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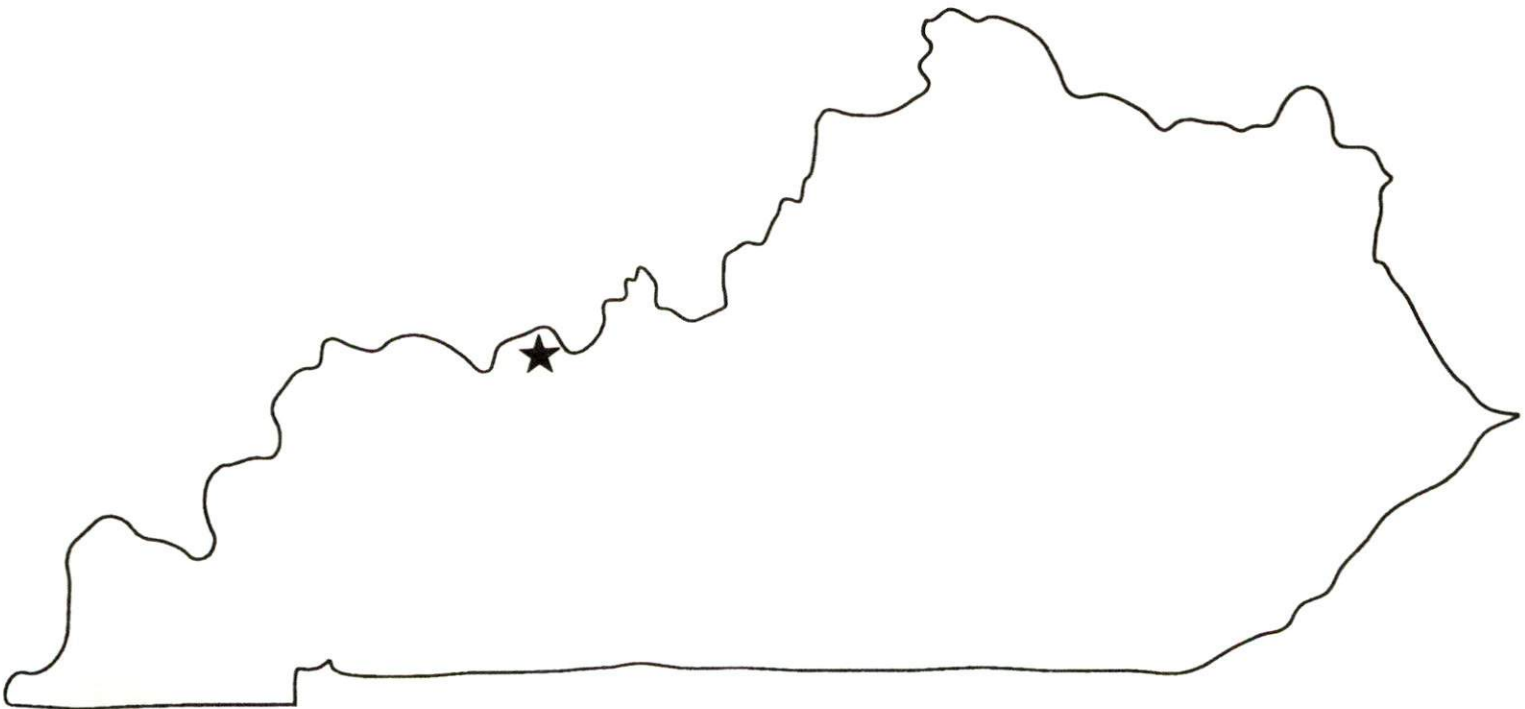
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP
HANCOCK COUNTY
KENTUCKY

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HANCOCK COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Hancock County is located along the Ohio River at the edge of Kentucky's Western Coal Field Region. The county has two incorporated cities, Hawesville and Lewisport. Hawesville, the county seat, had a 1990 population of 1,046 persons. Lewisport, located ten miles northwest of Hawesville, is the larger of the two cities with a 1990 population of 1,778 persons. Hancock County, with a land area of 188 square miles, had a 1990 population of 7,864.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Hancock County residents employed in 1992 averaged 2,359. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 2,698 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 155 jobs; 152 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 350 employees; and contract construction firms provided 108 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 10,920 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1993 through 1997, 10,129 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

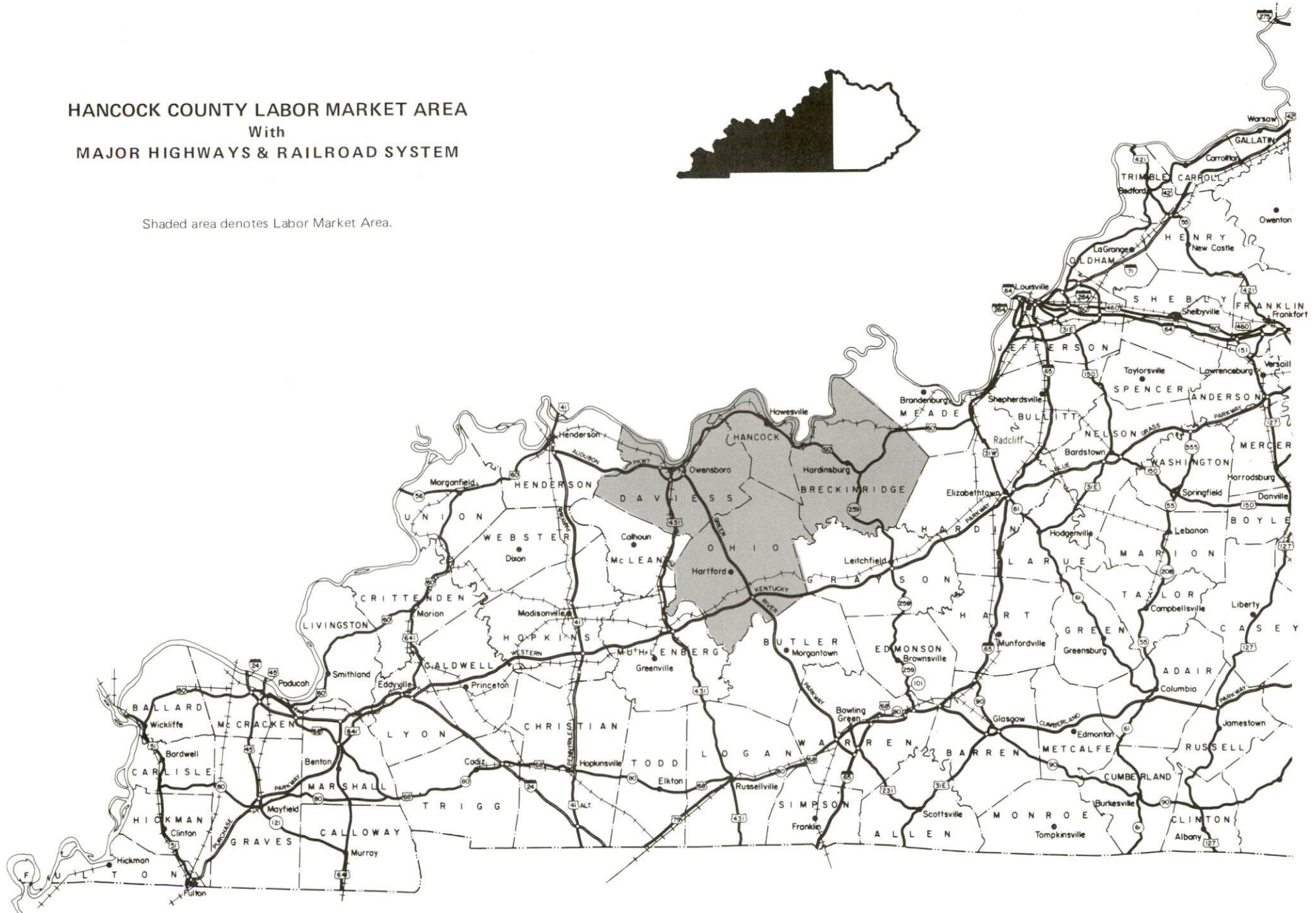
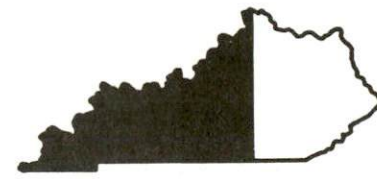
Transportation - Hawesville and Lewisport lie along U.S. Highway 60, a "AAA"-rated trucking highway which provides easy access to both north-south and east-west multi-lane routes at Owensboro, Kentucky, 25 miles southwest of Hawesville. Access to Interstate 64, a major east-west route, is 27 miles north of Hawesville. Other "AAA"-rated highways in Hancock County are Kentucky Routes 69 and 657. Twenty-three common carrier trucking companies serve Hancock County. CSX Transportation provides main line rail freight service to Hawesville and Lewisport. Hancock Field, a local airport located between Hawesville and Lewisport, maintains a 5,000-foot runway which accommodates corporate jet traffic. Scheduled commercial airline service is available at Evansville Regional Airport, 68 miles west of Hawesville near Evansville, Indiana. Commuter air carrier service with connections to several major airlines is available at Owensboro-Daviess County Airport, 28 miles southwest of Hawesville near Owensboro. Both Hawesville and Lewisport are located on the Ohio River, where a nine-foot navigation channel is maintained.

Power and Fuel - Green River Electric Corporation provides electricity to Hancock County. Western Kentucky Gas Company provides natural gas service to Hawesville, while the City of Lewisport operates a municipal natural gas system.

Education - The Hancock County School System, accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, provides public education to residents of the county. Six institutions of higher learning are located within 65 miles of Hawesville. Vocational training is available at the Daviess County State Technical School and the Owensboro Technical School, both 25 miles southwest of Hawesville; and at the Tell City Instructional Center, five miles north of Hawesville.

HANCOCK COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Hancock County Labor Market Area includes Hancock County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Breckinridge, Daviess and Ohio. Although not included in the statistics below, the Labor Market Area is supplemented by the Indiana counties of Perry and Spencer.

POPULATION			
	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	132,470	132,317	120,145
Hawesville	1,046	1,036	1,262
Lewisport	1,778	1,832	1,595
Hancock County	7,864	7,742	7,080

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

POPULATION PROJECTIONS				
	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	133,671	134,164	134,447	133,340
Hancock County	8,046	8,199	8,386	8,374

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY				
	<u>Current</u>		<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>		<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1993 thru 1997</u>
Labor Market Area*	10,920	5,004	5,916	10,129
Hancock County	1,498	304	1,194	710

* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion that they do nationally). Underemployed persons (employed only 14 to 26 weeks during the year) are no longer included in labor surplus estimates.

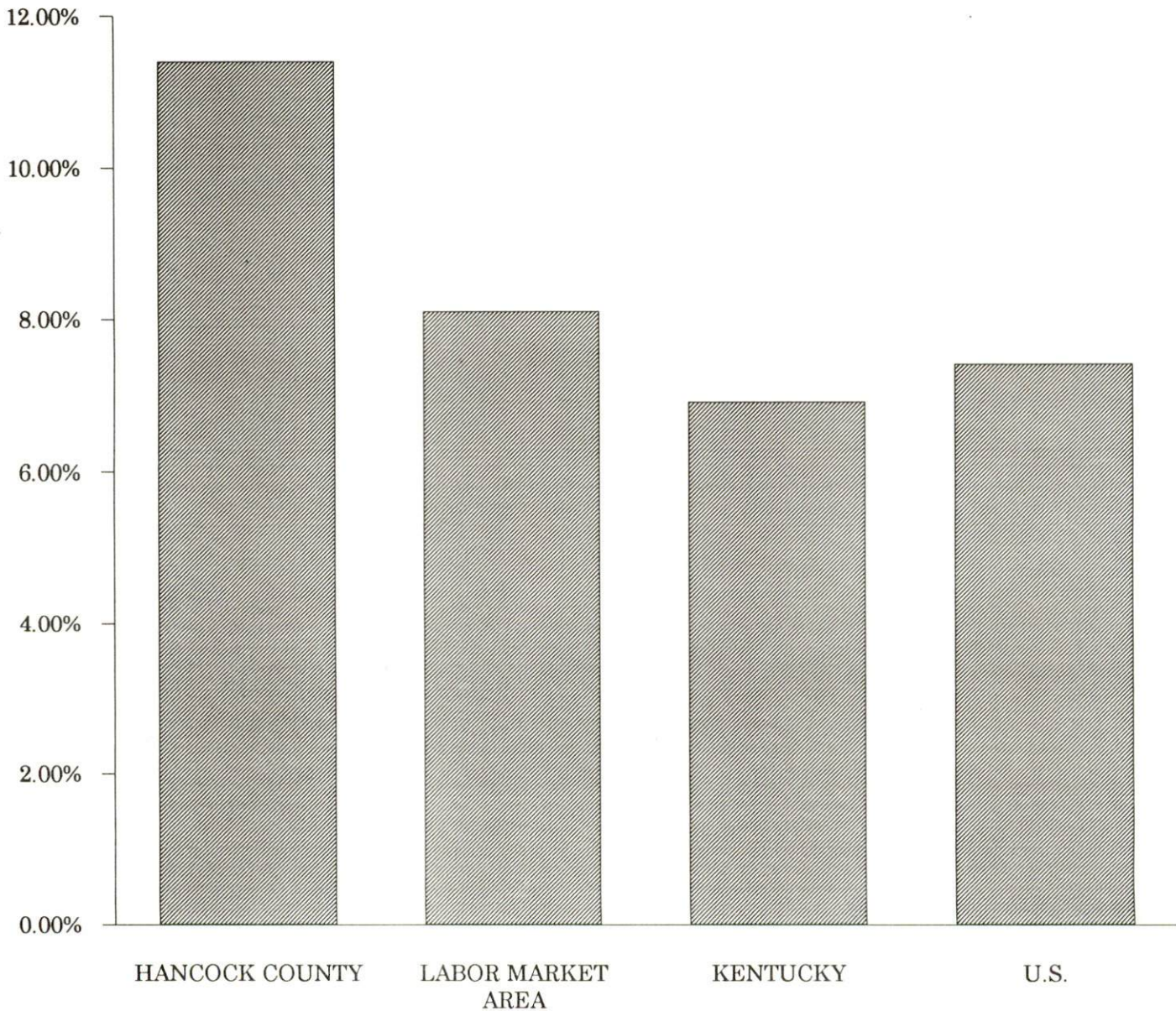
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1992. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1993 thru 1997.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1992

	<u>Hancock County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	2,663	61,445
Employment	2,359	56,441
Unemployment	304	5,004
Rate of Unemployment (%)	11.4	8.1

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1992.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1992

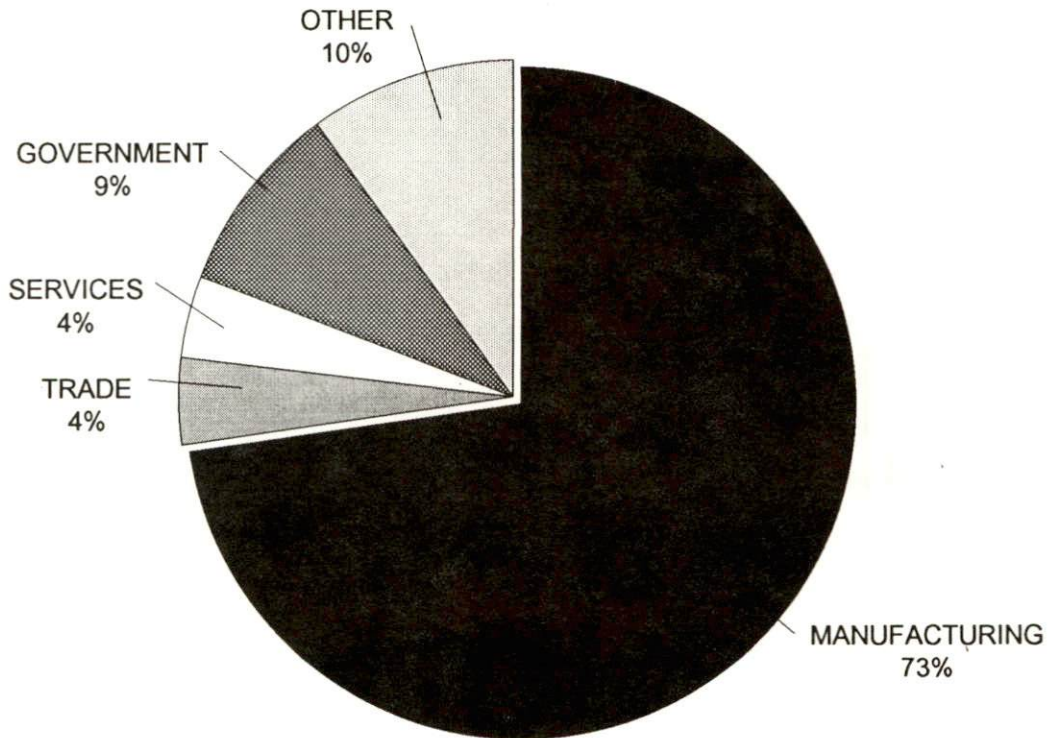


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992

	Hancock County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	3,712	46,480
Manufacturing	2,698	10,323
Wholesale & Retail Trade	155	11,325
Services	152	9,044
State/Local Government	350	7,657
Contract Construction	108	2,647

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.

HANCOCK COUNTY

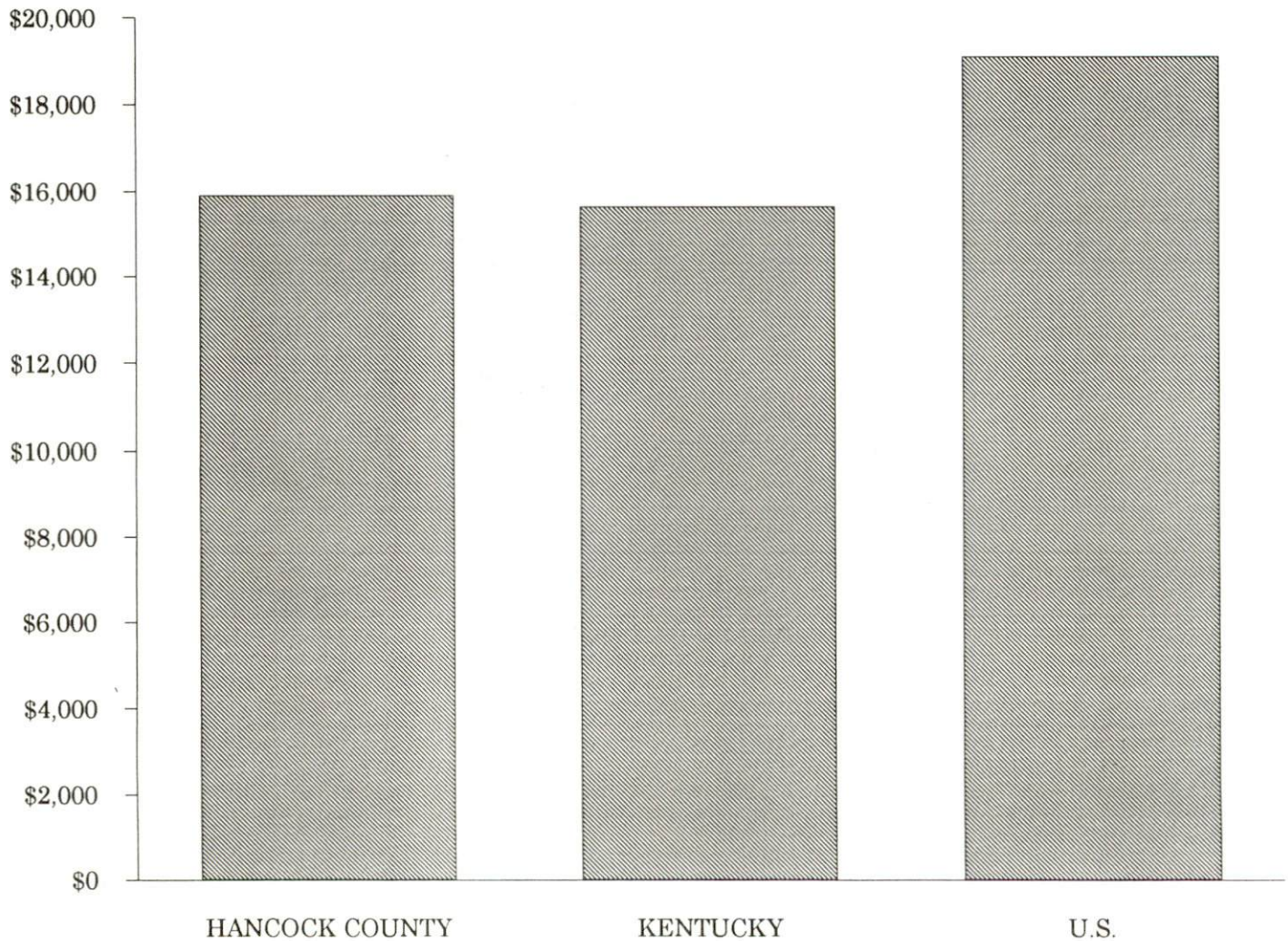


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Hancock County	\$12,408	\$15,901	28.2
Labor Market Area Range	\$9,543 - \$13,048	\$12,081 - \$16,387	-
Kentucky	\$12,216	\$15,626	27.9
U.S.	\$15,638	\$19,091	22.0

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System, April 1993.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME
1991



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

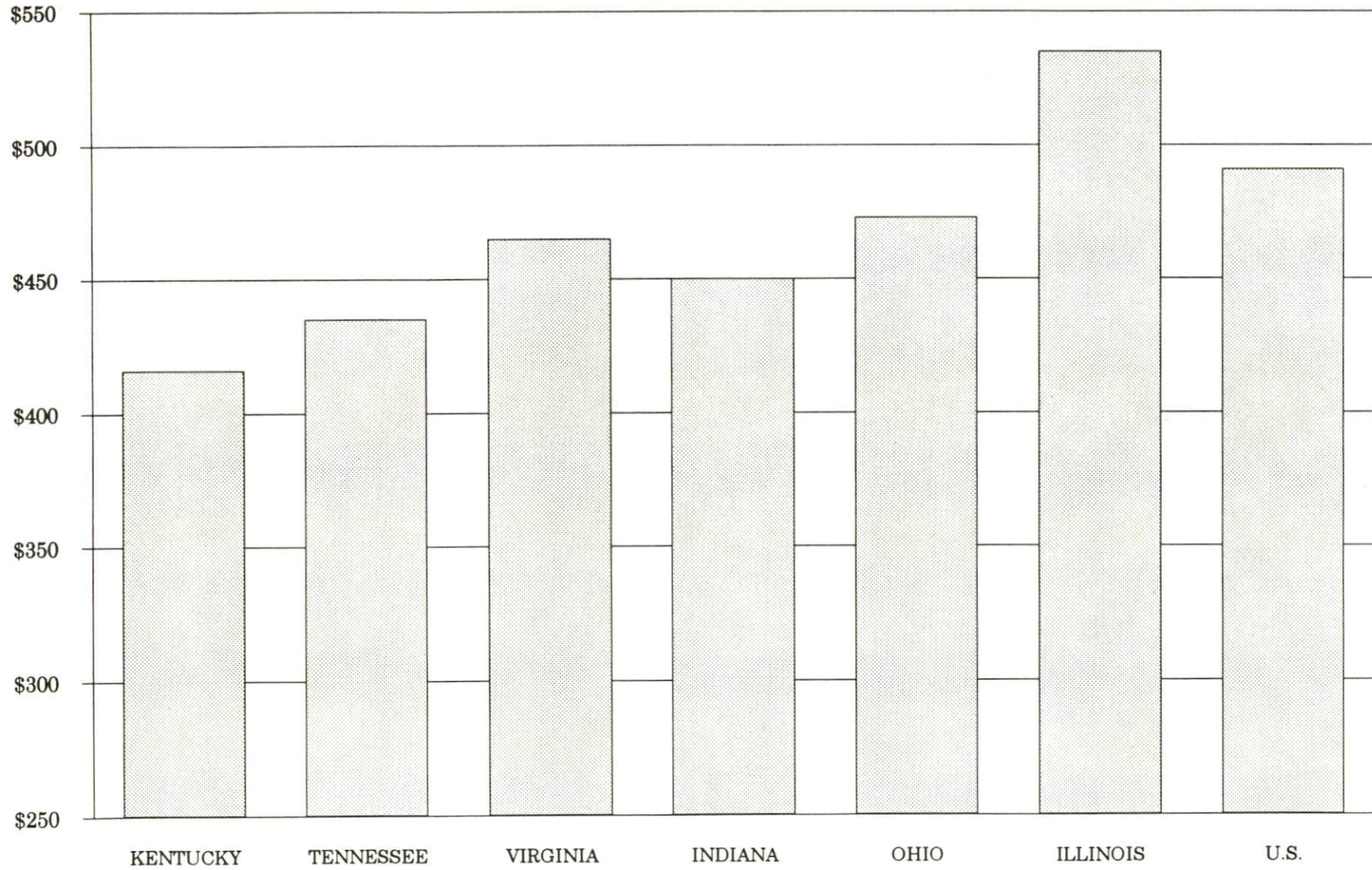
Hancock County is served by the Owensboro local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Owensboro local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1993, the local employment office filled 3,244 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	3,244	5.24
Clerical	587	4.65
Sales	98	5.04
Services (excluding domestic)	851	4.27
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	14	5.29
Processing	533	6.35
Machine Trades	38	7.00
Bench Work	155	4.79
Structural	174	6.67
Motor Freight/ Transportation	64	6.31
Packaging and Materials Handling	650	5.26
Other	8	6.13

The Owensboro local office also serves Daviess, McLean and Ohio 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 - 1992**



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

	Hancock County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$685.73	\$415.94	\$435.00	\$465.00
Mining & Quarrying	N/A	685.48	564.00	690.00
Contract Construction	362.66	431.97	456.00	456.00
Manufacturing	807.02	535.73	510.00	535.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	629.29	560.84	561.00	637.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	220.91	282.29	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	326.78	493.68	548.00	576.00
Services	222.46	371.91	419.00	483.00
State/Local Government	353.09	434.01	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<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

HANCOCK COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> (Establishment date)	<u>Product</u>	<u>1992</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Hawesville		
Clarion Publishing Company (1893)	Newspaper	7
Hancock County Ready Mixed Concrete (1964)	Ready-mixed concrete, agricultural lime	7
Lasher Ice Company (1982)	Ice	2
NSA-Division of Southwire Company (1967)	Primary aluminum products, foundry alloy ingot	700
Southwire Company Kentucky Division (1967)	Stranded aluminum cable and wire, aluminum rod	150
Willamette Industries, Inc.; Kentucky Mills (1967)	Fine paper, bleached kraft hardwood pulp, paper corrugating medium	456
Worldsource Coil Coating, Inc. (1988)	Coating of metal	125
Wroe Pallet & Skids; Division of Wroe Lumber Company, Inc. (1985)	Wood pallets, wood specialty skids	15
Lewisport		
American Olean Tile Company (1959)	Quarry tile	188
Commonwealth Aluminum (1966)	Aluminum sheet	950
Crescent Tube Company (1990)	Paper tubing	16*
JMC Pallet Construction, Inc. (1982)	Wood pallets and skids	2
Pioneer Metals, Inc. (1988)	Roll forming metal roofing and siding, metal buildings and components	7

* Employment figure as of October 1993.

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

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
Hawesville	
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America	Worldsource Coil Coating, Inc.
United Paperworkers International Union, AFL-CIO	Willamette Industries, Inc.; Kentucky Mills
Lewisport	
United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO-CLC	Commonwealth Aluminum

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Hawesville</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Owensboro, Kentucky	25
Electric Motor Repair	Owensboro, Kentucky	25
Heat Treating Facilities	Evansville, Indiana	65
Industrial Waste Removal	Owensboro, Kentucky	25
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Owensboro, Kentucky	25
Metal Castings	Owensboro, Kentucky	25
Metal Finishers	Owensboro, Kentucky	25
Metal Service Centers	Owensboro, Kentucky	25
Millwrights & Riggers	Owensboro, Kentucky	25

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

U.S. Highway 60 and Kentucky Routes 69 and 657 are all "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Hancock County. Both Hawesville and Lewisport lie along U.S. 60, which is four lanes wide between the two cities.

Hancock County also has easy access to the interstate highway system. Interstate 64, a major east-west route, is accessible 27 miles north of Hawesville via the Ohio River Bridge and Indiana Routes 66 and 37. Interstate 64 provides multi-lane access to Interstate 65, a major north-south route, 78 miles northeast of Hawesville. Interstate 65 is also accessible, via Kentucky 69 and the multi-lane Green River Parkway, near Bowling Green, Kentucky, 85 miles south of Hawesville.

U.S. 60 provides easy access to the Audubon Parkway, an east-west, multi-lane highway; and to the Green River Parkway, a north-south multi-lane highway; both located at Owensboro, Kentucky, 25 miles southwest of Hawesville.

A project to widen, straighten, and add passing lanes to U.S. 60 is presently under way. The segment from Hawesville to Cloverport is scheduled for completion by 1995.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM HAWESVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	382	Los Angeles, CA	2,046
Baltimore, MD	677	Louisville, KY	77
Birmingham, AL	328	Nashville, TN	141
Chicago, IL	315	New Orleans, LA	663
Cincinnati, OH	178	New York, NY	837
Cleveland, OH	425	Pittsburgh, PA	465
Detroit, MI	438	St. Louis, MO	219
Knoxville, TN	275		

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

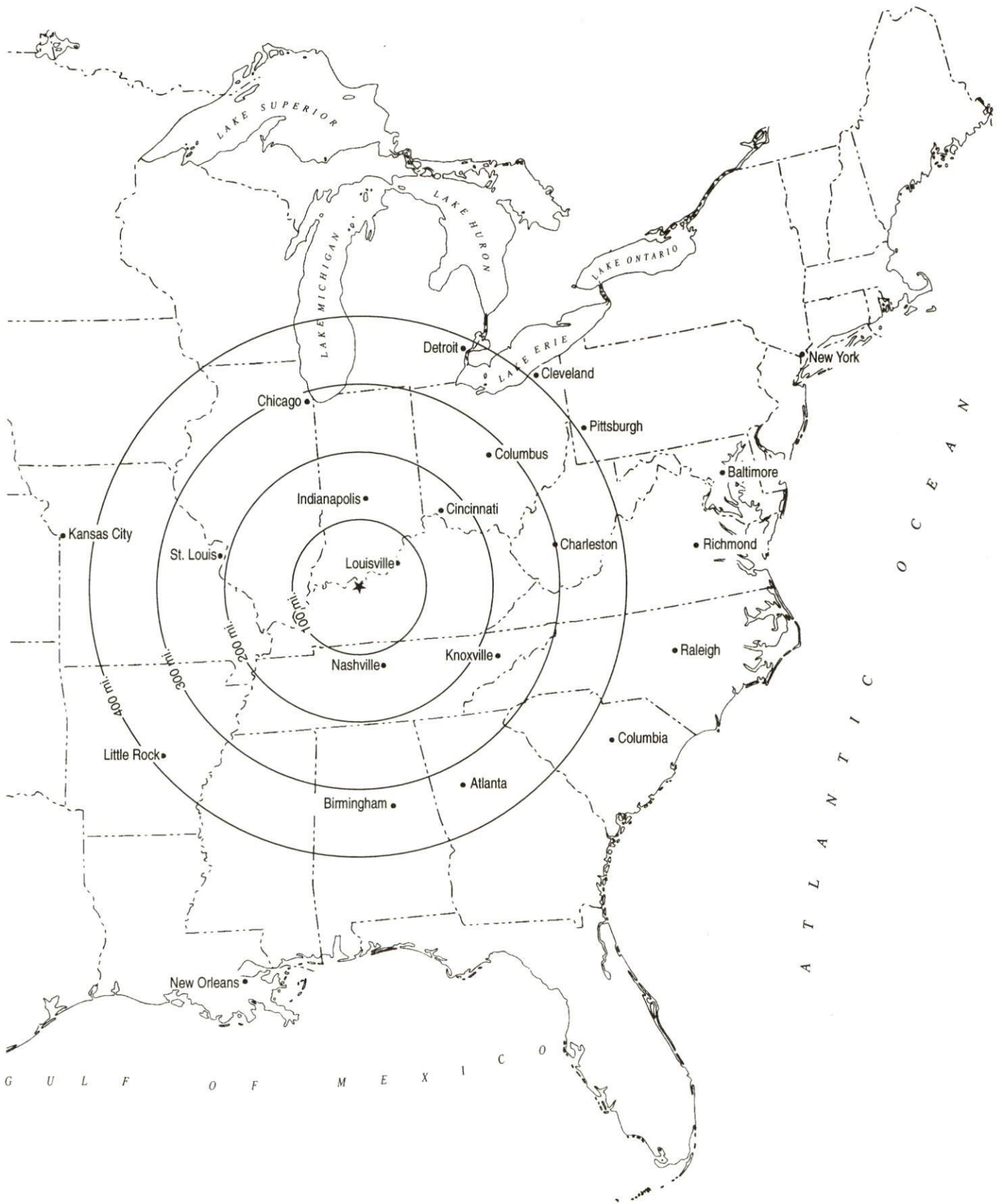
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

Twenty-three common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Hancock County.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1993.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Hawesville and Lewisport. Intermodal facilities are available 25 miles southwest at Owensboro, Kentucky.

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

Manager
Industrial Development
CSX Transportation
9420 Bunsen Parkway
Suite 212
Louisville, Kentucky 40220
(502) 499-3025

Air

Local

Location: Hancock Field
3 miles north of Hawesville and 7 miles east
of Lewisport, adjacent to an industrial complex

Runways: 1 paved (73,560-pound load limit)

Length: 5,000 feet

Traffic Control: IFR instrument approach, wind sock, right hand
traffic pattern for runway

Lighting: Runway lights sundown to sunrise

Services: 100LL octane and jet-A fuel, charter, charter
passenger, rental, minor A & P repairs

Air Freight Services: Chartered air freight services must be arranged

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Owensboro-Daviess County Airport
3 miles southwest of Owensboro, Kentucky;
28 miles southwest of Hawesville

Air Service: American Eagle, Northwest Airlink

Daily Arrivals & Departures: 16

Location: Evansville Regional Airport
3 miles north of Evansville, Indiana;
68 miles west of Hawesville

Air Service: ComAir, TransWorld Express, Northwest Airlink,
USAir, Atlantic Southeast, American Eagle

Daily Arrivals & Departures: 88

Water

The Ohio River provides one of the most modernized lock and dam systems and heavily traveled freight transportation corridors in the nation. Hawesville and Lewisport are both located along the Ohio River, which forms Hancock County's northern boundary.

The Owensboro Riverport Authority operates a public riverport on the Ohio River 25 miles southwest of Hawesville at Owensboro. Facilities include more than 160,000 square feet of general commodity warehousing, 48,000 square yards of compacted rock outside storage, and two 110-ton cranes and a coal preparation plant. The riverport is located on a main line of the CSX Rail System.

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving a major portion of Hancock County, including
Hawesville and Lewisport - Green River Electric Corporation
Source of power - Big Rivers Electric Corporation
For industrial rates contact:

Big Rivers Electric Corporation
P.O. Box 24
Henderson, Kentucky 42420
(502) 827-2561

and/or

Green River Electric Corporation
3111 Fairview Drive
P.O. Box 1389
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302
(502) 926-4141

Natural Gas

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

Western Kentucky Gas Company
2201 New Hartford Road
P.O. Box 866
Owensboro, Kentucky 42303
(502) 685-8069

Company serving Lewisport - Lewisport Natural Gas System
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation
For rates and supplies contact:

Lewisport Natural Gas System
P.O. Box 22
City Hall
Lewisport, Kentucky 42351
(502) 295-3324

Company serving Hancock County's industrial complex - Western
Kentucky Gas Company
Source of supply - Local gas well production and Texas Gas
Transmission Corporation
For rates and supplies contact:

Western Kentucky Gas Company
2201 New Hartford Road
P.O. Box 866
Owensboro, Kentucky 42303
(502) 685-8069

Public Water Supply

Company serving **Hawesville** - Hawesville Water Works
P.O. Box 157
Hawesville, Kentucky 42348
(502) 927-8707

Source - 4 wells; total pumping capacity of 400 gallons per minute
Treatment plant capacity - 576,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 301,200 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 423,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 581,000 gallons
Water pressure - 30 psi to 120 psi

The City of Hawesville completed construction of approximately 27 miles of water lines which serves 235 additional customers.

Company serving **Lewisport** - Lewisport Municipal Water Works
P.O. Box 22
City Hall
Lewisport, Kentucky 42351
(502) 295-3324

Source - Three deep wells; total pumping capacity of 450 gallons per minute
Treatment plant capacity - 288,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 240,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 370,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 250,000 gallons
Water pressure - 40 psi to 65 psi

The City of Lewisport plans to construct a lime sludge lagoon to improve filtering for its water treatment system. Bids are expected in November 1993, with completion of the \$60,000 project scheduled for Summer 1994.

Name of water district - East Daviess County Water
Association
9210 Kentucky Route 144
Philpot, Kentucky 42366
(502) 281-5187

Area served - Southern Hancock County, east Daviess County,
extreme northeastern Ohio County
Source of supply of treated water - Owensboro Municipal Utilities
Amount of water that can be purchased - 650,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 540,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 650,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,000,000 gallons
Water pressure - 30 psi to 140 psi

Raw Water

Surface water sources - Ohio River

Average discharge - Ohio River at Cannelton Dam - 127,000 cfs
(15 years, USGS)

Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm along Ohio River; 50
to 200 gpm in north-south band through central portion of the
county; 5 gpm or less over most of the remainder of the county

Sewerage

Company serving Hawesville - Hawesville Sewer System
P.O. Box 157
Hawesville, Kentucky 42348
(502) 927-8707

Design capacity - 250,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 80,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Primary
Treated effluent discharged into - Lead Creek

The City of Hawesville plans to extend a sewage force main from Windward Heights to the wastewater plant in Hawesville at an estimated cost of \$375,000.

Company serving Lewisport - Lewisport Sewer System
P.O. Box 22
City Hall
Lewisport, Kentucky 42351
(502) 295-3324

Design capacity - 250,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 125,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into - Ohio River

CLIMATE

Hancock County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	55.70 degrees
Average annual 1991	57.80 degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (51-year record)	105.00 degrees
Record lowest, February 1951 (51-year record)	-23.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	4,729

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	41.55 inches
Mean annual snowfall (51-year record)	13.50 inches
Total precipitation 1991	32.68 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (51-year record)	115.20
Mean number days thunderstorms (51-year record)	45.10

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South-Southwest

Relative Humidity (29-year record)

Midnight	79 percent
6 a.m.	82 percent
Noon	59 percent
6 p.m.	63 percent

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1991. Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Hancock County is governed by a county judge/executive and four magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term. Hawesville and Lewisport are both governed by mayor-city council forms of government. Each city has a mayor and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term while the council members each serve two-year terms.

Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Hancock Urban Planning Commission

Participating areas - Hawesville, Lewisport and northern Hancock County

Zoning enforced - Hancock County from the Ohio River to three miles south of U.S. Highway 60

Subdivision regulations enforced - Hancock County from the Ohio River to three miles south of U.S. Highway 60

Local codes enforced - Building and housing in Hancock County from the Ohio River to three miles south of U.S. Highway 60

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

Hawesville levies an annual business license fee of \$30.50. Presently, there are no city business licenses or fees required for manufacturers in Lewisport. Hancock County levies an occupational license tax of one percent on wages and on net profits. Industries employing more than 100 persons are exempt from the tax on net profits.

PROPERTY TAXES

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

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

Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value.

STATE PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1992 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.184	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, 1992

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Hancock County	\$0.1316	\$0.1316	\$0.1289
School Districts:			
Hancock County	0.2960	0.2960	0.3310
Cities:			
Hawesville	0.3680	0.4470	0.4128
Lewisport	0.2100	0.2100	0.2400

EDUCATION

Public Schools

Hancock County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1992)	1,610
Accreditation	Southern Association of of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	19.8-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	50.8
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,826.07

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Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Hawesville)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1992)</u>
Brescia College	Owensboro, Kentucky (25)	800
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky (25)	769
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro, Kentucky (25)	2,900
Henderson Community College	Henderson, Kentucky (55)	1,458
University of Evansville	Evansville, Indiana (65)	3,071
University of Southern Indiana	Evansville, Indiana (65)	7,430

VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TRAINING

Kentucky Tech schools are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and provide secondary (Sec) and postsecondary (P/S) vocational-technical training.

<u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Hawesville)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1992-1993</u>	<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
Daviess County State Technical School	Owensboro (25)	13	<u>Sec</u> 126 <u>P/S</u> 255	102
Owensboro State Technical School	Owensboro (25)	15	<u>Sec</u> 65 <u>P/S</u> 232	97

Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its Training and Development Coordinators, will provide technical assistance and will identify and develop low cost customized training programs and services for both established and prospective businesses. Businesses needing customized training should contact a Training and Development Coordinator located at Owensboro STS.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, pre-hire assessment, psychomotor skills and academic potential. A Career Connections assessment center is located at the Owensboro STS.

Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and postsecondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a technical field. The Hancock County School System is currently in the second year implementation of its program in the area of agriculture, business/marketing, home economics, health services and technology.

Adult Education Services

Adult education is available to adults who want to develop new skills, or earn a high school equivalency degree. In Hancock County, adult basic education is provided by the Hancock Coalition for Literacy and adult basic education is provided through the Hancock County Board of Education.

Vocational-Technical College in Indiana

The Ivy Tech Instructional Center at Tell City, Indiana, five miles north of Hawesville, provides vocational-technical training leading to the conferral of technical certificates in Administrative Office Technology/Secretarial, Industrial Maintenance, and Welding. The Center is designed to accommodate students above the usual high school age and those who have withdrawn from high school. The college can develop programs and training opportunities designed to meet the special needs of business or industry.

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 - 1
Dentists - 4
Chiropractors - 1
Optometrists - 1

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Perry County Memorial Hospital	Tell City, Indiana, five miles from Hawesville	75
Owensboro-Daviess County Hospital	Owensboro, Kentucky, 25 miles from Hawesville	458
Mercy Hospital	Owensboro, Kentucky 25 miles from Hawesville	145

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Green River Comprehensive Care Center
Green River District Health Department,
Hancock County Center (a public health facility)
Hancock County Emergency Ambulance Service
State approved day care facilities
(Hawesville and Lewisport)

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Hancock Bank and Trust Company
(Hawesville and Lewisport)
Great Financial Federal

Newspapers

Hancock Clarion (weekly)

Telephone Service

Hawesville - South Central Bell
Lewisport - Lewisport Telephone Company

RECREATION

Local

A wide variety of recreational opportunities are available to the residents of Hancock County. The county offers six lighted baseball diamonds, four playgrounds, one skating rink and four county parks. Vastwood Park is a 340-acre park approximately three miles from Hawesville. Present facilities include four lighted baseball and softball diamonds; horseback riding trails; a new horse show arena; a volleyball area; a 20-acre lake with a beach, bathhouse, picnic area and playground (lifeguards are on duty all summer); and both primitive and recreational vehicle camping facilities. South Hancock Park features a softball diamond, two tennis courts, a croquet yard, a basketball court, a picnic area, and playground equipment. All park facilities are lighted.

Hawesville has a boat ramp on the Ohio River, a picnic area, two mini-parks and fairground facilities.

Lewisport offers a picnic area and boat ramp on the Ohio River and two mini-parks with tennis courts, basketball courts and playground equipment.

The Windward Heights Country Club, located between Hawesville and Lewisport, provides a clubhouse, a swimming pool, a nine-hole golf course, and several tennis courts.

Annual recreational events in Hancock County include the Hancock County Fair which includes a variety of sporting events, contests, and shows. The annual Fourth of July Celebration is held at Vastwood Park, and features fireworks, booths, contests, tournaments, and entertainment.

The Hawesville Steamboat Festival is another local tradition offering an opportunity to enjoy parties, dancing, sports, contests, music exhibitions, shows, arts and crafts, demonstrations, antiques, and markets.

Annual events in Lewisport include the Lions Club Tractor Pull Contest, which offers a picnic, exhibitions and prizes; and Lewisport Heritage Festival, held in June, which features arts and crafts, exhibits, barbecue, music, and fireworks.

The Hancock County Museum, a restored railroad depot located in Hawesville, contains a collection of artifacts representing all facets of history in the county.

Area (Within 45 miles)

Hoosier National Forest
Holiday World (amusement park)
Ben Hawes State Park
Lincoln Boyhood National Memorial
Rough River Dam State Resort Park

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

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A project to widen, straighten, and add passing lanes to U.S. 60 is presently under way. The segment from Hawesville to Cloverport is scheduled for completion by 1995.

The City of Lewisport plans to construct a lime sludge lagoon to improve filtering for its water treatment system. Bids are expected in November 1993, with completion of the \$60,000 project scheduled for Summer 1994.

The City of Hawesville completed construction of approximately 27 miles of water lines which serves 235 additional customers.

WLME-FM radio station recently began broadcasting from Hawesville.

The "911" emergency communications system is being implemented in Hancock County.

Construction of a 36-bed nursing home is under way in Lewisport with an estimated completion date set for mid-1994.

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