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## 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; 107 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky; 127 miles south of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 151 miles north of Knoxville, Tennessee. Lancaster had an estimated 1996 population of 3,991.

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 1997 population of 13,670.

**The Economic Framework** – Garrard County firms employed 2,271 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 278 jobs; manufacturing firms in the county reported 431 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 435 jobs; 302 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 696 jobs.

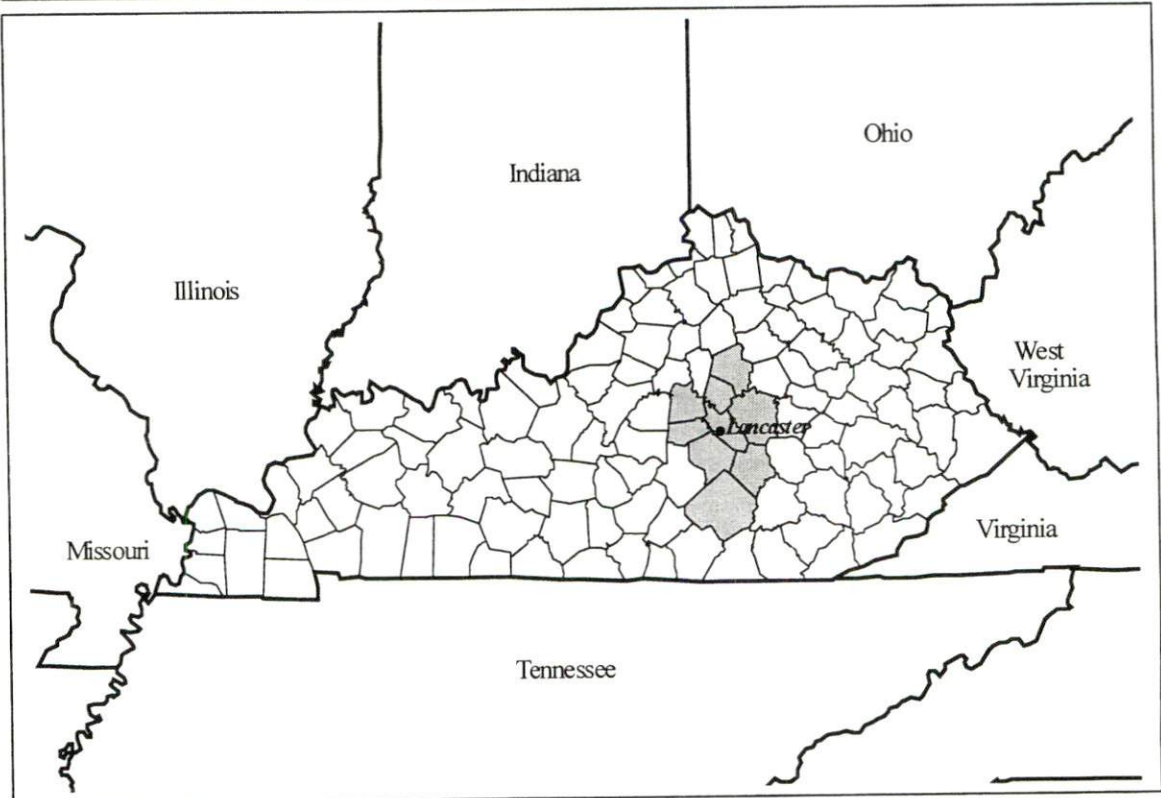
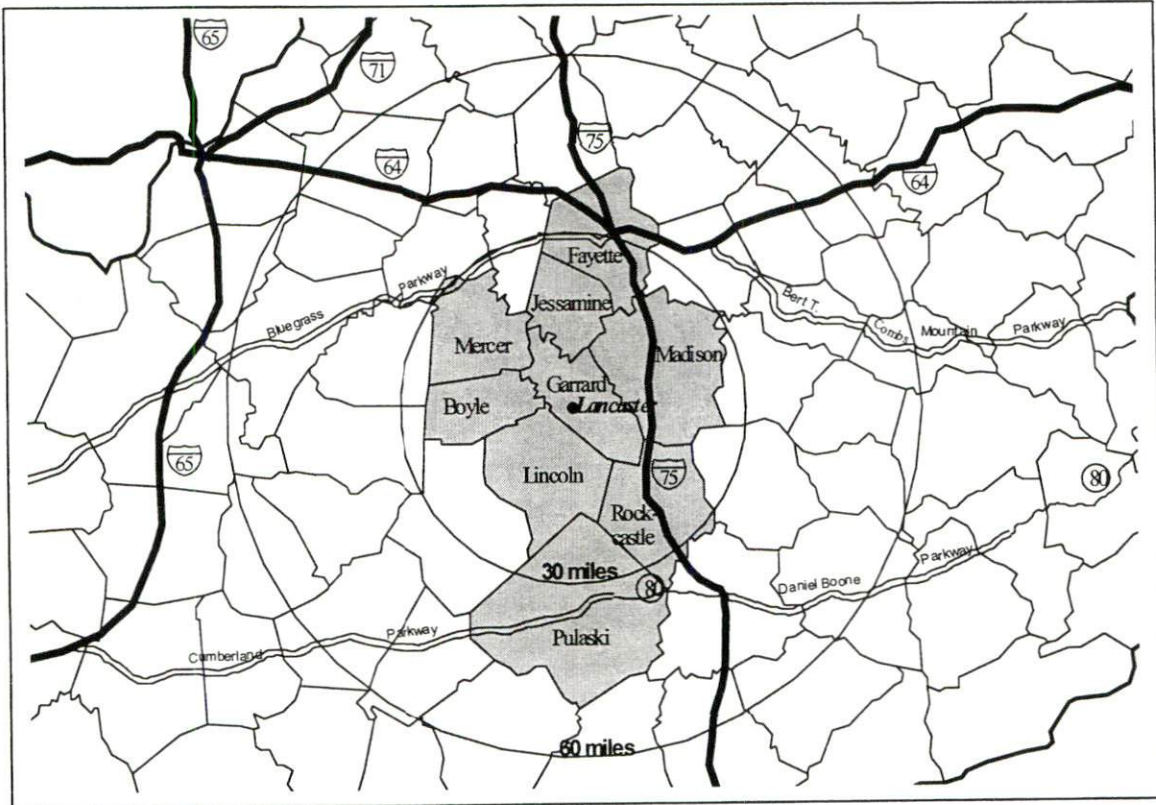
**Labor Supply** – There is a current estimated labor supply of 109,011 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 to 2003, approximately 31,249 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**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, 35 miles north of Lancaster. The Stuart Powell Field Airport in Danville is 16 miles west of Lancaster.

**Power and Fuel** – Kentucky Utilities provides electric power to Lancaster and most of 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 Texas Gas Transmission Company.

**Education** – The Garrard County School System provides primary and secondary education to Lancaster and Garrard County. Fourteen institutions of higher learning are located within 60 miles of Lancaster. The nearest state technical college providing post-secondary education is Central Kentucky Technical College Danville Campus in Danville. The Garrard County ATC (area technology center) in Lancaster provides secondary education.

### 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 Lancaster labor market area includes Garrard County and the following additional counties: Boyle, Fayette, Jessamine, Lincoln, Madison, Mercer, Pulaski, and Rockcastle.

### Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1996*</u>	<u>1997*</u>
Labor Market Area	417,341	454,087	491,428	495,848
Lancaster	3,365	3,421	3,991	N/A
Garrard County	10,853	11,579	13,263	13,670

**Note:** \* 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	509,954	541,001	558,153
Garrard County	14,707	16,948	18,421

**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, 1997</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	109,011	8,534	7,442	93,035	31,249
Garrard County	1,154	248	305	601	878

**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, 1997

	<u>Garrard County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	6,624	269,750
Employed	6,376	261,216
Unemployed	248	8,534
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.7	3.2

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

### Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Garrard County	3,077
Workers commuting into Garrard County	858
Working and residing in Garrard County	1,873

**Source:** University of Louisville, State Data Center.

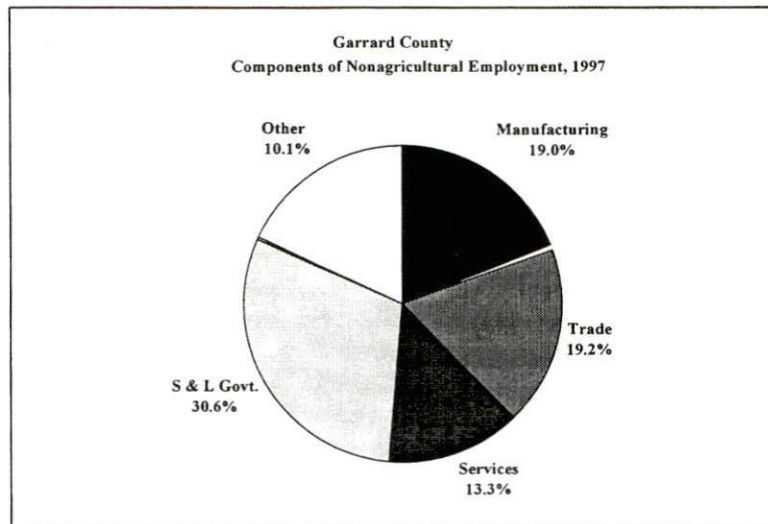
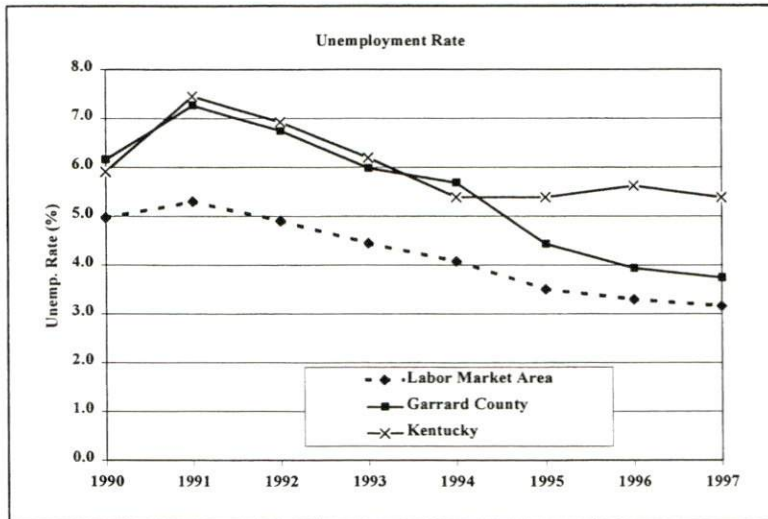
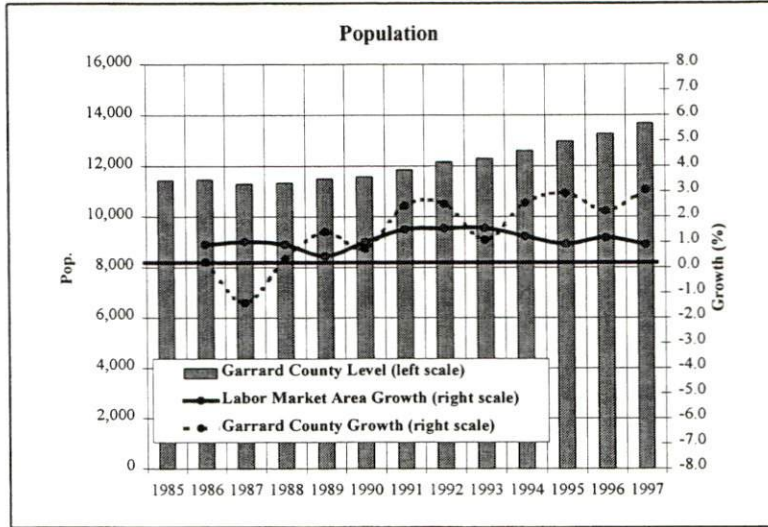
### Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Garrard County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	2,271	245,298
Mining & Quarrying	0	238
Contract Construction	278	12,627
Manufacturing	431	40,557
Transportation & Public Utilities	45	11,105
Wholesale & Retail Trade	435	63,981
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	77	10,152
Services	302	64,203
State & Local Government	696	38,815
Other	7	3,526

**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>1992</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>Percent Change (1992-1996)</u>
Garrard County	\$14,118	\$15,090	6.9
Labor Market Area Range	\$11,185 - \$22,085	\$13,309 - \$27,030	-
Kentucky	\$16,761	\$19,773	18.0
U. S.	\$20,631	\$24,436	18.4

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

### Average Placement Wages

The Kentucky Department for Employment Services local office in Danville serves Garrard County. 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, 1998, the local employment office filled Garrard 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	1,907	7.36
Professional, Technical & Managerial	13	7.20
Clerical	86	5.68
Sales	34	5.70
Domestic	4	6.00
Services (excluding domestic)	133	5.02
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	47	6.84
Processing	100	7.44
Machine Trades	204	8.18
Bench Work	1,131	7.74
Structural	67	7.86
Motor Freight & Transportation	16	5.89
Packaging & Materials Handling	70	6.31
Other	2	5.00

**Note:** Occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Danville local office serves Boyle, Garrard, Lincoln, and Mercer Counties.

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

**Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997**

	<u>Garrard County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$351.79	\$488.00	\$521.00	\$555.00
Mining & Quarrying	0.00	790.00	839.00	772.00
Contract Construction	425.42	516.00	561.00	544.00
Manufacturing	315.08	644.00	621.00	644.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	613.23	648.00	653.00	761.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	230.93	337.00	391.00	392.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	475.38	613.00	696.00	748.00
Services	352.77	440.00	495.00	580.00
State & Local Government	391.88	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	624.00	682.00	938.00	863.00
Services	452.00	486.00	575.00	547.00
State & Local Government	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

### Lancaster Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
Allison Abrasives, Inc.	Abrasives; grinding & cut-off wheels	115	1919
Austin Apparel Co.	Ladies' & men's blue jeans	80	1992
Bailey Machinery Movers/Fabricator	Plate, structural & sheet metal fabricating	60	1984
Central Record Co., Inc.	Weekly newspaper publishing	10	1889
Christian Appalachian Project	Christmas wreaths, bird houses & feeders	70	1967
Countryside Signs	Vinyl lettered signs	5	1984
Delta-Ja Screen Printing	Fabric screen printing	30	N/A
Edington's Custom Cabinets	Custom laminated residential & office cabinets	1	1993
Feldman Lumber Co., Inc.	Lumber processing & millwork	28	1939
Garrard County News	Newspaper publishing & typesetting	5	1987
Garrard County Woodworking	Hardwood, dimension & softwood lumber & cabinet doors	30	1986
Jay Bee Enterprises	Fiberglass boats	9	1972
Kool Pools	One piece molded fiberglass pools	1	1993
Mom Blakeman's Candies, Inc.	Chocolate dipped, creme filled & peppermint candies	3	1962
Montgomery Machine Shop, Inc.	Structural steel fabricating	3	1973
Montgomery Tool & Mfg., Inc.	Machine shop: general & CNC machining, prototypes & custom metal fabricating	2	N/A
National Nurses Career	Medical reference guides	10	N/A
Precision Screen Printing	Fabric screen printing & screened signs	2	N/A
Progressive Machine & Tool, Inc.	Machine shop: machinery repair & rebuilding, tool & die	5	1996
Rocky Top Furniture Inc.	Indoor/outdoor furniture, railing and cabinets	20	1995
Southern States Lancaster Service	Fertilizer mixing & blending	4	1949
Tenacrest	Polyester marine life jackets	40	1965
Tri-County Processing	Meat packing & processing	1	N/A
Tudor Printing, Inc.	Offset & screen printing; computerized typesetting; plastic, staple & saddle stitch binding	1	1995

**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; Lancaster/Garrard County Industrial Authority.

### Labor Organizations in Garrard County

There are currently no labor organizations representing workers in Garrard County.

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

**Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of Lancaster**

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	Crab Orchard					X				
11	Danville	X	X		X	X				
16	Berea				X	X				
18	Harrodsburg					X				
18	Nicholasville	X			X	X				
18	Richmond	X		X		X		X		
25	Waco				X					
30	Lexington	X	X		X	X		X		X
31	Versailles					X				
33	Lawrenceburg					X				
34	Winchester		X			X			X	
37	Lebanon	X	X			X				
37	Somerset		X		X	X				
39	Clay City					X				
40	Georgetown	X		X		X				
42	Frankfort	X			X					
43	Stanton					X				
44	Paris					X				
45	Bloomfield									X
45	Stamping Ground					X				
46	Mount Sterling					X		X		
50	Bardstown	X	X			X			X	
50	Means					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

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 from two to four lanes has been completed. Reconstruction of a six-mile segment of Kentucky Highway 52 east of Lancaster is scheduled to begin in 1999.

### Highway Miles from Lancaster, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	360	Kansas City, MO	617
Baltimore, MD	561	Knoxville, TN	151
Birmingham, AL	394	Los Angeles, CA	2,209
Charleston, WV	197	Louisville, KY	107
Chicago, IL	400	Minneapolis, MN	811
Cincinnati, OH	127	Nashville, TN	203
Cleveland, OH	378	New Orleans, LA	735
Columbia, SC	411	New York, NY	728
Columbus, OH	234	Pittsburgh, PA	416
Dallas, TX	863	Raleigh, NC	508
Des Moines, IA	696	Richmond, VA	515
Detroit, MI	390	St. Louis, MO	367
Indianapolis, IN	219	Tallahassee, FL	632

**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.

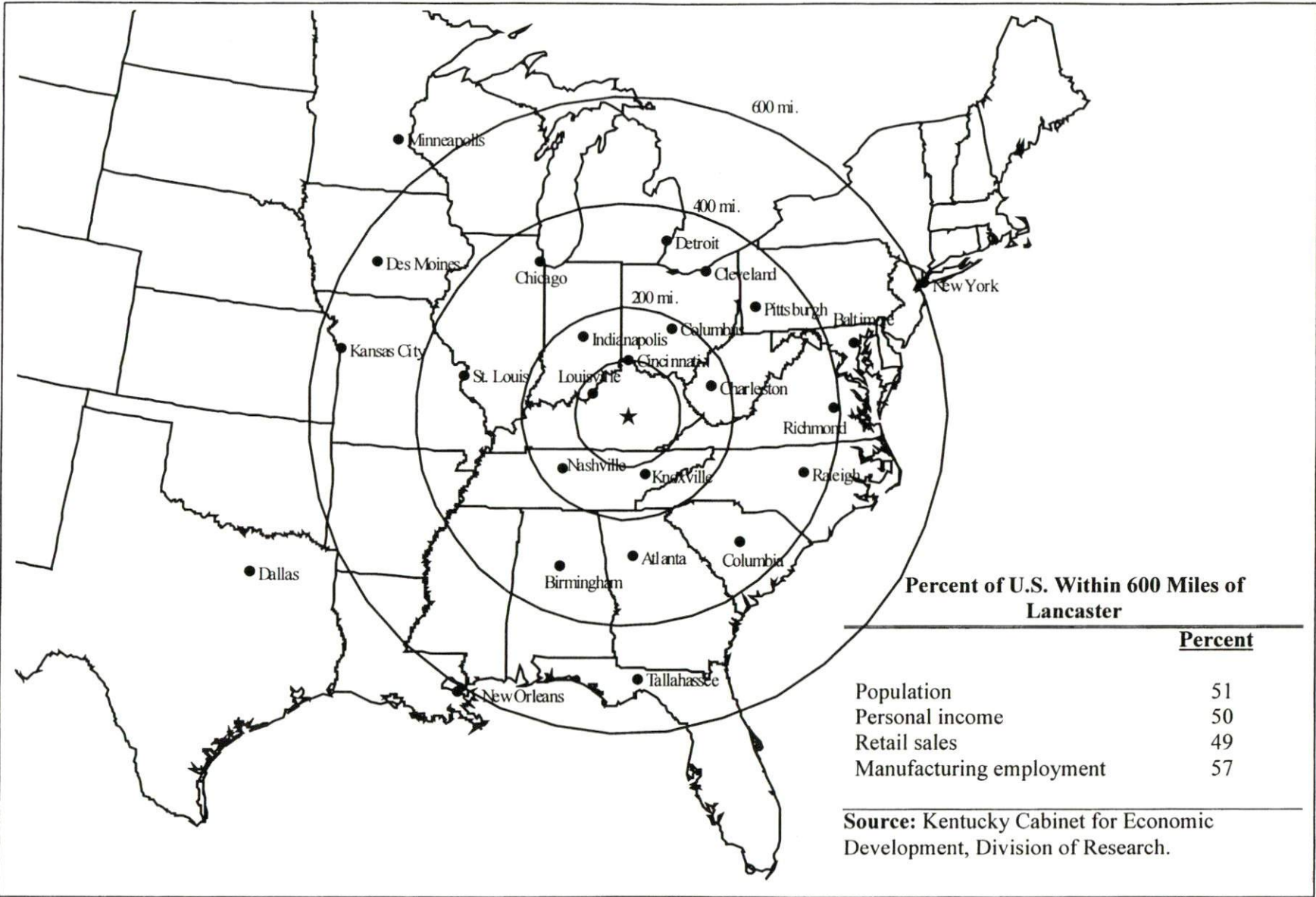
### Truck Service

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

**Source:** American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1999.



**Selected Market Centers Map**



**Percent of U.S. Within 600 Miles of Lancaster**

	<u>Percent</u>
Population	51
Personal income	50
Retail sales	49
Manufacturing employment	57

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



## **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**

### **Local**

Location:	Stuart Powell Field Airport
Runway length:	Danville, KY 2,400 feet and 5,000 feet
Phone:	(606) 854-6849

### **Commercial**

#### Nearest Major Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Blue Grass Airport Lexington, Kentucky 35 miles north of Lancaster
Air service:	ASA, Comair, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest AirlinK, TW Express, United Express, US Airways
Daily arrivals & departures:	192

## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Service area: **Lancaster and portions of Garrard County**  
Company: Kentucky Utilities Company  
Source of power: Kentucky Utilities Company  
For industrial rates contact:  
  
Economic Development Department  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
One Quality Street  
Lexington, KY 40507  
(606) 255-2100

Service area: **most of Garrard County**  
Company: Inter-County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation  
Source of power: East Kentucky Power Cooperative  
For industrial rates contact:  
  
Industrial Development Department  
East Kentucky Power Cooperative  
P.O. Box 707  
Winchester, KY 40391  
(606) 744-4812

and/or

Inter-County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation  
Danville, KY 40423-0087  
(606) 236-4561

### Natural Gas

Service area: **Lancaster**  
Company: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
Source of supply: Texas Gas Transmission Company  
For rates and supplies contact:  
  
Western Kentucky Gas Company  
Owensboro, KY 42302-8069  
(502) 685-8069

## Public Water Supply

Service area: **Garrard County**  
Company: Garrard County Water Association, Inc.  
P.O. Box 670  
Lancaster, KY 40444  
(606) 792-4501

Treatment facilities information:  
Average daily consumption: 595,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption: 922,180 gallons  
Storage capacity: 750,000 gallons  
Water pressure: 35 psi to 100 psi  
Additional water source: City of Lancaster and Berea College Utilities  
Maximum available for purchase: No limit and 150,000 gallons per day, respectively

Service area: **Lancaster**  
Company: Lancaster Water Works  
101 Stanford Street  
Lancaster, KY 40444  
(606) 792-3188

Treatment facilities information:  
Source of raw water: Kentucky River  
Treatment plant capacity: 2,100,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption: 1,100,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption: 1,500,000 gallons  
Storage capacity: 1,500,000 gallons  
Water pressure: 35 psi to 90 psi

Improvements: An upgrade of the water plant from 1.4 MGD to 2.1 MGD has been completed. In the planning stages is an upgrade of raw water transmission line from 1.5 MGD to 3.0 MGD.

## Sewerage

Service area: **Lancaster**  
Company: Lancaster Sewer Works  
101 Stanford Street  
Lancaster, KY 40444  
(606) 792-2162

Design capacity: 1,000,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow: 500,000 gallons per day  
Type of treatment: Primary

## CLIMATE

### Garrard County

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#### Temperature

Normal (114-year record)	55.10 degrees
Average annual, 1997	53.60 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (53-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (53-year record)	-21.00 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)	17.50 inches
Total precipitation, 1997	59.13 inches
Mean number days precipitation (0.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	129.10
Mean number days thunderstorms (53-year record)	43.90

Prevailing Winds (26-year record) South

#### Relative Humidity (30-year record)

1 a.m.	77 percent
7 a.m.	82 percent
1 p.m.	60 percent
7 p.m.	64 percent

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**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: 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 and 2½ miles beyond

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city limits and 2½ 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.

### **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 &amp; Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
<b><u>County</u></b>			
Garrard County	0.1751	0.2057	0.1899
<b><u>City</u></b>			
Lancaster	0.1900	0.2900	0.2330
<b><u>School District</u></b>			
Garrard County	0.4720	0.4830	0.5510

**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>
Garrard County	2,279	\$5,859	17.4 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	105	100.0
To College	54	51.4
To Vocational/Technical School	8	7.6
To Workforce	32	30.5
To Work & School	2	1.9
To Military	4	3.8
Other	5	4.8

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

### Colleges and Technical Schools

#### Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Lancaster

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
11	Centre College (Private)	Danville	1,001
16	Berea College (Private)	Berea	1,464
18	Asbury College (Private)	Wilmore	1,258
18	Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond	15,425
30	Lexington Community College	Lexington	5,558
30	Transylvania University (Private)	Lexington	1,021
30	University of Kentucky	Lexington	24,171
37	Midway College (Private)	Midway	968
37	Somerset Community College	Somerset	2,558
38	Saint Catharine College (Private)	St Catharine	345
40	Georgetown College (Private)	Georgetown	1,626



**Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Lancaster (continued)**

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
42	Kentucky State University	Frankfort	2,288
46	Campbellsville College (Private)	Campbellsville	1,583
54	Lindsey Wilson College (Private)	Columbia	1,425

**Note:** Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from Lancaster, 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>
	Garrard County ATC	Lancaster	199	0	199
11	Central Kentucky Technical College Danville Campus	Danville	107	125	232
18	Harrodsburg ATC	Harrodsburg	383	4	387
18	Madison County ATC	Richmond	799	0	799
22	Rockcastle County ATC	Mount Vernon	367	73	440
28	Casey County ATC	Liberty	709	0	709
30	Central Kentucky Technical College Lexington Campus	Lexington	0	1,154	1,154
33	Central Kentucky Technical College Anderson Campus	Lawrenceburg	0	115	115
34	Clark County ATC	Winchester	207	2	209
37	Marion County ATC	Lebanon	501	0	501
37	Somerset Technical College	Somerset	2	711	713
44	Laurel County Technical College	London	232	399	631
46	Montgomery County ATC	Mount Sterling	692	0	692
48	Lee County ATC	Beattyville	429	21	450
48	Russell County ATC	Russell Springs	414	0	414
50	Nelson County ATC	Bardstown	527	4	531
54	Corbin ATC	Corbin	265	44	309
55	Harrison County ATC	Cynthiana	720	5	725
55	Clay County ATC	Manchester	248	35	283
55	Shelby County ATC	Shelbyville	539	46	585
56	Green County ATC	Greensburg	531	11	542
56	Wayne County ATC	Monticello	749	0	749

**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 Lancaster, 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 Central Kentucky Technical College Lexington Campus in Lexington.

### **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 Lancaster area is located at the Central Kentucky Technical College Lexington Campus in Lexington.

### **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 Lancaster area, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Garrard County Literacy Council.

### **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 - 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

The Garrard County Memorial Hospital has 19 acute care beds, 34 skilled, 62 intermediate, and 16 personal care beds and 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 Ambulance Service

Garrard County Health Department

### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

First Lancaster Federal Savings Bank

First South National Bank

The Garrard Bank and Trust Company

### Newspapers

The Central Record (weekly)

The Garrard County News (weekly)

### Telephone Service

General Telephone Company

"911" Emergency Communication System

## RECREATION

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  
Fort Boonesborough State Park  
The Kentucky Horse Park  
Lake Cumberland  
Lincoln Homestead State Park  
Perryville Battlefield State Historic Site  
Pleasant Hill (Shakertown)  
Old Fort Harrod State Park  
Waveland State Historic Site  
White Hall State Historic Site  
William Whitley House 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 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	<b>Todd</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>24.4%</b>	<b>24.4</b>
Y	<b>Warren</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>23.9</b>	<b>48.4</b>
Y	<b>Muhlenberg</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>23.2</b>	<b>71.5</b>
Y	<b>Simpson</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>81.8</b>
Y	<b>Butler</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>89.1</b>
	<b>Montgomery, TN</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>3.5</b>	<b>92.6</b>
	Christian	36	2.3	94.9
	Sumner, TN	35	2.2	97.1
Y	<b>Robertson, TN</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>98.7</b>
	Davidson, TN	20	1.3	100.0
	<i>Total Commuters into Logan County</i>	<i>1,576</i>	<i>100.0</i>	

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



### **Potential Labor Supply**

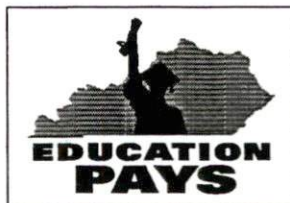
The potential labor supply is an estimate of those persons not classified as in the labor force (not employed and not unemployed), but who want a job. The assumption is that people not in the labor force at the local level would like a job at the same rate as the nation. The U.S. Department of Labor,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