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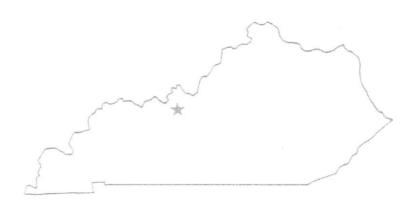
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# Resources for Economic Development

## Breckinridge County



KENTUCKY

## RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ${\tt BRECKINRIDGE\ COUNTY,\ KENTUCKY}$

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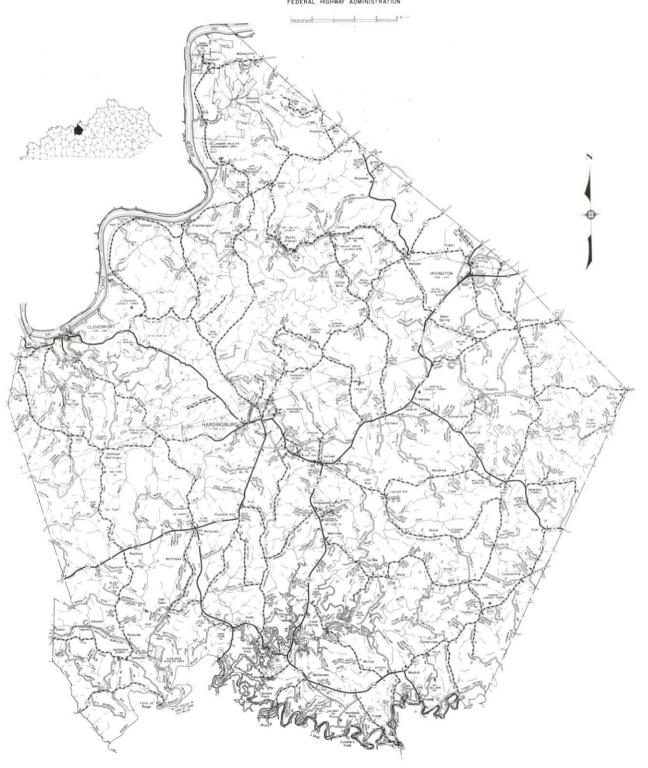
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## BRECKINRIDGE COUNTY

KENTUCKY

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#### BRECKINRIDGE COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Breckinridge County is situated in the northwestern section of central Kentucky's Mississippian Plateaus Region, and covers a land area of 572 square miles. The Ohio River, a major commercial waterway, forms the northwestern border of the county.

Breckinridge County, which had a 1990 population of 16,312 persons, contains three principal cities; Hardinsburg, Cloverport, and Irvington. Hardinsburg, the county seat, had a 1990 population of 1,906 persons. Cloverport, located 12 miles northwest of Hardinsburg, had a 1990 population of 1,207. Irvington is 18 miles northeast of Hardinsburg and had a 1990 population of 1,180 persons.

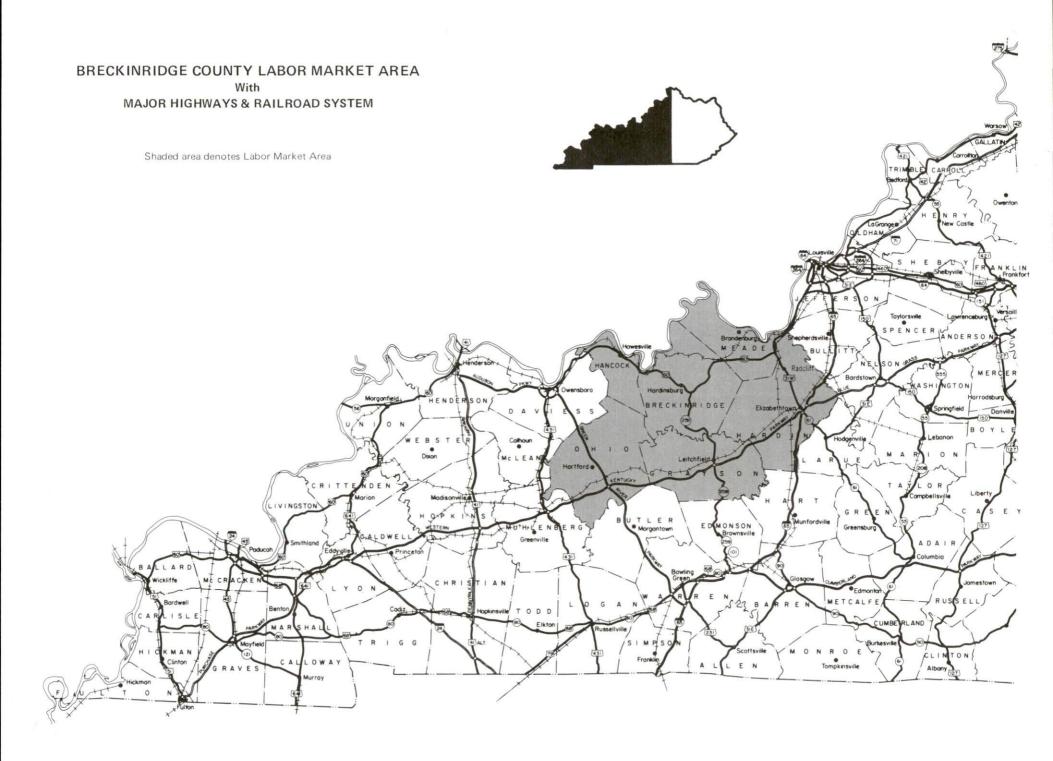
The Economic Framework - The total number of Breckinridge County residents employed in 1991 averaged 6,463. In 1990, manufacturing firms in the county reported 177 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 744 jobs; 369 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 561 employees; and contract construction firms provided 190 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 27,402 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1992 through 1996, 13,818 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - Principal highways serving Breckinridge County are U.S. Highway 60 and Kentucky Highway 79. The Western Kentucky Parkway is 31 miles south of Hardinsburg via Kentucky 79 and 259. Interstate 65 is accessible 43 miles southeast of Hardinsburg via U.S. 60, Kentucky 62 and 86. Sixteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Breckinridge County. CSX Transportation provides rail service to Cloverport and Irvington. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Standiford Field, 66 miles northeast of Hardinsburg. The Breckinridge County Airport, in Hardinsburg, maintains a 3,700-foot paved runway and the airport at Rough River Dam State Resort Park maintains a 2,500-foot runway. The Ohio River forms the north-northwestern boundary of Breckinridge County, where a nine-foot navigation channel is maintained. Hardinsburg is located 46 miles east of Owensboro, Kentucky, where a riverport is maintained.

Power and Fuel - Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, whose source of power is Big Rivers Electric Corporation, provides electric power to Breckinridge County. Western Kentucky Gas Company provides natural gas service to Hardinsburg and Cloverport, and Valley Gas, Inc., provides natural gas service to Irvington. The source of supply for both companies is Texas Gas Transmission Corporation.

Education - The Cloverport Independent School System provides primary and secondary public education to Cloverport. The Breckinridge County School System serves the remainder of the county. One private school also operates in Hardinsburg. In addition, there are eight institutions of higher learning within 70 miles of Hardinsburg. Vocational training facilities are available in Elizabethtown, Owensboro, and Harned, Kentucky, all within 50 miles of Hardinsburg.



#### LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Breckinridge County Labor Market Area includes Breckinridge County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Grayson, Hancock, Hardin, Meade and Ohio.

#### **POPULATION**

1990	1980	1970
179,741	178,987	154,321
1,906	2,211	1,547
1,207	1,585	1,388
1,180	1,409	1,300
16,312	16,861	14,789
	179,741 1,906 1,207 1,180	179,741 178,987 1,906 2,211 1,207 1,585 1,180 1,409

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

#### POPULATION PROJECTIONS

7	1995	2000	2010	2020
Labor Market Area Breckinridge County	182,317 15,991	183,961 15,589	186,007 14,773	185,722 13,933

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

#### ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

		Curr	ent		Future
	Total	Unemployed	Employed Part-Time	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1992 thru 1996
Labor Market Area* Breckinridge	27,402	4,939	8,861	13,602	13,818
County	2,924	561	872	1,491	1,280

<sup>\*</sup> 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).

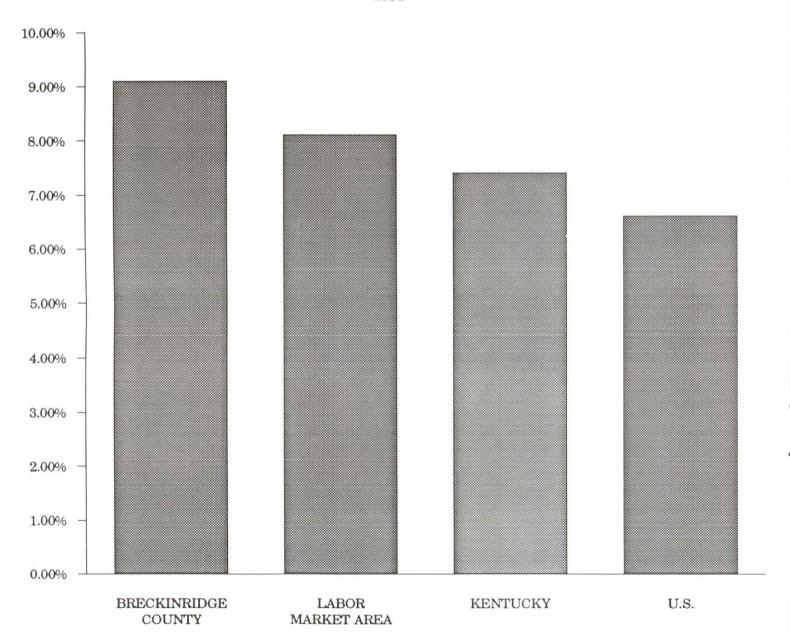
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County</u>, 1989. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, <u>Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age</u>, 1992 thru 1996.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1991

Breckinridge County	Labor Market Area
7,110	69,868
6,463	64,167
647	5,701
9.1	8.1
	7,110 6,463 647

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor Force</u> Estimates, Annual Averages, 1991.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1991

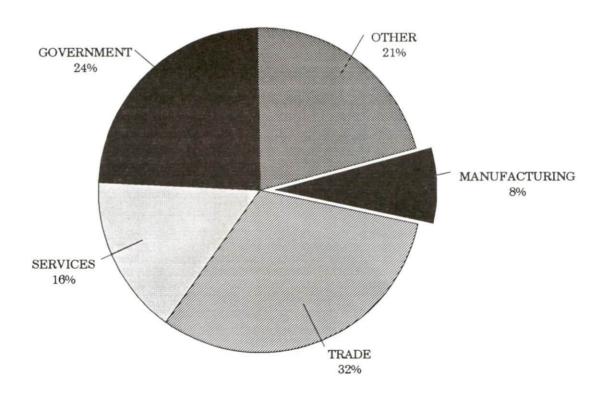


## SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK, 1990

	Breckinridge County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	2,339	44,465
Manufacturing	177	11,923
Wholesale & Retail Trade	744	11,468
Services	369	6,567
State/Local Government	561	7,682
Contract Construction	190	2,038

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, 1990.

#### BRECKINRIDGE COUNTY

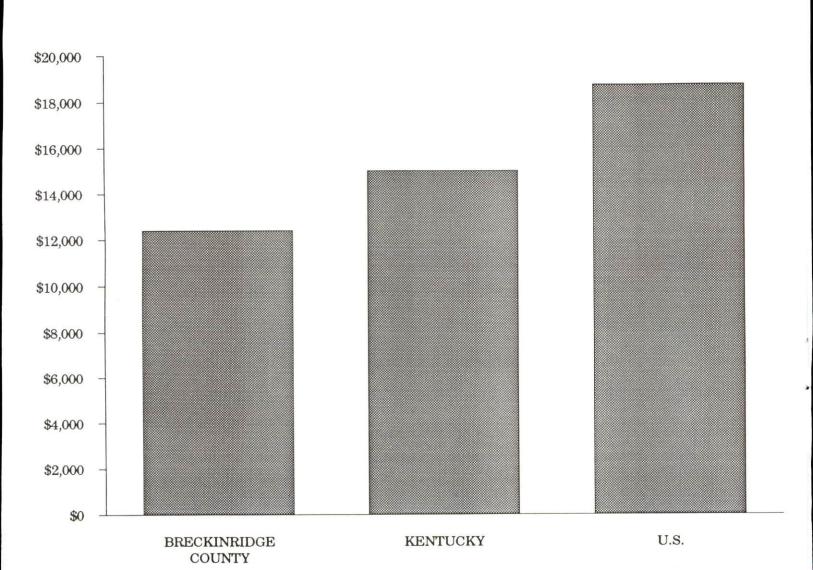


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1986	1990	Percent Change
Breckinridge County	\$9,205	\$12,384	34.5
Labor Market Area Range	\$8,297 - \$11,710	\$10,824 - \$14,569	-
Kentucky	\$11,273	\$14,992	33.0
U.S.	\$14,654	\$18,696	27.6

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1992.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME 1990



#### AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

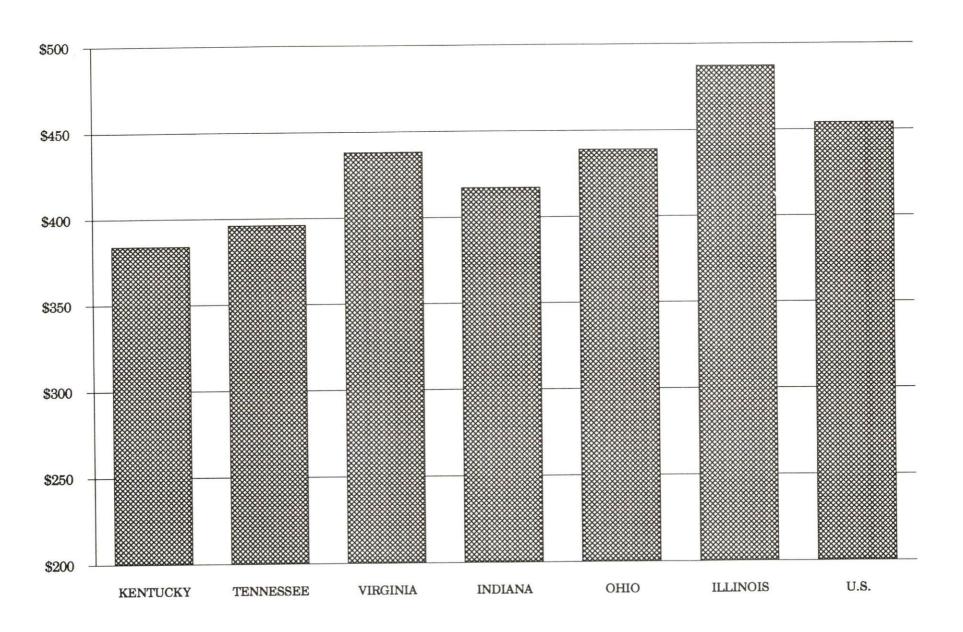
Breckinridge County is served by the Elizabethtown local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Elizabethtown local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1990, the local employment office filled 3,805 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS	AVERAGE WAGE(\$)
All Occupations	3,805	4.99
Clerical	1,126	4.17
Sales	161	4.32
Services (excluding domestic)	691	4.90
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	34	3.82
Processing	115	6.67
Machine Trades	422	5.75
Bench Work	540	5.31
Structural	310	5.98
Motor Freight/ Transportation	90	6.20
Packaging and Materials Handling	197	5.07
Other	5	6.62

The Elizabethtown local office also serves Grayson, Hardin, Larue, and Meade 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 - 1990



#### AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY BY PLACE OF WORK, 1990\*

	Breckinridge County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
		11140)	Tellitessee	virgilita
All Industries	\$260.09	\$379.97	\$396.00	\$438.00
Mining & Quarrying	282.53	654.24	535.00	635.00
Contract Construction	260.32	401.70	421.00	444.00
Manufacturing	227.96	496.95	449.00	487.00
Transportation,				101100
Communications &				
Public Utilities	431.83	500.70	523.00	575.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	194.44	255.93	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	332.09	434.93	469.00	508.00
Services	202.01	329.76	378.00	430.00
State/Local Government	357.33	392.28	N/A	N/A
	Indiana	Ohio	Illinois	U.S.
All Industries	\$417.00	\$439.00	\$487.00	\$454.00
Mining & Quarrying	746.00	619.00	747.00	714.00
Contract Construction	475.00	504.00	624.00	503.00
Manufacturing	561.00	595.00	590.00	555.00
Transportation,				
Communications &				
Public Utilities	519.00	553.00	610.00	578.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	442.00	478.00	619.00	571.00
Services	349.00	382.00	444.00	423.00
State/Local Government	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

<sup>\*</sup> 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, 1990. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1990, November 1991.

#### EXISTING INDUSTRY

## BRECKINRIDGE COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Firm		1991
(Establishment date)	Product	Average Employment
Hardinsburg		
C		
Eleanor Beard, Inc. (1920)	Ladies robes, hand quilted spreads, comforters	50
Breckinridge County Ready Mix Company (1974)	Ready-mixed concrete, pre- products	ecast 6
Cloverport Mill, Division of Jasper American Manufacturing (1972)	Lumber	13
The Galante Studio, Inc. (1929)	Fabric and vinyl diaper bags, comforts, bedsprea pillows	55 ads,
Herald News Publishing Company, Inc. (1917)	Newspaper	8
Office Products Specialty, Inc. (1988)	Paper pads, notebooks, file	23
White Stone Company (1958)	Crushed limestone	15
Irvington		
Community Milling	Feed	1
Company (1919) The Kentucky Stone Company (1936)	Crushed limestone, aglime	19
Westview		
K.B. Niles Lumber (1965)	Rough lumber, wood barns sheds	and 1

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

#### LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are currently no labor organizations representing workers in manufacturing firms in Breckinridge County.

#### SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

Types of Services	Location	Mileage from Hardinsburg
Custom Data Processing	Elizabethtown	42
Custom Plastics Producers	Owensboro	46
Electric Motor Repair	Leitchfield	30
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Owensboro	46
Heat Treating Facilities	Louisville	66
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Owensboro	46
Industrial Gases	Elizabethtown	42
Industrial Waste Removal	Elizabethtown	42
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Falls of Rough Leitchfield	20 30
Metal Castings	McHenry	45
Metal Finishers	Hartford Elizabethtown	39 42
Metal Service Centers	Owensboro	46
Millwrights	Radcliff Owensboro	44 46
Public Warehouse Facilities	Elizabethtown	42

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

#### TRANSPORTATION

#### Highways

The principal route serving Breckinridge County is U.S. Highway 60, a "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. U.S. 60 connects Hardinsburg, Cloverport and Irvington. Other routes serving the county are Kentucky Highways 79, 86, 105, 144, 259 and 261.

The Western Kentucky Parkway is 31 miles south of Hardinsburg via Kentucky 79 and 259, or 42 miles southeast of Hardinsburg via U.S. 60, Kentucky 86, and U.S. 62. Kentucky Highways 79, 86 and 259 are "AA"-rated (60,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways between Hardinsburg and the Western Kentucky Parkway.

Interstate 65, a major north-south corridor, is accessible 43 miles southeast of Hardinsburg via U.S. 60, U.S. 62, and Kentucky 86.

Interstate 64 is accessible 50 miles north of Hardinsburg via U.S. 60 and Indiana Route 37, and also 34 miles north of Irvington via Kentucky Route 79 and Indiana Route 135.

The Green River Parkway, a multi-lane toll road, is 37 miles southwest of Hardinsburg via "AA"-rated Kentucky 261 and "AAA"-rated Kentucky 69.

Kentucky Route 60 is being widened to four lanes from Owensboro to Hardinsburg. The last section is under construction and is expected to be completed by 1996.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM HARDINSBURG, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	389	Los Angeles, CA	2,077
Baltimore, MD	666	Louisville, KY	66
Birmingham, AL	329	Nashville, TN	146
Chicago, IL	353	New Orleans, LA	668
Cincinnati, OH	167	New York, NY	826
Cleveland, OH	414	Pittsburgh, PA	454
Detroit, MI	427	St. Louis, MO	250
Knoxville, TN	257	SERVICE AND TO THE REAL LEW	

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

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

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1992.

#### Selected Market Centers



#### Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Cloverport and Irvington. CSX Transportation also provides the nearest intermodal facilities at Owensboro, 47 miles west of Hardinsburg.

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

Breckinridge County Airport 1 mile east of Hardinsburg

Location: Runways:

1 paved

Length:

3,500 feet

Traffic

Control:

Wind sock

Lighting:

Sunset to sunrise, rotating beacon

Services:

Tie-downs

Falls of Rough

Location:

Rough River Dam State Resort Park 1 paved

Runways: Length:

2,500 feet

Traffic

Control:

Wind sock

Lighting:

Dusk to dawn, VASI

Services:

100LL, tie downs

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Standiford Field

Location:

4 miles southeast of center of Louisville, Kentucky;

66 miles northeast of Hardinsburg

Air Service:

Air Toronto, Delta, Northwest, American,

Continental, TWA, United, USAir, ComAir,

Midway,

Daily Arrivals

& Departures:

172

#### Water

The Ohio River forms the north-northwestern boundary of Breckinridge County. Hardinsburg is located 46 miles east of Owensboro, Kentucky, where a riverport is maintained. The Owensboro Riverport Authority operates the riverport facility on a 50-acre site at Ohio River Mile 759.

<sup>\*</sup> Commuter air carrier service is provided by American Eagle and Northwest Air Link at the Owensboro-Daviess County Airport which is located 3 1/2 miles west-south-west of Owensboro, Kentucky; 49 miles west of Hardinsburg.

#### UTILITIES

#### Electricity

Company serving Breckinridge County - Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation Source of power - Big Rivers Electric Corporation For industrial rates contact:

> Manager of Economic Development Big River Electric Corporation P.O. Box 24 Henderson, Kentucky 42420 (502) 827-2561

> > and/or

Meade County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation P.O. Box 489 Brandenburg, Kentucky 40108 (502) 422-2162 Fax #(502) 422-4705

#### Natural Gas

Company serving Hardinsburg and Cloverport - Western Kentucky Gas Company Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation For rates and supplies contact:

> Western Kentucky Gas Company P.O. Box 866 Owensboro, Kentucky 42302 (502) 685-8067

Company serving Irvington - Valley Gas, Inc. Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation For rates and supplies contact:

> Valley Gas, Inc. P.O. Box 218 Irvington, Kentucky 40146 (502) 547-2455

#### Public Water Supply

Company serving Hardinsburg -

City of Hardinsburg

P.O. Box 753

Hardinsburg, Kentucky 40143 (502) 756-2213 Fax #(502) 756-5444

Source -

Treatment plant capacity -Average daily consumption -

Peak daily consumption -Storage capacity -Water pressure -

Rough River Reservoir 1,000,000 gallons per day

700,000 gallons 900,000 gallons 650,000 gallons 30 psi to 130 psi

The City of Hardinsburg is expanding its water treatment plant to 1.6 million gallons per day. Also included in this project is a new booster pumping station and transmission line from the water treatment plant to the new pump station. Total cost of this project is \$1.5 million and is scheduled for completion in December 1993.

Company serving Cloverport -

Cloverport Water Treatment Plant

227 West Main

Cloverport, Kentucky 40111

(502) 788-6487

Source - 2 deep wells; each has a pumping capacity of 300 gpm

Treatment plant capacity -

Average daily consumption -Peak daily consumption -

Storage capacity -Water pressure -

350,000 gallons per day

170,000 gallons 295,000 gallons 370,000 gallons

78 psi to 94 psi

Company serving Irvington -

Irvington Distribution Center

P.O. Box 374

Irvington, Kentucky 40146

(502) 547-3113

Source of supply of treated water - City of Hardinsburg

Maximum amount available -

200,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption -Peak daily consumption -

Storage capacity -Water pressure -

104,000 gallons

125,000 gallons 200,000 gallons 64 psi to 72 psi

#### Raw Water

Surface water sources - Ohio River, Rough River, Rough River Lake, Tules Creek, Hardins Creek, Sinking Creek, Clover Creek and its Beech and Tar Forks

Average discharge - Ohio River at Louisville, Kentucky - 115,900 cfs (64 years, USGS); Rough River at Rough River Dam, near Falls of Rough, Kentucky - 772 cfs (43 years USGS, unadjusted)

Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm along the Ohio River: 50 to 200 gpm along a narrow strip from southwest to northeast Breckinridge County; 5 to 50 gpm at eastern and southwestern boundaries of the county; 5 gpm or less in the remainder of the county

#### Sewerage

Company serving Hardinsburg -City of Hardinsburg

P.O. Box 753

Hardinsburg, Kentucky 40143 (502) 756-2213 Fax #(502) 756-5444

Design capacity -Average daily flow - 750,000 gallons per day

250,000 gallons

Type of treatment -

Primary

Treated effluent discharged into - Hardin Creek

Company serving Cloverport -

Cloverport Sewage Treatment Plant

227 West Main

Cloverport, Kentucky 40111

(502) 788-6487

Design capacity -

200,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow -

144,000 gallons

Type of treatment -

Primary and secondary

Treated effluent discharged into - Ohio River

Company serving Irvington -

Irvington Wastewater Plant

P.O. Box 374

Irvington, Kentucky 40146

(502) 547-3113

Design capacity -

154,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow -

66,000 gallons

Type of treatment -

Tertiary

Treated effluent discharged into - Sinkholes

#### CLIMATE

#### Breckinridge County

#### Temperature

Normal (29-year record)	55.70	degrees
Average annual 1990	57.90	degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (50-year record)	105.00	degrees
Record lowest, February 1951 (50-year record)	-23.00	degrees
Normal heating degree days (29-year record)	4,729	-
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of		
negative departures of average daily		
temperatures from 65 degrees F.)		

#### Precipitation

Normal (29-year record)	41.55	inches
Mean annual snowfall (30-year record)	13.80	inches
Total precipitation 1990	52.52	inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more)		
(50-year record)	115.30	
Mean number days thunderstorms (50-year record)	45.10	

#### Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South-Southwest

#### Relative Humidity (29-year record)

Ŋ	Midnight	79	percent
6	Sa.m.	81	percent
I	Voon	59	percent
6	p.m.	62	percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1990. Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### Structure

In Hardinsburg, Cloverport and Irvington, each city elects a mayor to serve a four-year term and six council members to serve two-year terms.

Breckinridge County is served by a county judge/executive and six magistrates. Each holds a four-year term.

#### Planning and Zoning

City agency - Hardinsburg Planning and Zoning Commission
Zoning enforced - Within the city of Hardinsburg
Subdivision regulations enforced - Within the city of Hardinsburg
Local codes enforced - Building
Mandatory state codes enforced - Kentucky Plumbing Code, National
Electric Code, Kentucky Boiler Regulations and Standards, Kentucky
Building Code (modeled after BOCA code)

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

City agency - Irvington Planning and Zoning Commission
Zoning enforced - Within the city of Irvington
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 Hardinsburg levies license fees on various types of businesses ranging from \$25 to \$100. In addition, a fee of \$13 is charged for automobile stickers. The City of Cloverport also requires several types of businesses to pay a license fee ranging from \$5 to \$30 annually; and a \$10 annual fee is charged for automobile stickers. The City of Irvington charges businesses \$15 annually for a license fee; and \$10 annually for both an automobile sticker and unloading license.

#### 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

Selected Classes of Property	1991 State Rate	Local Taxation Permitted
Real Estate	\$0.187	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, 1991

Taxing Jurisdiction	Real Estate	Finished Goods & Tangibles	Motor <u>Vehicles</u>
Breckinridge County	\$0.1720	\$0.1910	\$0.1910
School Districts:			0.5450
Breckinridge County	0.3230	0.3230	0.5470
Cloverport Independent	0.4100	0.4100	0.5580
Cities:			
Cloverport	0.3300	0.3300	0.3330
Hardinsburg	0.3100	0.3100	0.2800
Irvington	0.3200	0.3170	0.3200

#### **EDUCATION**

#### Public Schools

	Cloverport Independent	Breckinridge County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1991)	345	2,662
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1990-91)	15.3-1	17.8-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1990-91)	29.4	41.1
Expenditures Per Pupil (1990-91)	\$3,314.94	\$3,241.97
Nonpublic Schools		
School	Enrollment	Grades

185

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#### Area Colleges and Universities

St. Romuald Elementary

Name	Location (Miles distant)	Enrollment (Fall, 1991)
Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown (42)	3,988
Brescia College	Owensboro (46)	840
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro (46)	749
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro (46)	2,587
Bellarmine College	Louisville (66)	3,569
Jefferson Community College	Louisville (66)	10,969
Spalding University	Louisville (66)	1,117
University of Louisville	Louisville (66)	23,575

#### **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.

Vocational School	Location (Mileage from Hardinsburg)	Cumulative Enrollment 1990-1991
Elizabethtown State Vocational- Technical School	Elizabethtown (42)	626
Daviess County State Vocational- Technical School	Owensboro (46)	398
Owensboro State Vocational- Technical School	Owensboro (46)	446
*Breckinridge County Area Vocational Education Center	Harned (4)	311

\*The Breckinridge County Area Vocational Education Center has won many state and national awards. The vocational school has one of the best high school machine shop programs in Kentucky, featuring the latest computerized tool and die equipment. The vocational school boast a 82% or better job placement for students graduating.

#### OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

#### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 11 Dentists - 4

#### Hospitals

General Hospital	Location	Beds
Breckinridge Memorial Hospital	Hardinsburg	45

Medical staff - 6 physicians, 14 registered nurses; 7 licensed practical nurses

#### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Lincoln Trail District Home Health Agency Breckinridge Manor Personal Care Home Breckinridge County Health Center Trent-Dowell Funeral Home Ambulance Service Hardinsburg Rescue Squad

#### Banks and Savings and Loan Associations

Breckinridge Bank of Cloverport The Farmers Bank First State Bank First Federal Savings & Loan Association (Hardinsburg)

#### Newspapers

Breckinridge County Herald News (weekly)

#### Telephone Service

South Central Bell Telephone Company Brandenburg Telephone Company

#### RECREATION

#### Local

A wide variety of recreational facilities and events are available in Breckinridge County. The Breckinridge Community Center at Hardinsburg has a nine-hole golf course, a swimming pool, tennis courts, and game and recreation areas. The Hardinsburg city park features volleyball, tennis courts, a playground, and a picnic area. Other miscellaneous facilities in Hardinsburg include playgrounds, ball fields, tennis courts, and a FFA camp.

The Breckinridge County Fairgrounds, located near Hardinsburg, features a lighted softball field for adult leagues in addition to the regular fair facilities. The fair is held the first week in August and offers six days of contests, displays, arts and crafts activities, and a parade.

Cloverport has a park situated on the Ohio River featuring boat-launching facilities. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has constructed a boat-launching ramp also. Other facilities at Cloverport include picnic areas, tennis courts and ball fields. Annual events in Cloverport include the Sacajawea Festival, held the first weekend in August, which features a parade, food, contests, plays, arts and crafts, music and fireworks. The Cloverport boosters hold a spring picnic with games and contests. During fishing season, Cloverport hosts bass tournaments each weekend.

Facilities in Irvington include the Chuck Carter Memorial Park with tennis courts, a lighted ball park, and a playground; and Irvington Community Park, which features a ball field, a basketball court, a playground, and a picnic area. A privately-owned skating rink and an arcade are also located at Irvington.

The Yellowbank Wildlife Management Area, located at the northern tip of Breckinridge County, is a 4,055-acre area popular for seasonal hunting.

Tadpole Park was constructed in 1990 and has a pavillion, ball field, picnic shelter, playground, and rest rooms.

A new recreation complex was constructed in Hardinsburg. The park has three lighted ball fields, pavillion, playground, basketball courts, picnic shelters and rest rooms.

Noteworthy for its spaciousness, Rough River Dam State Resort Park at Falls of Rough is 20 miles south of Hardinsburg. The 637-acre park on Rough River Lake has a 40-room lodge with a dining room, a coffee shop, a gift shop, a meeting room, and a 2,500-foot lighted airstrip. Cottages and camping sites are also available. Recreational facilities include a launching ramp, a dock with open and covered slips, fishing and pleasure boat rentals, a 9-hole, par-3 golf course, a swimming pool, a sand beach with a bathhouse complex, tennis courts, an archery range, hiking and fitness trails, picnic and playground areas, and planned recreation. Cruise boat excursions on Rough River Lake are available on the "Lady of the Lake" in season.

Area (Within 70 miles of Hardinsburg)

Nolin River Lake Ben Hawes State Park Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site My Old Kentucky Home State Park Bernheim Forest Arboretum and Nature Center

#### COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

#### Recent

The Breckinridge County Industrial Authority is a group of shareholders that was formed to buy land and buildings to attract industry. This organization has volunteered its time and money toward this effort.

The Breckinridge County Industrial Authority, in 1991, constructed a 19,500 square-foot spec building in Hardinsburg. The spec building was constructed on a five-acre site which can be used for expansion.

Future Farmers of America (FFA), with headquarters in Hardinsburg, has completed a \$1,800,000 expansion. The project included a 500-seat auditorium and other facilities for the Kentucky FFA program. The FFA camp in Hardinsburg, is a landmark in the state for high school students in FFA programs, with more than 2,000 people at the camp during the summer.

The City of Hardinsburg, to improve the operation of the public works department, has contracted with a private company, Contract Operations 2, Inc. to manage the water plant, sewer plant, garbage collection, line and street maintenance. The company provides professional management while providing a better service for less cost. The success has been reported by the Kentucky Municipal League in their monthly publication.

The City of Hardinsburg was awarded a \$950,000 Community Development Block Grant for improvements to several neighborhoods.

#### Under Way

The City of Cloverport is making improvements to the riverfront and has implemented a downtown revitalization committee to explore ways to generate a tourist business from the river.

U.S. Route 60 is being widened to four lanes from Owensboro to Hardinsburg. The last section is under construction and is expected to be completed by 1996.

The City of Hardinsburg is expanding its water treatment plant to 1.6 million gallons per day. Also included in this project is a new booster pumping station and transmission line from the water treatment plant to the new pump station. Total cost of this project is \$1.5 million and is scheduled for completion in December 1993.

#### Planned

The City of Irvington plans to implement ambulance service to the city and surrounding area.

Breckinridge County Fiscal Court plans to implement county-wide garbage collection.



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