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## LEITCHFIELD-GRAYSON COUNTY, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Leitchfield, the county seat of Grayson County, is situated near the eastern edge of the Western Kentucky Coal Field Region. Leitchfield is located 76 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; 131 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee; and 271 miles east of St. Louis, Missouri. Leitchfield had an estimated 1996 population of 5,308.

Caneyville, located 13 miles west of Leitchfield, had an estimated 1996 population of 583. Clarkson, located four miles east of Leitchfield, had an estimated 1996 population of 642.

Grayson County, with a land area of 503 square miles, is characterized by flat-topped, sandstone-capped ridges. Grayson County had an estimated 1997 population of 23,279.

**The Economic Framework** - Grayson County firms employed 7,127 people in 1996. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 2,414 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 1,714 jobs; 713 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 1,389 employees; contract construction firms provided 312 jobs; and 17 people were employed by mining and quarrying operations.

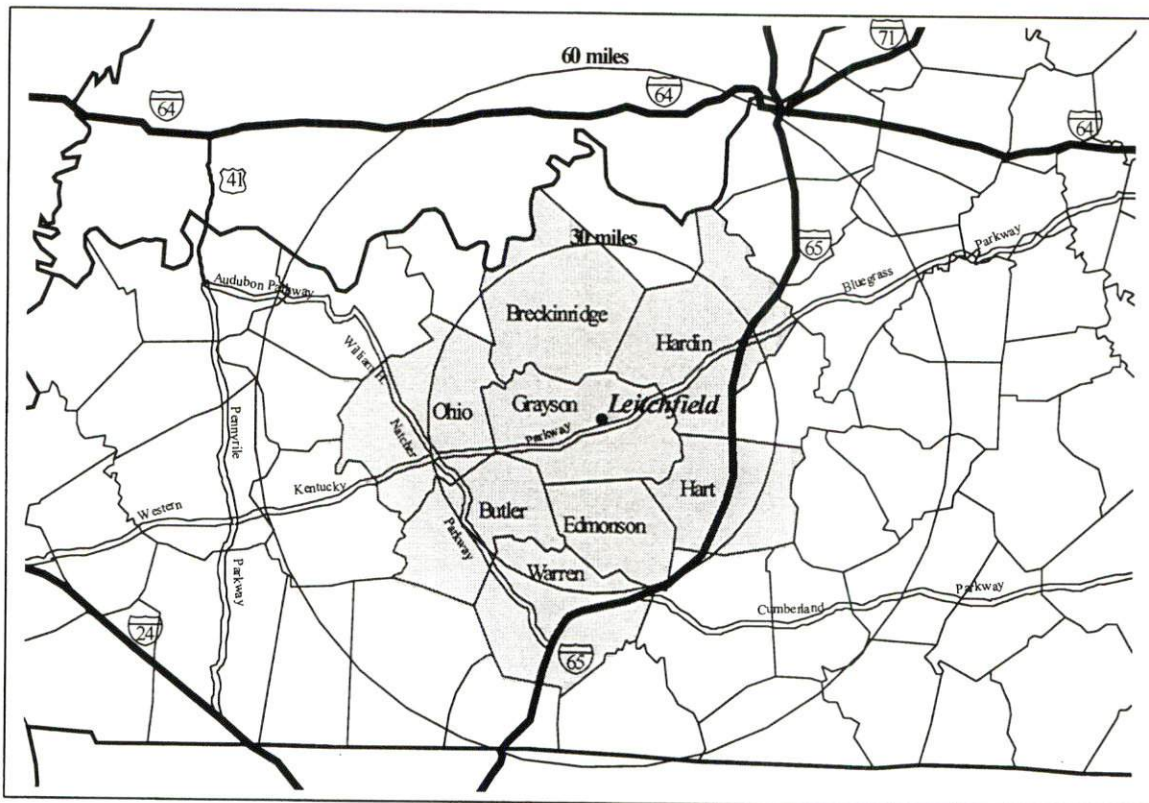
**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 47,537 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 through 2003, approximately 19,975 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - Leitchfield is served by the Western Kentucky Parkway and U.S. 62, both AAA-rated trucking highways; and Kentucky 259, a AA-rated trucking highway. Seventeen common carriers provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Grayson County. The Paducah and Louisville Railway provides rail freight service to Leitchfield. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at the Louisville International Airport in Louisville, 72 miles northeast of Leitchfield. The Leitchfield-Grayson County Airport, five miles southeast of Leitchfield, maintains a 4,000-foot paved runway. Rough River Dam State Resort Park also provides a 3,200-foot paved, lighted airstrip with tie-downs and aviation fuel. The airstrip is 18 miles northwest of Leitchfield.

**Power and Fuel** - Electric power is provided to Leitchfield and Grayson County by the Kentucky Utilities Company. Grayson County is also provided electric power by the Warren Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Natural gas is provided to Leitchfield by Leitchfield Utilities.

**Education** - The Grayson County School System, which is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, provides public education to Leitchfield and Grayson County. One nonpublic school also operates in Leitchfield. Eleven colleges and universities are located within 80 miles of Leitchfield. Vocational-technical training is available at the Grayson County Area Technical Center in Leitchfield and at the Elizabethtown Technical College, 32 miles northeast of Leitchfield.

## Labor Market Area Maps



**Note:** For detailed topographical and general highway maps call Maps and Publications at 502-564-4715.  
For industrial site maps call Site Evaluation at 502-564-7140.



## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Leitchfield-Grayson County labor market area includes Grayson County and the following additional counties: Breckinridge, Butler, Edmonson, Hardin, Hart, Ohio, and Warren.

### Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1996*</u>	<u>1997*</u>
Labor Market Area	256,647	261,919	275,349	278,508
Grayson County	20,854	21,050	22,867	23,279
Leitchfield	4,533	4,965	5,308	N/A
Clarkson	666	611	642	N/A
Caneyville	642	549	583	N/A

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	290,089	311,183	325,997
Grayson County	24,561	26,738	28,311

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>Future Labor</u>	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Potential Labor Supply</u>	<u>Under-employed</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1999 through 2003</u>
Labor Market Area	47,537	8,070	5,090	34,377	19,975
Grayson County	3,327	874	498	1,955	1,728

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>Grayson County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	11,128	133,544
Employed	10,254	125,475
Unemployed	874	8,070
Unemployment Rate	7.9	6.0

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

### Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Grayson County	1,889
Workers commuting into Grayson County	963
Working and residing in Grayson County	6,163

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

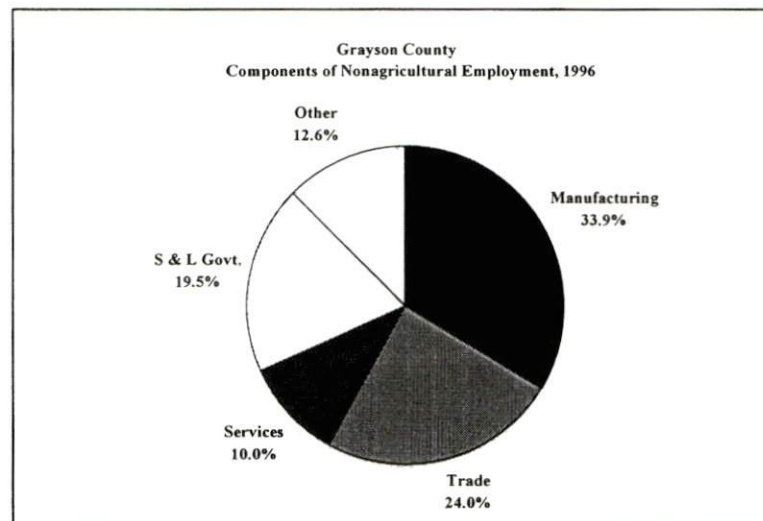
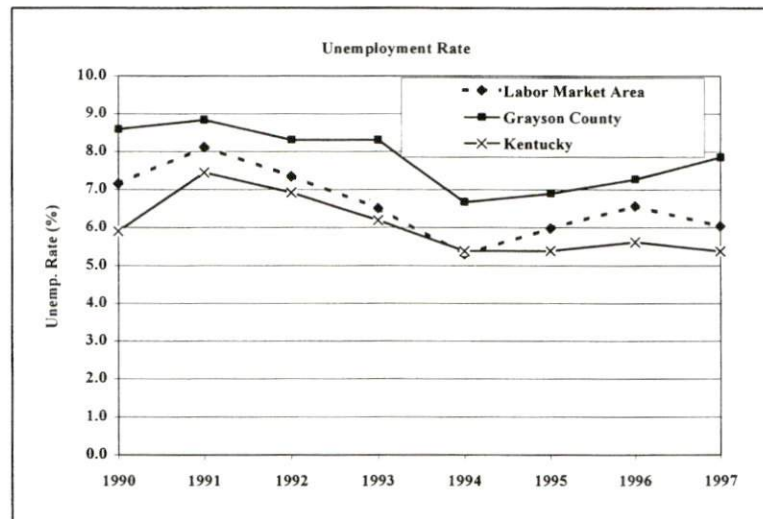
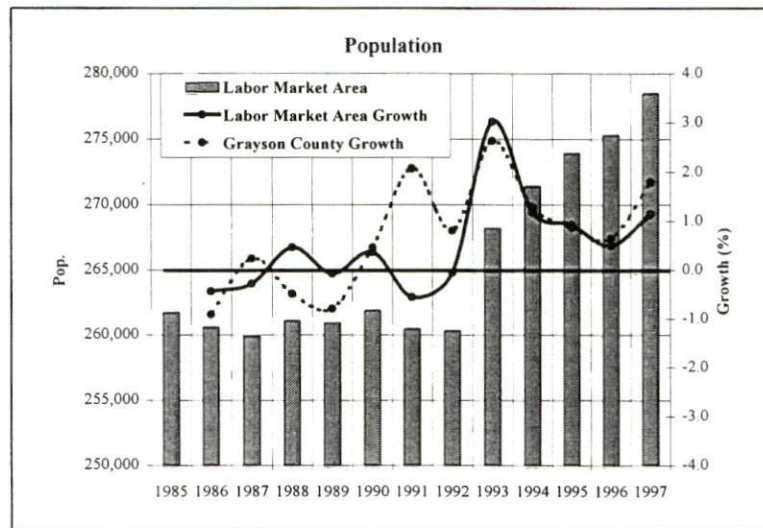
### Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment, by Place of Work, 1996

	<u>Grayson County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	7,127	98,813
Mining & Quarrying	17	563
Contract Construction	312	5,106
Manufacturing	2,414	23,449
Transportation & Public Utilities	229	3,802
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,714	26,461
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	218	3,790
Services	713	18,989
State & Local Government	1,389	15,882
Other	121	737

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

**Source:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1996.

## Selected Charts



### Per Capita Personal Income

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>Percent Change (1992-1996)</u>
Grayson County	\$12,742	\$14,751	15.8
Labor Market Area Range	\$10,905 - \$17,403	\$12,774 - \$21,264	-
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

Grayson County is served by the Elizabethtown local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Elizabethtown local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months which ended on June 30, 1996, the local employment office filled Grayson 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	2,931	6.57
Clerical	337	5.54
Sales	100	5.41
Services (excluding domestic)	409	5.10
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	37	5.33
Processing	24	6.19
Machine Trades	1,070	7.71
Bench Work	243	5.69
Structural	243	8.23
Motor Freight/Transportation	82	5.57
Packaging and Materials Handling	311	5.43
Other	7	5.96

**Note:** Occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department for Labor. The Elizabethtown local office serves Breckinridge, Grayson, Hardin, Larue, and Meade Counties.

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

**Average Weekly Wages by Industry  
by Place of Work, 1996\***

	<u>Grayson County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$336.52	\$465.37	\$495.00	\$525.00
Mining & Quarrying	472.06	774.09	718.00	763.00
Contract Construction	317.26	489.34	524.00	515.00
Manufacturing	389.42	608.28	592.00	615.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	429.86	620.62	620.00	718.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	257.89	319.59	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	376.94	576.81	653.00	688.00
Services	279.64	420.80	471.00	550.00
State & Local Government	356.12	473.35	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
All Industries	\$507.00	\$528.00	\$599.00	\$550.00
Mining & Quarrying	810.00	732.00	887.00	916.00
Contract Construction	577.00	590.00	731.00	583.00
Manufacturing	699.00	738.00	737.00	697.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	614.00	641.00	725.00	694.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	587.00	638.00	874.00	802.00
Services	434.00	466.00	547.00	523.00
State & Local Government	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

\* Wages for U.S. and surrounding states rounded to nearest dollar.

N/A Not Available.

**Note:** The average weekly wage for each category includes 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.

**Sources:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1996. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1996. November 1997.



## EXISTING INDUSTRY

### Grayson County Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm (Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1997 Average Employment</u>
<b>Big Clifty</b>		
Big Clifty Milling Company (1981)	Animal feed	2
<b>Caneyville</b>		
Otis Bryant & Son Milling Company (1962)	Feed, fertilizer	49
Ray's Custom Meat Processing (1982)	Meat processing	3
<b>Clarkson</b>		
Crop Production Services, Inc. (1966)	Bulk fertilizer blending, chemicals, seed	8
Mid-Park, Inc. (1993)	Highway construction products, paving accessories	20
Walter T. Kelley Company (1953)	Honey extracting equipment, bee comb foundation	41
<b>Falls of Rough</b>		
Byrd Tool Corporation (1987)	Cutting tools for wood working industry	17
<b>Leitchfield</b>		
Baillie Lumber Company, Inc. (1981)	Hardwood and kiln dried lumber	71
Bel Kaukauna U.S.A., Inc. (1958)	Cream, cheese	175
Campbell Group (1979)	Power painting equipment, air compressors, power winches	600
Custom Inlays (1977)	Cut mother of pearl inlays on banjos and guitars	11
Eureka Lumber and Pallet Company, Inc. (1973)	Wood shipping boxes, cases, wood pallets and skids, crates, miscellaneous wood shipping devices	14
Golf Heads & Sales of Kentucky, Inc. (1979)	Golf head turnings	1
Grayson County News- Gazette (1940)	Newspaper	7

<u>Firm (Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1997 Average Employment</u>
Grayson County Ready Mix, Inc., DBA Lowe's Concrete Products (1966)	Ready-mixed concrete, precast concrete products, concrete blocks	15
I.M.S. Manufacturing Company, Inc. (1983)	Women's shorts, slacks, skirts, suits; men's sport coats, blazers	183
Irving Materials, Inc. (IMI) (1997)	Ready-mixed concrete	6
Inoac-Nadel, Inc. (1995)	Plastic cosmetic bottles	32
Ken Coat, Inc. (1995)	Plastisol coating of metals	25
Larimer & Norton, Inc. (1984)	Baseball bats, golf clubs	12
Leggett & Platt, Inc. (1969)	Metal furniture parts	250
Leitchfield Machining, Inc. (1980)	Production machining	21
Leitchfield Plastics (1989)	Injection molded plastics	300
Mid-Park, Inc. (1978)	Reinforcement for concrete hinges and pins, farm gates, metal stamping	60
Middle Ground, Inc. (1975)	Golf clubs	11
Montgomery Woodworking (1989)	Wood furniture and cabinets	2
MTD, Products, Inc. (1994)	Washing machine drive assemblies	253
Phar-Shar Manufacturing Company, Inc. (1979)	Children's, ladies', men's clothing	200
Power Built (1994)	Roof and floor trusses, wall panel	30
Scotty's Stone Company (1983)	Agricultural lime, crushed stone	14
The Record (1980)	Newspaper, commercial printing, tabloids	4
Trim Masters (1995)	Automotive seat cover	200
Vermont American Corporation, Leitchfield Division (1977)	Saw blades, router tables hedge trimmer blades	385
Worley Printing Company, Inc. (1965)	Lithographic printing, screen printing	6
<b>Millwood</b>		
W.M. Cramer Lumber and Dry Kiln Company (1985)	Kiln dry lumber	9
Escue Wood Preserving, Inc. (1980)	Wood preserving	25

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

## Recent Industrial Developments

Industrial sites at the Leitchfield/Grayson County Industrial Development Foundation include a 90-acre site on U.S. Highway 62 West and 40 acres at Clarkson, both with access to rail and utilities. Six acres on Commerce Drive has utility access. The City of Leitchfield owns a site on Kentucky Highway 259 North; the Judge Kenneth Goff Industrial Park, occupied by Trim Masters. Approximately 30 acres in this park remain available for occupancy.

## Labor Organizations in Manufacturing Firms

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
Aluminum, Brick and Glass Workers International Union, AFL-CIO	Vermont American Corporation, Leitchfield Division
International Union of Electronics, Electrical, Technical, Salaried, Machine and Furniture Workers (IUE), AFL-CIO	Leggett and Platt Inc.

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

## Selected Industrial Services

<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Leitchfield</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Leitchfield, Kentucky	-
Electric Motor Repair	Elizabethtown, Kentucky	31
Heat Treating Facilities	Louisville, Kentucky	76
Industrial Waste Removal	Leitchfield, Kentucky	-
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Leitchfield, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	McHenry, Kentucky	39
	Horse Cave, Kentucky	54
Metal Finishers	Elizabethtown, Kentucky	31
	Morgantown, Kentucky	32
Metal Service Centers	Elizabethtown, Kentucky	31
Millwrights & Riggers	Morgantown, Kentucky	32

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



## TRANSPORTATION

### Highways

Major highways serving Leitchfield include the Western Kentucky Parkway and U.S. Highway 62, both AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways; and Kentucky Highway 259, a AA-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highway. Downtown Leitchfield is located approximately one mile north of an interchange to the Western Kentucky Parkway which connects with Interstate 65 and the Bluegrass Parkway at Elizabethtown, 32 miles northeast. The Western Kentucky Parkway also provides direct access to the William Natcher Parkway, 32 miles west of Leitchfield.

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet plans to construct a bypass around the east side of Leitchfield. The first phase of construction is scheduled to begin in the fall of 1998.

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

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	357	Kansas City, MO	519
Baltimore, MD	651	Knoxville, TN	252
Birmingham, AL	323	Los Angeles, CA	2,097
Charleston, WV	287	Louisville, KY	76
Chicago, IL	371	Minneapolis, MN	781
Cincinnati, OH	167	Nashville, TN	131
Cleveland, OH	173	New Orleans, LA	663
Columbia, SC	512	New York, NY	816
Columbus, OH	280	Pittsburgh, PA	466
Dallas, TX	773	Raleigh, NC	605
Des Moines, IA	664	Richmond, VA	606
Detroit, MI	436	St. Louis, MO	271
Indianapolis, IN	189	Tallahassee, FL	614

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

**Source:** AAA Map 'n' Go 3.0 for Windows, DeLORME, 1997.

### Truck Service

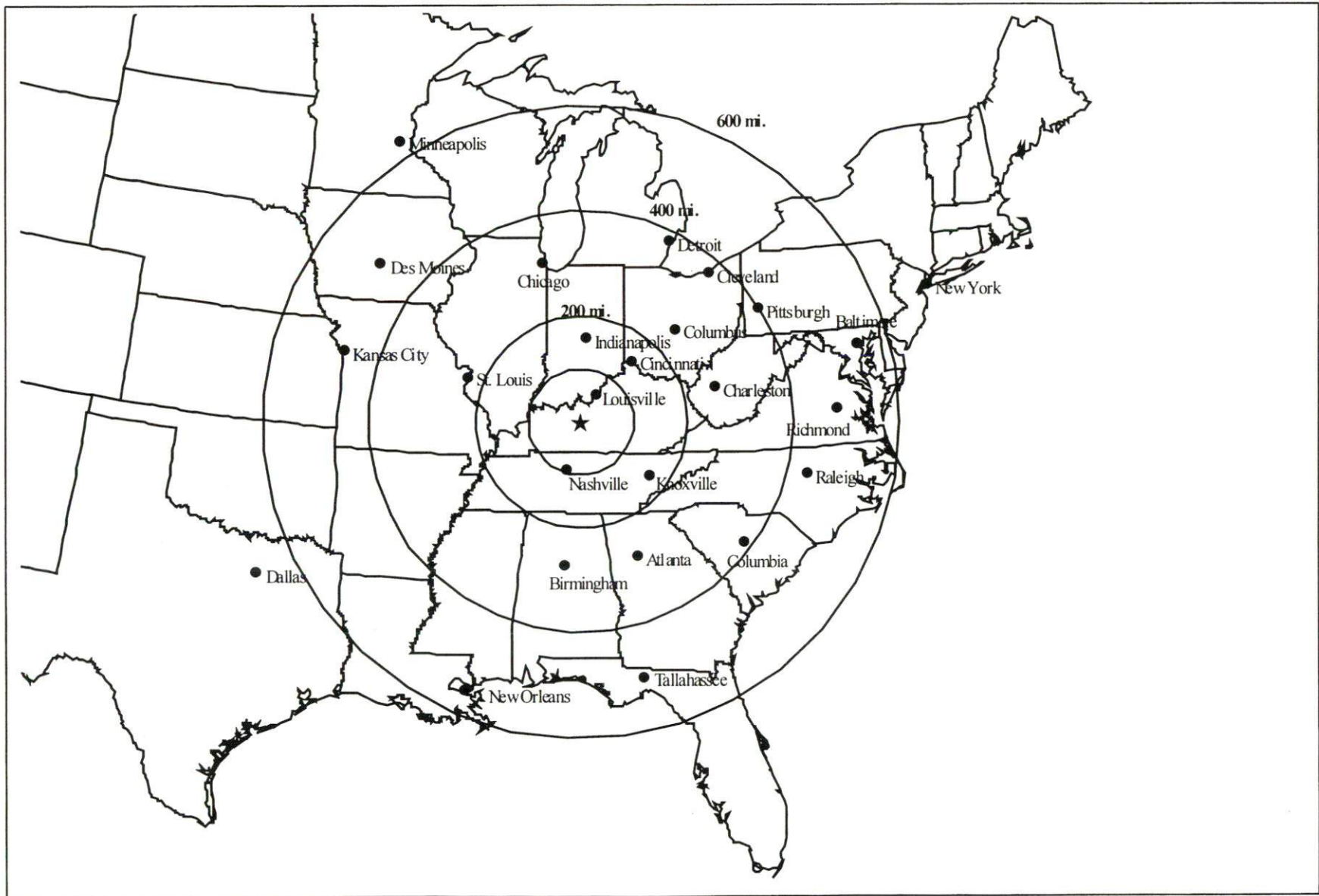
Seventeen common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Grayson County.

Ohio Valley Reload, Inc. receives products by rail at their shipping point in Millwood. The company then reloads and distributes to industries by truck.

**Source:** American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1998.



Selected Market Centers Map



## Rail

Rail freight service is provided to Leitchfield by the Paducah and Louisville Railway. The nearest intermodal facilities are provided by CSX Transportation in Owensboro, Kentucky, 55 miles northwest.

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

Vice President - Marketing and Sales  
Paducah and Louisville Railway  
1500 Kentucky Avenue  
Paducah, Kentucky 42001  
(502) 444-4341

## Air

### Local

Location:	Leitchfield-Grayson County Airport 5 miles southeast of Leitchfield off Kentucky 259
Runways:	1 paved
Length:	4,000 feet
Traffic Control:	Wind sock
Lighting:	MIRL, VASI, rotating beacon, lighted wind sock, radio activated lighted runway
Services:	100LL fuel, tie downs, A & P repairs, avionics shop

Rough River Dam State Resort Park also provides a 3,200-foot paved, lighted airstrip with tie-downs and aviation fuel. A shuttle service is available from the airstrip to the lodge. The park is 18 miles northwest of Leitchfield.

### Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Louisville International Airport 4 miles southeast of center of Louisville, Kentucky; 72 miles northeast of Leitchfield
Air Service:	American, ASA, Comair, Continental, Continental Express, Delta, Delta Express Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Skyway, Southwest, TWA, United, United Express, US Airways, Valujet
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	172

## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Company serving **Leitchfield and parts of Grayson County** - Kentucky Utilities Company

Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company

For industrial rates contact:

Economic Development Department  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
One Quality Street  
Lexington, Kentucky 40507  
(606) 255-2100 Fax (606) 367-5839  
Web site: [www.kuenergy.com](http://www.kuenergy.com)

Company serving **a major portion of Grayson County** - Warren Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority

For industrial rates contact:

South Kentucky Industrial Development  
Association, Inc.  
P.O. Box 726  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0726  
(502) 885-5392 Fax (502) 885-9451

and/or

Warren Rural Electric Cooperative  
Corporation  
P.O. Box 1118  
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42102  
(502) 842-6541

### Natural Gas

Company serving **Leitchfield** - Leitchfield Utilities

Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation

For rates and supplies contact:

Leitchfield Utilities  
P.O. Box 398  
Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754  
(502) 259-4034

## Public Water Supply

Company serving **Leitchfield** -

Leitchfield Utilities  
314 West White Oak Street  
Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754  
(502) 259-4034

Source -

Rough River Reservoir

Treatment plant capacity -

2,770,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption -

1,733,126 gallons

Peak daily consumption -

2,448,000 gallons

Storage capacity -

1,280,000 gallons

Water pressure -

40 psi to 140 psi

Name of water district -

Grayson County Water District  
P.O. Box 1118  
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42102-1118  
(502) 842-0052 Fax (502) 781-3299

Area served -

Grayson County

Source of supply of treated water -

City of Leitchfield

Amount of water that can be purchased -

950,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption -

586,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption -

821,000 gallons

Storage capacity -

1,039,000 gallons

Water pressure -

35 psi to 160 psi

## Sewerage

Company serving **Leitchfield** -

Leitchfield Utilities  
314 West White Oak Street  
Leitchfield, Kentucky 42754  
(502) 259-4034

Design capacity -

1,000,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow -

700,000 gallons

Type of treatment -

Primary

Treated effluent discharged into -

Taylor Fork of Bear Creek

A sewer expansion and rehabilitation project is scheduled for completion in 2000 at a cost of \$4.0 million.



## CLIMATE

### Grayson County

#### Temperature

Average (49-year record)	55.00 degrees
Average annual 1996	53.60 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (52-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (52-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (heating degree day totals are the sum of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	4,783

#### Precipitation

Normal total (30-year record)	44.55 inches
Normal annual snowfall (30-year record)	17.50 inches
Total precipitation 1996	53.81 inches
Normal number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	129.10
Mean number days thunderstorms (52-year record)	44.10

<u>Prevailing Winds</u> (30-year record)	South
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#### 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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**Source:** U.S. Department of Commerce, National Climatic Data Center, Climatological Data, 1996.  
Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

### **Structure**

Leitchfield 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. Grayson County is governed by a county judge/executive and six magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

### **Planning and Zoning**

There is no zoning agency in Leitchfield or Grayson County at the present time. However, there is a City of Leitchfield Planning Commission.

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 Leitchfield levies an occupational license tax of one and two-tenths percent (1.2%) on employee wages. The City also levies an occupational license tax of 1.2 percent on net profits of businesses, or \$50, whichever is greater. Unloading licenses range from \$10 to \$35 per year.

### **Property Taxes**

The Kentucky Constitution requires the state to tax all classes of taxable property, and state statutes allow local jurisdictions to tax only a few classes. All locally taxed property is subject to county taxes and school district taxes (either a county school district or an independent school district). Property located inside of city limits may also be subject to city property taxes.

Special local taxing jurisdictions (fire protection districts, watershed districts, and sanitation districts) levy taxes within their operating areas (usually a small portion of community or county).

Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value.

## State and Local Property Taxes

### State Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1997 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.157	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:** Kentucky Property Tax Rates 1997, Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

### Local Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation, 1997

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods &amp; Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Grayson County	\$0.1775	\$0.2046	\$0.2047
School Districts:			
Grayson County	0.3720	0.3760	0.4520
City:			
Leitchfield	0.0941	0.1200	0.1200

**Source:** Kentucky Property Tax Rates 1997, Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

	Grayson County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1997)	4,091
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1996-97)	16.0:1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1996-97)	38.0
Expenditures Per Pupil (1996-97)	\$5,117.88

Five schools in the Grayson County School System are participating in the National Effective Schools Program. Construction of a new middle school was completed in 1998.

### Nonpublic Schools

<u>School</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Grades</u>
St. Paul Elementary	49	1-8

### Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles from Leitchfield)</u>	<u>Enrollment (1996-1997)</u>
Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown, Kentucky (32)	3,478
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (55)	14,613
Brescia College	Owensboro, Kentucky (55)	753
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky (55)	713
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro, Kentucky (55)	2,314
Campbellsville University	Campbellsville, Kentucky (74)	1,530
Saint Catharine College	Springfield, Kentucky (75)	351
Bellarmino College	Louisville, Kentucky (76)	2,785
Jefferson Community College	Louisville, Kentucky (76)	9,269
Spalding University	Louisville, Kentucky (76)	1,419
University of Louisville	Louisville, Kentucky (76)	21,020



## Vocational-Technical Training

Kentucky Tech secondary (Sec) schools, called area technology centers, are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and the postsecondary schools (P/S), called technical colleges, are governed by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS).

<u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Leitchfield)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Enrollment 1996-97</u>		<u>Approximate No. Completing Programs Annually</u>
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	
Elizabethtown Technical College	Elizabethtown (32)	17	45	647	225
<u>Other Schools</u>					
Grayson County Area Technical Center	Leitchfield	9	388		60

### Customized Training

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

### Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education and government agencies testing packages for evaluating job applicants, selecting employees for promotional consideration and developing training programs within the organization. A Career Connections Assessment Center is located at the Elizabethtown 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 equivalance diploma. In Grayson County, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Grayson County Board of Education and the Grayson 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 credits to existing businesses for skills upgrade training.

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Local Medical Personnel

#### Grayson County

Physicians – 17

Dentists - 8

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Twin Lakes Regional Medical Center	Leitchfield	75

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Advanced Occupational Health  
Caretenders  
Communicare  
Genesis Urgent Treatment  
Grayson County Health Center  
Grayson Manor Nursing Facility  
Hospice of Central Kentucky  
Leitchfield-Grayson County  
Ambulance Service, Inc.  
Leitchfield Health Care Manor  
Leitchfield Physical Therapy  
Lincoln Trail District Health Department  
Twin Lakes Home Health Agency

### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Bank of Caneyville  
Citizens Bank and Trust Company of  
Grayson County  
Leitchfield Deposit Bank and Trust Company  
First Federal Savings Bank  
The Bank of Clarkson

### Newspapers

Grayson County News - Gazette (twice weekly)  
The Record (weekly)

### Telephone Service

GTE (Leitchfield)  
Continental Telephone Company  
of Kentucky (Grayson County)

911 "Enhanced"

## RECREATION

### Local

Leitchfield provides many recreational programs, which include baseball, soccer, and softball leagues. The Grayson County Middle School gymnasium is open to adults in the community for organized sports such as volleyball, swimming, badminton, floor tennis and table tennis. Three parks, two playgrounds, five baseball fields, two tennis courts, an archery range, and a municipal swimming pool are also available to residents for recreational activities. A city-county sports complex includes a football field, a baseball field, a soccer field, a swimming pool, basketball courts, tennis courts, a running track, and a playground. The recent construction of Leitchfield City Park includes a four-acre lake, two softball fields, picnic facilities, concessions, and restrooms.

Private recreational facilities include a 14-lane bowling facility, a lake and fishing area, and two golf clubs. Facilities at Lakeview Golf Course include a nine-hole golf course with another nine-holes under construction. Lakeview also offers a clubhouse with a proshop, snack bar, locker room and party room; a driving range; putting green; swimming pool; and tennis courts.

LaFayette Golf Course is Grayson County's premier new 18-hole championship challenge located on historic Green Farms in Falls of Rough. The LaFayette covers 250 acres and is an upscale public golf course providing true challenge. LaFayette offers a clubhouse with a proshop, snack bar, locker room, a driving range, and a putting green.

Pine Knob, a 500-seat outdoor theater in Caneyville, 13 miles west of Leitchfield, provides unique entertainment in a quaint historic setting. The theater features seven different shows.

**Rough River Dam State Resort Park** at Falls of Rough is located 18 miles northwest of Leitchfield. The 637-acre park on Rough River Lake features a 40-room lodge with a dining room, coffee shop, gift shop, meeting room, and a 3,200-foot lighted airstrip. Cottages and camping sites are also available. A large conference center and many recreational facilities are also offered at the park.

**Mammoth Cave National Park** is located 42 miles southeast of Leitchfield near Cave City. Beneath 52,000 park acres, Mammoth Cave is among the major tourist attractions of all time. It is the largest cave network ever discovered, with over 300 miles of caverns.

The Court Square Theater, a 300-seat facility is available for arts and other programs in the community.

A 200-seat community center at St. Joseph's Parish is available for group gatherings.

### Area (Within 60 miles)

Abraham Lincoln's Birthplace National Historic Site  
Bernheim Forest Arboretum and Nature Center  
My Old Kentucky Home State Park



## APPENDIX - 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>Logan</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 includes 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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