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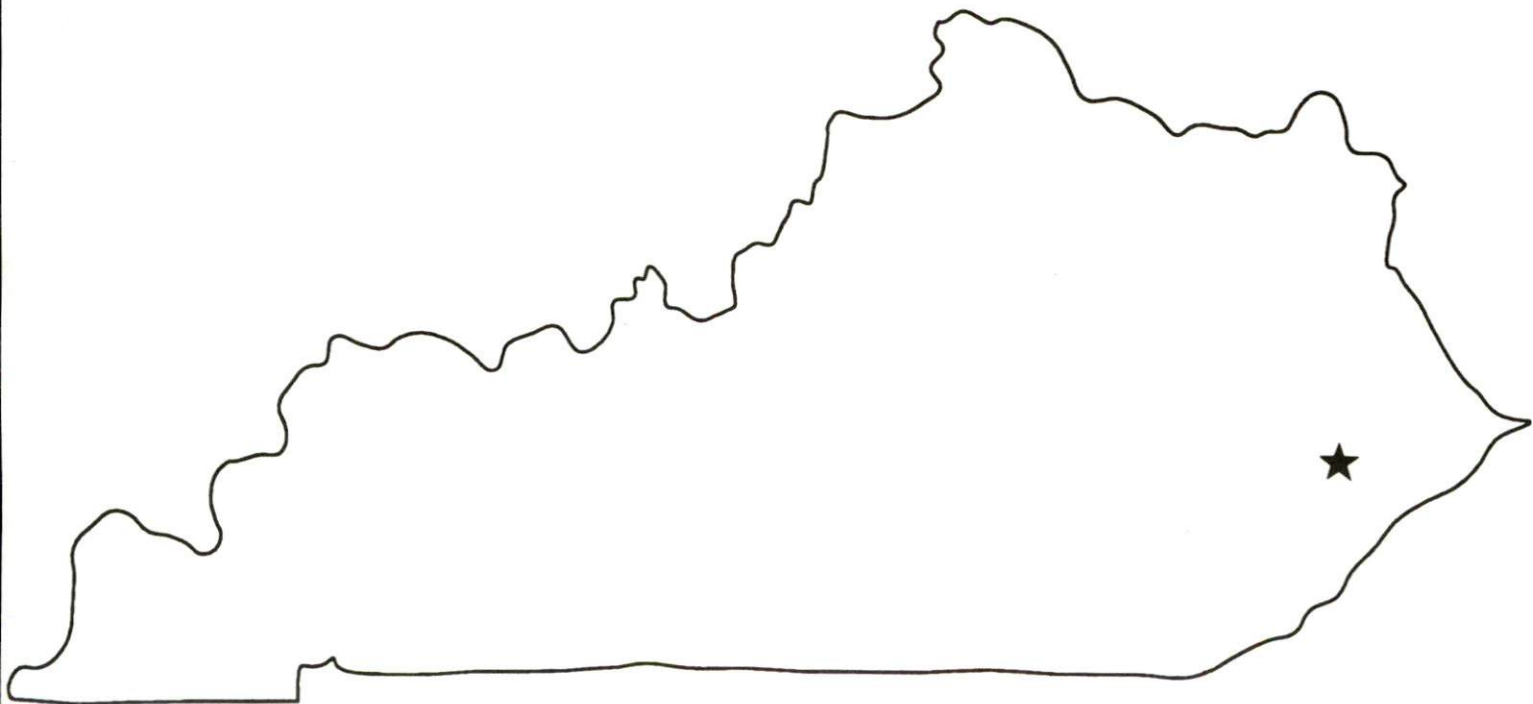
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Resources For Economic Development

Knott County



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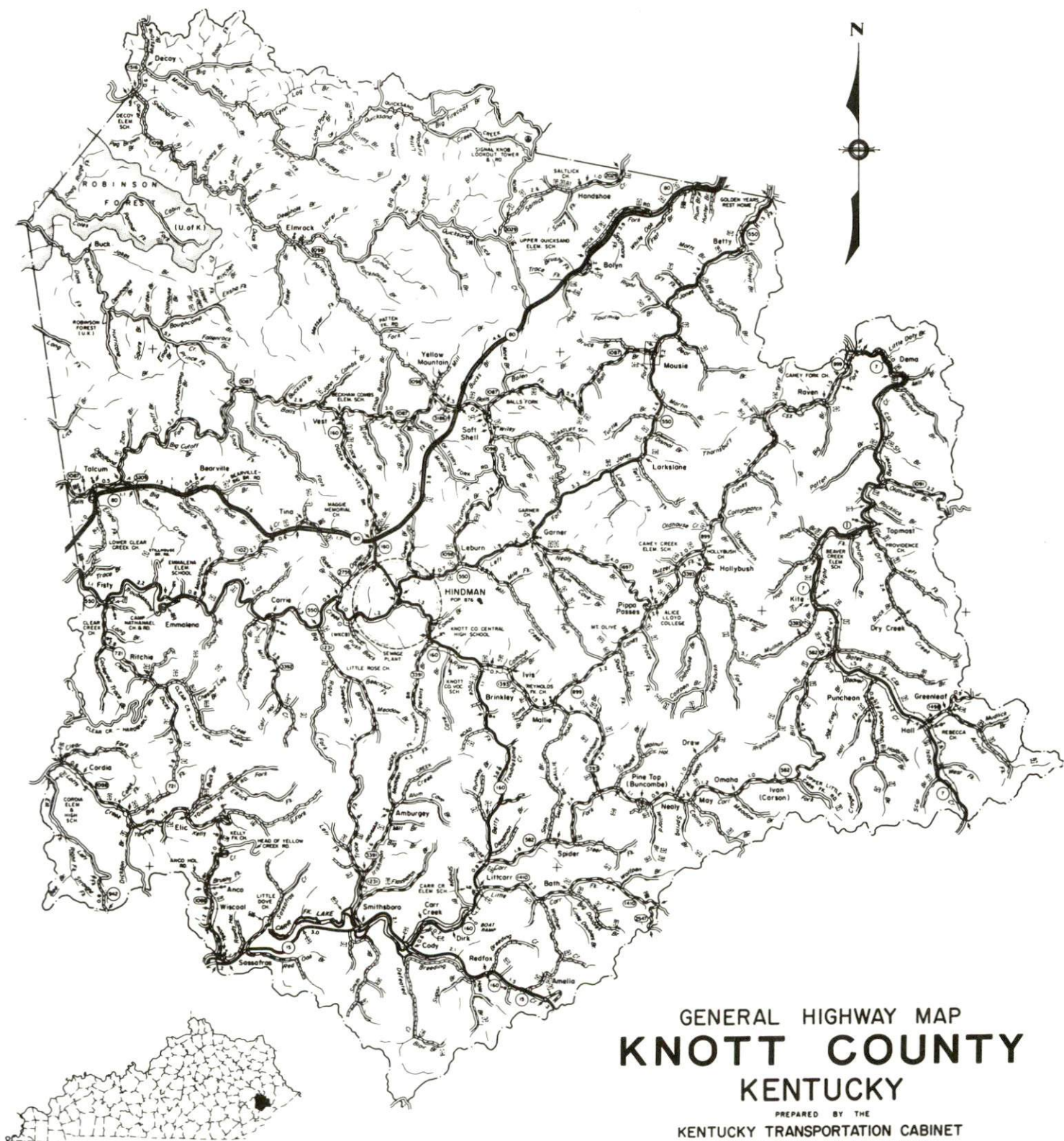
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP **KNOTT COUNTY** KENTUCKY

PREPARED BY THE
 KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET
 DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
 DIVISION OF PLANNING
 IN COOPERATION WITH THE
 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
 FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

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KNOTT COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Knott County, with a 1992 estimated population of 18,233, is located within the Eastern Kentucky Coal Field Region. Hindman, the county seat, had a 1992 estimated population of 855. Hindman is located approximately 208 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky; 158 miles northeast of Knoxville, Tennessee; and 110 miles southwest of Huntington, West Virginia.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Knott County residents employed in 1993 averaged 5,150. In 1992, manufacturing firms in the county reported 16 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 324 jobs; 412 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 782 employees; and 954 people were employed by mining and quarrying operations.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 25,466 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1995 through 1999, 11,908 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

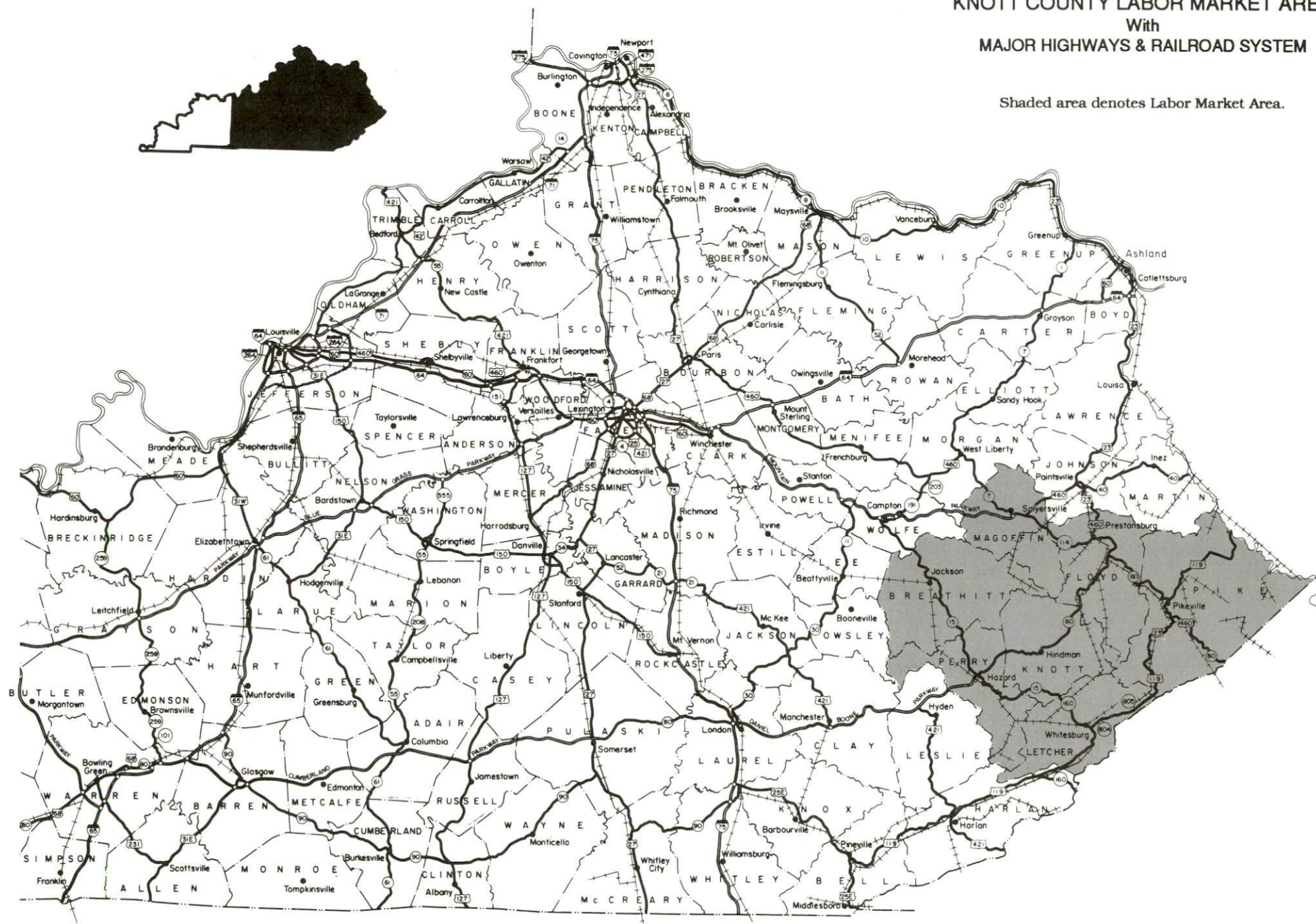
Transportation - Major highways serving Knott County include Kentucky Routes 15, 80, 160 and 550. Ten common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Hindman and Knott County. The nearest rail service is provided by CSX Transportation at Hazard, Kentucky, 22 miles southwest of Hindman. The nearest commercial airline service is available at Tri-City Airport near Bristol, Tennessee, 101 miles southeast of Hindman and at Tri-State Field near Huntington, West Virginia, 107 miles northeast. The Wendell H. Ford Airport, 31 miles northwest of Hindman, maintains two runways of 4,000 and 3,200 feet.

Power and Fuel - The Kentucky Power Company provides electric power to Hindman and a major portion of Knott County. A portion of northern Knott County is provided power by the Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Columbia Gas of Kentucky provides natural gas service to Hindman and parts of Knott County.

Education - The Knott County Public School System provides primary and secondary education to residents of Knott County. One nonpublic school also operates in the county. Hindman Settlement School, a privately funded institution, provides unique education and training programs to the area. Alice Lloyd College, a private four-year college, is located in Pippa Passes, nine miles from Hindman. In addition, seven other colleges are located within 80 miles of Hindman. Vocational training is available locally at the Knott County Area Vocational Education Center and at the Hazard State Vocational-Technical School, located 26 miles southwest of Hindman.

KNOTT COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Knott County Labor Market Area includes Knott County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Breathitt, Floyd, Letcher, and Perry.

POPULATION				
	<u>1992*</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	135,510	134,478	148,158	114,232
Hindman	855	798	876	808
Knott County	18,233	17,906	17,940	14,698

* Population estimates.

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS				
	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	133,917	132,766	130,768	127,505
Knott County	18,212	18,436	18,769	18,713

Note: Population projections are from Moderate Growth Series forecast.

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY				
	Current		Not in Labor Force	Future Becoming 18 years of age 1995 thru 1999
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>		
Labor Market Area*	25,466	4,946	20,520	11,908
Knott County	4,178	562	3,616	1,572

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; 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). Underemployed persons (employed only 14 to 26 weeks during the year) are no longer included in labor surplus estimates.

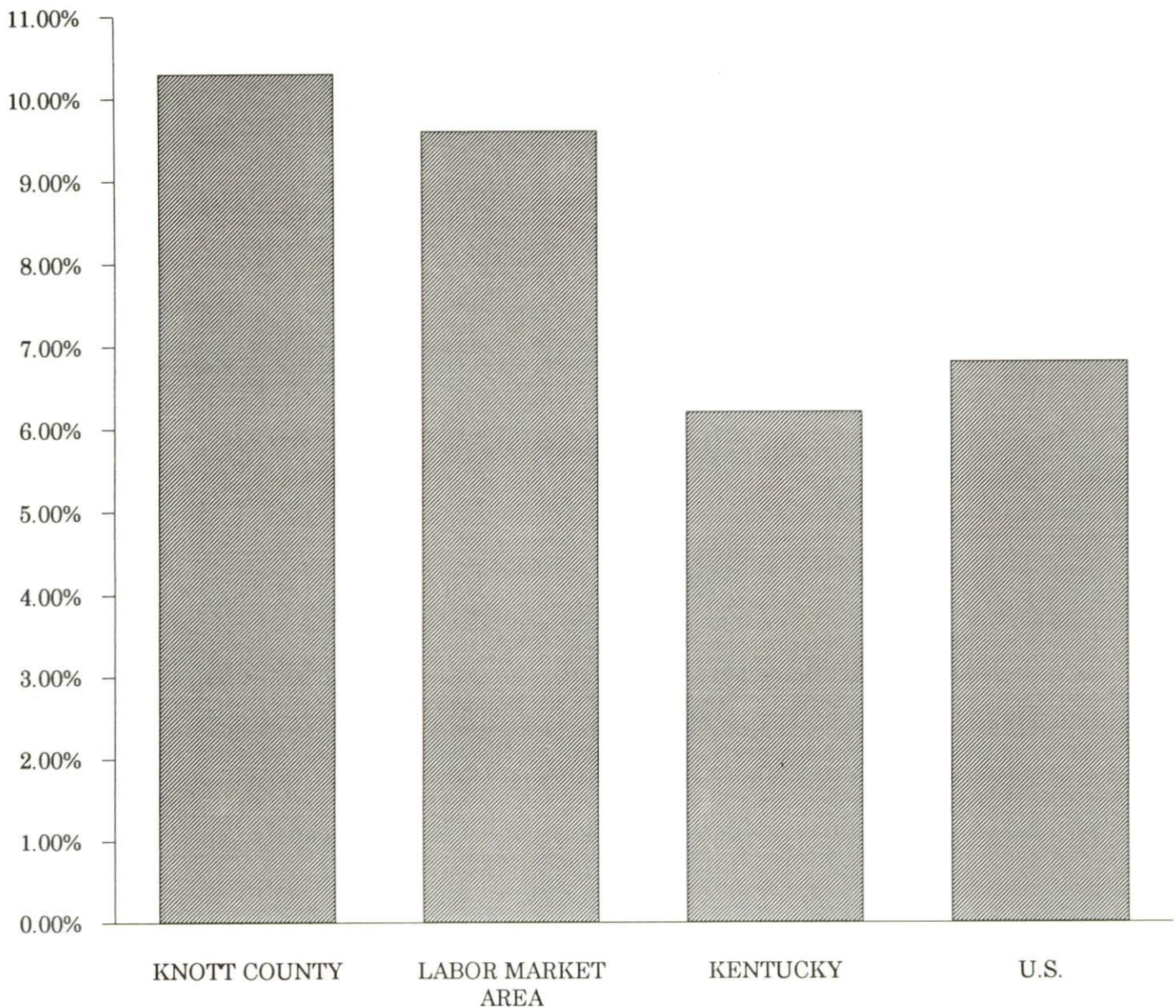
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1992. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1995 thru 1999.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1993

	<u>Knott County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	5,743	44,283
Employment	5,150	40,018
Unemployment	593	4,265
Rate of Unemployment (%)	10.3	9.6

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1993.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1993

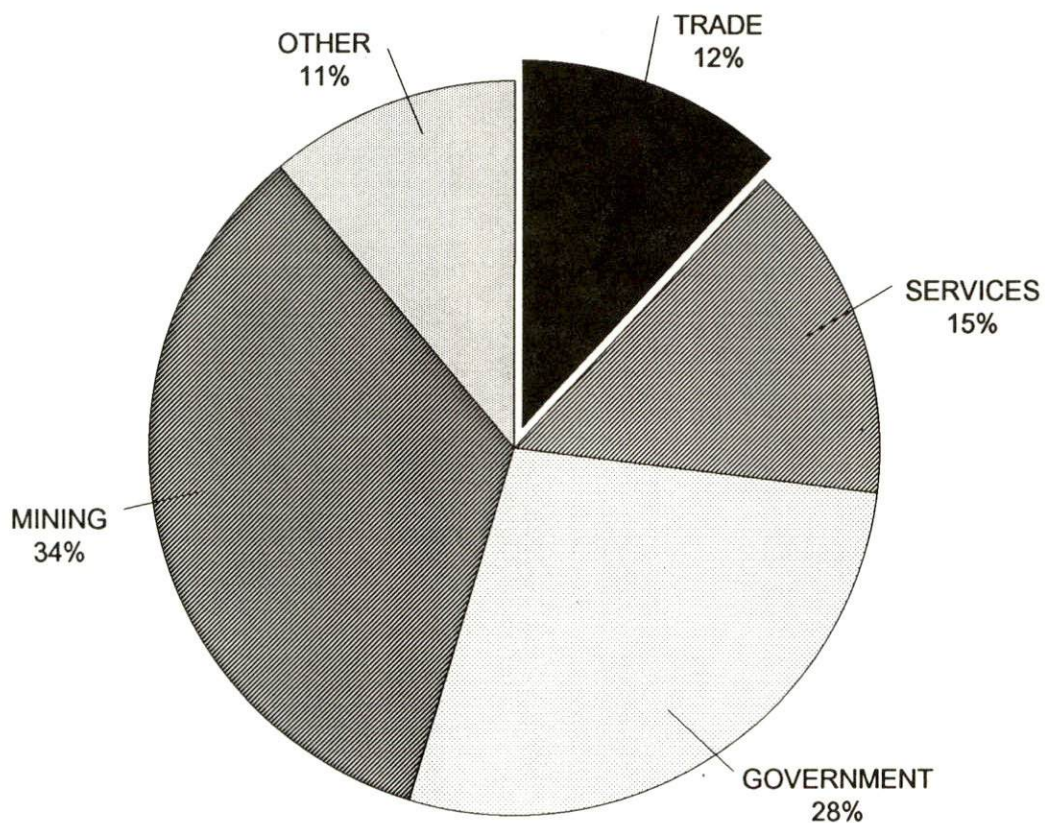


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992

	<u>Knott County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	2,833	33,939
Manufacturing	16	565
Wholesale & Retail Trade	324	8,203
Services	412	7,119
State/Local Government	782	7,098
Mining & Quarrying	954	6,643

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, 1992.

KNOTT COUNTY

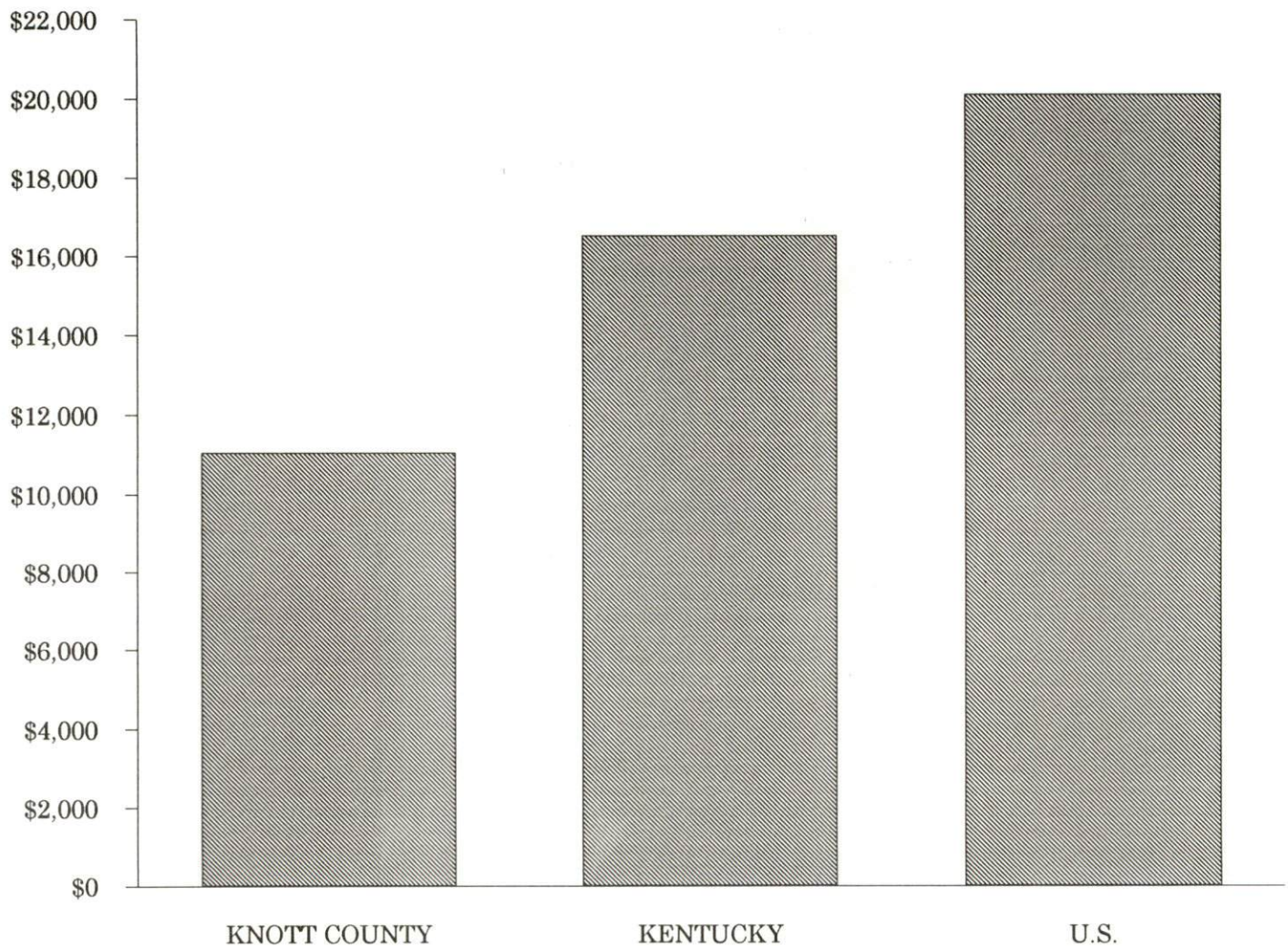


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1988	1992	Percent Change
Knott County	\$8,572	\$11,059	29.0
Labor Market Area Range	\$8,495 - \$10,472	\$11,059 - \$13,515	-
Kentucky	\$12,751	\$16,528	29.6
U.S.	\$16,610	\$20,105	21.0

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System, April 1994.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1992



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

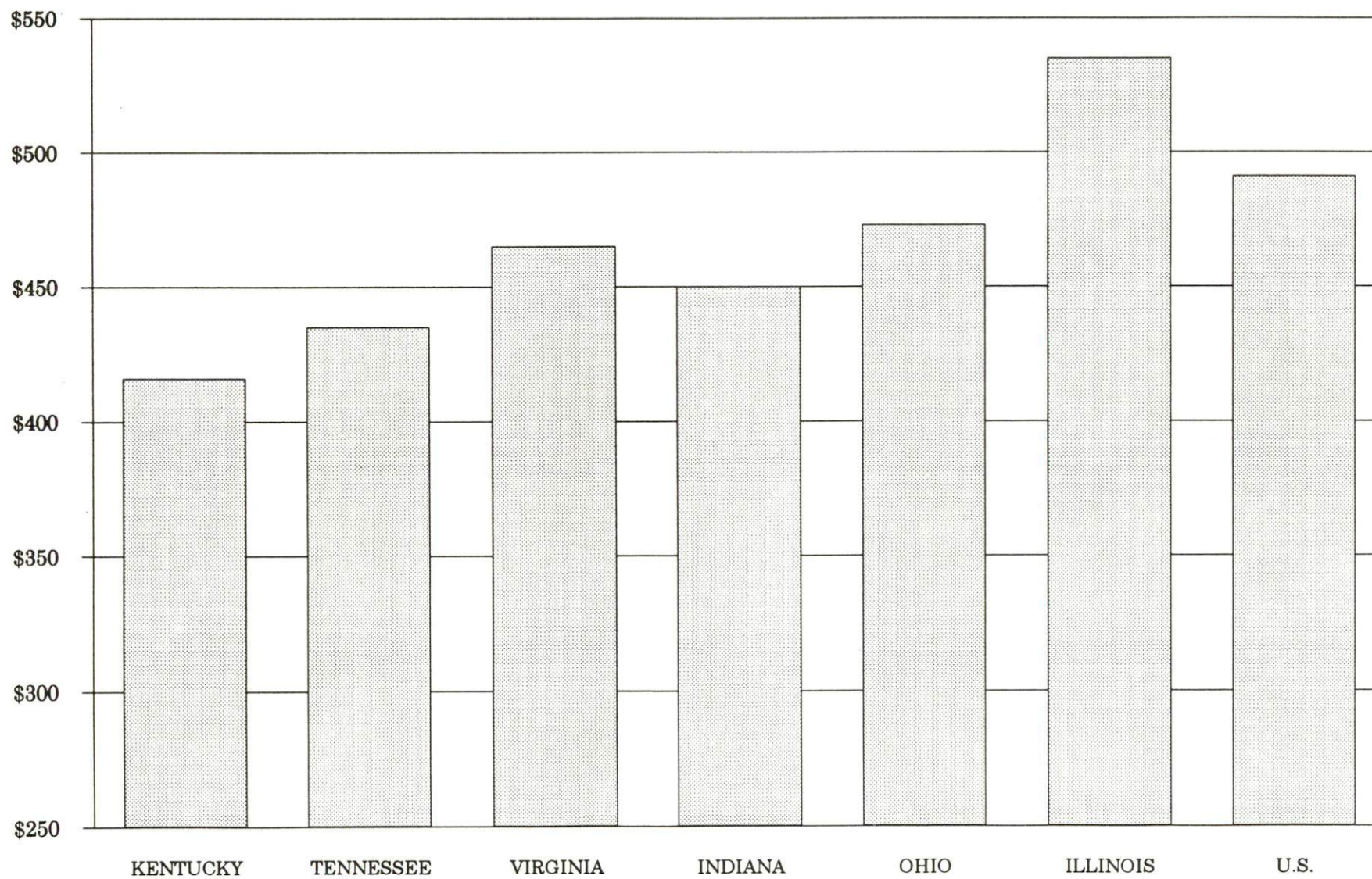
Knott County is served by the Hazard local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Hazard local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1994, the local employment office filled 1,564 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	1,564	4.78
Clerical	414	4.45
Sales	43	6.43
Services (excluding domestic)	502	4.08
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	5	5.30
Processing	1	4.25
Machine Trades	23	6.02
Bench Work	190	4.39
Structural	199	5.55
Motor Freight/ Transportation	41	5.30
Packaging and Materials Handling	48	4.55
Other	32	10.72

The Hazard local office also serves Breathitt, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Owsley, Perry, and Wolfe 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 - 1992**



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992*

	Knott County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$416.07	\$415.94	\$435.00	\$465.00
Mining & Quarrying	554.73	685.48	564.00	690.00
Contract Construction	285.64	431.97	456.00	456.00
Manufacturing	265.52	535.73	510.00	535.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	445.08	560.84	561.00	637.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	219.69	282.29	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	607.30	493.68	548.00	576.00
Services	297.99	371.91	419.00	483.00
State/Local Government	384.59	434.01	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$450.00	\$473.00	\$535.00	\$491.00
Mining & Quarrying	731.00	639.00	787.00	799.00
Contract Construction	504.00	525.00	658.00	527.00
Manufacturing	609.00	653.00	652.00	612.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	548.00	590.00	674.00	632.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	511.00	545.00	728.00	670.00
Services	386.00	419.00	488.00	468.00
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, 1992. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1992, October 1993.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

KNOTT COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1993</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Kite		
Triple H Lumber Company (1976)	Logs, mining timbers, lumber	3
Pippa Passes		
Pippa Passes Printing (1969)	Job printing	3

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research;
Knott County Fiscal Court.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are no labor unions representing workers in Knott County manufacturing firms at the present time.

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Hindman</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Annville, Kentucky	80
Electric Motor Repair	Hyden, Kentucky	37
Heat Treating Facilities	Richmond, Kentucky	128
	Lexington, Kentucky	132
Industrial Waste Removal	Prestonsburg, Kentucky	32
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	West Van Lear, Kentucky	44
Metal Castings	Middlesboro, Kentucky	116
Metal Finishers	Richmond, Kentucky	128
	Lexington, Kentucky	132
Metal Service Centers	Martin, Kentucky	25
Millwrights & Riggers	Lexington, Kentucky	132

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Major highways serving Knott County include Kentucky Routes 15, 80, 160 and 550. Kentucky 550 west of Hindman, Kentucky 15, and Kentucky 80 are "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. Kentucky 80 is a four-lane highway throughout the county. Kentucky 550, east of Hindman, and Route 160 are "AA"-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways.

The Daniel Boone Parkway, a limited-access toll road, is located 18 miles west of Hindman via Kentucky 80. Access to Interstate 75 is available 77 miles west via Kentucky 80 and the Daniel Boone Parkway.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM HINDMAN, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	353	Los Angeles, CA	2,270
Baltimore, MD	519	Louisville, KY	208
Birmingham, AL	399	Nashville, TN	272
Chicago, IL	477	New Orleans, LA	739
Cincinnati, OH	205	New York, NY	702
Cleveland, OH	397	Pittsburgh, PA	349
Detroit, MI	438	St. Louis, MO	467
Knoxville, TN	158		

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

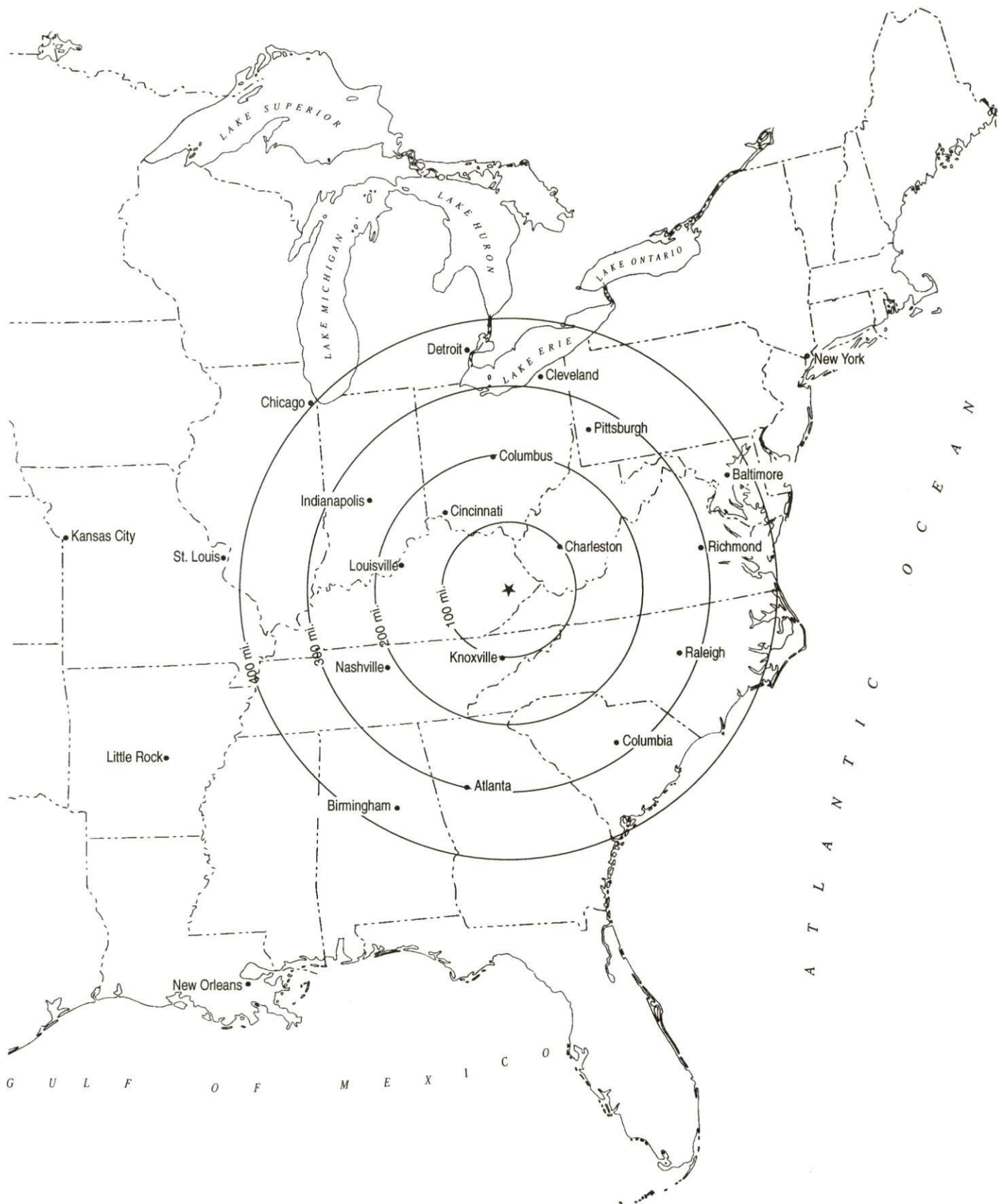
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

Ten common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Hindman and Knott County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1994.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

Rail service is provided to the area by CSX Transportation. A CSX line extends through eastern Knott County and at Hazard, 22 miles southwest of Hindman. Hindman is not served directly by rail. The nearest intermodal facilities are located at Kingsport, Tennessee, 87 miles southeast of Hindman.

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:	Wendell H. Ford Airport 15 miles north of Hazard, Kentucky; 31 miles northwest of Hindman
Runways:	2 paved
Length:	4,000 and 3,200 feet
Traffic	
Control:	Wind sock, unicom 122.7, VOR-DME (AZQ)
Lighting:	Runway lights (sundown to sunrise), rotating beacon (radio controlled)
Services:	100LL and jet-A fuels, courtesy car, tie-downs

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Tri-City Regional Airport 14 miles southwest of Bristol, Tennessee; 101 miles southeast of Hindman
Air Service:	American Eagle, Atlantic Southeast, ComAir, Delta, USAir
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	68

Location:	Tri-State Field (Walker-Long Field) 3 miles southwest of Huntington, West Virginia; 107 miles northeast of Hindman
Air Service:	C.C. Air, ComAir, Northwest Airlink, USAir
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	48

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving **Hindman** and a major portion of **Knott County** - Kentucky
Power Company

Source of power - Kentucky Power Company

For industrial rates contact:

Economic Development Manager
Kentucky Power Company
1701 Central Avenue
P.O. Box 1428
Ashland, Kentucky 41105-1428
(606) 327-1244 Fax (606) 327-1246

Company serving a portion of northern **Knott County** - Big Sandy Rural

Electric Cooperative Corporation

Source of power - East Kentucky Power

For industrial rates contact:

Big Sandy Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Box 1746
Paintsville, Kentucky 41240-5746
(606) 789-4095

and/or

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

Natural Gas

Company serving **Hindman** - Columbia Gas of Kentucky

Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation

For rates and supplies contact:

Economic Development Department
Columbia Gas of Kentucky
70 Fountain Place
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601
(502) 227-4998

Public Water Supply

Company serving Hindman - Hindman Water & Sewer Company
P.O. Box 496
Hindman, Kentucky 41822
(606) 785-5545

Source of raw water - Wells (total pumping capacity - 170 gallons per minute)

Treatment plant capacity - 465,000 gallons per day

Source of supply of treated water - Beaver-Elkhorn Water District

Amount of water that can be purchased - 50,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption - 130,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 160,000 gallons

Storage capacity - 205,000 gallons

Water pressure - 135 psi to 175 psi

Sewerage

Company serving Hindman - Hindman Water & Sewer Company
P.O. Box 496
Hindman, Kentucky 41822
(606) 785-5545

Design capacity - 125,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow - 58,000 gallons

Type of treatment - Tertiary

Treated effluent discharged into - Troublesome Creek

The City of Hindman is in the process of renovating its wastewater treatment plant. At a cost of \$738,000, the project will reach completion in 1995.

CLIMATE

Knott County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	55.90 degrees
Average annual 1992	55.50 degrees
Record highest, July 1952 (47-year record)	102.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (47-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,356
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	41.24 inches
Mean annual snowfall (55-year record)	15.70 inches
Total precipitation 1992	38.72 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more)	
(47-year record)	133.40
Mean number days thunderstorms (49-year record)	43.00

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

Northeast

Relative Humidity (31-year record)

1 a.m.	81 percent
7 a.m.	86 percent
1 p.m.	57 percent
7 p.m.	63 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1992. Station of record: Bristol, Johnson City, Kingsport, Tennessee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

The City of Hindman 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. Knott County is governed by a county judge/executive and four magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

Knott County is presently not served by a planning and zoning agency.

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

The City of Hindman requires businesses operating within the city to obtain business licenses, with the fees ranging from \$10 to \$125 per year. An annual unloading license of \$50 is also assessed within the city.

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. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1993 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.180	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, 1993

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Knott County	\$0.1680	\$0.1870	\$0.1870
School Districts:			
Knott County	0.3920	0.3920	0.3790
Cities:			
Hindman	0.0900	0.0900	0.1150

EDUCATION

Public Schools

Knott County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1993)	3,632
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	16.2-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	46.7
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,700.69

Hindman Settlement School

The Knott County area is afforded unique educational opportunities at the Hindman Settlement School. Founded in 1902, the privately funded institution has provided for various needs and responds to current and future demands. Programs include the school for dyslexic children; literacy services for adult basic education and GED testing center; the Eastern Kentucky Teachers Network, which provides education and training opportunities for members; scholarship assistance for needy students in Knott County; public library services for the county; workshops on Appalachian life and culture; and meeting facilities for regional and local groups.

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1993)</u>
Alice Lloyd College	Pippa Passes (9)	619
Hazard Community College	Hazard (22)	1,900
Prestonsburg Community College	Prestonsburg (32)	3,012
Lees College	Jackson (46)	624
Southeast Community College	Cumberland (48)	2,620
Pikeville College	Pikeville (51)	898
Sue Bennett College	London (75)	497
Union College	Barbourville (80)	1,005

Alice Lloyd College

Alice Lloyd College offers a liberal arts pre-professional program with emphasis on careers which lead to positions of leadership and human service. The college originated in 1916 as Caney Creek Community Center which quickly expanded, offering first elementary grades, then high school, a junior college, and in 1980 became a four-year college. The college maintains a tuition-free policy for residents of 76 mountain counties. The cost of education is met by a combination of grants, scholarships and participation in a required work program. Alice Lloyd College offers two bachelor degree programs with 13 majors available.

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TRAINING

Kentucky Tech schools are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and provide secondary (Sec) and postsecondary (P/S) vocational-technical training.

<u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Hindman)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1992-1993</u>	<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
Knott County Area Vocational Education Center	Hindman	5	<u>Sec</u> 176 <u>P/S</u> 28	52
Hazard State Vocational- Technical School	Hazard (22)	15	<u>Sec</u> 158 <u>P/S</u> 469	147

Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its Training and Development Coordinators, will provide technical assistance and will identify and develop low-cost customized training programs and services for both established and prospective businesses. Businesses wanting to establish a customized training program should contact a Training and Development Coordinator located on the campus of Hazard SVTS.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, psychomotor skills and academic potential, as well as pre-hire assessment. A Career Connections Assessment Center is located on the campus of Hazard SVTS.

Adult Education Services

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills or earn a high school equivalency diploma. In Knott County, adult literacy and adult basic education are provided by the Knott County Learning Center.

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 a major 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.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 5
Dentists - 3

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
ARH Regional Medical Center	Hazard (22 miles west of Hindman)	308

Other Medical Facilities and Services

East Kentucky Health Services Center
June Buchanan Primary Care Center
Kentucky River Community Care, Inc.
Knott County Ambulance Service
Knott County Emergency Rescue Squad
Knott County Nursing Home

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

The Bank of Hindman
The Knott County Branch of the Pike National Bank & Trust

Newspapers

Troublesome Creek Times (weekly)

Telephone Service

Thacker-Grigsby Telephone Company, Inc.

Television

TV 12 (cable channel)

Radio

WKCB (AM-FM)

RECREATION

Local

Knott County provides a wide variety of recreational opportunities for the entire family including three community parks, a scenic lake, festivals, and crafts shops.

Knott County Park offers a Little League baseball field, two tennis courts, two basketball courts, a playground, a walking track, and a picnic area and shelter.

Ball Creek Community Park is a mini-park which features a basketball court, a tennis court, a walking track, a playground, and a picnic shelter.

Kite Community Park, another mini-park, offers a basketball court, a walking track, and a playground.

Carr Fork Lake, located about 11 miles south of Hindman, is a 710-acre flood control lake which provides excellent recreational facilities. Kentucky Highways 15 and 160 provide easy access to the lake area. The lake provides swimming, boating, productive fishing and a camping area with hookups and primitive campsites.

Development of the Red Fox Resort located at Carr Fork in Knott County is proposed for the future. A \$33 million joint state government-private venture will fund the construction of a lodge and 18-hole golf course while creating over 150 new jobs.

Pioneer Village, located 15 miles south of Hindman on Kentucky Highway 15, showcases the work of 100 eastern Kentucky crafts people. The village features several circa-1800 log cabins.

The Knott County area offers numerous special events for all ages. The annual Gingerbread Festival, held each first Thursday after Labor Day through Sunday, features arts and crafts exhibits, a parade, music, games, a carnival, booths, and contests.

Other events include the annual Christmas Parade, and the Cypress Trail Ride, featuring a two-day horseback ride and campout in scenic Robinson Forest.

Area (Within 45 miles)

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park
Daniel Boone National Forest
Fishtrap Lake
Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
Lilley Cornett Woods