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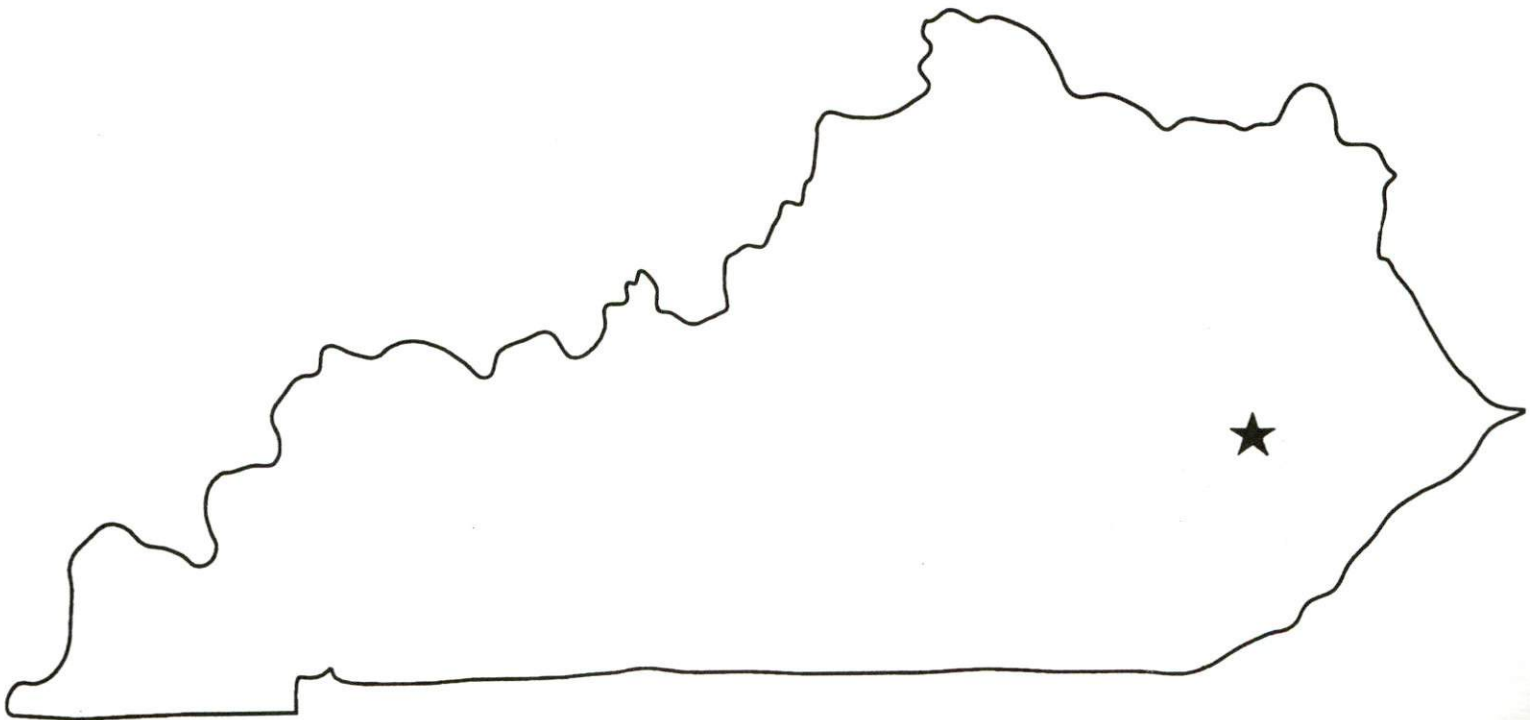
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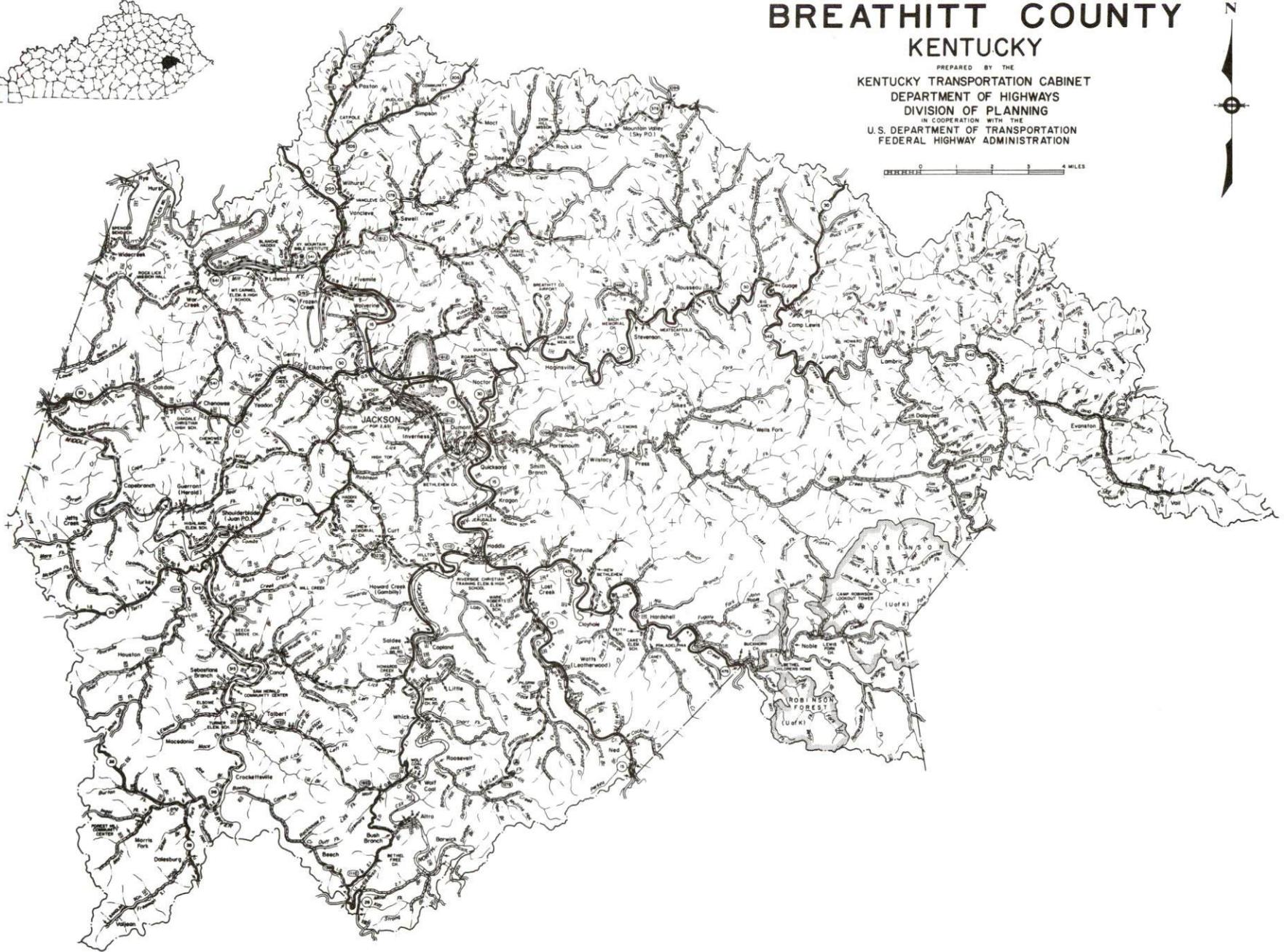
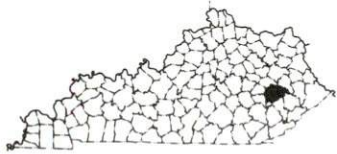
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
BREATHITT COUNTY
KENTUCKY

PREPARED BY THE
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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
DIVISION OF PLANNING
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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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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 estimated population was 2,458 in 1992. 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 1992 estimated population of 15,144.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Breathitt County residents employed in 1994 averaged 4,552. In 1993, manufacturing firms in the county reported 24 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 857 jobs; 905 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 847 employees; and contract construction firms provided 26 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 18,027 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1996 through 2000, 8,329 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

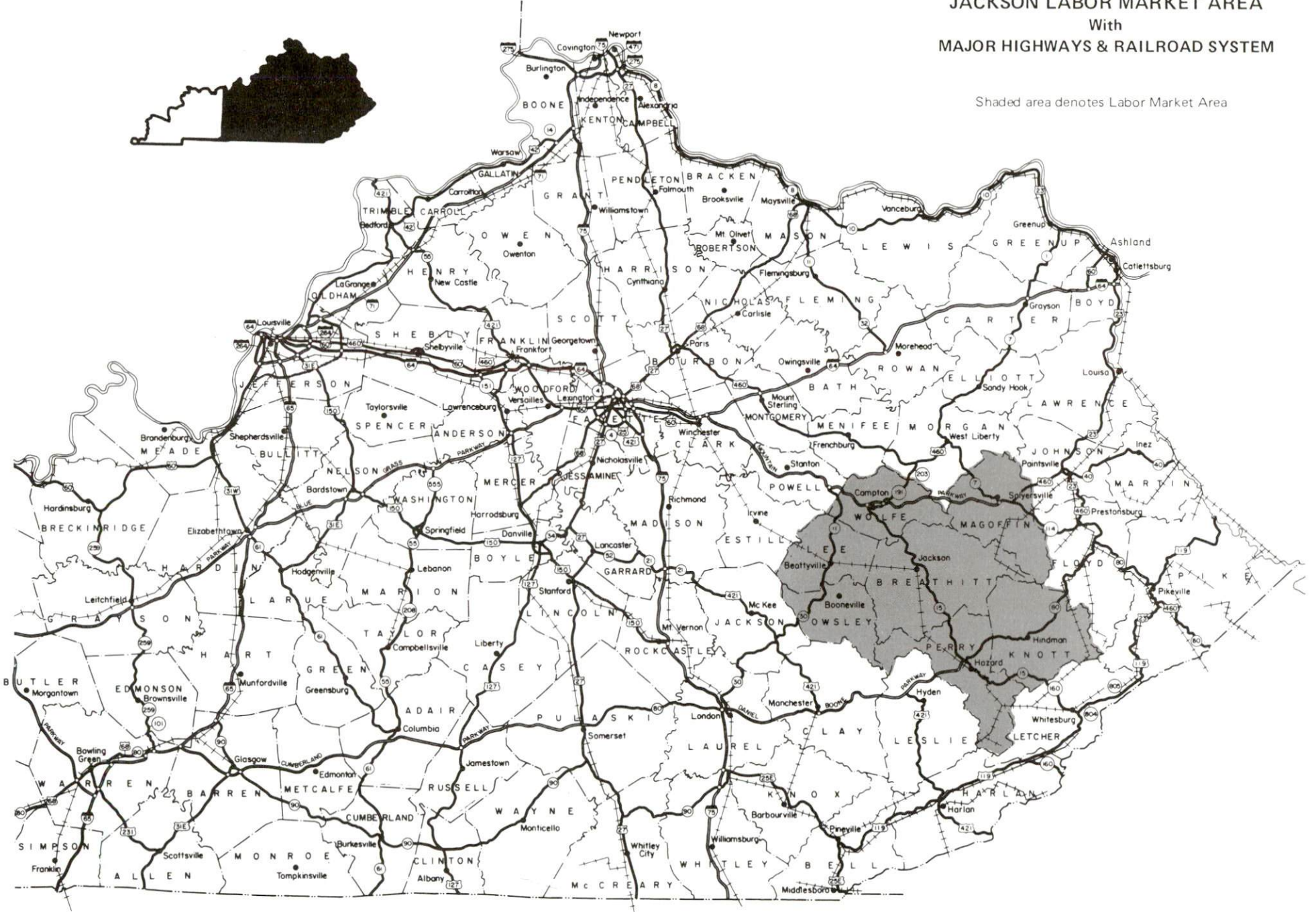
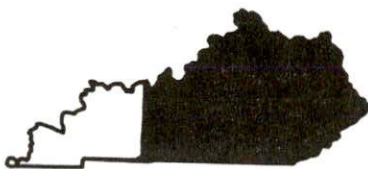
Transportation - Jackson is served directly by Kentucky Highways 15, 30 and 52, all "AAA"-rated trucking highways. The Mountain Parkway, a multi-lane highway, is accessible 21 miles northwest. The Daniel Boone Parkway a multi-lane toll road, is located 28 miles southeast. Interstate and/or intrastate trucking service is provided by twelve firms. Main line rail service is provided to Jackson by CSX Transportation. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Blue Grass Airport near Lexington, 90 miles northwest of Jackson. Local airport facilities include the Julian Carroll Airport, five miles east of Jackson, and the Wendell H. Ford 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 Kentucky Tech-Hazard, 32 miles southeast of Jackson.

JACKSON LABOR MARKET AREA
 With
MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area



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>1992*</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	97,631	95,930	102,383	82,900
Jackson	2,458	2,466	2,651	1,887
Breathitt County	15,144	15,703	17,004	14,221

* Population estimates.

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	99,616	103,665	109,218	112,094
Breathitt County	15,438	15,654	15,926	15,911

Note: Population projections are from High 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>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1996 thru 2000</u>
Labor Market Area*	18,027	3,235	14,792	8,329
Breathitt County	2,721	439	2,282	1,383

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; 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). Underemployed persons (employed only 14 to 26 weeks during the year) are no longer included in labor surplus estimates.

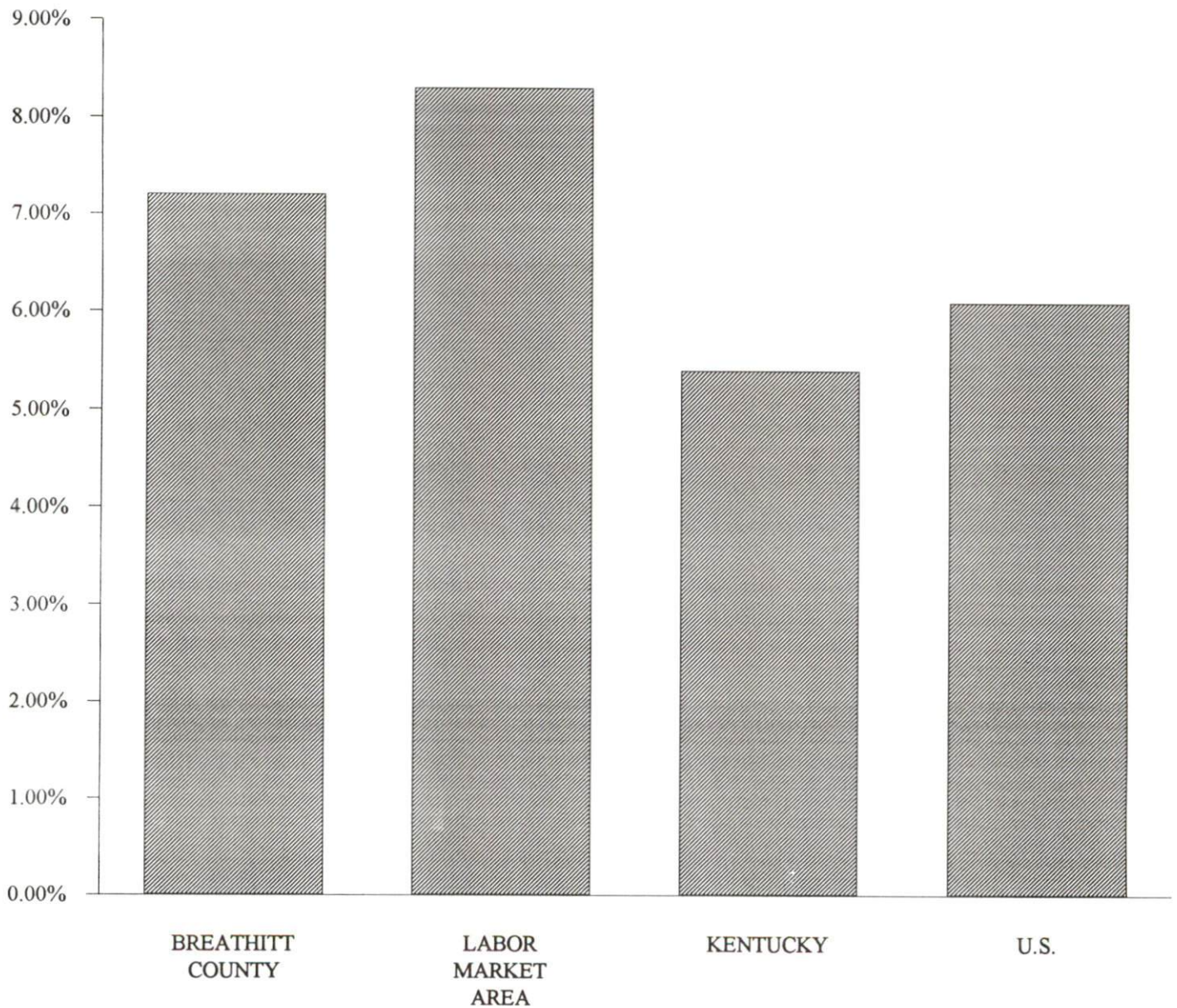
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1993. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1996 thru 2000.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1994

	<u>Breathitt County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	4,903	33,178
Employment	4,552	30,412
Unemployment	351	2,766
Rate of Unemployment (%)	7.2	8.3

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1994.

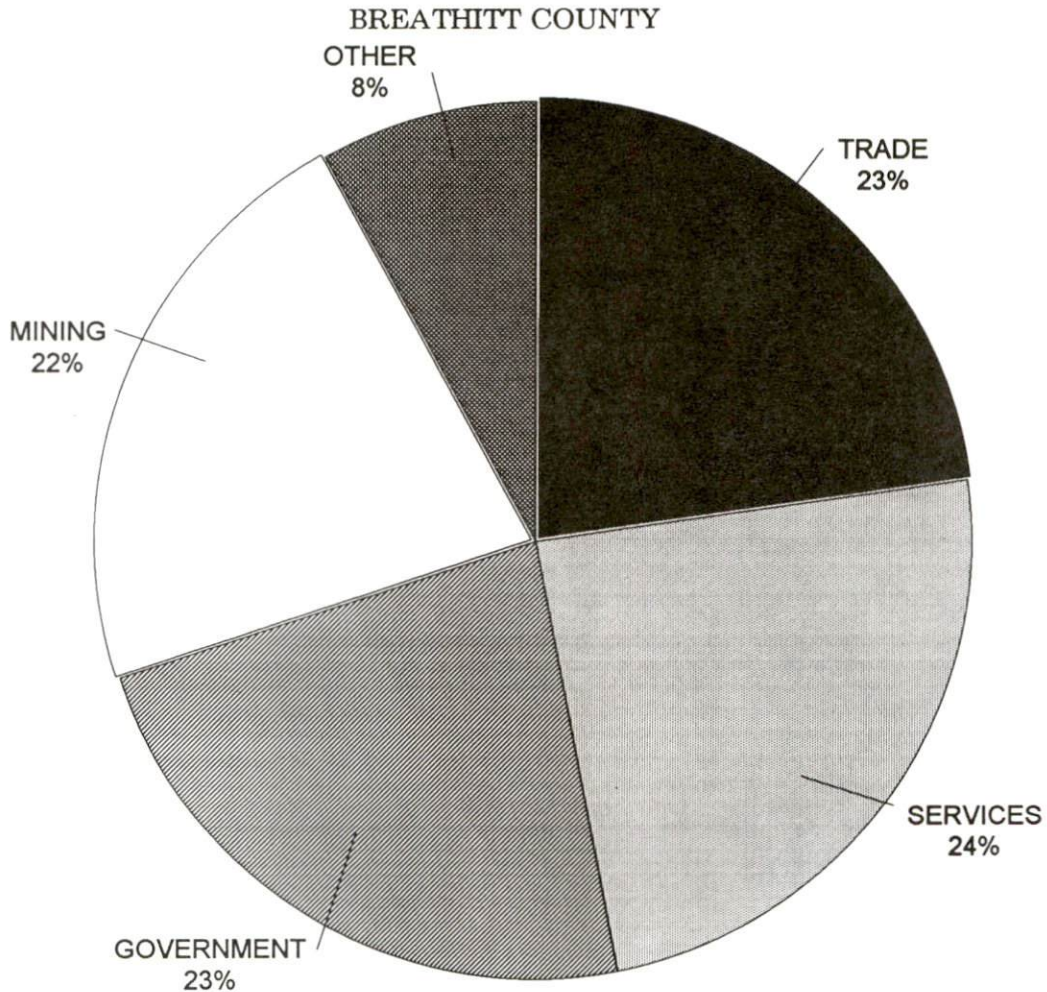
**UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1994**



SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1993

	<u>Breathitt County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	3,765	22,404
Manufacturing	24	644
Wholesale & Retail Trade	857	5,113
Services	905	4,616
State/Local Government	847	5,557
Contract Construction	26	336
Mining & Quarrying	820	3,880

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, 1993.

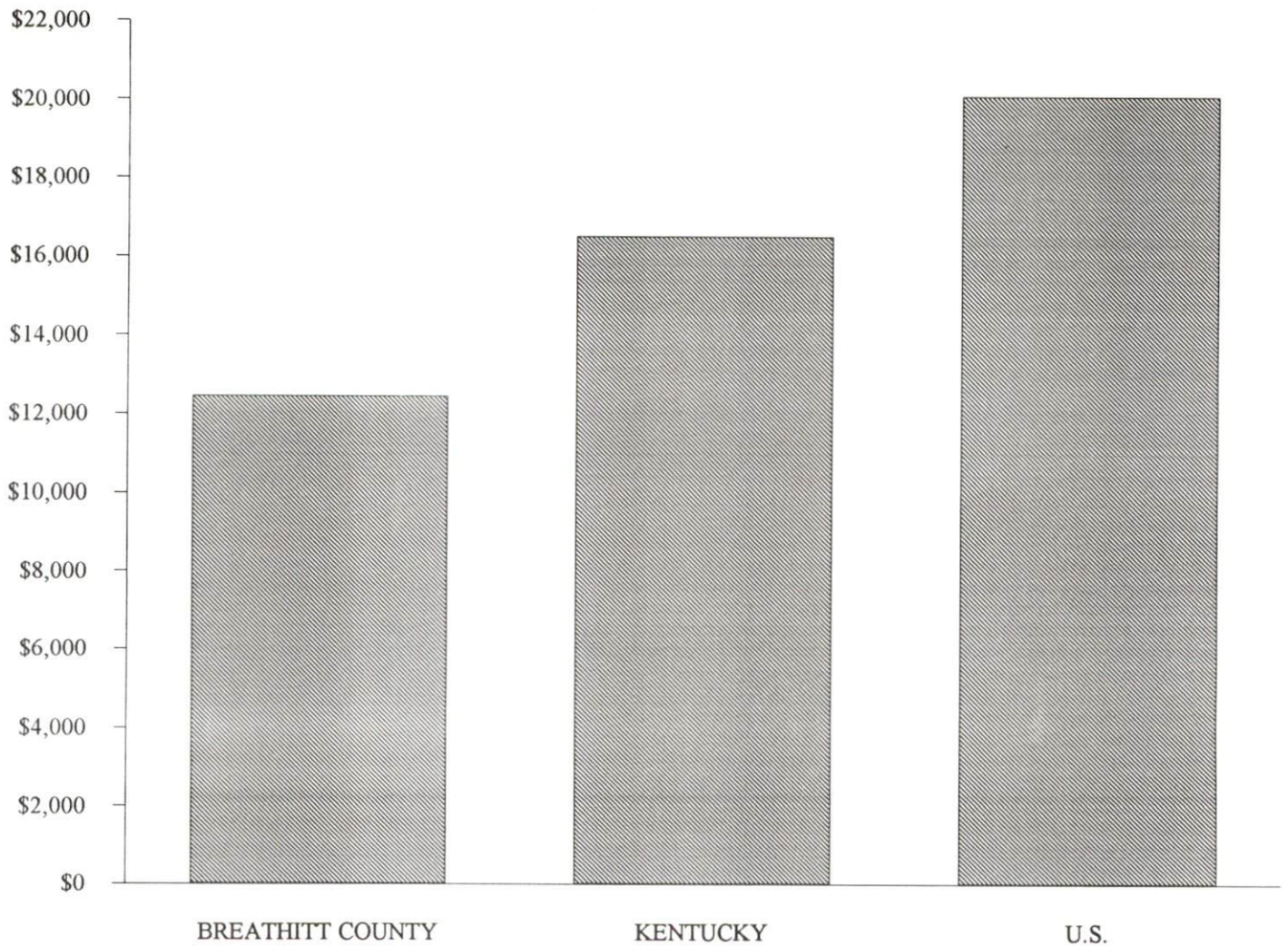


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1988	1992	Percent Change
Breathitt County	\$8,495	\$12,453	46.6
Labor Market Area Range	\$6,499 - \$10,472	\$9,466 - \$13,515	-
Kentucky	\$12,751	\$16,528	29.6
U.S.	\$16,610	\$20,105	21.0

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1992



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

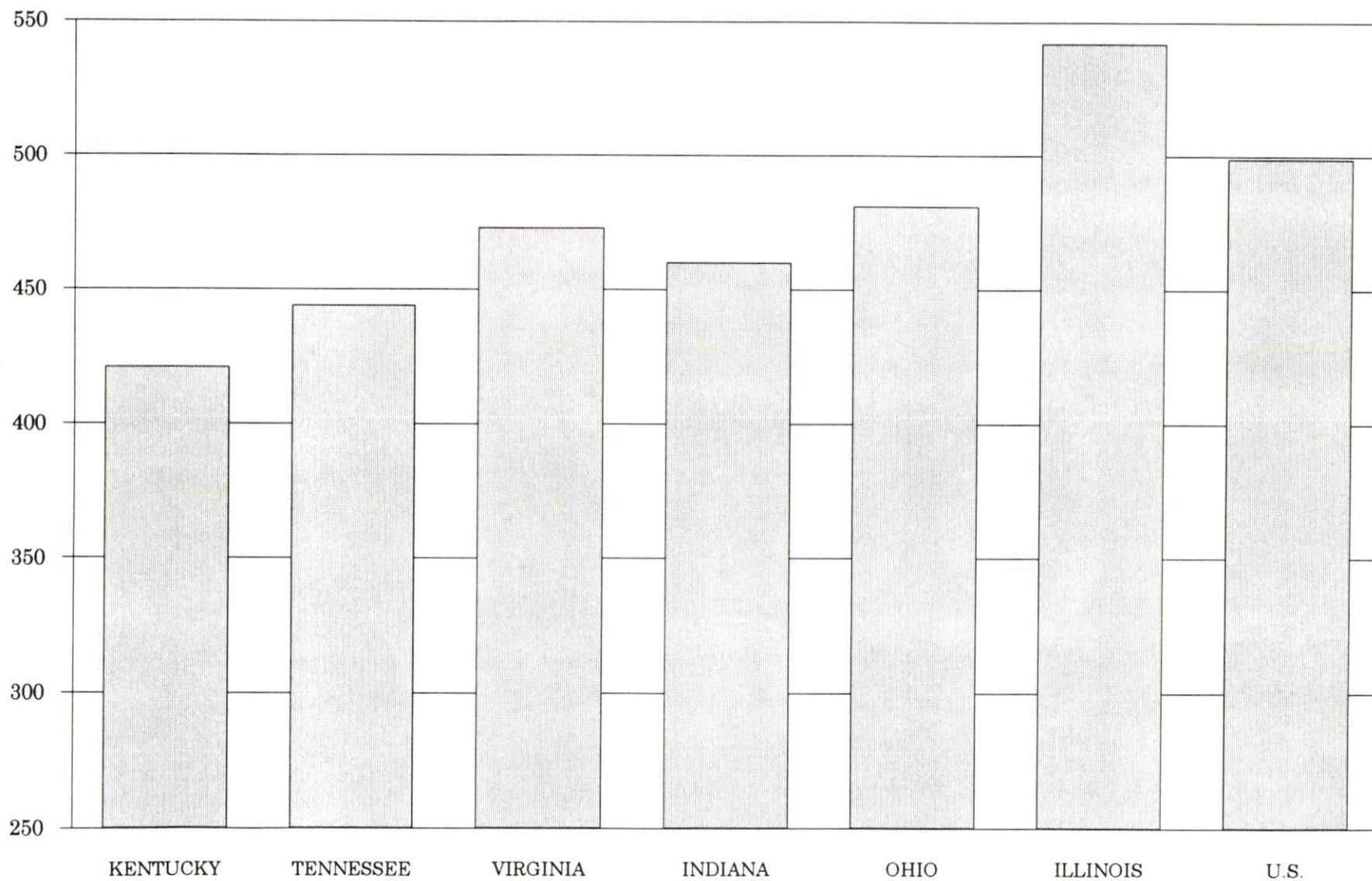
Breathitt County is served by the Hazard local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Hazard local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1994, the local employment office filled 1,564 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	1,564	4.78
Clerical	414	4.45
Sales	43	6.43
Services (excluding domestic)	502	4.08
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	5	5.30
Processing	1	4.25
Machine Trades	23	6.02
Bench Work	190	4.39
Structural	199	5.55
Motor Freight/ Transportation	41	5.30
Packaging and Materials Handling	48	4.55
Other	32	10.72

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 - 1993**



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1993*

	Breathitt County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$426.75	\$421.30	\$444.00	\$473.00
Mining & Quarrying	776.86	691.01	605.00	684.00
Contract Construction	232.59	440.47	467.00	464.00
Manufacturing	297.01	541.18	522.00	543.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	343.11	567.94	572.00	648.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	234.55	287.24	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	426.93	529.88	574.00	612.00
Services	329.49	377.50	424.00	492.00
State/Local Government	411.17	431.93	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$460.00	\$481.00	\$542.00	\$499.00
Mining & Quarrying	757.00	645.00	738.00	816.00
Contract Construction	509.00	534.00	658.00	530.00
Manufacturing	629.00	670.00	667.00	623.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	561.00	600.00	682.00	643.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	527.00	568.00	748.00	693.00
Services	391.00	422.00	494.00	475.00
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, 1993. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1993, October 1994.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

JACKSON MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1994</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
ARM, Inc. (1991)	Assemble components for data processing equipment	84
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	10

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research;
Breathitt County Industrial Foundation.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

The City of Jackson recently invested \$125,000 in the purchase of land that will be used as the site of the new Breathitt County Detention Center.

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 Plastics Producers	Annville, Kentucky	50
Electric Motor Repair	Hyden, Kentucky	56
Heat Treating Facilities	Richmond, Kentucky	73
Industrial Waste Removal	Manchester, Kentucky	58
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Stanton, Kentucky	42
Metal Castings	Cynthiana, Kentucky	95
Metal Finishers	Richmond, Kentucky	73
Metal Service Centers	Martin, Kentucky	75
Millwrights & Riggers	Lexington, Kentucky	86

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

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	523	Louisville, KY	158
Birmingham, AL	409	Nashville, TN	274
Chicago, IL	427	New Orleans, LA	749
Cincinnati, OH	155	New York, NY	708
Cleveland, OH	347	Pittsburgh, PA	354
Detroit, MI	394	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.

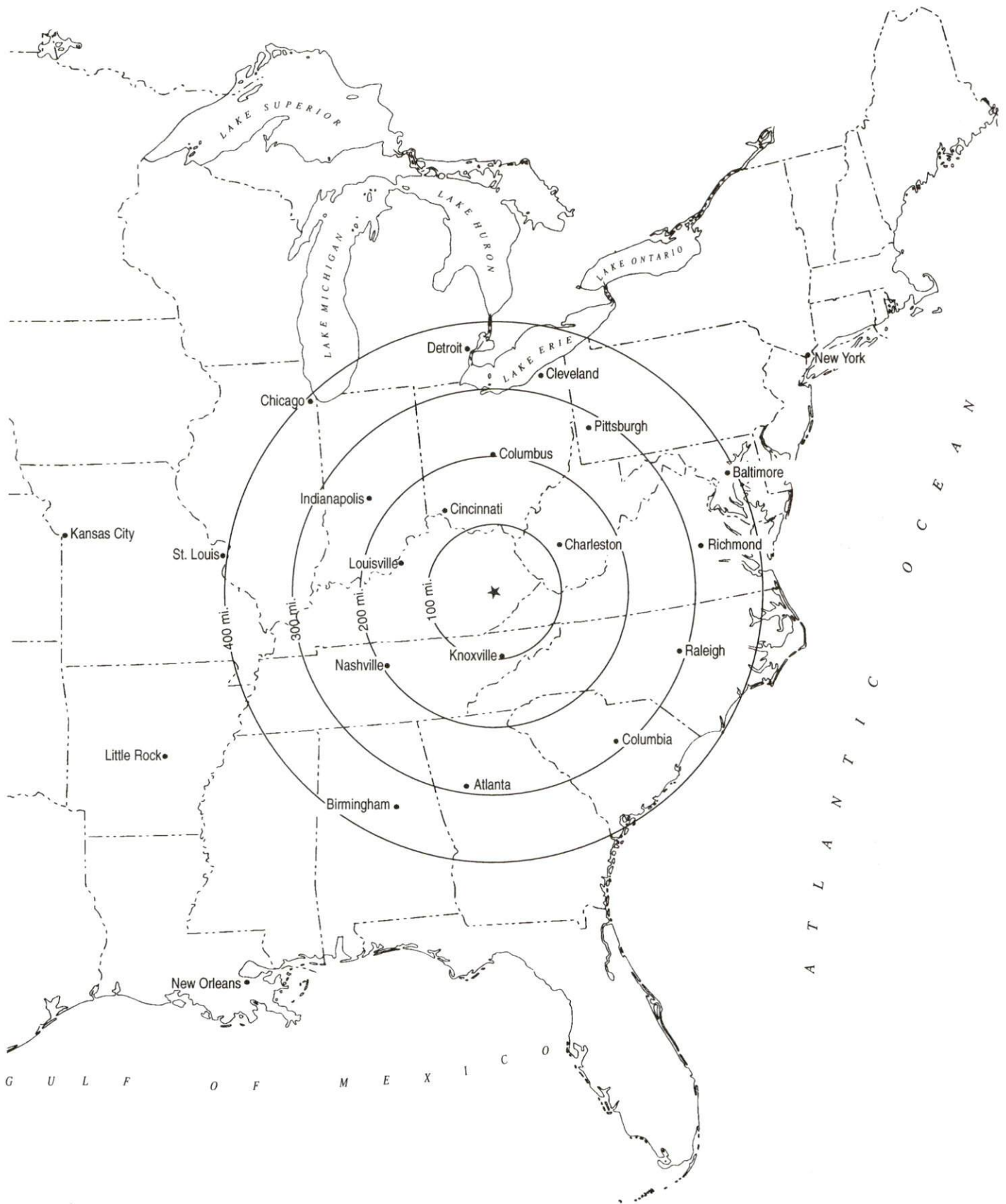
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1988.

Truck Service

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

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1995.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Jackson. The nearest intermodal facilities are provided by Norfolk Southern Corporation, 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
Runways:	5 miles east of Jackson
Length:	1 paved
Traffic	4,400 feet
Control:	Wind sock, unicom, VOR-DME
Lighting:	REIL, rotating beacon
Services:	100LL fuel, jet-A fuel, NOAA regional weather center
Location:	Wendell H. Ford Regional Airport
Runways:	17 miles southeast of Jackson, near Hazard
Length:	1 paved
Traffic	5,000 feet
Control:	Wind sock, unicom, 122.7, VOR-DME
Lighting:	Runway lights, rotating beacon
Services:	100LL and jet-A fuel, courtesy car, tie-downs

The Wendell H. Ford Regional Airport is planning to extend its existing runway to 7,000 feet, construct a maintenance hangar and terminal building, and add a fuel system and precision approach. The \$3,000,000 project is scheduled for completion in 1997.

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Blue Grass Airport
4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky;
90 miles northwest of Jackson

Air Service: American Eagle, ASA, ComAir, Delta, Northwest
Airlink, TWA Express, United Express,
USAir, USAir Express

Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 176

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:

Economic Development Manager
Kentucky Power Company
1701 Central Avenue
P.O. Box 1428
Ashland, Kentucky 41105-1428
(606) 327-1244 Fax (606) 327-1246

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

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

and/or

Licking Valley Rural Electric
Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Box 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 Fax (606) 666-7046

Source - North Fork of Kentucky River
Treatment plant capacity - 1,500,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 609,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 654,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 900,000 gallons
Water pressure - 30 psi to 110 psi

The Jackson Municipal Water Works is planning to install 45 miles of water line, two water storage tanks, and two booster stations. The \$2.2 million project is scheduled for completion in the Fall of 1996.

Sewerage

Company serving Jackson - Jackson Municipal Sewer Company
333 Broadway
Jackson, Kentucky 41339
(606) 666-2056 Fax (606) 666-7046

Design capacity - 750,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 280,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - North Fork of Kentucky River

CLIMATE

Breathitt County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	54.90 degrees
Average annual 1993	55.00 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (49-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (49-year record)	-21.00 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.)	4,814

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	45.68 inches
Mean annual snowfall (49-year record)	15.70 inches
Total precipitation 1993	45.58 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (49-year record)	130.00
Mean number days thunderstorms (49-year record)	44.60

Prevailing winds (through 1963) South

Relative Humidity (30-year record, except 1 a.m. - 29-year record)

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

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1993. 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 Planning Commission
Zoning enforced - Within city limits
Subdivision regulations enforced - Within 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

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.

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. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1994 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.172	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, 1994

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Breathitt County	\$0.2610	\$0.2700	\$0.2407
School Districts:			
Jackson Independent	0.4330	0.4330	0.5570
Breathitt County	0.4390	0.4390	0.4920
Cities:			
Jackson	0.1370	0.1370	0.2000

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Jackson Independent	Breathitt County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1993)	384	2,678
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	17.0-1	16.4-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	66.7	58.3
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,455.30	\$3,833.63

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

Nonpublic Schools

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Grades</u>
Mt. Carmel Elementary	44	K-7
Mt. Carmel High School	62	8-12
Oakdale Christian High School	36	7-12
Riverside Christian Training Center	118	K-12

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1993)</u>
Lees College	Jackson, Kentucky	624
Hazard Community College	Hazard, Kentucky (32)	1,900
Alice Lloyd College	Pippa Passes, Kentucky (54)	617
Prestonsburg Community College	Prestonsburg, Kentucky (63)	3,012
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond, Kentucky (73)	16,391
Morehead State University	Morehead, Kentucky (79)	8,899
Sue Bennett College	London, Kentucky (81)	497
Berea College	Berea, Kentucky (83)	1,591
Transylvania University	Lexington, Kentucky (86)	917
University of Kentucky	Lexington, Kentucky (86)	24,288
Union College	Barbourville, Kentucky (86)	1,005
Pikeville College	Pikeville, Kentucky (90)	898

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 Colleges 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-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 Jackson)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1993-1994</u>		<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
Kentucky Tech Hazard	Hazard (32)	15	<u>Sec</u> 112	<u>P/S</u> 2,886	43
Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center	Jackson	7	<u>Sec</u> 305	<u>P/S</u> 839	56

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 needing customized training should contact a Training and Development Coordinator located at Kentucky Tech-Hazard, 101 Vo-Tech Drive, Hazard, Kentucky 41701 (606-436-3101).

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, pre-hire assessment, psychomotor skills and academic potential. A Career Connections Assessment Center is located at Kentucky Tech-Hazard (606-439-2500).

Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and postsecondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a technical field. Kentucky Tech-Hazard offers Tech Prep programs in the areas of auto body, auto technology, carpentry, drafting, electricity, electronics and office technology. Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center offers Tech Prep programs in the area of auto technology, auto body repair, carpentry, electricity/electronics, health services, major appliance technology and office technology. Knott County Area Vocational Education Center offers Tech Prep programs in the areas of automotive technology, carpentry, drafting, electricity and office technology. Leslie County Area Vocational Education Center offers Tech Prep programs in the areas of carpentry, electricity, health services and office technology.

Adult Education Services

Adult education is available to adults who want to develop new skills, or earn a high school equivalency degree. In Jackson, adult literacy and adult basic education are provided by the Kentucky Valley Educational Cooperative, Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center, Jackson, Kentucky 41339, Breathitt County Literacy Council, 1024 College Avenue, Jackson, Kentucky 41339 and Breathitt County Area Vocational Education Center, Box 786, Jackson, Kentucky 41339.

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 - 13

Dentists - 5

General Hospitals

Location

Beds

Kentucky River Medical Center

Jackson

55

Medical staff - Nine active staff physicians, 21 courtesy staff physicians; 12 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 & Loan Associations

Citizens Bank and Trust of Jackson

The First National Bank and Trust

Newspapers

The Jackson Times (weekly)

The Breathitt County Voice (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 Jackson Lions Club Park has a picnic area, meeting room with complete kitchen facilities, and a lighted softball field.

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

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