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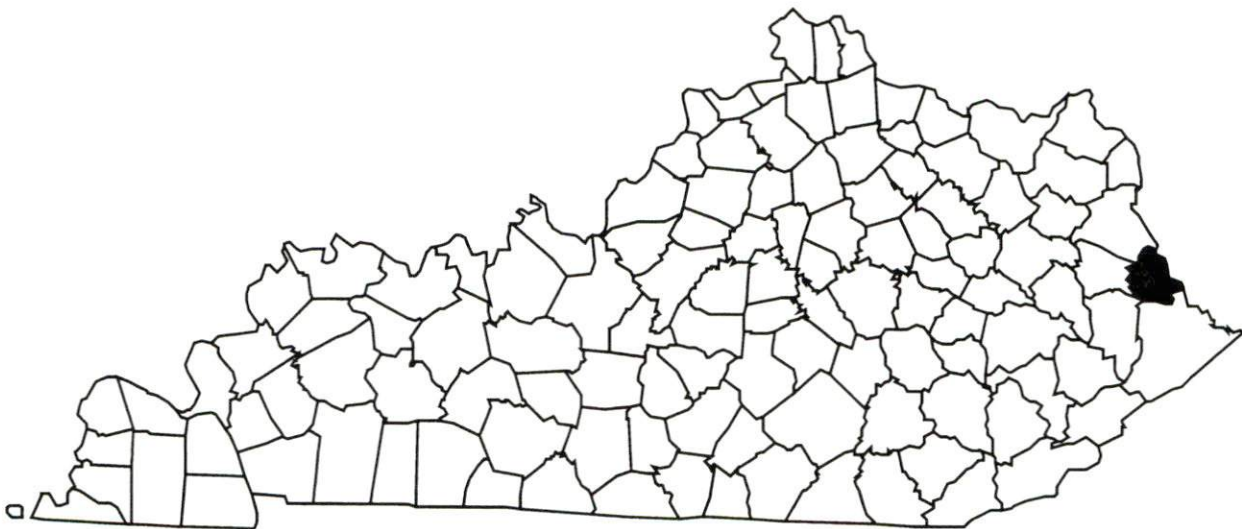
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MARTIN COUNTY, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Martin County is located in the easternmost part of the Eastern Kentucky Coal Field Region. The county is bordered by the Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River to the east. Martin County covers a land area of 231 square miles and had an estimated 1998 population of 12,120 persons.

Inez, the largest city and county seat of Martin County, had an estimated population of 470 in 1998. Inez is located 134 miles east of Lexington, Kentucky; 211 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky; 216 miles southeast of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 229 miles northeast of Knoxville, Tennessee.

The Economic Framework – Martin County firms employed 2,730 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 21 jobs; mining and quarrying firms in the county employed 1,002; manufacturing firms in the county reported 102 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 482 jobs; 277 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 628 jobs.

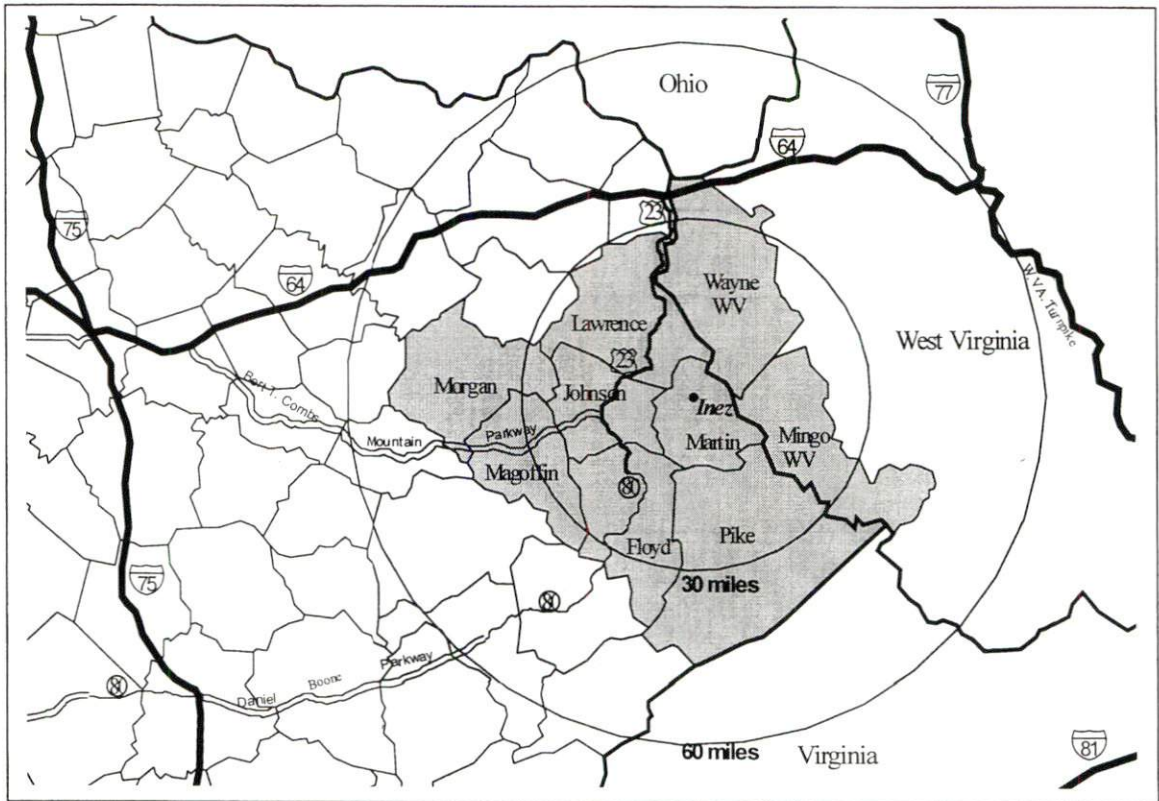
Labor Supply – There is a current estimated labor supply of 37,260 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 to 2003, approximately 22,824 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation – Inez is served directly by Kentucky Highways 3 and 645, both AAA-rated trucking highways. The Mountain Parkway, a multi-lane limited access highway, is accessible 56 miles southwest of Inez. Twelve common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Martin County. The nearest main line rail service is provided by Norfolk and Western Railway at Kermit, West Virginia, 11 miles southeast of Inez. CSX Transportation provides rail service in neighboring Johnson County, Kentucky. The nearest commercial airline services are available at Tri-State Airport in Huntington, West Virginia, 55 miles northeast of Inez. The Big Sandy Regional Airport in southwest Martin County maintains a 5,000-foot paved runway.

Power and Fuel – American Electric Power provides electric power to a major portion of Martin County. Northwest Martin County is served by the Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Natural gas service is provided to Inez and Martin County by Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation.

Education – The Martin County School System provides primary and secondary education in Martin County. Ten institutions of higher learning are located within 60 miles of Inez. The nearest state technical colleges providing post-secondary education are Mayo Technical College in Paintsville and Ashland Technical College in Ashland. The Martin County ATC (area technology center) in Inez provides secondary education.

Labor Market Area Maps



Note: To obtain detailed topographical and general highway maps contact Maps and Publications at 502-564-4715, or for industrial site maps contact the Site Evaluation Division at 502-564-7140.

LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Martin County labor market area includes Martin County and the following additional counties: Floyd; Johnson; Lawrence; Magoffin; Morgan; Pike; Mingo, WV; and Wayne, WV.

Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1995*</u>	<u>1998*</u>
Labor Market Area	291,340	266,042	272,268	268,530
Martin County	13,925	12,526	12,598	12,120
Inez	415	511	505	470
Warfield	450	364	360	335

Note: * Population estimates; N/A - Not available.

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

Population Projections

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	267,936	266,019	262,872
Martin County	11,792	11,131	10,646

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

Source: University of Louisville, Urban Studies Center, State Data Center. Population projections for the out-of-state counties were estimated by the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development.

Estimated Labor Supply

	<u>Available Labor, 1998</u>			<u>Future Labor Becoming 18 years of age 1999 through 2003</u>	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Potential Labor Supply</u>	<u>Under- employed</u>	
Labor Market Area	37,260	7,610	7,535	22,115	22,824
Martin County	1,345	329	414	603	1,180

Note: Unemployed – people not working but actively seeking work. Potential Labor Supply – represents the number of persons not in the labor force, but would like a job (based on national estimates). Underemployed – people employed in wholesale/retail trade and non-professional services. See Appendix for further explanation.

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1999 through 2003.

Labor Force Characteristics of Residents, 1998

	<u>Martin County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	2,982	95,093
Employed	2,653	87,483
Unemployed	329	7,610
Unemployment Rate (%)	11.0	8.0

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Martin County	663
Workers commuting into Martin County	1,306
Working and residing in Martin County	2,531

Source: University of Louisville, State Data Center.

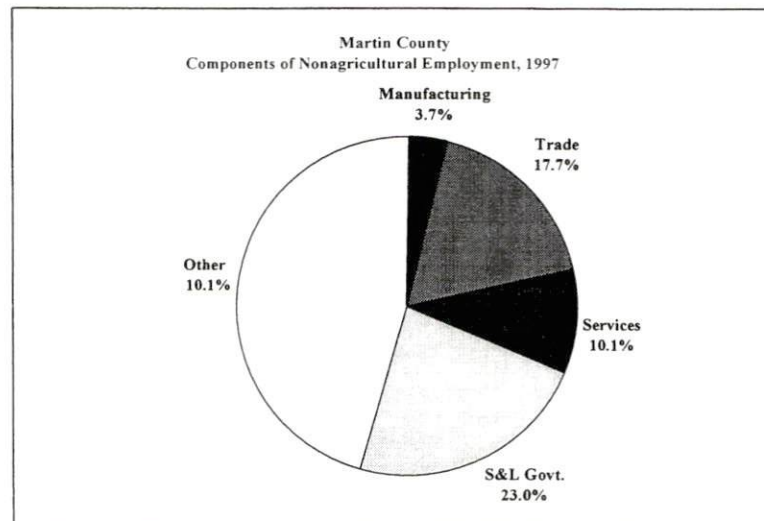
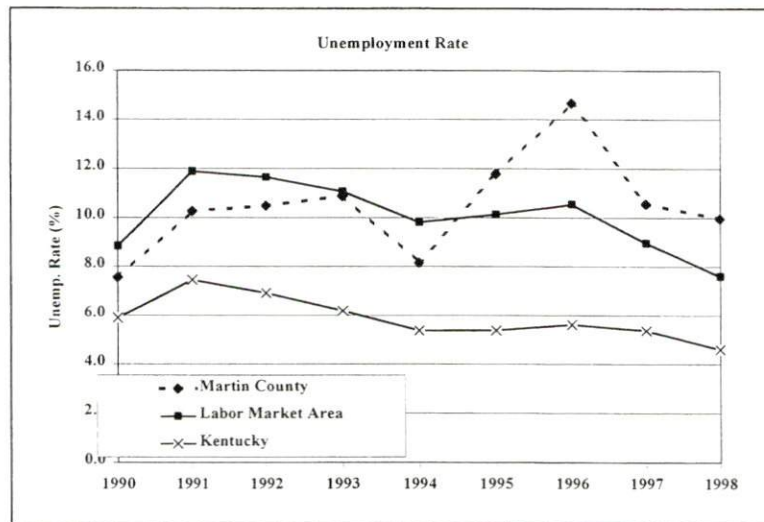
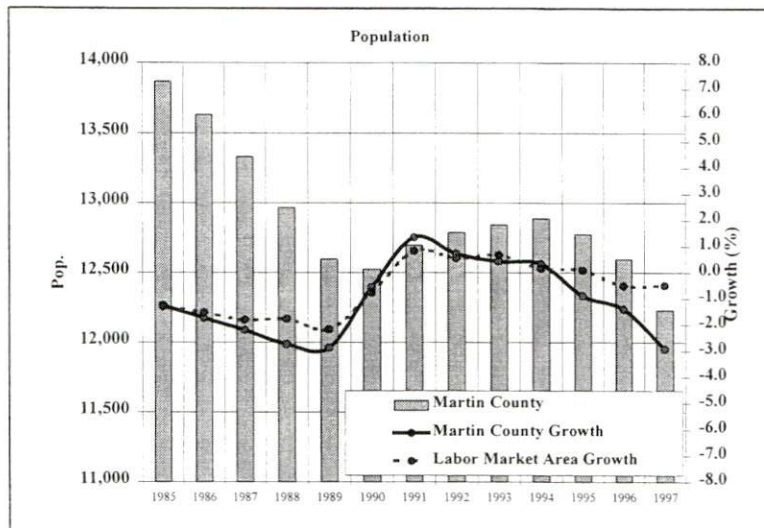
Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Martin County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	2,730	70,248
Mining & Quarrying	1,002	10,422
Contract Construction	21	2,593
Manufacturing	102	3,759
Transportation & Public Utilities	94	4,770
Wholesale & Retail Trade	482	16,984
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	115	2,319
Services	277	14,085
State & Local Government	628	14,679
Other	10	259

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers. N/A – Data not available.

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1997.

Selected Charts



Per Capita Personal Income

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>Percent Change (1993-1997)</u>
Martin County	\$13,184	\$14,988	13.7%
Labor Market Area Range	\$9,393 - \$14,810	\$11,664 - \$17,186	-
Kentucky	\$17,309	\$20,570	18.8%
U. S.	\$20,631	\$24,436	18.3%

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis. 1998.

Average Placement Wages

The Kentucky Department for Employment Services local office in Prestonsburg serves Martin County. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Prestonsburg 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, 1998, the local employment office filled Martin County job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

	<u>Number of Placements</u>	<u>Average Wage (\$)</u>
All Occupations	1,871	5.27
Professional, Technical & Managerial	64	6.27
Clerical	171	5.17
Sales	36	4.83
Domestic	8	6.59
Services (excluding domestic)	1,270	4.61
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	15	5.21
Processing	0	0.00
Machine Trades	31	8.00
Bench Work	4	4.93
Structural	86	7.34
Motor Freight & Transportation	75	7.38
Packaging & Materials Handling	61	6.45
Other	50	11.34

Note: Occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Prestonsburg local office serves Floyd, Johnson, Magoffin, and Martin Counties.

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Department for Employment Services.

Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Martin County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$582.58	\$488.00	\$521.00	\$555.00
Mining & Quarrying	944.68	790.00	839.00	772.00
Contract Construction	209.37	516.00	561.00	544.00
Manufacturing	523.85	644.00	621.00	644.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	400.13	648.00	653.00	761.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	270.88	337.00	391.00	392.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	453.11	613.00	696.00	748.00
Services	343.64	440.00	495.00	580.00
State & Local Government	426.30	484.00	494.00	530.00
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
All Industries	\$530.00	\$553.00	\$634.00	\$578.00
Mining & Quarrying	849.00	773.00	881.00	961.00
Contract Construction	604.00	619.00	765.00	610.00
Manufacturing	732.00	776.00	792.00	737.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	633.00	669.00	764.00	724.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	351.00	384.00	452.00	411.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	624.00	682.00	938.00	863.00
Services	452.00	486.00	575.00	547.00
State & Local Government	510.00	567.00	615.00	576.00

Note: The average weekly wage for each category includes salaries and wages of all persons working for that type of business. For example, the manufacturing category includes both production workers and administrative personnel. Domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers are excluded. Wages for U.S. and surrounding states rounded to nearest dollar. N/A – Data not available.

Sources: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1997. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1997, December 1998.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

Martin County Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
Big Sandy Hardwood, Inc.	Hardwood lumber	35	1992
C & S Vaults	Burial vaults	15	1997
Calloway Electric	Control boxes	10	1990
Cedar Creek Audio	Audio cassettes/CD's	5	1998
Goble Signs	Vinyl lettered, architectural, electric & painted signs	2	1975
Grayson Family Publication	Newspaper publishing	7	1992
Mountain Citizen	Newspaper publishing	8	1974
Outlaw Custom Signs	Vinyl letter, electric and painted signs	2	1998
Pikeville Ready Mix, Inc.	Ready-mixed concrete	5	1979
Tri-State Mining Supply Co., Inc.	Plastic fabricating; mining ventilation, rubberized & mesh tarps	2	1970

Note: N/A - Data not available.

Sources: Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers published by Harris InfoSource in cooperation with the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Martin County Economic Development Authority.

Industrial Park

The Martin County Industrial Park is located on Otto Road near the intersection of KY Route 3 and KY 645. These four lane highways link to U.S. 23. Regionally the park is 52 miles south of I-64 at Ashland, Kentucky; 56 miles south of Huntington, West Virginia; 235 miles east of Louisville, Kentucky; and 198 miles south of Columbus, Ohio.

The park has approximately 150 acres, where a 41,250 square foot building already exists. In January 2000, a 10,100 square foot building will be available. The park also has a five-acre tract immediately available for development. The Martin County Economic Development Authority plans to begin construction on a third shell building with a size in the range of 25,000 – 30,000 square feet in the spring 2000.

Two four-lane highways serve the property. Twelve common carrier trucking companies provide Intrastate and Interstate services. The property is eligible for special Kentucky tax incentive programs. The price is negotiable based on the number of jobs created. The available building can be purchased, lease-purchased or leased.

Recent Industrial Developments

The Honey Branch Industrial Development Authority, Inc. is developing a 300-acre regional industrial park. The industrial park is adjacent to Airport Road and one-half mile from Big Sandy Regional Airport in Martin County. The regional park is eight-tenths of a mile from Kentucky Route 3, a four-lane arterial highway. Completion of construction of municipal water service is anticipated by December 2000. Construction of municipal sewer service will be completed by October 2001. The site includes approximately 200 developable acres that can be subdivided to suit tenant needs.

Adjacent to the industrial park in Martin County, is the site where a new federal prison will be constructed. Construction of the \$140 million facility is scheduled to begin in December 1999. The federal penitentiary complex will include a 1,000-bed maximum-security facility, with a 120-bed minimum-security prison camp, staff training facilities, administrative buildings, an industrial facility, and a central utility plant. Construction is expected to take between 24 and 30 months, and the construction phase is expected to bring more than 500 jobs into the area.

Major Martin County Supportive/Service Employers

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>
Pontiki Coal	Process coal	250

Source: Martin County Economic Development Authority

Labor Organizations in Martin County

There are currently no labor organizations representing workers in Martin County.

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

Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of Inez

Miles	City	Custom Plastics Producers	Electric Motor Repair	Heat Treating Facilities	Industrial Waste Removal	Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Metal Castings	Metal Finishers	Metal Service Centers	Mill- wrights & Riggers
19	Allen								X	
20	Prestonsburg								X	
24	Pikeville				X				X	
36	Ashland				X	X			X	
38	Grayson				X					
43	Wurtland	X								
49	Whitesburg		X							

Note: Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from city center to city center; not road miles.

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Martin County and Inez are served by an excellent transportation network including AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) Kentucky Routes 3 and 645. Both are four-lane highways.

Inez is also served by AA-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) U.S. Highway 52. The Mountain Parkway, a multi-lane, limited access highway, is accessible 56 miles southwest of Inez via Routes 3 and 114.

Highway Miles from Inez, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	440	Kansas City, MO	720
Baltimore, MD	456	Knoxville, TN	227
Birmingham, AL	484	Los Angeles, CA	2,298
Charleston, WV	93	Louisville, KY	211
Chicago, IL	505	Minneapolis, MN	916
Cincinnati, OH	216	Nashville, TN	352
Cleveland, OH	342	New Orleans, LA	828
Columbia, SC	384	New York, NY	623
Columbus, OH	185	Pittsburgh, PA	320
Dallas, TX	1,015	Raleigh, NC	345
Des Moines, IA	378	Richmond, VA	373
Detroit, MI	378	St. Louis, MO	472
Indianapolis, IN	324	Tallahassee, FL	711

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

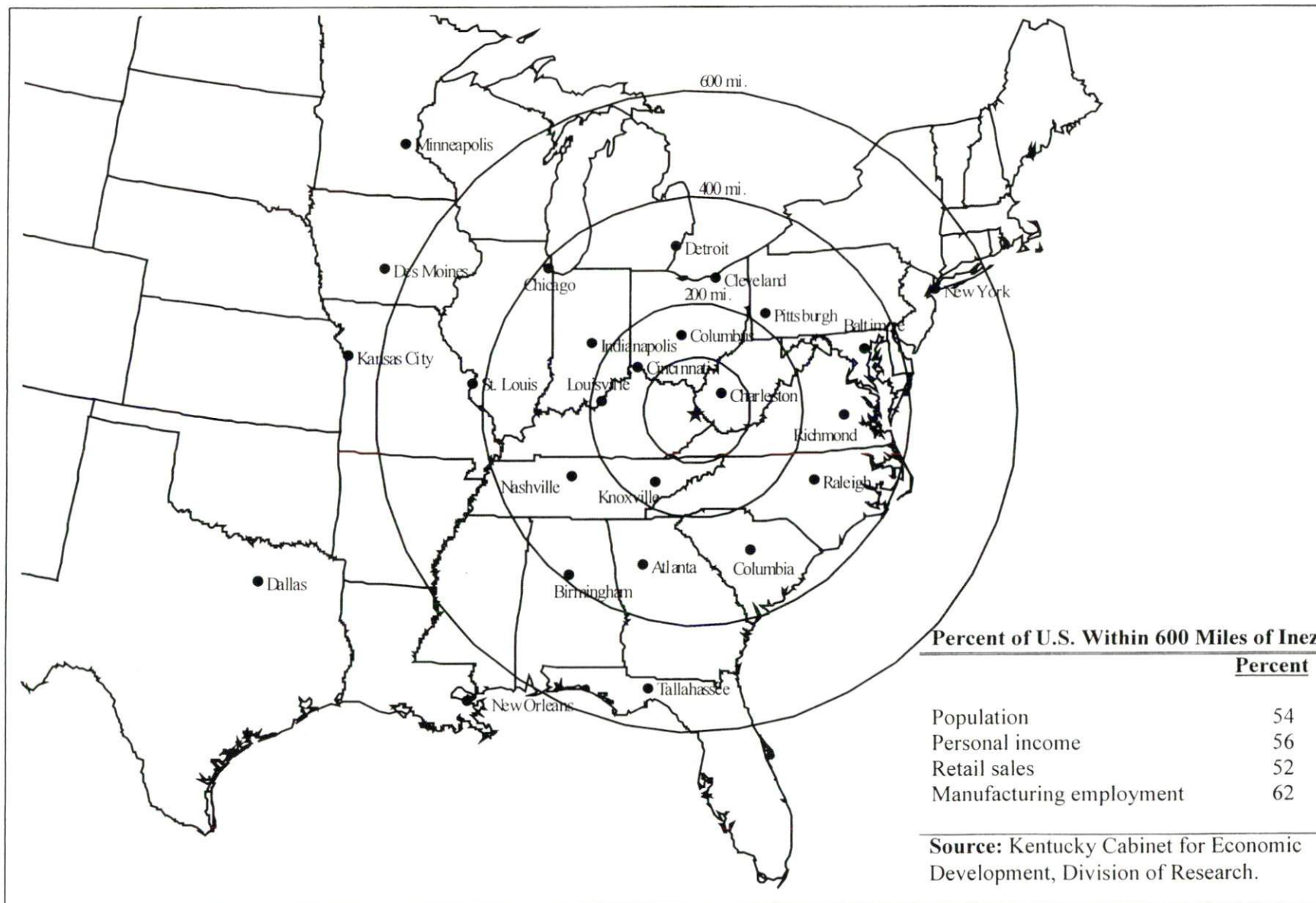
Source: AAA Map 'n' Go, DeLORME, 1998.

Truck Service

Twelve common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Martin County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1999.

Selected Market Centers Map



Rail

The nearest main line rail service is provided by Norfolk and Western Railway at Kermit, West Virginia, 11 miles southeast of Inez. CSX Transportation also provides main line rail service in nearby Johnson County. The Norfolk Southern Corporation provides the nearest intermodal facilities in Georgetown, Kentucky, 148 miles northwest of Inez.

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

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

and/or

Industrial Development Manager
Norfolk Southern Corporation
The Tower Suite 2904
Nashville, TN 37203
(615) 254-3398

Air

Local

Location:
Runway length:
Phone:

Big Sandy Regional Airport
Paintsville, KY
5,000 feet (asphalt)
(606) 298-5930

Commercial/International

Nearest Major Commercial Airline Service

Location:

Tri-State Airport
Huntington, West Virginia

Air service:
Daily arrivals & departures:

C. C. Air, Comair, USAirways Express
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UTILITIES

Electricity

Service area: **major portion of Martin County**
Company: American Electric Power
Source of power: American Electric Power
For industrial rates contact:

Economic Development Manager
American Electric Power
1701 Central Avenue
P.O. Box 1428
Ashland, KY 41105-1428
(606) 327-1244

Service area: **northwest Martin County**
Company: Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Source of power: East Kentucky Power Cooperative
For industrial rates contact:

Industrial Development Department
East Kentucky Power Cooperative
4775 Lexington Road
P.O. Box 707
Winchester, KY 40391
(606) 744-4812

and/or

Big Sandy Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
504 Eleventh Street
Paintsville, KY 41240-1422
(606) 789-4095

Natural Gas

Service area: **Inez**
Company: Columbia Gas of Kentucky
Source of supply: Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation
For rates and supplies contact:

Economic Development Department
Columbia Gas of Kentucky
2001 Mercer Road, P.O. Box 14241
Lexington, KY 40512-4241
(606) 288-0227

Public Water Supply

Service area:	Inez
Company:	Martin County Water District HC69, Box 875 Inez, KY 41224 (606) 298-3885
Treatment facilities information:	
Treatment plant capacity:	2,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption:	1,000,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption:	1,300,000 gallons
Storage capacity:	2,000,000 gallons
Water pressure:	90 psi to 0 psi

Sewerage

Service area:	Martin County
Company:	Inez Waste Water P.O. Box 373 Inez, KY 41224 (606) 298-0791
Design capacity:	325,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow:	120,000 gallons per day
Treated effluent discharged into:	Rock Creek

CLIMATE

Martin County

Temperature

Normal (59-year record)	55.90 degrees
Average annual, 1996	56.10 degrees
Record highest, July 1952 (51-year record)	102.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (51-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,406
Normal cooling degree days (30-year record)	972

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	40.72 inches
Mean annual snowfall 30-year record)	18.60 inches
Total precipitation, 1996	49.64 inches
Mean number days precipitation (0.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	132.50
Mean number days thunderstorms (54-year record)	42.40

<u>Prevailing Winds</u> (24-year record)	Southwest
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Relative Humidity (30-year record)

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

Notes: Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F. Cooling degree day totals are the sums of positive departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, National Climatic Data Center, Local Climatological Data, 1996.
Station of record: Bristol, Johnson City, Kingsport, Tennessee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Inez is governed by a mayor and four commissioners. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the city commissioners each serve two-year terms. Warfield is governed by a mayor, four commissioners, and a full-time city manager. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the commissioners each serve two-year terms. Martin County is governed by a county judge/executive and five magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Inez City Planning Commission

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 Inez levies a business license fee on all businesses and professions within the city limits, with the exclusion of non-profit organizations. These fees range from \$10 to \$100 annually.

Sales and Use Tax

A state sales and use tax is levied at the rate of 6.0% on the purchase or lease price of taxable goods and on utility services. Local sales taxes are not levied in Kentucky.

State and Local 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 the city limits may also be subject to city property taxes. Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value. 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).

State Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>State Rate, 1998</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.153	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

Source: Property Tax Rates 1998, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

Local Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation, 1998

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
<u>County</u>			
Martin County	0.2320	0.2450	0.2350
<u>Cities</u>			
Inez	0.1000	0.1000	0.0000
<u>School Districts</u>			
Martin County School District	0.4210	0.4210	0.2230

Source: Property Tax Rates 1998, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

EDUCATION

Primary and Secondary Schools

Public School District Enrollments and Expenditures, 1996-1997

	<u>Total Enrollment</u>	<u>Expenditures Per Pupil</u>	<u>Pupil to Teacher Ratio</u>
Martin County	2,980	\$5,914	16.6 to 1

Source: Kentucky Department of Education, Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability.

Transition to Adult Life of High School Graduates, 1996-1997

<u>County-wide</u>	<u>Number of Graduates</u>	<u>Percent of Total Graduates (%)</u>
Total High School Graduates	174	100.0
To College	90	51.7
To Vocational/Technical School	7	4.0
To Workforce	35	20.1
To Work & School	23	13.2
To Military	4	2.3
Other	15	8.6

Source: Kentucky Department of Education, Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability.

Colleges and Technical Schools

Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Inez

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
18	Prestonsburg Community College	Prestonsburg	2,573
27	Pikeville College	Pikeville	830
38	Marshall University	Huntington, WV	11,066
39	Kentucky Christian College	Grayson	547
41	Ashland Community College	Ashland	2,271
41	Alice Lloyd College	Pippa Passes	501
47	Ohio University, Ironton Campus	Ironton, OH	2,368
54	Morehead State University	Morehead	8,208
56	Hazard Community College	Hazard	2,224
59	West Virginia State College	Institute, WV	4,545
Total Enrollment			35,133

Note: Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from Inez, not road miles.

Source: Kentucky Council on Higher Education.

Technical Schools

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (1997-1998)</u>		
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>Total</u>
	Martin County ATC	Inez	245	0	245
15	Mayo Technical College	Paintsville	95	861	956
24	Pike County ATC Belfry	Belfry	443	0	443
24	Floyd County ATC (GARTH)	Martin	222	0	222
32	Phelps ATC	Phelps	145	0	145
33	Pike County ATC Millard	Millard	143	0	143
40	Morgan County ATC	West Liberty	221	0	221
41	Ashland Technical College	Ashland	0	670	670
41	Boyd County High Vocational School	Ashland	489	0	489
44	Knott County ATC	Hindman	612	12	624
45	Russell ATC	Russell	470	0	470
46	Carter County Vocational School	Olive Hill	170	0	170
51	Greenup County ATC	Greenup	620	0	620
51	Breathitt County ATC	Jackson	376	19	395
54	Rowan County Technical College	Morehead	99	417	516
54	Letcher County ATC	Whitesburg	499	60	559
56	Hazard Technical College	Hazard	83	414	497
56	Laurel County Technical College Southeast Campus	Hazard	0	709	709
Total Enrollment			4,932	3,162	8,094

Notes: Kentucky Tech secondary schools (Sec), called area technology centers (ATC), are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and the post-secondary schools (P/S), called technical colleges, are governed by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS). Adult courses may be offered at some secondary technical schools. Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from Inez, not road miles.

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, KCTCS.

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 at the Mayo Technical College in Paintsville.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers business, education, and government agencies testing packages for evaluating job applicants, selecting employees for promotional consideration and developing training programs within the organization. The Career Connections Assessment Center serving the Martin County area is located at the Mayo Technical College in Paintsville.

Adult Education Services

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new academic skills, improve basic skills, or earn a high school equivalency diploma. In the Martin County area, adult basic education and adult

literacy classes are administered through the Martin County Literacy in Inez and the Kentucky Valley Educational Coop-Martin County.

Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation (BSSC) was established in 1984 by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky as an independent, de jure corporation to stimulate economic development through customized business and industry specific skills training programs. The BSSC works with business and industry and Kentucky's educational institutions to establish programs of skills training. The BSSC is attached to the Cabinet for Economic Development for administrative purposes, in recognition of the relationship between economic development and skills training efforts.

The BSSC is comprised of two economic development tools, matching grants and the newly authorized Skills Training Investment Credit Act. The BSSC grant program is available to new, expanding and existing business and industry. Eligible training activities include pre-employment skills training and assessment; entry level, skills upgrade and occupational upgrade training; train-the-trainer travel; and capacity-building. The Skills Training Investment Credit Act provides tax credits to existing businesses for skills upgrade training.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 6
Dentists - 2
Optometrists - 1
Occupational Therapist - 1

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Three Rivers Medical Center	Louisa, 20 miles north of Inez	90
Highlands Regional Medical Center	Prestonsburg, 20 miles southwest of Inez	184
Paul B. Hall Regional Medical Center	Paintsville, 27 miles west of Inez	72

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Inez Group Home
Inez Physical Therapy
Lake Cumberland Home Health
Martin County Ambulance Service
Martin County Health Care Facility
Martin County Health Department
Martin County Home Health
Martin County Senior Citizen
Mountain Comprehensive Care
Netcare Emergency Services

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Family Savings Bank
Inez Deposit Bank

Newspapers

Martin County Sun (weekly)
Mountain Citizen (weekly)

Telephone Service

BellSouth
911 emergency system

RECREATION

Several parks provide public recreational facilities in Martin County. Warfield Park features softball, baseball, basketball, and volleyball facilities, as well as four tennis courts, two picnic shelters, and a play area. The park has recently been renovated to include new playground equipment and a walking track. Inez Park provides a picnic shelter, play area, and lighted baseball and Little League fields. Inez Park also has new playground equipment and a new baseball field. Features at the Martin County Pool include a picnic shelter, volleyball and basketball courts, a multi-purpose football field, as well as a play area.

Other recreational facilities include a walking track and football field. Bank-side fishing is available at Milo Lake and Crum Reservoir.

Annual events held in the county include: Circle of Prayer held in May; Warfield Liberty Festival held in June; annual gospel singing competition held in July; Independence Day celebration with fireworks; Martin County Fair; Pioneer Days in August; and the Harvest Festival held in October.

Area (Within 25 miles)

Archer Park
Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
Mountain Arts Center
Mountain Homeplace
Paintsville Lake State Park
Yatesville Lake State Park
Thunderidge (\$6 million racing and entertainment complex)
201 Speedway

APPENDIX A - DEFINITIONS

Geographic definition of the labor market area

A county's labor market area is defined as the base county, adjacent counties, and any other major commuting counties. Adjacency is used to define the labor market area primarily because of the small size of Kentucky's counties. The major commuting counties are defined from the point of view of the base county. Major commuting counties are those counties that comprise 90% of the base county's total commuters. The source of the commuting patterns is the 1990 journey-to-work data available from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Example – Logan County

To determine the labor market area for Logan County the following steps are taken. First, the counties with workers commuting into Logan county are listed in ascending order (see the table below). The cumulative percent is calculated. Next, all counties that comprise up to 90% of the commuters are included in the labor market area (actually the cut-off will be the county that breaks the 90% threshold – Montgomery County, TN at 92.6% in this case). Although Robertson is not a major commuter county, it is included since it is adjacent. The Logan County labor market is then comprised of the seven bold-faced counties in the table below.

Labor Market Area Example – Logan County				
<u>Adjacent to Logan</u>	<u>Commuter County</u>	<u>Commuters into Logan</u>	<u>Percent of Total Commuters</u>	<u>Cumulative Percent</u>
Y	Todd	385	24.4%	24.4%
Y	Warren	377	23.9	48.4
Y	Muhlenberg	365	23.2	71.5
Y	Simpson	162	10.3	81.8
Y	Butler	116	7.4	89.1
	Montgomery, TN	55	3.5	92.6
	Christian	36	2.3	94.9
	Sumner, TN	35	2.2	97.1
Y	Robertson, TN	25	1.6	98.7
	Davidson, TN	20	1.3	100.0
<i>Total Commuters into Logan County</i>		<i>1,576</i>	<i>100.0</i>	

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis. Regional Economic Information System, CD-ROM. August 1997.

Potential Labor Supply

The potential labor supply is an estimate of those persons not classified as in the labor force (not employed and not unemployed), but who want a job. The assumption is that people not in the labor force at the local level would like a job at the same rate as the nation. The U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics provides national, yearly estimates of the percent of the people not in the labor force who want a job. This percent is applied to the county-level number of people not in the labor force.

Underemployed

Wholesale/retail trade and non-professional services have historically paid low wages. The assumption is that workers in these industries would take higher paying jobs if they were available. Non-professional services excludes Miscellaneous Repair Services (SIC 7600), Health Services (SIC 8000), Legal Services (SIC 8100), and Engineering and Management Services (SIC 8700).

Total Available Labor

Total available labor is the sum of the number of unemployed, potential labor supply, and underemployed. Please note that the number of unemployed is the only generally accepted measure of labor availability. The other concepts are weaker measures and should be used with caution.