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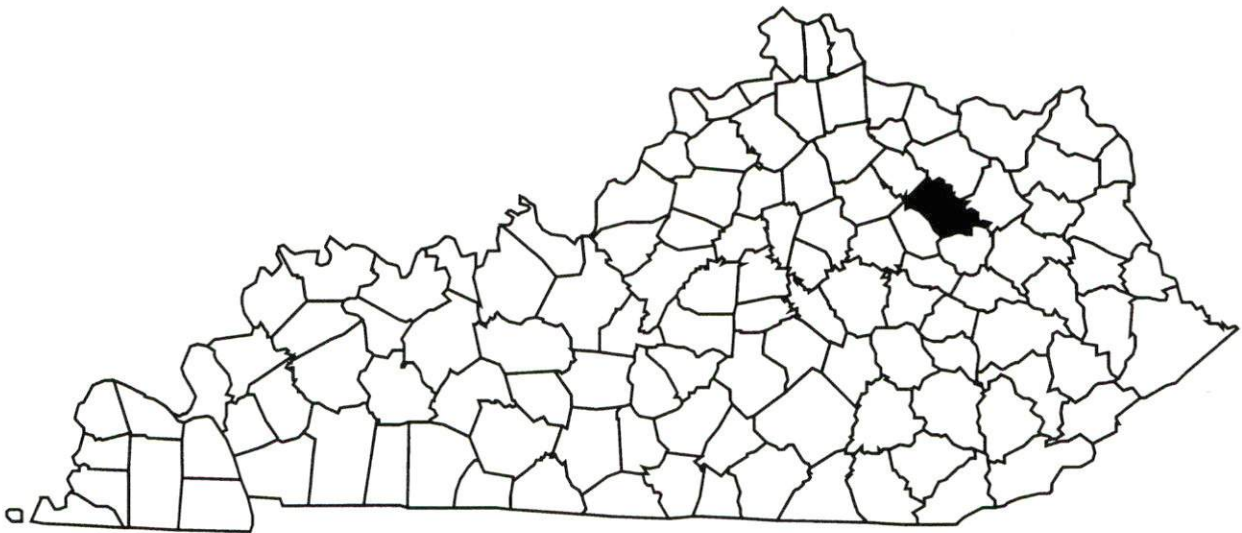
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OWINGSVILLE, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Owingsville, the county seat of Bath County, is located in the outer Bluegrass Region in northeastern Kentucky. Owingsville had an estimated population of 1,530 in 1998. Owingsville is located 47 miles east of Lexington, Kentucky; 118 miles east of Louisville, Kentucky; 129 miles west of Charleston, West Virginia; and 195 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 1999 population of 10,741.

The Economic Framework – Bath County firms employed 2,005 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 176 jobs; manufacturing firms in the county reported 600 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 353 jobs; 185 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 505 jobs.

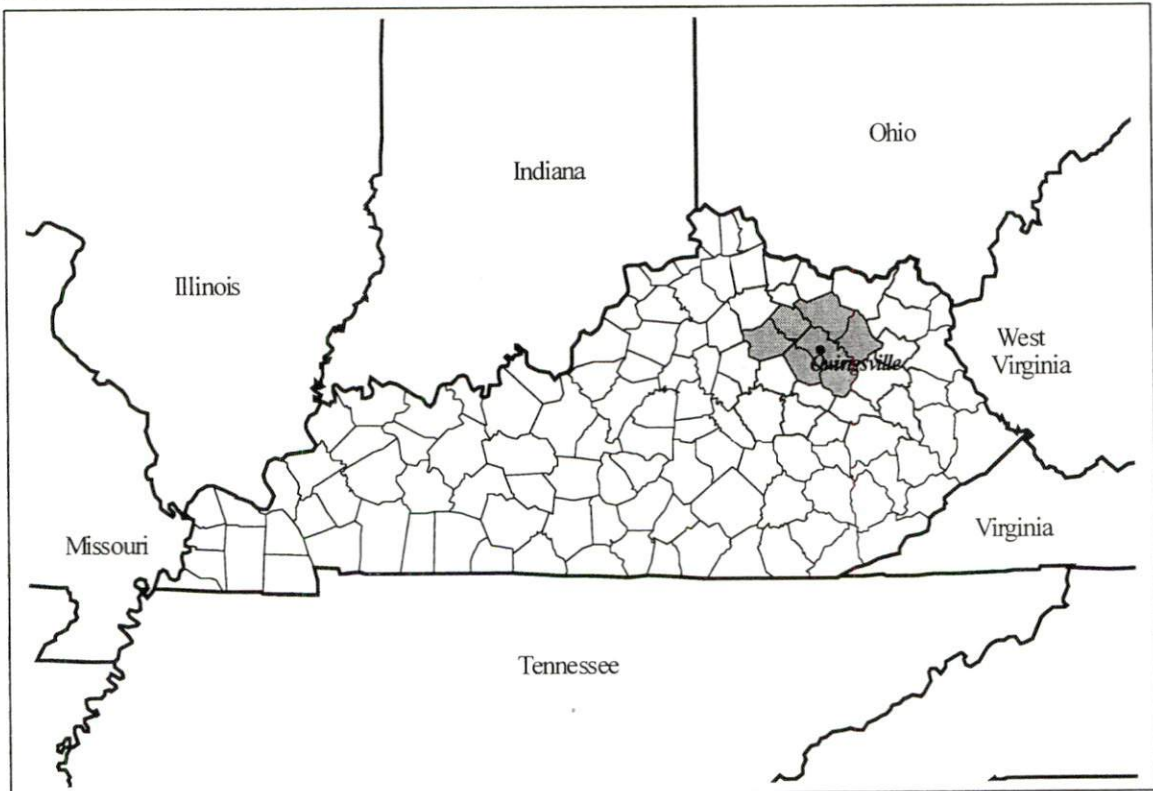
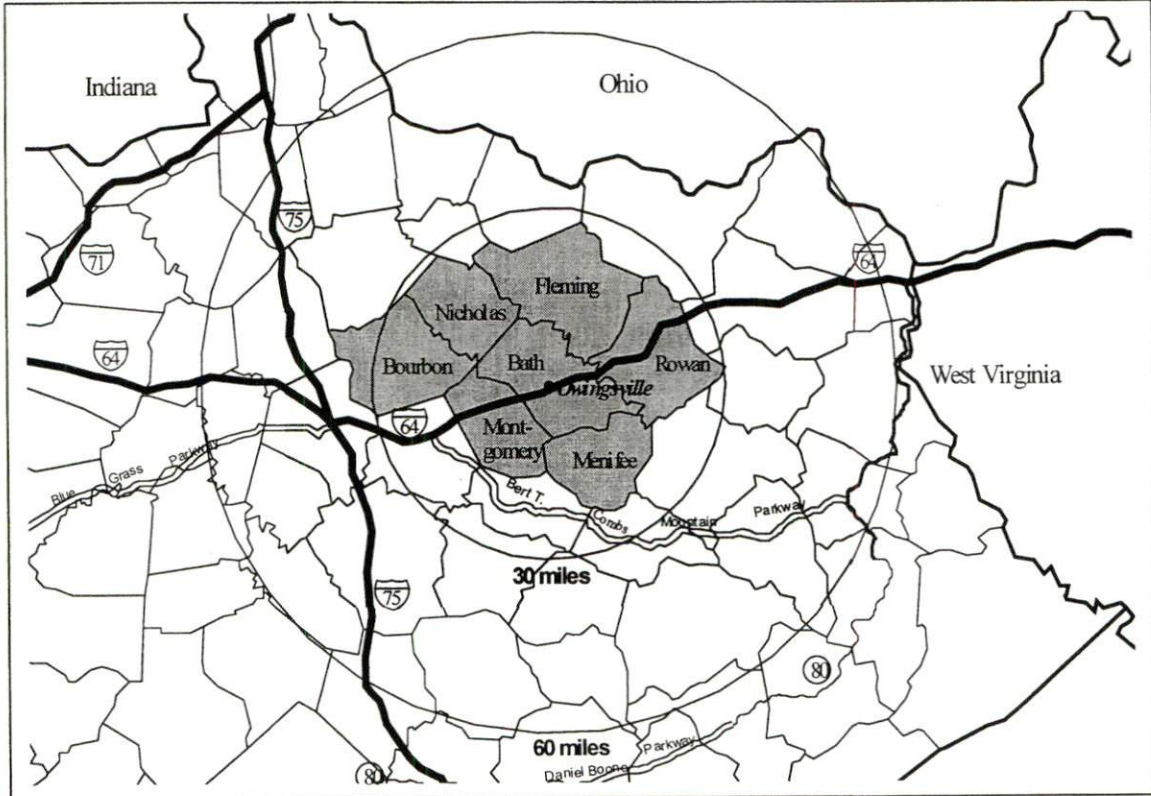
Labor Supply – There is a current estimated labor supply of 12,947 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 2000 through 2004, approximately 7,273 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

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. Fourteen common carriers provide interstate and/or intrastate trucking service to Owingsville. The nearest commercial airport is the Blue Grass Airport near Lexington, located 52 miles west of Owingsville. The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport, 17 miles west of Owingsville, maintains a 5,000-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 Kentucky Utilities Company, an electric generation and transmission company. Bath County is also served by Fleming-Mason Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation and Clark Energy 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. Twelve institutions of higher learning are located within 60 miles of Owingsville. The nearest area technology center (ATC) providing secondary technical training is the Montgomery County ATC in Mt. Sterling. The Rowan County Technical College in Morehead provides post-secondary technical training.

Labor Market Area Maps



Note: To obtain detailed topographical and general highway maps contact Maps and Publications at 502-564-4715, or for industrial site maps contact the Site Evaluation Division at 502-564-7140.

LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Owingsville labor market area includes Bath County and the following additional counties: Bourbon, Fleming, Menifee, Montgomery, Nicholas, and Rowan.

Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1998*</u>	<u>1999*</u>
Labor Market Area	93,122	92,951	99,306	100,504
Bath County	10,025	9,692	10,586	10,741
Owingsville	1,419	1,491	1,530	N/A

Note: * Population estimates. N/A – Data not available.

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

Population Projections

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	100,538	105,101	107,338
Bath County	10,532	10,862	10,988

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

Estimated Labor Supply

	<u>Available Labor, 1998</u>			<u>Under-employed</u>	<u>Future Labor Becoming 18 years of age 2000 through 2004</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Potential Labor Supply</u>		
Labor Market Area	12,947	2,082	1,728	9,137	6,893
Bath County	898	311	177	410	721

Note: Unemployed – people not working but actively seeking work. Potential Labor Supply – represents the number of persons not in the labor force, but would like a job (based on national estimates). Underemployed – people employed in wholesale/retail trade and non-professional services. See Appendix for further explanation.

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 2000 through 2004.

Labor Force Characteristics of Residents, 1998

	<u>Bath County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	5,669	49,152
Employed	5,358	47,070
Unemployed	311	2,082
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	4.2

Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Work Force Commuting Patterns, 1990

Workers commuting into Bath County	404
Workers commuting out of Bath County	1,886
Workers residing and working in Bath County	1,880

Source: University of Louisville, State Data Center.

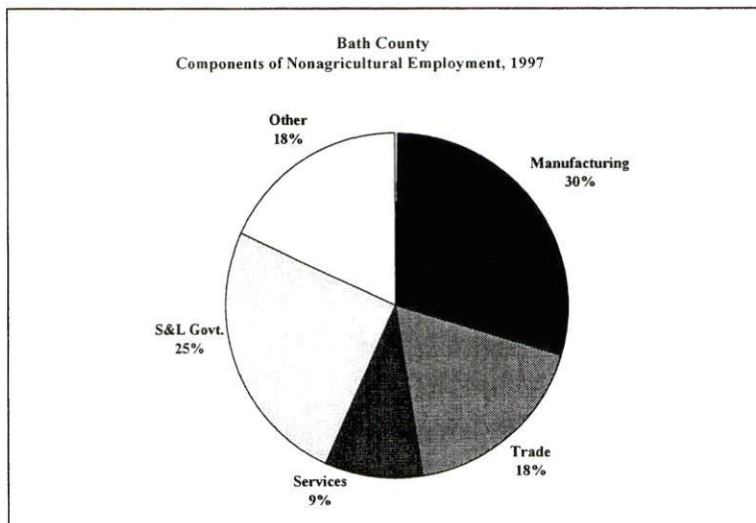
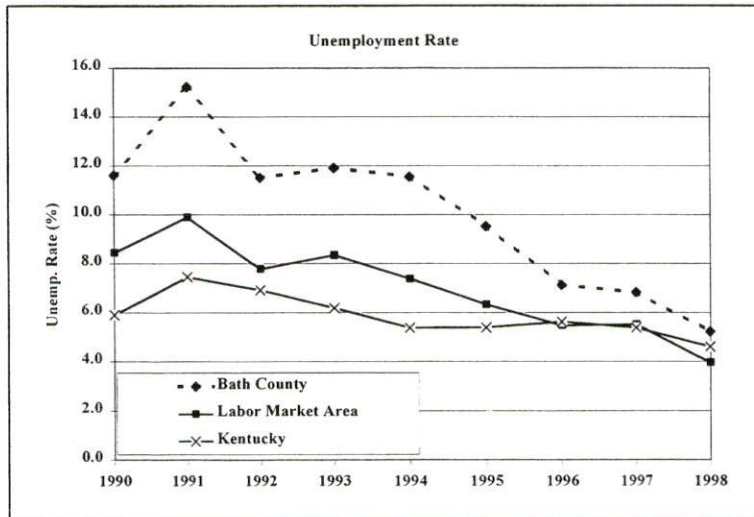
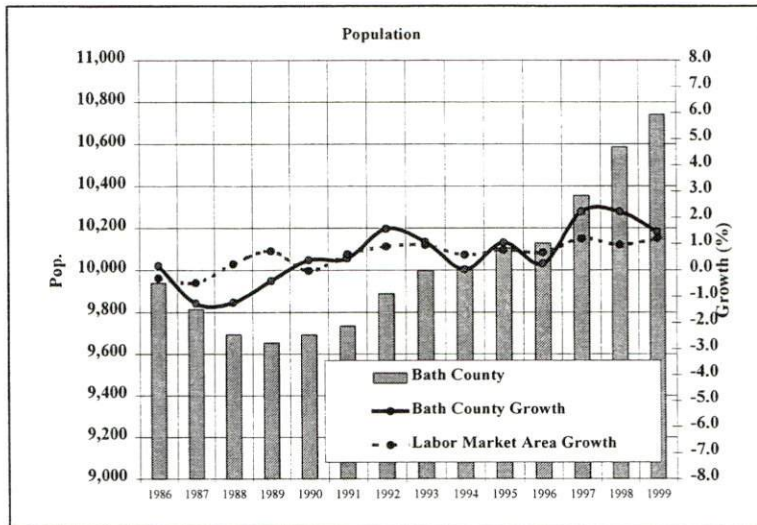
Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Bath County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	2,005	29,925
Mining & Quarrying	0	62
Contract Construction	176	1,324
Manufacturing	600	6,949
Transportation & Public Utilities	50	807
Wholesale & Retail Trade	353	7,302
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	77	871
Services	185	5,352
State & Local Government	505	6,277
Other	N/A	850

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers. N/A – Data not available.

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1997.

Selected Charts



Per Capita Personal Income

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>Percent Change</u> <u>(1993-1997)</u>
Bath County	\$11,963	\$14,876	24.4%
Kentucky	\$17,309	\$20,570	18.8%
U.S.	\$21,368	\$25,288	18.3%
Labor Market Area Range	\$10,219 - \$17,873	\$13,252 - \$22,673	-

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, 1998.

Average Placement Wages

The Kentucky Department for Employment Services local office in Morehead serves Bath County. 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 ended on June 30, 1999, the local employment office filled Bath County job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

	<u>Number of Placements</u>	<u>Average Wage (\$)</u>
All Occupations	3,915	6.16
Professional, Technical & Managerial	54	5.90
Clerical	279	4.90
Sales	116	4.78
Domestic	14	5.07
Services (excluding domestic)	948	5.06
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	11	5.65
Processing	758	7.33
Machine Trades	188	6.04
Bench Work	1,272	6.76
Structural	106	6.80
Motor Freight & Transportation	64	5.22
Packaging & Materials Handling	102	5.83
Other	3	6.67

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

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

Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1998

	<u>Bath</u> <u>County</u>	<u>Kentucky</u> <u>(Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$342.37	\$512.00	\$546.00	\$595.00
Mining & Quarrying	0.00	808.00	896.00	799.00
Contract Construction	460.07	543.00	585.00	567.00
Manufacturing	337.44	666.00	641.00	670.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	503.86	686.00	674.00	842.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	208.45	357.00	413.00	416.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	446.42	652.00	757.00	815.00
Services	315.07	462.00	521.00	628.00
State & Local Government	383.45	494.00	511.00	551.00
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
All Industries	\$560.00	\$579.00	\$668.00	\$610.00
Mining & Quarrying	883.00	813.00	910.00	1,000.00
Contract Construction	642.00	650.00	804.00	641.00
Manufacturing	772.00	801.00	816.00	770.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	662.00	698.00	798.00	756.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	371.00	409.00	479.00	435.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	686.00	736.00	1,023.00	935.00
Services	476.00	510.00	608.00	577.00
State & Local Government	529.00	586.00	638.00	598.00

Note: The average weekly wage for each category includes salaries and wages of all persons working for that type of business. For example, the manufacturing category includes both production workers and administrative personnel. Domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers are excluded. Wages for U.S. and surrounding states rounded to nearest dollar. N/A – Data not available.

Sources: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1998. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1998, December 1999.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

Owingsville Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1999 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
Bath Manufacturing Co.	Men's uniform trousers	320	1989
Community Newspapers Inc.	Newspaper publishing	7	1879
Custom Food Products Inc.	Meat processing & packing	57	1995
Donohew Inc.	Wire & cable	5	1985
Donotech/Source Tech	Electronic subassemblies & printed circuit boards	150	1982
Southern States Cooperative	Custom blend fertilizer	15	N/A

Note: N/A - Data not available.

Sources: Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers published by Harris InfoSource in cooperation with the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research.

Labor Organizations in Bath County

There are no unions representing manufacturing workers in Bath County.

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

Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of Owingsville

Miles	City	Custom Plastics Producers	Electric Motor Repair	Heat Treating Facilities	Industrial Waste Removal	Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Metal Castings	Metal Finishers	Metal Service Centers	Mill- wrights & Riggers
11	Mount Sterling					X		X		
12	Means					X				
18	Morehead		X		X	X				
21	Clay City					X				
21	Stanton					X				
25	Winchester		X			X			X	
28	Paris					X				
34	Cynthiana					X	X			
34	Maysville		X			X				
35	Waco				X					
39	Lexington	X	X		X	X		X		X
40	Richmond	X		X		X		X		
43	Berry					X				
43	Georgetown	X		X		X				
47	Grayson				X					
48	Berea				X	X				
48	Nicholasville	X			X	X				

Note: Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from city center to city center; not road miles.

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.

Highway Miles from Owingsville, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	404	Indianapolis, IN	231
Baltimore, MD	493	Kansas City, MO	628
Birmingham, AL	449	Knoxville, TN	195
Charleston, WV	129	Lexington, KY	47
Chicago, IL	412	Louisville, KY	118
Cincinnati, OH	123	Minneapolis, MN	824
Cleveland, OH	308	Nashville, TN	259
Columbia, SC	455	New Orleans, LA	791
Columbus, OH	164	New York, NY	660
Dallas, TX	922	Pittsburgh, PA	356
Des Moines, IA	708	Raleigh, NC	450
Detroit, MI	386	Richmond, VA	446
Evansville, IN	236	St. Louis, MO	379
Huntington, WV	80	Tallahassee, FL	676

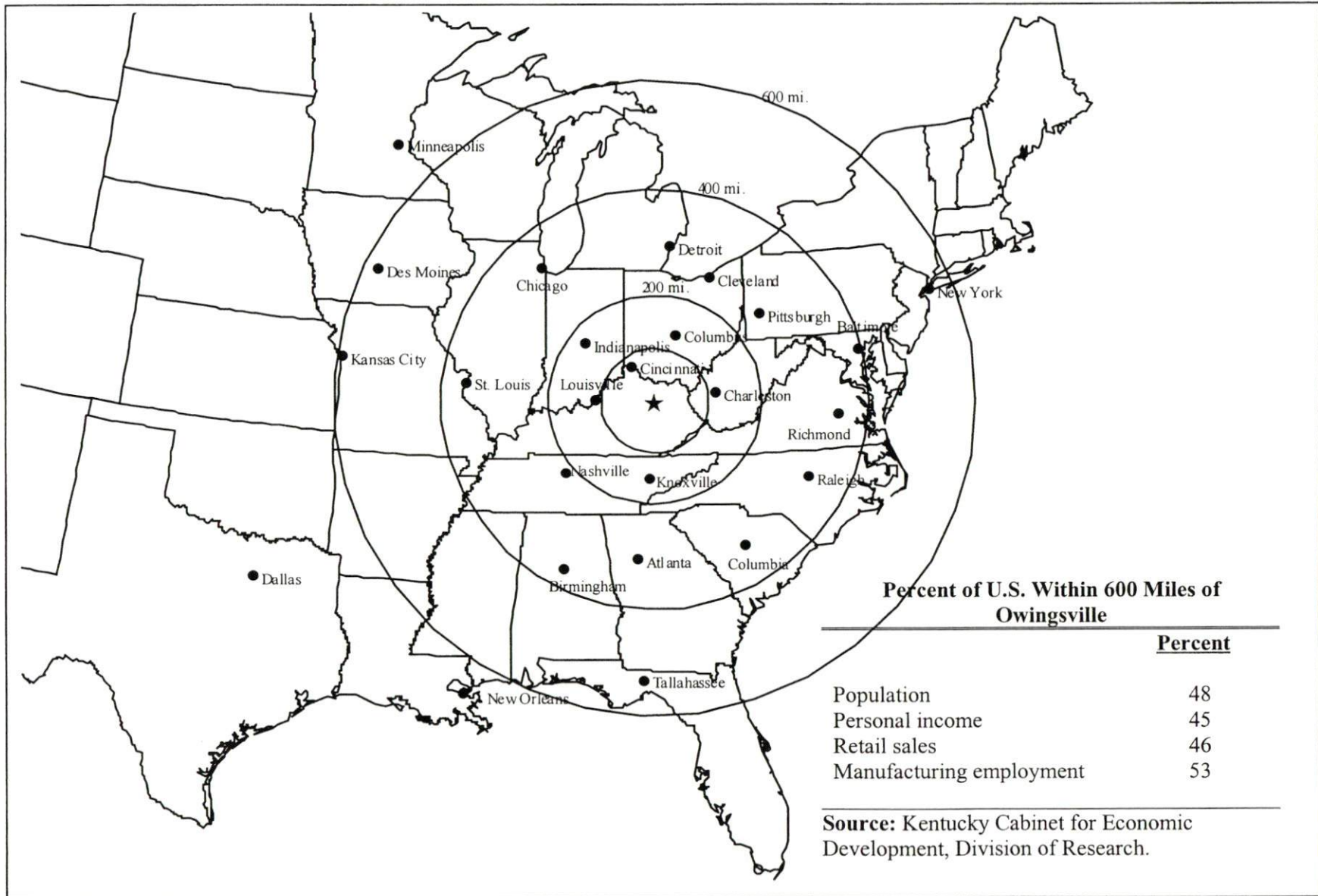
Note: Mileage computations are via the best interstate or primary highways, not necessarily the most direct route of travel.

Source: AAA Map 'n' Go, DeLORME, 1998.

Truck Service

Fourteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Owingsville. American Motor Carrier Directory, 2000 Edition.

Selected Market Centers Map



Rail

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

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

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

Air

Local

Morehead-Rowan County Airport

Location: Morehead, KY
Distance from Owingsville: 16 miles east
Phone: None
Number of runways: 1
Length and type of longest runway: 2,600 feet (asphalt)

Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport

Location: Mt. Sterling, KY
Distance from Owingsville: 17 miles west
Phone: (859) 498-1000
Number of runways: 1
Length and type of longest runway: 5,000 feet (asphalt)

Commercial/International

Blue Grass Airport

Location: Lexington, KY
Distance from Owingsville: 52 miles west
Phone: (859) 254-9336
Air service: ASA, Comair, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest AirlinK, TW
Express, United Express, US Airways
Daily arrivals & departures: 192

UTILITIES

Electricity

Service area: **northern portion of Bath County**
Company: Fleming-Mason Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Source of power: East Kentucky Power Cooperative
For industrial rates contact:

Fleming-Mason Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Elizaville Road
P.O. Drawer 328
Flemingsburg, KY 41041
(606) 845-2661

and/or

East Kentucky Power Cooperative
Industrial Development Department
4775 Lexington Road, P.O. Box 707
Winchester, KY 40391
(859) 744-4812

Service area: **Owingsville and parts of Bath County**
Company: Kentucky Utilities Company
Source of power: Kentucky Utilities Company
For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Utilities Company
Economic Development Department
One Quality Street
Lexington, KY 40507
(859) 255-2100

Service area: **southern portion of Bath County**
Company: Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc.
Source of power: East Kentucky Power Cooperative
For industrial rates contact:

Clark Energy Cooperative, Inc.
2640 Iron Works Road
P.O. Box 748
Winchester, KY 40392-0748
(859) 744-4251

and/or

East Kentucky Power Cooperative
Industrial Development Department
4775 Lexington Road
P.O. Box 707
Winchester, KY 40391
(859) 744-4812

Natural Gas

Service area: **Owingsville**
Company: Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.
Source of supply: Columbia Gas Transmission Company, Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company, and local production
For rates and supplies contact: Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.
VP-Public and Consumer Affairs
3617 Lexington Road
Winchester, KY 40391
(859) 744-6171

Public Water Supply

Service area: **Owingsville**
Company: Owingsville Water Works
P.O. Box 639
Owingsville, KY 40360
(606) 674-2033

Treatment facilities information:

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
Improvements:

Service area: **Bath County**
Company: Bath County Water District
P.O. Box 369
Salt Lick, KY 40371
(606) 683-6363

Treatment facilities information:

Average daily consumption: 830,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption: 947,000 gallons
Storage capacity: 776,000 gallons
Water pressure: 30 psi to 95 psi
Additional water source (maximum available for purchase): Morehead Utility Plant Board and Mt. Sterling Water and Sewer Commission (1,000,000 gallons per day 50,000 gallons per day, Respectively)

Sewerage

Service area:

Company information:

Owingsville

Owingsville Sewer Works

P.O. Box 639

Owingsville, KY 40360

(606) 674-6660

Design capacity:

Average daily flow:

Type of treatment:

Treated effluent discharged into:

200,000 gallons per day

185,000 gallons

Secondary

Slate Creek

CLIMATE

Bath County

Temperature

Normal (116-year record)	55.2 degrees
Average annual, 1999	56.7 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (55-year record)	103 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (55-year record)	-21 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,783
Normal cooling degree days (30-year record)	1,140

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	44.55 inches
Mean annual snowfall 30-year record)	17.5 inches
Total precipitation, 1999	31.87 inches
Mean number days precipitation (0.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	129.1
Mean number days thunderstorms (55-year record)	43.5

Prevailing Winds (28-year record) South

Relative Humidity (30-year record)

1 a.m.	76 percent
7 a.m.	80 percent
1 p.m.	68 percent
7 p.m.	70 percent

Notes: Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F. Cooling degree day totals are the sums of positive departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, National Climatic Data Center, Local Climatological Data, 1999.
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.

Sales and Use Tax

A state sales and use tax is levied at the rate of 6.0% on the purchase or lease price of taxable goods and on utility services. Local sales taxes are not levied in Kentucky.

State and Local 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 the city limits may also be subject to city property taxes. Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value. 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).

State Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>State Rate, 1999</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.148	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

Source: Property Tax Rates 1999, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

Local Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation, 1999

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
<u>County</u>			
Bath County	0.3272	0.3253	0.3195
<u>Cities</u>			
Owingsville	0.2370	0.2370	0.3100
<u>School Districts</u>			
Bath County	0.3720	0.3880	0.3800

Source: Property Tax Rates 1999, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

EDUCATION

Primary and Secondary Schools

Public School District Enrollments and Expenditures, 1998-99

	<u>Total Enrollment</u>	<u>Expenditures Per Pupil</u>	<u>Pupil to Teacher Ratio</u>
Bath County	1,974	\$6,112	15.8

Source: Kentucky Department of Education, Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability.

Transition to Adult Life of High School Graduates, 1996-97

<u>County-wide</u>	<u>Number of Graduates</u>	<u>Percent of Total Graduates (%)</u>
Total High School Graduates	112	
To College	50	44.6
To Vocational/Technical School	6	5.4
To Workforce	54	48.2
To Work & School	0	0.0
To Military	2	1.8
Other	0	0.0

Source: Kentucky Department of Education, Office of Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability.

Colleges and Technical Schools

Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Owingsville

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1999)</u>
18	Morehead State University	Morehead	8,171
34	Maysville Community College	Maysville	1,278
39	Lexington Community College	Lexington	6,807
39	Transylvania University	Lexington	1,072
39	University of Kentucky	Lexington	23,742
40	Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond	15,188
43	Georgetown College	Georgetown	1,672
47	Kentucky Christian College	Grayson	564
48	Berea College	Berea	1,550
50	Midway College	Midway	816
53	Asbury College	Wilmore	1,329
60	Kentucky State University	Frankfort	2,393
Total Enrollment			64,582

Note: Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from Owingsville, not road miles.

Source: Kentucky Council on Higher Education.

Kentucky Technical Schools Within 60 Miles of Owingsville

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (1997-98)</u>		
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>Total</u>
11	Montgomery County ATC	Mt. Sterling	692	0	692
18	Rowan County Technical College	Morehead	99	417	516
25	Clark County ATC	Winchester	207	2	209
31	Morgan County ATC	West Liberty	221	0	221
34	Harrison County ATC	Cynthiana	720	5	725
34	Mason County ATC	Maysville	185	33	218
34	Carter County Vocational School	Olive Hill	170	0	170
39	Lee County ATC	Beattyville	429	21	450
39	Central KY Technical College Lexington Campus	Lexington	0	1,154	1,154
39	Eastside Center for Applied Technology	Lexington	345	0	345
39	Southside Center for Applied Technology	Lexington	261	0	261
40	Madison County ATC	Richmond	799	0	799
40	Foster Mead Vocational Education Center	Vanceburg	215	0	215
45	Breathitt County ATC	Jackson	376	19	395
56	Mayo Technical College	Paintsville	95	861	956
57	Garrard County ATC	Lancaster	199	0	199
59	Greenup County ATC	Greenup	620	0	620
60	Franklin County Area Vocational Education Center	Frankfort	178	0	178
Total Enrollment			5,811	2,512	8,323

Notes: Kentucky Tech secondary schools (Sec), called area technology centers (ATC), are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and the post-secondary schools (P/S), called technical colleges, are governed by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS). Adult courses may be offered at some secondary technical schools. Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from Owingsville, not road miles.

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, KCTCS.

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 at the Rowan County Technical College (606) 783-1538.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers business, education, and government agencies testing packages for evaluating job applicants, selecting employees for promotional consideration and developing training programs within the organization. The Career Connections Assessment Center serving the Owingsville area is located at the Rowan County Technical College (606) 783-1538.

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 equivalency diploma. In the Owingsville area, adult basic education and adult

literacy classes are administered through the Bath County Reading Center and adult basic education is offered through the Bath County Board of Education.

Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation (BSSC) was established in 1984 by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky as an independent, de jure corporation to stimulate economic development through customized business and industry specific skills training programs. The BSSC works with business and industry and Kentucky's educational institutions to establish programs of skills training. The BSSC is attached to the Cabinet for Economic Development for administrative purposes, in recognition of the relationship between economic development and skills training efforts.

The BSSC is comprised of two economic development tools, matching grants and the newly authorized Skills Training Investment Credit Act. The BSSC grant program is available to new, expanding and existing business and industry. Eligible training activities include pre-employment skills training and assessment; entry level, skills upgrade and occupational upgrade training; train-the-trainer travel; and capacity-building. The Skills Training Investment Credit Act provides tax credits to existing businesses for skills upgrade training.

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 Ambulance Service
Bath County Health Center
Bath County Medical Clinic
Bath Family Health Services
Colonial Rest Home
Gateway District Health Department
Ridgeway Manor

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Citizens Bank
Owingsville Banking Company
Progressive Bank
Salt Lick Deposit Bank

Newspapers

Bath County News Outlook (weekly)

Telephone Service

GTE

Radio

WKCA - 107 FM

RECREATION

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, a nine-hole golf course, was recently completed near Owingsville. Eagle Trace Golf Course, an 18-hole course, 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, 47 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
Carter Caves State Resort Park
Fort Boonesborough State Park
Grayson Lake State Park
Kentucky Horse Park
Natural Bridge State Historic Site
Waveland State Historic Site
White Hall State Historic Site

APPENDIX A - DEFINITIONS

Geographic definition of the labor market area

A county's labor market area is defined as the base county, adjacent counties, and any other major commuting counties. Adjacency is used to define the labor market area primarily because of the small size of Kentucky's counties. The major commuting counties are defined from the point of view of the base county. Major commuting counties are those counties that comprise 90% of the base county's total commuters. The source of the commuting patterns is the 1990 journey-to-work data available from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Example – Logan County

To determine the labor market area for Logan County the following steps are taken. First, the counties with workers commuting into Logan county are listed in ascending order (see the table below). The cumulative percent is calculated. Next, all counties that comprise up to 90% of the commuters are included in the labor market area (actually the cut-off will be the county that breaks the 90% threshold – Montgomery County, TN at 92.6% in this case). Although Robertson is not a major commuter county, it is included since it is adjacent. The Logan County labor market is then comprised of the seven bold-faced counties in the table below.

Labor Market Area – Logan County (Example Only)				
<u>Adjacent to Logan</u>	<u>Commuter County</u>	<u>Commuters into Logan</u>	<u>Percent of Total Commuters</u>	<u>Cumulative Percent</u>
Y	Todd	385	24.4%	24.4%
Y	Warren	377	23.9	48.4
Y	Muhlenberg	365	23.2	71.5
Y	Simpson	162	10.3	81.8
Y	Butler	116	7.4	89.1
	Montgomery, TN	55	3.5	92.6
	Christian	36	2.3	94.9
	Sumner, TN	35	2.2	97.1
Y	Robertson, TN	25	1.6	98.7
	Davidson, TN	20	1.3	100.0
	<i>Total Commuters into Logan County</i>	1,576	100.0	

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis. Regional Economic Information System, CD-ROM. August 1997.

Potential Labor Supply

The potential labor supply is an estimate of those persons not classified as in the labor force (not employed and not unemployed), but who want a job. The assumption is that people not in the labor force at the local level would like a job at the same rate as the nation. The U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics provides national, yearly estimates of the percent of the people not in the labor force who want a job. This percent is applied to the county-level number of people not in the labor force.

Underemployed

Wholesale/retail trade and non-professional services have historically paid low wages. The assumption is that workers in these industries would take higher paying jobs if they were available. Non-professional services excludes Miscellaneous Repair Services (SIC 7600), Health Services (SIC 8000), Legal Services (SIC 8100), and Engineering and Management Services (SIC 8700).

Total Available Labor

Total available labor is the sum of the number of unemployed, potential labor supply, and underemployed. Please note that the number of unemployed is the only generally accepted measure of labor availability. The other concepts are weaker measures and should be used with caution.