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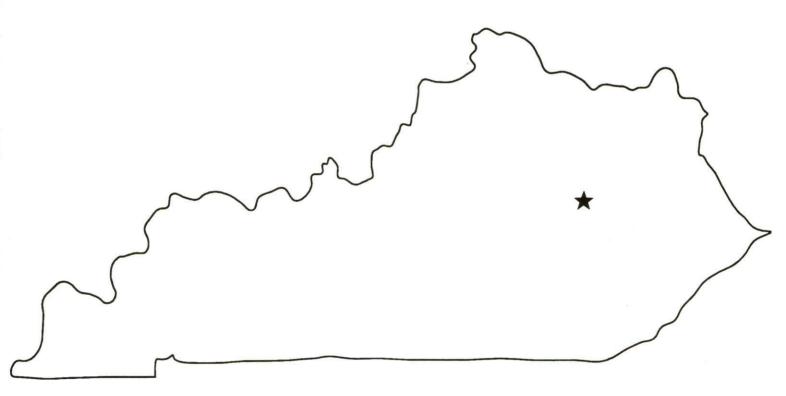
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Powell County



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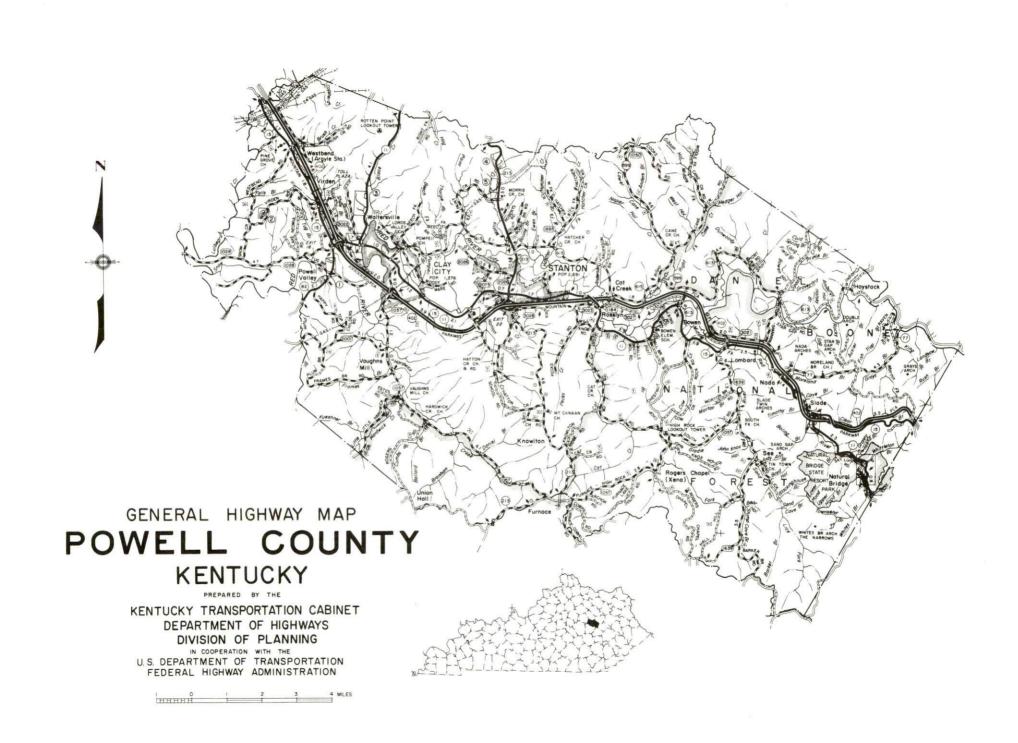
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POWELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Powell County is located in the Knobs Region of Kentucky at the edge of the Eastern Kentucky Coal Field Region. Approximately one-half of the county lies within the Daniel Boone National Forest. The Red River Gorge and Natural Bridge, two of the most scenic areas of the state, are located in eastern Powell County. The county covers a land area of 180 square miles. Stanton, the county seat of Powell County, is located 114 miles east of Louisville, Kentucky; 118 miles southeast of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 207 miles north of Knoxville, Tennessee. Clay City is five miles west of Stanton.

Powell County had a 1992 estimated population of 11,933. Stanton's 1992 estimated population comprised 2,847 of Powell County's total estimated population while Clay City accounted for 1,382.

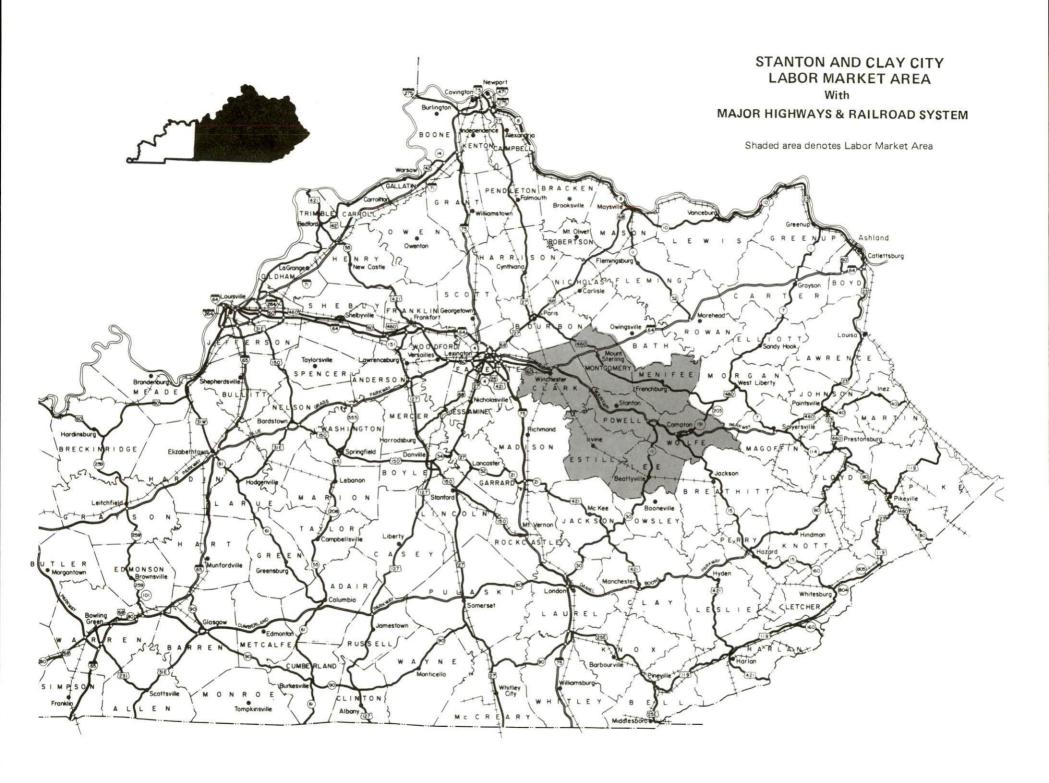
The Economic Framework - The total number of Powell County residents employed in 1993 averaged 5,419. In 1992, manufacturing firms in the county reported 973 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 459 jobs; 208 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 579 employees; and contract construction firms provided 38 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 11,018 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1995 through 1999, 7,505 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - The Mountain Parkway, an excellent four-lane highway, traverses Powell County with interchanges located at both Stanton and Clay City. Interstate 64 may be accessed via the Mountain Parkway, 17 miles west of Clay City. In addition, Stanton is served by Kentucky Highways 11, 15, and 213, while Clay City is served by Kentucky Highways 11, 15, and 82. Each is a "AAA"-rated trucking highway. Fifteen trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Stanton and Clay City. The nearest rail service is provided by CSX Transportation at Irvine, Kentucky 14 miles south of Clay City. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Blue Grass Airport near Lexington, 50 miles northwest of Stanton. Stanton Airport, a small craft airport located in Stanton, maintains a 3,000-foot paved runway.

Power and Fuel - The majority of Powell County is served by the Clark Rural Electric Cooperative. A small portion of western Powell County receives its power from Jackson County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Delta Natural Gas Company provides natural gas to Stanton and Clay City.

Education - Primary and secondary education is provided by the Powell County School System. There are four universities, a senior college, a junior college, and a community college located within 60 miles of Stanton. The nearest state vocational-technical school is located in Lexington, 46 miles northwest of Stanton. The nearest area vocational education center is located in Mt. Sterling, Kentucky; 20 miles north of Stanton.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Powell County Labor Market Area includes Powell County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Clark, Estill, Lee, Menifee, Montgomery, and Wolfe.

POPULATION

	1992*	1990	1980	1970
Labor Market Area	96,887	94,374	93,533	76,216
Clay City	1,382	1,258	1,276	983
Stanton	2,847	2,795	2,691	2,037
Powell County	11,933	11,686	11,101	7,704

^{*} Population estimates.

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	1995	2000	2010	2020
Labor Market Area	95,742	96,721	97,798	97,242
Powell County	12,114	12,480	13,117	13,499

Note: Population projections are from Moderate Growth Series forecast. Source: University of Louisville, Urban Studies Center, State Data Center.

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

		Current		Future
	Total	Unemployed	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1995 thru 1999
Labor Market Area* Powell	11,018	3,644	7,374	7,505
County	557	557	0	1,041

^{*} 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.

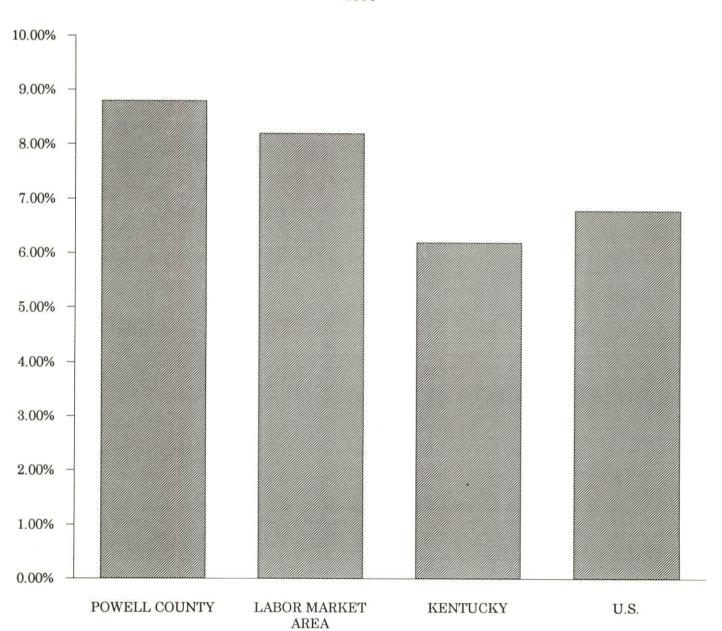
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County</u>, 1992. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, <u>Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age</u>, 1995 thru 1999.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1993

	Powell County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	5,940	43,798
Employment	5,419	40,199
Unemployment	521	3,599
Rate of Unemployment (%)	8.8	8.2

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor Force</u> Estimates, Annual Averages, 1993.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1993

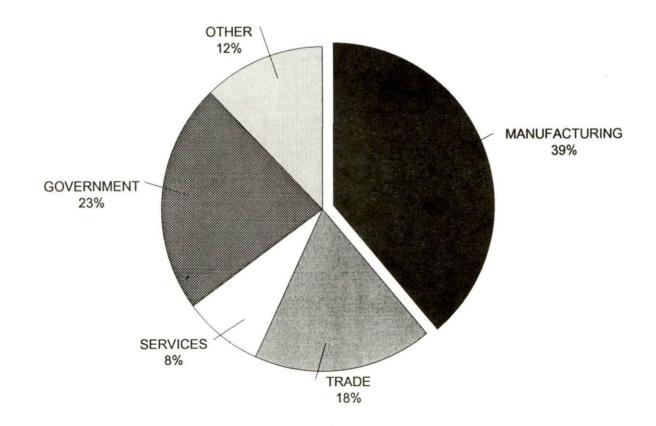


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992

	Powell County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	2,495	23,693
Manufacturing	973	6,366
Wholesale & Retail Trade	459	5,962
Services	208	3,643
State/Local Government	579	4,197
Contract Construction	38	851

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, 1992.

POWELL COUNTY

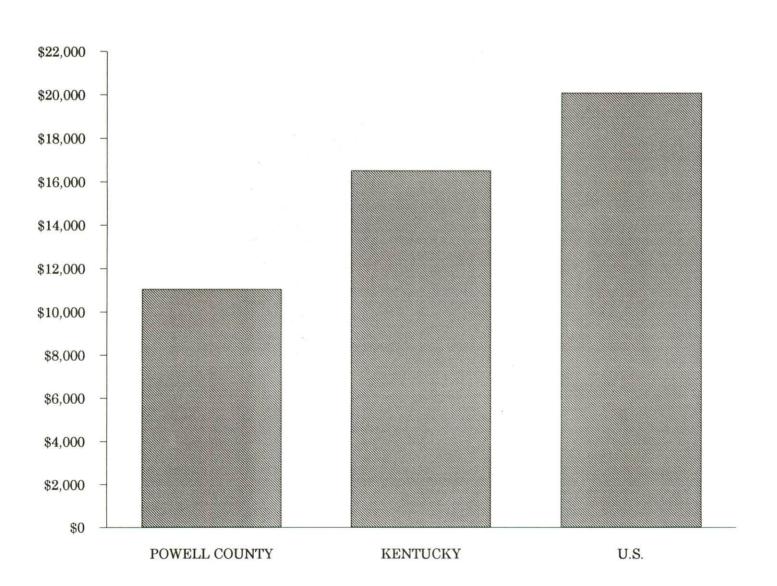


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1988	1992	Percent Change
Powell County	\$8,478	\$11,060	30.5
Labor Market Area Range	\$7,261 - \$13,435	\$10,135 - \$16,209	-
Kentucky	\$12,751	\$16,528	29.6
U.S.	\$16,610	\$20,105	21.0

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System, April 1994.

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AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

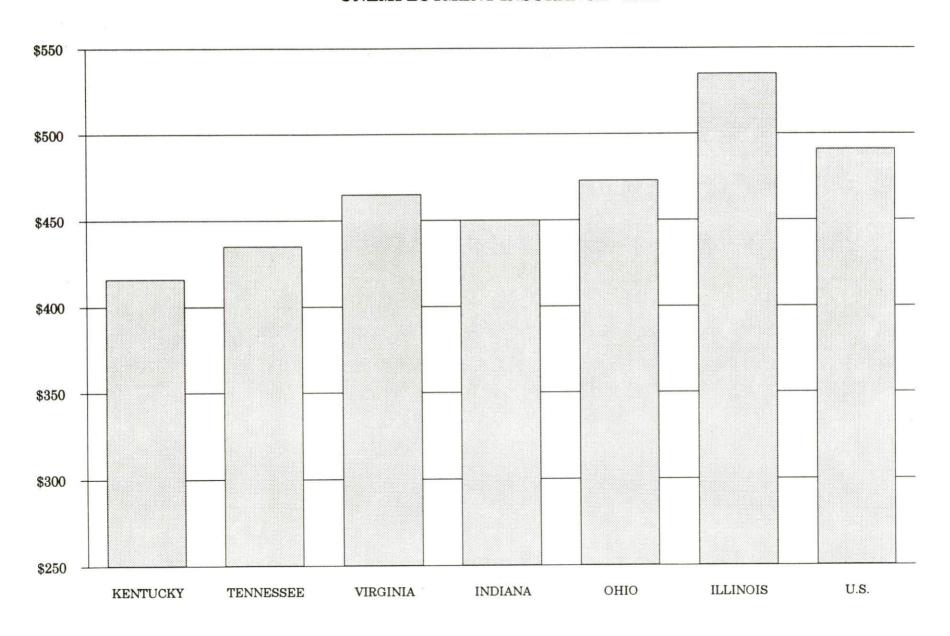
Powell County is served by the Winchester local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Winchester local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1994, the local employment office filled 3,086 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS	AVERAGE WAGE(\$)
All Occupations	3,086	4.79
Clerical	431	4.48
Sales	38	4.81
Services (excluding domestic)	253	4.30
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	29	4.93
Processing	230	5.03
Machine Trades	324	5.08
Bench Work	1,360	4.35
Structural	182	8.23
Motor Freight/ Transportation	55	4.99
Packaging and Materials Handling	163	4.99

The Winchester local office also serves Clark, Estill, Madison and Powell 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 Cabinet for Human Resources, Department for Employment Services.

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1992



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992*

		Kentucky		
	Powell	(State-		***
	County	Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$289.70	\$415.94	\$435.00	\$465.00
Mining & Quarrying	N/A	685.48	564.00	690.00
Contract Construction	249.27	431.97	456.00	456.00
Manufacturing	249.10	535.73	510.00	535.00
Transportation,				
Communications &	630.17	560.84	561.00	637.00
Public Utilities	191.54	282.29	N/A	N/A
Wholesale & Retail Trade	191.54	202.29	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	348.59	493.68	548.00	576.00
Services	216.44	371.91	419.00	483.00
State/Local Government	357.59	434.01	N/A	N/A
	Indiana	Ohio	Illinois	<u>U.S.</u>
All Industries	\$450.00	\$473.00	\$535.00	\$491.00
Mining & Quarrying	731.00	639.00	787.00	799.00
Contract Construction	504.00	525.00	658.00	527.00
Manufacturing	609.00	653.00	652.00	612.00
Transportation,				
Communications &				
Public Utilities	548.00	590.00	674.00	632.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	511.00	545.00	728.00	670.00
Services	386.00	419.00	488.00	468.00
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, 1992. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1992, October 1993.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

POWELL COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Firm (Establishment date)	Product	1993 Average Employment
Bowen		
Hinkle Contracting Corporation (1961)	Asphalt	33
Clay City		
The Clay City Times (1896)	Newspaper	6
Continental Metal Specialty, Inc. (1983)	Typewriter and computer printer ribbons	170
Continental Metal Specialty, Inc.; Register Plant (1985)	Mechanical assemblies, cash drawers, register forms dispensers	34
Kentucky Pool and Supply, Inc. (1984)	Plastic swimming pool liners, steel swimming pool wall panels, fiberglass tubs	45
Powell Manufacturing (1984)	Uniform shirts	250
Red River Hardwoods, Inc. (1993)	Hardwood dimension	72
Rogers Tool and Manufacturing (1987)	Tools, dies, molds, and fixtures	5
Scott Archery Manufacturing (1985)	Archery releases, sights, arrow rests	15
Stanton		
Basco Enterprises, Inc. (1991)	Drilling related items	10
Burke Parsons Bowlby Corporation (1947)	Wooden posts, timber, lumber, treated wood products	29
Continental Metal Specialty, Inc.; Stanton Plant (1977)	Metal fabrications, electronic and mechanical assemblies, resistance welding	600
K & S Tooling, Inc. (1982)	Tools, dies, fixtures	4
Miller Post Yard, Inc. (1987)	Rough lumber	22
Natural Bridge Stone Company (1960)	Crushed stone	50
Shepherd Printing (1987) U.S. Brick, Inc. (1931)	Printing, binding Brick	2 77

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Powell County Industrial Development Authority.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are presently no unions representing workers in Powell County manufacturing firms.

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

		Mileage from
Types of Services	Location	Stanton
Custom Plastics Producers	Richmond	42
	Lexington	46
Electric Motor Repair	Lexington	46
Heat Treating Facilities	Richmond	42
	Lexington	46
Industrial Waste Removal	Mt. Sterling	22
	Winchester	27
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Stanton	-
	Clay City	5
Metal Castings	Cynthiana	55
Metal Finishers	Richmond	42
	Lexington	46
Metal Service Centers	Winchester	27
Millwrights & Riggers	Lexington	46

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Stanton and Clay City are both directly served by the Mountain Parkway, an excellent multi-lane highway connecting parts of Eastern Kentucky to Interstate 64. Interstate 64 is accessible 17 miles west of Clay City near Winchester. Kentucky Highways 11, 15, and 82 intersect at Clay City, while Kentucky Highways 11, 15 and 213 serve Stanton. Each is a "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM STANTON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	401	Los Angeles, CA	2,205
Baltimore, MD	517	Louisville, KY	114
Birmingham, AL	443	Nashville, TN	256
Chicago, IL	384	New Orleans, LA	778
Cincinnati, OH	118	New York, NY	702
Cleveland, OH	365	Pittsburgh, PA	348
Detroit, MI	378	St. Louis, MO	372
Knoxville, TN	207		

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

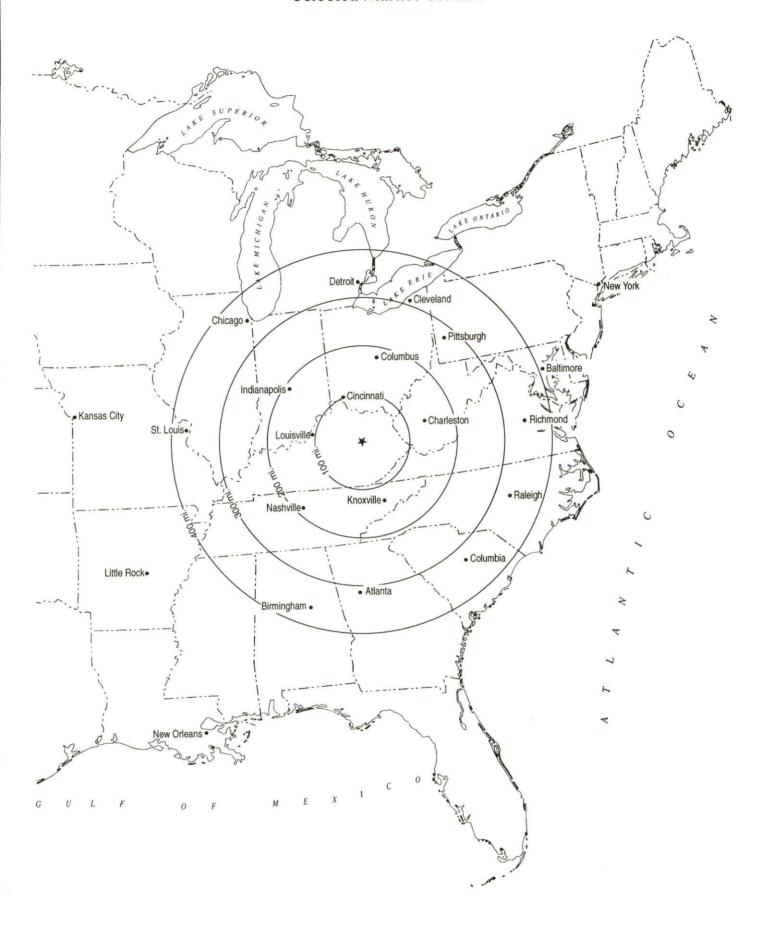
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

Fifteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Stanton and Clay City.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1994.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

CSX Transportation provides the nearest main line rail service at Irvine, Kentucky, fourteen miles south of Clay City. Intermodal facilities are provided by Norfolk Southern Corporation at Georgetown, Kentucky, 49 miles northwest of Clay City.

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

Stanton Airport

Location:

Stanton 1 paved

Runways: Length:

3,000 feet

Traffic

Control:

Wind sock

Lighting:

Available upon request

Services:

100LL fuel, tie downs, hangars, taxi, and

courtesy car to Natural Bridge Resort lodge

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Blue Grass Airport

Location:

4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky;

50 miles northwest of Stanton

Air Service:

American Eagle, Atlantic Southeast, ComAir,

Delta, Northwest Airlink, TW Express,

United Express, USAir

Daily Arrivals

& Departures:

120

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving Stanton, Clay City, and majority of Powell County -Clark Rural Electric Cooperative Source of power - East Kentucky Power For industrial rates contact:

> Clark Rural Electric Cooperative P.O. Box 748 Winchester, Kentucky 40392-0748 (606) 744-4251 or (800) 992-3269

> > and/or

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

Company serving a small portion of western Powell County - Jackson County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation Source of power - East Kentucky Power For industrial rates contact:

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

> > and/or

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

Natural Gas

Company serving Stanton and Clay City - Delta Natural Gas Company Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation For rates and supplies contact:

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

Public Water Supply

Beech Fork Water District, a new water company, will begin operations in Spring 1995. At that time, a new two million-gallon-per-day water treatment system will serve all of Powell County and replace all existing water companies and water systems.

Company serving Clay City -

Clay City Water Works

P.O. Box 548

Clay City, Kentucky 40312

(606) 663-2224

Source -

Red River

Treatment plant capacity -

300,000 gallons per day

Source of supply of treated water - City of Stanton Water Works

Amount of water that can be purchased - No set limit

Average daily consumption -

155,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - Storage capacity -

210,000 gallons 410,000 gallons

Water pressure -

60 psi to 100 psi

Company serving Stanton -

City of Stanton Water Works

P.O. Box 370

Stanton, Kentucky 40380-0370

(606) 663-4459

Source -

Red River

Treatment plant capacity - Average daily consumption -

720,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption Peak daily consumption -

650,000 gallons

Storage capacity -Water pressure - At capacity 1,000,000 gallons 45 psi to 55 psi

Name of water district -

Powell's Valley Water District

P.O. Box 550

Clay City, Kentucky 40312

(606) 663-5870

Area served - Northwestern Powell County

Source of supply of treated water - Clay City Water Works, Estill

County Water District, City of Stanton Water Works

Total amount of water that can be purchased - 310,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption -

200,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption -

270,000 gallons

Storage capacity -

400,000 gallons

Water pressure -

30 psi to 168 psi

Powell's Valley Water District is in the process of constructing a 400,000-gallon water storage tank and extending 41 miles of water mains to customers in the Furnace Mountain area. Completion date is scheduled for December 1994.

Sewerage

Company serving Clay City -

Clay City Sewer System

P.O. Box 548

Clay City, Kentucky 40312

(606) 663-2224

Design capacity -

200,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow -

125,000 gallons

Type of treatment -

Primary

Treated effluent discharged into - Red River

Company serving Stanton -

City of Stanton Sewer Works

P.O. Box 370

Stanton, Kentucky 40380-0370

(606) 663-4459

Design capacity -

460,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow -

At capacity*

Type of treatment -

Secondary

Treated effluent discharged into - Red River

*The City of Stanton is in the process of installing new pumps and new lines for its sewerage system which will alleviate inflow and infiltration problems and effectively lower the average daily flow.

CLIMATE

Powell County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record) Average annual 1992 Record highest, July 1988 (48-year record) Record lowest, January 1963 (48-year record) Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of	55.10 103.00	degrees degrees degrees degrees
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temperatures from 65 degrees F.)		

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	45.68	inches
Mean annual snowfall (48-year record)	15.50	inches
Total precipitation 1992	49.09	inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more)		
(48-year record)	129.80	
Mean number days thunderstorms (48-year record)	44.70	

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South

Relative Humidity (29-year record, except 1 a.m. - 28-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, 1992. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Stanton and Clay City are each governed by a mayor and six council members. The mayors serve four-year terms while the council members each serve two year terms. Powell County is governed by a county judge/executive and five magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - City of Stanton Planning and Zoning Commission
Zoning enforced - Within city only
Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city only
Local codes enforced - None
Mandatory state codes enforced - Kentucky Plumbing Code, National
Electric Code, Kentucky Boiler Regulations and Standards, Kentucky
Building Code (modeled after BOCA code)

Clay City has no planning and zoning commission at the present time.

Local Fees and Licenses

The City of Stanton levies an annual license fee for certain businesses, occupations, trades and professions within the city, which range from \$70 to \$210 per year. The City of Stanton also levies an unloading fee for trucks which ranges from \$15 to \$50 annually.

The City of Stanton levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses.

The City of Clay City levies an annual business license fee of \$75 for all businesses, trades and professions operating within the city.

Powell County levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals (\$300 maximum), and on net profits of businesses.

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	1993 State Rate	Local Taxation Permitted
Real Estate	\$0.180	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, 1993

Taxing Jurisdiction	Real Estate	Finished Goods & Tangibles	Motor Vehicles
Powell County School Districts:	N/A	N/A	\$0.2620
Powell County Cities:	0.4380	0.4380	0.2500
Clay City Stanton	0.1390 N/A	0.1390 N/A	$0.1604 \\ 0.1790$
Stanton	IV/A	N/A	0.1790

N/A: Not Available

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Powell County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1993)	2,623
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	19.1-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	41.4
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,446.37

Area Colleges and Universities

Name	Location (Miles distant)	Enrollment (Fall, 1993)
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond (42)	16,391
Lees College	Jackson (45)	624
Lexington Community College	Lexington (46)	5,046
Transylvania University	Lexington (46)	917
University of Kentucky	Lexington (45)	24,288
Morehead State University	Morehead (51)	8,899
Georgetown College	Georgetown (56)	1,383

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 (Mileage from Stanton)	Program		Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually
Central Kentucky State Vocational- Technical School	Lexington (46)	21	P/S 755	240
Montgomery County Area Vocational- Education Center	Mt. Sterling (20)	6	$\frac{\mathrm{Sec}}{320} \; \frac{\mathrm{P/S}}{78}$	56

A five-million dollar expansion was completed at Kentucky Tech-Central in the fall of 1992. The expansion includes a new manufacturing technology building that houses manufacturing related programs such as machine tool technology, computer aided drafting, electronics and industry electrical technology. A computer-integrated work cell laboratory in one room of the building links all the programs, simulating the operation of an actual manufacturing plant. Applied physics, hydraulics and quality control applications are integrated into the curriculum.

Another room in the new building can be used by business and industry for start-up and new production training.

Moving all manufacturing-related training into one building provided space for Kentucky Tech-Central to add health care programs as part of its expansion. These include medical imaging, medical assisting, bio-medical technician and laboratory technician programs.

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 simply contact a Training and Development Coordinator located on the campus of Kentucky Tech Central.

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. A Career Connections Assessment Center is located on the campus of Kentucky Tech-Central.

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. Powell County High School is currently in the first year planning stages of a tech prep program in Business, Home Economics and Architecture.

Adult Education Services

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills or earn a high school equivalency diploma. In Powell County, adult basic education is offered through the Powell County Board of Education and adult literacy programs are provided through project S.E.C.O.N.D. C.H.A.N.C.E.

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 - 3 Dentists - 2 Optometrists - 1

Hospitals

General Hospitals	Location (Mileage from Stanton)	Beds
Mary Chiles Hospital	Mt. Sterling (20)	63
Clark Regional Medical Center	Winchester (27)	100

There are six general hospitals located in Lexington, Kentucky; 46 miles northwest of Stanton.

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Powell County Health Department Red River Medical Center Hearne Funeral Home (Ambulance Service) Wells Funeral Home (Ambulance Service)

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Pioneer Federal Savings Bank (Branch) Powell County Bank

Newspapers

Clay City Times (weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell

RECREATION

Powell County offers a variety of recreation and entertainment. Both Stanton and Clay City have supervised little league programs. Recreational facilities in Stanton include: a city park which features a swimming pool, a lighted ball park, a little league ball park, two tennis courts, a multi-purpose court, a picnic area and a jogging trail. A drive-in theatre and skating rink are also located in Stanton. Recreational facilities in Clay City include: a city park featuring a baseball field, a basketball court, a playground, a lighted softball field, a pavilion, picnic facilities and a nature trail. Meadows Golf Course, a public nine-hole course; the Clay City Raceway; and the Red River Historical Museum are also located in Clay City. Beech Fork Golf Course is a nine-hole semi-public course located between Clay City and Stanton.

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

Kentucky's Red River Gorge, in the Stanton District of the Daniel Boone National Forest, is known for its rugged rock arches, palisades, deep V-shaped valleys, sand cliffs, and dense forest. It offers some of the most geologically fascinating land east of the Mississippi River.

Natural Bridge State Resort Park near Slade, 13 miles east of Stanton, 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, convention center, gift shop, ten rustic cottages, and 95 camping sites. Other facilities include a lake, a swimming pool, picnic shelters and playgrounds, hiking trails, a riding stable, a chair lift, mini-golf, and paddle boats.

Lexington, 46 miles northwest of Stanton, offers a variety of cultural, sporting, and recreational activities. Thoroughbred and harness racing is presented at Keeneland Race Course and the Red Mile Harness Track offering several meets each year. The University of Kentucky and Transylvania University provide a number of sporting events. The University of Kentucky, a perennial national power, holds basketball games at Rupp Arena. Other attractions include Lexington Philharmonic concerts, Lexington Children's Theatre, Lexington Children's Museum, and plays performed by Broadway touring companies, all held in the recently renovated Opera House. In addition, located in the heart of downtown Lexington, the historical Victorian Square offers a taste of nostalgia with its many quaint shops and restaurants.

Cave Run Lake, constructed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is located 52 miles northeast of Stanton within the Daniel Boone National Forest. The lake area offers everything for the camper, the boatsman, the hunter, the fisherman, and "the lover of leisure."