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MORGANTOWN, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Morgantown, the county seat of Butler County and gold award winning Kentucky Certified City, is located in the Green River Valley of Kentucky's Western Coal Field Region. Morgantown is located 87 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee; 106 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; and 253 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri. The city had a 1998 estimated population of 2,515 persons.

Butler County covers a land area of 428 square miles and had an estimated 1998 population of 11,926 persons.

The Economic Framework – Butler County firms employed 3,509 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 140 jobs; manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,652 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 468 jobs; 325 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 664 jobs.

Labor Supply – There is a current estimated labor supply of 36,877 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 to 2003, approximately 15,109 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation – The William H. Natcher Parkway has an interchange two miles south of Morgantown. The city is also served by U.S. Highway 231 and Kentucky Route 79. Sixteen common carrier trucking companies provide service to Morgantown. Morgantown is only 21 miles from rail service provided by the Paducah and Louisville Railway. The nearest commercial airline services are available at Nashville International Airport, 91 miles south of Morgantown; and at Evansville Regional Airport, 92 miles northwest of Morgantown. The Warren County Regional Airport in Bowling Green, 25 miles southeast, is the nearest small craft airport.

Power and Fuel – The Warren Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation provides electric power to Morgantown and most of Butler County, with Pennyrite Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation serving the remainder of the county. The Tennessee Valley Authority is the source of power for both companies. Morgantown Utilities, whose source of supply for natural gas is Midwestern Gas Transmission Company, provides natural gas service to Morgantown.

Education – The Butler County School System provides primary and secondary public education to residents of Morgantown and Butler County. Eight institutions of higher learning are located within 58 miles of Morgantown. The nearest state technical colleges providing post-secondary education are the Bowling Green Technical College in Bowling Green; the Owensboro Technical College and the Daviess County Extension both in Owensboro; and the Madisonville Technical College, Madisonville Health Extension, and West Kentucky Technical College, all located in Madisonville. The nearest area technology centers (ATC) providing secondary education are the Russellville ATC in Russellville; Muhlenberg County ATC in Greenville; and the Barren County ATC in Glasgow.

LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Morgantown labor market area includes Butler County and the following additional counties: Edmonson, Grayson, Logan, Muhlenberg, Ohio, and Warren.

Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1996*</u>	<u>1998*</u>
Labor Market Area	191,849	197,211	210,494	214,688
Morgantown	2,000	2,284	2,483	2,515
Butler County	11,064	11,245	11,651	11,926

Notes: * Population estimates.

N/A: 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	219,218	233,063	241,394
Butler County	12,004	12,559	12,892

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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 1999 through 2003</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Potential Labor Supply</u>		
Labor Market Area	36,877	5,701	3,778	27,398	15,109
Butler County	1,210	362	228	619	896

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, 1999 through 2003.

Labor Force Characteristics of Residents, 1998

	<u>Butler County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	5,779	107,471
Employed	5,417	101,770
Unemployed	362	5,701
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	5.3

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

Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Butler County	1,509
Workers commuting into Butler County	1,335
Working and residing in Butler County	2,963

Source: University of Louisville, State Data Center.

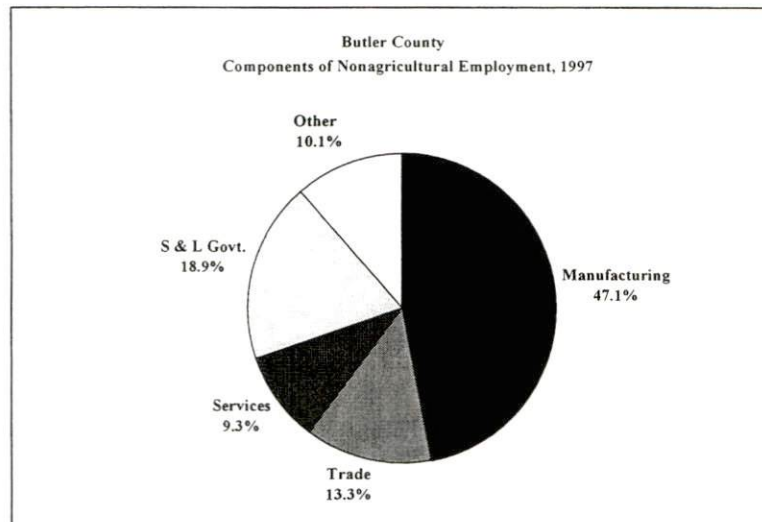
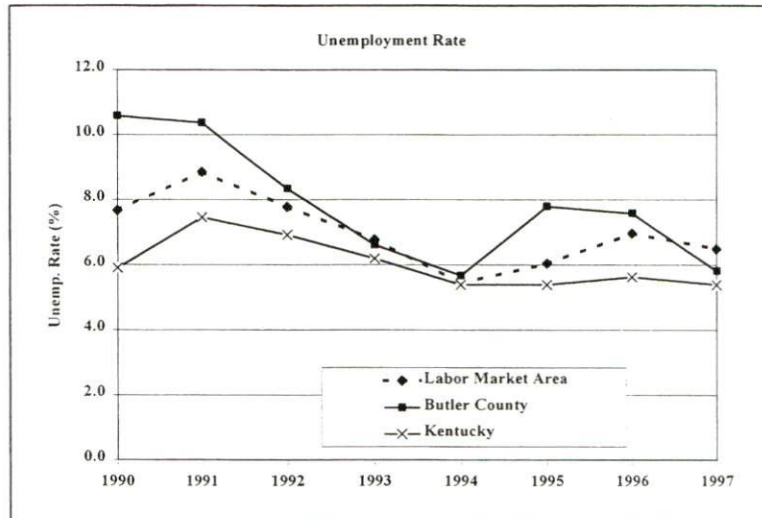
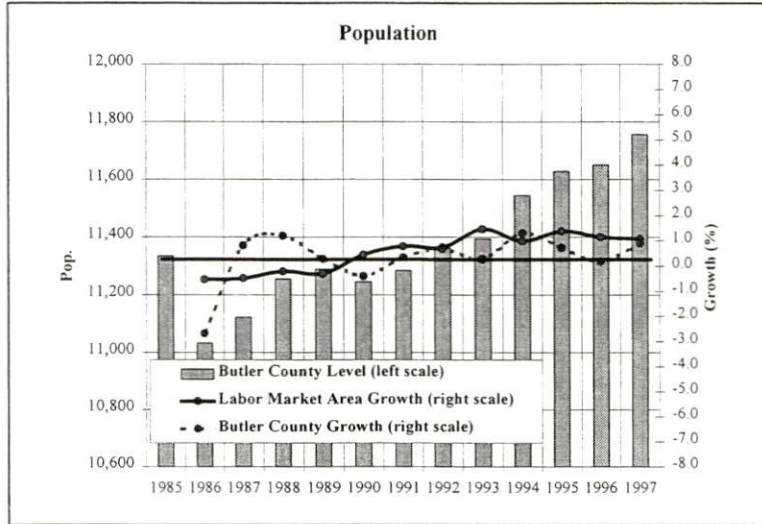
Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Butler County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	3,509	81,739
Mining & Quarrying	N/A	650
Contract Construction	140	3,798
Manufacturing	1,652	21,818
Transportation & Public Utilities	147	2,948
Wholesale & Retail Trade	468	20,490
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	94	2,997
Services	325	15,624
State & Local Government	664	12,575
Other	17	601

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 (1993-1997)</u>
Butler County	\$12,169	\$14,843	22.0%
Labor Market Area Range	\$11,170 - \$18,169	\$13,211 - \$22,254	-
Kentucky	\$17,309	\$20,570	18.8%
U. S.	\$21,368	\$25,288	18.3%

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

Average Placement Wages

The Kentucky Department for Employment Services local office in Bowling Green serves Butler County. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Bowling Green 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, 1998, the local employment office filled Butler 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	2,755	7.43
Professional, Technical & Managerial	55	7.63
Clerical	230	7.71
Sales	90	7.82
Domestic	9	10.42
Services (excluding domestic)	429	5.51
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	12	8.09
Processing	32	6.70
Machine Trades	455	8.81
Bench Work	459	6.98
Structural	173	7.82
Motor Freight & Transportation	57	6.84
Packaging & Materials Handling	745	7.78
Other	9	6.01

Note: Occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Bowling Green local office serves Allen, Butler, Edmonson, Logan, Simpson, and Warren Counties.

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

Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Butler County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$372.79	\$488.00	\$521.00	\$555.00
Mining & Quarrying	N/A	790.00	839.00	772.00
Contract Construction	358.22	516.00	561.00	544.00
Manufacturing	404.57	644.00	621.00	644.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	548.66	648.00	653.00	761.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	252.43	337.00	391.00	392.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate Services	345.58	613.00	696.00	748.00
State & Local Government	290.73	440.00	495.00	580.00
	388.84	484.00	494.00	530.00
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
All Industries	\$530.00	\$553.00	\$634.00	\$578.00
Mining & Quarrying	849.00	773.00	881.00	961.00
Contract Construction	604.00	619.00	765.00	610.00
Manufacturing	732.00	776.00	792.00	737.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	633.00	669.00	764.00	724.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	351.00	384.00	452.00	411.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate Services	624.00	682.00	938.00	863.00
State & Local Government	452.00	486.00	575.00	547.00
	510.00	567.00	615.00	576.00

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, 1997. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1997, December 1998.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

Morgantown Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
American Rubber Products Corp.	Gaskets & seals	82	1989
B & R Lumber Co., Inc.	Block pallets	25	1959
Butler County Banner, Inc.	Weekly newspaper publishing	12	1982
Casco Products Corp.	Automobile cigarette lighters	25	1998
Countryside	Embroidering service	3	1981
Dunaway Timber Co., Inc.	Millwork: rough cut lumber & wood chips	15	1983
Embry Impressions Printing	Commercial letterpress & offset printing; computer typesetting; saddle stitch & plastic spiral binding	6	1978
Green River Feed Mill, Inc.	Feed & fertilizer mixing & blending	12	1987
IMCO	Aluminum recycling	225	1989
Irving Materials, Inc.	Ready-mixed concrete	4	1981
Kellwood Co.	Men's & women's outerwear	212	1967
Mid-South Plating Co.	Zinc phosphate plating service	6	1989
Morgantown Manufacturing Co.	Auto parts & metal stampings	55	1973
Morgantown Plastics Co.	Custom plastic injection molding	158	1985
Precision Technologies, Inc.	Machine shop: machining, welding, grinding & fabricating	6	1994
Sofanou Inc.	Convolutated plastic tubing	89	1993
Stone River Hardwoods Inc.	Hardwood flooring mill	7	1990
Sumitomo Electric Wiring Systems	Automotive electrical wiring harnesses	1,000	1987
Triple C Leather Co.	Leather laces	35	1984

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; City of Morgantown.

Major Morgantown Supportive/Service Employers

<u>Company</u>	<u>Employment</u>
United Coach & Tour	15
Lifeskills Inc.	24

Source: City of Morgantown.

Labor Organizations in Butler County

There are currently no labor organizations representing manufacturing workers in Butler County.

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

Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of Morgantown

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
16	McHenry					X				
18	Hartford							X		
21	Auburn	X	X							
21	Bowling Green	X				X	X		X	X
23	Woodburn					X				
24	Russellville				X		X			
28	Greenville					X			X	
30	Franklin	X				X				
30	Leitchfield	X				X				
30	Livermore					X				
34	Elkton				X					
38	Hawesville							X		
41	Owensboro	X	X		X	X		X	X	X
42	Scottsville					X				
47	Madisonville				X	X		X		
49	Glasgow		X		X	X				
49	Horse Cave						X	X		
50	Hopkinsville	X	X		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

The William H. Natcher Parkway, a multilane toll road, serves Morgantown with an interchange located two miles south of the city. An interchange has been completed on Kentucky Route 70 West at the Industrial Park. Other AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Morgantown include U.S. Highway 231 and Kentucky Route 79.

The William H. Natcher Parkway provides Morgantown with access to the Western Kentucky Parkway, 16 miles northwest of the city, and with Interstate Highway 65, a major north-south route, 28 miles southeast of the city.

Highway Miles from Morgantown, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	332	Kansas City, MO	502
Baltimore, MD	681	Knoxville, TN	244
Birmingham, AL	279	Los Angeles, CA	2,094
Charleston, WV	318	Louisville, KY	106
Chicago, IL	400	Minneapolis, MN	797
Cincinnati, OH	203	Nashville, TN	87
Cleveland, OH	454	New Orleans, LA	619
Columbia, SC	506	New York, NY	841
Columbus, OH	310	Pittsburgh, PA	492
Dallas, TX	749	Raleigh, NC	604
Des Moines, IA	639	Richmond, VA	635
Detroit, MI	466	St. Louis, MO	253
Indianapolis, IN	219	Tallahassee, FL	604

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

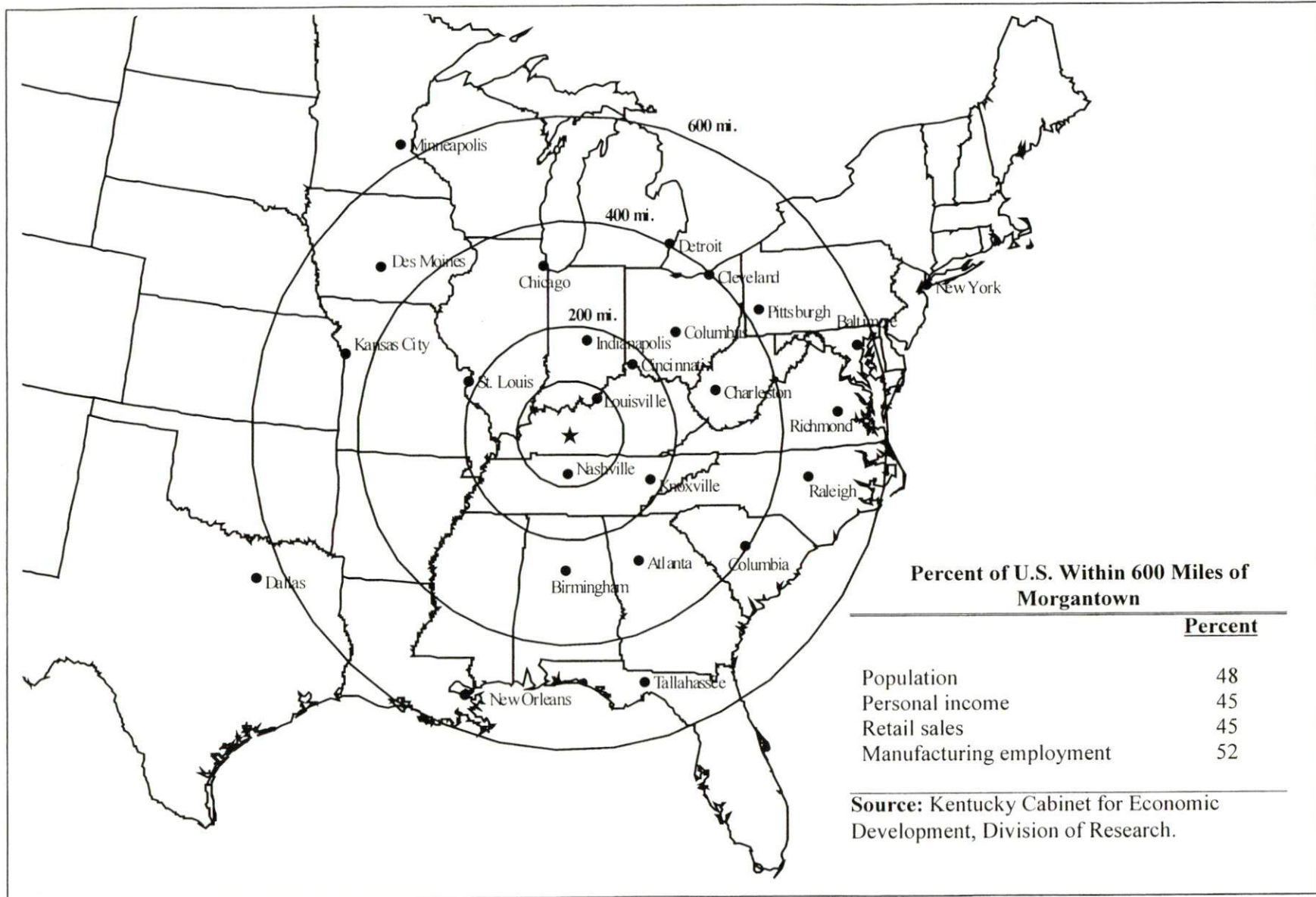
Source: AAA Map 'n' Go, DeLORME, 1998.

Truck Service

Sixteen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Morgantown.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1999.

Selected Market Centers Map



Percent of U.S. Within 600 Miles of Morgantown

	<u>Percent</u>
Population	48
Personal income	45
Retail sales	45
Manufacturing employment	52

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

Rail

Rail freight service is provided by the Paducah and Louisville Railway at Beaver Dam, 21 miles northwest of Morgantown, and by CSX Transportation at Bowling Green, 25 miles southeast. CSX Transportation provides the nearest intermodal facilities at Owensboro, 50 miles northwest of Morgantown.

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

Vice President - Marketing and Sales
Paducah and Louisville Railway
1500 Kentucky Avenue
Paducah, Kentucky 42001
(270) 444-4341

and/or

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

Air

Local

Location: Warren County Regional Airport
Bowling Green, KY
Runway length: 6,500 feet (asphalt) 3,956 feet (asphalt)
Phone: (270) 842-1101

Commercial/International

Location: Evansville Regional Airport
Evansville, Indiana
92 miles northwest of Morgantown
Air service: ASA, Comair, American Eagle, Northwest, Airlink, TWA Express,
US Airways Express
Daily arrivals & departures: 98

Location: Nashville International Airport
Nashville, Tennessee
91 miles south of Morgantown
Air service: Air Canada, American, American Eagle, Comair, Continental,
Corporate Express, Delta, Delta Express, Midway Connection,
Northwest, Skyway, Southwest, TWA, United, US Airways, US
Airways Express, Trans States
Daily arrivals & departures: 364

UTILITIES

Electricity

Service area:
Company:
Source of power:
For industrial rates contact:

Morgantown and most of Butler County
Warren Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Tennessee Valley Authority

Manager of Economic Development
South Kentucky Industrial Development Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 726
Hopkinsville, KY 42241-0726
(270) 885-5392

and/or

Warren Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
951 Fairview Avenue
P.O. Box 1118
Bowling Green, KY 42102
(270) 842-6541

Service area:
Company:
Source of power:
For industrial rates contact:

Western Butler County
Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
Tennessee Valley Authority

Manager of Economic Development
South Kentucky Industrial Development Association, Inc.
P.O. Box 726
Hopkinsville, KY 42241-0726
(270) 885-5392

and/or

Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
2000 Harrison Street
P.O. Box 551
Hopkinsville, KY 42241
(270) 886-2555

Natural Gas

Service area:
Company:
Source of supply:
For rates and supplies contact:

Morgantown
Morgantown Utilities
Midwestern Gas Transmission Company

Morgantown Utilities
117 North Main Street
Morgantown, KY 42261
(270) 526-3623

Public Water Supply

Service area: **Morgantown**
Company: Morgantown Utilities
117 North Main Street
P.O. Box 417
Morgantown, KY 42261
(270) 526-3623

Treatment facilities information:

Source of raw water: Green River
Treatment plant capacity: 972,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption: 600,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption: 972,000 gallons
Storage capacity: 1,200,000 gallons
Water pressure: 30 psi to 75 psi

Service area: **Butler County**
Company: Butler County Water System, Inc.
P.O. Box 118
951 Fairview Avenue
Bowling Green, KY 42102-1118
(270) 842-0052

Treatment facilities information:

Source of raw water: Green River
Treatment plant capacity: 972,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption: 653,084 gallons
Peak daily consumption: 1,005,500 gallons
Storage capacity: 425,000 gallons
Water pressure: 30 psi to 150 psi
Source of supply of treated water: Morgantown Utilities
Amount that can be purchased: 338,000 gallons per day

Sewerage

Service area: **Morgantown**
Company: Morgantown Utilities
117 North Main Street
Morgantown, KY 42261
(270) 526-3623

Design capacity: 500,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow: 371,000 gallons per day
Type of treatment: Primary
Treated effluent discharged into: Green River

CLIMATE

Butler County

Temperature

Normal (101-year record)	56.60 degrees
Average annual, 1997	53.30 degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (57-year record)	105.00 degrees
Record lowest, February 1951 (57-year record)	-23.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,708
Normal cooling degree days (30-year record)	1,376

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	43.14 inches
Mean annual snowfall 30-year record)	15.50 inches
Total precipitation, 1997	47.58 inches
Mean number days precipitation (0.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	114.90
Mean number days thunderstorms (57-year record)	44.70

Prevailing Winds (29-year record)

South

Relative Humidity (30-year record)

12 midnight	79 percent
6 a.m.	82 percent
12 noon	59 percent
6 p.m.	62 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, 1997.
Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Morgantown is governed by a mayor and six council members. Butler County is served by a county judge/executive and five magistrates.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Morgantown Planning and Zoning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within city only

Subdivision regulations enforce - Within city only

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 Morgantown levies an occupational license tax of 1.5 percent on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses. Morgantown also levies a business license fee of \$25 per year for all businesses and professions within the corporate limits. The \$25-fee is deductible from the net profits tax for businesses.

Butler County levies an occupational license tax of one percent on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses.

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, 1998</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.153	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 1998, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

Local Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation, 1998

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
<u>County</u>			
Butler County	0.1825	0.1995	0.1979
<u>Cities</u>			
Morgantown	0.0900	0.1840	0.2790
<u>School Districts</u>			
Butler County School District	0.3560	0.3560	0.3570

Source: Property Tax Rates 1998, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

EDUCATION

Primary and Secondary Schools

Public School District Enrollments and Expenditures, 1996-1997

	<u>Total Enrollment</u>	<u>Expenditures Per Pupil</u>	<u>Pupil to Teacher Ratio</u>
Butler County	2,497	\$5,722	16.9 to 1

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

Transition to Adult Life of High School Graduates, 1996-1997

<u>County-wide</u>	<u>Number of Graduates</u>	<u>Percent of Total Graduates (%)</u>
Total High School Graduates	116	100.0
To College	36	31.0
To Vocational/Technical School	14	12.1
To Workforce	59	50.9
To Work & School	0	0.0
To Military	3	2.6
Other	4	3.4

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

Colleges and Technical Schools

Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Morgantown

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
21	Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green	14,543
41	Brescia College (Private)	Owensboro	711
41	Kentucky Wesleyan College (Private)	Owensboro	774
41	Owensboro Community College	Owensboro	2,300
47	Madisonville Community College	Madisonville	2,412
50	Hopkinsville Community College	Hopkinsville	2,524
56	Austin Peay State University	Clarksville, TN	7,556
58	Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown	3,595

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

Source: Kentucky Council on Higher Education.

Technical Schools

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (1997-1998)</u>		
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>Total</u>
18	Ohio County ATC	Hartford	673	23	696
21	Bowling Green Technical College	Bowling Green	143	877	1,020
21	Kentucky Advanced Technology Center	Bowling Green	0	309	309
24	Russellville ATC	Russellville	543	6	549
28	Muhlenberg County ATC	Greenville	142	57	199
41	Owensboro Technical College	Owensboro	109	365	474
41	Owensboro Technical College Daviess County Extension	Owensboro	225	150	375
47	Madisonville Technical College	Madisonville	74	128	202
47	Madisonville Technical College Madisonville Health Extension	Madisonville	0	372	372
47	West Kentucky Technical College	Madisonville	21	1,113	1,134
49	Barren County ATC	Glasgow	561	7	568
49	Bowling Green Technical College Glasgow Campus	Glasgow	0	207	207
50	Christian County ATC	Hopkinsville	241	28	269
56	Meade County ATC	Brandenburg	337	2	339
58	Elizabethtown Technical College	Elizabethtown	47	662	709

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 Morgantown, 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 Bowling Green Technical College.

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 Morgantown area is located at the Bowling Green Technical College.

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 Butler County, adult literacy is provided by the Butler County Literacy Council, Inc.

Articulation agreements developed between various colleges and universities and the Kentucky Tech systems allow students to earn credits to be used when matriculating to degree programs at a college or university. The Kentucky Advanced Technology Center and Bowling Green Technical College have articulation agreements with Western Kentucky University.

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 - 3
Dentists - 2

Hospital

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Columbia Greenview Regional Hospital	Bowling Green (25)	211
The Medical Center at Bowling Green	Bowling Green (25)	388

Columbia Greenview Regional Hospital
Medical staff: 152 active staff physicians, 14 registered nurses, 38 licensed practical nurses

The Medical Center at Bowling Green
Medical staff: 204 physicians, 337 registered nurses, 33 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Barren River District Health Department
Butler County Ambulance Service
Butler County Civil Defense Rescue Squad
Lakeview Health Care Center

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Green River Bank
Morgantown Bank & Trust
Union Planters

Newspapers

The Butler County Banner and the Green River Republican (weekly)

Telephone Service

BellSouth

Radio Station

WLBQ-AM

RECREATION

A wide variety of recreational opportunities are available in Morgantown and Butler County. Public facilities include the 70-acre Morgantown Municipal Park, featuring a swimming pool and bathhouses, six tennis courts, lighted baseball, softball, and Little League fields, two soccer fields, a huge all-purpose field, two lighted volleyball courts, an outdoor basketball court, four picnic pavilions, bleachers, playground equipment, a wooded area for hiking, and restrooms. An amphitheater located at the park is the site of community theater productions.

The Butler County Park and the Green River Museum are located in Woodbury on the Green River, approximately five miles southeast of Morgantown. The Green River Museum features exhibits on Butler County's history and the riverboat heritage of the area.

Privately managed recreational facilities in Butler County include a nine-hole golf course and a driving range.

Annual events include the Green River Catfish Festival, held during the July 4th weekend, with activities including a fishing contest, a five-mile road race, a canoe race, musical entertainment, a beauty pageant, fireworks, a golf tournament, and booths.

Area (Within 65 miles)

Barren River Lake State Resort Park
Ben Hawes State Park
Bowling Green (numerous cultural attractions)
Jefferson Davis Monument State Historic Site
Lake Malone State Park
Mammoth Cave National Park
Nolin River Lake
Rough River Dam State Resort Park

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 Example – Logan County

<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

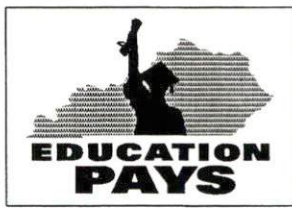
The potential labor supply is an estimate of those persons not classified as in the labor force (not employed and not unemployed), but who want a job. The assumption is that people not in the labor force at the local level would like a job at the same rate as the nation. The U.S. Department of Labor, 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.



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