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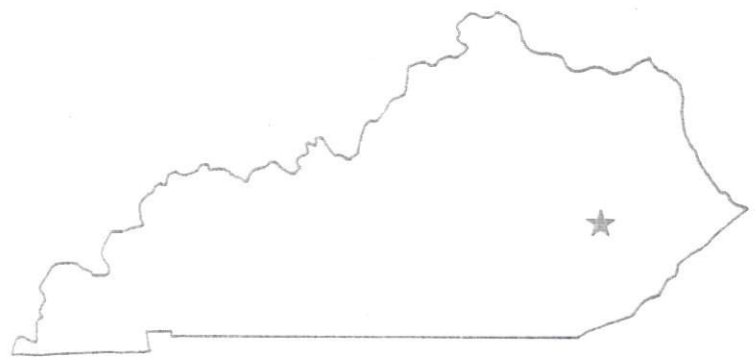
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Resources for Economic Development

Jackson



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RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

JACKSON, KENTUCKY

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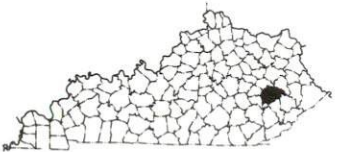
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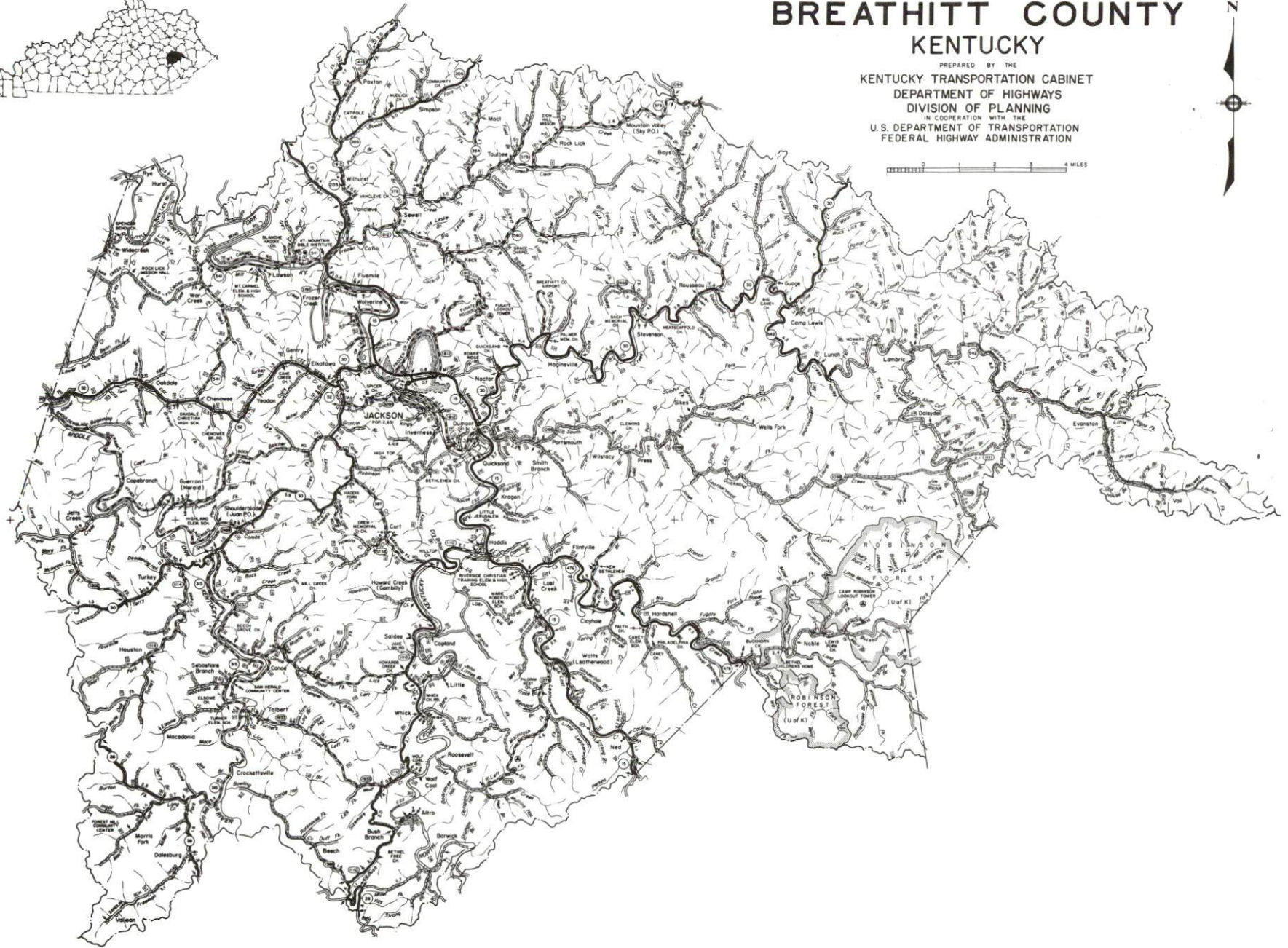
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP BREATHITT COUNTY KENTUCKY

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JACKSON, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Jackson, the county seat of Breathitt County, is located in the Eastern Kentucky Coal Field. The city's population was 2,466 in 1990. Jackson is located 86 miles southeast of Lexington, Kentucky; 158 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky; 155 miles southeast of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 168 miles north of Knoxville, Tennessee.

Breathitt County covers a total land area of 495 square miles. The topography of Breathitt County is characterized by irregular ridges and deep, v-shaped valleys. Breathitt County had a 1990 population of 15,703.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Breathitt County residents employed in 1991 averaged 3,969. In 1990, manufacturing firms in the county reported 102 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 924 jobs; 689 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 777 employees; and 856 people were employed by mining and quarrying operations.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 23,761 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1992 through 1996, 8,668 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - Jackson is served directly by Kentucky Highways 15, 30 and 52, all "AAA"-rated trucking highways. The Mountain Parkway, a multi-lane highway, is accessible 21 miles northwest. The Daniel Boone Parkway a multi-lane toll road, is located 28 miles southeast. Interstate and/or intrastate trucking service is provided by 12 firms. Main line rail service is provided to Jackson by CSX Transportation. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Bluegrass Airport near Lexington, 90 miles northwest of Jackson. Local airport facilities include the Julian Carroll Airport, five miles east of Jackson, and the East Kentucky Regional Airport, 17 miles southeast of Jackson.

Power and Fuel - Electric power is provided to Jackson and portions of Breathitt County by the Kentucky Power Company. Breathitt County is also served by the Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Natural gas service is provided by Public Gas Company.

Education - Primary and secondary education is provided to Jackson and Breathitt County by the Jackson Independent School System and the Breathitt County School System. Lees College, established in 1883 and Presbyterian affiliated, is a two-year, coeducational institution located in Jackson. In addition, 11 other institutions of higher learning are located within 90 miles of Jackson. Vocational training facilities are available at the Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center in Jackson, and at the Hazard State Vocational-Technical School in Hazard, 32 miles southeast of Jackson.

LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Jackson Labor Market Area includes Breathitt County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Knott, Lee, Magoffin, Owsley, Perry and Wolfe.

POPULATION			
	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	95,930	102,383	82,900
Jackson	2,466	2,651	1,887
Breathitt County	15,703	17,004	14,221

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS				
	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	92,140	88,307	82,782	77,583
Breathitt County	15,276	14,778	13,940	13,172

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY					
	Current				Future
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Employed Part-Time</u>	<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1992 thru 1996</u>
Labor Market Area*	23,761	3,340	3,617	16,804	8,668
Breathitt County	3,823	474	517	2,832	1,409

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

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

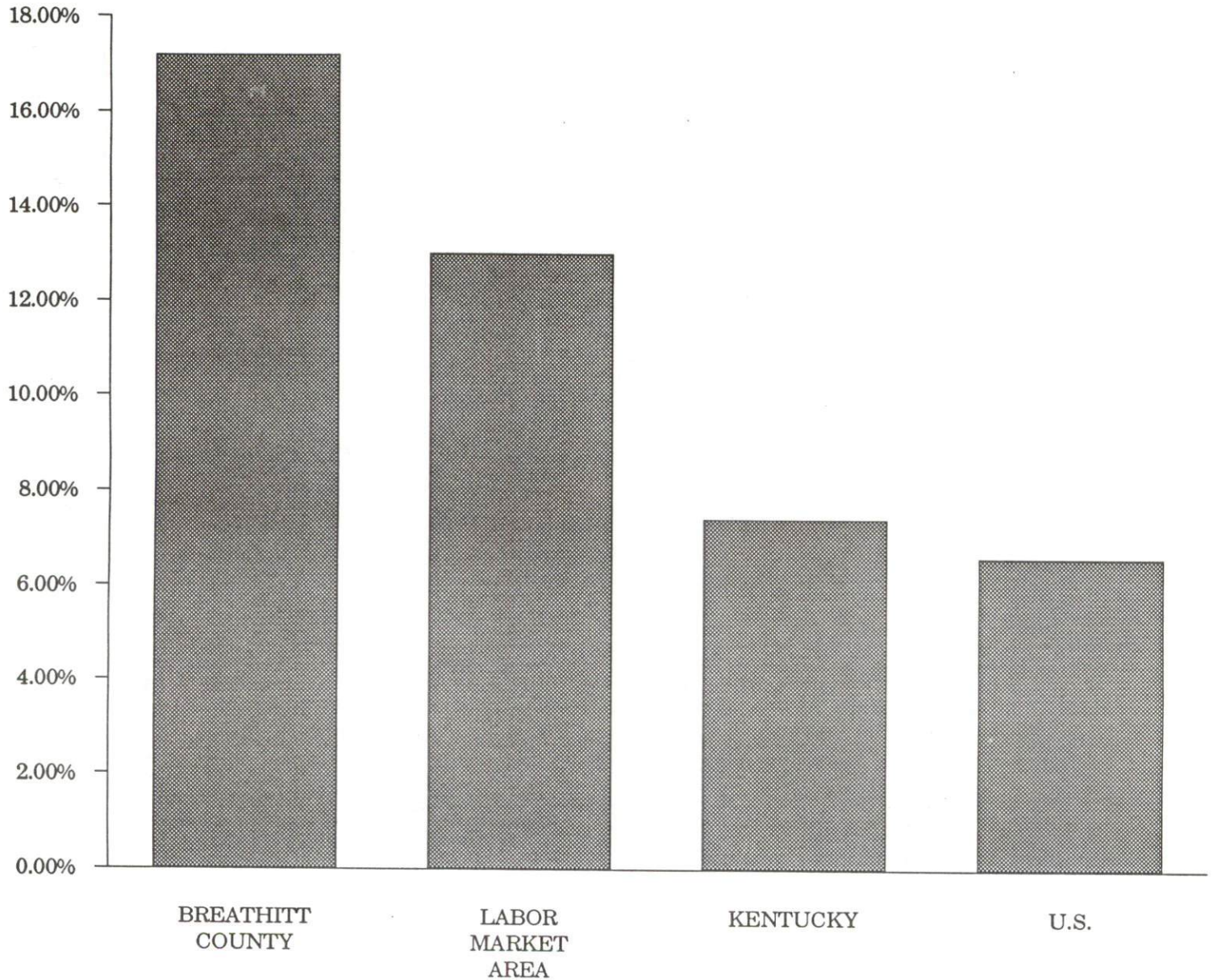
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1992 thru 1996.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1991

	Breathitt County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	4,796	30,897
Employment	3,969	26,881
Unemployment	827	4,016
Rate of Unemployment (%)	17.2	13.0

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1991.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1991

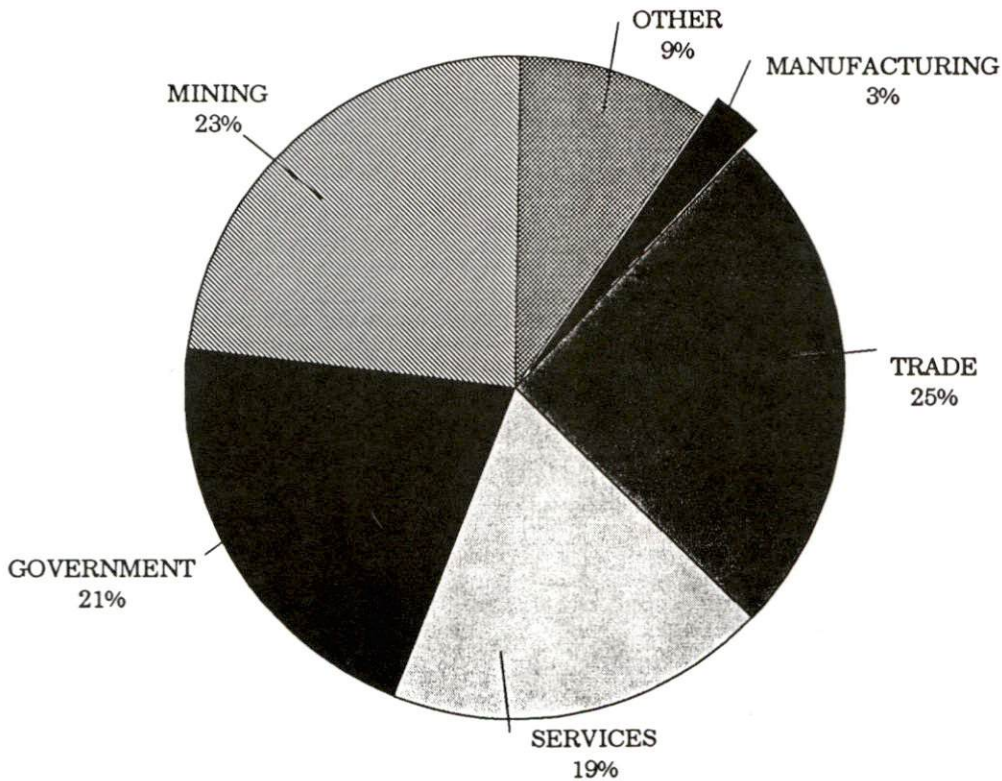


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1990

	Breathitt County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	3,686	20,979
Manufacturing	102	769
Wholesale & Retail Trade	924	4,669
Services	689	3,608
State/Local Government	777	4,817
Mining & Quarrying	856	4,641

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.
Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1990.

BREATHITT COUNTY

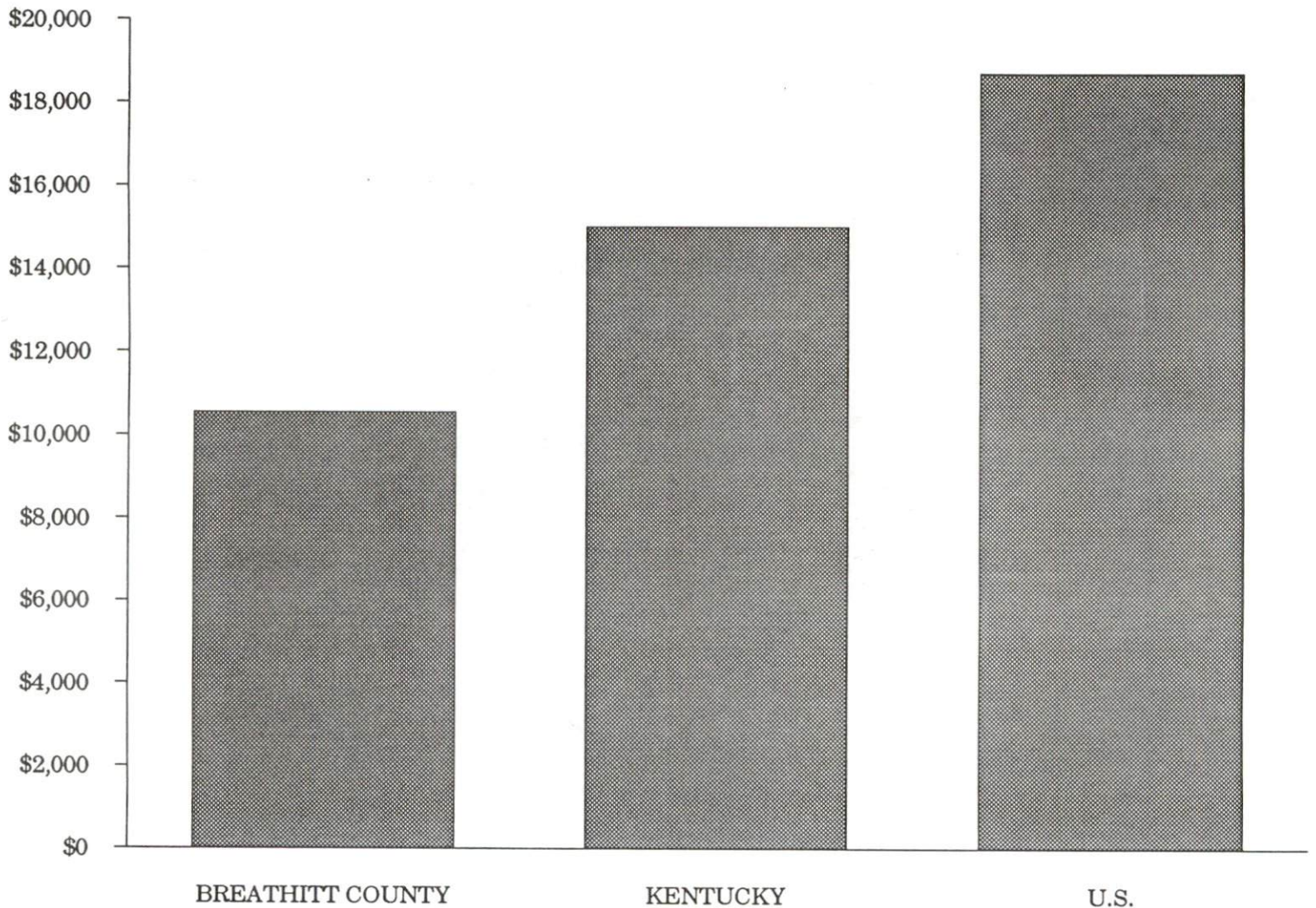


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1986	1990	Percent Change
Breathitt County	\$8,385	\$10,531	25.6
Labor Market Area Range	\$6,275 - \$9,584	\$8,551 - \$13,563	-
Kentucky	\$11,273	\$14,992	33.0
U.S.	\$14,654	\$18,696	27.6

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1992.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1990



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

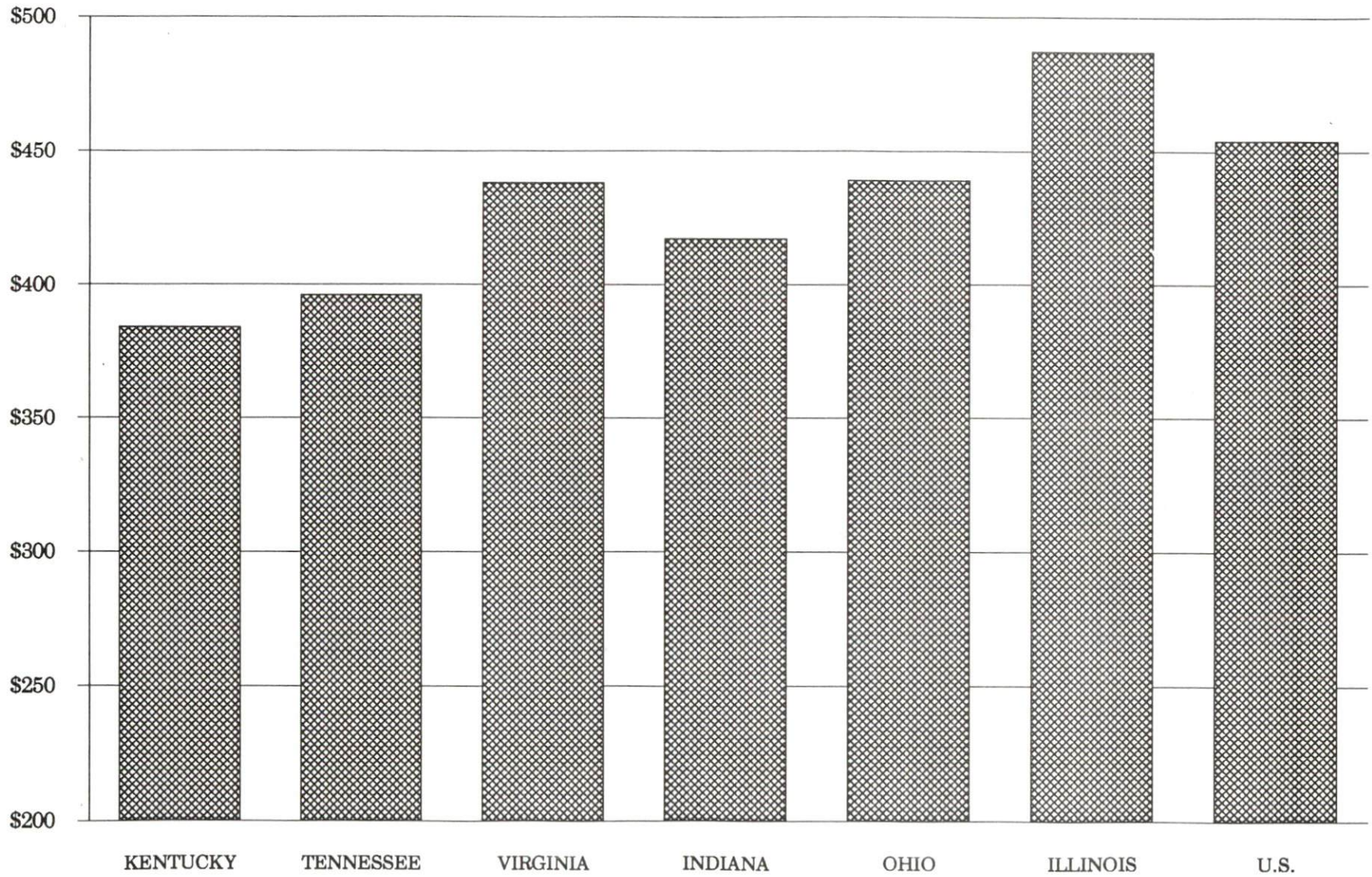
Breathitt County is served by the Hazard local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Hazard local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 1,392 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	1,392	4.02
Clerical	483	3.73
Sales	54	4.02
Services (excluding domestic)	483	3.35
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	5	3.75
Processing	12	5.54
Machine Trades	29	4.42
Bench Work	2	5.53
Structural	161	5.35
Motor Freight/ Transportation	42	4.96
Packaging and Materials Handling	46	3.66
Other	33	8.75

The Hazard local office also serves Knott, 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 - 1990



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1990*

	Breathitt County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$392.95	\$379.97	\$396.00	\$438.00
Mining & Quarrying	774.83	654.24	535.00	635.00
Contract Construction	205.89	401.70	421.00	444.00
Manufacturing	262.26	496.95	449.00	487.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	324.81	500.70	523.00	575.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	195.77	255.93	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	422.57	434.93	469.00	508.00
Services	258.06	329.76	378.00	430.00
State/Local Government	361.59	392.28	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$417.00	\$439.00	\$487.00	\$454.00
Mining & Quarrying	746.00	619.00	747.00	714.00
Contract Construction	475.00	504.00	624.00	503.00
Manufacturing	561.00	595.00	590.00	555.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	519.00	553.00	610.00	578.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	442.00	478.00	619.00	571.00
Services	349.00	382.00	444.00	423.00
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, 1990. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1990, November 1991.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

JACKSON MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1991</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Appalachian Regional Manufacturing (1991)	Sub-assembly, packaging	25
Breathitt County Ready Mix Concrete (1965)	Asphalt, ready-mixed concrete	5
Hinkle Contracting Corporation (1974)	Asphalt, ready-mixed concrete	8
Inter-Mountain Publishing Company (1965)	Newspapers, job printing	18
Panbowl Pallet Company, Inc. (1991)	Wooden pallets	7

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

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are presently no unions representing manufacturing workers in Jackson.

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Jackson</u>
Custom Data Processing	Prestonsburg	63
	Richmond	73
Custom Plastics Producers	Berea	83
Electric Motor Repair	Hazard	32
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Hazard	32
Heat Treating Facilities	Richmond	73
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Hazard	32
Industrial Gases	Hazard	32
Industrial Waste Removal	Richmond	73
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Hazard	32
Metal Castings	Cynthiana	95
Metal Finishers	Richmond	73
Metal Service Centers	Hazard	32
Millwrights	Stanton	42
Public Warehouse Facilities	Lexington	86

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research and Planning; Business and Industry Technical Assistance Center of Hazard Community College.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Highways serving Jackson include Kentucky Highways 15, 30, and 52. Each is a "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. Access to the Mountain Parkway, a multi-lane highway, is located 21 miles northwest of Jackson via Kentucky Highway 15. An interchange with the Daniel Boone Parkway, a multi-lane toll road, is located 28 miles southeast of Jackson via Kentucky 15.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM JACKSON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	363	Los Angeles, CA	2,245
Baltimore, MD	531	Louisville, KY	158
Birmingham, AL	409	Nashville, TN	282
Chicago, IL	427	New Orleans, LA	749
Cincinnati, OH	155	New York, NY	714
Cleveland, OH	347	Pittsburgh, PA	362
Detroit, MI	388	St. Louis, MO	417
Knoxville, TN	168		

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

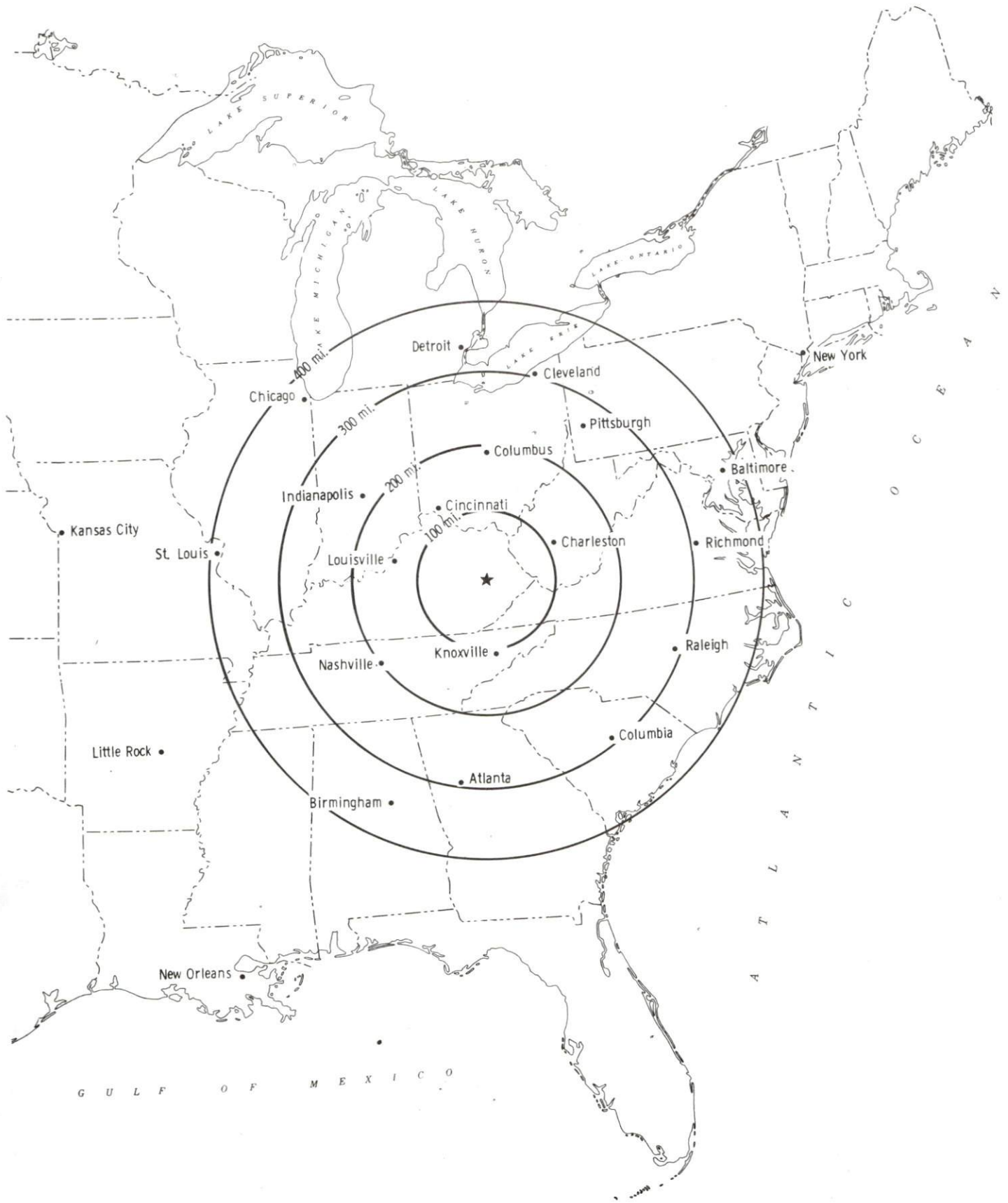
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

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

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1992.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Jackson. The nearest intermodal facilities are provided by the Southern Railway System, at Georgetown, 94 miles west of Jackson.

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

Local

Location: Julian Carroll Airport
5 miles east of Jackson
Runways: 1 paved
Length: 4,400 feet
Traffic
Control: Wind sock, unicom, VOR-DME
Lighting: REIL, rotating beacon
Services: 100LL fuel, jet-A fuel, NOAA regional weather center

The Julian Carroll Airport board recently completed construction of a 60- by 80- foot hangar and office facility at the airport terminal.

Location: East Kentucky Regional Airport
17 miles southeast of Jackson, near Hazard
Runways: 1 paved
Length: 4,000 feet
Traffic
Control: Wind sock, unicom, VOR-DME, 122.7
Lighting: Runway lights, rotating beacon
Services: 100LL and jet-A fuel, courtesy car, tie-downs

The East Kentucky Regional Airport is planning to extend its existing runway to 5,000 feet, construct a maintenance hangar and fixed-based operator building, and install an ILS landing system. The \$9 million project will reach completion in 1994. Scheduled commuter flights will be offered as a result of this expansion.

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Bluegrass Airport
4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky;
90 miles northwest of Jackson
Air Service: Delta, USAir, United Express, American Eagle,
ComAir, TW Express, Atlantic Southeast
Airlines, Northwest Airlink, Henson Airlines
Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 120

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving **Jackson** and the eastern and southern portion of
Breathitt County - Kentucky Power Company
Source of power - Kentucky Power Company
For industrial rates contact:

Marketing and Customer Service
Department
Kentucky Power Company
1701 Central Avenue
P.O. Box 1428
Ashland, Kentucky 41101
(606) 327-1244

Company serving the northern and western portion of **Breathitt
County** - Licking Valley Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative
For industrial rates contact:

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

and/or

Licking Valley Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Drawer 605
West Liberty, Kentucky 41472
(606) 743-3179 or (800) 554-5441

Natural Gas

Company serving **Jackson** - Public Gas Company
Source of supply - Jefferson Gas Transmission Company, Inc.
For rates and supplies contact:

Public Gas Company
P.O. Box 619
Jackson, Kentucky 41339
(606) 666-2205

Public Water Supply

Company serving Jackson - Jackson Municipal Water Works
333 Broadway
Jackson, Kentucky 41339
(606) 666-2056

Source - North Fork of Kentucky River
Treatment plant capacity - 1,500,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 600,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 750,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 900,000 gallons
Water pressure - 30 psi to 120 psi

The Jackson Municipal Water Works plans several projects including: expansion of the distribution system, renovations on the existing treatment plant, construction of three storage tanks which will accommodate a total of 500,000 gallons of water, and extension of service to approximately 475 customers. The projects are scheduled for completion by 1994 at a cost of \$2.5 million.

Sewerage

Company serving Jackson - Jackson Municipal Sewer Company
333 Broadway
Jackson, Kentucky 41339
(606) 666-2056

Design capacity - 750,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 300,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - North Fork of Kentucky River

The Jackson Municipal Sewer Company recently constructed a new 750,000 gallon-per-day wastewater treatment plant at a cost of \$2,250,000. Distribution lines were upgraded as a part of the project.

CLIMATE

Breathitt County

Temperature

Normal (29-year record)	54.90 degrees
Average annual 1990	57.10 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (46-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (46-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (29-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	4,814

Precipitation

Normal (29-year record)	45.68 inches
Mean annual snowfall (30-year record)	15.90 inches
Total precipitation 1990	53.16 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (46-year record)	129.50
Mean number days thunderstorms (46-year record)	45.10

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South

Relative Humidity (27-year record, except 1 a.m. - 26-year record)

1 a.m.	77 percent
7 a.m.	81 percent
1 p.m.	60 percent
7 p.m.	64 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1990. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

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

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Jackson Zoning Board

Participating cities - Jackson

Zoning enforced - Within city limits

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city limits

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 Jackson levies an occupational license tax of one percent on wages of individuals and on net profits of businesses. An insurance premium tax of 8.5 percent is also assessed. Business license fees range from \$50 to \$100. The fee is credited toward the occupational license tax levied by the City of Jackson. Breathitt County also levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages and net profits.

PROPERTY TAXES

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

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

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

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1991 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.187	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, 1991

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Breathitt County	\$0.2560	\$0.2317	\$0.2407
School Districts:			
Jackson Independent	0.3560	0.3560	0.5410
Breathitt County	0.3750	0.3750	0.4920
Cities:			
Jackson	0.1310	0.2440	0.2000

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Jackson Independent	Breathitt County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1991)	334	2,850
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1990-91)	18.3-1	17.5-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1990-91)	18.2	48.5
Expenditures Per Pupil (1990-91)	\$3,357.52	\$3,133.55

The Jackson Independent School System plans to construct a new library and gymnasium for the entire school system.

The Breathitt County School System recently constructed the Highland Turner Elementary School at a cost of \$2.6 million. In addition, the School System is in the process of renovating the Marie Roberts Elementary School which will include seven new classrooms, a new gymnasium, a new library, and renovated office space. The \$2.2 million project is scheduled for completion by April 1993.

Nonpublic Schools

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Grades</u>
Mt. Carmel Elementary	65	K-7
Mt. Carmel High School	69	8-12
Oakdale Christian High School	40	7-12
Riverside Christian Training School	120	K-12

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1991)</u>
Lees College	Jackson	425
Hazard Community College	Hazard (32)	1,429
Alice Lloyd College	Pippa Passes (54)	548
Prestonsburg Community College	Prestonsburg (63)	2,863
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond (73)	16,525
Morehead State University	Morehead (79)	8,812
Sue Bennett College	London (81)	454
Berea College	Berea (83)	1,606
Transylvania University	Lexington (86)	1,038
University of Kentucky	Lexington (86)	24,132
Union College	Barbourville (86)	945
Pikeville College	Pikeville (90)	941

Lees College

Lees College assigns first priority to excellence in undergraduate education. Established in 1883 and affiliated with the Presbyterian Church, Lees is a private two-year institution of higher learning located in Jackson.

Fully accredited by the Southern Association of College and Schools, Lees confers two degrees: the Associate of Arts and the Associate of Science, keeping its standards at a level which permits its students to transfer to four-year institutions, as well as offering related career programs which provide immediate job-entry skills. Career programs are offered in nursing, computer information science and applied business. After attending Lees, 82 percent of the graduates go on to a four-year college.

Realizing that this is a rapidly changing world, Lees College acknowledges its responsibility for helping its students approach life from a global perspective, enabling them to understand better the concerns and ways of people from other regions of the United States as well as people from other countries. During the 1991-92 year more foreign and minority students enrolled at Lees than at any other time in its history.

As evidenced by its more than 4,500 alumni, Lees College is a thriving institution, committed to serving the people of Appalachia and surrounding areas.

Vocational Training

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

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

Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

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

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

<u>Vocational School</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1990-1991</u>
Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center	Jackson	416
Hazard State Vocational-Technical School	Hazard (32)	793

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 13

Dentists - 5

General Hospitals

Location

Beds

Kentucky River Medical Center

Jackson

55

Medical staff - Nine active staff physicians, 15 courtesy staff physicians; 20 consulting staff physicians; 50 registered nurses; 18 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Breathitt County Health Department

Breathitt County Center

Breathitt County Medical Center

Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

Citizens Bank of Jackson

The First National Bank and Trust

Newspapers

The Jackson Times (weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell

RECREATION

Local

Recreational facilities in Jackson include the Jackson Recreation Park, which is a five-acre park designed for family outings and features two softball/baseball diamonds, two basketball courts, two tennis courts, shuffleboard, a shelter house, a concession stand, restrooms, a picnic area and an equipped playground. In addition, four playgrounds, a swimming pool, a movie theatre, two lighted tennis courts, a picnic area and a supervised little league program are available in the community.

The Breathitt County Museum offers an array of historical exhibits, folk art, artifacts, and displays depicting the heritage and culture of Breathitt County and Jackson.

Natural Bridge State Resort Park near Slade, 33 miles northwest of Jackson, is located within the Daniel Boone National Forest where cliffs and stone arches fill the landscape. The rugged awesomeness of the great Natural Bridge is the main attraction. The park offers a 35-room resort lodge with a dining room, a convention center, a gift shop, ten rustic cottages, and 95 camping sites. Other facilities include a lake, a swimming pool, picnic shelters and playgrounds, mini-golf, hiking trails, a riding stable, a chair lift, and pedal boats.

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park, 38 miles south of Jackson at Buckhorn, is a full-facility resort park with a 36-room lodge. The lodge itself offers a dining room with a lake view, a gift shop, a pool, meeting rooms, and a recreation room. Other park facilities and activities include a beach, a bathhouse, a picnic shelter, a playground, mini-golf, tennis, hiking, a dock with open and covered slips, boat rentals, a 40-foot levee plus a fishing pier, bicycle rentals, and planned recreation.

Area (Within 90 miles)

Daniel Boone National Forest
Red River Gorge
Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
Cave Run Lake
Boonesborough State Park
Grayson Lake State Park
Jefferson National Forest

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Recent

Through joint funding from the city, county, and chamber of commerce, an economic development planner was hired to focus on attracting industry to the area.

The Jackson Municipal Sewer Company recently constructed a new 750,000 gallon-per-day wastewater treatment plant at a cost of \$2,250,000. Distribution lines were upgraded as a part of the project.

The Breathitt County School System recently constructed the Highland Turner Elementary School at a cost of \$2.6 million.

The Julian Carroll Airport board recently completed construction of a 60-by 80- foot hangar and office facility at the airport terminal.

Under Way

The Breathitt County School System is in the process of renovating the Marie Roberts Elementary School which will include the addition of seven new classrooms, a new gymnasium, a new library, and renovated office space. The \$2.2 million project is scheduled for completion by April 1993.

Planned

The Breathitt County Industrial Foundation plans to develop a nine-acre industrial site located adjacent to Appalachian Regional Manufacturing in Lakeside Estates.

The Jackson Municipal Waterworks plans several projects including: expansion of the distribution system, renovations on the existing treatment plant, construction of three storage tanks which will accommodate a total of 500,000 gallons of water, and extension of service to approximately 475 customers. The projects are scheduled for completion by 1994 at a cost of \$2.5 million.

The Jackson Independent School System plans to construct a new library and gymnasium for the entire school system.

A flood control project is planned at Si Bend located within five miles of Jackson. In connection with the development, industrial and recreational opportunities will be explored.

The Breathitt County Fiscal Court plans to construct apartments for the mentally handicapped on a one-acre site near the hospital. Plans are also being considered for renovation of the county courthouse and jail.

The City of Jackson plans to implement a recycling program.



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