

1993

Industrial Resources: Clay County - Manchester

Kentucky Library Research Collections
Western Kentucky University, spcol@wku.edu

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/clay_cty

 Part of the [Business Administration, Management, and Operations Commons](#), [Growth and Development Commons](#), and the [Infrastructure Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Kentucky Library Research Collections, "Industrial Resources: Clay County - Manchester" (1993). *Clay County*. Paper 2.
https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/clay_cty/2

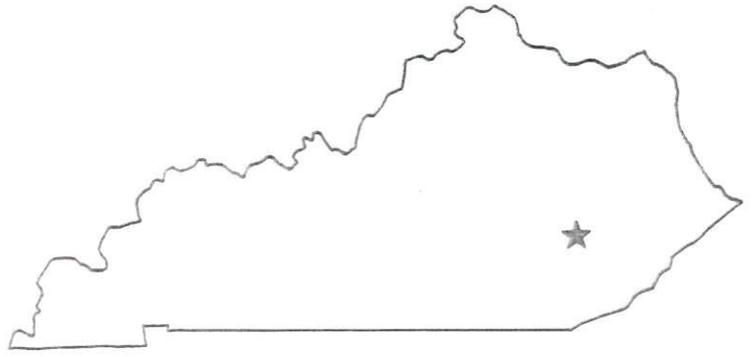
This Report is brought to you for free and open access by TopSCHOLAR®. It has been accepted for inclusion in Clay County by an authorized administrator of TopSCHOLAR®. For more information, please contact topscholar@wku.edu.

IR
793

clay County

Resources for Economic Development

Manchester



KENTUCKY

RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MANCHESTER, KENTUCKY

Prepared by
The Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development
Division of Research
in cooperation with
Manchester Chamber of Commerce

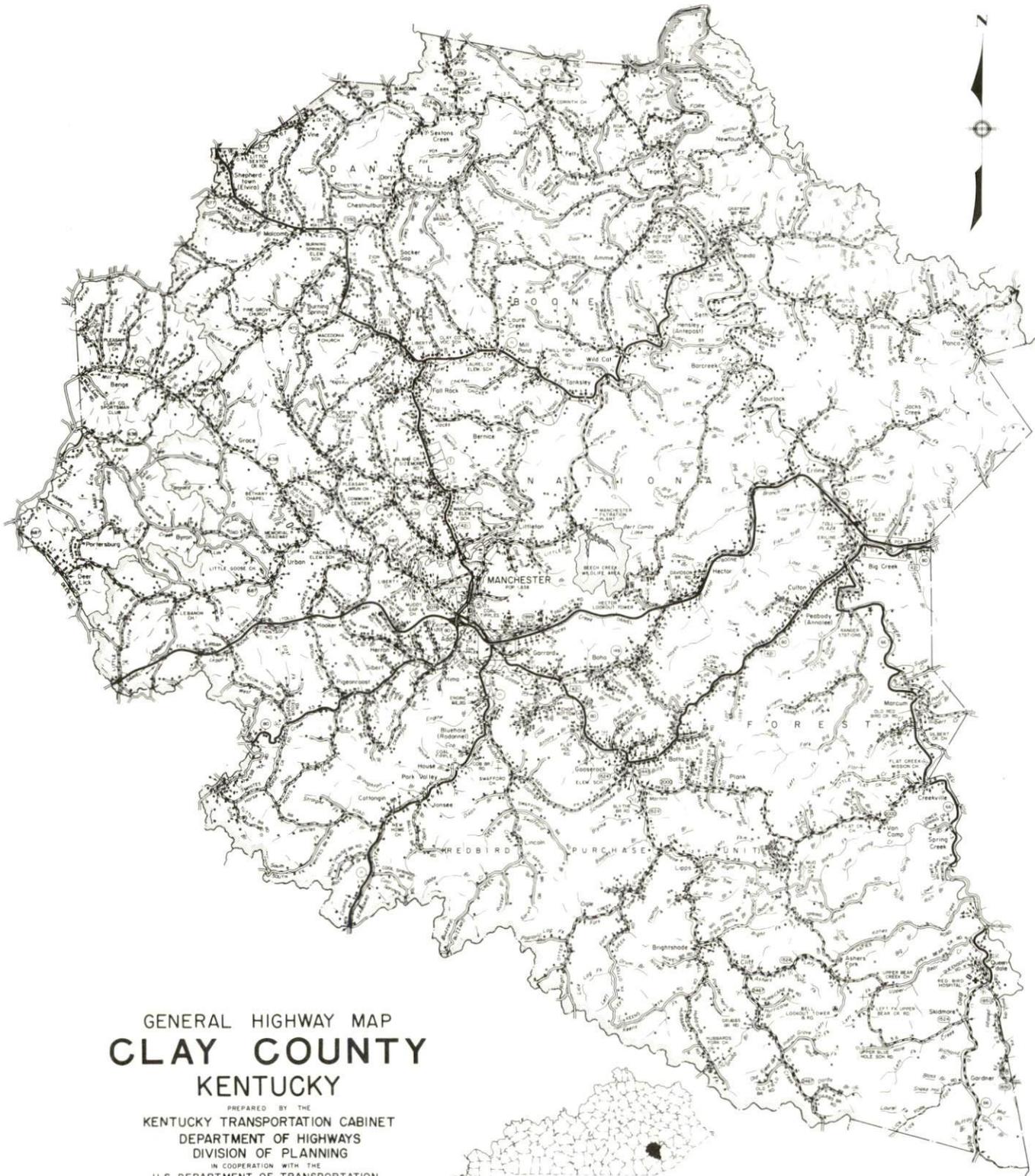
1993

Division Director - Pamela K. Riley; program manager - Keith Roberts; research - Richard H. Cobb; clerical - Wanda Sharp; graphics - Robert Owens, Pat Coleman; cartography - Edwin Scott, Dave Clark. Cost of printing paid from state funds.

TABLE OF CONTENTS

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Page</u>
MANCHESTER, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE	1
THE LABOR MARKET STATISTICS	2
Labor Market Area Map	2
Population	3
Population Projections	3
Estimated Labor Supply	3
Labor Force Characteristics of Residents, 1991	4
Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment, by Place of Work, 1991	5
Per Capita Personal Income	6
Average Placement Wages	7
Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Unemployment Insurance 1991 - Bar Chart	8
Average Weekly Wages by Industry, by Place of Work, 1991	9
EXISTING INDUSTRY	10
Manchester Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment	10
Labor Organizations in Manufacturing Firms	10
Selected Industrial Services	11
TRANSPORTATION	12
Highways	12
Truck Service	12
Selected Market Location Map	13
Rail	14
Air	14
UTILITIES	15
Electricity	15
Natural Gas	15
Public Water Supply	16
Sewerage	16
CLIMATE	17

<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Page</u>
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	18
Structure	18
Planning and Zoning	18
Local Fees and Licenses	18
State and Local Property Taxes	19
EDUCATION	20
Public Schools	20
Area Colleges and Universities	20
Vocational Training	21
OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES	23
Local Medical Personnel	23
Hospitals	23
Other Medical Facilities and Services	23
Banks and Savings & Loan Associations	23
Newspapers	23
Telephone Service	23
RECREATION	24
COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS	25



GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
CLAY COUNTY
 KENTUCKY

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



MANCHESTER, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Manchester, the county seat of Clay County, is situated in the southern portion of Kentucky's Eastern Coal Fields Region. Manchester is located 172 miles south of Cincinnati, Ohio; 119 miles north of Knoxville, Tennessee; and 166 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky. Clay County lies almost entirely within the Red Bird Purchase Unit of the Daniel Boone National Forest, and contains some of the most beautiful woodlands and ruggedly scenic areas in the state. Clay County covers a land area of 471 square miles and had a 1990 population of 21,746 persons. Manchester had a 1990 population of 1,634 persons.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Clay County residents employed in 1991 averaged 4,505. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 538 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 1,023 jobs; 629 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 1,131 employees; contract construction firms provided 124 jobs; and 145 people were employed by mining and quarrying operations.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 46,119 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1993 through 1997, 16,083 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - The Daniel Boone Parkway, a limited-access toll road, U.S. 421 and Kentucky Route 80 are "AAA"-rated trucking highways serving Manchester. Interstate 75 is accessible 22 miles west of Manchester via the Daniel Boone Parkway. Fifteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Manchester. CSX Transportation provides branch line rail service to Manchester. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Bluegrass Airport, 99 miles northwest of Manchester near Lexington. The London-Corbin Airport, located 23 miles west of Manchester, maintains a 6,000-foot runway.

Power and Fuel - Kentucky Utilities Company, an electric generation and transmission company, provides electric power to Manchester and portions of Clay County. Jackson County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, whose source of power is East Kentucky Power Cooperative, serves the major portion of Clay County. Delta Natural Gas Company, whose sources of supply are Wiser Oil Company and Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation, provides natural gas service to Manchester.

Education - The Clay County Public School System provides primary and secondary education in Clay County. Ten institutions of higher learning are located within 65 miles of Manchester. The nearest vocational training is available at the Laurel County State Vocational-Technical School in London, 20 miles west, and the Clay County Area Vocational Education Center in Manchester.

LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Manchester Labor Market Area includes Clay County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Bell, Jackson, Knox, Laurel, Leslie, Owsley, and Perry.

POPULATION

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	187,282	192,653	153,587
Manchester	1,634	1,838	1,664
Clay County	21,746	22,752	18,481

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	189,680	191,324	193,541	192,682
Clay County	21,801	21,851	22,087	22,051

Note: Population projections are from Moderate Growth Series forecast.

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	<u>Current</u>				<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Employed Part-Time</u>	<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1993 thru 1997</u>
Labor Market Area*	46,119	5,627	7,557	32,935	16,083
Clay County	7,026	540	858	5,628	1,956

* 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).

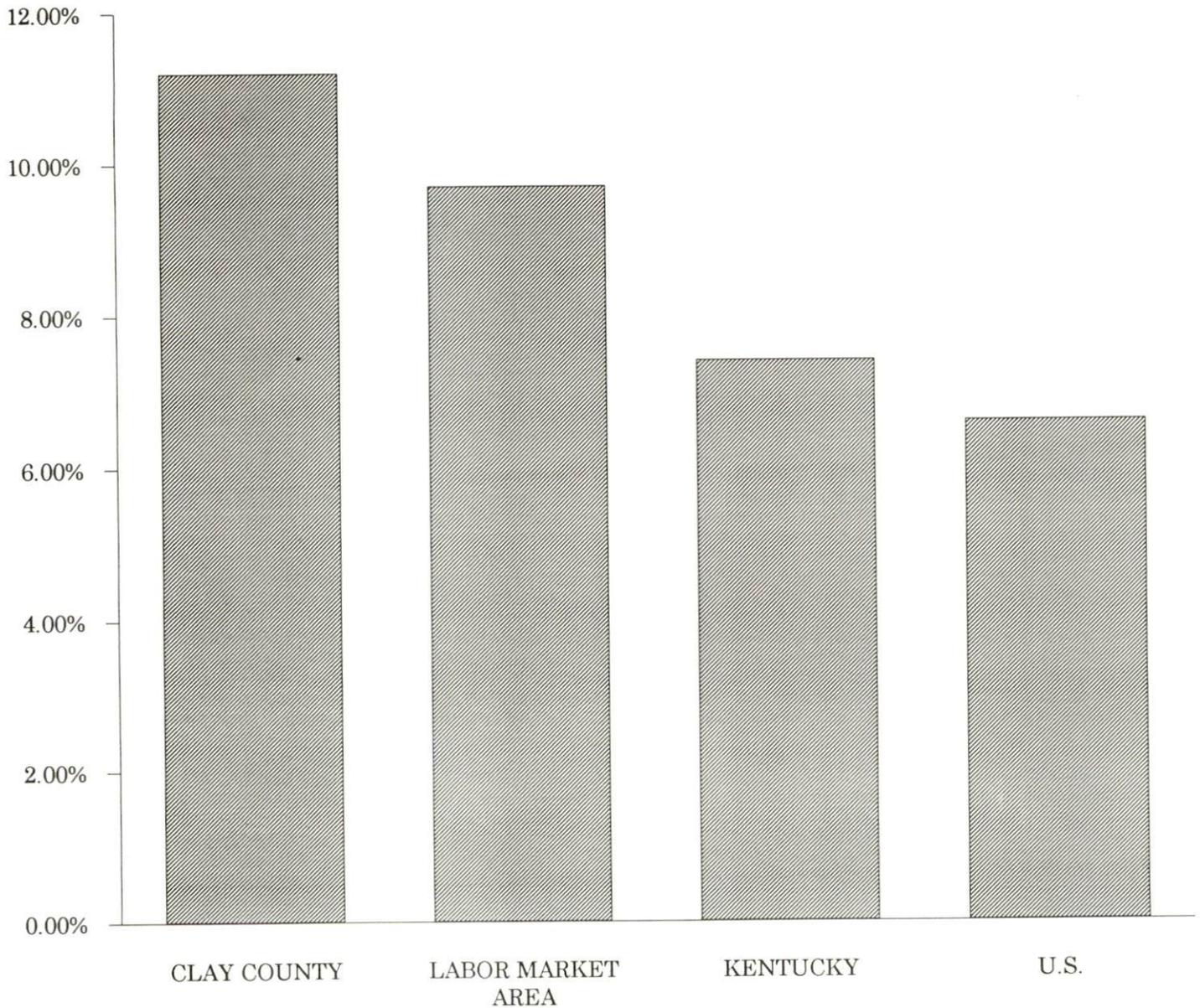
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1993 thru 1997.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1991

	<u>Clay County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	5,073	65,325
Employment	4,505	58,972
Unemployment	568	6,353
Rate of Unemployment (%)	11.2	9.7

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

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1991**

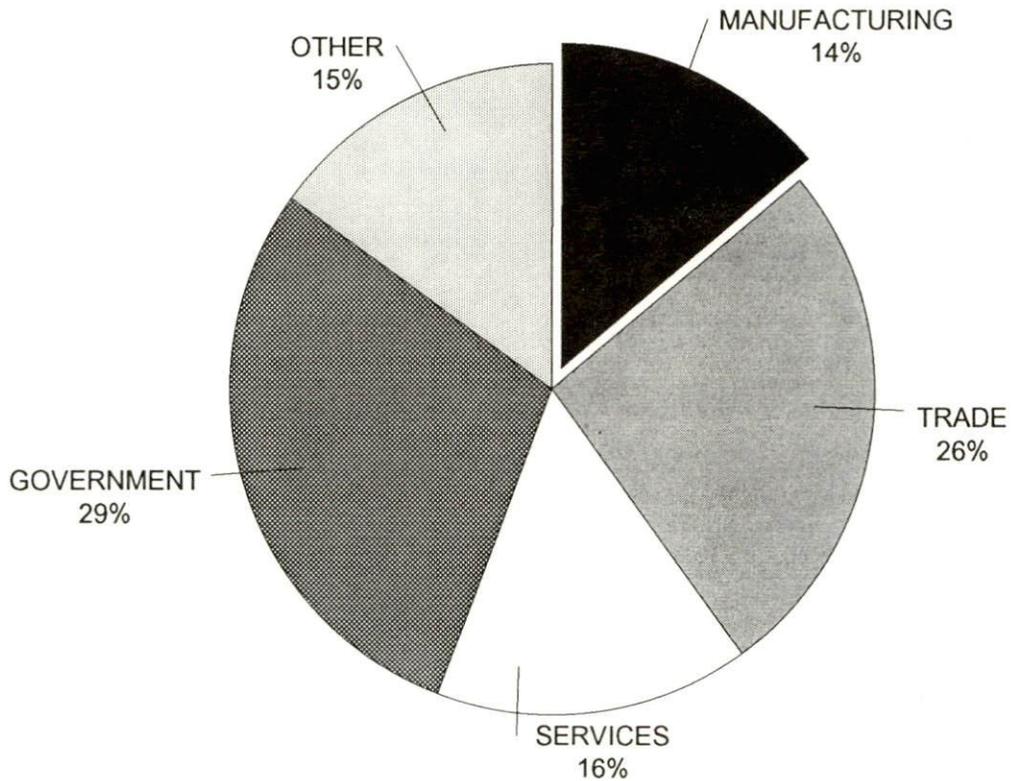


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1991

	<u>Clay County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	3,892	48,857
Manufacturing	538	6,850
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,023	13,164
Services	629	8,662
State/Local Government	1,131	9,001
Contract Construction	124	1,829
Mining & Quarrying	145	4,903

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, 1991.

CLAY COUNTY

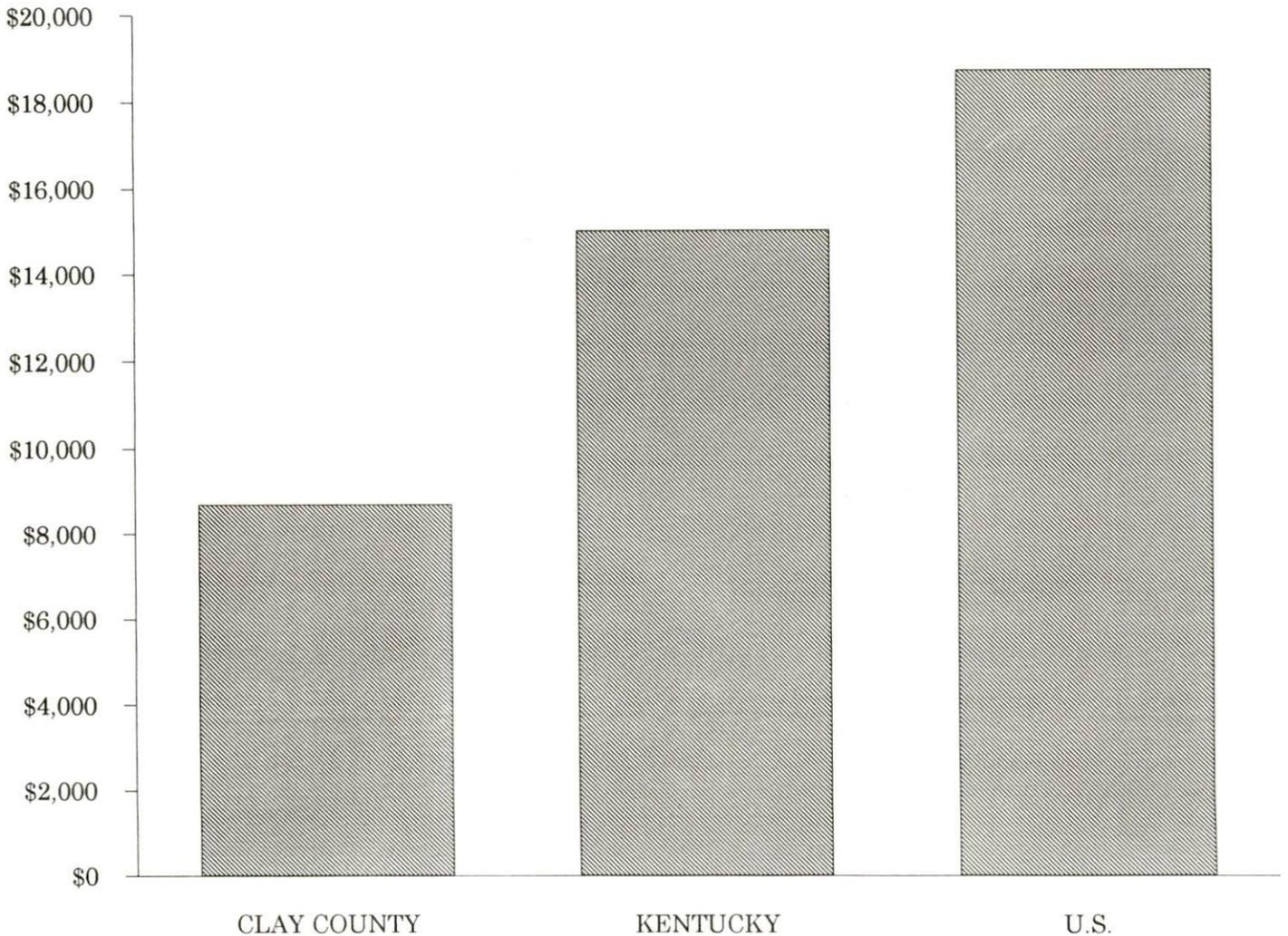


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1986	1990	Percent Change
Clay County	\$7,510	\$8,693	15.8
Labor Market Area Range	\$6,611 - \$10,265	\$8,391 - \$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

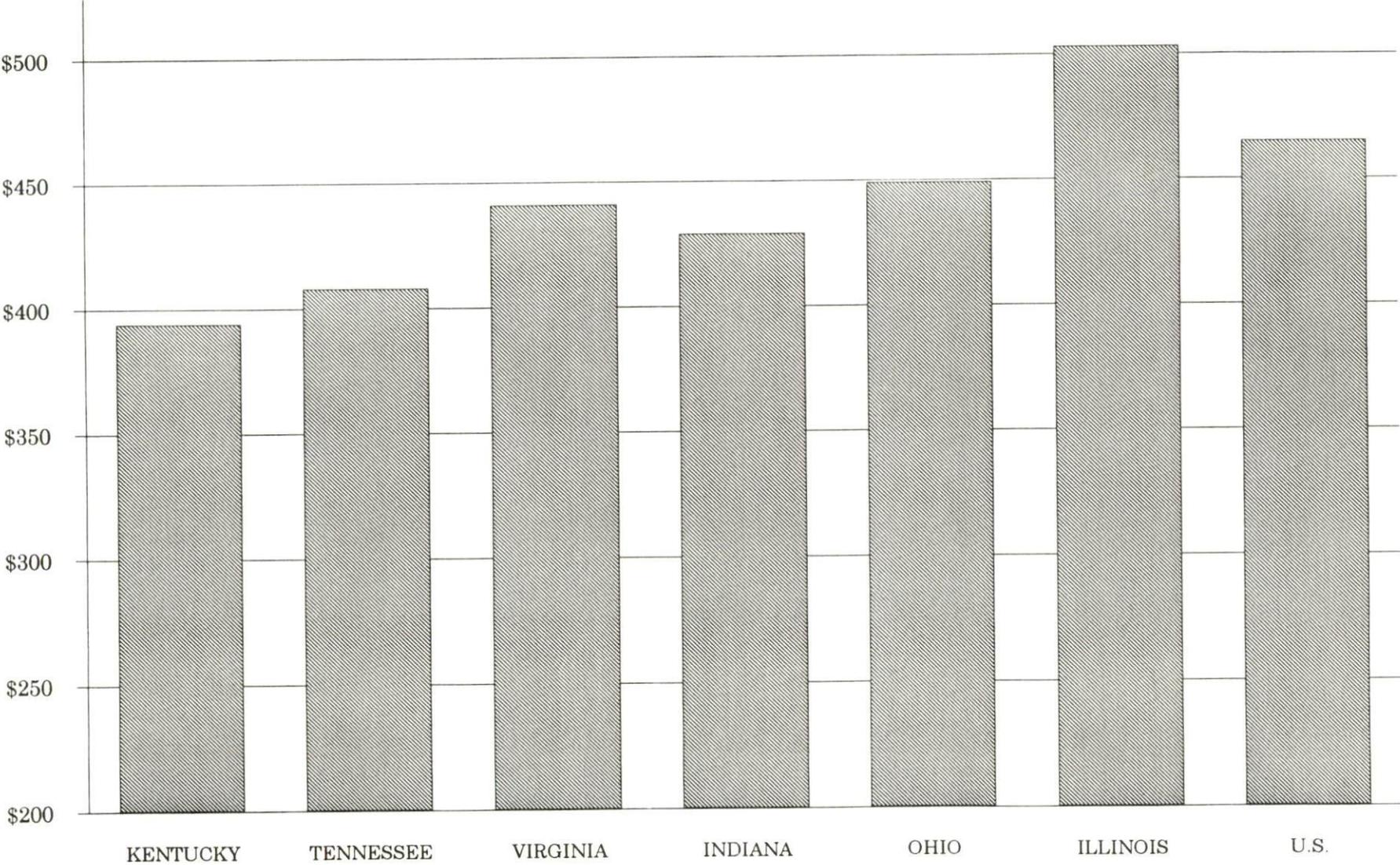
Clay County is served by the Corbin local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Corbin local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 2,508 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	2,508	4.20
Clerical	953	3.75
Sales	141	4.04
Services (excluding domestic)	463	3.48
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	10	4.23
Processing	103	4.76
Machine Trades	36	6.10
Bench Work	213	3.63
Structural	245	5.11
Motor Freight/ Transportation	70	4.90
Packaging and Materials Handling	210	6.37
Other	9	5.49

The Corbin local office also serves Jackson, Knox, Laurel, Rockcastle, and Whitley 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 - 1991



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1991*

	Clay County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$310.19	\$394.46	\$408.00	\$441.00
Mining & Quarrying	490.25	661.68	528.00	655.00
Contract Construction	351.10	410.33	436.00	452.00
Manufacturing	241.95	505.56	477.00	509.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	340.83	528.78	541.00	605.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	240.60	268.42	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	304.73	449.89	495.00	523.00
Services	299.63	350.41	394.00	455.00
State/Local Government	379.35	413.84	N/A	N/A
	Indiana	Ohio	Illinois	U. S.
All Industries	\$429.00	\$449.00	\$503.00	\$465.00
Mining & Quarrying	708.00	609.00	758.00	747.00
Contract Construction	499.00	510.00	635.00	514.00
Manufacturing	583.00	613.00	609.00	579.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	531.00	567.00	632.00	599.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	458.00	498.00	650.00	596.00
Services	368.00	398.00	462.00	443.00
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, 1991. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1991, January 1993.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

MANCHESTER MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1992</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Casecraft Corporation (1986)	Wood and metal store fixtures	50
Clay County Manufacturing Company (1985)	Military bombs, railing for handicapped	20
Kentucky Mountain Industries (1977)	Stamped appliance parts, plumbing fixtures, and automobile parts	52
London-Clay Ready Mix, Inc. (1971)	Ready-mixed concrete	2
The Manchester Enterprise (1954)	Newspaper, job printing	28
Mid-South Electrics, Inc. (1968)	Metal stampings, appliance assembly, metal coating	400

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

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are currently no labor organizations representing manufacturing workers in Clay County.

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Manchester</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Mt. Vernon, Kentucky	42
Electric Motor Repair	Corbin, Kentucky	37
Heat Treating Facilities	Richmond, Kentucky	62
Industrial Waste Removal	Manchester, Kentucky	-
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Corbin, Kentucky	37
Metal Castings	Middlesboro, Kentucky	56
Metal Finishers	Richmond, Kentucky	62
Metal Service Centers	Richmond, Kentucky	62
Millwrights	Lexington, Kentucky	97

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Manchester is served by the Daniel Boone Parkway, a limited-access toll road. Both U.S. Highway 421 and Kentucky Route 80 are "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving the community. Kentucky Route 11, accessible south of Manchester, is a "AA"-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. Interstate 75 is located 22 miles west of the city via the Daniel Boone Parkway.

U.S. Highway 421 North is currently being upgraded to three lanes with a three-lane bridge from Manchester to the access road at the new prison and new high school.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM MANCHESTER, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	313	Los Angeles, CA	2,218
Baltimore, MD	573	Louisville, KY	166
Birmingham, AL	354	Nashville, TN	221
Chicago, IL	440	New Orleans, LA	693
Cincinnati, OH	172	New York, NY	773
Cleveland, OH	405	Pittsburgh, PA	428
Detroit, MI	432	St. Louis, MO	424
Knoxville, TN	119		

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

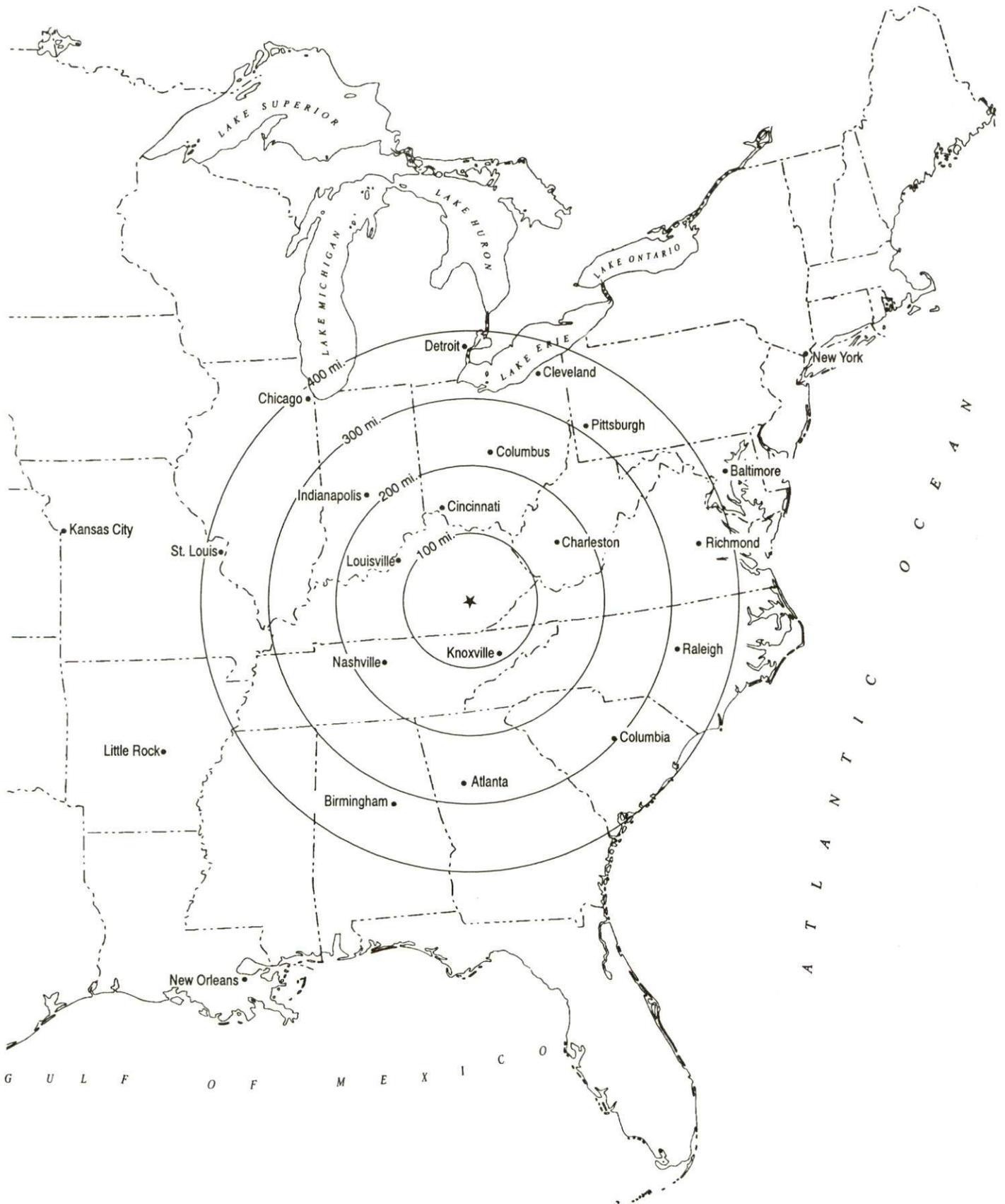
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

There are currently fifteen common carrier trucking companies that provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Manchester.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1993.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

CSX Transportation provides branch line rail service to Manchester. The nearest intermodal facilities are provided by Southern Railway System at Georgetown, 107 miles northwest of Manchester.

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

Regional

Location: London-Corbin Airport (Magee Field)
3 miles south of London, Kentucky;
23 miles west of Manchester

Runways: 1 paved
Length: 6,000 feet

Traffic Control: Wind sock, unicom 123.0, and FFS advisory service

Lighting: Beacon, runway and obstruction lights, REIL, VASI

Services: Fuel (100LL, Jet-A, JP-A-50); minor A & P repairs;
APU start; de-icing; tie-downs; aircraft rental,
auto rental, taxi; weather data; flight training;
charter and ambulance service; courtesy car

Air Freight Service: Air carriers accept freight on a space available basis

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Bluegrass Airport
4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky;
99 miles northwest of Manchester

Air Service: Delta, USAir, United Express, American Eagle,
ComAir, TW Express, Atlantic Southeast Airlines,
Northwest Airlink

Daily Arrivals & Departures: 120

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving **Manchester** and portions of Clay County - Kentucky
Utilities Company

Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company

For industrial rates contact:

Industrial Development Department
Kentucky Utilities Company
One Quality Street
Lexington, Kentucky 40507
(606) 255-2100

Company serving a major portion of Clay County - Jackson County 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

Jackson County Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Box 307
McKee, Kentucky 40447
(606) 287-7161 Fax (606) 287-7161

Natural Gas

Company serving **Manchester** - Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.

Source of supply - Wiser Oil Company and Columbia Gas Transmission
Corporation

For rates and supplies contact:

VP-Marketing and Public Relations
Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.
3617 Lexington Road
Winchester, Kentucky 40391
(606) 744-6171

Public Water Supply

Company serving **Manchester** - Manchester Water Works
P.O. Box 279
Manchester, Kentucky 40962
(606) 598-3205 Fax (606) 598-6044

Source - Bert T. Combs Lake
Treatment plant capacity - 2,300,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 1,300,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 1,500,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,900,000 gallons
Water pressure - 65 psi to 150 psi

The Manchester Water Works has completed three projects in 1991. The first project was construction of a new 2,300,000 gallon-per-day water treatment plant. The second project was construction of a new 650,000 gallon storage tank. The third project was the construction of a new raw water intake structure.

Sewerage

Company serving **Manchester** - Manchester Wastewater Treatment Plant
P.O. Box 279
Manchester, Kentucky 40962
(606) 598-6043 Fax (606) 598-6044

Design capacity - 1,700,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 475,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Primary
Treated effluent discharged into - Goose Creek

CLIMATE

Clay County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	58.90 degrees
Average annual 1991	60.50 degrees
Record highest, September 1954 (50-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1985 (50-year record)	-24.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	3,658

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	47.29 inches
Mean annual snowfall (49-year record)	12.00 inches
Total precipitation 1991	58.26 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (49-year record)	126.20
Mean number days thunderstorms (49-year record)	47.20

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

Northeast

Relative Humidity (31-year record)

1 a.m.	81 percent
7 a.m.	86 percent
1 p.m.	59 percent
7 p.m.	63 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1991. Station of record: Knoxville, Tennessee.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Manchester is served by a mayor and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term and the council members each serve two-year terms. Clay County is served by a county judge/executive and five magistrates. Each official is elected to a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Manchester-Clay County Planning Commission

Participating cities - Manchester

Zoning enforced - In all areas

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within corporate city limits

Local codes enforced - Building and housing

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

Annual business license fees ranging from \$5.00 to \$100.00 are levied on most businesses in Manchester. Unloading licenses range from \$7.50 to \$25.00 annually, depending on vehicle weight. Manchester levies an insurance license fee based on four percent of the premium.

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>	1992 <u>State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.184	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, 1992

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Clay County	\$0.1649	\$0.1549	\$0.1668
School Districts:			
Clay County	0.3840	0.3840	0.1540
Cities:			
Manchester	0.3500	0.3500	0.3500

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Clay County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1992)	4,710
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	15.3-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	34.6
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,804.06

The Clay County School System constructed a new \$14,000,000 high school. The old high school was remodeled and houses the middle school.

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Manchester)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1992)</u>
Sue Bennett College	London, Kentucky (20)	455
Union College	Barbourville, Kentucky (25)	995
Hazard Community College	Hazard, Kentucky (41)	1,695
Cumberland College	Williamsburg, Kentucky (53)	1,498
Somerset Community College	Somerset, Kentucky (54)	2,485
Berea College	Berea, Kentucky (54)	1,579
Lincoln Memorial University	Harrogate, Tennessee (61)	1,860
Lees College	Jackson, Kentucky (61)	459
Alice Lloyd College	Pippa Passes, Kentucky (62)	579
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond, Kentucky (62)	16,866

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TRAINING

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

<u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Manchester)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1991-1992</u>	<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
Clay County Area Vocational Education Center	Manchester	5	<u>Sec</u> 149 <u>P/S</u> 20	36
Cumberland Valley Health Occupations Center	Pineville (43)	4	<u>P/S</u> 133	90
Hazard State Vocational- Technical School	Hazard (41)	16	<u>Sec</u> 187 <u>P/S</u> 435	155
Laurel County State Vocational- Technical School	London (20)	14	<u>Sec</u> 159 <u>P/S</u> 260	116

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 existing, as well as new and expanding businesses and industries. Businesses and industries needing customized training or a continuing education program for its employees should simply contact a Training and Development Coordinator located on the Kentucky Tech-Hazard Campus.

Assessment Services

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

Adult Education Services

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

Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

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

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

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 14
Dentists - 7

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Memorial Hospital	Manchester	63

Medical staff - 15 physicians, 70 registered nurses, 30 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Cumberland River Comprehensive Care Center
Cumberland Valley District Health Department
Clay County Ambulance Service
Clay County Home Health Agency
Red Bird Mountain Medical Center
Manchester Medical Clinic

Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

The First National Bank of Manchester
First State Bank

Newspapers

Manchester Enterprise (weekly)

Telephone Service

GTE

RECREATION

Local

A variety of recreational opportunities are available in the Manchester area. Facilities at the Manchester Community Center include a swimming pool, a basketball court, tennis courts, meeting rooms, offices, and a kitchen.

Ramsey Park features three ball fields, a football field, a basketball court, a picnic shelter, and a horse show ring. A city park and three privately-owned tennis courts are also available in Manchester.

The Christian Youth Center offers its facilities for public use. These include two basketball courts, a stage, and a game room.

Recreational developments in Clay County include a Little League ball field at Ramsey Park, and playground and picnic areas at the Old White Hall and Old Horse Creek schools.

Annual events in Clay County include a Agape Gospel Music Festival held each June, and a horse show each spring and fall.

Manchester is located in the Red Bird Purchase Unit of the Daniel Boone National Forest, which covers 640,000 acres of timberland in eastern Kentucky. It encompasses much of Kentucky's great beauty and provides a vacation paradise. There are scenic hiking trails, rivers and streams stocked with a variety of fish, hunting preserves, camping sites, and numerous other natural and historical attractions.

Area (Within 60 miles)

Levi Jackson Wilderness Road State Park
Dr. Thomas Walker State Historic Site
Laurel River Lake
Pine Mountain State Resort Park
Cumberland Falls State Resort Park
Cumberland Gap National Historic Park
William Whitley House State Historic Site

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Construction of a 950-bed medium security prison was completed in 1992 at a cost of \$65,000,000.

The Clay County School System constructed a new \$14,000,000 high school. The old high school was remodeled and houses the middle school.

The Manchester Water Works has completed three projects in 1991. The first project was construction of a new 2,300,000 gallon-per-day water treatment plant. The second project was construction of a new 650,000 gallon storage tank. The third project was the construction of a new raw water intake structure.

U.S. Highway 421 North is currently being upgraded to three lanes with a three-lane bridge from Manchester to the access road at the new prison and new high school.



KENTUCKY