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**Owingsville**



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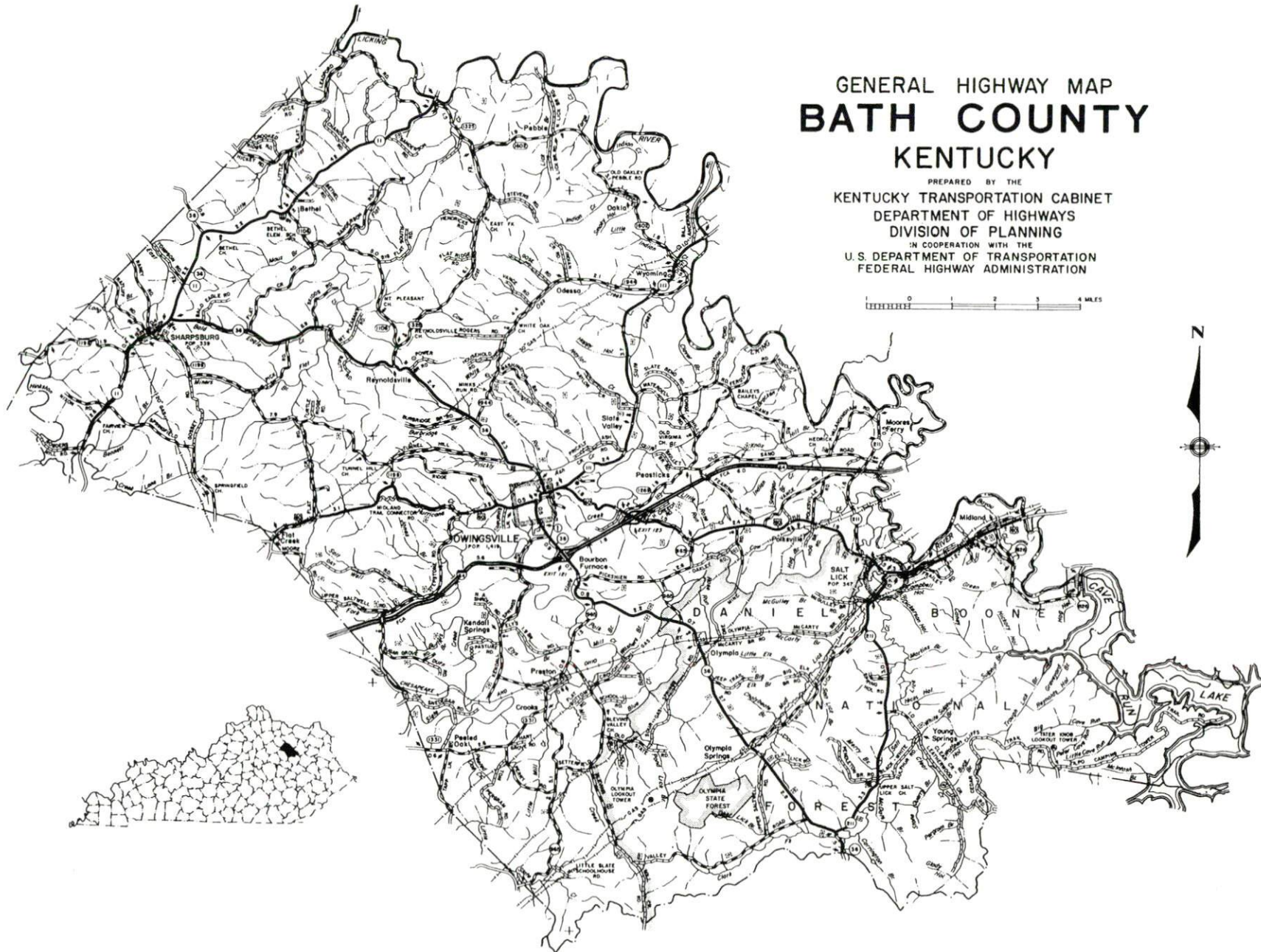
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# GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP BATH COUNTY KENTUCKY

PREPARED BY THE  
KENTUCKY TRANSPORTATION CABINET  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS  
DIVISION OF PLANNING  
IN COOPERATION WITH THE  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
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## OWINGSVILLE, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Owingsville, the county seat of Bath County, is located in the outer Bluegrass Region in northeastern Kentucky. Owingsville had an estimated 1994 population of 1,917. Owingsville is located 45 miles east of Lexington, Kentucky; 119 miles east of Louisville, Kentucky; 125 miles west of Charleston, West Virginia; and 214 miles north of Knoxville, Tennessee.

Bath County covers a total land area of 279 square miles. The topography of Bath County is mostly hilly to mountainous. Bath County had an estimated 1994 population of 10,045.

**The Economic Framework** - The total number of Bath County residents employed in 1996 averaged 4,708. In 1995, manufacturing firms in the county reported 546 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 331 jobs; 185 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 471 employees; and contract construction firms provided 135 jobs.

**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 5,316 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1998 through 2002, 6,393 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - Owingsville is served directly by U.S. Highway 60, a AAA-rated trucking highway, and Kentucky Highways 36 and 111. Two interchanges of Interstate 64 are located within one mile of Owingsville. Eleven common carriers provide interstate and/or intrastate trucking service to Owingsville. The nearest commercial airport is the Blue Grass Airport near Lexington, located 49 miles west of Owingsville. The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport, 17 miles west of Owingsville, maintains a 4,850-foot paved runway and the Morehead-Rowan County Airport, 16 miles east of Owingsville, has a 2,600-foot paved runway. CSX Transportation provides main line rail service at Winchester, Kentucky, 29 miles southwest.

**Power and Fuel** - Electric power is provided to Owingsville and parts of Bath County by the Kentucky Utilities Company, an electric generation and transmission company. Bath County is also served by the Fleming-Mason Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation and Clark Rural Electric Cooperative. Natural gas service is provided to Owingsville by the Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.

**Education** - Primary and secondary education is provided to Owingsville and Bath County by the Bath County School System. Eleven institutions of higher learning are located within 65 miles of Owingsville. The Rowan Regional Technology Center at Morehead provides vocational training, while the Montgomery County Area Technology Center provides training facilities in Mt. Sterling.





## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Owingsville Labor Market Area includes Bath County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Bourbon, Fleming, Menifee, Montgomery, Nicholas, and Rowan.

### POPULATION

	<u>1994*</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	96,102	92,951	93,122	82,009
Owingsville	1,917	1,491	1,419	1,381
Bath County	10,045	9,692	10,025	9,235

\*Population estimates.

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

### POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	101,691	108,072	113,011
Bath County	10,594	11,177	11,565

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

### ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	<u>Current</u>			<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1998 thru 2002</u>
Labor Market Area*	5,316	2,924	2,392	6,393
Bath County	888	471	417	692

\* 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 Workforce Development Cabinet, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1995. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1998 thru 2002.

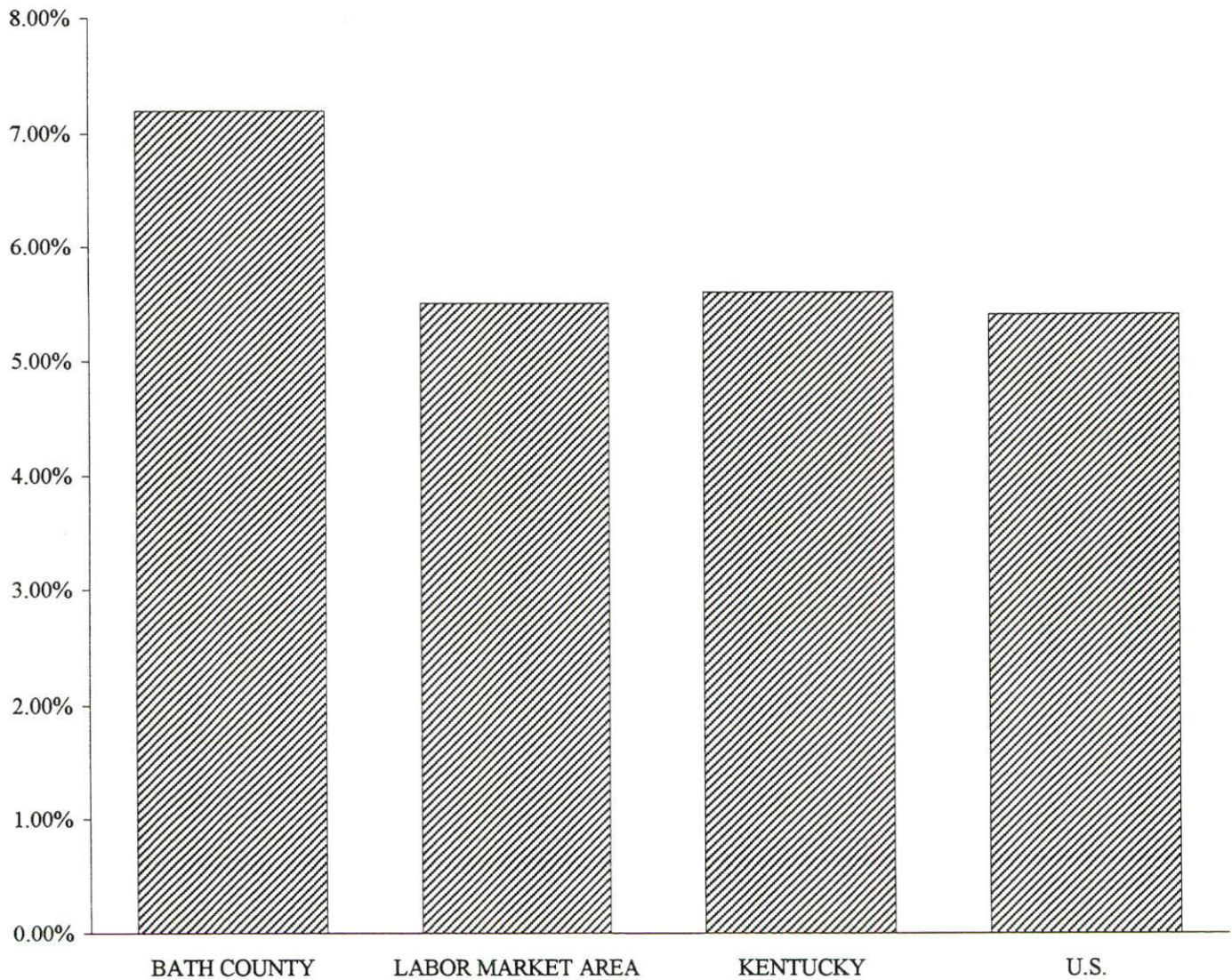


LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1996

	<u>Bath County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	5,072	46,412
Employment	4,708	43,868
Unemployment	364	2,544
Rate of Unemployment (%)	7.2	5.5

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages 1996.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES  
1996



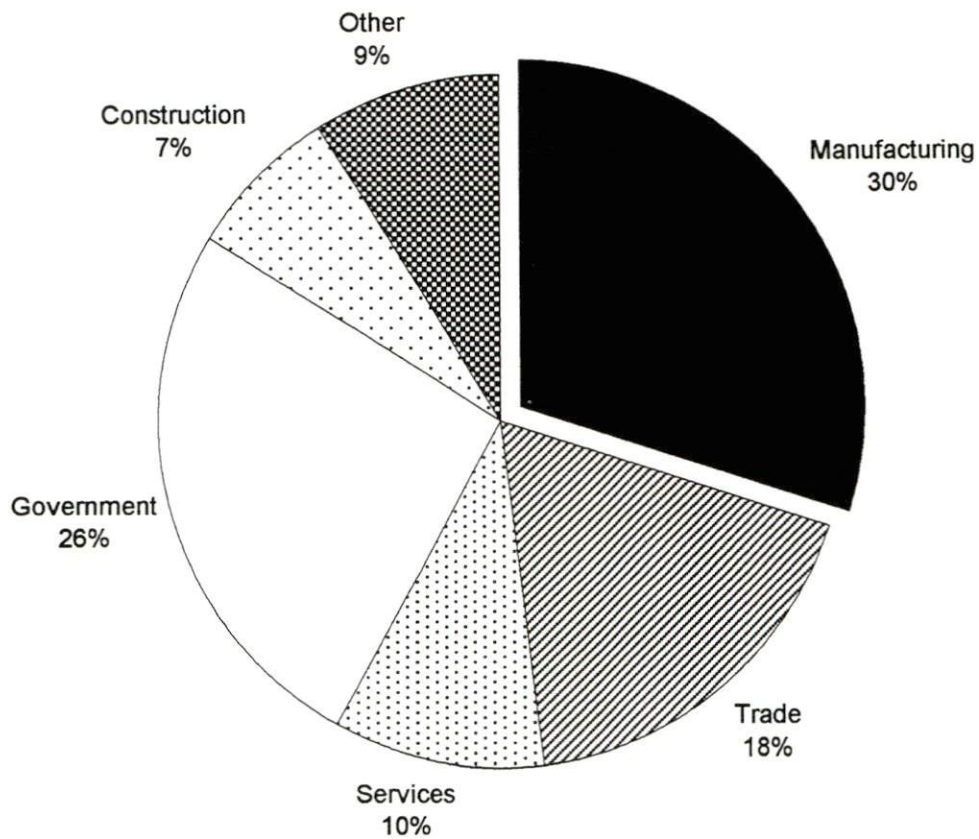
SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1995

	<u>Bath County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	1,844	27,678
Manufacturing	546	6,090
Wholesale & Retail Trade	331	7,013
Services	185	4,860
State/Local Government	471	5,954
Contract Construction	135	1,236

**Note:** Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.

**Source:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1995.

BATH COUNTY



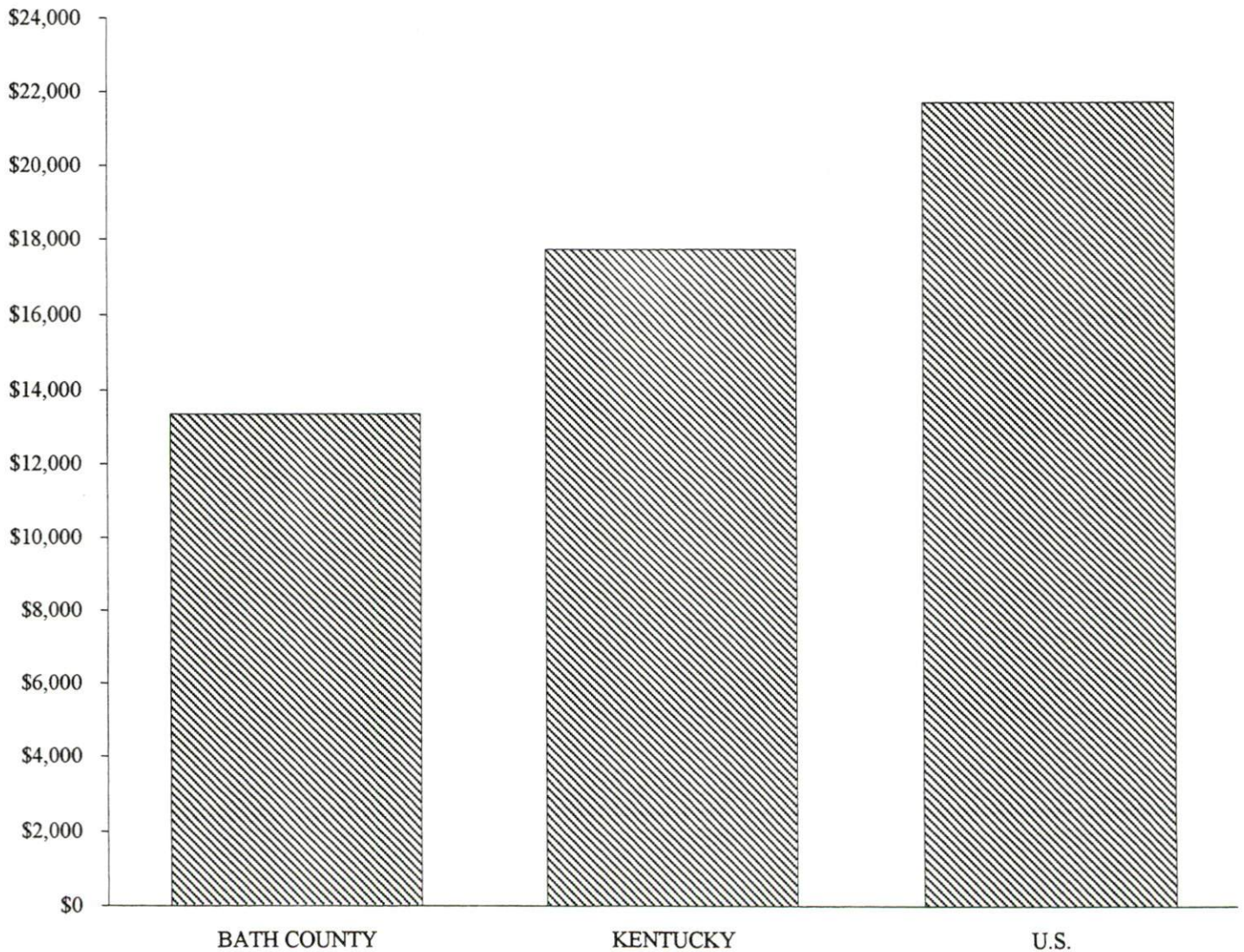


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Bath County	\$11,243	\$13,354	18.8
Labor Market Area Range	\$8,928 - \$14,675	\$10,965 - \$17,586	-
Kentucky	\$14,747	\$17,721	20.2
U.S.	\$18,666	\$21,696	16.2

**Source:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME  
1994



## AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

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Bath County is served by the Morehead local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Morehead 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, 1996, the local employment office filled 2,266 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	2,266	5.20
Clerical	142	4.90
Sales	73	4.74
Services (excluding domestic)	500	4.42
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	6	4.92
Processing	306	5.86
Machine Trades	70	4.87
Bench Work	877	4.99
Structural	107	8.55
Motor Freight/ Transportation	22	5.46
Packaging and Materials Handling	124	5.73
Other	2	6.25

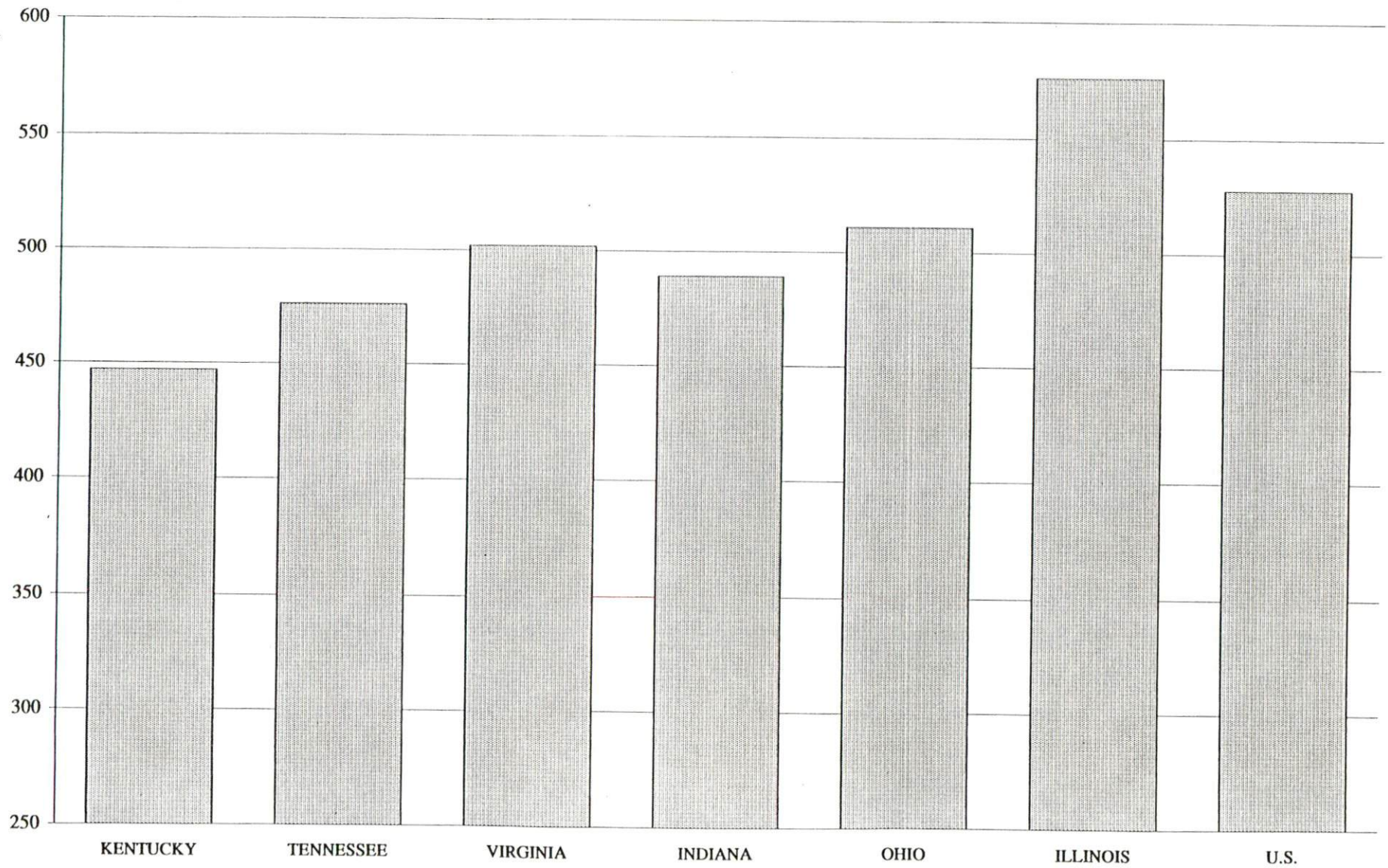
The Morehead local office also serves Menifee, Montgomery, Morgan, and Rowan Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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**Source:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Department for Employment Services.



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1995



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1995\*

	<u>Bath County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$327.14	\$447.03	\$476.00	\$502.00
Mining & Quarrying	0.00	739.22	671.00	736.00
Contract Construction	389.19	466.73	505.00	497.00
Manufacturing	337.03	577.94	559.00	589.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	488.64	586.90	612.00	679.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	207.35	308.87	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	389.71	546.83	614.00	643.00
Services	274.60	404.99	459.00	524.00
State/Local Government	381.90	457.63	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$489.00	\$511.00	\$576.00	\$528.00
Mining & Quarrying	770.00	684.00	828.00	871.00
Contract Construction	558.00	569.00	699.00	562.00
Manufacturing	671.00	716.00	715.00	668.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	589.00	623.00	710.00	674.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	552.00	601.00	815.00	742.00
Services	418.00	449.00	526.00	503.00
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.

**Sources:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1995. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1995, December 1996.



## EXISTING INDUSTRY

### BATH COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	1996 <u>Average Employment</u>
<b>Owingsville</b>		
Bath Manufacturing (1989)	Uniform pants	324
Community Newspapers, Inc., Bath County News-Outlook (1879)	Newspaper	6
Custom Food Products (1994)	Meat processing	50
Donohew, Inc. (1985)	Electronic wiring harness, electronic subassembly	10
Donotech Manufacturing (1982)	Printed circuit boards, electronic subassembly, electrical industrial apparatus	150
<b>Olympia</b>		
McArthur Lumber and Post Company, Inc. (1984)	Treated lumber, posts and poles	18
<b>Salt Lick</b>		
G.G.I., Inc. (1992)	Tool and die, general machining, industrial powder coating	20
Midland City Ice, Inc. (1983)	Bagged ice	6
Reeves & White Wood Products, Inc. (1984)	Wood siding, paneling, wood flooring and moulding	9
<b>Midland</b>		
A.D.O.M., Inc. (1989)	Bark mulch, sawdust, shavings	5

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

## RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Quality Manufacturing, Inc. recently announced plans to locate a new manufacturing facility in Owingsville. The company will manufacture laser toner cartridges and plans to employ approximately 50 persons.

## LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are no labor unions representing manufacturing workers in Owingsville or Bath County at the present time.

## SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

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<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Owingsville</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Flemingsburg, Kentucky	25
	Lexington, Kentucky	45
Electric Motor Repair	Mt. Sterling, Kentucky	14
	Morehead, Kentucky	20
Heat Treating Facilities	Lexington, Kentucky	45
Industrial Waste Removal	Mt. Sterling, Kentucky	14
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Mt. Sterling, Kentucky	14
	Morehead, Kentucky	20
Metal Castings	Cynthiana, Kentucky	53
Metal Finishers	Lexington, Kentucky	45
Metal Service Centers	Morehead, Kentucky	20
Millwrights & Riggers	Lexington, Kentucky	45

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**Source:** Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Highways

Owingsville is served directly by U.S. 60, a AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway, and Kentucky Highways 36 and 111. Two interchanges of Interstate 64, a major east-west highway, are located within one mile of Owingsville. The Mountain Parkway, a multi-lane highway, is accessible 26 miles southwest via Interstate 64. Interstate 75, a major north-south corridor, is located 42 miles west via Interstate 64.

An improvement project is planned for U.S. Highway 60, from Owingsville to Mt. Sterling. The project will consist of constructing new bridges, widening sections of the highway, and realignment.

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

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	404	Los Angeles, CA	2,210
Baltimore, MD	497	Louisville, KY	119
Birmingham, AL	444	Nashville, TN	257
Chicago, IL	394	New Orleans, LA	779
Cincinnati, OH	123	New York, NY	680
Cleveland, OH	370	Pittsburgh, PA	349
Detroit, MI	383	St. Louis, MO	380
Knoxville, TN	214		

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

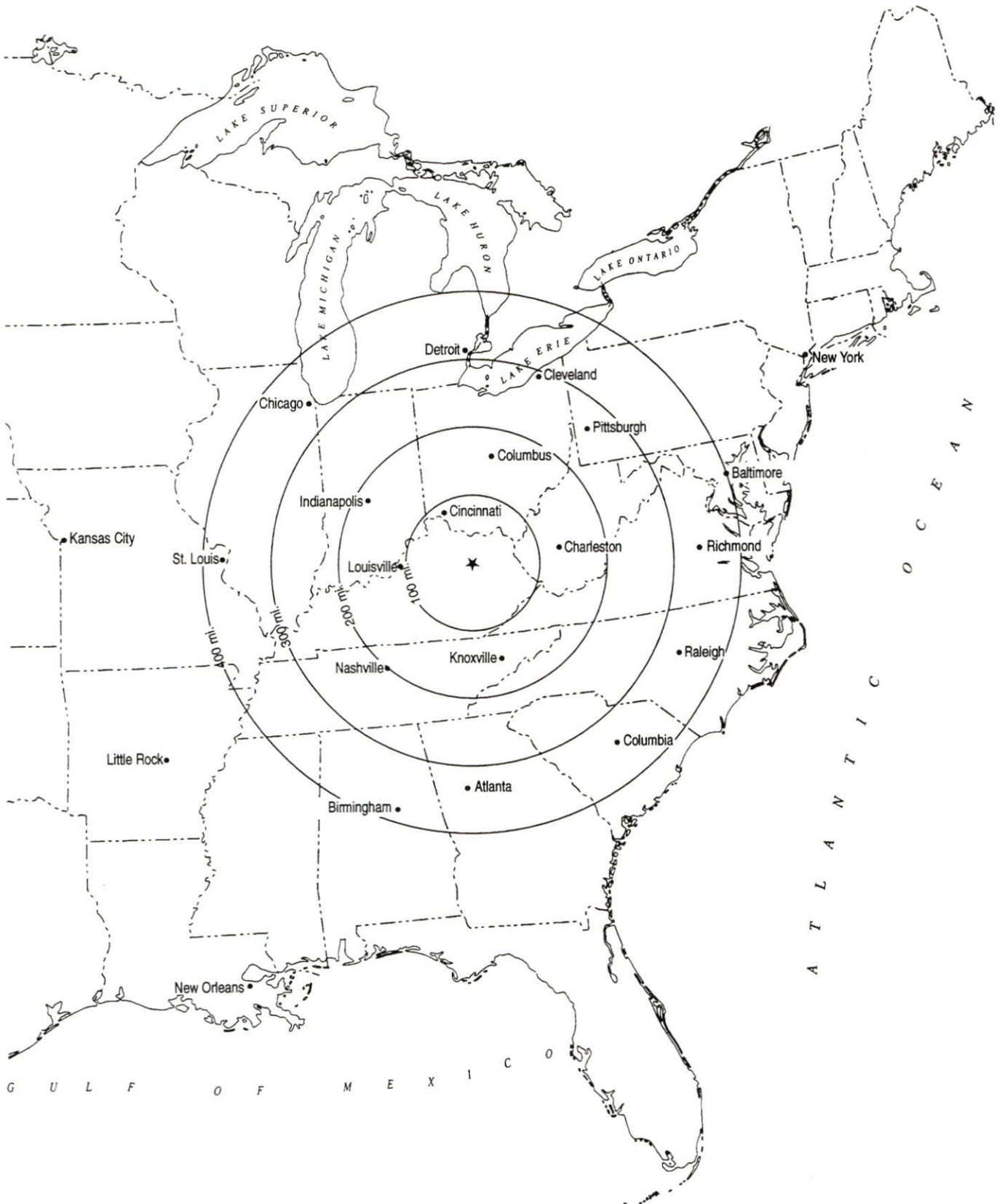
**Sources:** Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1993. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1988.

### Truck Service

Eleven common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Owingsville.

**Source:** American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1997.

# Selected Market Centers





## Rail

CSX Transportation provides the nearest main line rail service at Winchester, Kentucky, 29 miles southwest. The Norfolk Southern Corporation provides intermodal facilities at Georgetown, Kentucky, 56 miles west.

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

Morehead-Rowan County Airport  
Location: 5 miles southwest of Morehead; 16 miles east of Owingsville  
Runways: 1 paved  
Length: 2,600 feet  
Traffic  
Control: Wind sock, unicom  
Lighting: Runway lights, rotating beacons, lighted wind sock, VASI  
Services: Flight instruction, ground school, aircraft charter, leasing, tie-downs  
Air Freight Service: Charter air freight service must be arranged

Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport  
Location: 2 miles west of Mt. Sterling, 17 miles west of Owingsville  
Runways: 1 paved  
Length: 4,850 feet  
Traffic  
Control: Unicom, wind sock, tetrahedron, NDB instrument landing  
Lighting: Sunset to sunrise, rotating beacon, MIRL and REIL  
Services: Major A & P repairs, jet-A fuel and 100LL fuels, charter, flight instruction, tie-downs, hangars, car rental  
Air Freight Services: Charter air freight service must be arranged

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Blue Grass Airport 4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky; 52 miles west of Owingsville
Air Service:	ASA, Comair, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest AirlinK, TW Express, United Express, US Airways
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	192

## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Company serving **Owingsville and parts of Bath County** - Kentucky Utilities Company

Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company

For industrial rates contact:

Economic Development Department  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
One Quality Street  
Lexington, Kentucky 40507  
(606) 255-2100

Company serving **the northern portion of Bath County** - Fleming-Mason Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

Source of power - East Kentucky Power

For industrial rates contact:

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

and/or

Fleming-Mason Rural Electric  
Cooperative Corporation  
P.O. Drawer 328  
Flemingsburg, Kentucky 41041  
(800) 464-3144 or (606) 845-2661

Company serving **the southern portion of Bath County** - Clark Rural Electric Cooperative

Source of power - East Kentucky Power

For industrial rates contact:

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

and/or

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

## Natural Gas

Company serving **Owingsville** - Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.  
Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation  
For rates and supplies contact:

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

## Public Water Supply

Company serving **Owingsville** - Owingsville Water Works  
P.O. Box 639  
Owingsville, Kentucky 40360  
(606) 674-2033

Source - Slate Creek  
Treatment plant capacity- 432,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 204,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 250,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 350,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 60 psi to 75 psi

Company serving **Bath County** - Bath County Water District  
P.O. Box 369  
Salt Lick, Kentucky 40371  
(606) 683-6363

Source of treated water - Morehead Utility Plant Board  
Mt. Sterling Water and Sewer Commission  
Amount of water that can be purchased - 1,000,000 gallons per day (Morehead)  
50,000 gallons per day (Mt. Sterling)  
Average daily consumption - 830,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 947,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 776,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 30 psi to 95 psi

## Sewerage

Company serving **Owingsville** - Owingsville Sewer Works  
P.O. Box 639  
Owingsville, Kentucky 40360  
(606) 674-6660

Design capacity - 200,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow - 185,000 gallons  
Type of treatment - Secondary  
Treated effluent discharged into - Slate Creek



## CLIMATE

### Bath County

#### Temperature

Normal (29-year record)	54.90 degrees
Average annual 1995	54.90 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (51-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (51-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (29-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	4,783

#### Precipitation

Normal (29-year record)	44.55 inches
Mean annual snowfall (50-year record)	15.80 inches
Total precipitation 1995	50.08 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (51-year record)	129.60
Mean number days thunderstorms (51-year record)	44.40

Prevailing Winds (through 1963) South

#### Relative Humidity (31-year record)

1 a.m.	78 percent (31-year record)
7 a.m.	82 percent (32-year record)
1 p.m.	60 percent (32-year record)
7 p.m.	64 percent (32-year record)

**Source:** U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1995. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Structure

Owingsville is governed by a mayor and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the council members each serve a two-year term. Bath County is governed by a county judge/executive and three commissioners. Each county official serves a four-year term.

### Planning and Zoning

City agency - City of Owingsville Planning and Zoning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within corporate limits

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within corporate limits

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

A business license fee ranging from \$25 to \$200 per year, depending on the type of business and the number of employees, is levied on businesses in Owingsville.

**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>	1996 <u>State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.163	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, 1996**

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods &amp; Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Bath County	\$0.3440	\$0.3290	\$0.3065
School District:			
Bath County	0.3910	0.3910	0.3890
City:			
Owingsville	0.2380	0.2380	0.3100

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

#### Bath County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1996)	1,856
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1995-96)	13.9-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1995-96)	45.3
Expenditures Per Pupil (1995-96)	\$4,255.32

### Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Owingsville)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1995)</u>
Morehead State University	Morehead, Kentucky (20)	8,454
Maysville Community College	Maysville, Kentucky (42)	1,362
Lexington Community College	Lexington, Kentucky (48)	5,228
Transylvania University	Lexington, Kentucky (48)	923
University of Kentucky	Lexington, Kentucky (48)	24,378
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond, Kentucky (50)	15,727
Kentucky Christian College	Grayson, Kentucky (52)	573
Georgetown College	Georgetown, Kentucky (56)	1,461
Midway College	Midway, Kentucky (59)	926
Asbury College	Wilmore, Kentucky (65)	1,206
Berea College	Berea, Kentucky (64)	1,559

## 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 Owingsville)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Enrollment 1995-1996</u>		<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
Rowan Regional Technology Center	Morehead (20)	14	<u>Sec</u> 137	<u>P/S</u> 319	100
Montgomery County Area Technology Center	Mt. Sterling (15)	3	<u>Sec</u> 387	<u>P/S</u> 0	50

### Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its training and development coordinators, will provide technical assistance and will identify and develop low-cost customized training programs and services for both established and prospective businesses. Businesses wanting to establish a customized training program should contact a training and development coordinator located at the Rowan Regional Technology Center in Morehead.

### Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies testing packages for evaluating job applicants, selecting employees for promotional consideration and developing training programs within the organization. A Career Connections Assessment Center is located at the Rowan Regional Technology Center in Morehead.

### Adult Education Services

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new academic skills, improve basic skills, or earn a high school equivalence diploma. In Owingsville, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Bath County Board of Education.

### Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation (BSSC), 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. Programs range from entry level for new workers to advanced training for experienced employees.

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation is a major source for skills training assistance for new and existing companies. BSSC works in partnership with other employment and job training resources and programs, as well as Kentucky's economic development activities, to package programs customized to meet the specific needs of a company.



## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 6  
Dentists - 3

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Mary Chiles Hospital, Inc.	Mt. Sterling, 15 miles west of Owingsville	103
St. Claire Medical Center	Morehead, 20 miles east of Owingsville	159

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Bath County Medical Center  
Gateway District Health Department  
Bath County Ambulance Service

### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Citizens Bank (Sharpsburg)  
Farmers Bank  
Owingsville Banking Company  
Salt Lick Deposit Bank

### Newspapers

The Bath County News - Outlook (weekly)

### Telephone Service

GTE

### Radio

WKCA - 107.7 FM  
WIKD - 96.3 FM

## RECREATION

### Local

Recreational opportunities in Owingsville include organized Little League Baseball, soccer leagues, and team sports sponsored by the school system. Owingsville has a city park which contains playgrounds, a swimming pool, tennis courts, a baseball diamond, and a dance pavilion. Additional playgrounds, baseball fields, and football field are also available in Bath County.

Carrington Greens, an 18-hole golf course, was recently completed near Owingsville. Eagle Trace Golf Course, an 18-hole course, opened in 1995. The new golf complex is located 12 miles east of Owingsville near Interstate 64.

A popular tourist attraction, Bourbon Iron Furnace was a maker of cannon balls used in the War of 1812. The Furnace is renowned as the first iron furnace west of the Allegheny Mountains. A roadside park with picnic facilities is located on the grounds.

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

Cave Run Lake, constructed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, is located 15 miles east of Owingsville within the 640,000-acre Daniel Boone National Forest. The lake area offers fishing, camping and boating opportunities. In addition, there are hiking trails and picnic areas around the lake.

### Area (Within 60 miles)

Many lectures, concerts, and sporting events at **Morehead State University**, 20 miles distant, are open to the public.

**Lexington**, 45 miles west of Owingsville, offers a variety of cultural, sporting, and recreational activities. Thoroughbred and harness racing is presented at Keeneland Race Course and the Red Mile Harness Track during several meets each year. The University of Kentucky and Transylvania University each offer a number of sporting events. The University of Kentucky basketball games are held at Rupp Arena. Other attractions include Lexington Philharmonic concerts, Lexington Children's Theatre, Lexington Children's Museum, and plays performed by Broadway touring companies, which are held at the Opera House.

Blue Licks Battlefield State Park  
Fort Boonesborough State Park  
Carter Caves State Resort Park  
Natural Bridge State Historic Site  
White Hall State Historic Site  
The Kentucky Horse Park  
Waveland State Historic Site  
Grayson Lake State Park