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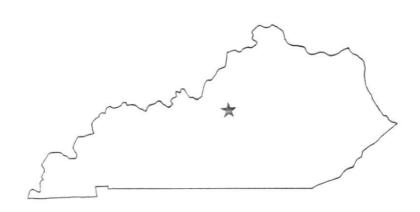
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SPRINGFIELD, KENTUCKY

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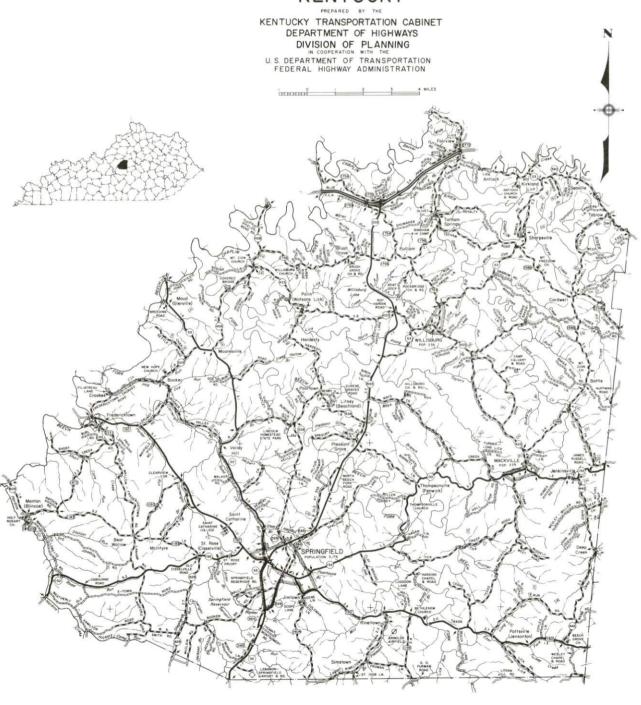
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WASHINGTON COUNTY

KENTUCKY



SPRINGFIELD, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Springfield, the county seat of Washington County, is located in central Kentucky's Blue Grass Region, 57 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky; 54 miles southwest of Lexington, Kentucky; and 193 miles northwest of Knoxville, Tennessee. Springfield had an estimated 1988 population of 2,940 persons.

Washington County, with a land area of 301 square miles, had an estimated 1988 population of 10,400 persons.

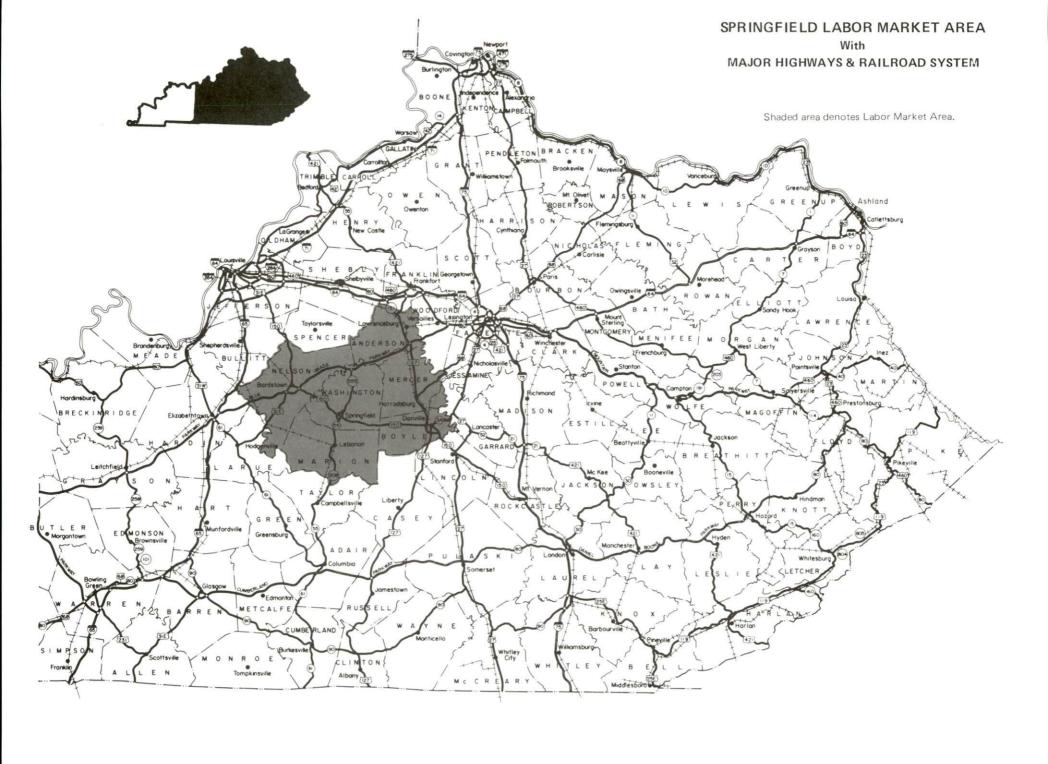
The Economic Framework - The total number of Washington County residents employed in 1988 averaged 4,491. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 518 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 456 jobs; 247 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 393 employees; and contract construction firms provided 112 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 12,808 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1990 through 1994, 8,602 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - The nearest rail service is provided by CSX Transportation at Lebanon, 8 miles south of Springfield. "AAA"-rated highways (80,000-pound gross load limits) serving Springfield include U.S. Highway 150, Kentucky Route 555, and Kentucky Route 55 south of the city. Kentucky Route 55 north of Springfield is a "AA"-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. The Blue Grass Parkway, 16 miles north of Springfield via Kentucky 555, is a controlled-access, multilane toll road connecting Lexington, Interstate 64 and Interstate 75, 54 miles east of Springfield, with Elizabethtown, Interstate 65, and the Western Kentucky Parkway, 43 miles west of Springfield. There are eleven common carrier trucking companies providing interstate and/or intrastate service to Springfield. The nearest scheduled commercial airline services are available at Bluegrass Airport, 50 miles northeast of Springfield near Lexington, and at Standiford Field, 62 miles northwest of Springfield near Louisville. Two small craft airports are also located near Springfield.

Power and Fuel - Kentucky Utilities Company provides electric power to Springfield and parts of Washington County. The remainder of Washington County is served by East Kentucky Power Cooperative through various rural electric cooperatives. Western Kentucky Gas Company, whose source of supply is Tennessee Gas Transmission Company, serves Springfield with natural gas.

Education - The Washington County Public School System provides primary and secondary education to students in Washington County. A parochial elementary school also operates in Springfield. St. Catharine College, an independent, two year, co-educational college, is located 3 miles west of Springfield. In addition, 14 institutions of higher learning are located within 60 miles of Springfield. The nearest state vocational-technical school is located at Elizabethtown, 43 miles west of Springfield. Vocational education is also available at the Marion County Area Vocational Education Center at Lebanon, 8 miles south of Springfield.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Springfield Labor Market Area includes Washington County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Anderson, Boyle, Marion, Mercer, and Nelson.

POPULATION

		70.10	
	1988*	1980	1970
Labor Market Area	117,500	112,902	98,098
Springfield	2,940	3,179	2,961
Washington County	10,400	10,764	10,728

^{*} Population estimates.

Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, August 1989, November 1989.

POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	1995	2000	2010	2020
Labor Market Area Washington County	126,325 9,927	130,557 9,827	136,734 9,623	140,829 9,314

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 1990 thru 1994
Labor Market Area*	12,808	5,167	5,056	2,585	8,602
Washington County	1,997	462	471	64	796

^{*} 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).

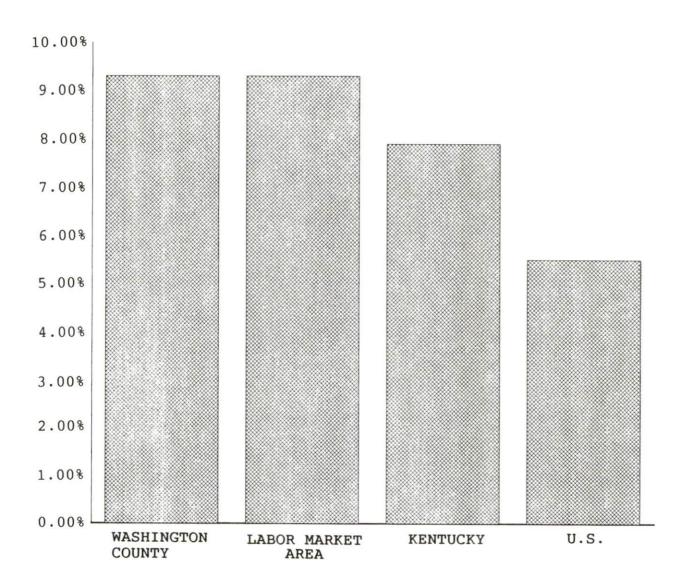
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1988</u>. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, <u>Future Labor Supply Becoming 18</u> Years of Age, 1990 thru 1994.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1988

	Washington County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	4,953	55,850
Employment	4,491	50,683
Unemployment	462	5,167
Rate of Unemployment (%)	9.3	9.3

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor Force</u> Estimates, Annual Averages, 1988.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1988

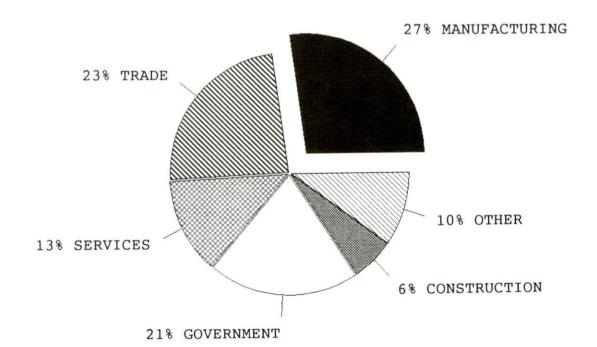


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK, 1988

	Washington County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	1,917	32,419
Manufacturing	518	9,770
Wholesale & Retail Trade	456	8,730
Services	247	5,315
State/Local Government	393	4,496
Contract Construction	112	1,455

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, 1988.

WASHINGTON COUNTY

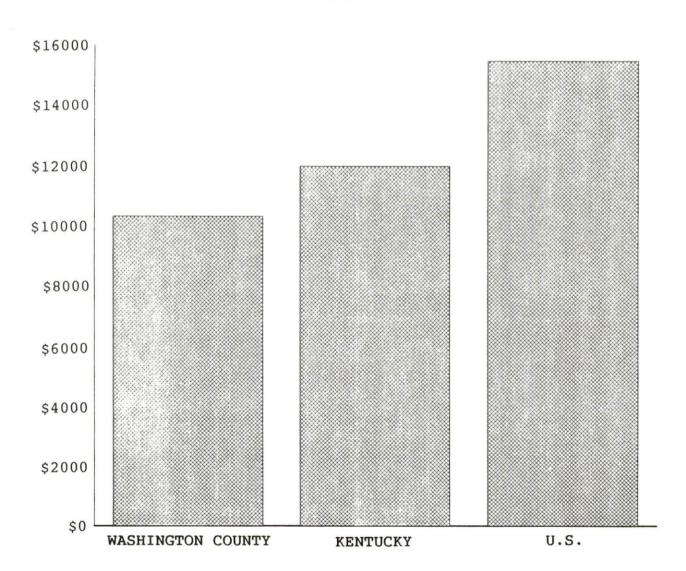


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

Area	1983	1987	Percent Change
Washington County	\$8,090	\$10,328	27.7
Labor Market Area Range	\$7,378 - 10,157	\$9,550 - 12,340	-
Kentucky	\$9,513	\$11,997	26.1
U.S.	\$12,098	\$15,484	28.0

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, August 1988 and April 1989.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME 1987



AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

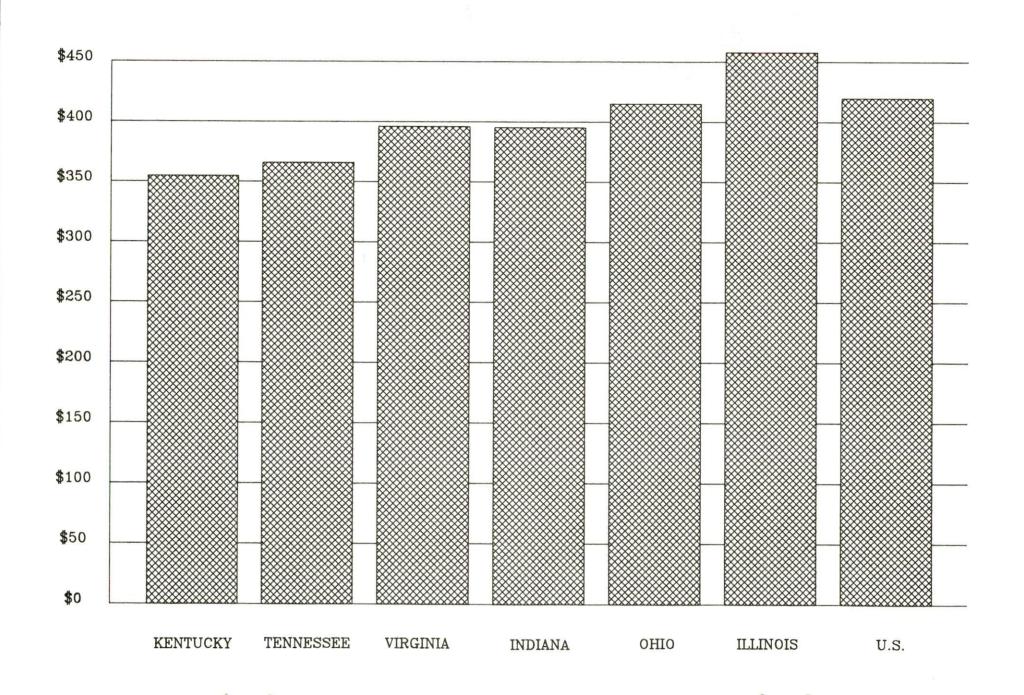
Washington County is served by the Bardstown local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Bardstown local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1989, the local employment office filled 1,511 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS	AVERAGE WAGE(\$)
All Occupations	1,511	4.53
Clerical	199	3.58
Sales	123	3.53
Services (excluding domestic)	115	3.39
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	344	3.37
Processing	73	6.05
Machine Trades	106	6.15
Bench Work	103	4.00
Structural	83	6.78
Motor Freight/ Transportation	17	3.86
Packaging and Materials Handling	204	4.23
Other	9	3.35

The Bardstown local office also serves Marion, and Nelson Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the <u>Dictionary of Occupational</u> 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 F.Y. 1987-88



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY BY PLACE OF WORK, 1988

	BITERIOE OF WOR	111, 1000		
	7754870 # 730	Kentucky		
	Washington	(State-		
	County	Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$247.24	\$352.31	\$363.12	\$392.56
Mining & Quarrying	*	603.27	495.85	596.88
Contract Construction	329.14	380.71	394.27	422.27
Manufacturing	327.38	464.92	416.73	452.60
Transportation,				
Communications &				
Public Utilities	204.74	468.17	485.13	554.17
Wholesale & Retail Trade	160.10	238.88	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	330.51	401.17	269.27	466.23
Services	160.42	298.98	343.48	391.67
State/Local Government	267.22	377.81	403.21	457.00
	Indiana	Ohio	Illinois	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$392.63	\$411.08	\$454.10	\$416.33
Mining & Quarrying	635.77	579.73	674.62	660.40
Contract Construction	449.87	465.46	584.10	469.85
Manufacturing	532.06	569.98	555.83	517.62
Transportation, Communications &				
Public Utilities	502.69	519.17	584.83	542.33
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &	N/A	IN/A	N/A	N/A
Real Estate	406.58	444.33	579.88	532.52
Services	317.98	348.48	402.38	384.31
State/Local Government	395.31	428.10	453.12	442.71

^{*} Not disclosed.

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, 1988. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Average Annual Pay by State and Industry, August 29, 1989.

N/A Not Available.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

SPRINGFIELD MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Firm		1989
(Establishment date)	Product	Average Employment
All Weather Insulation Company, Inc. (1978)	Metal building, fiberglass, and	14
Armour Food Company (1928)	cellulose insulation Dried milk products, cheese, butter	137
Barber Cabinet Company, Inc. (1948)	Kitchen cabinets, vanities	44
Deaton Plastics (1989)	Plastic bottles-blow molding	5
H & W Industries, Inc. (1968)	Construction and industrial plastic pipe	105
Montgomery Feed & Farm Service (1918)	Feed	5
Nally & Gibson Quarries, Inc. (1970)	Ready mix concrete, black t	op 12
Royal Dublin Golf Company (1989)	Golf bags	20
Shelburne Industries (1987)	Jeans, casual slacks	100
Springfield Redrying Corporation (1961)	Tobacco processing	215
The Springfield Sun (1916)	Job printing, newspaper	10
Wheaton Plastic Company (1977)	Blow molding containers, molded auto parts	94

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, 1989 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers; Division of Research and Planning.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Union	Representing workers at:
International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers of America	Armour Food Company
International Union of Electronic, Technical, Salaried, and Machine	H & W Industries, Inc.
Workers, AFL-CIO United Paperworkers International Union, AFL-CIO	Wheaton Plastic Company

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

Types of Services	Location	Mileage from Springfield
Custom Data Processing	Danville	27
Custom Plastics Producers	Springfield	-
Electric Motor Repair	Lebanon	8
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Clermont	30
Heat Treating Facilities	Frankfort	50
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Springfield	-
Industrial Gases	Campbellsville	28
Industrial Waste Removal	Elizabethtown	43
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Springfield	-
Metal Castings	Louisville	57
Metal Finishers	Elizabethtown	43
Metal Service Centers	Lexington Louisville	54 57
Millwrights	Nicholasville	50
Public Warehouse Facilities	Danville	27

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, <u>Kentucky Directory of</u> Selected Industrial Services, 1987; Division of Research and Planning.

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

U.S. Highway 150 and Kentucky Routes 55 and 555 meet at Springfield. U.S. 150 is rated as a "AAA" (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway, as is Kentucky 555, which serves as a bypass around the city.

Kentucky Route 55 at Springfield is rated "AAA" from its intersection with Bypass 555 south to Lebanon, a distance of nine miles. Kentucky 55 north of Springfield is rated "AA" (62,000-pound gross load limit).

The Blue Grass Parkway, located 15 miles north of Springfield via Kentucky 555, traverses central Kentucky and provides access to the interstate highway system at Lexington, 54 miles east of Springfield, and at Elizabethtown, 43 miles west of Springfield.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM SPRINGFIELD, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
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Atlanta, GA	388	Los Angeles, CA	2,143
Baltimore, MD	588	Louisville, KY	57
Birmingham, AL	357	Nashville, TN	170
Chicago, IL	344	New Orleans, LA	690
Cincinnati, OH	132	New York, NY	767
Cleveland, OH	372	Pittsburgh, PA	395
Detroit, MI	390	St. Louis, MO	315
Knoxville, TN	193		

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

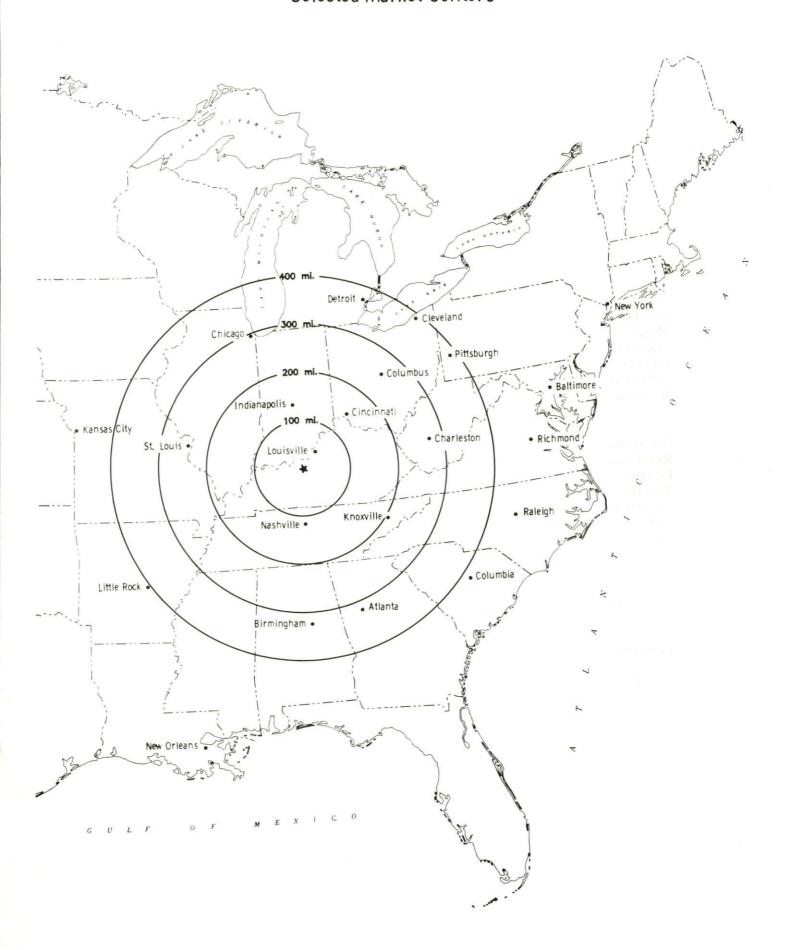
Sources: Rand McNally Deluxe Motor Carriers' Road Atlas, 1989. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.

Truck Service

There are currently eleven common carrier trucking companies that provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Springfield.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1990.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

Springfield is not served by rail. The nearest main line rail service is provided by CSX Transportation at Lebanon, 8 miles south of Springfield. The nearest piggyback facilities are also provided by CSX Transportation at Louisville, 57 miles northwest of Springfield.

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

Arnold Airport

Location:

3 miles southeast of Springfield

Runways:

2 turf

Length:

2,100 feet; 2,250 feet

Traffic

Control:

Wind sock and wind tee

Services:

100 octane, general flying, hangar, tie-downs

Lebanon-Springfield Airport

Location:

4 miles south of Springfield

Runways: Length: 1 paved 4,000 feet

Traffic

Control:

Wind sock Unicom, instrument approach

Lighting:

VOR-DME insturment landing

Services:

80 and 100 octane fuel; major and minor repairs; hangars and tie-downs; flight instruction; plane

rental; courtesy car

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Standiford Field

Location:

4 miles southeast of center of Louisville, Kentucky;

62 miles northwest of Springfield

Air Service:

Air Toronto, Delta, Eastern, Northwest, American,

TWA, United, USAir, Midstate, Nashville Eagle,

ComAir, JetStream, Simmons Eagle

Daily Arrivals

& Departures: 192

Bluegrass Airport

Location:

4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky;

50 miles northeast of Springfield

Air Service:

Delta, USAir, TWA, United Express, JetStream, Air

Kentucky, American Eagle, ComAir

Daily Arrivals

& Departures:

116

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving Springfield and portions of Washington 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 a major portion of Washington County - Salt River Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Company serving northeastern border of Washington County - Fox Creek Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Company serving southeastern border of Washington County - Inter-County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative For industrial rates contact:

> Industrial Development Division East Kentucky Power Cooperative P.O. Box 707 Winchester, Kentucky 40391 (606) 744-4812

Natural Gas

Company serving Springfield-Western Kentucky Gas Company Source of supply - Tennessee Gas Transmission Company For rates and supplies contact:

> West Kentucky Gas Company 311 West Seventh Street P.O. Box 866 Owensboro, Kentucky 42302 (502) 685-8067

Public Water Supply

Company serving Springfield - Springfield Water and Sewer Commission

P.O. Box 307

Springfield, Kentucky 40069

(606) 336-3586

Source - Willisburg Lake, Springfield Reservoir, Booker Road Reservoir

Treatment plant capacity - 1,000,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption Peak daily consumption Storage capacity Water pressure
600,000 gallons
900,000 gallons
850,000 gallons
40 psi to 100 psi

A \$2,050,000 project, consisting of expanding the water treatment plant capacity to 2 million gallons per day, new county line extensions of 21 miles, new clearwell, and an elevated tank, is currently being planned.

Sewerage

Company serving Springfield - Springfield Water and Sewer Commission

P.O. Box 307

Springfield, Kentucky 40069

(606) 336-3586

Design capacity - 464,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow - 350,000 gallons Type of treatment - Primary, Secondary

Treated effluent discharged into - Road Run Creek

CLIMATE

Washington County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	54.90	degrees
Average annual 1988	54.90	degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (44-year record)	103.00	degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (44-year record)	-21.00	degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,818	C
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of	(5)	
negative departures of average daily		
temperatures from 65 degrees F.)		

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	45.68	inches
Mean annual snowfall (44-year record)	16.20	inches
Total precipitation 1988	38.90	inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more)		
(44-year record)	129.50	
Mean number days thunderstorms (44-year record)	45.30	

Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South

Relative Humidity (25-year record, except 1 a.m. - 24-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, 1988. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Springfield is served by a major and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term and the council members serve two-year terms. Washington County is served by a county judge/executive and six magistrates elected to four-year terms.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Springfield Independent Planning Commission Zoning enforced - within city limits Subdivision regulations enforced - Within corporate limits of Springfield 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 Springfield levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses. The city also levies a twenty-five dollar business regulatory license fee and an annual \$50 unloading license fee. An insurance premium tax is levied based on six percent of the premium in the city, four percent in the county. Washington County also levies a business license fee, ranging from \$25 to \$150, based on the number of employees.

State and Local Property Taxes

All property in Kentucky, except items exempted by the state constitution, is taxed by the state. Property which also may be taxed by local jurisdictions includes land and buildings, finished goods inventories, automobiles, trucks, office furniture and office equipment. Local taxing jurisdictions in Kentucky include counties, cities, and school districts.

All property in Kentucky is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

COMBINED STATE AND LOCAL RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1989

	City of Springfield	Unincorporated Washington County
Land and Buildings	\$0.6720	\$0.5240
Manufacturing		
Machinery	0.1500	0.1500
Pollution Control		
Equipment	0.1500	0.1500
Inventories		
Raw Materials	0.0010	0.0010
Goods in Process	0.0010	0.0010
Finished Goods	0.4755	0.3275
Automobiles & Trucks	0.9145	0.7665
Other Tangible		
Personal Property	0.9245	0.7765
Intangibles (Accounts		
receivable*, money		
in hand, stock,		
notes, bonds)	0.2500	0.2500
Goods Stored in Public		
Warehouses in Transit		
Status	0.0010	0.0010
Private Leaseholds in		
Industrial Revenue		
Bond Financed		
Facilities	0.0150	0.0150

^{*} Accounts receivable are taxed at 85 percent of face value, for an effective rate of \$0.2125 per \$100 valuation.

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Washington County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1989)	1,791
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1988-89)	17.8-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1988-89)	49.2
Expenditures Per Pupil (1988-89)	\$2,506.11

Nonpublic Schools

School	Enrollment	Grades	
St. Dominic	237	1-8	

Area Colleges and Universities

Name	Location (Miles distant)	Enrollment (Fall, 1989)
Saint Catharine College	Springfield	242
Centre College	Danville (27)	857
Campbellsville College	Campbellsville (28)	760
Asbury College	Wilmore (42)	1,076
Elizabethtown Community		
College	Elizabethtown (43)	3,009
Lindsey Wilson College	Columbia (47)	1,153
Kentucky State University	Frankfort (50)	2,190
Lexington Community College	Lexington (54)	3,928
Transylvania University	Lexington (54)	1,076
University of Kentucky	Lexington (54)	22,957
Bellarmine College	Louisville (57)	3,724
Jefferson Community		
College	Louisville (57)	9,039
Spalding University	Louisville (57)	1,112
University of Louisville	Louisville (57)	23,182
Midway College	Midway (58)	524

St. Catharine College

St. Catharine College, located 3 miles west of Springfield on U.S. Highway 150, is an independent, two-year, co-educational college founded in 1931 by the Dominican Sisters of Kentucky. St. Catharine is committed to providing a solid liberal arts education in a religious context and emphasizes the spiritual, ethical, intellectual, and social development of each student. The College's low student-faculty ratio allows students a maximum of individual attention both inside and outside the classroom.

St. Catharine College offers accredited programs in 25 areas of study, including agriculture, horticulture, and the liberal arts, and confers the Associate in Arts, Associate in Science, and Associate in Applied Science degrees, and a one-year certificate program in office occupations.

Many events and cultural activities are open to the community, including concerts, art exhibits and fairs, sporting events such as basketball games, guest speaker appearances, the annual Peace with Justice Week programs, Homecoming celebrations, convocations, various professional seminars, and continuing education classes.

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 (Miles distant)	Cumulative Enrollment 1988 - 1989
Elizabethtown State Vocational- Technical School	Elizabethtown (43)	802
Marion County Area Vocational Education Center	Lebanon (8)	367

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 7 Dentists - 4

Hospitals

General Hospital	Location	Beds
Spring View Hospital	Lebanon (8 miles south of	78
•	Springfield)	

 $Medical\ staff$ - $13\ physicians,\ 33\ registered\ nurses,\ and\ 20\ licensed\ practical\ nurses$

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Washington County Health Department Washington County Ambulance Service

Banks and Savings & Loans

First & People's Bank Great Financial Federal Springfield State Bank

Newspapers

The Springfield Sun (weekly)

Telephone Service

South Central Bell

RECREATION

Local

A wide range of public recreational facilities and events are available at Springfield. The city maintains two excellent parks - Idle Hour Park and Springfield Swimming Pool Park. Idle Hour Park features 4 tennis courts; 2 baseball diamonds; a softball diamond; basketball, volleyball, croquet, and shuffleboard courts; horseshoe pits; a tot lot; and a picnic area with three shelters and a concession stand. Features at Springfield Swimming Pool Park include the community pool; basketball courts; a playground; and a picnic area. Three additional tennis courts are located on the grounds of the Washington County schools.

The Washington County Sorghum Festival is Springfield's largest recreational event. Held annually on the first weekend of October, the festival honors Washington County's sorghum producers and offers a variety of activities for the entire family. The festival includes a fireworks display, a hot air balloon race, contests, entertainment, booths, arts and crafts, a parade, an antique car show, and preparation and serving of a 10-foot pizza and a 10-foot biscuit with sorghum and butter.

Many events at St. Catharine College are open to the public. These include concerts, art exhibits, annual performances by the Actors Theatre of Louisville, various professional seminars, and the annual Hofstetter Peace with Justice Lecture.

Lincoln Homestead State Park, 5 miles north of Springfield, is a 153-acre park on land settled by Abraham Lincoln's family. The actual building in which Nancy Hanks, mother of President Lincoln, lived during her courtship with Thomas Lincoln is preserved here as well as a replica of the 1782 cabin where Thomas Lincoln lived as a boy. The park also has a museum, a gift shop, a picnic area, and an 18-hole championship golf course.

Willisburg Lake, an attractive fishing and boating lake of about 160 acres, is located 10 miles north of Springfield on Kentucky Route 555. Facilities for boat rentals and trailer camping are available.

Area (Within 45 miles)

Perryville Battlefield State Shrine
My Old Kentucky Home State Park
Constitution Square State Shrine
Old Fort Harrod State Park
Green River Lake State Park
Bernheim Forest Arboretum and Nature Center
Isaac Shelby State Shrine
Pleasant Hill
Taylorsville State Park
Herrington Lake
Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Recent

Springfield re-certified as a Kentucky certified city in 1989 for its' second consecutive year. Re-certification is based on achievement in the following areas: existing industry assistance, small business assistance, educational resources, and community development factors of health care, public safety, arts and culture, recreation, governmental awareness and resources. The Certified Cities Program is sponsored by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Armour Food Company and H & W Industries have recently expanded or have announced plans to expand. These plant expansions represent an investment of approximately \$4,300,000.

Royal Dublin Golf Company, employing 20 and manufacturing golf bags, and Deaton Plastics, employing 3 and manufacturing plastic bottles, recently located in Springfield.

A city wide sidewalk and street resurfacing project was completed in the Fall of 1989 at a cost of \$50,000.

Under Way

The Lebanon - Springfield Airport is in the process of extending the runway to 5,000 feet, increasing the taxiway area, adding three new T-hangers, and installing a non directional beacon. This project is expected to cost \$1,700,000.

A \$26,000 land and water conservation project is currently under way at Idle Hour Park and Springfield Swimming Pool Park.

A 911 emergency number enhancement program is expected to be completed during 1990, costing \$38,000.

Planned

Springfield Water and Sewer Commission is currently planning a \$2,050,000 project consisting of expanding the water treatment plant capacity to 2 million gallons per day, new county line extensions of 21 miles, new clearwell, and an elevated tank.