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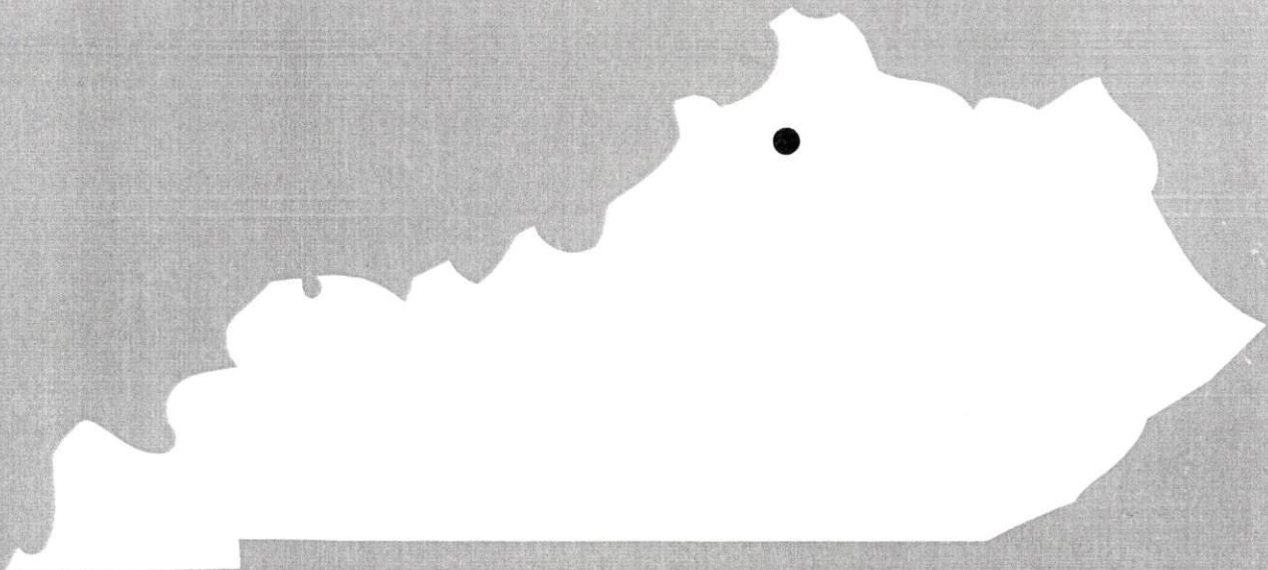
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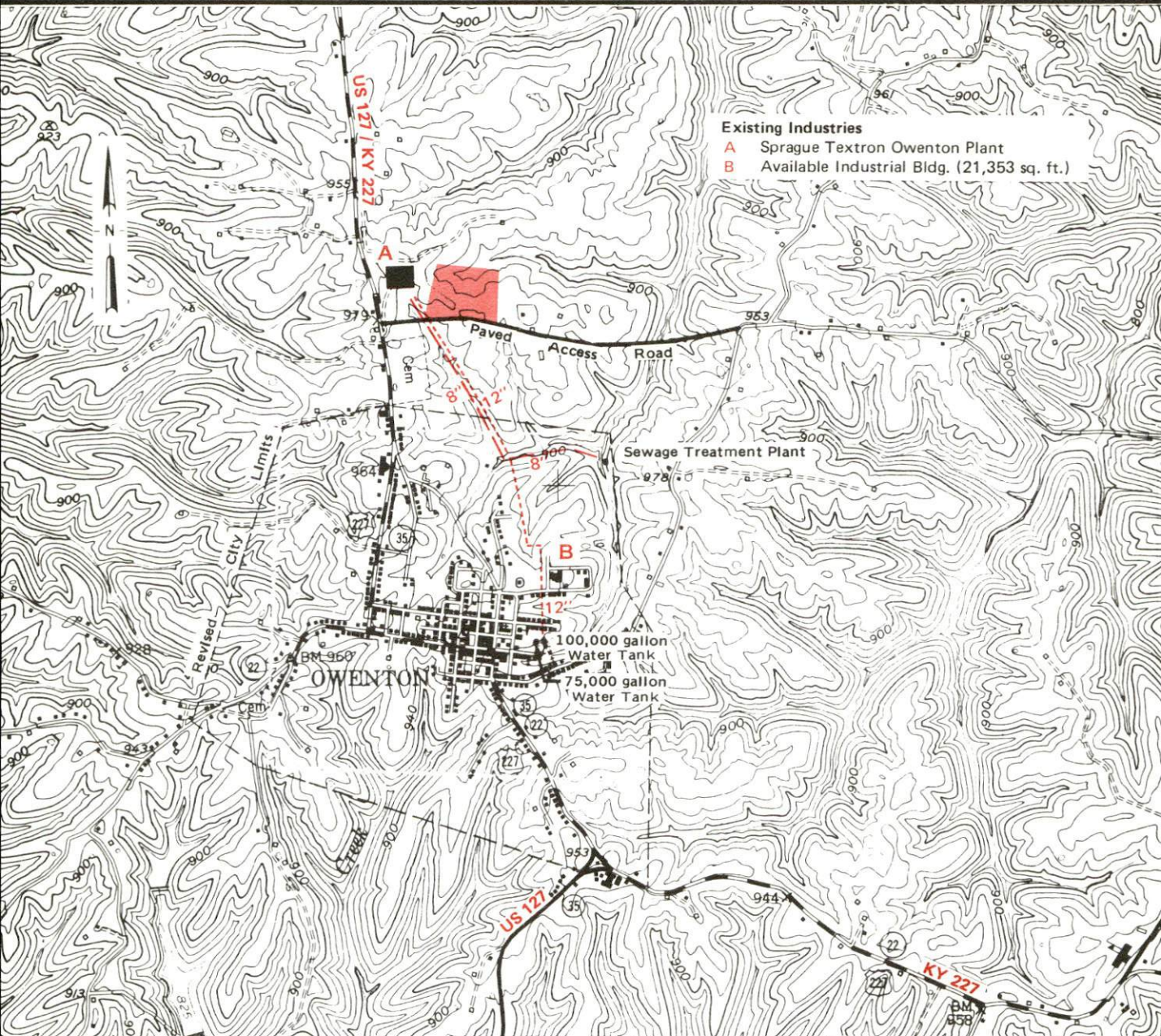
**Owenton, Ky.**





## OWENTON, KENTUCKY --- Site 184 --- 15 Acres

For more information contact the Kentucky Department of Economic Development, Industrial Development & Marketing Division, Capital Plaza Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601 (502-564-7140).



**LOCATION:** Approximately 1200 feet north of city limits  
**ZONING:** None  
**HIGHWAY ACCESS:** US 127 approximately 600 feet west via paved access road  
**RAILROAD:** Not rail served  
**WATER:** Owenton City Water Works  
Size Line: 12-inch line adjacent to southwestern corner  
**NATURAL GAS:** Natural gas service not available  
**ELECTRICITY:** Kentucky Utilities Company  
**SEWERAGE:** Owenton City Sewerage System  
Size Line: 8-inch line adjacent to southwestern corner  
**OWNERSHIP:** Owen County Industrial Foundation

**SCALE:** 1 inch = 2000 feet  
**CONTOUR INTERVAL:** 20 feet  
**BASE:** USGS 7.5 minute series

**UTILITIES**  
--- Water Line  
--- Sewer Line



A COMPREHENSIVE REPORT ON  
OWENTON, KENTUCKY

Prepared by  
The Kentucky Department of Economic Development  
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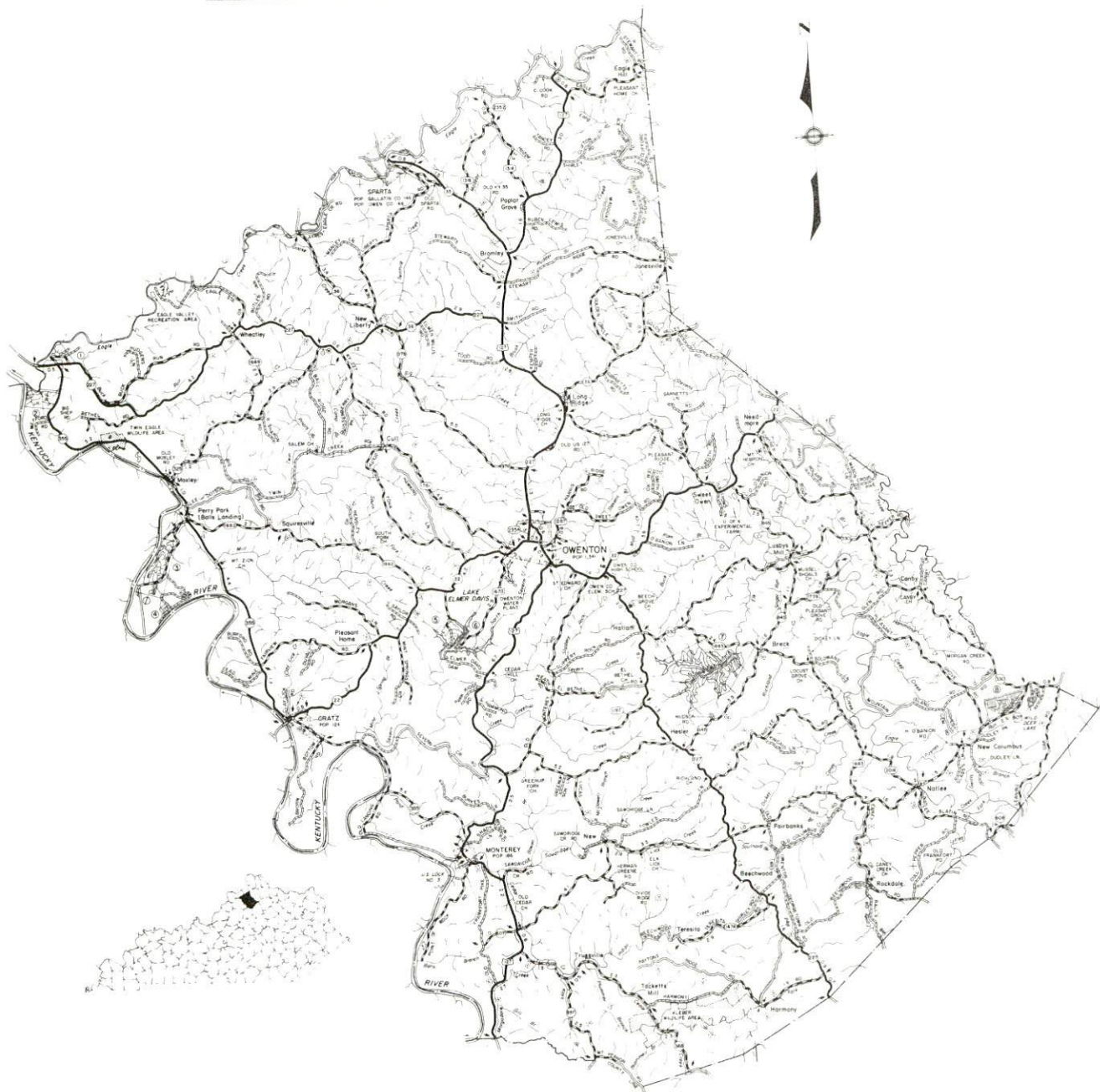
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP  
**OWEN COUNTY**  
KENTUCKY

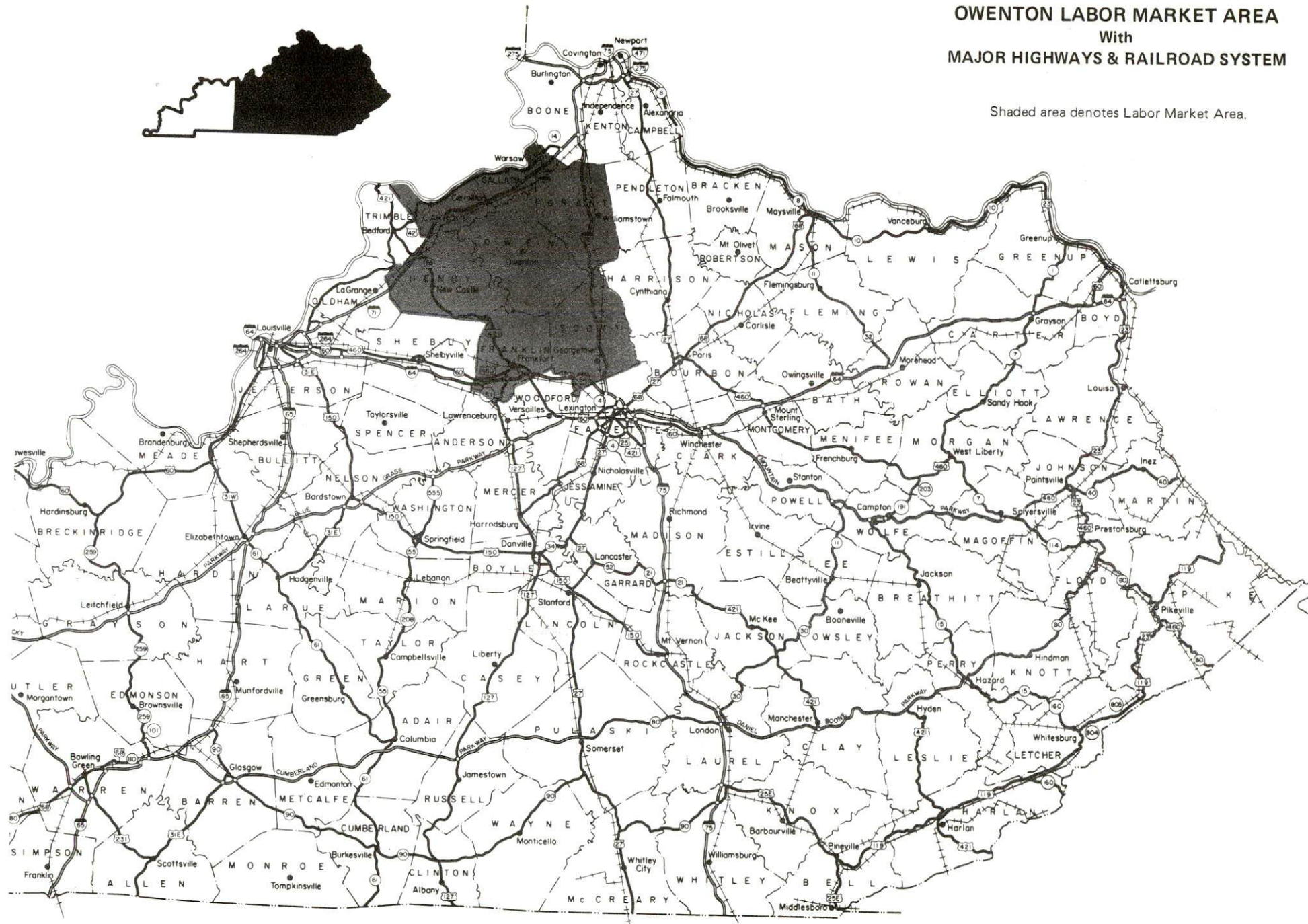
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# OWENTON LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.





## **OWENTON, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE**

Owenton, the county seat of Owen County, is located in the north central portion of the Blue Grass Region of Kentucky. Owenton, with a population of 1,341 in 1980, is located 58 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio; 59 miles northwest of Lexington, Kentucky; and 76 miles northeast of Louisville, Kentucky.

Owen County, with a 1980 population of 8,924, has a land area of 354 square miles.

### **The Economic Framework**

The total number of Owen County residents employed in 1982 averaged 3,440, with nonagricultural jobs accounting for 2,565 workers. Manufacturing employers in the county reported 140 workers; state and local government 360; wholesale and retail trade 200; and services 100. Manufacturing employment is greatest in fabricated metal products.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1981 was \$6,553. Between 1977 and 1981, per capita income increased by 50 percent.

The Owenton labor market area includes Owen and six adjoining counties. The total number of residents of the labor market area employed in 1982 averaged 50,590, with nonagricultural jobs accounting for 46,400 workers. Manufacturing employers in the area reported 7,675 workers; state and local government 15,100; wholesale and retail trade 5,970; and services 3,890.

### **Resources for Growth**

1. Labor Supply - There is a current labor supply of 6,040 men and 5,800 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1984 through 1988, 4,760 young men and 4,390 young women in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for work.

2. Transportation - Rail service is provided by the Seaboard System Railroad at Sparta, 14 miles north of Owenton. U.S. Highway 127 and Kentucky Highway 22 serve Owenton. Two interchanges of Interstate 71 are located within 17 miles of Owenton. An interchange of Interstate 75 is located within 21 miles of Owenton. Five common carriers have authority to serve Owenton. The nearest commercial airports are Greater Cincinnati International Airport, located in northern Kentucky, 55 miles northeast, and Blue Grass Field, located in Lexington, Kentucky, 53 miles southeast.

3. Power and Fuel - Electric power is provided to Owenton and parts of Owen County by the Kentucky Utilities Company, an electric generation and transmission company. Owen County is also served electric power by the Owen County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, which is supplied by the East Kentucky Power Cooperative. Natural gas service is not available in Owenton. Two distributors of propane and two distributors of distillate fuel oil serve Owenton.



4. Education - Primary and secondary education is provided to Owenton and Owen County by the Owen County School System, which is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

There are six universities, six senior colleges, two junior colleges, one community college, and one bible seminary located within 65 miles of Owenton.

The Northern Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School in Covington, the Central Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School in Lexington, the Northern Campbell County Vocational-Technical School in Highland Heights, and the Northern Kentucky Health Occupations Center in Edgewood are all located within 65 miles of Owenton. These schools offer a wide variety of vocational education courses. The Franklin County Area Vocational Education Center in Frankfort, 30 miles south, and the Carroll County Area Vocational Education Center in Carrollton, 33 miles northwest, offer training in 7 and 12 courses respectively.

## THE LABOR MARKET AREA

The Owenton Labor Market Area includes Owen County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Carroll, Franklin, Gallatin, Grant, Henry, and Scott

POPULATION			
<u>Area</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>Percent Nonwhite</u>
Owenton	1,341	1,280	4.7
Labor Market Area	112,727	93,465	N/A
Owen County	8,924	7,470	2.5
Carroll County	9,270	8,523	2.0
Franklin County	41,830	34,481	8.7
Gallatin County	4,842	4,134	2.7
Grant County	13,308	9,999	0.4
Henry County	12,740	10,910	5.5
Scott County	21,813	17,948	7.3

Note: The 1980 counts of population by race are provisional.

Sources: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 1980 Census of Population and Housing, March 1981; 1980 Census of Population, Number of Inhabitants. Population Research Unit, Urban Studies Center, University of Louisville, Kentucky Demographics: The 1980 Census of Kentucky, Characteristics of Population, Households, Housing, January 1982.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1982		
	<u>Owen County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	3,768	55,029
Employment	3,439	50,588
Agricultural	874	4,184
Nonagricultural	2,565	46,404
Unemployment	329	4,441
Rate of Unemployment (%)	8.7	8.1

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1982.



SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT,  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1982

	<u>Owen County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries (total)	1,069	36,804
Manufacturing	139	7,675
Wholesale & Retail Trade	203	5,969
Services	104	3,891
State/Local Government	363	15,102
Contract Construction	67	999

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

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1982.

OWENTON MANUFACTURING FIRMS,  
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> (Establishment date)	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>		
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
The News-Herald Publishing Company (1868)	Newspaper	8	1	7
Sprague Textron Owenton Plant, Sprague Meter Division of Textron, Inc. (1978)	Regulators, gas pressure fittings, clamps, pipe line repair, gas meters	217	126	91

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Development, 1984 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers; Division of Research and Planning.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Union

Representing workers at:

Currently there are no labor organizations representing manufacturing workers in Owenton.

## INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Owenton</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Florence, Kentucky	46
	Georgetown, Kentucky	48
Electric Motor Repair	Cincinnati, Ohio	58
	Covington, Kentucky	58
	Lexington, Kentucky	59
Grinding, Precision & Tool	Georgetown, Kentucky	48
	Erlanger, Kentucky	53
Heat Treating Facilities	Frankfort, Kentucky	30
Industrial Equipment & Supplies	Frankfort, Kentucky	30
Industrial Gases	Cincinnati, Ohio	58
	Lexington, Kentucky	59
Industrial Waste Removal	Frankfort, Kentucky	30
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Frankfort, Kentucky	30
Metal Finishers	Cynthiana, Kentucky	54
	Cincinnati, Ohio	58
	Covington, Kentucky	58
	Lexington, Kentucky	59
	Newport, Kentucky	59
Metal Service Centers	Cincinnati, Ohio	58
	Covington, Kentucky	58
	Lexington, Kentucky	59
Millwrights	Villa Hills, Kentucky	55
	Cincinnati, Ohio	58
	Covington, Kentucky	58
	Lexington, Kentucky	59

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Development, Kentucky Directory of Selected Industrial Services, 1983; Division of Research and Planning.



ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY  
OWENTON LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Future	
	Total	Unemployed	Under-employed	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1984 thru 1988
Labor Market					
Area*	6,039	2,813	2,093	1,133	4,760
Owen	672	238	198	236	332
Carroll	324	168	156	0	393
Franklin	2,173	913	771	489	1,733
Gallatin	463	173	59	231	212
Grant	569	365	204	0	636
Henry	756	382	197	177	517
Scott	1,082	574	508	0	937

\* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work;  
Underemployed - persons employed but working only 14 to 26 weeks per year;  
Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion that they do nationally).

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by Area Development District and County, 1982. Kentucky Department of Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1984 thru 1988.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY  
OWENTON LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Future	
	Total	Unemployed	Under-employed	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1984 thru 1988
Labor Market Area*	5,799	1,628	2,527	1,644	4,393
Owen	558	91	134	333	333
Carroll	348	110	238	0	363
Franklin	1,512	560	952	0	1,482
Gallatin	558	68	133	357	227
Grant	1,009	209	228	572	617
Henry	871	265	224	382	536
Scott	943	325	618	0	835

\* Additional workers may be drawn from other nearby counties.

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work;  
Underemployed - persons employed but working only 14 to 26 weeks per year;  
Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion that they do nationally).

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by Area Development District and County, 1982. Kentucky Department of Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1984 thru 1988.



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY,  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1982

	<u>Owen County</u>	<u>Carroll County</u>	<u>Franklin County</u>	<u>Gallatin County</u>
All Industries	\$233.72	\$328.50	\$289.17	\$238.10
Mining & Quarrying	.00	.00	*	*
Contract Construction	234.34	*	373.49	*
Manufacturing	*	351.50	324.34	161.51
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	*	393.69	375.29	208.12
Wholesale & Retail Trade	181.68	179.05	170.28	196.81
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	210.19	273.59	302.96	248.37
Services	149.87	157.01	212.29	503.76
State/Local Government	217.20	215.80	311.86	207.57
Other	*	*	202.73	93.85
	<u>Grant County</u>	<u>Henry County</u>	<u>Scott County</u>	
All Industries	\$209.67	\$213.29	\$241.91	
Mining & Quarrying	.00	.00	*	
Contract Construction	218.92	161.31	255.88	
Manufacturing	266.92	272.42	317.68	
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	328.40	260.59	401.95	
Wholesale & Retail Trade	161.74	140.96	153.60	
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	209.27	273.52	257.19	
Services	133.13	161.29	184.31	
State/Local Government	236.87	239.98	212.19	
Other	101.93	118.88	282.29	

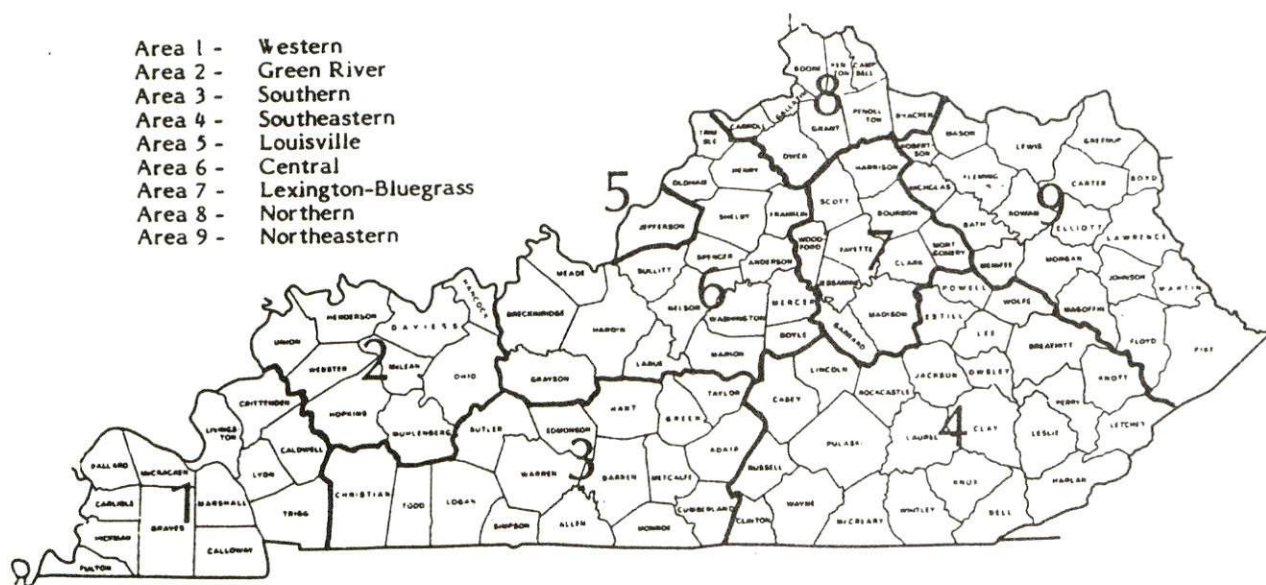
\* Not disclosed.

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

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1982.

Occupational wage rates for specific industries are usually not available to most government agencies, and wage data furnished to state employment agencies by individual industrial employers are protected from disclosure by federal law. The most reliable up-to-date wage information can be obtained by direct contact with local employers.

Associated Industries of Kentucky, a voluntary organization of Kentucky businesses, regularly collects occupational wage rates and fringe benefits data from participating member firms. Data are compiled for over 127 clearly defined office, production, and service occupations. Tabulations are published for nine geographical areas of Kentucky, as shown on the map below. It should be noted that the data may be weighted by the preponderance of firms in the larger cities and may be somewhat higher than the rates paid in the smaller communities. Data from these tabulations are available, upon request, from the Kentucky Department of Economic Development, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



Associated Industries of Kentucky Area Wage Surveys



PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1977</u>	<u>1981</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Owen County	\$ 4,376	\$ 6,553	49.7
Labor Market Area Range	\$4,350 - 7,117	\$6,495 - 10,287	N/A
Kentucky	5,797	8,416	45.2
U. S.	6,984	10,495	50.3

Source: U. S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, May 1983.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Rail

**Owenton** is not served directly by rail service, however, the Seaboard System Railroad offers rail service at Sparta, 14 miles north of Owenton.

Services at Sparta - Main line route with 1 northbound freight making 3 stops per week; 3 northbound and 3 southbound through freights daily; switching services; team track space for 5 cars; siding space for 15 cars. Piggyback facilities are maintained by the Seaboard System Railroad, the Southern Railway System, and the Chessie System at Cincinnati, Ohio, 58 miles northeast of Owenton.

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

Manager of Industrial Development  
Seaboard System Railroad  
P.O. Box 32290  
Louisville, Kentucky 40232  
(502) 587-5228

### Highways

U.S. Highway 127 and Kentucky Highway 22 serve Owenton. Both are "AAA" rated trucking highways. Interchanges of Interstate 71 are located at Sparta and Glencoe, approximately 17 miles north of Owenton. An interchange of Interstate 75 is located 21 miles northeast of Owenton via Kentucky 22.

### Truck Service

<u>Company</u>	<u>Home Office</u>
E & G Motor Express*	Rural Route 1 U.S. 42 West Carrollton, Kentucky 41008
Leoni Motor Express*	Chicago Heights, Illinois 60411
Overnite Transportation Company*	1000 Semmes Avenue P.O. Box 1216 Richmond, Virginia 23209
Owenton Express, Inc.* (C)	Owenton, Kentucky 40359
Roadway Express, Inc.*	1077 Gorge Boulevard Akron, Ohio 44310

(C) Call station.

\* Intrastate and interstate service.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1984.



Other Freight Services

Emery  
Federal Express  
  
Purolator Courier  
United Parcel Service

Nearest Office or Shipping Center

Cincinnati, Ohio, 58 miles northeast  
Erlanger, Kentucky, 53 miles northeast;  
Lexington, Kentucky, 59 miles southeast  
Louisville, Kentucky, 76 miles southwest  
Cincinnati, Ohio, 58 miles northeast;  
Lexington, Kentucky, 59 miles southeast

**HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM  
OWENTON, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS**

City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time TL	City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time TL
Atlanta, Ga.	421	1	Los Angeles, Ca.	2,184	4
Baltimore, Md.	555	2	Louisville, Ky.	76	1
Birmingham, Ala.	440	1	Nashville, Tenn.	244	1
Chicago, Ill.	345	1	New Orleans, La.	761	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	58	1	New York, N. Y.	705	-
Cleveland, Ohio	302	1	Pittsburgh, Pa.	345	1
Detroit, Mich.	317	1	St. Louis, Mo.	399	1
Knoxville, Tenn.	228	1			

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

Sources: Rand McNally Road Atlas, 1979. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1980.  
Delivery time - Overnite Transportation Company, P.O. Box 1216, Richmond, Virginia 23209.

**Air**Nearest Airport

Location: Capital City Airport  
Frankfort, 30 miles south of Owenton  
Runways: One paved  
Length: 5,000 feet  
Traffic  
Control: Wind tee  
Lighting: Beacon, runway lights sundown to sunrise,  
REILS and VASI  
Services: 100 octane, jet fuel; minor A & P repairs;  
hangar; storage; auto rental, taxi

(Cont'd)

### Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

**Location:** Greater Cincinnati International Airport  
8 miles southwest of Covington, Kentucky;  
55 miles northeast of Owenton

**Runways:** 3 paved

**Length:** 9,500 feet; 7,800 feet; 5,500 feet

**Traffic Control:** Local and ground flight data, clearance delivery, arrival and departure data, arrival and departure radar, satellite control

**Lighting:** Beacon, VASI, MALS-RAIL, ALS-SFL, HIRL, CL, TDZ

**Services:** American, Delta, Pan Am, Piedmont, Republic, TWA, United, USAir, Wright/Aeromech, Air Florida, Britt Airways, Comair, Tennessee Airways, Trans-Midwest; fuel - 100LL, 100, jet-A; hangars, tie-downs; major A & P repairs, major Avionics repairs; APU, charter, flight instruction, oxygen, plane rental, survival equipment, U. S. Customs; weather information; taxi, limousine, car rentals, courtesy car; restaurant, snack bar; hotel

**Air Freight Services:** Air freight terminal

**Location:** Blue Grass Field  
5 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky;  
53 miles southeast of Owenton

**Runways:** 2 paved

**Length:** 6,500 feet; 3,500 feet

**Traffic Control:** Tower

**Lighting:** Approach lighting system, beacon, runways and obstructions lighted, VASI

**Services:** Delta, Frontier, Piedmont, United, USAir, Allegheny Commuter, Comair, Tennessee Airways; fuel - 100LL and jet-A; hangars, tie-downs; major A & P repairs; major Avionics repairs; APU, charter, flight instruction, oxygen, plane rentals, survival equipment; taxi, limousine, car rentals, courtesy car, weather information; restaurant, snack bar

**Air Freight Service:** Air freight terminal

**Bus - Trailways Bus Line** (limited service)

**Rental Services -** Truck and trailer rentals are available locally

### **Water**

The nearest navigable waterway is the Kentucky River at Gratz, Kentucky, 9 miles west, where a 6-foot navigation channel is maintained.

## POWER AND FUEL

### Electricity

Company serving **Owenton and parts of Owen County** - Kentucky Utilities Company

Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company

Total generating capacity - 2,639,100 KW\*

For industrial rates contact:

Industrial Development Department  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
One Quality Street  
Lexington, Kentucky 40507  
(606) 255-1461

Company serving parts of **Owen County** - Owen County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Total generating capacity - 1,304,000 KW\*\*

For industrial rates contact:

Industrial Development Division  
East Kentucky Power Cooperative  
P.O. Box 707  
Winchester, Kentucky 40391  
(606) 744-4812

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\* A new generating unit is under construction in Carroll County. Due to be completed in 1984, the unit will have a generating capacity of 511,000 KW.

\*\* East Kentucky Power Cooperative's total generating capacity will be increased when a new 600,000 KW coal-fired generation plant is completed in southeast Clark County in 1992.



## Natural Gas

There is no natural gas service available in Owenton at the present time.

## Other Fuels

### Propane

Silgas\*  
Box 67  
Glencoe, Kentucky 41046

Southern States Owenton  
Cooperative, Inc.\*  
RFD 5, Box 80  
North Main  
Owenton, Kentucky 40359

### Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil -

Ashland Petroleum Company\*  
Rural Route 4  
Georgetown Road  
Owenton, Kentucky 40359

Southern States Owenton  
Cooperative, Inc.\*  
RFD 5, Box 80  
North Main  
Owenton, Kentucky 40359

Residual fuel oil - Arrangements must be made with the refinery.

Low sulphur content coal - Available in Kentucky.

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\* Bulk plant.

## WATER AND SEWERAGE

### Public Water Supply

Company serving **Owenton** - Owenton City Water Works  
 102 North Main Street  
 P.O. Box 502  
 Owenton, Kentucky 40359  
 (502) 484-2313

Source - Thomas Lake and Severn Creek  
 Treatment plant capacity - 760,000 gallons per day  
 Average daily consumption - 475,000 gallons  
 Peak daily consumption - 644,000 gallons  
 Type treatment - Flash mix, flocculation, sedimentation, rapid sand filtration and chlorination  
 Storage capacity - 305,000 gallons including clearwells  
 Size lines - 2, 4, 6 and 12 inches  
 Average pressure - 45 psi  
 Average temperature - 54 degrees F.

### BI-MONTHLY WATER RATES

		<u>Inside City Limits</u>	<u>Outside City Limits</u>
First	4,000 gallons (minimum)	\$ 15.48	\$ 16.91
Next	2,000 gallons per M gallons	2.87	3.12
Next	4,000 gallons per M gallons	2.39	2.59
Next	10,000 gallons per M gallons	1.92	2.10
Next	20,000 gallons per M gallons	1.56	1.70
Next	40,000 gallons per M gallons	1.20	1.31
All Over	80,000 gallons per M gallons	1.03	1.14

Tap-on charge:	Residential:	3/4-inch tap -	\$200 per connection
	Commercial:	3/4-inch tap -	300
		1-inch tap -	400
		1 1/2-inch tap -	500
		2-inch tap -	600

### Raw Water

Surface water sources - Eagle Creek and the Kentucky River  
 Average discharge - Kentucky River at Lock 2, at Lockport, Kentucky - 8,323 cfs (57-years unadjusted, USGS)  
 Expected ground water yield - 50-200 gpm along Kentucky River border of southwestern Owen County; 5-50 gpm along Kentucky River border of northwestern Owen County and along Eagle Creek border of northern Owen County and in southeastern section of county; 5 gpm or less over remainder of county

## Sewerage

Company serving **Owenton** - Owenton City Sewer Department  
102 North Main Street  
P.O. Box 502  
Owenton, Kentucky 40359  
(502) 484-2313

Design capacity - 225,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow - 220,000 gallons

Type of treatment - Primary and secondary

Treatment processes - Drying beds, aeration, trickling filter and chlorination

Treated effluent discharged into - Stevens Creek

Size of sanitary mains - 4, 6, and 8 inches

Size of storm mains - 12 inches

Rates - Bi-monthly

First	4,000 gallons	\$ 11.71 (Minimum)
Next	2,000 gallons	2.51 per M gallons
Next	4,000 gallons	1.75 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.46 per M gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	1.18 per M gallons
Next	40,000 gallons	.88 per M gallons
Next	80,000 gallons	.79 per M gallons

Tap-on charge:	Single family residence -	\$150
	Duplex apartment -	200
	Each additional apartment -	50
	Industrial connection -	Cost of materials plus 25 percent



## CLIMATE

### Owen County

#### Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	55.20 degrees
Average annual 1982	55.50 degrees
Record highest, September 1954 (38-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (38-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,729
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

#### Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	44.49 inches
Mean annual snowfall (39-year record)	16.40 inches
Total precipitation 1982	38.76 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (38-year record)	131
Mean number days thunderstorms (38-year record)	46

#### Prevailing Winds (17-year record)

South

#### Relative Humidity

1 a.m.	77 percent (18-year record)
7 a.m.	81 percent (19-year record)
1 p.m.	60 percent (19-year record)
7 p.m.	64 percent (19-year record)

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1982. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### City

Structure - Mayor 4-year term; 6 council members - 2-year terms

Budget 1983-84 - General Fund \$ 144,100

Water Fund 218,400

Sewer Fund 66,350

Fees and licenses - Occupational taxes range from \$6 to \$100 annually

### County

Structure - County Judge/Executive - 4-year term; 4 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1983-84 - General Fund \$221,129; Road Fund \$316,059

### Assessed Value of Property, 1983\*

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Owenton</u>	<u>Owen County</u>
Real Estate	\$12,265,070	\$105,291,584
Tangibles	4,411,776	19,387,244

### Property Taxes

All property in Kentucky is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

Land and buildings are taxed by the state and may be taxed by local jurisdictions. The state rate is \$0.221 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories, pollution control equipment, and goods in the process of manufacture are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Other tangible personal property owned by manufacturers (automobiles, trucks, finished goods, office furniture, office equipment) is taxed by the state at \$0.45 per \$100 and may be taxed by local jurisdictions.

Intangible personal property located in Kentucky (money in hand, shares of stock, notes, bonds, accounts receivable, and other credits) is taxed by the state at \$0.25 per \$100, and is not subject to local taxation.

Property stored in public warehouses in a transit status is not subject to local taxation. The state rate is only \$0.015 per \$100.

Private leaseholds in industrial facilities owned by cities or counties and financed by industrial revenue bonds are subject to a state tax of \$0.015 per \$100 of value (essentially the lessee's equity, adjusted for appreciation or depreciation). Local taxation is not permitted.

\* Excludes Homestead Exemptions.

**Combined State and Local Rates Per \$100 Valuation, 1983\***  
(100% assessment)

	<u>Site Inside City of Owenton</u>	<u>Site Inside Unincorporated Owen County</u>
1. Land and buildings	\$1.082	\$0.802
2. Mfg. machinery, raw materials, goods in process, pollution control equipment	0.150	0.150
3. Finished goods, office equipment, vehicles, other tangibles	1.354	1.074
4. Intangibles (accounts rec., notes, bonds, etc.)	0.250	0.250
5. Property stored in public warehouses in a transit status	0.015	0.015
6. Leaseholds in industrial revenue bond financed plants	0.015	0.015

**Planning and Zoning**

City agency - Owenton Planning and Zoning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within city limits

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city limits only

Local codes enforced - Building, housing, electric and storm water management, housing number in all areas

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

County agency - Owen County Planning Commission (inactive)

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



## Safety

### Police

	Owenton	Owen County
Total staff	2 full-time	2 full-time
	2 part-time	2 part-time
Radio-patrol cars	1	2

### Fire

Insurance Services Office,  
Public Protection

Classification	8	10
Volunteers	65	*

### Rescue Service

Department of Emergency Services Rescue Squad:

Number of volunteers - 50

Equipment - 4-wheel drive truck, Trauma I kit, burn kit, portable generator, porta-power, scuba diving equipment, dragging equipment, boat and motor, first aid equipment

Personnel training - 12 emergency medical technicians, 35 volunteers trained in multimedia first aid and CPR

### Refuse Collection and Disposal

	Owenton	Owen County
Type service	Private	Private
Fee charged:		
residential	\$1.00 - \$5.00 per month	\$2.50 - \$4.50 per month
business	Varies	\$10.00 - \$80.00 per month
industrial	Varies	By contract
Collection frequency:		
residential	Weekly	Weekly
business	Daily	Daily
industrial	As needed	As needed
Disposal method	Landfill	Landfill

\* Both the Owenton and Owen County fire departments operate with the same staff from the same building.

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

#### Owen County

Total Enrollment (February 1984)	1,700
Elementary	1,009
High School	691
Student-Teacher Ratio	16-1
Elementary	17-1
High School	15-1
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Percent High School Graduates to College (1983)	36.0
Expenditures Per Pupil (1982-83)	\$ 1,622.51
Bonded Indebtedness (June 30, 1983)	\$1,845,000*

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\* Includes refunding issues of \$1,190,000

## Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles Distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1983)</u>	<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
Kentucky State University	Frankfort, Kentucky (30)	2,431	Masters
Midway College	Midway, Kentucky (43)	413	Associate
Georgetown College	Georgetown, Kentucky (48)	1,302	Masters
Hanover College	Hanover, Indiana (50)	999	Baccalaureate
Thomas Moore College	Fort Mitchell, Kentucky (56)	1,335	Baccalaureate
Athenaeum of Ohio	Cincinnati, Ohio (58)	187	Masters
Cincinnati Bible Seminary	Cincinnati, Ohio (58)	899	Academic & Professional
College of Mt. St. Joseph	Cincinnati, Ohio (58)	1,600	Masters
Hebrew Union College	Cincinnati, Ohio (58)	157	Academic & Professional
Southern Ohio College	Cincinnati, Ohio (58)	1,316	Associate
University of Cincinnati	Cincinnati, Ohio (58)	38,533	Academic & Professional
Xavier University	Cincinnati, Ohio (58)	6,992	Masters
Lexington Community College	Lexington, Kentucky (59)	2,532	Associate
Transylvania University	Lexington, Kentucky (59)	655	Baccalaureate*
University of Kentucky	Lexington, Kentucky (59)	22,055	Doctorate, M.D., D.M.D., J.D.
Northern Kentucky University	Highland Heights, Kentucky (63)	9,361	Masters, J.D.

\* Courses in a masters degree program are taught on the Transylvania campus by faculty members of Xavier University of Cincinnati. The degree is issued by Xavier University.



## Vocational Schools

Both the state vocational-technical schools and the area vocational education centers are operated by the Kentucky Department of Education. The state vocational-technical schools enroll persons full time who are at least 16 years of age and not in school. These students attend classes for six hours each day. The area vocational education centers are designed to accommodate high school students who are at least 15 years of age. These students attend vocational school for three hours each day. The state vocational-technical schools and the area education centers offer evening courses to enable working adults to upgrade current job skills.

### Nearest State Schools

	Northern Kentucky State Vocational- Technical School
Location	Covington
Miles Distant	58
Curriculum	Business and Office Occupations Clerical Data Processing Secretarial Consumer and Home Economics Child Care Services Commercial Foods Health and Personal Services Occupations Cosmetology Industrial Education Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Auto Body Repair and Refinishing Automotive Technology Carpentry Communications Electronics Drafting (with CAD/CAM) Electronics Machine Shop Masonry Welding Learning Resource Center
	Northern Kentucky Health Occupations Center
Location	Edgewood
Miles Distant	55
Curriculum	Health and Personal Services Occupations Dental Assisting Licensed Practical Nursing Medical Assisting Medical Secretary

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Location	Central Kentucky State Vocational-Technical School
Miles Distant	Lexington
Curriculum	59
	Business and Office
	Accounting
	Clerical
	Secretarial
	Consumer and Home Economics
	Commercial Foods
	Health and Personal Services Occupations
	Cosmetology
	Dental Assistant
	Nurse's Aide
	Practical Nursing
	Surgical Technician
	Industrial Education
	Air Conditioning
	Auto Body Repair
	Auto Mechanics
	Carpentry
	Drafting (with CAD/CAM)
	Electronics
	Graphic Arts
	Industrial Electricity
	Machine Shop
	Masonry
	Welding
	Learning Resource Center

Location	Northern Campbell County Vocational-
Miles Distant	Technical School
Curriculum	Highland Heights
	63
	Industrial Education
	Auto Mechanics (Foreign)
	Carpentry-Interior Finishing
	Commercial Arts
	Diesel Mechanics
	Graphic Arts
	Industrial Electronics
	Plumbing
	Learning Resource Center

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Nearest Area Education Centers

Location	Franklin County Area Vocational
	Education Center
Miles Distant	Frankfort
Curriculum	30
	Industrial Education
	Auto Body Repair
	Auto Mechanics
	Drafting
	Electricity
	Machine Shop
	Welding
	Marketing and Retailing
Location	Carroll County Area Vocational
	Education Center
Miles Distant	Carrollton
Curriculum	33
	Business and Office
	Accounting
	Business Math
	Clerical
	Office Machines
	Secretarial
	Shorthand
	Typing
	Health and Personal Services Occupations
	Health Careers
	Industrial Education
	Auto Mechanics
	Carpentry
	Industrial Electricity
	Welding

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.



## HEALTH

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 3  
Dentists - 2

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Owen County Memorial Hospital	Owenton	50

General hospital facilities - Laboratory, X-ray, emergency room (also used for minor surgery), respiratory therapy, physical therapy, delivery room for emergency use only

Medical staff - 3 doctors, 11 registered nurses (6 full-time), 2 licensed practical nurses (part-time)

### Other Medical Facilities

Owenton Manor Nursing Home - 72-bed intermediate care facility

### Ambulance Service

Name - Owen County Life Squad  
Staff - 12 registered emergency medical technicians  
Service - 24-hour service throughout the county  
Equipment - 2 fully-equipped ambulances

### Public Health

Facility - Three Rivers District Health Department - Owen County Health Center

Staff - Sanitarian, 2 registered nurses, nutritionist (part-time), community health worker, clerk, contract clinician

Facility - Three Rivers District Health Department - Owen County Home Health Agency

Staff - 2 registered nurses, licensed practical nurse, 5 aides, 4 clerks, health educator

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Communications

Telephone - Services -	South Central Bell Telephone Company Standard
Telegraph - Services -	Western Union Toll-free number, 1-800-325-5100
Postal - Class - Mail received - Mail dispatched -	U.S. Post Office First Once daily Once daily
Newspapers - Weekly and circulation - Other papers received from -	The News-Herald 3,348 Lexington and Louisville, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio
Radio - Stations received from -	Louisville, Lexington, Frankfort, and Eminence, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio
Television - Cable service Reception from -  Kentucky Educational Television -	Louisville and Lexington, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio  Owenton transmitter, Channel 52

### Library Services

Public library - Owen County Public Library  
Size collection - 64,344  
Circulation, 1983 - 79,510  
Services - Movies, movie projector, movie screen, slide projector, magazines, pictures, records, films, filmstrip projector, story hour, organizational meeting room, bookmobile, art shows

## Religious Institutions

### Owen County

Number of churches - Approximately 45  
Denominations - Assembly of God  
Baptist  
Baptist Mission  
Catholic  
Christian  
Methodist  
Non-Denominational  
Seventh-Day Adventist

Nearest Synagogues - Cincinnati, Ohio, 58 miles northeast;  
Lexington, Kentucky, 59 miles southeast  
Congregations Cincinnati: 16 synagogues (orthodox, reform,  
traditional and conservative);  
Lexington: Adath Isreal (reform), Ohavey Zion  
(traditional)

## Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>
First Farmers Bank and Trust Company	\$26,309,583.20	\$22,903,570.03	12/31/83
Peoples Bank and Trust Company	35,322,511.98	31,692,294.22	12/31/83

## Hotels and Motels

Total number - 1  
Total rooms - 10



## Clubs and Organizations (Owen County)

Boosters Club  
Concerned Parents Association  
County Homemakers Clubs  
Daughters of the American Revolution  
Eagle Creek Knife Club  
Eastern Star  
Elk Lake Property Owners Association  
Elk Lake Sportsman Club  
Elk Lake Women's Club  
Fairway Club  
4-H Council  
Gratz Community Center  
Jaycees  
Jr. Jaycees  
Jonesville Community Center  
Lions Clubs  
Masonic Lodges  
Odd Fellows Emanuel Lodge  
Owen County Cattlemen's Association  
Owen County Chamber of Commerce  
Owen County Extension Service  
Owen County Fair Board  
Owen County Historical Society  
Owen County Homemakers Clubs  
Owen County Jaycee Women  
Owen County Park Board  
Owen County Sportsman Club  
Owen County Senior Citizens Club  
Owen County Women's Club  
Perry Park Club  
Pioneer Saddle Club  
Rebeccas  
Rod and Gun Club  
Rotary Club  
Veterans of Foreign Wars  
Veterans of Foreign Wars Ladies Auxiliary  
Wheatley Community Center

## RECREATION

### Local

Owenton provides little league programs in basketball, football, and baseball. The schools' playgrounds, football field, gymnasiums, and baseball diamonds are available for use. The Owen County Fairgrounds and a county park are located on a 41-acre site just north of Owenton. Facilities include grandstands, two tennis courts, a lighted softball field and a baseball diamond.

A new senior citizens activities center was opened in the spring of 1983.

Several recreational areas are located in the county. **Eagle Creek Recreation Area** is located at the confluence of Eagle Creek and the Kentucky River, 20 miles northeast of Owenton. Eagle Creek offers fishing, boating, camping, and swimming.

**Elk Lake Shores**, 6 miles from Owenton, is a private resort which offers fishing, boating and swimming on a 207-acre lake.

**Hideaway Hills**, located on Elmer Davis Lake, is a private resort which offers fishing, swimming, and tennis.

**Perry Park Resort**, 11 miles west of Owenton, is a private resort with a marina, a restaurant and yacht club, an airstrip, stables, tennis courts, camping area, two pools, an 18-hole golf course and several other recreational facilities.

**Fairway Golf Course**, 12 miles northwest of Owenton, offers an 18-hole golf course, cottages, and fishing.

### Area (Within 60 miles)

**Frankfort**, the capital of Kentucky, is 30 miles south of Owenton. Points of interest in Frankfort include the Capitol Building, a 34-foot floral clock, the Daniel Boone Monument, several museums, and old homes with their original furnishings. Frankfort is also the home of Kentucky State University which offers many cultural activities and sporting events.

**General Butler State Resort Park** is located 31 miles northwest of Owenton near Carrollton. The park includes a 30-acre lake, a boat dock, a 9-hole golf course, a miniature golf course, a swimming pool, playgrounds, shuffleboard, tennis courts, planned recreation, fishing, camping, horseback riding, 58 lodge rooms, cottages, and gift shops. General Butler's family home, the Butler Mansion, has been restored and contains a museum of Ohio River lore. Another unique feature is the Ski Butler ski area that has five ski runs, a ski shop, rental equipment, a ski school and chair lifts.

**The Lake Jericho Recreation Area**, located 37 miles west of Owenton between LaGrange and New Castle, offers 560 acres for camping, picnicking, boating and fishing, and includes a 136-acre lake.



**Big Bone Lick State Park** in Boone County, 42 miles northeast of Owenton, provides a unique combination of educational and recreational pleasures. Visitors can walk through the natural outdoor museum with replicas and exhibits that tell the story of Big Bone Lick. Recreational activities and facilities include a modern campground with 62 sites, fishing in a nearby lake, an indoor museum and gift shop, picnic grounds, tennis, shuffleboard, volleyball, basketball, horseshoes, planned recreation, and a swimming pool in the camping area.

**Guist Creek Lake** near Shelbyville, 48 miles southwest of Owenton, is a 325-acre lake offering fishing, boating, picnicking and camping.

**Kincaid Lake State Park**, 49 miles northeast of Owenton near Falmouth, offers many opportunities for the outdoors lover. The park offers a 175-acre lake, a sand beach, a 209-site campground, a gift shop/grocery store, a bathhouse, swimming, boating, hiking, picnicking, an amphitheatre, shuffleboard, miniature golf, tennis, and organized recreational programs in the summer months.

**The Kentucky Horse Park**, a park dedicated to horses and to man's love for horses, is located 53 miles southeast of Owenton near Lexington. The park, which contains more than 1,000 acres of Kentucky Bluegrass, features the International Museum of the Horse; the Man O'War Memorial; an antique carriage display; horseback and pony rides; walking farm tours; horse-drawn tours; a restaurant; a gift shop; and a campground area, which offers swimming, tennis, and planned activities. Numerous special events are held year-round and include various horse shows, steeplechasing, dressage, polo games, and rodeos.

**Cincinnati, Ohio**, is 58 miles northeast of Owenton. Cincinnati provides a wide variety of entertainment, cultural facilities and activities, and sports events - all within a few minutes drive. The Cincinnati Zoo offers entertainment the whole family can enjoy. Kings Island is the largest family entertainment center in the entire Midwest. The Cincinnati Riverfront Stadium is the home of the Cincinnati Reds baseball and Bengals pro football teams. The Riverfront Coliseum offers World Hockey League action with the Cincinnati Stingers. Cultural interests include the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, various art galleries and museums, libraries, and legitimate theaters presenting Broadway plays.

**Lexington**, 59 miles southeast of Owenton, offers a variety of cultural, sporting, and recreational activities. Thoroughbred and harness racing is presented at Keeneland Race Course and the Red Mile Harness Track during several meets each year. The University of Kentucky and Transylvania University offer a number of sporting events. The University of Kentucky basketball games are held at Rupp Arena, the world's largest basketball arena. Other attractions include Lexington Philharmonic concerts, Lexington Children's Theatre, and plays performed by Broadway touring companies, all held in the recently renovated Opera House.

Several good fishing lakes are also located near Owenton. These include **Lake Boltz**, a 135-acre lake located 23 miles northeast near Dry Ridge; **Corinth Lake**, a 100-acre impoundment 25 miles east near Corinth; **Williamstown Lake**, 26 miles northeast and 305 acres in size; and **Bullock Pen Lake**, a 142-acre lake 37 miles near Walton.



## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

### Recent

A 21,353-square-foot available building was recently donated to the City of Owenton and is available for lease or sale. The City recently installed an automatic loading water dispenser into the building.

A \$263,000 Community Development Block Grant project for East Adair and South Madison Streets was recently completed. The project included the demolition and rehabilitation of several houses.

The construction of a 16-unit apartment complex for the senior citizens and handicapped was completed in the spring of 1984.

The Owen County School System recently introduced three new programs. They include a computer literacy program, a gifted and talented program, and a program in two foreign languages.

Several projects have been completed at the Owen County Fairgrounds and County Park. They include the construction of new grandstands and announcer's booth, stock barn, restroom facilities, and a chain-link fence around the softball field.

The construction of new sidewalks and a handicapped ramp at the courthouse was completed in the fall of 1983. Total cost of the project was \$10,000.

### Under Way

In the 1984-85 school year the Owen County School System will introduce an "international baccalaureate program" which provides an advanced academic curriculum for students. This program, which is recognized internationally, is designed to prepare students for entrance to colleges and universities of high academic standing both in the United States and abroad. Students who enlist in the program receive a diploma or a certificate in a specialized field upon successful completion of the program.

### Planned

The Owen County School System has plans to build a middle school or add additional space at the high school.

There are plans for the construction of a covered pavilion and the installation of playground equipment at the county park.