lexington is served by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad, Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, and Southern Railway System. All three companies have terminal facilities in the city and the C & O and Southern provide passenger service. Piggyback service is provided as well as daily switching service.

The REA Express provides daily pickup and delivery service.

TABLE 6

RAILWAY TRANSIT TIME FROM LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY, TO: 6/

City	No. of Days CL	City	No. of Days CL
Atlanta, Ga.	3	Los Angeles, Calif.	9
Birmingham, Ala.	4	Louisville, Ky.	1
Chicago, Ill.	3	Nashville, Tenn.	2-3
Cincinnati, Ohio	1-2	New Orleans, La.	4
Cleveland, Ohio	2	New York, N. Y.	5-6
Detroit, Mich.	3	Pittsburgh, Pa.	5
Knoxville, Tenn.	3	St. Louis, Mo.	3

Highways

The Lexington highway net includes Interstate Highways 64 and 75, U.S. Highways 25, 27, 60, 68, and 421, and Kentucky Highways 922, 913, and 353. Interstate 64 connects Louisville, Kentucky, and Norfolk, Virginia; Interstate 75 connects Detroit, Michigan, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Tampa, Florida. These Interstate highways provide Lexington with high-speed highway access to all sections of the United States.

Completing the Lexington highway system are the Blue Grass and Mountain Parkways. The Blue Grass Parkway, opened to traffic in 1965, and the Western Kentucky Parkway give Lexington an unbroken 200-mile east-west limited access highway to Princeton, Kentucky. The Mountain Parkway, beginning 16 miles east of Lexington, extends 76 miles southeast to Salyersville, Kentucky.

Truck Service: More than 28 inter-state and intra-state trucking firms furnish complete local and long distance service. Twenty-one firms maintain terminals and the rest have call stations.

United Parcel Service provides small parcel service.

TABLE 7

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM
LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS ^{7/}

City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time		City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time	
		LTL	TL			LTL	TL
Atlanta, Ga.	383	3	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,215	6	5
Birmingham, Ala.	417	3	2	Louisville, Ky.	77	1	1
Chicago, Ill.	355	2	1	Nashville, Tenn.	224	2	1
Cincinnati, Ohio	83	1	1	New Orleans, La.	782	3	2
Cleveland, Ohio	319	2	1	New York, N. Y.	733	3	2
Detroit, Mich.	341	2	1	Pittsburgh, Pa.	349	2	1
Knoxville, Tenn.	195	2	1	St. Louis, Mo.	341	2	1

Air

Blue Grass Field is located 4.5 miles west of Lexington on U.S. Highway 60. There are three paved runways, 5,500 x 150 feet, 3,500 x 150 feet, and 3,500 x 150 feet. There is an approach lighting system, beacon, and runway and obstruction lights. Complete traffic control is provided.

Services include: 80, 100 and 145 octane; jet fuel; major A and E repairs; storage; restaurant; weather bureau and FAA communication; flight instruction; charter, taxi, and U-Drive-It service.

Four airlines - Eastern, Piedmont, Delta, and Allegheny Airlines serve Lexington. Eastern with 10 flights daily, Delta with 5, Piedmont with 8, and Allegheny with 7, provide non-stop service to New York, Chicago, Washington, D.C., and Atlanta, and connections for all other major U.S. cities. Jet service began in April, 1968. Growing air freight service is provided by the national airlines as well as several independent operators.

Recent airport improvements added a new air freight building and additional parking area. Presently, a massive \$1,200,000 building program is underway which includes the extension of one runway to 6,500 feet (scheduled for completion, December 15, 1968), the construction of a new tower building and control cab, and the installation of expanded radar equipment and antenna at a new site.

Water

Lexington has access to the inland waterway system via the Kentucky River, which is located 12 miles southwest of Lexington. A 6-foot navigation channel is maintained by a series of locks and dams from the stream's confluence with the Ohio River at Carrollton, Kentucky, to a point 259 miles upstream.

Other Transportation Services

Southeastern Greyhound Lines provides bus service to all points in the nation. Cooper Bus Lines provides service between Lexington and Lawrenceburg, Kentucky. Central Stage Lines provides service from Lexington to nearby Nicholasville, Wilmore, and the Blue Grass Army Depot. The lines operate out of a downtown terminal which has full facilities, including food service.

City bus service is provided by the Lexington Transit Corporation which also operates an intra-state charter service.

Taxi service on a 24-hour basis is provided by Fayette Cab Co. , Lexington Yellow Cab Co. , Inc. , and Red Top Cab Co.

Complete car, truck, and bus rental services are available in Lexington and Fayette County.

Blue Grass Tours provides several daily tours of Lexington and the central Bluegrass area, operating April through October.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Lexington is provided electric power by the Kentucky Utilities Company, which has an existing generating capacity of 740,000 KW in its five generating stations. Additional generating capacity of 427,000 KW is under construction with completion scheduled for May 1, 1971. The Company also has joined the Kentucky-Indiana Pool which will make additional capacity available. Rates for industry will be furnished by the Company's Industrial Development Department in Lexington, Kentucky.

Natural Gas

Natural gas is distributed in Lexington and Fayette County by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc., whose source of supply is the Kentucky Gas Transmission Corporation. Principal transmission lines range from 12 to 20 inches and distribution lines from 2 to 12 inches. Average BTU content is 1,050, with a specific gravity of .60. Average pressure in the Lexington "belt line" area is maintained at 120 psi, in medium pressure lines at 50 psi, and low pressure averages 4 ounces. The capacity of underground storage areas owned by the supplier is over 4 billion cubic feet.

Columbia Gas presently has 48,000 customers in the city and county and has had an average growth rate of 5 percent per annum. A new 8-inch line, 120 psi, has just been completed along the Georgetown Road, changing to a 6-inch line at the county line. Presently, the company is replacing an old 2-inch line with a 6-inch line for several miles northwest along U.S. 421 to the National Institute of Mental Health Clinical Research Center.

Rates Are:

General Service (Firm)

First	1,000 Cu. Ft.	\$2.0638
Next	49,000 Cu. Ft.	.8088 Per M Cu. Ft.
Next	50,000 Cu. Ft.	.7688 Per M Cu. Ft.
Next	200,000 Cu. Ft.	.7388 Per M Cu. Ft.
Over	300,000 Cu. Ft.	.7088 Per M Cu. Ft.

Minimum Monthly Charge: \$2.09

Interruptible Service (Optional)

First	800 M Cu. Ft.	\$0.5225 Per M Cu. Ft.
Next	1,200 M Cu. Ft.	.5025 Per M Cu. Ft.
Next	3,000 M Cu. Ft.	.4925 Per M Cu. Ft.
Next	5,000 M Cu. Ft.	.4825 Per M Cu. Ft.
Over	10,000 M Cu. Ft.	.4625 Per M Cu. Ft.

Minimum Monthly Charge: \$414.72

Summer air conditioning (June - September) all gas used: \$0.40
Per M Cu. Ft.

Coal

Industrial and domestic grade coals of the Eastern Kentucky group have a freight delivery cost of \$2.64 per net ton. Freight delivery cost of West Kentucky coals is \$3.03 per net ton. 8/

Fuel Oil

Kentucky has three fuel oil refineries located in Catlettsburg, Louisville and Somerset. Kentucky's fuel supply is supplemented by border state operations. Lexington has eleven liquified petroleum distributors.

Delivered prices of the various grades may be obtained from the Kentucky Department of Commerce.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Water is supplied by the Lexington Water Company. The system has two treatment plants with a total rated production capacity of 46,000,000 gpd, with an average daily use of 20,000,000 gallons, although the maximum daily use has been 36,000,000 gallons. Storage of treated water is by three elevated tanks, two ground tanks, and two clear wells having a total capacity of 6,000,000 gallons. The sources of supply are the Kentucky River and East and West Hickman Creeks.

Treatment consists of copper sulphate for algae control in impounding reservoirs, aeration, coagulation with alum and lime, sedimentation, activated carbon, and rapid sand filtration and chlorination. Distribution mains range from 2 to 30 inches; pressure ranges from 58-67 psi; average water temperature is 36 degrees in winter and 85 degrees in summer. There are 44,113 water meters at present. The company has recently invested \$12 million in new and improved distribution facilities.

Rates: The following rates, subject to the minimum charges herein provided, shall apply for water furnished by meter measurement.

	<u>Cu. Ft. Per Month</u>	or	<u>Cu. Ft. Per Quarter</u>	at	<u>Per 100 Cu. Ft.</u>
First	5,000		15,000		\$.59
Next	30,000		90,000		.43
Next	300,000		900,000		.25

All quantities over 335,000 cu. ft. per month or 1,005,000 cu. ft. per quarter at .17¢ per 100 cu. ft.

Minimum Charges: No bill will be rendered for less than the following amounts, according to the size of the meter installed.

5/8-inch meter	\$ 1.77 per month or	\$ 5.31 per quarter
3/4-inch meter	2.65 per month or	7.95 per quarter
1-inch meter	4.40 per month or	13.20 per quarter
1 1/2-inch meter	8.85 per month or	26.55 per quarter
2-inch meter	14.15 per month or	42.45 per quarter
3-inch meter	30.60 per month or	91.80 per quarter
4-inch meter	46.70 per month or	140.10 per quarter
6-inch meter	98.30 per month or	294.90 per quarter

Sewerage

The Lexington City Sewerage Department maintains separate sanitary and storm sewers. The sanitary system is composed of 8- to 12-inch laterals, 24-inch interceptors, and 48-inch trucks with 30 lift stations. The main treatment plant has a design flow of 12,000,000 gpd and is presently operating at capacity. The two branch treatment plants, one of which is presently deactivated to allow additions, have capacities of 650,000 and 300,000 gpd. Primary treatment is settling basin-activated sludge with secondary treatment by activated sludge-aeration. Treated effluent from the main plant is discharged into Town Branch. Treated effluent from the branch plants is discharged into West Hickman Creek. There are 3 privately owned treatment plants which serve outlying residential areas. An additional city treatment plant, with a design flow of 2,000,000 gpd, will be operating within the next 2 years. Presently, 95 percent of the city is provided sewerage service which is free to city residents. Customers outside the city limits pay an annual sewerage service charge.

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture

The approximate total land area of Fayette County is 179,200 acres, with almost 90 percent of the area devoted to farm land. In 1964, there were 978 farms in the county with an average size of 170 acres, valued at \$817 per acre (including buildings).

Farm income in the county is largely from the production of livestock including cattle, hogs, sheep, horses, and dairy products, supplemented substantially by burley tobacco. The 1964 value of sales of all farm products totaled \$20,442,597, averaging \$20,902 per farm. Crop sales totaled \$7,892,467; livestock and livestock products totaled \$12,536,933.

In 1966, agricultural production in Fayette County included 12.2 million pounds of burley tobacco, 364,000 bushels of corn, and 33,800 bushels of wheat. Livestock on farms on January 1, 1967, included 38,400 cattle and calves, 8,900 hogs and pigs, 4,100 sheep and lambs. Milk cows on farms during 1965 averaged 1,800 head, with milk production for the year totaling 11.8 million pounds. ^{9/}

Mineral Resources

The principal mineral resources of Fayette County consist of limestone, clay, sand and vein minerals. Deposits of phosphate of undetermined commercial value derived from the phosphatic Woodburn limestone occur in the western section of the county.

Limestone constitutes the county's most important mineral resource. It occurs in large quantities, suitable for roadway construction, concrete aggregate and agricultural lime, throughout most of the county. Three quarries operated in the Tyrone, Oregon, and Curdsville formations in 1966.

Sand in limited amounts can be obtained from the Kentucky River channel for general construction purposes. These could possibly be developed if they can economically compete with other aggregate sources in this area.

Water Resources

The largest supply of surface water is available from the Kentucky River and impounded reservoirs. The average discharge (USGS) of the Kentucky River at Camp Nelson (25 years record) and South Elkhorn Creek at Fort Spring (14 years record) are 5,641 cfs and 29.3 cfs, respectively.

Some wells produce industrial type rates up to 300 gallons per minute in alluvial valleys on thick limestone. Areas away from these yield enough for domestic supply. The water tends to be hard to very hard and may contain salt or hydrogen sulfide, especially below 100 feet in depth.

Forests

There are only 5,500 acres of commercial forest land in Fayette County, covering 3.1 percent of the total land area. The most abundant species are red oak, beech, white oak, hickory, black walnut, ash and hard maple.

Climate

Lexington has a pleasant year-round climate. Great extremes of heat or cold rarely occur, yet weather changes are sufficiently frequent to give variety. Temperatures above 100° and below 0° are relatively rare. The average temperature for the winter months is 35°, for the spring and fall months in the middle fifties, and for the summer months 75°.

In the Spring of the year there is a 75 percent chance of being free of a temperature below 24° after March 29, 28° after April 8, and 32° after April 22. In the Fall of the year there is a 75 percent chance of being free of a 32° temperature until October 18, 28° until October 29, and 24° until November 12. These figures are based on 72 years record. The average growing season is about 185 days.

Precipitation in Lexington is moderate. The winter, spring and summer seasons each receive about 11.50 inches of rain. The fall season is the driest with 9.25 inches. Precipitation from May through September comes mostly from thundershowers. Hail occurs with some of the thundershowers, but the area affected is rather small in most cases. Lexington gets some snowfall each winter and the seasonal amounts are extremely variable. As a rule, the ground remains covered with snow for only a few days at a time.

The months of September and October are the most pleasant of the year. They have the least amount of precipitation, the greatest number of clear days. Daytime temperatures are comfortable while the nights are pleasantly cool. 10/

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Lexington, a second-class city, has a city manager-commission form of government, with a mayor, elected for a 4-year term, and 4 commissioners, elected for 2-year terms. The operating departments are under the direction of the city manager.

Fayette County is governed by a fiscal court made up of a county judge, elected for a 4-year term, and three magistrates, elected for 2-year terms.

Finance

The City of Lexington has an estimated income of \$10,828,108 for the 12 months ending December 31, 1968. Estimated total operating expenditures are \$7,999,017.84. As of December 31, 1967, bonded indebtedness outstanding was \$6,306,000 in sewer RBW bonds and \$20,000 in storm sewer bonds.

Fayette County's budget is \$2,779,740 for fiscal year 1968-69. Bonded indebtedness of the Fayette County Courthouse Corporation was \$533,000 as of June 30, 1968.

Taxes

Property taxes are the major source of income for Fayette County. Lexington's income is derived equally from property taxes and payroll and business net profit taxes. Property must be assessed at 100 percent of value under provisions of the Kentucky Constitution.

1968 net assessed value of property in these jurisdictions was:

<u>Class of Property</u>	<u>Lexington</u>	<u>Fayette County</u>
Total	\$765,729,203	\$1,937,040,659
Real Estate	517,273,595	1,011,848,020
Tangibles	107,137,940	255,559,594
Public Service	47,681,877	102,340,495

Property tax rates for 1968 are shown on following page.

TABLE 8

PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUE
FOR LEXINGTON AND FAYETTE COUNTY, 1968

Taxing Unit	Lexington	Fayette County
State	\$.015	\$.015
County	.162	.162
School	.845	.845
City	<u>.617</u>	<u> </u>
Total	\$1.639	\$1.022

The City of Lexington requires a 1.5 percent payroll tax and a 1.5 percent net profit tax of all firms operating in the city.

State law empowers Lexington to allow a five-year exemption from municipal taxation for new industry.

Planning and Zoning

During the past five years the Lexington-Fayette County Planning Commission, with a staff of 16 full-time employees, has completed 60 detailed planning studies which inventory, analyze, and project city-county assets and orderly growth. Major revision and updating of the official zoning ordinance, subdivision regulations, and map ordinance have been completed this year. A master annexation plan, produced by Spindletop Research, is presently in the process of amendment and adoption.

The Lexington Urban Renewal Commission is in the process of redeveloping an 83-acre tract in the downtown section. It involves the removal of railroad tracks which bisect the commercial area, the relocation and addition of some streets, the reservation of land for a civic center, and the clearing and sale of 15 acres to private enterprise. The estimated completion date for the project is December, 1969.

Lexington and Fayette County have adopted and enforce all major codes and ordinances.

Safety

Fire: Lexington has a Class-3 American Insurance Association fire rating.

Fayette County has a Class-8 to -10 (depending on the location) American Insurance Association fire rating.

The Lexington Fire Department is staffed with 237 full-time firemen operating out of 11 stations. Motorized equipment includes 14 pumpers, 5 ladder-rescue trucks and utility vehicles, and 25 miscellaneous and standby vehicles. Alarms can be turned in via 168 alarm boxes throughout the city and operations are coordinated with a two-way radio communication system which connects all stations and vehicles. A civil defense network system is also provided.

The Fayette County Fire Department is staffed by 53 full-time firemen (which includes a chief and captain for each truck), 4 dispatchers, and 32 volunteer firemen. The 3 stations house the following motorized equipment: five pumpers, two tankers, and two utility vehicles. The alarm system consists of a private switchboard and two-way radio system. Several county industries have a direct alarm system to the Department.

Police: The Lexington Police Department consists of 205 officers and patrolmen, 36 school guards, and 29 miscellaneous personnel. Motorized equipment includes 45 cruisers and 14 motorcycles, all radio-equipped. The department has a 1968 budget of \$1,800,000 and a full complement of the latest first aid, riot control, traffic safety, and crime detection equipment.

The Fayette County Police Department has 45 full-time employees and operates 14 radio-equipped patrol cars, all connected to the inter-city radio system. There are also 20 school guards and 10 auxiliary policemen on emergency call.

Sanitation

Free sanitation service is provided by the City of Lexington with daily garbage collection in commercial areas and twice weekly collection in residential areas. A small charge is levied for the disposal of industrial wastes. Disposal at the city dump is by modified land fill, incinerator and industrial refuse burner.

Garbage collection in Fayette County is provided by private contractors.



UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY MEDICAL CENTER

HEALTH

Lexington is a regional medical center, offering a number of well-staffed hospitals, medical specialists in every field, and the ratio of doctors to the population (one per 380 citizens) is one of the lowest to be found in any county in the United States. In addition to its teaching and hospital services, the University of Kentucky Medical Center conducts research in many fields and has gained national recognition for its successful research in the treatment of heart patients.

Hospitals

General hospitals include:

Central Baptist Hospital	257 beds
Good Samaritan Hospital	278 beds
St. Joseph Hospital	315 beds
University of Kentucky Medical Center	474 beds
Veterans Administration Hospital	1, 171 beds

Special hospitals include:

Cardinal Hill Convalescent Hospital	50 beds
Eastern State Hospital (State-operated mental institution)	1, 125 beds
Foundation Hospital (Psychiatric)	21 beds
Shriners Hospital for Crippled Children	64 beds
U. S. National Institute of Mental Health Research Center (U. S. Public Health Service Narcotics Hospital)	1, 046 beds

Nursing Homes

There are six state-licensed nursing homes in Lexington with a combined total of 370 beds.

Day Care Centers

Lexington has 18 state-licensed day care centers with the combined capability of caring for 683 infants and children.

Public Health

The Lexington-Fayette County Health Department is staffed by seventy-six full-time and five part-time employees. This staff includes the following personnel:

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| 1 Director of the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department (M. D.) | |
| 5 Division Directors (including one M. D.) | |
| 29 Nurses | 18 Stenographers and Clerks |
| 2 Licensed Practical Nurses | 2 Maintenance Men |
| 1 Nutritionist | 2 Auxiliary Workers |
| 1 Health Educator | 2 Home Health Aides |
| 11 Sanitarians | 3 Medical Doctors - part time |
| 1 Laboratory Technician | 1 Social Worker - part time |
| 1 X-ray Technician | 1 Dental Hygienist - part time |

In addition to the above local Health Department personnel, there are five State employees assigned to the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department. They include: 2 VD Investigators, 2 Plumbing Inspectors, 1 Nutritionist.

The responsibility for general policy making and program decisions rests with the Board of Health which is composed of 3 physicians, one dentist, the city manager, the county judge and the director of the Health Department. The Department offers the full range of public health services.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Housing

Lexington-Fayette County offers the full range of housing types at reasonable purchase and rental prices. Median construction cost for a 3-bedroom, 2-bath brick house is \$15.00 per square foot. Although rental housing is presently in very short supply, there is a large number of new apartments available. Rental range for a 2-bedroom apartment including utilities is \$125-\$175 monthly.

Communication

Telephone: General Telephone Company of Kentucky serves 50,541 customers with 96,641 telephones in Lexington and Fayette County. Complete communication services, including direct distance dialing and mobile phone service, are available for residential and business requirements. Recent improvements include 3 satellite dial switching centers, new cables and lines, and the latest types of instruments.

Telegraph: Lexington is served by Western Union Telegraph Company which is open from 7 A. M. to 10 P. M., Monday through Saturday, and from 9 A. M. to 8 P. M. on Sundays and holidays.

Postal: Lexington is a Part I first-class post office and one of the state's 15 sectional centers, employing 675 persons. Mailing facilities include the main post office, a parcel post and area vehicle maintenance annex, 4 classified stations, 5 contract stations, and one rural station. There are 157 city delivery routes and 9 rural delivery routes. Lexington is also a stop on the air star route which expedites the delivery of intra-state mail within one day.

Newspapers: The Lexington Herald, a morning daily with a circulation of 54,017, and the Lexington Leader, an evening daily with a circulation of 29,615, serve the Lexington area.

The Sunday Lexington Herald-Leader has a circulation of 78,108.

Other papers are received daily from Louisville, New York, Chicago, and other major cities.

Radio: Radio stations serving the Lexington area are: WBKY-FM; WVLK-AM-FM (CBS); WLAP-AM-FM (NBC); WBLG-AM (ABC) and WAXU-AM. In addition, programs are received from Louisville and Cincinnati stations.

Television: Television reception is excellent from the 3 Lexington UHF stations: WBLG-TV (ABC), WKYT-TV (CBS) and WLEX-TV (NBC). Outside antennas are required to pick up the VHF stations from Louisville (WHAS-TV, WAVE-TV, WLKY-TV) and Cincinnati (WCPO-TV, WLW-TV, WKRC-TV). In addition, channel 46 of the Kentucky Educational Television Network originates in Lexington.

Libraries

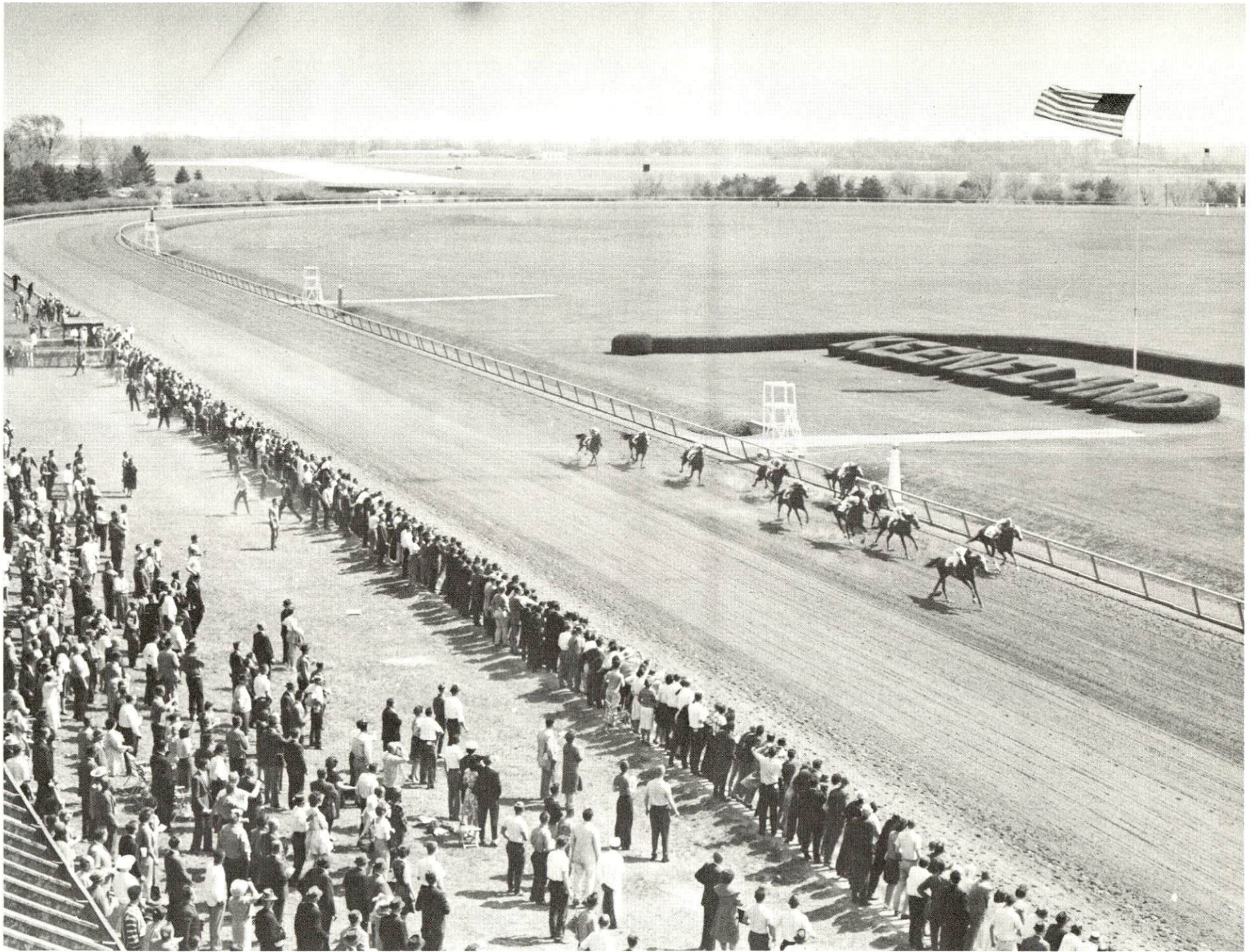
The Lexington Public Library, with a staff of 25 full-time employees, serves Lexington and Fayette County with a collection of 87,365 volumes. There are also three bookmobiles. Circulation for 1967 totaled 636,743 for the main library and 176,860 for the bookmobiles. Recent improvements include additional shelving and office equipment. The University of Kentucky libraries, open to the public, house over a million volumes and rank among the largest in the South and Midwest.

Churches and Synagogues

There are presently 109 churches and 2 synagogues supported by 23 denominations and 2 congregations. These are Assembly of God, Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Christian Science, Church of Christ, Church of God, Community Church, Eastern Orthodox, Episcopal, Jehovah's Witnesses, Latter Day Saints, Lutheran, Methodist, Nazarene, Presbyterian, Salvation Army, Seventh Day Adventist, and Unitarian Universalist. The two congregations are Orthodox and Reformed.

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of June 30, 1968</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Bank of Commerce & Trust Co.	\$ 40,298,767	\$ 36,960,069
Bank of Lexington	6,395,013	5,230,283
Central Bank & Trust Co.	56,012,286	52,543,480
Citizens Union National Bank & Trust Co.	59,141,676	53,386,852
First Security National Bank & Trust Co.	147,984,340	131,859,952
Second National Bank & Trust Co.	29,860,882	27,400,686
<u>Savings and Loan Associations</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Shared Accounts</u>
First Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.	\$27,241,970	\$ 24,474,857
Lexington Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.	31,186,213	27,701,465
New Union Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.	6,452,139	5,871,868
Peoples Federal Savings & Loan Assoc.	5,304,098	4,640,303



KEENELAND RACE COURSE

Clubs and Organizations

There are more than 300 clubs and organizations in Lexington which include all major civic, business, professional, fraternal, charitable, sports, farm, and youth organizations. Annual events of particular note are the nationally acclaimed Junior League Horse Show, sponsored by the Lexington Junior League; the Shrine Circus, sponsored by Lexington Shriners; and the Blue Grass Fair, sponsored by the Lexington Lions Clubs.

Recreation

The Lexington City Recreation Department has a complete recreation program for children and adults. Last summer alone over 200,000 persons participated in the program. The Department operates 22 supervised playgrounds, 3 swimming pools, and 8 recreation centers. Organized programs include: 3 leagues of Small Fry football, 111 basketball teams, 3 baseball leagues with 101 teams, teen-age programs with a special City Teen Council, and a Senior Citizens Program. Since 1963, the City Recreation Department has acquired and developed over 163 acres of park land.

The Fayette County Recreation and Parks Board has a recreation program very similar to that of the city. It operates 9 summer playgrounds, 3 baseball fields (one of which is lighted), and a swimming pool. It also operates Meadowbrook Golf Course, a par-3, 18-hole public course.

The city and county are presently in the process of merging recreation activities and holdings under a single Metropolitan Parks Board.

Lexington-Fayette County also has the following private recreational facilities: 4 bowling lanes; 6 country clubs, each with swimming pool and golf course; and numerous night clubs and lounges with live entertainment.

Naturally, there is the best horse racing in the world. Keeneland Race Course offers spring and fall thoroughbred racing meets. Trotters and pacers share the attention with grand circuit harness racing at the Lexington Trotting Track, better known as the "Big Red Mile." Saddle horse fans attend the annual Junior League Horse Show and many smaller horse shows throughout the Lexington area. The Iroquis Hunt Club, one of only two in the state, has fox hunts and jumper competitions and one may see the annual "Blessing of the Hounds" ceremony by the Episcopal Bishop of Lexington.

The University of Kentucky, which has produced Cotton and Sugar Bowl football teams and Olympic basketball teams, provides nine months of sports excitement every year at the 14,000-seat Memorial Coliseum and the 37,500-seat Stoll Field Stadium.



BLESSING OF THE HOUNDS

HISTORY

Fayette County dates from 1780 when it was part of Fincastle County, Virginia, and later designated Kentucky County, Virginia. When Kentucky became a state in 1792, Fayette County gave up some of its territory to form adjoining counties. The county is named for General Gilbert Montier de LaFayette of France who fought with George Washington's Continental Army during the American Revolution.

Lexington, the county seat, was settled in 1779, and by 1815 was the largest town in the state and the social and cultural center of the west. Horse racing became popular very early - the first horse race course was established in 1789 and soon a thriving breeding and racing industry was established which has grown to bring world-wide fame to the area.

Transylvania, the first institution of higher learning west of the Allegheny Mountains, was chartered in 1780 and still flourishes as one of the outstanding liberal arts colleges in the nation. Its list of graduates is a "Who's Who" of the great and includes Jefferson Davis and Stephen Austin.

The University of Kentucky, established in 1865, has grown from its land grant roots to a major center of advanced education and research.

Of the many famous personalities who have lived in Lexington, Mary Todd Lincoln and Henry Clay, the Great Compromiser, are probably the most famous. But Lexington has also produced 13 U. S. representatives, 11 U. S. senators, Vice President of the U. S., J. C. Breckinridge, Secretary of the Treasury George M. Bibb, U. S. Attorney General John Breckinridge, Postmaster General William T. Barry, and General John Hunt Morgan.

Today, two of Lexington's most famous citizens are Adolph Rupp, the Baron of Basketball, whose University of Kentucky Wildcats over a period of 36 years have compiled the best win record in the history of the game. George Swinebroad, auctioneer par excellence, has for many years sold millions of dollars of thoroughbred horseflesh at Tattersalls and Keeneland, focusing world attention on this local industry.

Lexington, with its rich historic and cultural heritage and thriving economy, looks forward to a future that combines the best of all its attributes in a new dimension of growth.

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