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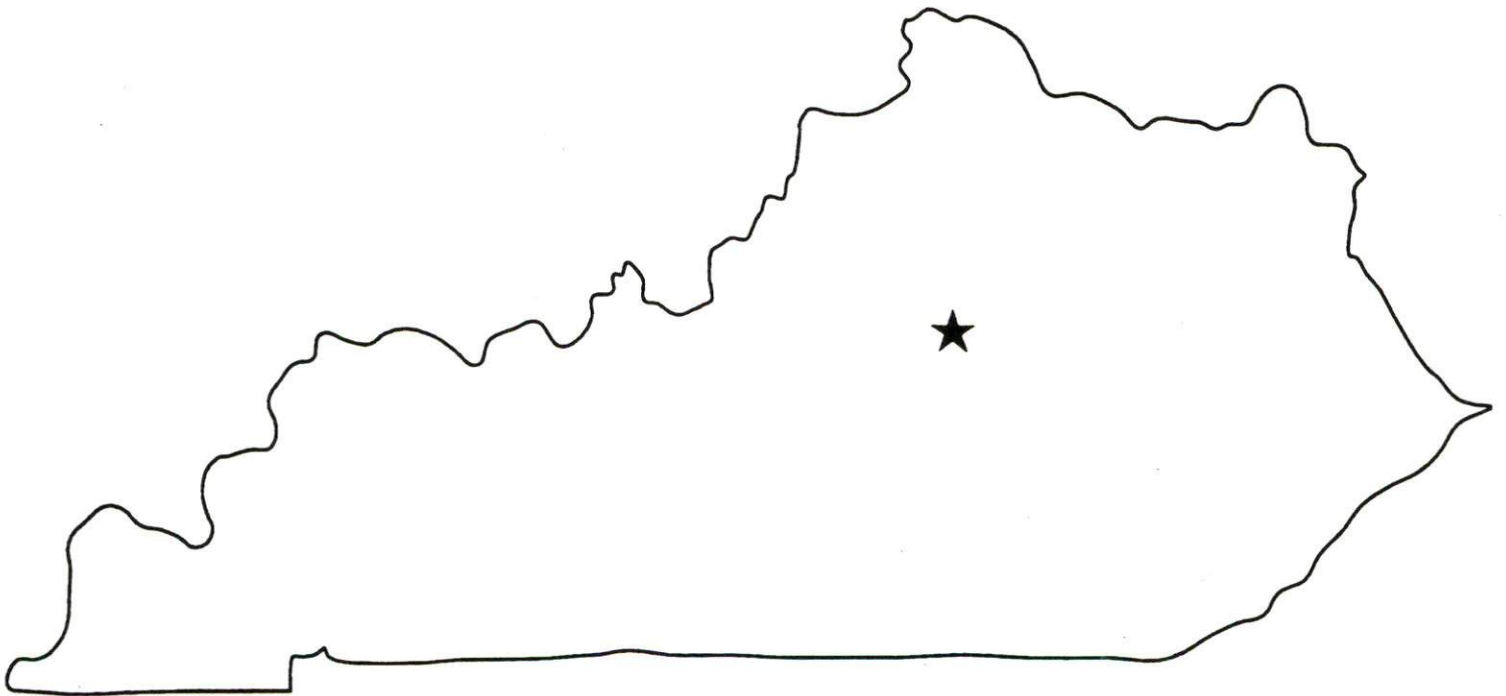
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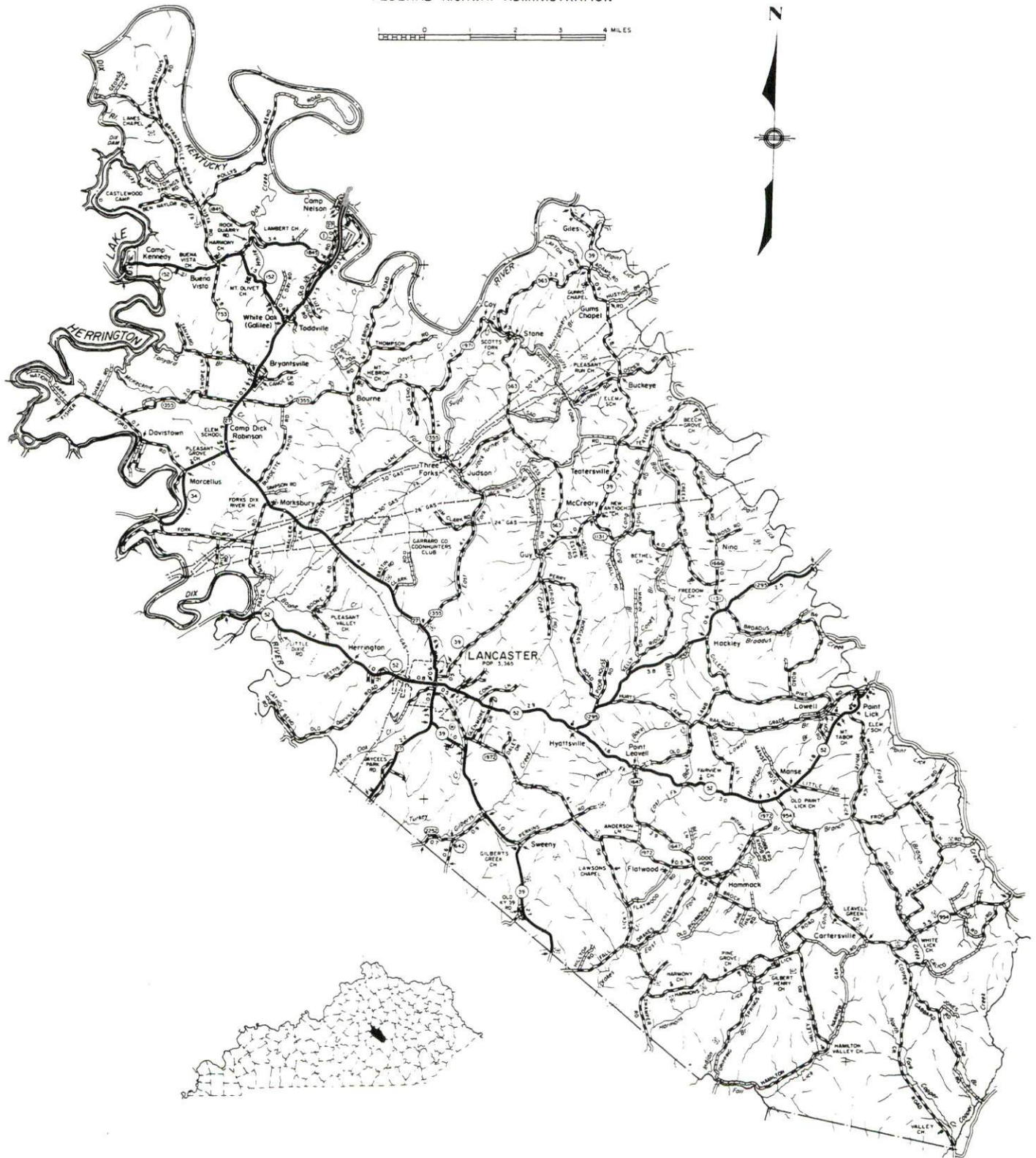
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP GARRARD COUNTY KENTUCKY

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



LANCASTER, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Lancaster, the county seat of Garrard County, is situated in the south central portion of Kentucky's Blue Grass Region. Lancaster is located 34 miles south of Lexington, Kentucky; 96 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky; 112 miles south of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 146 miles north of Knoxville, Tennessee. Lancaster had an estimated 1994 population of 3,660.

Garrard County, with a land area of 231 square miles, consists of gently rolling to hilly terrain. The Kentucky River forms the northern boundary of the county and the Dix River forms the county's northwestern boundary. Garrard County had an estimated 1994 population of 12,637.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Garrard County residents employed in 1995 averaged 5,943. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 448 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 472 jobs; 307 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 661 employees; and contract construction firms provided 225 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 8,243 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1998 through 2002, 12,775 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - Lancaster is served directly by U.S. Highway 27, Kentucky 39, and Kentucky 52. Interstate 75, Interstate 64, the Blue Grass Parkway, and the Cumberland Parkway are all accessible within 45 miles of Lancaster. Twenty-three common carriers provide trucking service to Lancaster. Main line rail service is provided by the Norfolk Southern Corporation at Danville, 12 miles west. The nearest commercial airline service is available at Blue Grass Airport, four miles west of Lexington, 35 miles north of Lancaster. The Danville-Boyle County Airport is located 16 miles west of Lancaster.

Power and Fuel - Kentucky Utilities provides electric power to Lancaster and Garrard County. The Inter-County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, which is supplied by East Kentucky Power, serves the remainder of Garrard County. Natural gas service is provided to Lancaster by the Western Kentucky Gas Company, which is supplied by the Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company.

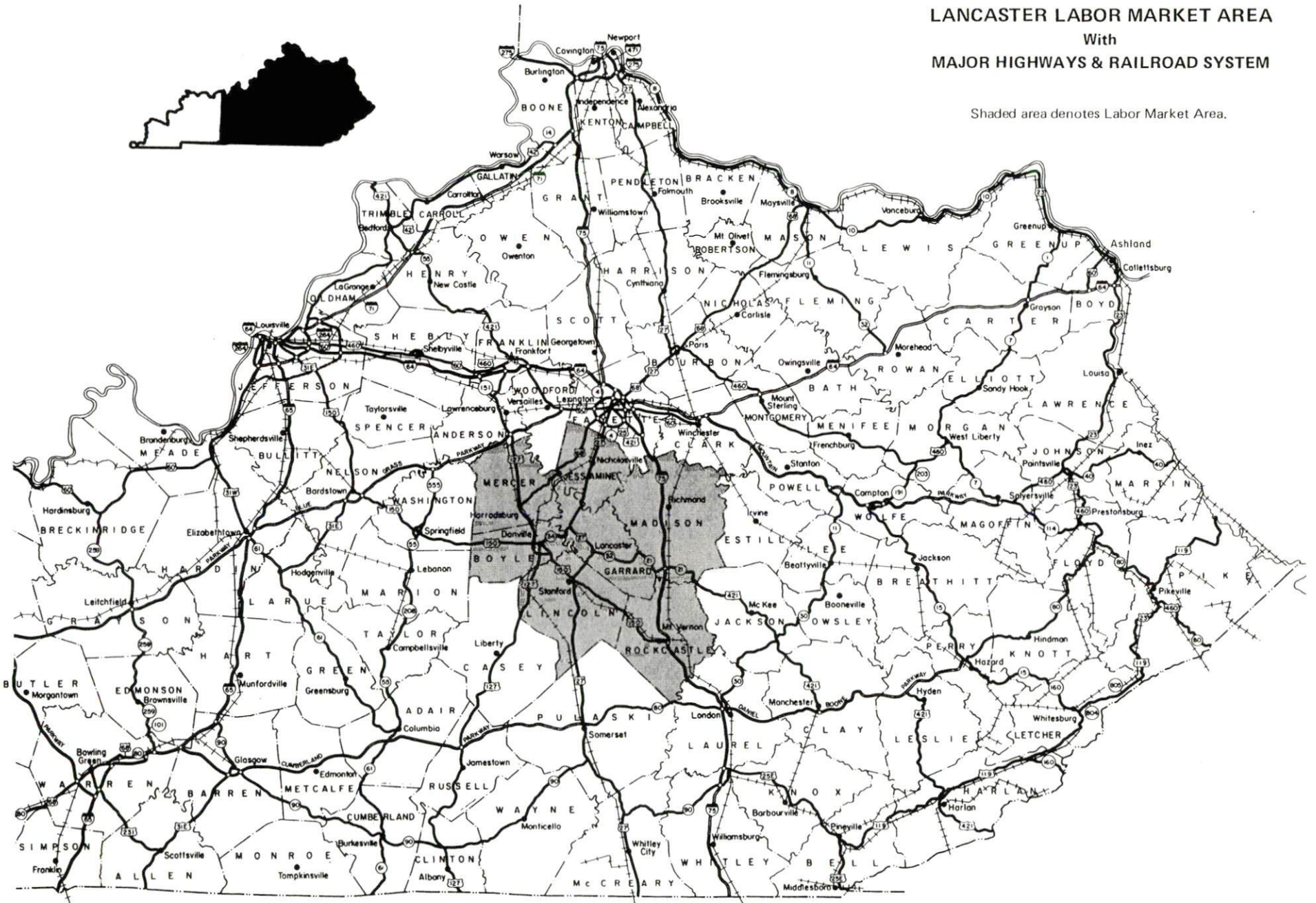
Education - The Garrard County School System provides primary and secondary education to Lancaster and Garrard County. Nine institutions of higher learning are located within 50 miles of Lancaster. Vocational training facilities are available at the Garrard County Area Technology Center in Lancaster, and at the Central Kentucky Regional Technology Center in Lexington, 34 miles north.

LANCASTER LABOR MARKET AREA

With

MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Lancaster Labor Market Area includes Garrard County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Boyle, Jessamine, Lincoln, Madison, Mercer, and Rockcastle.

POPULATION

	<u>1994*</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	191,122	179,232	167,373	136,406
Lancaster	3,660	3,421	3,365	3,230
Garrard County	12,637	11,579	10,853	9,457

*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	206,803	225,069	240,234
Garrard County	13,775	14,998	16,100

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>	Not in Labor Force <u>Force</u>	Becoming 18 years of age <u>1998 thru 2002</u>
Labor Market Area*	8,243	4,157	4,086	12,775
Garrard County	866	282	584	809

* 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.

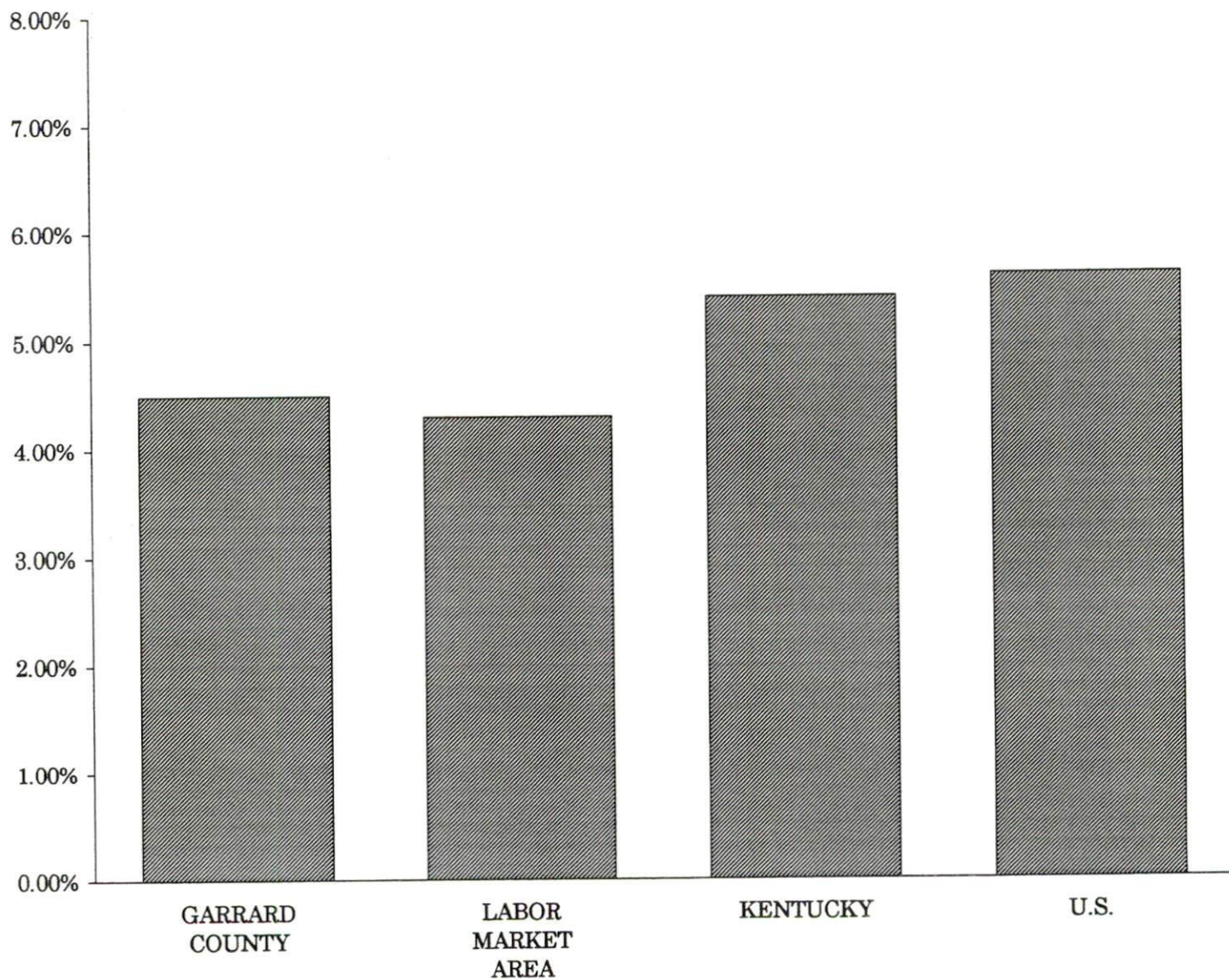
Sources: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1995. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1998 thru 2002.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1995

	<u>Garrard County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	6,225	97,158
Employment	5,943	93,001
Unemployment	282	4,157
Rate of Unemployment (%)	4.5	4.3

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages 1995.

UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
1995



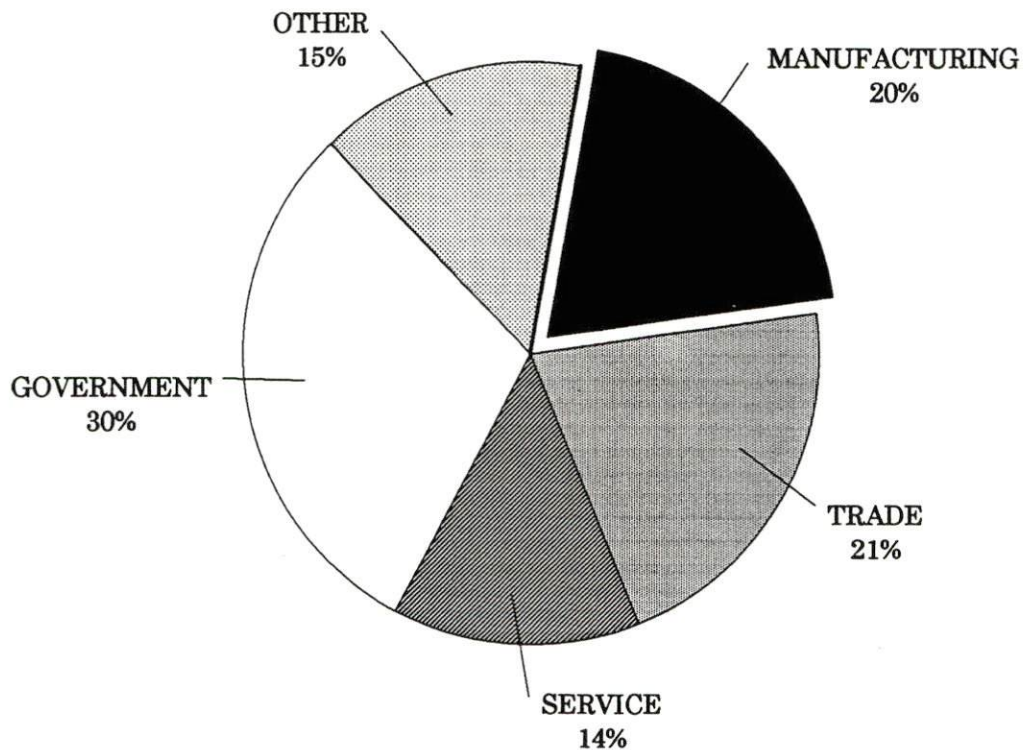
SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1995

	<u>Garrard County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	2,255	61,058
Manufacturing	448	15,359
Wholesale & Retail Trade	472	15,810
Services	307	11,917
State/Local Government	661	11,202
Contract Construction	225	2,861

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.

GARRARD COUNTY

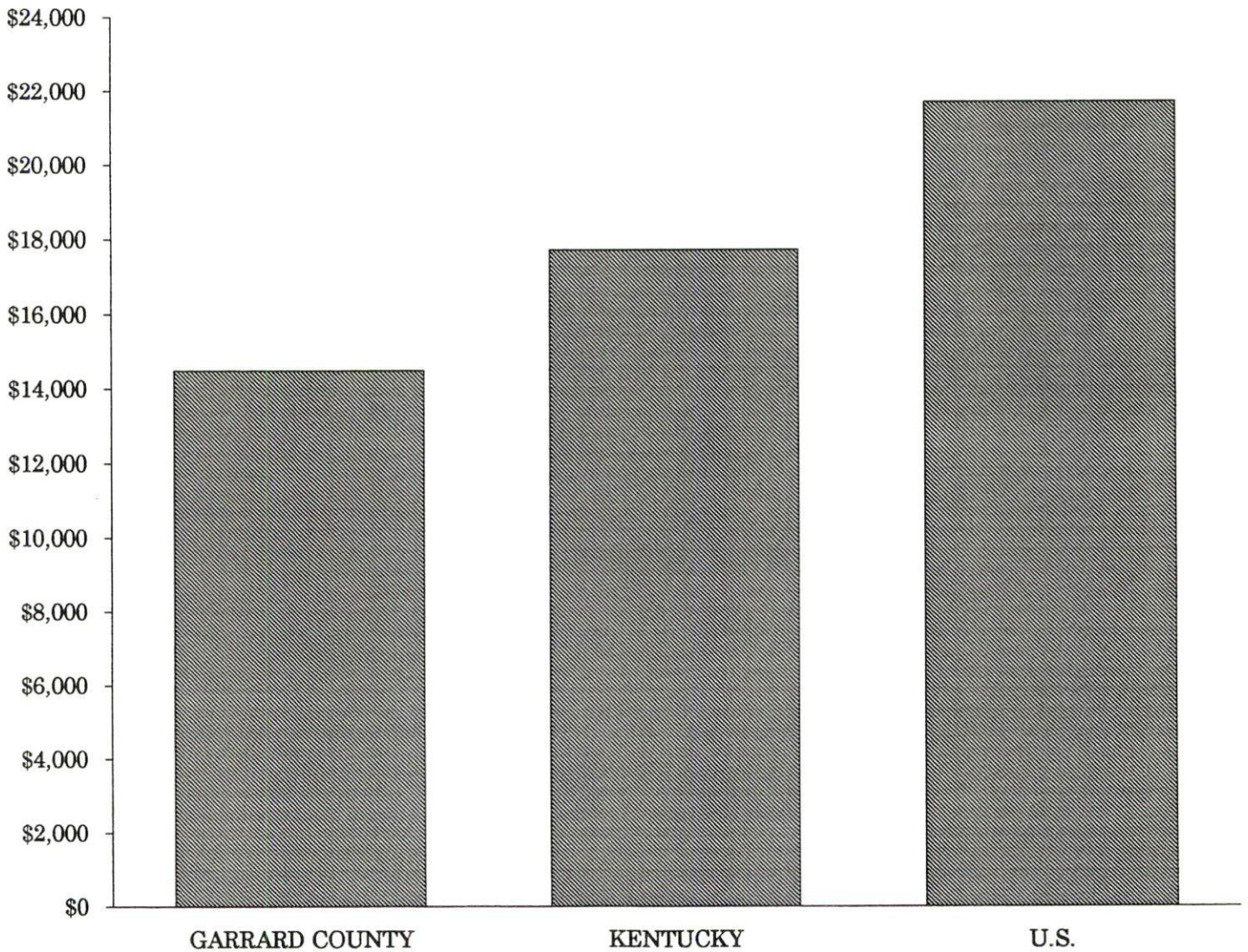


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Garrard County	\$13,322	\$14,479	8.7
Labor Market Area Range	\$9,957 - \$14,239	\$12,340 - \$17,505	-
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

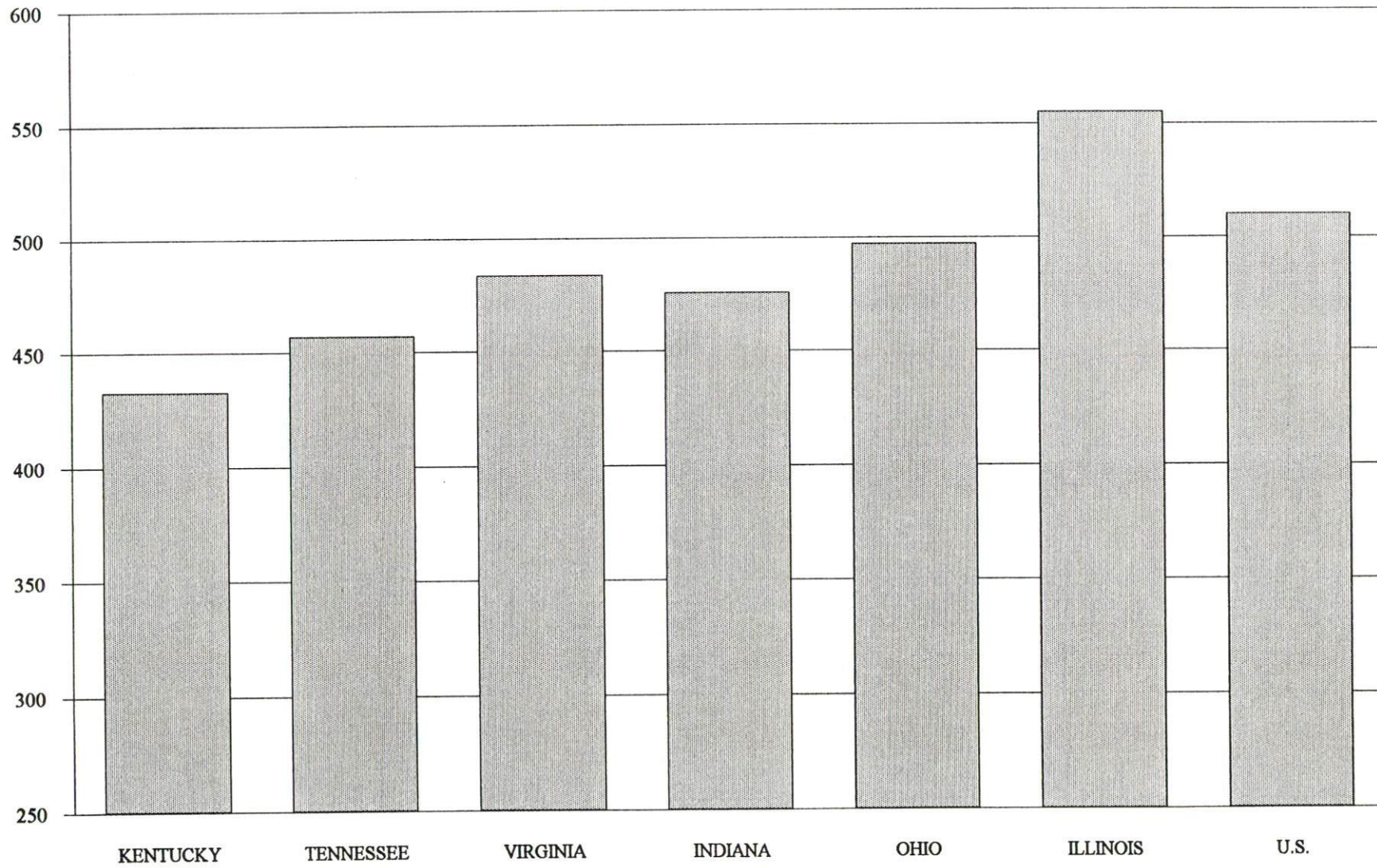
Garrard County is served by the Danville local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Danville local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1996 the local employment office filled 1,663 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	1,663	6.79
Clerical	51	5.33
Sales	27	4.69
Services (excluding domestic)	161	4.89
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	24	6.00
Processing	134	6.40
Machine Trades	272	7.79
Bench Work	683	7.31
Structural	93	8.43
Motor Freight/ Transportation	20	5.91
Packaging and Materials Handling	155	5.55
Other	3	5.02

The Danville local office also serves Boyle, Lincoln, and Mercer Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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

**AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1994**



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1994*

	<u>Garrard County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$307.27	\$432.45	\$457.00	\$484.00
Mining & Quarrying	N/A	724.79	638.00	721.00
Contract Construction	410.92	457.02	485.00	476.00
Manufacturing	255.66	560.04	540.00	565.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	442.28	573.31	588.00	673.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	195.93	297.57	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	411.10	521.15	585.00	609.00
Services	351.39	385.62	434.00	501.00
State/Local Government	351.12	441.53	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$476.00	\$497.00	\$555.00	\$510.00
Mining & Quarrying	771.00	682.00	815.00	839.00
Contract Construction	538.00	549.00	681.00	544.00
Manufacturing	653.00	701.00	692.00	645.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	581.00	619.00	694.00	658.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	557.00	572.00	764.00	693.00
Services	400.00	433.00	501.00	483.00
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, 1994. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1994, November 1995.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

LANCASTER MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

Firm (Establishment date)	Product	1996 Average Employment
Allison Abrasives, Inc. (1987)	Abrasive cutoff wheels	140
Austin Apparel (1993)	Jeans, men's and women's slacks	110
Bailey Machinery Movers & Fabricators (1985)	Machine fabrication	63
Bluegrass Gates (1988)	Gates, feeders, truck racks	14
The Cherry Place, Inc. (1981)	Wood furniture and accessories	4
Dix River Stone Company, Inc. (1987)	Crushed limestone	14
Feldman Lumber Company, Inc. (1938)	Lumber, hardware, mulch, sawdust	30
Garrard County News, Inc. (1993)	Newspaper, typesetting, printed material	6
Garrard County Woodwork Products, Inc. (1986)	Unfinished wood cabinet doors, drawer fronts and face frames	30
Jay Bee Enterprises, Inc. (1969)	Fiberglass boats	6
Mom Blakeman's Cream Pull Candy (1962)	Candy	6
Montgomery Machine Shop, Inc. (1975)	Cattle trailers, ornamental gates	3
Montgomery Tool & Manufacturing, Inc. (1994)	Fixtures, jigs, spring anchors, lift pins	4
Southern States Lancaster Service (1946)	Blended fertilizer	2
Tenacrest-Division of Safeguard Corporation (1965)	Life preserver slips	42

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Lancaster-Garrard County Industrial Authority.

RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

Garrard County Woodwork Products recently announced expansion plans, which include re-laying water and gas lines, and construction of a 7,500 square-foot building. The project will cost approximately \$125,000 creating five new jobs.

Allison Abrasives plans an expansion by late fall of 1997, creating 10 to 12 new jobs.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

There are no labor unions representing manufacturing workers in Garrard County at the present time.

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Lancaster</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Danville, Kentucky	12
Electric Motor Repair	Danville, Kentucky	12
Heat Treating Facilities	Richmond, Kentucky	24
Industrial Waste Removal	Danville, Kentucky	12
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Danville, Kentucky	12
Metal Castings	Cynthiana, Kentucky	70
Metal Finishers	Richmond, Kentucky	24
Metal Service Centers	Junction City, Kentucky Richmond, Kentucky	18 24
Millwrights & Riggers	Nicholasville, Kentucky	22

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Lancaster is served directly by U.S. Highway 27 and Kentucky Highway 52, AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways; and Kentucky Highway 39, a AA-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. Kentucky Highway 1295, a AAA-rated highway, is accessible three miles east of the city. Interchanges of Interstate 75, a major north-south multi-lane highway, are located 21 miles east, 26 miles northeast, and 39 miles north. Interstate 64, a major east-west corridor, is accessible 39 miles north of Lancaster. The Blue Grass Parkway, a multi-lane highway, is accessible 36 miles northwest of Lancaster. An interchange with the Cumberland Parkway, a multi-lane toll road which traverses southern Kentucky, is accessible 42 miles southwest of Lancaster.

Reconstruction of U.S. Highway 27 from Nicholasville south to Camp Nelson will reach completion in 1997. The project expands this section of U.S. Highway 27 from two to four lanes. Reconstruction of a six-mile segment of Kentucky Highway 52 east of Lancaster is scheduled to begin in 1998.

HIGHWAY MILES FROM LANCASTER, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	341	Los Angeles, CA	2,174
Baltimore, MD	567	Louisville, KY	96
Birmingham, AL	380	Nashville, TN	199
Chicago, IL	377	New Orleans, LA	698
Cincinnati, OH	112	New York, NY	747
Cleveland, OH	353	Pittsburgh, PA	385
Detroit, MI	366	St. Louis, MO	357
Knoxville, TN	146		

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

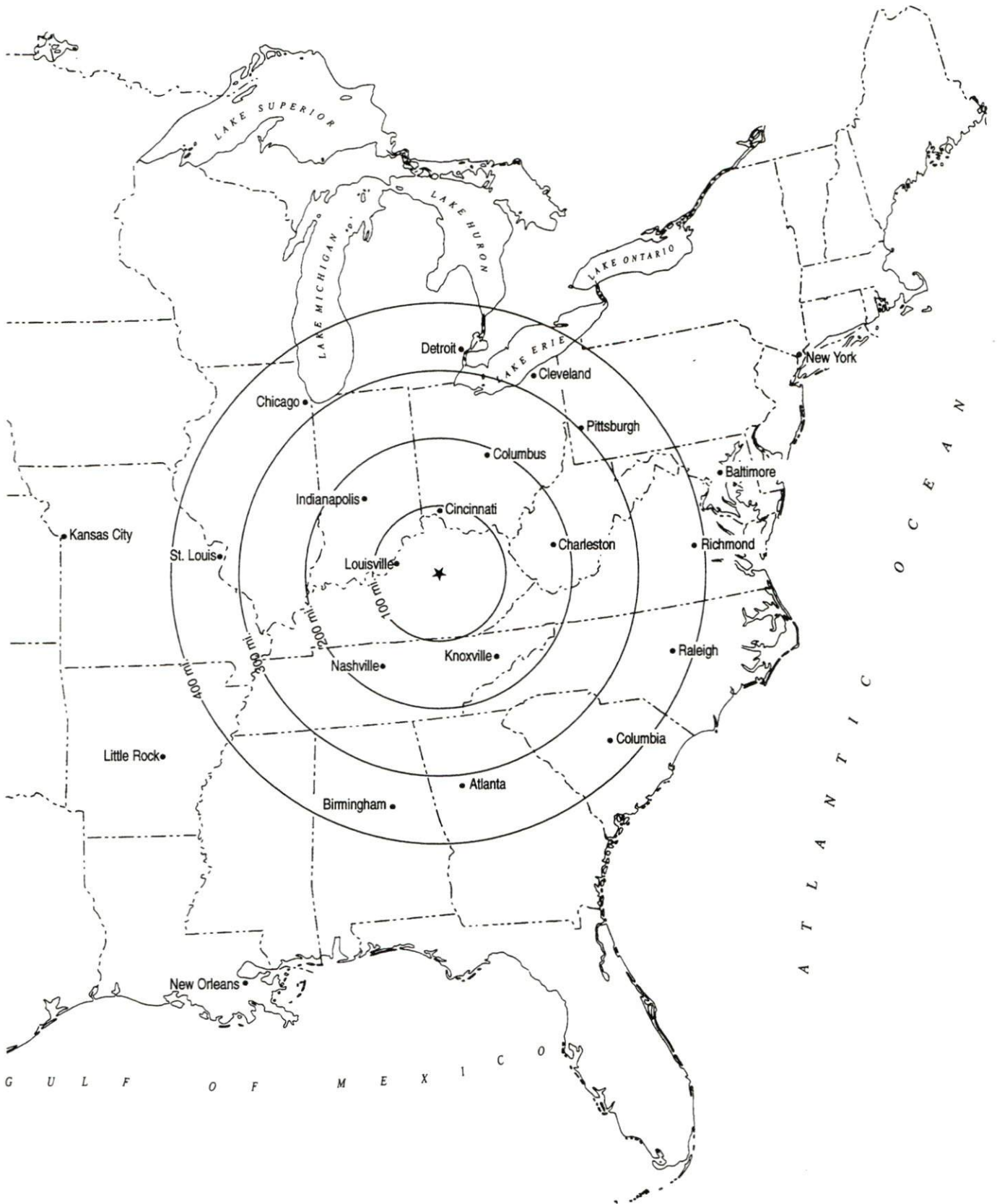
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1993. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1988.

Truck Service

Twenty-three companies provide interstate and/or intrastate trucking service to the Lancaster area.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1997.

Selected Market Centers



Rail

The nearest rail service is provided by the Norfolk Southern Corporation at Danville, 12 miles west of Lancaster. Intermodal facilities are also provided by the Norfolk Southern Corporation at Georgetown, 50 miles north.

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

Industrial Development Manager
Norfolk Southern Corporation
Industrial Development Department
The Tower Suite 2904
611 Commerce Street
Nashville, Tennessee 37203
(615) 254-3398

Air

Nearest Small Craft Airport

Location: Danville-Boyle County Airport
4 miles south of Danville;
16 miles west of Lancaster

Runways: 3 paved

Length: Two 5,000 feet and one 2,400 feet

Traffic

Control: Wind sock, instrument approach, Unicom 122.8

Lighting: Rotating beacon, sundown to sunrise; VASI,
REILS medium intensity runway light

Services: 100 octane, jet-A fuel; major and minor A & P
repairs; aircraft rental; tie downs; hangars;
flight instruction; car rental

Air Freight
Service: Charter air freight service must be arranged

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Blue Grass Airport
4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky;
35 miles north of Lancaster

Air Service: American Eagle, ASA, Comair, Delta,
Northwest Airlinck, TW Express,
United Express, USAir, USAir Express

Daily Arrivals
& Departures: 110

UTILITIES

Electricity

Company serving **Lancaster and parts of Garrard 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 **most of Garrard County** - Inter-County 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

Inter-County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
P.O. Box 87
Danville, Kentucky 40423-0087
(606) 236-4561

Natural Gas

Company serving **Lancaster** - Western Kentucky Gas Company

Source of supply - Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company

For rates and supplies contact:

Western Kentucky Gas Company
2401 New Hartford Road
P.O. Box 866
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302-0866
(502) 685-8069

Public Water Supply

Company serving **Lancaster** - Lancaster Water Works
101 Stanford Street
Lancaster, Kentucky 40444
(606) 792-3188

Source - Kentucky River
Treatment plant capacity- 2,100,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 1,120,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 1,275,000 gallons
Storage capacity - 1,175,000 gallons
Water pressure - 45 psi to 90 psi

In 1996, Lancaster Water Works upgraded its water treatment plant and distribution system. The expansion increased the treatment capacity to 2.1 million gallons per day.

Company serving **Garrard County** - Garrard County Water Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 670
Lancaster, Kentucky 40444
(606) 792-4501

Source of supply of treated water - Lancaster Water Works
Berea Water System
Maximum amount available- No set amount (Lancaster)
150,000 gallons per day (Berea)
Average daily consumption - 614,470 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 859,140 gallons
Storage capacity - 590,600 gallons
Water pressure - 35 psi to 110 psi

The Garrard County Water Association has installed approximately 95 miles of new distribution mains in the last five years.

Sewerage

Company serving **Lancaster** - Lancaster Sewer Works
101 Stanford Street
Lancaster, Kentucky 40444
(606) 792-2162

Design capacity - 1,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 400,000 to 500,000 gallons
Type of treatment - Tertiary
Treated effluent discharged into - White Oak Creek

CLIMATE

Garrard 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

The City of Lancaster is governed by a mayor and six council members. The mayor serves a four-year term, while the council members each serve two-year terms. Garrard County is governed by a county judge/executive and five magistrates, each serving four-year terms.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Lancaster Planning and Zoning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within city limits

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city limits and two miles beyond

Local codes enforced - Building and housing

Mandatory state codes enforced - Kentucky Plumbing Code, National Electric Code, Kentucky Boiler Regulations and Standards, Kentucky Building Code (modeled after BOCA code)

Local Fees and Licenses

The City of Lancaster levies business license fees ranging from \$5 to \$300, depending on the type of business. Garrard County levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses within Garrard County.

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>	1995 <u>State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.167	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, 1995

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Garrard County	\$0.1590	\$0.1820	\$0.1749
School Districts:			
Garrard County	0.4640	0.4800	0.5510
Cities:			
Lancaster	0.1880	0.2800	0.2330

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Garrard County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1996)	2,206
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1995-96)	16.5-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1995-96)	51.0
Expenditures Per Pupil (1995-96)	\$3,995.22

The Garrard County School System has constructed four new schools since 1990. Renovation has begun on the middle school, vocational school, and high school.

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Lancaster)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1995)</u>
Centre College	Danville, Kentucky (12)	967
Berea College	Berea, Kentucky (22)	1,559
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond, Kentucky (24)	15,727
Asbury College	Wilmore, Kentucky (30)	1,206
Lexington Community College	Lexington, Kentucky (34)	5,228
Transylvania University	Lexington, Kentucky (34)	923
University of Kentucky	Lexington, Kentucky (34)	24,378
Somerset Community College	Somerset, Kentucky (42)	2,673
Georgetown College	Georgetown, Kentucky (50)	1,461

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 Lancaster)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1995-1996</u>		<u>Approximate Number Completing Long-Term Programs Annually</u>
Garrard County Area Technology Center	Lancaster	7	<u>Sec</u> 228	<u>P/S</u> 5	73
Central Kentucky Regional Technology Center	Lexington (34)	26	<u>Sec</u> 0	<u>P/S</u> 909	350

Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its Training and Development Coordinators, will provide technical assistance and 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 the Central Kentucky Regional Technology Center in Lexington.

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 Central Kentucky Regional Technology Center in Lexington.

Adult Education Services

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills, or earn a high school equivalency diploma. In Lancaster, adult literacy and adult basic education are provided by the Garrard County Literacy Council.

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 - 8
Dentists - 3

Hospital

<u>General Hospitals</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Garrard County Memorial Hospital	Lancaster	131

Medical staff - 8 physicians; 23 licensed practical nurses; 21 registered nurses; 20 courtesy staff

With 19 acute care beds, 34 skilled, 62 intermediate, and 16 personal care beds, Garrard County Memorial Hospital is one of only two facilities in Kentucky which provides all four levels of care.

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Bryantsville Clinic (affiliate of Garrard County Memorial Hospital)
Garrard County Health Department
Garrard County Ambulance Service

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

First South National Bank
The Garrard Bank and Trust Company
First Lancaster Federal Savings Bank

Newspapers

The Central Record (weekly)
The Garrard County News (weekly)

Telephone Service

General Telephone Company
"911" Emergency Communication System

Garrard County is in the process of upgrading to the enhanced "911" emergency dispatch communication system. The county is a pilot program for satellite surveying of all homes and businesses in a rural county. This system provides a dual function of locating each address for the local PVA's office, as well as for "911" services.

RECREATION

Local

Lancaster is located in the heart of the Blue Grass Region with many recreational facilities and attractions locally and in the vicinity. The Garrard County Recreational Park provides access to two tennis courts, two baseball fields, and a picnic area. Private recreational facilities include a country club with an 18-hole golf course, tennis courts, swimming pool and dining facilities. The Old Bridge Golf Course in Boyle County is located just minutes away from Lancaster.

The Dix River, which borders the southwestern portion of Garrard County, is famous for its white bass fishing. In addition, many Lancaster residents enjoy recreation at Herrington Lake. Located ten miles northwest of Lancaster near Danville and Harrodsburg, Herrington Lake was developed by the Kentucky Utilities Company in 1925. The Dix River Dam is also located on the 3,600-acre lake. Fishing, boating, and swimming may all be enjoyed on the lake. Camping facilities are available near Danville and Harrodsburg.

In cooperation with civic and government organizations of Garrard and Lincoln Counties, and federal grant assistance, the 367-acre Logan-Hubble Memorial Park is being developed in Garrard County along the Dix River. The park includes picnic facilities with shelters and a fishing lake. Activities include walking, hiking, jogging, and horseback riding. Planned additions include basketball, tennis, and horseshoe courts; RV parking, playgrounds, a swimming pool, a golf driving range, rifle and archery ranges, an outdoor drama theatre, a sportsman's club, and a museum.

Eastern Kentucky University maintains the Maywood Environmental and Education Laboratory, located in eastern Garrard County, ten miles from Lancaster. Maywood, a Kentucky Wildlife Refuge, provides an opportunity for students and community groups to conduct environmental seminars and meetings. Facilities include a lodge, meeting rooms, and food service.

The Garrard County Tobacco Festival, held the first week in September, is a week-long event full of activities such as a fair and flea market, tobacco cutting contest, parade and gospel singing.

Lexington, one of the largest cities in central Kentucky, is located 34 miles north of Lancaster. Lancaster's close proximity to Lexington enables residents to enjoy a variety of cultural, sports, shopping, and recreational opportunities.

Area (Within 50 miles)

Constitution Square State Historic Site
William Whitley House State Historic Site
Old Fort Harrod State Park
Perryville Battlefield State Historic Site
Pleasant Hill (Shakertown)
Waveland State Historic Site
White Hall State Historic Site
Fort Boonesborough State Park
The Kentucky Horse Park
Lincoln Homestead State Park
Lake Cumberland

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