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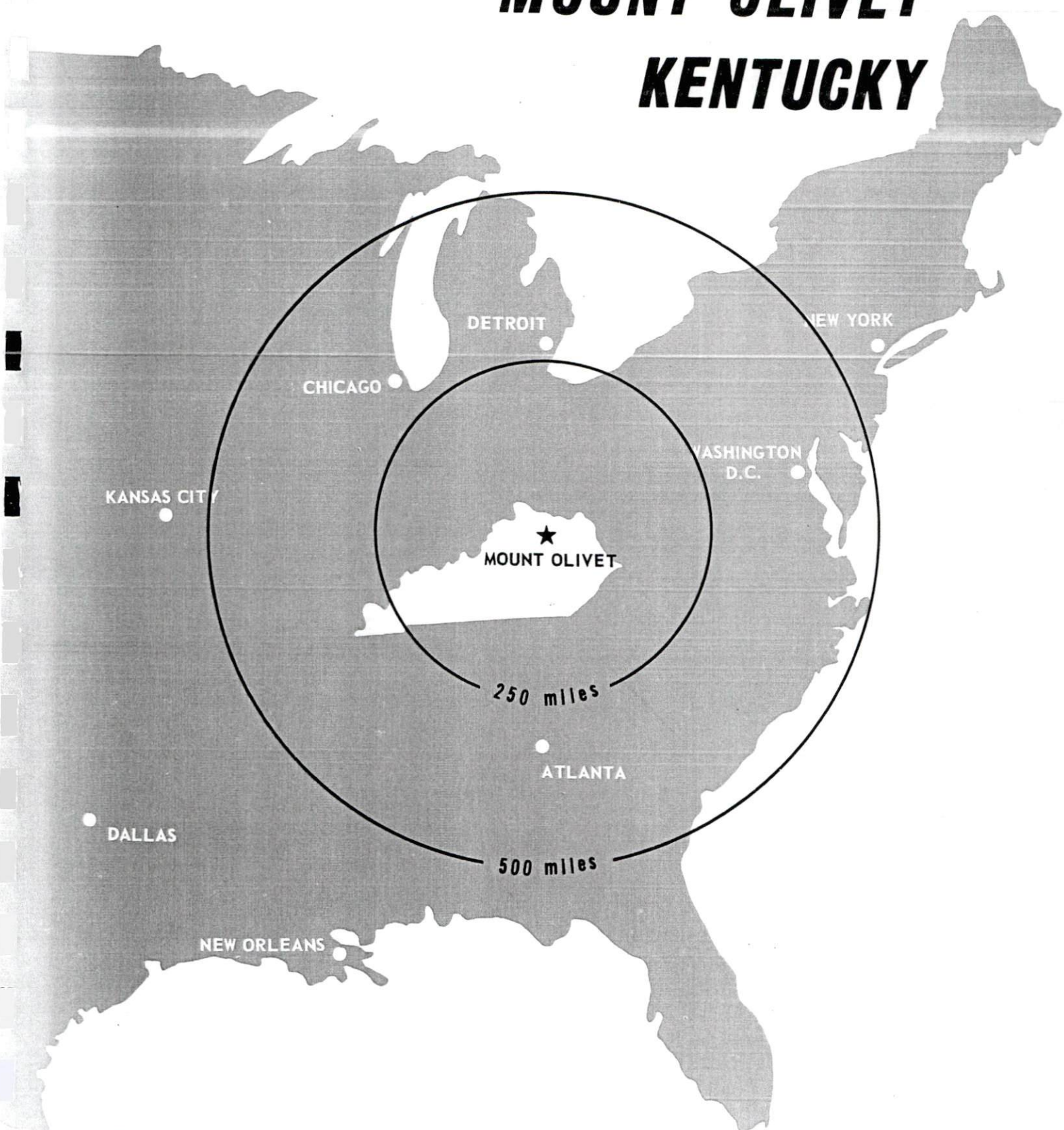
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

MOUNT OLIVET ***KENTUCKY***



ROBERTSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES
MT. OLIVET, KENTUCKY

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The Mt. Olivet Lions Club

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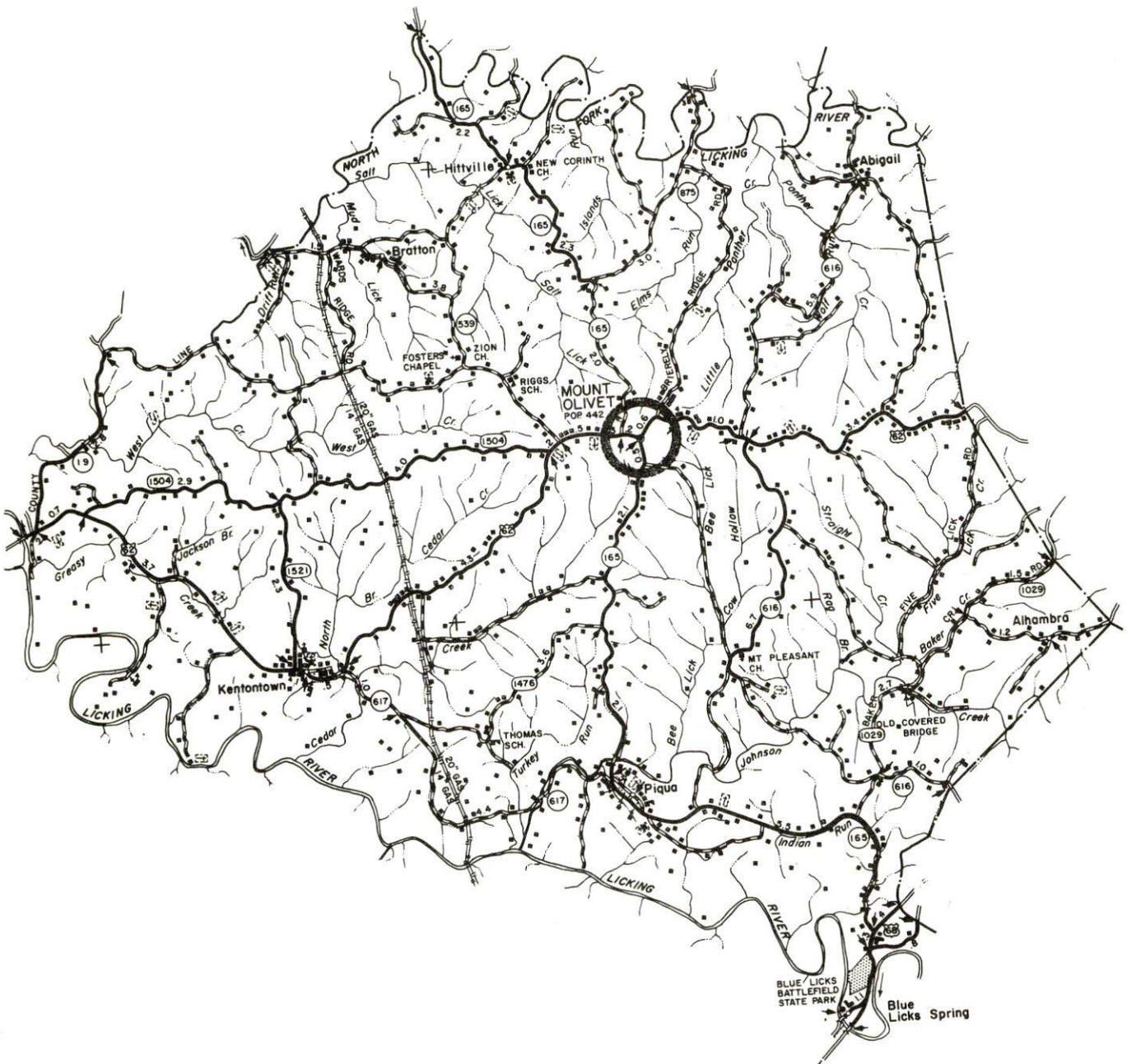
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP ROBERTSON COUNTY KENTUCKY

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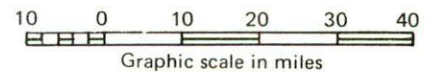
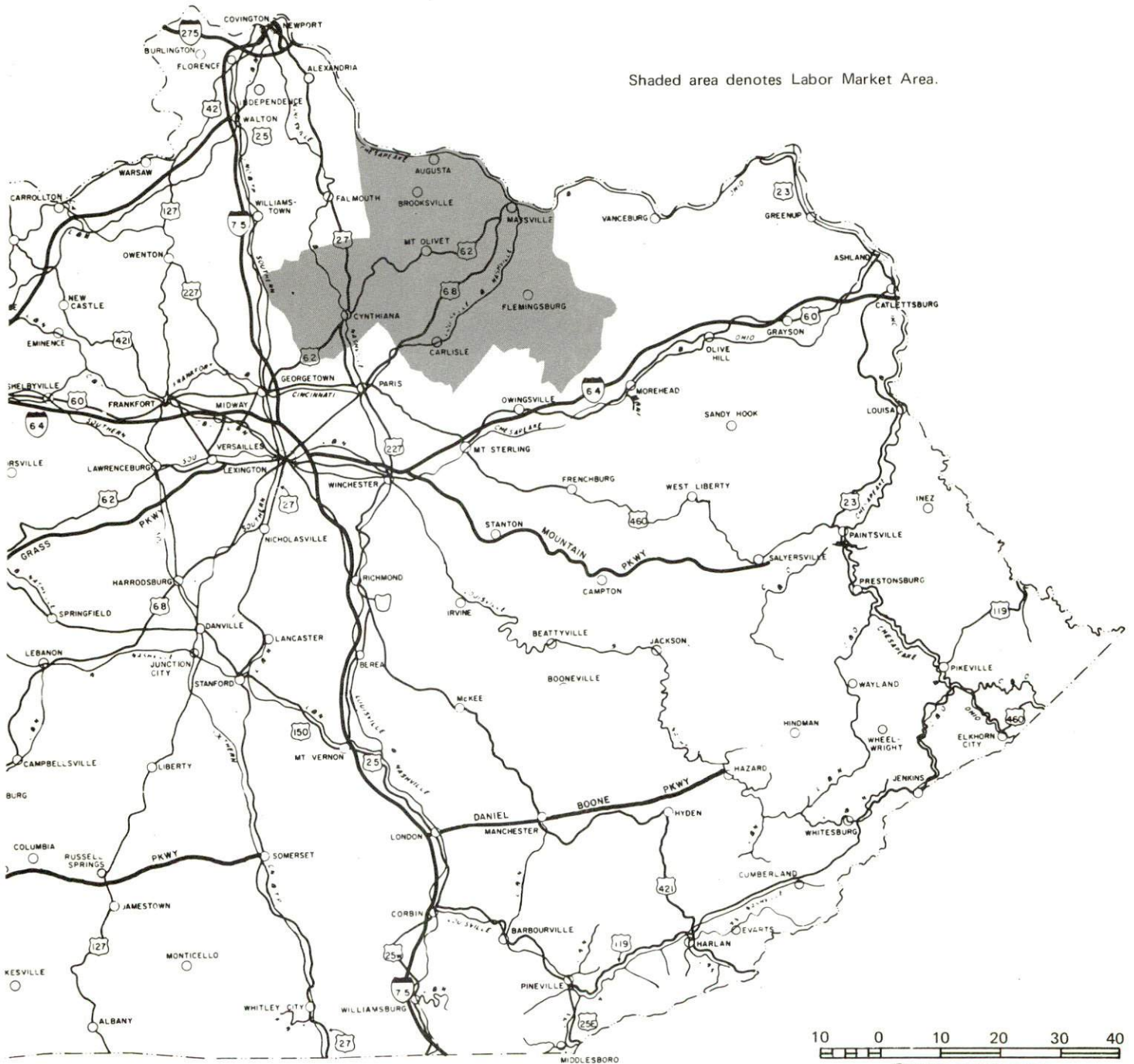
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MT. OLIVET LABOR MARKET AREA



Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



MT. OLIVET, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Mt. Olivet, the county seat of Robertson County, is located in the Outer Bluegrass Region of northeastern Kentucky. The population of Mt. Olivet decreased slowly until 1960, when the trend was reversed. Between 1960 and 1970 population increased 14.5 percent, reaching 442 by 1970. The town is 48 miles northeast of Lexington, Kentucky; 110 miles northeast of Louisville, Kentucky; and 85 miles southeast of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The total land area of Robertson County covers 101 square miles. The population of Robertson County has been decreasing slowly. However, the 1973 population estimates of Robertson County show a slight increase from 1970 to 2,200.

The Economic Framework

Total employment in Robertson County in 1973 averaged 1,130 with agriculture providing 460 jobs, trade and services 23, and government 190.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1972 was \$2,749.

The Mt. Olivet labor market area includes Robertson and the five surrounding counties of Bracken, Fleming, Harrison, Mason and Nicholas. Area employment in 1973 averaged 27,730 with agriculture providing 6,320 jobs, manufacturing 6,330, trade and services 4,330, and government 2,830. Manufacturing employment showed an increase of 52.5 percent from March, 1964, to March, 1974, with the sharpest gains in the primary metals and leather industries.

Resources for Growth

1. There is a current estimated labor supply of 1,590 men and 2,520 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, 2,950 young men and 2,760 young women will become 18 years of age by 1980 and will be potentially available for work.

2. U. S. Route 62 and Kentucky Highway 165 serve Mt. Olivet. An interchange to Interstate 75 is located near Georgetown, 43 miles southwest, via U. S. 62. Mt. Olivet is served by three truck lines. The nearest rail service is at Maysville, 23 miles northeast. The nearest small craft airport is located at Cynthiana, 24 miles away; the nearest commercial airport is at Lexington, Kentucky, 48 miles southwest.

3. Electricity is provided in Mount Olivet and portions of Robertson County by the Kentucky Utilities Company. Robertson County is also served by the Harrison County RECC and the Fleming-Mason RECC. Natural gas service is provided locally by the Mt. Olivet Natural Gas Company, Inc., whose source of supply is the Columbia Gas Transmission Company. There are six propane and butane distributors and four distillate fuel oil distributors in the Mt. Olivet area. The local raw water supply from the Licking River is more than adequate for continued growth. Mt. Olivet's water treatment plant has a capacity of 192,000 gallons per day with a peak daily consumption of 120,000 gallons, indicating an excess capacity of 72,000 gallons per day.

4. There are two universities, one senior college, one community college, and one technical institute within a 50-mile radius of Mt. Olivet. The University of Kentucky and Transylvania University are located in Lexington, Kentucky, 48 miles southwest. Georgetown College is in Georgetown, Kentucky, only 45 miles away; and Maysville Community College is in Maysville, Kentucky, 23 miles away.

The nearest state vocational-technical school is at Lexington, 48 miles distant, and offers 18 courses. The Harrison County Area Vocational Education Center is in Cynthiana, Kentucky, 24 miles distant, and offers 8 courses.

Community Programs for Improvement

Education

The Robertson County School System has made many significant improvements in the past year. A four-room addition to the school has provided three new classrooms and a band room. The interior of the superintendent's office has been remodeled. The school has added several new courses to its curriculum, including driver's education, art, band, and speech therapy. Also, the school system is the recipient of a Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) Title I Youth Program, allowing 29 students to earn money. The duties performed by the students include cleaning the schools and streets and working in the lunchroom and as teachers' aides.

Health

The Robertson County Health Department now receives service from the Mason County Health Department, making it possible for qualified personnel to be at the health office daily compared to the previous once or twice weekly openings. Therefore, the health department has increased tremendously their service programs.

The Health Development Association of Northeastern Kentucky, Inc., is meeting with the fiscal court in an effort to obtain ambulance service for Robertson County.

A new county ambulatory health and old age center, capable of serving 25 to 30 patients, has been established.

The Buffalo Trace Family Planning Services, Inc., was formed in early 1973.

Other

The Mt. Olivet Water Department is now selling treated water to the Buffalo Trail Water Association, Inc., a water district that is serving parts of rural Mason and Robertson Counties.

A new radio tower and communications system for both city and county police department use will be installed in early 1975.

A new \$60,000 jail and jailer's residence has been completed.

Plans are underway to develop a new subdivision of approximately 30 lots. The plans for this subdivision include a private sewage system, which will eventually be turned over to the city. Construction on the water line is currently underway.

Recreation

Recreation in Robertson County has greatly improved, largely due to the efforts of the Lions Club. Funds from the U. S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation were used for the development of a six-acre recreation park. A lighted softball diamond has been completed and an outdoor tennis court and basketball court is nearing completion. A 2,800 square foot shelter area will be erected when the necessary funds are acquired.

Blue Licks Battlefield State Park has a new 80-foot Olympic pool. An outdoor drama, recreating the adventures of Simon Kenton, was held at the park in 1974 and plans are being made to continue presenting this drama each year.

Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Blue Licks Battlefield State Park, 10 miles south, is the site of the last battle of the American Revolution. Recreational features include camping facilities, swimming pool, fishing, hiking trails, picnic shelter, playground, and a museum containing Indian and pioneer relics found near this old animal salt lick.

Kincaid Lake State Park, 50 miles northwest, is a 446-acre park containing a 175-acre lake. The park offers hiking trails, swimming, bathhouse, beach, fishing, docks, picnic shelter, playground, amphitheatre, badminton, suffleboard, and miniature golf.

Cave Run Lake, 60 miles away, is a recently opened lake, approximately 7,000 acres in size, that will be a great lure to camping and fishing enthusiasts.

Daniel Boone National Forest is Kentucky's largest forest, covering 1,500,000 acres. There are many sites to visit in this area, one of them being Frenchburg, 65 miles distant. Near Frenchburg there is a 7,300-acre game preserve, where only primitive weapons can be used for hunting. Tourists can hike on the many trails which provide views of the wonders of the forest, such as natural arches and scenic overlooks.

Lexington, 48 miles southwest, offers the full spectrum of sophisticated entertainment, cultural and sporting events of a major metropolitan area. Thoroughbred and harness racing is found at Keeneland Race Track and Big Red Mile Trotting Track during several meets each year. The University of Kentucky offers nine months of sporting events plus lectures, concerts, art exhibits, and plays.

THE LABOR MARKET

POPULATION TRENDS

Area	Population				Percent Change	
	1973*	1970	1960	1950	1960-70	1950-60
Mt. Olivet	N/A	442	386	455	+14.5	-15.2
Labor Market						
Area	59,000	58,695	59,590	63,021	- 1.5	- 5.4
Robertson County	2,200	2,163	2,443	2,881	-11.5	-15.3
Bracken County	7,600	7,227	7,422	8,424	- 2.6	-11.9
Fleming County	11,600	11,366	10,890	11,962	+ 4.4	- 9.0
Harrison County	14,200	14,158	13,704	13,736	+ 3.3	- 0.2
Mason County	17,000	17,273	18,454	18,486	- 6.4	- 0.2
Nicholas County	6,400	6,508	6,677	7,532	- 2.5	-11.4

*Provisional estimates.

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970, 1960, 1950. U. S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-26, June 1973.

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1973

Major Employment Group	Employment	
	Robertson County	Labor Market Area
TOTAL	1,130	27,730
Agricultural	460	6,320
Nonagricultural	670	21,410
Manufacturing	0	6,330
Government	190	2,830
Trade and Services	23	4,330

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

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY
MARCH 1974 AND 1964

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Mt. Olivet Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>1974</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>% Change</u>
TOTAL	5,950	3,901	+ 52.5
Food & Kindred Products	277	432	- 35.9
Tobacco	108	66	+ 63.6
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	2,129	1,109	+ 92.0
Lumber, Furniture	9	79	- 88.6
Printing & Publishing, Paper	81	60	+ 35.0
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal, Rubber	303	54	+461.1
Stone, Clay & Glass	43	28	+ 53.5
Primary Metals	541	0	--
Machinery, Metal Products, Equipment	2,033	1,969	+ 3.2
Other	426	104	+309.6

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, March, 1974; March, 1964.

MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are presently no manufacturing plants located in Mt. Olivet.

ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY
MT. OLIVET LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 yrs. of age by 1980
Labor Market					
Area	1,590	510	390	690	2,946
Robertson	180	100	60	20	83
Bracken	220	100	40	80	357
Fleming	480	300	70	110	566
Harrison	260	10	90	160	729
Mason	320	0	90	230	868
Nicholas	130	0	40	90	343

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1973. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1980.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY
MT. OLIVET LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 yrs. of age by 1980
Labor Market					
Area	2,520	1,370	250	900	2,761
Robertson	220	150	20	50	88
Bracken	640	520	10	110	371
Fleming	530	380	40	110	488
Harrison	480	110	100	270	672
Mason	520	210	50	260	853
Nicholas	130	0	30	100	289

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1973. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1980.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1972</u>	<u>1962</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Robertson County	\$2,749	\$1,398	+ 96.6
Labor Market Area			
Range	\$2,704 - 3,791	\$1,223 - 1,991	N.A.
Kentucky	3,634	1,769	+105.4
U. S.	4,549	2,381	+ 91.1

Sources: Office of Development Services and Business Research, College of Economics, University of Kentucky, Kentucky Personal Income 1929/68. U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics, Survey of Current Business, May, 1974, August 1974.

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Lines serving the area: The Chessie System and the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company at Maysville, 23 miles from Mt. Olivet. Services: The Chessie System - 3 eastbound and 3 westbound freights daily, switching facilities and siding space for approximately 80 cars. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company - one northbound and one southbound freight daily, switching facilities and siding space for approximately 100 cars. Piggyback facilities are located at Cincinnati, Ohio, 85 miles from Mt. Olivet.

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

General Manager, Freight Service
The Chessie System
603 B & O Central Building
2 North Charles Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

and

Manager of Industrial Development
Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company
908 West Broadway
Louisville, Kentucky 40203

Truck Service

Company

Budig Trucking Company
McLean Trucking Company
Turner Expediting Service

Home Office

Cincinnati, Ohio
Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Louisville, Kentucky

Other Freight Services

United Parcel Service

Nearest Shipping Center

Maysville, 23 miles distant

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM
MT. OLIVET, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Delivery		City	Delivery	
	Highway Miles	Time TL		Highway Miles	Time TL
Atlanta, Ga.	422	3	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,217	7
Birmingham, Ala.	482	3	Louisville, Ky.	110	2
Chicago, Ill.	378	2	Nashville, Tenn.	283	3
Cincinnati, Ohio	85	1	New Orleans, La.	825	3
Cleveland, Ohio	337	2	New York, N. Y.	750	4
Detroit, Mich.	352	2	Pittsburgh, Pa.	380	2
Knoxville, Tenn.	228	2	St. Louis, Mo.	374	2

Source: Delivery Time Only - Budig Trucking Company, 1100 Gest Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45203.

Air

	<u>Nearest Small Craft</u>	<u>Nearest Commercial</u>
	Cynthiana-Harrison County Airport	Blue Grass Field
Location:	Cynthiana, Kentucky, 24 miles from Mt. Olivet	Lexington, Kentucky, 48 miles from Mt. Olivet
Runways:	1 paved	2 paved
Length:	3,200 feet	6,500 feet, 3,500 feet
Traffic Control:	Wind sock and lighted wind tee	Tower transmits, guards, radar arrival and departure control, ground control, ILS system
Lighting:	Runway lights - sundown to sunrise	Approach lighting system, beacon, runways and obstructions lighted
Services:	80-100 octane, hangar and tie-down, taxi, U-Drive-It service	Eastern, Delta, Piedmont and Allegheny Airlines; 80, 100 and 145 octane, jet fuel, major A & E repairs, storage, restaurant, Weather Bureau and flight instruction, charter service, taxi, U-Drive-It service
Air Freight Service:		Air carriers accept air freight on a space available basis

Rental Services - The nearest car and truck rentals are in Maysville, 23 miles distant.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Mt. Olivet and portions of Robertson County - Kentucky Utilities Company

Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company

Total generating capacity - 1,735,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Utilities Company
120 South Limestone Street
Lexington, Kentucky 40507

Company serving Robertson County - Fleming-Mason RECC

Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Total generating capacity - 548,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Fleming-Mason RECC
P. O. Drawer 328
Flemingsburg, Kentucky 41041

Company serving Robertson County - Harrison County RECC

Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Total generating capacity - 548,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Harrison County RECC
P. O. Box 312
Cynthiana, Kentucky 41031

Natural Gas

Company serving Mt. Olivet - Mt. Olivet Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Company

Size of transmission mains - 14, 20 and 30 inches (supplier); 2 and 3 inches (distributor)

Distribution mains - 1 1/2 and 2 inches

Distribution pressure - 40 psi

Btu content - 1,073 per cubic foot; Specific gravity - .6

For rates and supplies contact:

Mt. Olivet Natural Gas Company, Inc.
Route 1
Mt. Olivet, Kentucky 41064

Other Fuels

Propane and Butane

Southern States Cynthiana Cooperative
Railroad Avenue
Cynthiana, Kentucky 41031

Stan Harvey Gas Company
111 East Pike
Cynthiana, Kentucky 41031

Breslin Oil Company
Maysville, Kentucky 41056

Finch Oil Company, Inc.
Flemingsburg Road
Maysville, Kentucky 41056

M. C. Russell Company
Lexington Street Extension, Box 24
Maysville, Kentucky 41056

Union Oil Company
Blue Run Road
Maysville, Kentucky 41056

Fuel Oils

Distillate fuel oil - Dixie Oil Company
Route 1
Brooksville, Kentucky 41004

Finch Oil Company
Lexington Road
Maysville, Kentucky 41056

Licking Valley Oil Company, Inc.
U. S. 27
Butler, Kentucky 41006

Union Oil Company
Blue Run Road
Maysville, Kentucky 41056

Residual fuel oil - Arrangements must be made with the refinery

Low sulphur content coal - Available in Kentucky

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Mt. Olivet - City of Mt. Olivet Water Department

Source - Licking River

Treatment plant capacity - 192,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption - 75,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 120,000 gallons

Type treatment - Settling, chlorination, filtration

Storage capacity - 100,000 gallons

Size lines - 2, 4, and 6 inches

Average pressure - 45 psi

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

For 3/4-inch meter

First	1,000 gallons	\$5.00 Minimum charge
Next	1,000 gallons	2.50 per M gallons
Next	2,000 gallons	1.50 per M gallons
Next	6,000 gallons	1.00 per M gallons
Over	10,000 gallons	.80 per M gallons

Tap-on charges - \$200 for 3/4-inch meter*

Larger tap-ons or line extensions by
individual agreement.

*Five dollar service charge to new customers if line is already tapped.

Name of water district - Buffalo Trail Water Association, Incorporated
 Area served - Parts of Robertson and Mason Counties
 Date when water district began operating - April 1, 1973
 Source of supply of treated water - Mt. Olivet Water Department
 Average amount of water used in a 31-day period - 681,225 gallons
 Storage capacity - 100,000 gallon standpipe
 Average pressure - 48 psi
 Size lines - 3, 4, and 6 inches

Monthly rates -

First	1,000 gallons	\$5.00 Minimum charge
Second	1,000 gallons	2.50 per M gallons
Next	2,000 gallons	1.50 per M gallons
Next	6,000 gallons	1.00 per M gallons
Over	10,000 gallons	.80 per M gallons

<u>Tap-on charges</u>	<u>After line is completed</u>	<u>While line is under construction</u>
5/8-inch meter	\$200 plus installation	\$175
3/4-inch meter	300 plus installation	260
1 -inch meter	350 plus installation	300
1 1/2-inch meter	425 plus installation	375

Surface water sources - Licking River and North Fork of Licking River
 Average discharge - Licking River at McKinneysburg - 2,960 cfs
 (36-year record USGS); North Fork Licking River near Lewisburg -
 149 cfs (27-year record USGS)
 Expected ground water yield - 50 to 200 gpm along Licking River along
 western and southern boundary of county; 5 to 50 gpm from small
 portion adjacent to North Fork of Licking River in northern part of
 county; 5 gpm or less over remainder of county

Sewerage

Septic tanks are being utilized at this time.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 6 councilmen - 2-year terms

Budget 1973-74 - General Fund \$7,659.33

Water Fund 2,521.51

Fees and licenses - Occupational license - \$12.50 annually; truck unloading license - \$25.50 annually

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 5 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1973-74 - General Fund \$24,950; Road Fund \$41,400

Assessed Value of Property, 1974-75

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Mt. Olivet</u>	<u>Robertson County</u>
Real Estate	\$1,088,800	\$9,889,805
Tangibles	286,738	1,549,859
Public Service	363,396	2,676,913

Property Taxes

Land and buildings are taxed by the state and may be taxed by local jurisdictions. The state rate is \$0.015 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Tangible personal property owned by manufacturers (automobiles, trucks, finished goods, office furniture, office equipment) is taxed by the state at \$0.15 per \$100 and may be taxed by local jurisdictions.

Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories, and goods in process inventories are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Property stored in public warehouses is not subject to local taxation. The state rate is only \$0.015 per \$100.

All property is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

Local Property Tax Rate Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1974*

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Mt. Olivet</u>	<u>Robertson County</u>
County	\$.207	\$.207
School	.696	.696
City	.330	

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Mt. Olivet</u>	<u>Robertson County</u>
Total staff	1	2
Radio-patrol cars	1	2
Other equipment	A new radio communications system for both city and county use is to be installed by early 1975	

Fire

Volunteers		20
Equipment:		
750 gpm pumper		1
500 gpm pumper		1
Other		2 extra pumps

Sanitation

	<u>Mt. Olivet</u>	<u>Robertson County</u>
Type service	Private	Private
Fee charged:		
residential	\$3 - 5 per month	\$3 - 5 per month
business	\$3 - 5 per month	\$3 - 5 per month
Collection frequency:		
residential	Twice weekly	Twice weekly
business	Twice weekly	Twice weekly
Trash pickup	Twice weekly	Twice weekly
Disposal method	Sanitary landfill	Sanitary landfill

*Kentucky Department of Revenue, Kentucky Property Tax Rates, 1974.

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	<u>Robertson County</u>
Total Enrollment (Fall 1974)	468
Elementary	265
High School	203
Student-Teacher Ratio	17 - 1
Elementary	17 - 1
High School	17 - 1
Percent High School Graduates to College	22.2
Expenditures Per Pupil (1973-74)	\$649.90
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1974	\$145,000

Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>
Location	Central Kentucky State Vocational-Technical Center Lexington, Kentucky
Miles Distant	48 miles
Curriculum	Accounting Junior Management Clerical Secretarial Practical Nursing Learning Lab Electronics (Communications) Technical Drafting Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Commercial Foods Cosmetology Drafting Electricity Graphic Arts Machine Shop Office Machines Repair Sheet Metal Welding

Nearest Area Education Center

Harrison County Area Vocational Education Center
Location Cynthiana, Kentucky
Miles Distant 24 miles
Curriculum Clerical
Secretarial
Health Careers
Auto Mechanics
Carpentry (Building Trades)
Drafting
Machine Shop
Welding

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area - Within 50 miles</u>		<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1974)</u>	
Maysville Community College	Maysville	317	Associate
Georgetown College	Georgetown	1,118	Masters
Transylvania University	Lexington	664	Masters
University of Kentucky	Lexington	21,586	Ph.D., M.D., D.M.D., J.D.
Lexington Technical Institute	Lexington	*	Associate

*Enrollment is included in that of the University of Kentucky.

HEALTH

Hospitals

<u>Nearest General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Hayswood Hospital	Maysville, 23 miles distant	143

General hospital facilities - 3 operating rooms, recovery room, partial intensive care, 2 X-ray units, obstetrical, nursery, laboratory, pharmacy, physical therapy, respiratory therapy, medical staff library

Medical staff - 11 doctors, 31 registered nurses, 26 graduate licensed practical nurses

Ambulance Service

Local ambulance service is available.

Public Health

Facility - Robertson County Health Department

Staff - Clerk, nurse, sanitarian, administrator

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

Telephone - Kentucky Telephone Company
Services - Standard

Telegraph - The nearest telegraph service is at Maysville, 23 miles distant

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

Newspapers - Robertson County Review
Weekly and circulation - 850
Other papers received from - Cynthiana, Maysville, Lexington, and
Louisville, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio

Radio -
Stations received from - Cynthiana, Georgetown, Lexington, Louisville,
Maysville, Newport, Paris, and Winchester,
Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio

Television -
Reception from - Lexington, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio

Kentucky Educational
Television - Channel 38 - Morehead Transmitter
Channel 46 - Lexington Transmitter
Channel 52 - Owenton Transmitter

Religious Institutions

Number of churches - 4
Denominations - Baptist
Christian
Christian Baptist
Methodist

Nearest Synagogues - Lexington, 48 miles distant
Congregations - Adath Israel (reform)
Ohavey Zion (traditional)

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of June 29, 1974</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
The Farmers and Traders Bank	\$3,610,943.44	\$3,046,835.05

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Lions Club, Farm Bureau, Robertson County
Community Action Organization, Robertson County Jaycees

Fraternal - Masons, VFW, American Legion

Women's - Eastern Star, Womans Club, Business and Professional
Women's Club, Homemakers

Youth - 4-H, FFA, Brownies, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts

RECREATION

Local

Public Recreation Facilities

Supervised program - 2 softball leagues

Park - 1

Playground - 1

Tennis court - 1

Baseball diamond - 1

Other - 1 outdoor basketball court; additional recreational facilities are available at Blue Licks Battlefield State Park, 10 miles distant

Area (Within 65 miles)

Blue Licks Battlefield State Park

Kincaid Lake State Park

Cave Run Lake

Daniel Boone National Forest

Lexington, Kentucky, 48 miles southwest, offers a wide variety of cultural, educational, and sporting activities.

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture*

	<u>Robertson County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total land area (acres)	64,640	898,816
Percent of area in farm land	86.3	88.2
Number of farms	405	5,994
Average size of farms (acres)	137.7	132.2
1969 value of all farm products	\$2,221,663	\$ 44,163,315
Value per farm	5,485	7,368
Total crop sales	1,480,032	23,893,810
Total livestock & livestock products	728,706	20,154,672
1972 agricultural production included:		
Burley tobacco (lbs.) (est.)	2,499,000	39,469,000
Corn for grain (bu.)	60,200**	2,227,300**
Cattle and calves (number)	7,200**	170,100**
Hogs and pigs (number)	300**	30,700**
Milk production, 1971 (lbs.)	8,260,000	184,210,000

Natural Resources

Mineral resources	Limestone
Acres of commercial forest land	16,200
Most abundant tree species	White oak, red oak, ash, hickory, hard maple, red cedar, black walnut

*U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Agriculture, 1969. U. S. Department of Agriculture and Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Agricultural Statistics, 1972.
**Preliminary figures.

Climate*

Robertson County

Temperature

Annual mean (30-year record)	54.9 degrees
Average annual 1973	56.2 degrees
Record highest, July, 1934 (58-year record)	109.0 degrees
Record lowest, January, 1936 (58-year record)	- 17.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,844
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily tem- peratures from 65 degrees F.)	

Precipitation

Mean annual total (30-year record)	40.03 inches
Mean annual snow and sleet (57-year record)	18.90 inches
Total precipitation 1973	48.66 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (58-year record)	132
Average number days thunderstorms (49-year record)	50

Prevailing winds (40-year record) Southwest

*U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Admin-
istration, Climatological Data, 1973. Station of record: Cincinnati, Ohio.

HISTORY

Robertson County, the one-hundred eleventh county established in the state, dates from 1867. Its land was taken from Bracken, Harrison, Mason, and Nicholas Counties. It is one of the smallest counties in the state with an area of 101 square miles.

The early settlers in Robertson County, including the Throckmorton family and John Kenton, established homes on the North Fork of Licking River. Simon Kenton, the great Kentucky pioneer, was John's brother. He lived in Maysville (Limestone) and often crossed Robertson County in pursuit of Indians or on the way to Boonesborough. Kentontown was established in 1795 and was named for Simon. It is located in the southwestern part of the county. It became a trading post during the early years when items such as salt were produced by the settlers in the vicinity. Blue Licks is only a few miles away. Such important men as Daniel Boone, Simon Kenton, James Todd, and John Throckmorton were associated with early salt-making. Sometimes the salt makers were surprised by the Indians as were Boone and his companions in 1778, who after their capture were taken to Chillicothe, Ohio.

Robertson County, named in honor of George Robertson, was formed during his lifetime. Robertson was elected to Congress at the early age of twenty-five and became the Chief Justice of Kentucky at the age of thirty. Among the issues he supported was a national land program which permitted a poor man to purchase a few acres of land instead of a square mile of territory at a cheaper price per acre.

Mount Olivet was incorporated in 1851 and became the county seat of Robertson County when it was established in 1867.

The population of Robertson County in 1870 was 5,399. From 1870 to 1970 Robertson county's population has shown a gradual decline with the exception of the 1900 census which showed a population of 4,900. The 1970 population of Robertson County was 2,163 and the 1970 figure for Mt. Olivet was 442.

In 1870, three years after its formation, Robertson County had 5,399 inhabitants. Since then, the population has declined steadily, falling to 2,163 in 1970. However, provisional estimates of 1973 project a population of 2,200 for Robertson County. The population of Mt. Olivet reached 442 in 1970, compared to 386 in 1960.

Agriculture provided 460 of the county's 1,130 jobs in 1973, with burley tobacco, corn, cattle, and milk being the principle products.