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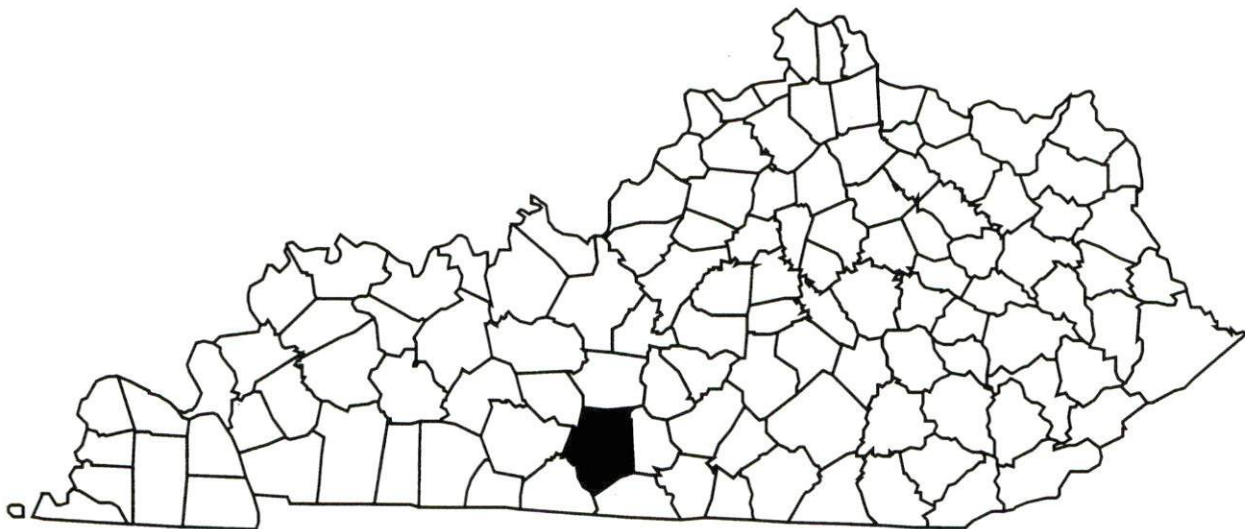
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CAVE CITY, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Cave City, situated in the heart of Kentucky Cave Country, is only four miles east of Mammoth Cave National Park. The city had an estimated 1998 population of 2,075. Cave City is located 85 miles south of Louisville, Kentucky; 92 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee; and 183 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Barren County covers a land area of 491 square miles and had an estimated 1998 population of 36,979 persons. Barren County is located in south central Kentucky.

The Economic Framework – Barren County firms employed 17,691 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 1,059 jobs; mining and quarrying firms in the county employed 48; manufacturing firms in the county reported 6,756 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 3,615 jobs; 3,392 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 1,876 jobs.

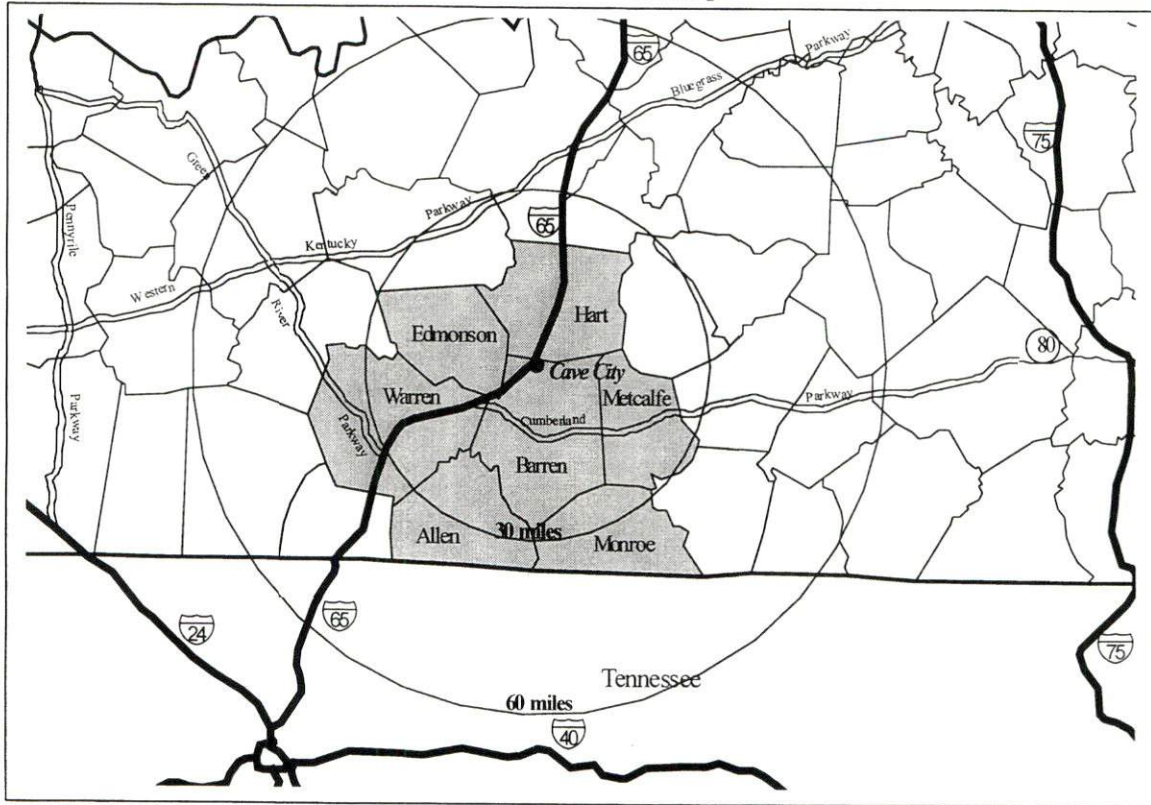
Labor Supply – There is a current estimated labor supply of 34,436 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 to 2003, approximately 12,676 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation – Cave City is served directly by Interstate 65, U.S. 31W, and Kentucky Highways 90 and 70. Seventeen trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Cave City. Main line rail service is provided to Cave City by CSX Transportation. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Louisville International Airport, 81 miles north of Cave City. Moore Field, eleven miles southeast of Cave City, maintains a 4,586-foot paved runway.

Power and Fuel – Electric power is provided to Cave City and parts of Barren County by Kentucky Utilities Company. Barren County is also served by Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, which is supplied by East Kentucky Power. Natural gas service is provided to Cave City by Western Kentucky Gas Company, which is supplied by Texas Gas Transmission Corporation.

Education – The Caverna Independent School System and the Barren County School System provide primary and secondary education to Cave City and Barren County. Four colleges and universities are located within 60 miles of Cave City. The nearest state technical colleges providing post-secondary education are Bowling Green Technical College Glasgow Campus, in Glasgow; Bowling Green Technical College in Bowling Green; Kentucky Advanced Technology Center in Bowling Green; and Elizabethtown Technical College in Elizabethtown. The nearest area technology centers (ATC) providing secondary education are Barren County ATC in Glasgow; Green County ATC in Greensburg; and Monroe County ATC in Tompkinsville.

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 Cave City labor market area includes Barren County and the following additional counties: Allen, Edmonson, Hart, Metcalfe, Monroe, and Warren.

Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1995*</u>	<u>1998*</u>
Labor Market Area	167,166	171,960	183,382	189,710
Cave City	2,098	1,953	2,018	2,075
Barren County	34,009	34,001	36,221	36,979

Notes: * - 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	194,409	208,372	216,546
Barren County	38,147	41,054	42,796

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

Estimated Labor Supply

	<u>Available Labor, 1998</u>			<u>Under- employed</u>	<u>Future Labor Becoming 18 years of age 1999 through 2003</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Potential Labor Supply</u>		
Labor Market Area	34,436	4,467	3,062	26,906	12,676
Barren County	6,333	799	688	4,846	2,443

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>Barren County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	18,719	99,397
Employed	17,920	94,930
Unemployed	799	4,467
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.3	4.5

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

Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Barren County	2,535
Workers commuting into Barren County	2,905
Working and residing in Barren County	11,620

Source: University of Louisville, State Data Center.

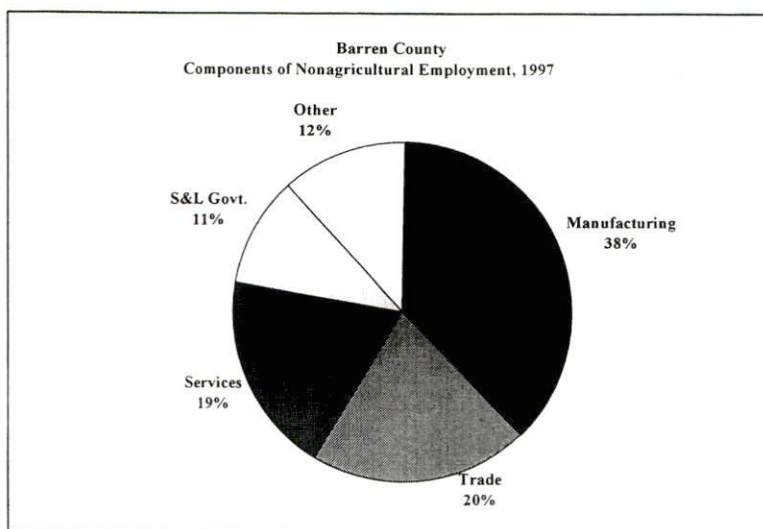
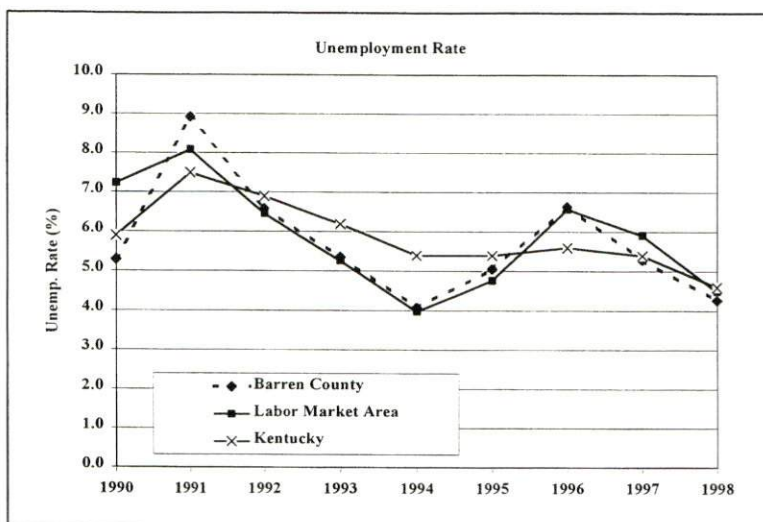
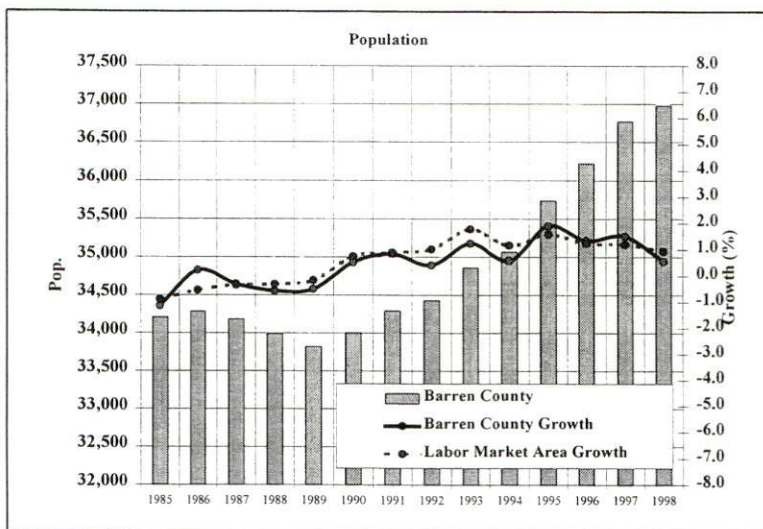
Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Barren County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	17,691	79,674
Mining & Quarrying	48	180
Contract Construction	1,059	3,904
Manufacturing	6,756	22,651
Transportation & Public Utilities	453	2,317
Wholesale & Retail Trade	3,615	20,286
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	386	2,828
Services	3,392	15,829
State & Local Government	1,876	11,145
Other	108	491

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.

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>
Barren County	\$16,448	\$19,540	18.8%
Labor Market Area Range	\$11,170 - \$18,169	\$13,221 - \$22,254	-
Kentucky	\$17,309	\$20,570	18.8%
U. S.	\$21,368	\$25,288	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 Glasgow serves Barren County. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Glasgow 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 Barren 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	1,548	6.94
Professional, Technical & Managerial	17	6.76
Clerical	142	5.22
Sales	35	5.20
Domestic	16	4.59
Services (excluding domestic)	175	4.89
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	44	8.56
Processing	46	7.64
Machine Trades	482	8.25
Bench Work	347	7.03
Structural	79	7.47
Motor Freight & Transportation	21	6.07
Packaging & Materials Handling	141	6.37
Other	3	5.17

Note: Occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Glasgow local office serves Barren, Hart, Metcalfe, and Monroe Counties.

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

Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Barren County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$455.55	\$488.00	\$521.00	\$555.00
Mining & Quarrying	344.27	790.00	839.00	772.00
Contract Construction	618.53	516.00	561.00	544.00
Manufacturing	572.53	644.00	621.00	644.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	560.48	648.00	653.00	761.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	264.93	337.00	391.00	392.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate Services	476.18	613.00	696.00	748.00
State & Local Government	387.13	440.00	495.00	580.00
	417.50	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 Services	624.00	682.00	938.00	863.00
State & Local Government	452.00	486.00	575.00	547.00
	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

Cave City Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
Cave City Machine & Tool Co.	Machine shop: contract & CNC machining & welding service	11	1997
Cave Country Newspapers, Inc.	Newspaper publishing; computer typesetting; letterpress & offset printing, glue, perfect, spiral, side & saddle stitch binding	45	1935
Coffey's Concrete & Pottery	Ready-mixed concrete, concrete flower boxes & fountains	10	1978
Davis Auto Parts/Machine Shop	Machine shop: engine rebuilding	4	N/A
Dynamite Print Shop	Offset printing, typesetting & desktop publishing; glue, perfect, plastic, spiral, staple, side & saddle stitch binding	2	1994
Johnson's Custom Signs	Metal, wooden, vinyl lettered, painted, plastic & screen printed signs	2	1982
Monroe Brothers Feed Mill, Inc.	Animal feed mixing & blending	7	1955
Moonshine Trail	Boat trailers	19	1981
Southern Wonder Co.	Soil & bark mulch	27	1994
Square Deal Lumber Co., Inc.	Custom wooden & laminated cabinets & millwork	15	1932
Sweitzer Supply	Pipe threading service	1	1981
Tekno, Inc.	Specialty machinery, materials handling equipment, control & automated systems	110	1987

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.

Labor Organizations in Barren County

United Garment Workers of America

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

Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of Cave City

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
4	Horse Cave						X	X		
8	Glasgow		X		X	X				
28	Greensburg		X							
28	Scottsville					X				
30	Leitchfield	X				X				
30	Tompkinsville					X				
31	Bowling Green	X				X	X		X	X
34	Elizabethtown				X					
41	Woodburn					X				
42	Radcliff	X								
44	Franklin	X				X				
48	Auburn	X	X							
49	Lebanon	X	X			X				
50	Bardstown	X	X			X			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

Cave City is served by Interstate 65, U.S. 31W, and Kentucky Highways 90 and 70, all "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. Interstate 65 intersects with the Cumberland Parkway, 11 miles southwest of Cave City, and with the William H. Natcher Parkway, 34 miles southwest near Bowling Green. Interstate 65 also provides access to the Western Kentucky Parkway and the Blue Grass Parkway, approximately 43 miles north of Cave City at Elizabethtown.

Highway Miles from Cave City, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	337	Indianapolis, IN	199
Baltimore, MD	661	Kansas City, MO	562
Birmingham, AL	283	Knoxville, TN	205
Charleston, WV	297	Lexington, KY	126
Chicago, IL	379	Louisville, KY	85
Cincinnati, OH	183	Minneapolis, MN	791
Cleveland, OH	434	Nashville, TN	92
Columbia, SC	466	New Orleans, LA	624
Columbus, OH	290	New York, NY	821
Dallas, TX	754	Pittsburgh, PA	472
Des Moines, IA	676	Raleigh, NC	563
Detroit, MI	446	Richmond, VA	615
Evansville, IN	148	St. Louis, MO	313
Huntington, WV	248	Tallahassee, FL	609

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

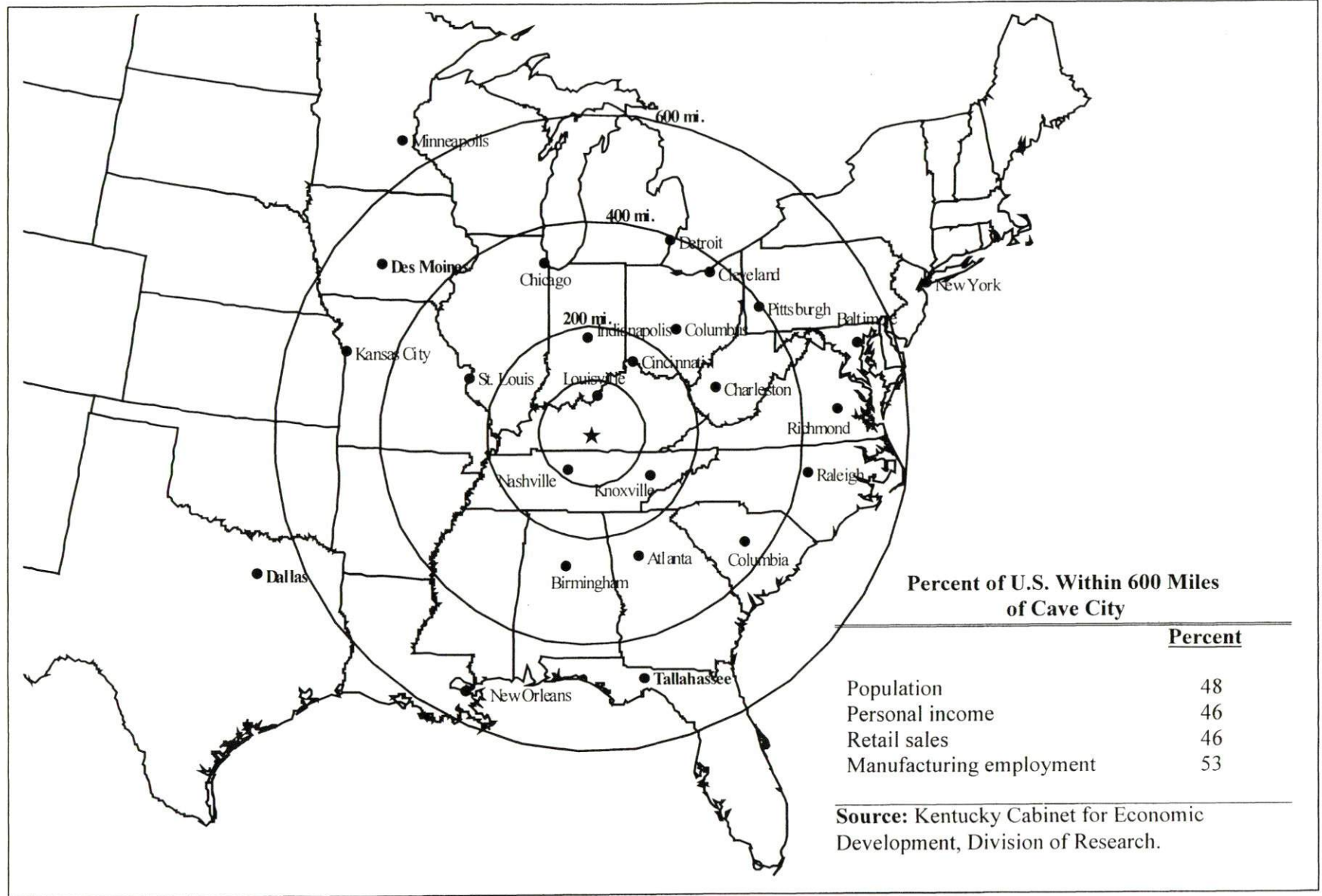
Source: AAA Map 'n' Go, DeLORME, 1998.

Truck Service

Seventeen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Cave City.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1999.

Selected Market Centers Map



Rail

Main line rail service is provided to Cave City by CSX Transportation. The nearest intermodal facilities are operated by Norfolk Southern Railway, Paducah and Louisville Railway, and Burlington Northern Railroad, all located in Louisville, Kentucky, 85 miles north of Cave City.

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

Air

Local

	Moore Field
Location:	Glasgow, KY
Distance from Cave City	11 miles southeast
Phone:	(502) 678-4469
Number of runways:	1
Length and type of longest runway:	4,586 feet (asphalt)

Commercial/International

	Louisville International Airport
Location:	Louisville, Kentucky 81 miles north of Cave City
Phone:	(502) 368-6524
Air service:	American, ASA, Comair, Continental, Continental Express, Delta, Delta Express, Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Skyway, Southwest, TWA, United, United Express, US Airways, US Airways Express
Daily arrivals & departures:	182

UTILITIES

Electricity

Service area: **Cave City and portion of northern Barren County**
Company: Kentucky Utilities Company
Source of power: Kentucky Utilities Company
For industrial rates contact:

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

Service area: **most of Barren County**
Company: Farmers 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

Farmers Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
504 South Broadway
P.O. Box 1298
Glasgow, KY 42142-1298
(270) 651-2191

Natural Gas

Service area: **Cave City**
Company: Western Kentucky Gas Company
Source of supply: Texas Gas Transmission Company
For rates and supplies contact:

Western Kentucky Gas Company
2401 New Hartford Road
P.O. Box 886
Owensboro, KY 42302-8069
(270) 685-8069

Public Water Supply

Service area: **Cave City**

Company: Green River Valley Water District
85 East Les Turner Road
P.O. Box 399
Cave City, KY 42127-0399
(270) 773-2135

Treatment facilities information

Source of raw water: Green River & Rio Springs

Treatment plant capacity: 4,000,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption: 2,700,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption: 3,200,000 gallons

Storage capacity: 4,323,000 gallons

Water pressure: 30 psi to 150 psi

Additional water source: Glasgow Water Company

Maximum available for purchase: 600,000 gallons per day

Sewerage

Service Area: **Cave City**

Company: Caveland Sanitation Authority, Inc.
201 Hubbard Lane
P.O. Box 463
Cave City, KY 42127
(270) 773-2887

Design capacity: 600,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow: 178,000 gallons per day

Type of treatment; Primary

Treated effluent discharged into: Green River

Improvements: Beginning January 1, 1999, pump stations will be replaced with completion in January, 2000.

CLIMATE

Barren County

Temperature

Normal (115-year record)	55.10 degrees
Average annual, 1998	57.60 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (54-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (54-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,783
Normal cooling degree days (30-year record)	1,140

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	44.55 inches
Mean annual snowfall (30-year record)	17.50 inches
Total precipitation, 1998	49.60 inches
Mean number days precipitation (0.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	129.10
Mean number days thunderstorms (54-year record)	43.80

Prevailing Winds (27-year record) South

Relative Humidity (30-year record)

1 a.m.	77 percent
7 a.m.	82 percent
1 p.m.	60 percent
7 p.m.	64 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, 1998.

Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Cave City is served by a mayor and six council members. Barren County is served by a county judge/executive and seven magistrates.

Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Glasgow Joint City/County Planning and Zoning Commission

Participating cities - Glasgow, Cave City, Park City, and Hiseville

Zoning enforced - Within the city of Glasgow only

Subdivision regulations enforced - County-wide

Local codes enforced - Building (county-wide except for single family residents); housing (Glasgow)

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 Cave City levies a 1.0 percent occupational license tax on all wages, salaries, and commissions earned within the city. Cave City also levies a one percent tax on net profits of all businesses, professions, and commercial endeavors within the city limits or \$100, whichever is greater. A business license fee of \$100 is levied for the first type of business owned, and \$50 for each additional business up to a maximum of \$200.

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>
Barren County	0.1230	0.1677	0.1679
<u>Cities</u>			
Cave City	0.0900	0.1560	0.1600
<u>School Districts</u>			
Barren County	0.4670	0.4670	0.4670
Caverna Independent School District	0.6430	0.6430	0.6270

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>
Barren County	3,576	\$5,404	17. to 1
Caverna Independent	959	\$6,151	15. to 1
Glasgow Independent	2,318	\$5,371	17.3 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	409	100.0
To College	192	46.9
To Vocational/Technical School	21	5.1
To Workforce	142	34.7
To Work & School	11	2.7
To Military	12	2.9
Other	31	7.6

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

Colleges and Technical Schools

Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Cave City

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
31	Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green	14,543
34	Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown	3,595
38	Campbellsville College (Private)	Campbellsville	1,583
39	Lindsey Wilson College (Private)	Columbia	1,425

Note: Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from Cave City, 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>
8	Barren County ATC	Glasgow	561	7	568
8	Bowling Green Technical College Glasgow Campus	Glasgow	0	207	207
28	Green County ATC	Greensburg	531	11	542
30	Monroe County ATC	Tompkinsville	680	2	682
31	Bowling Green Technical College	Bowling Green	143	877	1,020
31	Kentucky Advanced Technology Center	Bowling Green	0	309	309
34	Elizabethtown Technical College	Elizabethtown	47	662	709
49	Marion County ATC	Lebanon	501	0	501
50	Nelson County ATC	Bardstown	527	4	531
52	Meade County ATC	Brandenburg	337	2	339
54	Bullitt County ATC	Shepherdsville	297	0	297
55	Russell County ATC	Russell Springs	414	0	414
56	Clinton County ATC	Albany	516	29	545
59	Russellville ATC	Russellville	543	6	549
60	Ohio County ATC	Hartford	673	23	696
60	Casey County ATC	Liberty	709	0	709

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 Cave City, 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 Bowling Green Technical College (502) 746-7461.

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 Cave City area is located at the Bowling Green Technical College (502) 746-7461.

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 Cave City area, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Barren County Board of Education and the Glasgow Independent School System.

Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and postsecondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a vocational-technical field. The Bowling Green Technical College and the Barren County Area Technology Center offer tech prep programs in automotive, carpentry, drafting, electronics, food service, graphic communication, machine tool, retailing, welding, and business technologies.

Kentucky Advanced Technology Center and the Bowling Green Technical College have articulation agreements with Western Kentucky University.

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

Barren County

Physicians - 51

Dentists - 13

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Cave City)</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Caverna Memorial Hospital	Horse Cave (5)	30
T.J. Samson Community Hospital	Glasgow (11)	196

Caverna Memorial Hospital

Medical staff - 8 physicians, 14 registered nurses, 10 licensed practical nurses

T.J. Samson Community Hospital

Medical staff - 37 physicians, 80 registered nurses, and 152 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Ambulance Service Corporation, Inc.
Barren-Metcalf County Ambulance Service
Barren County Health Care Center
Cave City First Response Unit
Glasgow Health Care Facility

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

New Farmers National Bank
Transfinancial Bank of America

Newspapers

Barren County Progress (weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Rural Telephone Cooperative
Enhanced emergency "911"

RECREATION

Public recreational facilities include Brian Doyle Park, a par-three golf course, three tennis courts, a supervised recreational program for youth, and several campsites. The athletic complex at the Caverna High School is also open to area residents and includes four tennis courts, a running track, a baseball field, and a football field. Six golf courses are within a 30 minute drive of Cave City.

Cave City Convention Center offers excellent meeting and conference facilities to groups in size from 100 to 1,100 including on-premises banquet services. The Convention Center is within minutes of many motels offering over 1,000 rooms and plenty of restaurants. The Floyd Collins Passage, a pedestrian walkway, connects the Interstate 65 area to downtown. The Convention Center is located approximately half-way between the two areas. Lodging is available at both the Interstate 65 area and in downtown Cave City.

Kentucky Action Park offers horseback riding, an alpine slide, a water slide, go carts, bumper boats, and a picnic area. Adjacent to the park is Jessie James Riding Stables featuring horseback riding and a fun park that includes an 18-hole western theme miniature golf course, tethered hang gliding, and much more.

Area museums include the Mammoth Cave Wax Museum featuring wax figures of famous people and displayed in carefully researched historical settings. The Mammoth Cave Wildlife Museum features over 1,600 mammals, birds, fish, insects, and butterflies from around the world displayed in natural habitat settings. The Floyd Collins Museum depicts the story of the entrapment of underground explorer Floyd Collins and the national media event in the 1920's involving many famous people of the period.

Guntown Mountain is a Wild West Town which features gunfights, rides, shows, country music, and old fashioned shops. Tours of the Onyx Cave are also available, where beautiful cave coral and other formations can be seen.

Crystal Onyx Cave is a working archaeological site. A guided tour features a variety of colorful cave formations and beautiful caves and an Indian burial ground dated at 680 B.C. The cave is an underground wildlife habitat for rarely seen cave dwelling species. The area includes a wooded camping area and a gift shop.

Mammoth Cave National Park is located four miles west of Cave City. Beneath 52,830 park acres, Mammoth Cave is among the most popular tourist attractions of all times. It is the most extensive cave network in the world, with 348 miles of surveyed cave passageways. Some famous sights are Snowball Dining Room (where lunch is served 267 feet below the surface), Frozen Niagara, Crystal Lake, and Bottomless Pit. The park is really two national parks - one above ground, and one below ground. The solitude and beauty of the park's eighty square miles of rugged hillsides, thirty miles of rivers, and seventy miles of trails offer countless opportunities for hiking, fishing, boating, canoeing, and nature exploration, in addition to the allure of the caves. Park accommodations include a hotel with distinctive gift shops featuring native Kentucky and Southern Highland handicrafts, a motor lodge, hotel cottages, and woodland cottages. Other park facilities include the hotel dining room and coffee shop, a service center and camp store, meeting facilities, campground, horseback riding, boat riding, a picnic area, and tennis and shuffleboard courts. The park is open for tours every day of the year (except Christmas Day).

Jellystone park Camp-Resort is located three miles from Mammoth Cave National Park and features 210 camp sites, cabins, and group housing. Facilities include a pool, a 350-foot water slide, miniature golf, petting

zoo and kiddie fishing pond, laundry facilities and a store. A full-time recreation director plans scheduled activities.

Area (within 50 miles)

Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site
American Cave Museum and Hidden River Cave
Barren River Lake State Resort Park
Green River Lake State Park
Horse Cave Theatre
Nolin Lake
National Corvette Museum
The Patton Museum/Fort Knox Military Reservation and U. S. Gold Depository
Coca-Cola Memorabilia Museum
Diamond Caverns
Jent Factory Outlets
Kentucky Down Under
Kentucky Caverns

APPENDIX - 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.