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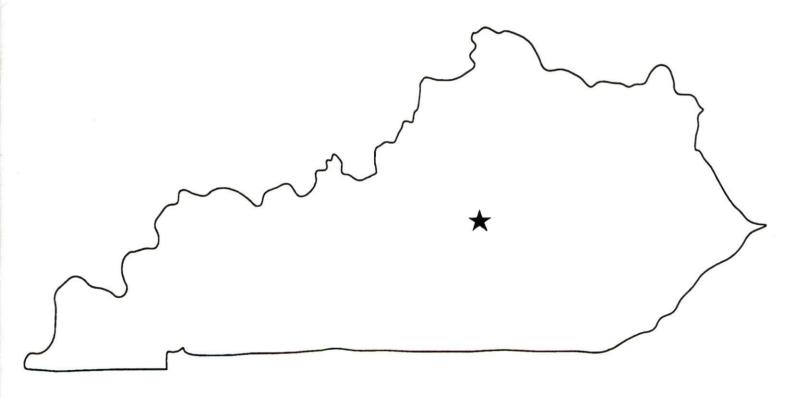
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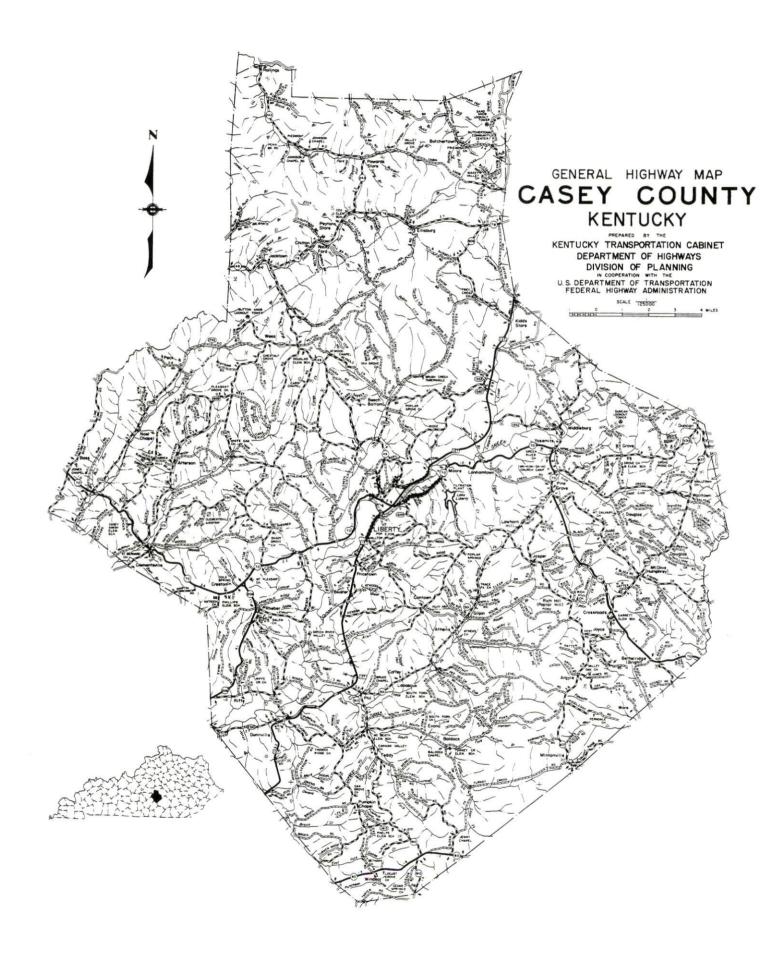
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## LIBERTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Liberty, the county seat of Casey County, is located 62 miles south of Lexington, Kentucky; 159 miles northeast of Nashville, Tennessee; and 97 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky. Liberty had an estimated 1994 population of 1,947.

Casey County is located in the Mississippian Plateaus area of south-central Kentucky. It is a welldissected upland area with rather broad valleys and numerous long, flat-topped ridges. Casey County, which covers a land area of 445 square miles, had an estimated 1994 population of 14,454.

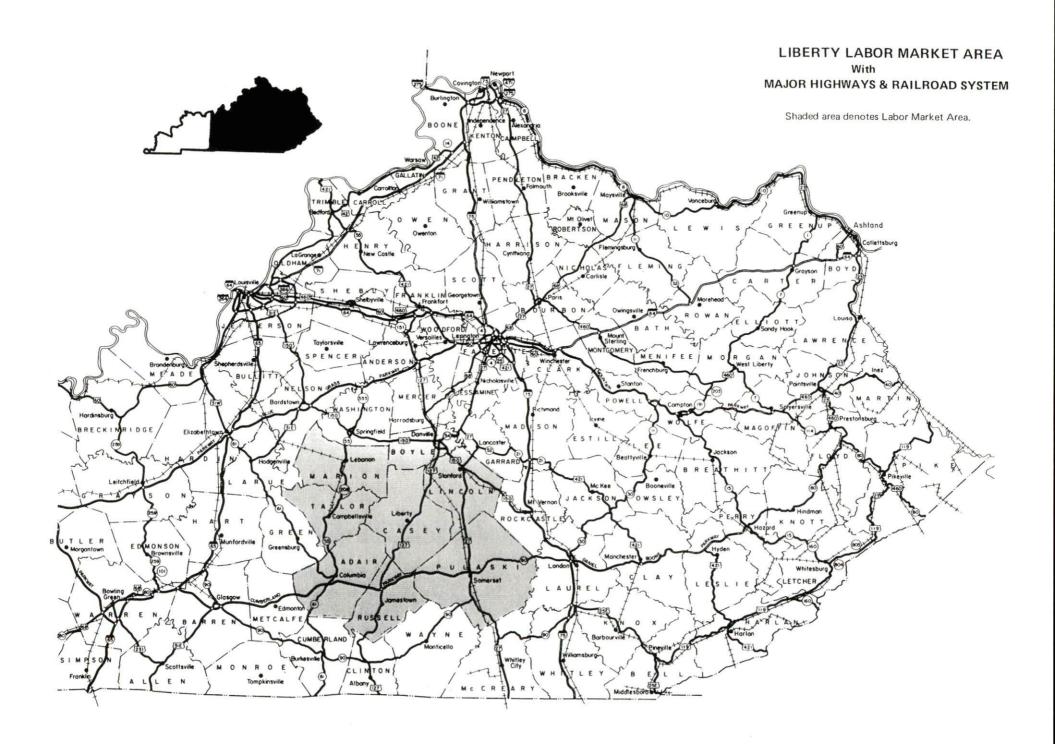
The Economic Framework - The total number of Casey County residents employed in 1996 averaged 6,460. In 1995, manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,573 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 563 jobs; 298 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 654 employees; and contract construction firms provided 92 jobs.

**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 13,601 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1998 through 2002, 12,676 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - Liberty is served by U.S. Highway 127, a AAA-rated trucking highway, and AA-rated Kentucky Routes 70 and 49. Access to the Cumberland Parkway, a limited access multi-lane toll road, is 24 miles south of Liberty via U.S. 127. The Cumberland Parkway then provides access to Interstate 65 to the west. The Parkway and Kentucky 80 provide access to Interstate 75 to the east. Thirteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Liberty. The nearest rail service is provided by the Norfolk Southern Corporation at Moreland, 16 miles north of Liberty. The Liberty-Casey County Airport, located 24 miles north of Liberty, has a 5,000-foot and a 2,400-foot paved runway. Scheduled commercial airline service is available at Blue Grass Airport near Lexington, Kentucky, 62 miles north of Liberty.

**Power and Fuel** - Electric power is provided to Liberty and parts of Casey County by Kentucky Utilities Company. The remainder of Casey County is served by rural electric cooperative corporations supplied by East Kentucky Power. Natural gas service is provided to Liberty by the Liberty Gas Company, which is supplied by the Texas Eastern Transmission Company.

Education - Primary and secondary education is provided to Liberty and Casey County by the Casey County School System. Eleven institutions of higher learning are located within 62 miles of Liberty. Vocational-technical training is available locally at the Casey County Area Technology Center and at the Somerset Regional Technology Center, 38 miles southeast of Liberty.



#### LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Liberty-Casey County Labor Market Area includes Casey County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Adair, Boyle, Lincoln, Marion, Pulaski, Russell, and Taylor.

|                   | <u>1994*</u> | <u>1990</u> | 1980    | <u>1970</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| Labor Market Area | 186,568      | 177,107     | 172,769 | 144,119     |
| Liberty           | 1,947        | 1,937       | 2,206   | 1,765       |
| Casey County      | 14,454       | 14,211      | 14,818  | 12,930      |

#### POPULATION

\*Population estimates.

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

|                                   | POPULATION PROJE  | ECTIONS           |                   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|                                   | 2000              | 2010              | 2020              |
| Labor Market Area<br>Casey County | 198,828<br>15,257 | 211,973<br>16,199 | 221,507<br>16,795 |

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

#### ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

|                                    |               | Current      |                          | Future   |
|------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------|--|
|                                    | Total         | Unemployed   | Not in<br>Labor<br>Force | Becoming 18 years<br>of age<br><u>1998 thru 2002</u> |
| Labor Market Area*<br>Casey County | 13,601<br>823 | 5,099<br>370 | 8,502<br>453             | 12,676<br>1,061                                      |

\* 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.

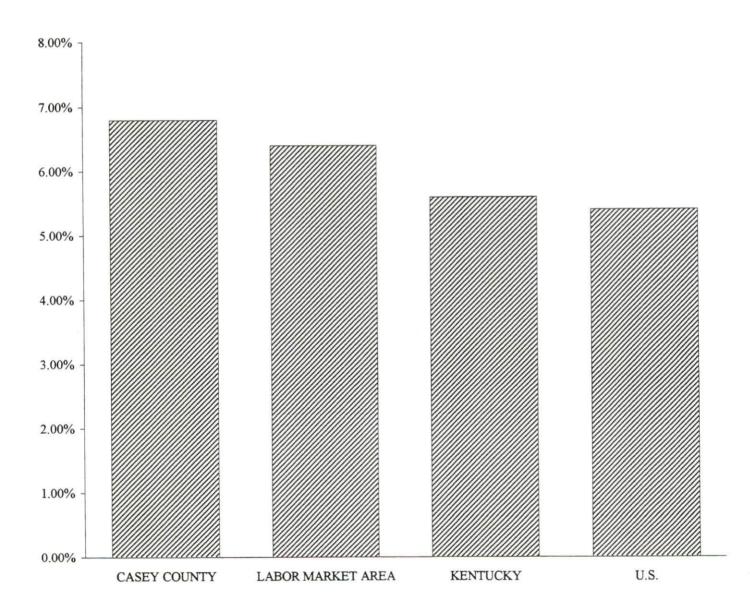
**Sources:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, <u>Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1995</u>. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, <u>Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1998 thru</u> 2002.

| Casey County | Labor Market Area     |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| 6,934        | 89,821                |
| 6,460        | 84,067                |
| 474          | 5,754                 |
| 6.8          | 6.4                   |
|              | 6,934<br>6,460<br>474 |

## LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1996

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages 1996.

# UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1996



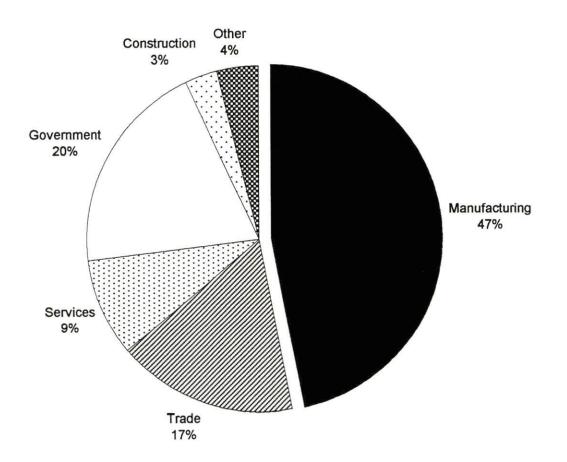
|                          | Casey County | Labor Market Area |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| All Industries (total)   | 3,353        | 66,871            |
| Manufacturing            | 1,573        | 17,648            |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | 563          | 16,356            |
| Services                 | 298          | 12,190            |
| State/Local Government   | 654          | 10,287            |
| Contract Construction    | 92           | 2,278             |

## SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK, 1995

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

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, <u>Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky</u> <u>Unemployment Insurance Law, 1995</u>.

#### CASEY COUNTY

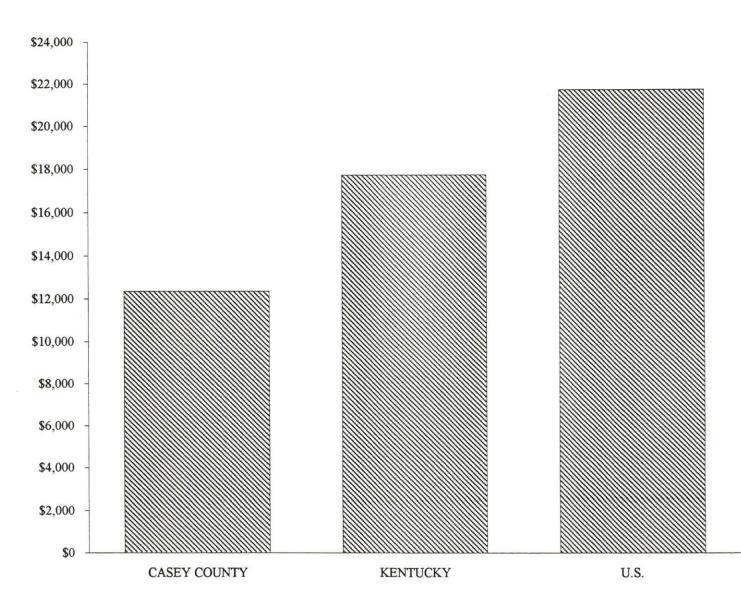


## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

| Area                       | <u>1990</u>        | <u>1994</u>         | Percent Change |
|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Casey County               | \$9,973            | \$12,349            | 23.8           |
| Labor Market Area<br>Range | \$9,973 - \$14,039 | \$12,349 - \$17,068 | -              |
| Kentucky                   | \$14,747           | \$17,721            | 20.2           |
| U.S.                       | \$18,666           | \$21,696            | 16.2           |

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

# PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME 1994



Casey County is served by the Somerset local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Somerset 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, 1996 the local employment office filled 3,378 openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

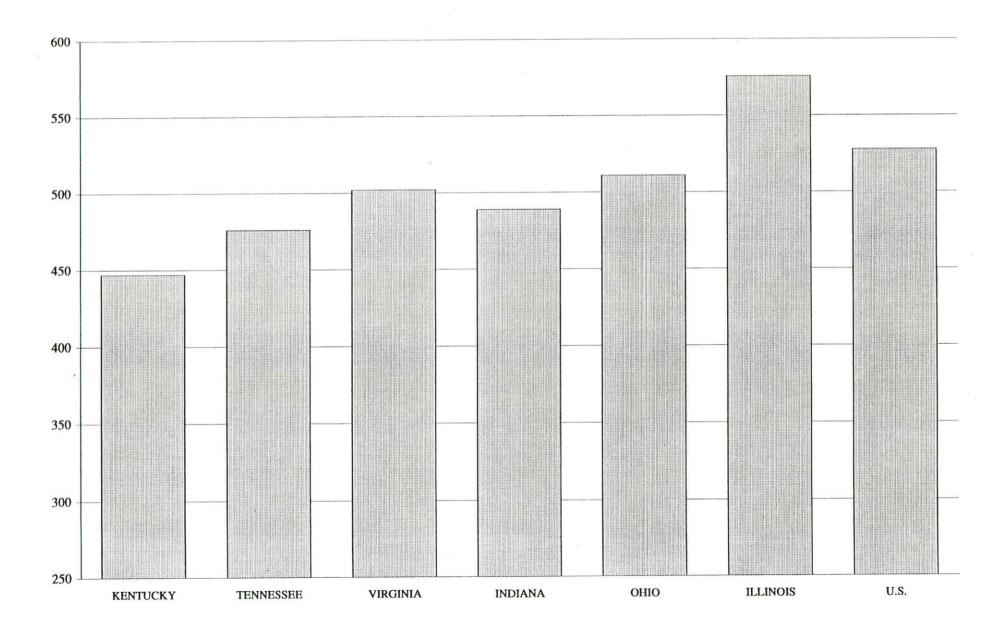
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|                                       | NUMBER OF  | AVERAGE  |
|---------------------------------------|------------|----------|
| OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY                 | PLACEMENTS | WAGE(\$) |
|                                       |            |          |
| All Occupations                       | 3,378      | 5.31     |
| Clerical                              | 264        | 4.71     |
| Sales                                 | 199        | 4.46     |
| Services (excluding domestic)         | 434        | 4.39     |
| Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc. | 108        | 5.67     |
| Processing                            | 13         | 4.63     |
| Machine Trades                        | 336        | 6.55     |
| Bench Work                            | 1,407      | 5.45     |
| Structural                            | 235        | 5.35     |
| Motor Freight/ Transportation         | 53         | 4.85     |
| Packaging and Materials Handling      | 254        | 5.66     |
| Other                                 | 9          | 6.08     |
|                                       |            |          |

The Somerset local office also serves Adair, Clinton, Cumberland, Green, McCreary, Pulaski, Russell, Taylor, and Wayne Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the <u>Dictionary of Occupational Titles</u> published by the U.S. Department of Labor

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

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1995



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#### AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY BY PLACE OF WORK, 1995\*

| -        | TZ 1  |  |  |
|----------|---|--|--|
| Casey    | Kentucky  | <b>m</b>   | * * · · ·  |
| County   | (Statewide)   | Tennessee  | Virginia   |
| \$315.14 | \$447.03  | \$476.00   | \$502.00   |
| N/A      | 739.22  | 671.00   | 736.00   |
| 361.64   | 466.73  | 505.00   | 497.00   |
| 298.89   | 577.94  | 559.00   | 589.00   |
|          |   |  |  |
|          |   |  |  |
| 562.49   | 586.90  | 612.00   | 679.00   |
| 207.75   | 308.87  | N/A  | N/A  |
|          |   |  |  |
| 425.16   | 546.83  | 614.00   | 643.00   |
| 292.22   | 404.99  | 459.00   | 524.00   |
| 399.39   | 457.63  | N/A  | N/A  |
| Indiana  | <u>Ohio</u>   | Illinois   | <u>U. S.</u>   |
| \$489.00 | \$511.00  | \$576.00   | \$528.00   |
| 770.00   | 684.00  | 828.00   | 871.00   |
| 558.00   | 569.00  | 699.00   | 562.00   |
| 671.00   | 716.00  | 715.00   | 668.00   |
|          |   |  |  |
|          |   |  |  |
| 589.00   | 623.00  | 710.00   | 674.00   |
| N/A      | N/A   | N/A  | N/A  |
|          |   |  |  |
| 552.00   | 601.00  | 815.00   | 742.00   |
| 418.00   | 449.00  | 526.00   | 503.00   |
| N/A      | N/A   | N/A  | N/A  |
|          | County<br>\$315.14<br>N/A<br>361.64<br>298.89<br>562.49<br>207.75<br>425.16<br>292.22<br>399.39<br>Indiana<br>\$489.00<br>770.00<br>558.00<br>671.00<br>589.00<br>N/A<br>552.00<br>418.00 | County(Statewide)\$315.14\$447.03N/A739.22 $361.64$ $466.73$ $298.89$ $577.94$ $562.49$ $586.90$ $207.75$ $308.87$ $425.16$ $546.83$ $292.22$ $404.99$ $399.39$ $457.63$ IndianaOhio\$489.00\$511.00 $770.00$ $684.00$ $558.00$ $569.00$ $671.00$ $716.00$ \$89.00 $823.00$ N/AN/A $552.00$ $601.00$ $418.00$ $449.00$ | County(Statewide)Tennessee\$315.14\$447.03\$476.00N/A739.22 $671.00$ 361.64466.73505.00298.89 $577.94$ $559.00$ 562.49586.90 $612.00$ 207.75308.87N/A425.16546.83 $614.00$ 292.22404.99459.00399.39457.63N/AIndianaOhioIllinois\$489.00\$511.00\$576.00770.00 $684.00$ $828.00$ 558.00569.00 $699.00$ 671.00716.00715.00589.00 $623.00$ 710.00N/AN/AN/A552.00 $601.00$ $815.00$ 418.00449.00526.00 |

\* 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.

Sources: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, <u>Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by</u> <u>Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1995</u>. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, <u>Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1995</u>, December 1996.

### EXISTING INDUSTRY

## CASEY COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

| Firm  |  | 1996               |
|---|--|--------------------|
| (Establishment date)                                  | Product  | Average Employment |
| Liberty   |  |                    |
| Chubby Baird Gate                                     | Conduit steel feeders,   | 15                 |
| Company (1981)  | dog pens   |                    |
| Casey County News<br>(1904)                           | Newspaper  | 4                  |
| Casey Ready Mix (1971)                                | Ready-mixed concrete   | 3                  |
| Edcon Manufacturing<br>Company, Inc. (1990)           | Farm gates, corral panels,<br>and round bale feeders                                       | 9                  |
| Emerson Handle Mill, Inc.,<br>DBA Emerson Gate (1977) | Furniture squares, pallets,<br>and metal farm gates  | 6                  |
| Wayne Floyd Gate Company<br>(1982)                    | Metal farm gates, corral panels, hay feeders   | 58                 |
| Hays Wood Products, Inc.<br>(1991)                    | Pallets  | 25                 |
| Lilygate Company (1991)                               | Gates  | 35                 |
| Murphy Gate Company<br>(1981)                         | Steel tubing farm gates  | 35                 |
| Oshkosh B'Gosh, Inc. (1985)                           | Children's apparel   | 575                |
| Quilt King Products (1990)                            | Quilt Kits   | 12                 |
| Scott Gate Company, Inc.<br>(1993)                    | Farm gates, corral panels,<br>round bale feeders   | 20                 |
| Sheridan Furniture (1992)                             | Bedroom furniture  | 22                 |
| South Indiana Lumber<br>Company, Inc. (1967)          | Green and kiln dried lumber,<br>hickory handles, furniture<br>squares, oak stair banisters | 45                 |
| Watson Gate Company, Inc. (1976)                      | Truck racks, bale feeders,<br>metal gates  | 44                 |
| Watson Lumber Company,<br>Inc. (1960)                 | Wood chips, lumber,<br>furniture squares, baseball<br>bat blanks, dowels                   | 60                 |
| Watson Tube Mill, Inc. (1981)                         | Steel tubing for farm gates  | 8                  |
| White's Woodworking, Inc. (1991)                      | Kitchen cabinets   | 8                  |
| Wilson Gate Company, Inc. (1987)                      | Metal panels, metal livestock feeders, farm gates  | 17                 |
| Wolford & Wethington<br>Company, Inc. (1981)          | Lumber, furniture squares  | 72                 |
|   |  |                    |

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| Firm<br>(Establishment date)                     | Product  | 1996<br>Average Employment |
|--|--|----------------------------|
| Bethelridge                                      |  |                            |
| Casey Stone Company (1947)                       | Asphalt, agricultural lime,<br>crushed limestone   | 20                         |
| Clementsville                                    |  |                            |
| Clementsville Fabricating<br>(1993)              | Handling equipment, hay forks, carry-all   | 18                         |
| Dunnville  |  | -                          |
| Tarter Gate Company (1945)                       | Rough lumber, shipping<br>pallets, metal farm gates,<br>livestock feeders, truck racks,<br>corrals | 155                        |
| Tarter Gate Wood Products,<br>Inc. (1971)        | Rough lumber, pallets,<br>tobacco sticks, grade lumber   | 120                        |
| Tarter Tube, Inc. (1975)                         | Steel tubing   | 18                         |
| Middlesburg                                      |  |                            |
| Green River Gate<br>(1977)                       | Farm gates, round bale feeders   | 60                         |
| Yosemite   |  |                            |
| Hamilton & Family Lumber<br>Company, Inc. (1978) | Rough lumber, grade lumber, cants  | 6                          |

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Liberty Economic Development Corporation; City of Liberty.

## LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

| Union   | Representing workers at:  |
|---|---------------------------|
| International Association of Bridge,<br>Structural and Ornamental<br>Ironworkers, AFL-CIO | Watson Gate Company, Inc. |
| United Food and Commercial Workers<br>International Union, AFL-CIO-CLC                    | Oshkosh B'Gosh, Inc.      |
| United Garment Workers of America,<br>AFL-CIO   | Oshkosh B'Gosh, Inc.      |

| SELECTED INDUSTRIAL S | ERVICES |
|-----------------------|---------|
|-----------------------|---------|

| Types of Services         | Location                | Mileage from<br>Liberty |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Custom Plastics Producers | Danville, Kentucky      | 27                      |
| Electric Motor Repair     | Eubank, Kentucky        | 24                      |
| Industrial Waste Removal  | Somerset, Kentucky      | 38                      |
| Machine Shops, Tool & Die | Stanford, Kentucky      | 24                      |
| Metal Castings            | Horse Cave, Kentucky    | 79                      |
| Metal Finishers           | Richmond, Kentucky      | 56                      |
| Metal Service Centers     | Junction City, Kentucky | 20                      |
| Millwrights & Riggers     | Nicholasville, Kentucky | 50                      |

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

#### TRANSPORTATION

#### Highways

Liberty is served by U.S. Highway 127, a AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway, and Kentucky Routes 70 and 49. Access to the Cumberland Parkway, an excellent multi-lane toll road, is 24 miles south of Liberty via U.S. 127. The Cumberland Parkway then provides access to Interstate 65 to the west. The Parkway and Kentucky 80 provide access to Interstate 75 to the east.

| City           | Highway<br>Miles | City            | Highway<br>Miles |
|----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| City           | Miles            | City            | Willes           |
| Atlanta, GA    | 328              | Los Angeles, CA | 2,160            |
| Baltimore, MD  | 602              | Louisville, KY  | 97               |
| Birmingham, AL | 341              | Nashville, TN   | 159              |
| Chicago, IL    | 392              | New Orleans, LA | 680              |
| Cincinnati, OH | 146              | New York, NY    | 785              |
| Cleveland, OH  | 393              | Pittsburgh, PA  | 425              |
| Detroit, MI    | 406              | St. Louis, MO   | 358              |
| Knoxville, TN  | 155              |                 |                  |

#### HIGHWAY MILES FROM LIBERTY, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

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

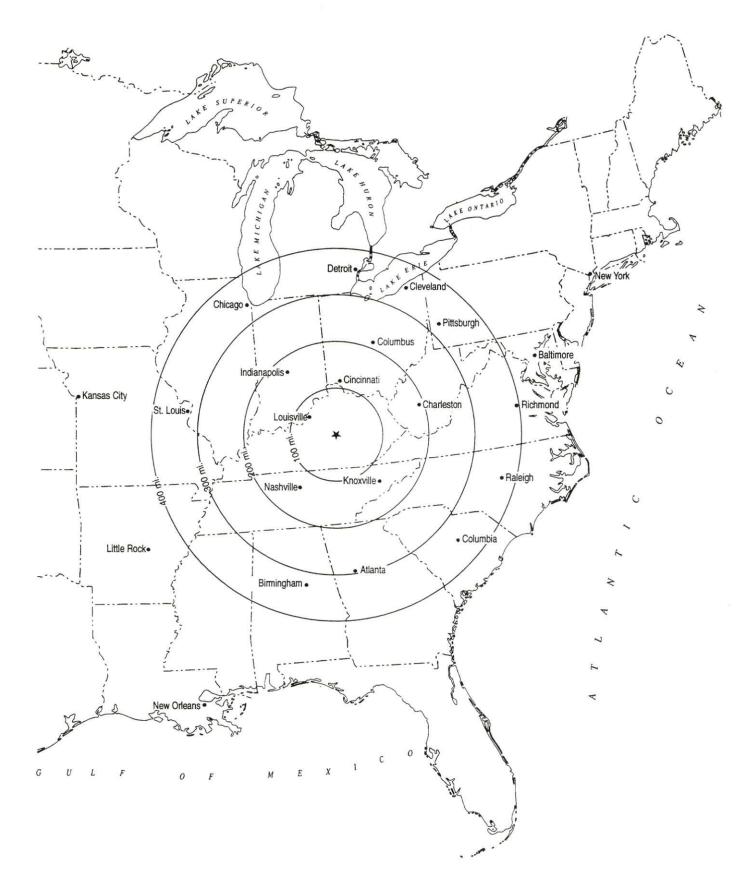
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1993. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1988.

#### **Truck Service**

There are currently thirteen common carrier trucking companies that provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Casey County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1997.

## **Selected Market Centers**



The nearest main line rail service is provided by the Norfolk Southern Corporation at Moreland, 16 miles north of Liberty. Norfolk Southern also provides the nearest intermodal facilities at Georgetown, 83 miles north of Liberty.

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

Industrial Development Manager Norfolk Southern Corporation Industrial Development Department The Tower Suite 2904 611 Commerce Street Nashville, Tennessee 37203 (615) 254-3398

Air

Local

|           | Liberty-Casey County Airport |  |
|-----------|------------------------------|--|
| Location: | 6 miles west of Liberty      |  |
| Runways:  | 1 paved                      |  |
| Length:   | 3,000 feet                   |  |
| Traffic   |                              |  |
| Control:  | Wind sock                    |  |
| Lighting: | Dusk to dawn                 |  |

Plans are being developed for a new airport five miles east of Liberty. The first phase consists of construction of a 4,000-foot runway and a maintenance/administrative facility. Phase two consists of a 1,500-foot extension to the new runway. The third phase consists of an enlarged ramp area, installation of fuel pumps, and additional parking. The total cost of this project is expected to be \$3.7 million.

|             | Small Craft Airport  |
|-------------|--|
|             | Stuart Powell Field, Danville-Boyle<br>County Airport  |
| Location:   | 24 miles north of Liberty  |
| Runways:    | Two paved  |
| Length:     | 5,000 feet (lighted runway and   |
|             | parallel taxiway) and 2,400 feet   |
| Traffic     |  |
| Control:    | Wind sock, instrument approach LOC-DME, NDB,<br>Unicom 122.8   |
| Lighting:   | Rotating beacon, dusk to dawn; AWOS3; REIL; PAPI   |
| Services:   | 100 octane, jet-A fuel; major and minor A & P repairs;<br>hangar; tie-downs, flight instruction; car rentals |
| Air Freight |  |
| Service:    | Chartered air freight service must be arranged   |

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#### Rail

## Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

|                | Blue Grass Airport                   |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Location:      | 4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky; |
|                | 62 miles north of Liberty            |
| Air Service:   | ASA, Comair, Continental Express,    |
|                | Delta, Northwest Airlink, TW         |
|                | Express, United Express, US Airways  |
| Daily Arrivals |                                      |
| & Departures:  | 192                                  |

#### UTILITIES

#### Electricity

Company serving Liberty and parts of Casey County - Kentucky Utilities Company Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company For industrial rates contact:

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

Company serving southeastern Casey County - South Kentucky 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

South Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation P.O. Box 910 Somerset, Kentucky 42502 (606) 678-4121 Fax (606) 679-8279

Company serving southwestern Casey County - Taylor County 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

Taylor County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Box 100
Campbellsville, Kentucky 42719
(502) 465-4101 Fax (502) 789-3625 Company serving northern Casey County - Inter-County 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

Inter-County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation P.O. Box 87 Danville, Kentucky 40423-0087 (606) 236-4561 Fax (606) 236-3627

#### **Natural Gas**

Company serving Liberty - Liberty Gas Company Source of supply - Texas Eastern Transmission Company For rates and supplies contact:

> Liberty Gas Company P.O. Box 127 Liberty, Kentucky 42539 (606) 787-6691

#### **Public Water Supply**

| Company serving Liberty -             | Liberty Water Company<br>P.O. Box 127<br>Liberty, Kentucky 42539<br>(606) 787-7234 Fax (606) 787-7992 |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Source -<br>Treatment plant capacity- | 80 acre lake<br>1,200,000 gallons per day   |
|                                       | 1,200,000 Suitons per duy   |

| I reatment plant capacity-  | 1,200,000 gallons per day |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|
| Average daily consumption - | 600,000 gallons           |
| Peak daily consumption -    | 700,000 gallons           |
| Storage capacity -          | 650,000 gallons           |
| Water pressure -            | 65 psi to 90 psi          |

Expansion of the water treatment plant to a capacity of 1.2 million gallons per day was recently completed.

## Sewerage

Company serving Liberty -

Liberty Sewer Company P.O. Box 127 Liberty, Kentucky 42539 (606) 787-7727 Fax (606) 787-7992

Design capacity -642,000 gallons per dayAverage daily flow -577,000 gallonsType of treatment -SecondaryTreated effluent discharged into -Green River

## **Casey County**

#### Temperature

| Normal (29-year record)<br>Average annual 1995<br>Record highest, July 1988 (51-year record)<br>Record lowest, January 1963 (51-year record)<br>Normal heating degree days (29-year record)<br>(Heating degree day totals are the sums of<br>negative departures of average daily<br>temperatures from 65 degrees F.) | 54.90 degrees<br>54.90 degrees<br>103.00 degrees<br>-21.00 degrees<br>4,783 |
|---|---|
| Precipitation   |   |
| Normal (29-year record)   | 44.55 inches  |
| Mean annual snowfall (50-year record)   | 15.80 inches  |
| Total precipitation 1995  | 50.08 inches  |
| Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more)   |   |
| (51-year record)  | 129.60  |
| Mean number days thunderstorms (51-year record)   | 44.40   |
| Prevailing Winds (through 1963)   | South   |

Relative Humidity (31-year record)

| l a.m. | 78 percent | (31-year record) |
|--------|------------|------------------|
| 7 a.m. | 82 percent | (32-year record) |
| 1 p.m. | 60 percent | (32-year record) |
| 7 p.m. | 64 percent | (32-year record) |

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, <u>Climatological</u> <u>Data</u>, 1995. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### Structure

The city of Liberty is served by a mayor and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term and the council members serve two-year terms. Casey County is served by a county judge/executive and four magistrates. The judge/executive and magistrates are elected to four-year terms.

#### **Planning and Zoning**

City agency - Liberty Planning Commission Zoning enforced - Within city limits only Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city only 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 Liberty requires a \$10 vehicle sticker for each vehicle owned by persons living or working within the city limits.

#### 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

| Selected Classes of Property      | 1996<br><u>State Rate</u> | Local Taxation<br>Permitted |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Real Estate                       | \$0.163                   | 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, 1996

| Taxing Jurisdiction              | Real<br><u>Estate</u> | Finished Goods &<br>Tangibles | Motor<br>Vehicles |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Casey County<br>School District: | \$0.2583              | \$0.2507                      | \$0.4256          |
| Casey County                     | 0.3850                | 0.3940                        | 0.5630            |
| City:<br>Liberty                 | 0.1790                | 0.1790                        | 0.2080            |

## **Public Schools**

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|   | Casey County   |
|---|--|
|   |  |
|   | 2,414  |
|   | 12.4-1   |
|   | 45.5   |
|   | \$3,938.14   |
|   |  |
| Enrollment  | Grades   |
| 50  | K-12   |
|   |  |
| Location<br>(Miles from Liberty)  | Enrollment<br>(Fall, 1996)   |
| Danville, Kentucky (27)<br>Columbia, Kentucky (30)<br>Campbellsville, Kentucky (31)<br>Somerset, Kentucky (38)<br>Springfield, Kentucky (39)<br>Wilmore, Kentucky (51)<br>Berea, Kentucky (53)<br>Richmond, Kentucky (56)<br>Lexington, Kentucky (62)<br>Lexington, Kentucky (62) | 968<br>1,363<br>1,533<br>2,555<br>351<br>1,131<br>1,526<br>15,161<br>5,500<br>979<br>24,061  |
|   | 50<br>Location<br>(Miles from Liberty)<br>Danville, Kentucky (27)<br>Columbia, Kentucky (30)<br>Campbellsville, Kentucky (30)<br>Somerset, Kentucky (30)<br>Springfield, Kentucky (31)<br>Somerset, Kentucky (32)<br>Wilmore, Kentucky (33)<br>Berea, Kentucky (51)<br>Berea, Kentucky (53)<br>Richmond, Kentucky (56)<br>Lexington, Kentucky (62) |

### 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.

| Kentucky Tech Schools                  | Location<br>(Mileage from<br>Liberty) | Number of<br>Program<br><u>Offerings</u> | Enrollment<br>1995-1996                        | Approximate<br>Number<br>Completing<br>Programs<br><u>Annually</u> |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Casey County Area<br>Technology Center | Liberty                               | 7  | <u>Sec</u> <u>P/S</u><br>537 0                 | 46   |
| Somerset Regional<br>Technology Center | Somerset (38)                         | 13                                       | $\frac{\text{Sec}}{3}  \frac{\text{P/S}}{620}$ | 200  |

#### 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 located at the Somerset Regional Technology Center.

#### Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies testing packages for evaluating job applicants, selecting employees for promotional consideration and developing training programs within the organization. Career Connections Assessment Centers are located at the Somerset Regional Technology Center.

#### 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 equivalence diploma. In Casey County, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Casey County Board of Education.

#### Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation (BSSC), 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. Programs range from entry level for new workers to advanced training for experienced employees.

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

#### **OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES**

#### **Local Medical Personnel**

Physicians - 5 Dentists - 3

#### Hospitals

| General Hospital                             | Location | Beds |
|--|----------|------|
| Casey County Hospital/Primary<br>Care Center | Liberty  | 24   |

Medical staff - 4 active staff physicians, 5 courtesy staff physicians, 21 registered nurses, 13 licensed practical nurses

#### **Other Medical Facilities and Services**

Adanta Mental Health Center Casey County Ambulance Service Casey County Chiropractic Center Casey County Health Department Family Home Health Care, Inc. Family Practice Clinic Green River Medical Center Green River Rest Home Grider Chiropractic Center Lake Cumberland Health Agency Liberty Care Center Liberty-Casey County Rescue Squad Liberty Center Ephraim McDowell Lifeline Home Health Agency Pioneer Vocational-Rehabilitation Office

#### **Banks and Savings & Loan Associations**

Casey County Bank Farmers Deposit Bank Lincoln County Federal Savings Bank

#### Newspapers

Casey County News (weekly)

#### **Telephone Service**

#### GTE South

Plans are underway to implement the "911" emergency dispatch communications system.

#### RECREATION

#### Local

The Casey County Apple Festival, held annually during the last full week of September, is one of the largest and most successful festivals in the state of Kentucky. The primary event of the festival is the baking and serving of the world's largest apple pie. Estimated crowds of up to 50,000 attend the week-long celebration. The festivities include something for everyone, including a kid's Big Wheel race, sports activities, fun-filled tournaments, fireworks, and continuous live entertainment.

Gateway Park offers two basketball courts, two tennis courts, a volleyball court, two baseball fields, picnic area and playground. The Casey County Community Youth Center is under construction at the park. The community raised \$100,000 in donations and "in kind" service for construction of the facility. The center will include meeting rooms, offices, a kitchen, bathrooms, and a recreational loft. The facility will be available for community and youth activities, family reunions, and church and school functions. Completion is scheduled by Fall, 1997.

Hickory Hills Country Club offers a nine-hole golf course, tennis courts, and swimming pool.

Casey County Sportsman Club, located five miles from Liberty, has a large and small bore rifle range, skeet shooting range, and an archery and black powder range.

A variety of hunting is available in Casey County and great fishing on Green River and Lake Liberty. Trout fishing is available on Goose Creek.

Many hiking trails are available in Casey County along with 500 miles of scenic drives throughout the county.

The county has very active Pee-Wee and Junior Pro basketball and football programs, little league and Babe Ruth baseball programs and an adult softball league.

#### Area (Within 50 miles)

Isaac Shelby State Historic Site Green River Lake State Park Constitution Square State Historic Site William Whitley House State Historic Site Herrington Lake Old Fort Harrod State Park Perryville Battlefield State Historic Site Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill Lake Cumberland State Resort Park Lincoln Homestead State Park General Burnside State Park

