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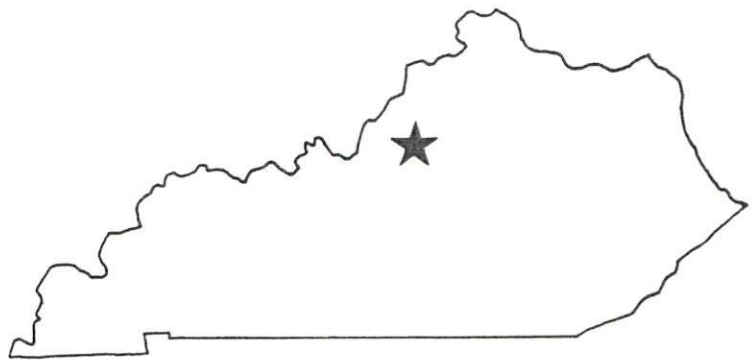
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# *Resources for Economic Development*

## Taylorsville



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RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
TAYLORSVILLE, KENTUCKY

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Spencer County Fiscal Court

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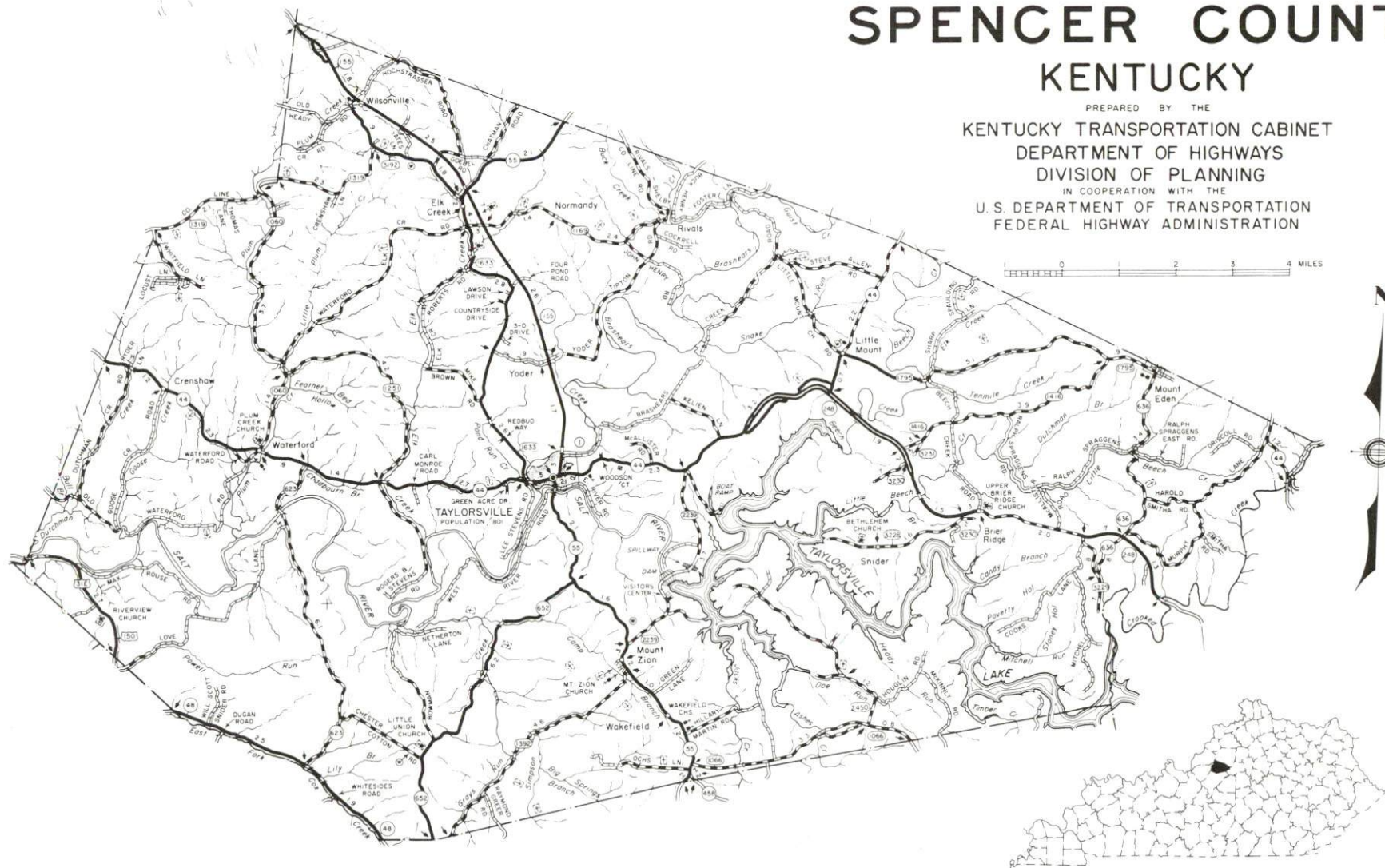
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP  
**SPENCER COUNTY**  
**KENTUCKY**

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

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## TAYLORSVILLE, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Taylorsville, the county seat of Spencer County, is located in the Blue Grass Region of north-central Kentucky, only 32 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky, and 60 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky. Taylorsville had a 1990 population of 774 persons.

Spencer County, with a rolling to hilly terrain, has a land area of 192 square miles. The county had a 1990 population of 6,801 persons. Spencer County's most conspicuous feature is Taylorsville Lake, a 3,050-acre impoundment of the Salt River. Taylorsville Lake was created by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and has been developed as a public recreation area.

**The Economic Framework** - The total number of Spencer County residents employed in 1990 averaged 3,464. In 1989, manufacturing firms in the county reported 20 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 184 jobs; 119 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 241 employees; and contract construction firms provided 26 jobs.

**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 62,462 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1990 through 1994, 58,574 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - Taylorsville is served by Kentucky Highways 44 and 55, both "AAA"-rated trucking highways. Interstate Highway 64 and the Blue Grass Parkway are both within 16 miles of Taylorsville, via Kentucky 55. Fifteen trucking companies offer interstate and/or intrastate service to Taylorsville. Taylorsville is only 20 miles southwest of rail freight lines operated by CSX Transportation and the Norfolk Southern Corporation. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Louisville's Standiford Field, 28 miles northwest of Taylorsville.

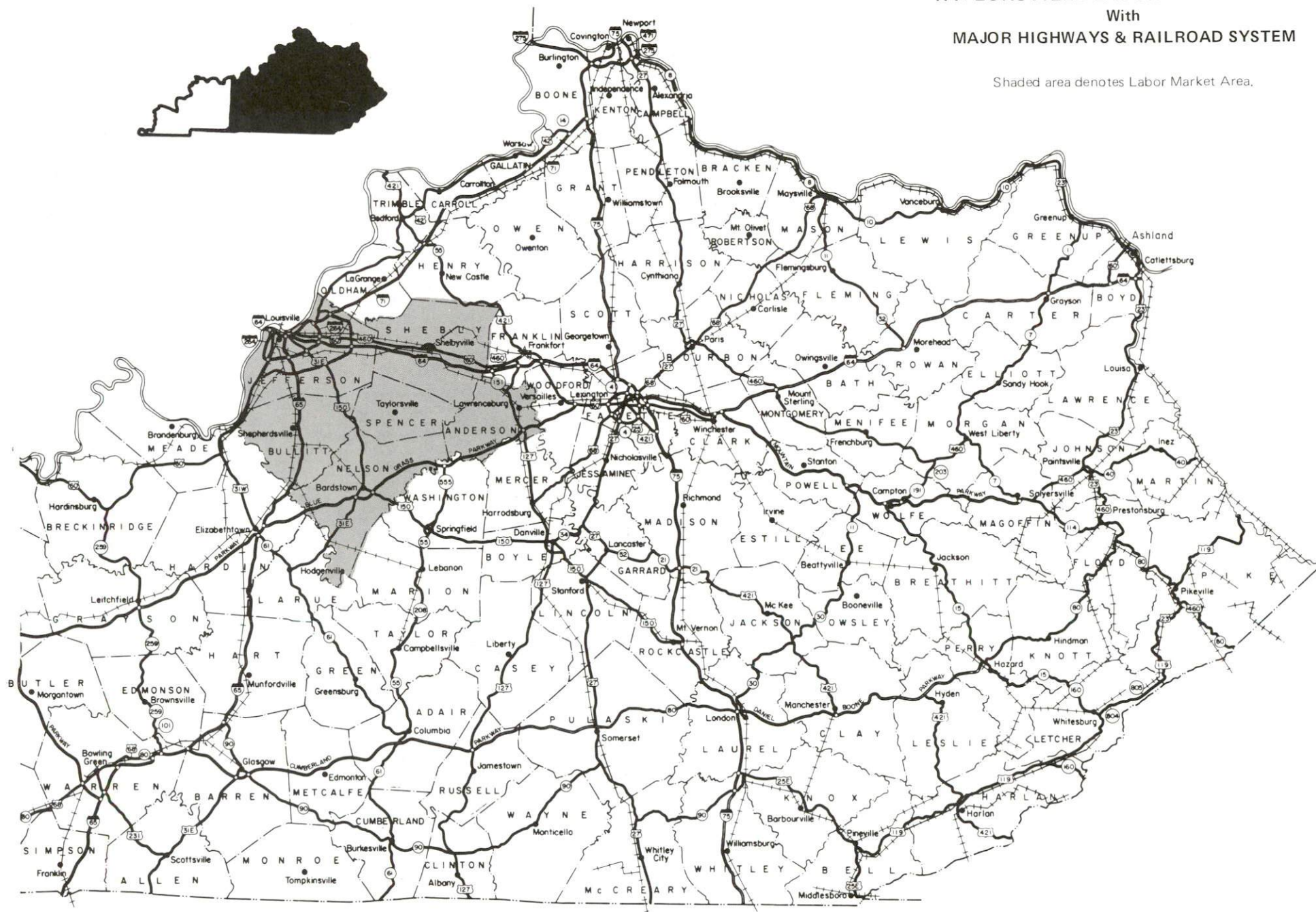
**Power and Fuel** - Kentucky Utilities Company provides electric power to Taylorsville and parts of Spencer County. Salt River Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation and Fox Creek Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation provide electric power to the remainder of Spencer County. Natural gas service is not available in Taylorsville at this time.

**Education** - The Spencer County School System provides primary and secondary public education to residents of Taylorsville and Spencer County. Six colleges and universities are located within 40 miles of Taylorsville. Vocational training is available at area vocational education centers in Shelbyville, Bardstown, Shepherdsville, and Jeffersontown, all within 26 miles of Taylorsville, or at Jefferson State Vocational-Technical School and Manpower Skill Center, 32 miles northwest of Taylorsville.



# TAYLORSVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.





## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Taylorsville Labor Market Area includes Spencer County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Anderson, Bullitt, Jefferson, Nelson, and Shelby.

### POPULATION

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	788,410	797,392	778,467
Taylorsville	774	801	897
Spencer County	6,801	5,929	5,488

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, January 1991.

### POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>2030</u>
Labor Market Area	794,150	782,110	758,610	724,050
Spencer County	7,220	7,560	7,730	7,760

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

### ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	<u>Current</u>				<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Employed Part-Time</u>	<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1990 thru 1994</u>
Labor Market Area*	62,462	24,749	34,870	2,843	58,574
Spencer County	726	181	250	295	501

\* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; Employed Part-Time - persons employed but working only 14 to 26 weeks per year; Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion that they do nationally).

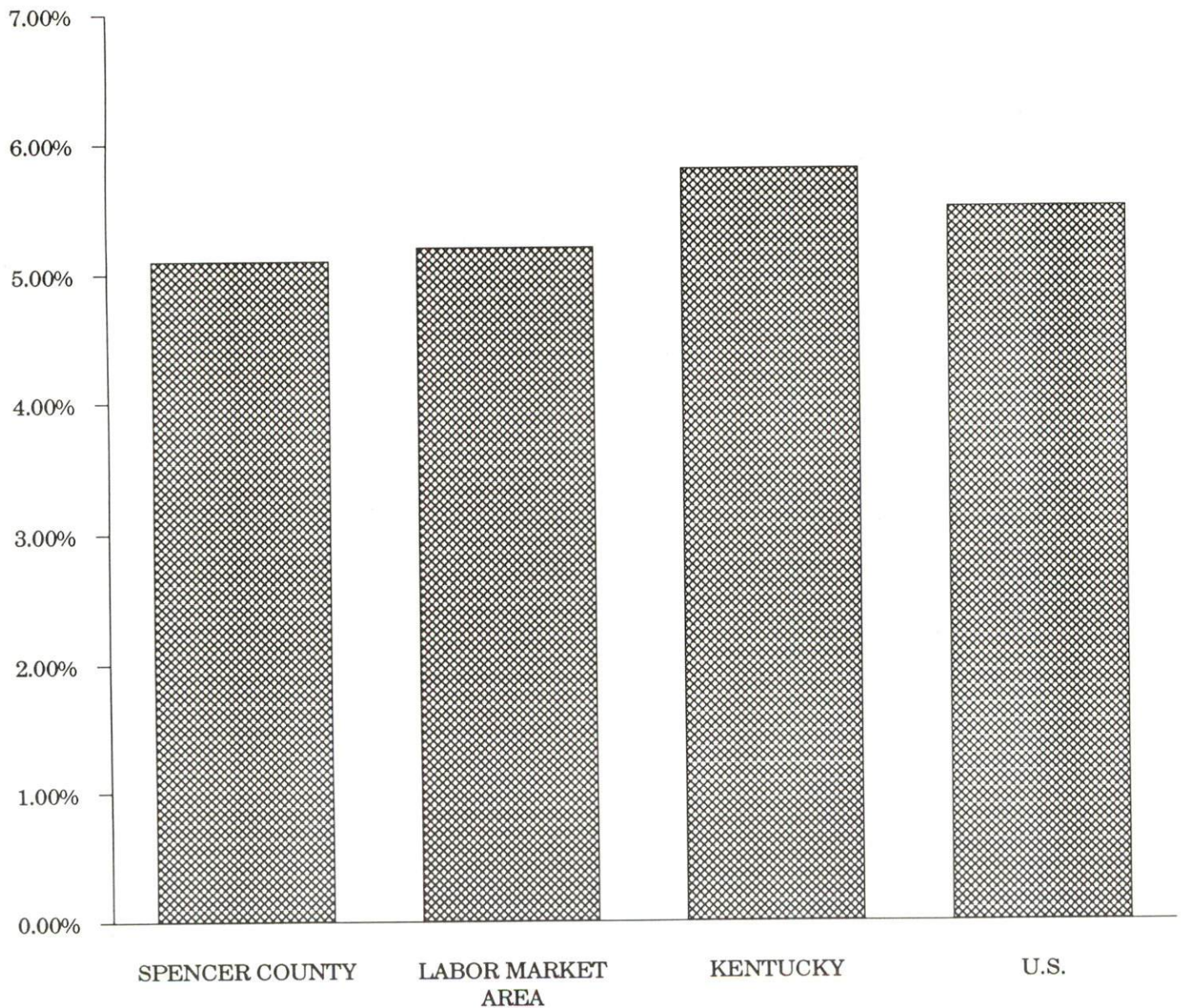
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1990 thru 1994.

# LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1990

	Spencer County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	3,651	433,562
Employment	3,464	410,935
Unemployment	187	22,627
Rate of Unemployment (%)	5.1	5.2

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1990.

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1990



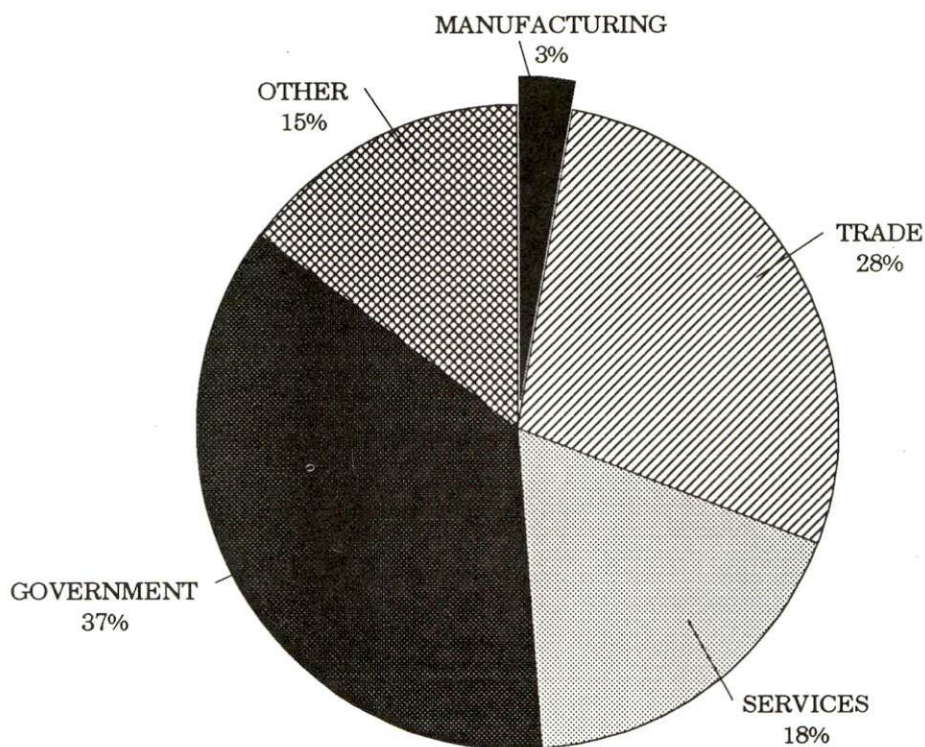


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1989

	Spencer County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	659	381,884
Manufacturing	20	79,063
Wholesale & Retail Trade	184	100,554
Services	119	96,746
State/Local Government	241	36,147
Contract Construction	26	18,475

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, 1989.

SPENCER COUNTY



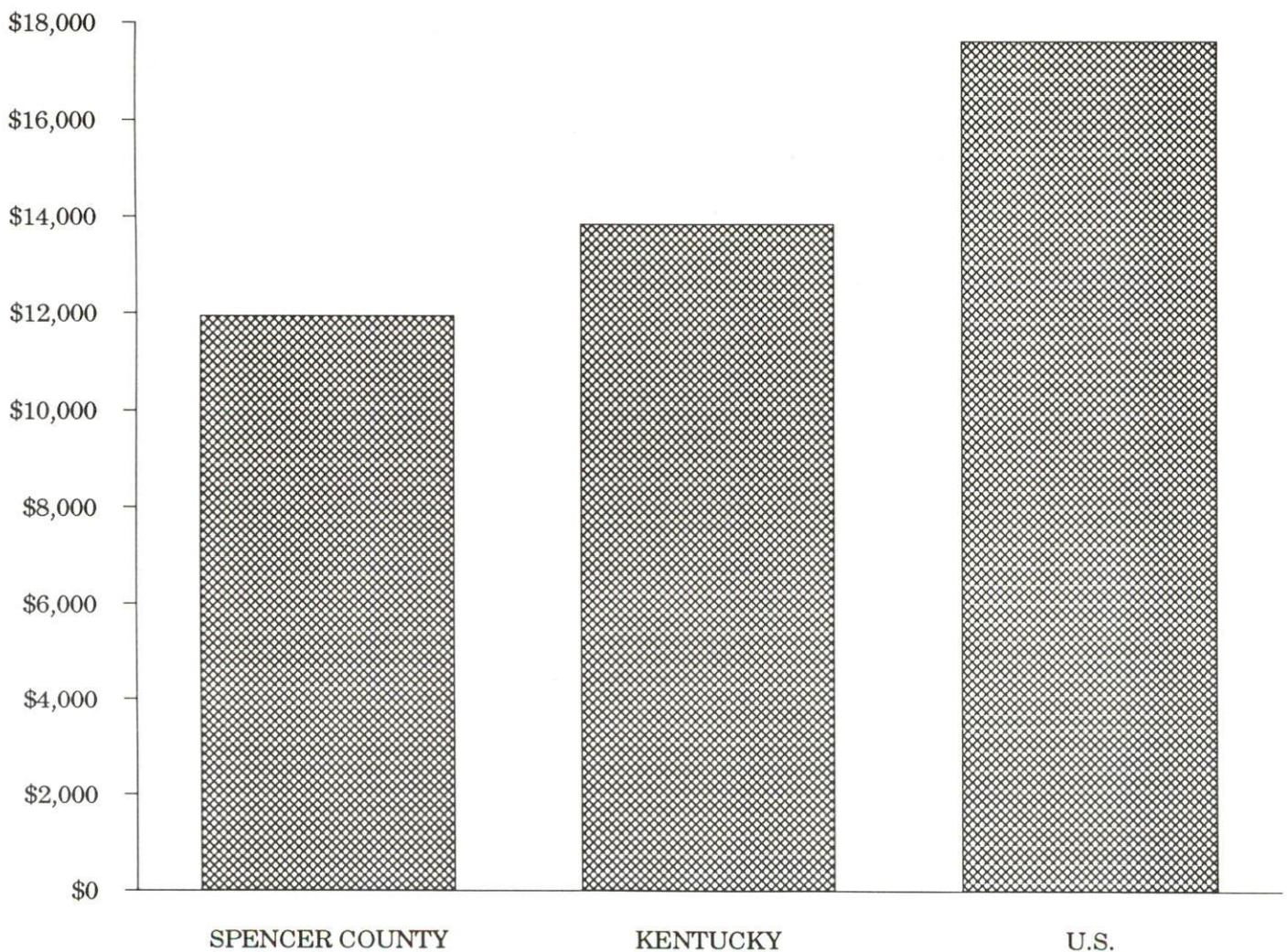


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1985	1989	Percent Change
Spencer County	\$9,098	\$11,929	31.1
Labor Market Area Range	\$9,098 - \$13,604	\$11,929 - \$17,783	-
Kentucky	\$10,755	\$13,823	28.5
U.S.	\$13,899	\$17,594	26.6

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1990.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME  
1989



## AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

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Spencer County is served by the Louisville local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Louisville local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 15,967 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

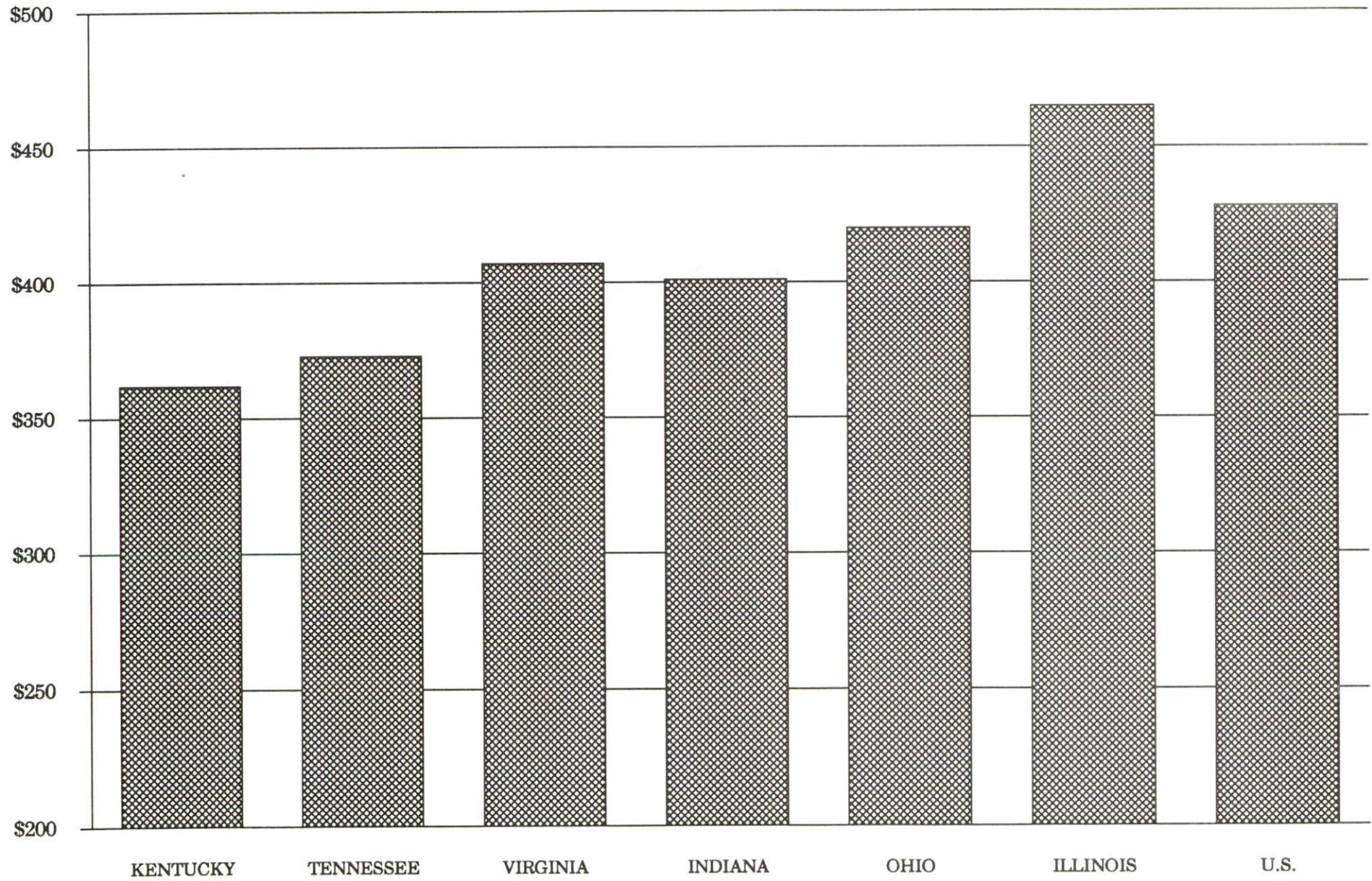
<u>OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS</u>	<u>AVERAGE WAGE(\$)</u>
All Occupations	15,967	5.24
Clerical	3,716	4.54
Sales	554	4.38
Services (excluding domestic)	1,901	3.85
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	259	4.01
Processing	808	4.97
Machine Trades	913	6.28
Bench Work	800	5.29
Structural	1,131	6.50
Motor Freight/ Transportation	408	4.36
Packaging and Materials Handling	5,079	6.00
Other	113	3.58

The Louisville local office also serves Bullitt, Henry, Jefferson, Oldham, Shelby, and Trimble 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 - 1989





AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1989\*

	Spencer County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$254.21	\$362.03	\$373.00	\$407.00
Mining & Quarrying	N/A	623.82	522.00	576.00
Contract Construction	328.14	388.21	407.00	434.00
Manufacturing	220.69	472.92	431.00	470.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	287.44	482.22	493.00	575.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	191.16	245.12	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	311.70	417.89	448.00	488.00
Services	232.72	310.29	357.00	409.00
State/Local Government	298.64	370.61	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$401.00	\$420.00	\$465.00	\$428.00
Mining & Quarrying	693.00	596.00	707.00	688.00
Contract Construction	464.00	480.00	608.00	485.00
Manufacturing	546.00	580.00	566.00	534.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	504.00	533.00	582.00	556.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	418.00	456.00	594.00	544.00
Services	328.00	360.00	419.00	399.00
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, 1989. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1989, October 1990.

## EXISTING INDUSTRY

### TAYLORSVILLE MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1990</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
B & B Screw Machine Specialists, Ltd. (1965)	Screw machine products, shafts and collars, screws	27
Glasscock Sawmill, Inc. (1966)	Rough lumber, cedar shavings and sawdust	5
Harloc Industries (1989)	Door lock sets	35
Hiteco, Inc. (1979)	Concrete ready-mix	3
The Spencer Magnet (1867)	Newspaper, job printing	3

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

### LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are no unions representing manufacturing workers in Taylorsville at this time.

# SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Taylorsville</u>
Custom Data Processing	Jeffersontown	26
	Louisville	32
Custom Plastics Producers	Mt. Washington	12
	Jeffersontown	26
Electric Motor Repair	Louisville	32
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Clermont	28
	Louisville	32
Heat Treating Facilities	Louisville	32
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Springfield	29
	Louisville	32
Industrial Gases	Louisville	32
Industrial Waste Removal	Louisville	32
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Shelbyville	20
	Springfield	29
	Louisville	32
Metal Castings	Louisville	32
Metal Finishers	Jeffersontown	26
	Louisville	32
Metal Service Centers	Louisville	32
Millwrights	Louisville	32
Public Warehouse Facilities	Louisville	32

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



## TRANSPORTATION

### Highways

Kentucky Highways 44 and 55 are both "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Taylorsville. Kentucky Highway 55 provides access to the Blue Grass Parkway, 13 miles south of Taylorsville and to Interstate 64, only 16 miles northeast of Taylorsville. Kentucky Highway 44 provides access to Interstate 65, only 22 miles west of Taylorsville.

### Improvements:

Construction of a by-pass connecting Kentucky 55 to Kentucky 248 is underway. This \$10,600,000 project is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 1992.

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

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	417	Los Angeles, CA	2,100
Baltimore, MD	594	Louisville, KY	32
Birmingham, AL	366	Nashville, TN	178
Chicago, IL	319	New Orleans, LA	698
Cincinnati, OH	133	New York, NY	750
Cleveland, OH	380	Pittsburgh, PA	401
Detroit, MI	388	St. Louis, MO	290
Knoxville, TN	230		

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

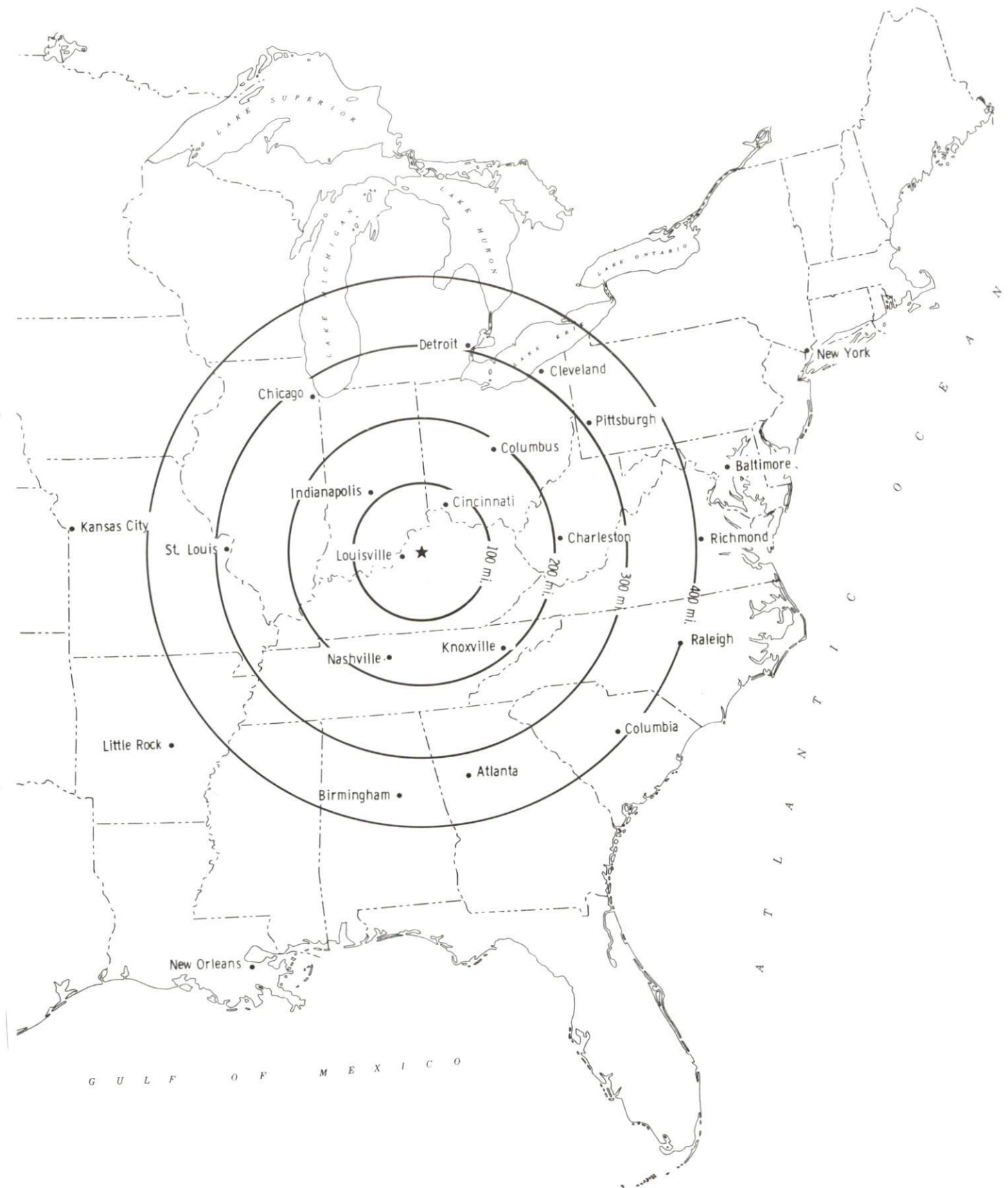
Sources: Rand McNally Deluxe Motor Carriers' Road Atlas, 1989. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.

### Truck Service

Fifteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Taylorsville.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1991.

## Selected Market Centers



## Rail

Taylorsville is not directly served by rail lines. Main line rail service is available at Shelbyville, 20 miles northeast of Taylorsville. Lines serving Shelbyville are CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern Corporation. The nearest piggyback facilities are located at Louisville, 32 miles northwest of Taylorsville.

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

and/or

District Sales Manager  
Norfolk Southern Corporation  
1402 South 15th Street  
Louisville, Kentucky 40210  
(502) 636-6023

## Air

### Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Standiford Field 4 miles southeast of center of Louisville, Kentucky; 28 miles northwest of Taylorsville
Air Service:	Air Toronto, Delta, Northwest, American, Continental, TWA, United, USAir, ComAir, Midway,
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	172



## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Company serving **Taylorsville and parts of Spencer County** - Kentucky  
Utilities Company

Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company

For industrial rates contact:

Industrial Development Department  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
One Quality Street  
Lexington, Kentucky 40507  
(606) 255-1461

Company serving **remainder of Spencer County** - Salt River Rural Electric  
Cooperative Corporation (major portion of the county); Fox  
Creek Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation (extreme eastern  
portion of the county)

Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

For industrial rates contact:

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

and/or

Salt River Rural Electric  
Cooperative Corporation  
111 West Brasher Avenue  
Bardstown, Kentucky 40004  
(502) 348-3931

and/or

Fox Creek Rural Electric Cooperative  
Corporation  
P.O. Box 150  
Lawrenceburg, Kentucky 40342  
(502) 839-3442

### Natural Gas

Natural gas service is not available in Taylorsville at this time.

## Public Water Supply

Company serving Taylorsville -

City of Taylorsville Utilities  
P.O. Box 279  
Taylorsville, Kentucky 40071  
(502) 477-3235

Source -

Salt River

Treatment plant capacity -

750,000 gallons per day

Source of treated water -

Louisville Water Company

Maximum amount available -

504,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption -

578,077 gallons

Peak daily consumption -

663,870 gallons

Storage capacity -

650,000 gallons

Water pressure -

40 psi to 80 psi

## Sewerage

Company serving Taylorsville -

City of Taylorsville Utilities  
P.O. Box 279  
Taylorsville, Kentucky 40071  
(502) 477-3235

Design capacity -

111,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow -

At capacity

Type of treatment -

Secondary

Treated effluent discharged into -

Salt River

## CLIMATE

### Spencer County

#### Temperature

Normal (29-year record)	54.90 degrees
Average annual 1989	54.20 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (45-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (45-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (29-year record)	4,814
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

#### Precipitation

Normal (29-year record)	45.68 inches
Mean annual snowfall (45-year record)	16.10 inches
Total precipitation 1989	53.16 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (45-year record)	129.50
Mean number days thunderstorms (45-year record)	45.30

#### Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South

#### Relative Humidity (26-year record, except 1 a.m. - 25-year record)

1 a.m.	77 percent
7 a.m.	81 percent
1 p.m.	60 percent
7 p.m.	64 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1989. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.



## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Structure

Taylorsville is served by a mayor and four commissioners. Spencer County is governed by a county judge/executive and six magistrates.

### Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Taylorsville-Spencer County Joint Planning and Zoning Commission

Participating cities - Taylorsville

Zoning enforced - All areas

Subdivision regulations enforced - All areas

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 Taylorsville levies annual regulatory business license fee ranging from \$50 to \$150. The city also levies an annual unloading license fee of \$50 and an annual \$10 auto sticker fee.

## PROPERTY TAXES

The Kentucky Constitution requires the state to tax all classes of taxable property, and state statutes allow local jurisdictions to tax only a few classes. All locally taxed property is subject to county taxes and school district taxes (either a county school district or an independent school district). Property located inside of city limits may also be subject to city property taxes.

Special local taxing jurisdictions (fire protection districts, watershed districts, and sanitation districts) levy taxes within their operating areas (usually a small portion of community or county).

Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. A 15% reduction is automatically granted for accounts receivable.

### STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1990 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.189	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, 1990

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods &amp; Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Spencer County	\$0.1932	\$0.2083	\$0.2072
School Districts:			
Spencer County	0.4670	0.4670	0.2990
Cities:			
Taylorsville	0.1760	0.1760	0.1850

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

#### Spencer County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1990)	1,373
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1989-90)	17.7-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1989-90)	42.5
Expenditures Per Pupil (1989-90)	\$2,644.94

### Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1990)</u>
Bellarmino College	Louisville, Kentucky (32)	3,907
Jefferson Community College	Louisville, Kentucky (32)	10,240
Spalding University	Louisville, Kentucky (32)	1,028
University of Louisville	Louisville, Kentucky (32)	23,610
Saint Catharine College	Springfield, Kentucky (29)	257
Indiana University Southeast	New Albany, Indiana (36)	5,642



## Vocational Training

Vocational training is available at both the state vocational-technical schools and the area vocational education centers. The state vocational-technical schools are post-secondary institutions. The area vocational education centers are designed to supplement the curriculum of high school students. Both the state vocational-technical schools and the area vocational education centers offer evening courses to enable working adults to upgrade current job skills.

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

### 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 the primary 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.

<u>Vocational School</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1989-1990</u>
Jefferson State Vocational-Technical School and Manpower Skill Center	Louisville (32)	1,225
Shelby County Area Vocational Education Center	Shelbyville (20)	347
Bullitt County Area Vocational Education Center	Shepherdsville (23)	220
Nelson County Area Vocational Education Center	Bardstown (23)	188
Jeffersontown Area Vocational Education Center	Jeffersontown (26)	390

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 2  
Dentists - 3

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
United Medical Center	Shelbyville, 20 miles distant	76

Medical staff - 28 physicians, 50 registered nurses, 12 licensed  
practical nurses

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Spencer County Ambulance Service  
Spencer County Rural Health Clinic  
Spencer County Health Department

### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

The Peoples Bank

### Newspapers

The Spencer Magnet  
The Arcadian (monthly)

### Telephone Service

South Central Bell

## RECREATION

### Local

A variety of public and private recreational facilities are available in the Taylorsville area. Facilities located at Taylorsville include a city park with playground equipment and a picnic site. The Spencer County Park features three ball fields, four tennis courts, a soccer field, a running track, a concession stand, and restrooms.

Privately managed recreational facilities include an 18-hole golf course, with a clubhouse and pro shop; and a campground for recreational vehicles.

Spencer County's most popular tourist attraction is the 3,050-acre Taylorsville Lake, created by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the Salt River basin. The Corps of Engineers operates a visitors center overlooking the dam. Four boat ramps, and a marina on the lake offer easy access for boating and fishing. Over 10,000 acres of surrounding lakeside property are devoted to wildlife preservation and recreational uses.

Annual events in the Taylorsville area include the Spencer County Fair, held at the Fairgrounds each July, featuring truck and horse pulls, exhibits, shows, and entertainment. The Spencer County Homecoming is held the first weekend in October, and includes a parade, contests, canoe and kayak races, flea markets, and concessions.

### Area (Within 45 miles)

Bernheim Forest  
E.P. (Tom) Sawyer State Park  
Lincoln Homestead State Park  
My Old Kentucky Home State Park