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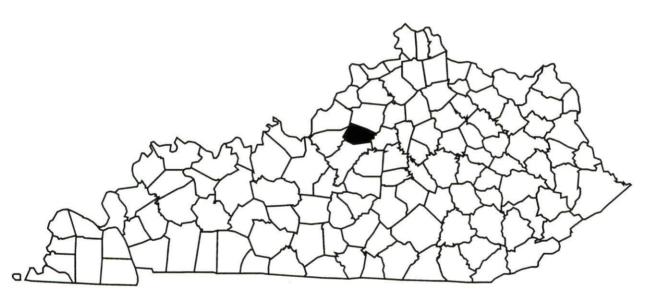
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# Kentucky

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# Taylorsville (Spencer County)

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#### TAYLORSVILLE, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Taylorsville, the county seat of Spencer County, is located in the Blue Grass Region of north-central Kentucky. The city is located 33 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky, and 60 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky. Taylorsville had an estimated population of 1,030 in 1996.

Spencer County, with a rolling to hilly terrain, has a land area of 186 square miles. The county had an estimated 1997 population of 9,157 persons. Spencer County's most prominent feature is Taylorsville Lake, a 3,050-acre impoundment of the Salt River. Taylorsville Lake was created by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and has been developed as a public recreation area and state park.

The Economic Framework – Spencer County firms employed 1,200 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 148 jobs; manufacturing firms in the county reported 87 employees; transportation & public utilities employed 27; wholesale and retail trade provided 252 jobs; finance, insurance, and real estate provided 52 jobs; 235 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 375 jobs.

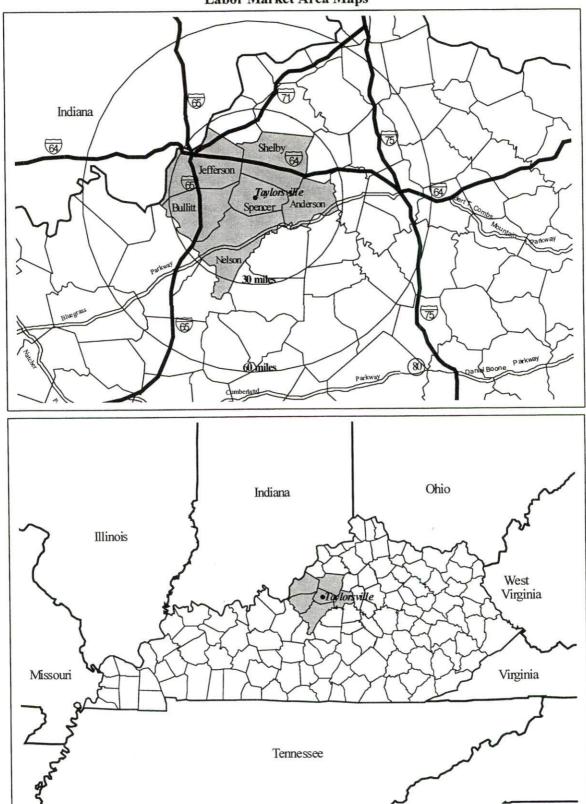
**Labor Supply** – There is a current estimated labor supply of 217,018 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 to 2003, approximately 54,698 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation – Taylorsville is served by Kentucky Highways 44 and 55, both AAA-rated trucking highways. Interstate 64 and the Blue Grass Parkway are both accessible within 16 miles of Taylorsville, via Kentucky 55. Sixteen trucking companies offer interstate and/or intrastate service to Taylorsville. Taylorsville is located 20 miles southwest of rail freight lines operated by CSX Transportation and the Norfolk Southern Corporation. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at the Louisville International Airport, 28 miles northwest of Taylorsville.

**Power and Fuel** – Kentucky Utilities Company provides electric power to Taylorsville and parts of Spencer County. Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation and Fox Creek Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation provide electric power to the remainder of Spencer County. Natural gas service is not available in Taylorsville at this time.

**Education** – The Spencer County School System provides primary and secondary public education to residents of Taylorsville and Spencer County. Seventeen colleges and universities are located within 60 miles of Taylorsville. Area technology centers (ATC) providing secondary technical training are in Shelbyville, Bardstown, Shepherdsville, and Jeffersontown, all within 26 miles of Taylorsville. The nearest technical college providing post secondary technical training is the Jefferson Technical College in Louisville.

# 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 Taylorsville labor market area includes Spencer County and the following additional counties: Anderson, Bullitt, Jefferson, Nelson, and Shelby.

#### **Population**

	1980	<u>1990</u>	<u>1996</u> *	<u>1997</u> *
Labor Market Area	797,402	788,596	816,667	819,804
Taylorsville	801	774	1,030	N/A
Spencer County	5,929	6,801	8,645	9,157

Notes: \* Population estimates.

N/A: Not available.

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

#### **Population Projections**

	2000	2010	2020
Labor Market Area	832,367	885,250	928,174
Spencer County	10,646	14,790	18,852

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

#### **Estimated Labor Supply**

		Available	Future Labor			
	Total	Unemployed	Potential Labor <u>Supply</u>	Under- employed	Becoming 18 years of age 1999 through 2003	
Labor Market Area Spencer County	217,018 684	20,255 211	12,796 168	183,968 304	54,698 637	

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, <u>Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1999 through 2003</u>.

# Labor Force Characteristics of Residents, 1997

	Spencer County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	4,705	456,652
Employed	4,494	436,398
Unemployed	211	20,255
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	4.4

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

# Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Spencer County	1,860
Workers commuting into Spencer County	277
Working and residing in Spencer County	1,192

Source: University of Louisville, State Data Center.

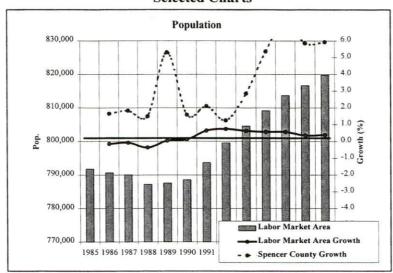
# Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

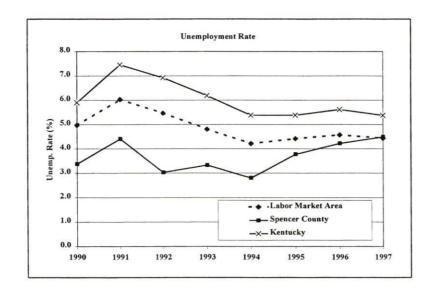
	Spencer County	Labor Market Area
All Industries	1,200	450,356
Mining & Quarrying	0	266
Contract Construction	148	22,665
Manufacturing	87	77,656
Transportation & Public Utilities	27	33,628
Wholesale & Retail Trade	252	114,672
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	52	26,284
Services	235	129,416
State & Local Government	375	43,040
Other	23	2,656

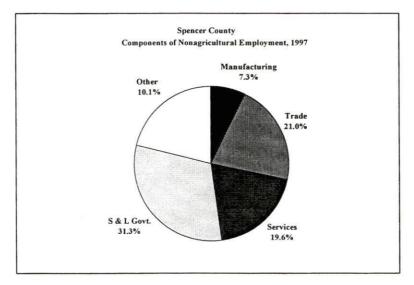
Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers.

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

#### **Selected Charts**







#### Per Capita Personal Income

	1992	1996	Percent Change (1992-1996)
Spencer County	\$15,473	\$15,140	-2.2
Labor Market Area Range	\$14,363 - \$21,930	\$15,140 - \$26,341	-
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 Louisville serves Taylorsville. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Louisville 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 Spencer County job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

	<b>Number of Placements</b>	Average Wage (\$)
All Occupations	9,134	7.61
Professional, Technical & Managerial	292	9.72
Clerical	880	6.84
Sales	265	6.90
Domestic	3	5.13
Services (excluding domestic)	841	5.99
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	39	6.85
Processing	228	7.64
Machine Trades	542	7.65
Bench Work	372	6.22
Structural	1,024	11.80
Motor Freight & Transportation	315	8.47
Packaging & Materials Handling	4,310	7.05
Other	23	7.31

**Note:** Occupational categories are taken from the <u>Dictionary of Occupational Titles</u> published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Louisville local office serves Bullitt, Henry, Jefferson, Oldham, Shelby, Spencer, and Trimble Counties.

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

Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997

	Spencer	Kentucky		
	County	(Statewide)	<b>Tennessee</b>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$374.53	\$488.00	\$521.00	\$555.00
Mining & Quarrying	0.00	790.00	839.00	772.00
Contract Construction	409.92	516.00	561.00	544.00
Manufacturing	466.58	644.00	621.00	644.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	555.59	648.00	653.00	761.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	292.97	337.00	391.00	392.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	427.50	613.00	696.00	748.00
Services	322.90	440.00	495.00	580.00
State & Local Government	414.65	484.00	494.00	530.00
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<b>Illinois</b>	<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, <u>Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1997</u>. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, <u>Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1997</u>, December 1998.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

Taylorsville Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	Product(s)	1998 Emp.	Date Established
B & B Screw Machine Specialist	Screw machine products, shafts, collars & screws	25	1964
Bauer Candy Co.	Candy	2	1889
Faulkner Meats	Custom slaughtering & meat processing	2	1982
Hite Ready Mix Concrete Co.	Ready-mixed concrete	6	1979
Monarch Stamping Co.	Custom metal stampings	10	1990
Spencer Magnet	Newspaper publishing & computer typesetting	3	1867

Note: N/A - Data not available.

**Sources:** <u>Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers</u> published by Harris InfoSource in cooperation with the Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Spencer County Economic Development Foundation.

## **Labor Organizations in Spencer County**

There are presently no labor organizations representing workers in Spencer County manufacturing firms.

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

# Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of Taylorsville

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
1										
10	Bloomfield									X
11	Shelbyville					X				
14	Jeffersontown	X		100000000000000000000000000000000000000						
16	Bardstown	X	X			X			X	
19	Buckner				X					
19	Shepherdsville				X					
22	Eminence								X	
22	Fairdale					X				
23	Louisville	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
23	Prospect	X								
28	Lawrenceburg					X				
31	Lebanon	X	X			X				
32	Frankfort	X			X					
36	Harrodsburg					X				
37	Elizabethtown				X					
37	Radcliff	X								
38	Carrollton					X				
39	Versailles					X				
43	Stamping Ground					X				
44	Danville	X	X		X	X				
50	Georgetown	X		X		X				
50	Greensburg		X							
50	Nicholasville	X			X	X				

Note: Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from city center to city center; not road miles. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research.

#### TRANSPORTATION

#### **Highways**

Kentucky Highways 44 and 55 are both AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Taylorsville. Kentucky Highway 55 provides access to the Blue Grass Parkway, 13 miles south of Taylorsville, and to Interstate 64, only 16 miles north of Taylorsville. Kentucky Highway 44 provides access to Interstate 65, 22 miles west of Taylorsville.

Highway Miles from Taylorsville, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	423	Kansas City, MO	542
Baltimore, MD	595	Knoxville, TN	233
Birmingham, AL	369	Los Angeles, CA	2,120
Charleston, WV	232	Louisville, KY	33
Chicago, IL	325	Minneapolis, MN	737
Cincinnati, OH	115	Nashville, TN	178
Cleveland, OH	366	New Orleans, LA	709
Columbia, SC	493	New York, NY	762
Columbus, OH	222	Pittsburgh, PA	404
Dallas, TX	840	Raleigh, NC	552
Des Moines, IA	622	Richmond, VA	549
Detroit, MI	378	St. Louis, MO	293
Indianapolis, IN	145	Tallahassee, FL	694

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

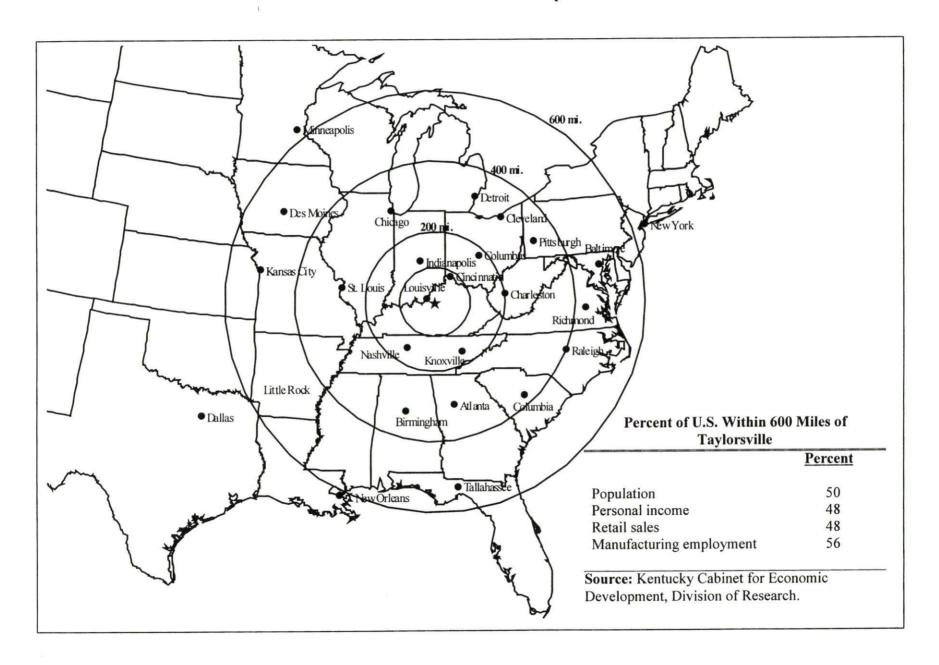
Source: AAA Map 'n' Go, DeLORME, 1998.

#### **Truck Service**

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

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1999.

#### Selected Market Centers Map



#### Rail

Taylorsville is not directly served by rail lines. Main line rail service is available at Shelbyville, 20 miles northeast of Taylorsville. Lines serving Shelbyville are CSX Transportation and Norfolk Southern Corporation. The nearest intermodal facilities are located at Louisville, 32 miles northwest of Taylorsville.

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

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

and/or

Industrial Development Manager Norfolk Southern Corporation The Tower Suite 2904 611 Commerce Street Nashville, Tennessee 37203 (615) 254-3398

#### Air

Location:

Air service:

#### Commercial/International

Nearest Major Commercial Airline Service

Louisville International Airport

Louisville, Kentucky

28 miles northwest of Taylorsville

American, ASA, Comair, Continental, Continental Express, Delta, Delta Express, Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Skyway, Southwest,

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TWA, United, United Express, US Airways, Valujet 172

Daily arrivals & departures:

#### UTILITIES

#### Electricity

Service area: Company:

Source of power:

For industrial rates contact:

Taylorsville and parts of Spencer County

Kentucky Utilities Company Kentucky Utilities Company

**Economic Development Department** 

Kentucky Utilities Company

One Quality Street Lexington, KY 40507 (606) 255-2100

Service area: Company:

Source of power:

For industrial rates contact:

remainder of Spencer County

Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation

East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Industrial Development Department East Kentucky Power Cooperative

4775 Lexington Road

P.O. Box 707

Winchester, KY 40391

(606) 744-4812

and/or

Industrial Development Department

Salt River Electric Cooperative Corporation

111 West Brashear Avenue Bardstown, KY 40004 (502) 348-3931

Serving extreme eastern Spencer

County:

Fox Creek Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

P. O. Box 150

Lawrenceburg, KY 40342

(502) 839-3442 or (800) 372-7160

#### **Natural Gas**

Natural gas service is not available in Taylorsville at this time.

#### **Public Water Supply**

Service area:

Taylorsville

Company:

City of Taylorsville Utilities

P. O. Box 279

Taylorsville, KY 40071

(502) 477-3236

Treatment facilities information

Source of raw water:

Salt River

Treatment plant capacity:

700,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption: Peak daily consumption:

776,100 gallons 850,000 gallons

Storage capacity:

800,000 gallons

Water pressure:

40 psi to 80 psi

Additional water source:

Louisville Water Company

Improvements:

The City of Taylorsville Utilities is in the process of laying new water lines on Highway 55. When this process is complete the old water plant will be phased out and the company will purchase 100% of water from the Louisville Water Company. Completion is anticipated for early

March, 1999 at a cost of \$2,744,000.

#### Sewerage

Service area:

Taylorsville

Company:

City of Taylorsville Utilities

70 Taylorsville Road

P. O. Box 279

Taylorsville, KY 40071

(502) 477-3236

Design capacity:

200,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow:

125,000 gallons per day

Type of treatment:

Secondary

Treated effluent discharged into:

Salt River

#### CLIMATE

## **Spencer County**

Temperature			
Average (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			

**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, <u>Local Climatological Data</u>, 1997. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT

#### Structure

Taylorsville is served by a mayor and four commissioners. Spencer County is governed by a county judge/executive and six magistrates.

#### Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Taylorsville-Spencer County Joint Planning & Zoning Commission
Participating cities - Taylorsville
Zoning enforced - All areas
Subdivision regulations enforced - All areas
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 Taylorsville levies an annual business license fee of \$75. The City also levies an annual unloading license fee of \$50.

#### 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** 

Selected Classes of Property	State Rate, 1998	Local Taxation Permitted
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

Taxing Jurisdiction	Real Estate	Finished Goods & Tangibles	Motor Vehicles
County			
Spencer County	0.2543	0.3009	0.2633
Cities			
Taylorsville	0.1760	0.1760	0.1750
School Districts			
Spencer County School District	0.5000	0.5090	0.5600

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

	Total Enrollment	Expenditures Per Pupil	Pupil to Teacher Ratio
Spencer County	1,781	\$6,112	18.2 to 1

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

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

County-wide	Number of Graduates	Percent of Total Graduates (%)
Total High School Graduates	104	100.0
To College	45	43.3
To Vocational/Technical School	3	2.9
To Workforce	54	51.9
To Work & School	0	0.0
To Military	1	1.0
Other	1	1.0

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

#### **Colleges and Technical Schools**

## Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Taylorsville

Miles	Institution	Location	Enrollment (Fall 1997)
23	Bellarmine College (Private)	Louisville	2,678
23	Jefferson Community College	Louisville	8,667
23	Spalding University (Private)	Louisville	1,573
23	Sullivan College (Private)	Louisville	2,481
23	University of Louisville	Louisville	20,894
32	Indiana University, Southeast	New Albany, IN	5,647
32	Kentucky State University	Frankfort	2,288
37	Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown	3,595
39	Hanover College (Private)	Hanover, IN	1,087
42	Midway College (Private)	Midway	968
44	Asbury College (Private)	Wilmore	1,258
44	Campbellsville College (Private)	Campbellsville	1,583
44	Centre College (Private)	Danville	1,001
50	Georgetown College (Private)	Georgetown	1,626

Miles	Institution	<b>Location</b>	Enrollment (Fall 1997)
53	Transylvania University (Private)	Lexington	1,021
53	University of Kentucky	Lexington	24,171
58	Lindsey Wilson College (Private)	Columbia	1,425

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

Source: Kentucky Council on Higher Education.

#### **Technical Schools**

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<b>Miles</b>	<u>Institution</u>	Location	Sec	<u>P/S</u>	<b>Total</b>
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11	Shelby County ATC	Shelbyville	539	46	585
16	Nelson County ATC	Bardstown	527	4	531
19	Oldham County ATC	Buckner	146	1	147
19	Bullitt County ATC	Shepherdsville	297	0	297
21	La Grange Voc. Ed. Center	La Grange	0	179	179
23	Jefferson Technical College	Louisville	0	1,586	1,586
28	Central Kentucky Technical College	Lawrenceburg	0	115	115
	(Anderson Campus)	C			
31	Marion County ATC	Lebanon	501	0	501
36	Harrodsburg ATC	Harrodsburg	383	4	387
37	Elizabethtown Technical College	Elizabethtown	47	662	709
38	Carroll County ATC	Carrollton	429	21	450
44	Central Kentucky Technical College	Danville	107	125	232
T. 5.	(Danville Campus)				
49	Meade County ATC	Brandenburg	337	2	339
50	Green County ATC	Greensburg	531	11	542
51	Casey County ATC	Liberty	709	0	709
53	Garrard County ATC	Lancaster	199	0	199
53	Central Kentucky Technical College	Lexington	0	1,154	1,154
55	(Lexington Campus)	~•		- 2	-,

**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 Taylorsville, 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 Jefferson Technical College (502) 595-4136.

#### **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 Taylorsville area is located at the Jefferson Technical College (502) 595-2363.

#### **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 Taylorsville area, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Adult Reading Program and adult basic education is provided by the Spencer County Adult Learning Center.

#### Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and postsecondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a vocational-technical field. The Shelby County Area Technology Center offers tech prep programs in the areas of business technology, health services, computer science, criminal justice, drafting/CAD, and electronic manufacturing.

#### **Bluegrass State Skills Corporation**

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

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

#### OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

#### **Local Medical Personnel**

Physicians - 6 Dentists - 4

#### Hospitals

Location (Miles from Taylorsville) **Hospitals** Beds Shelbyville (20) 76

There are 17 hospitals with facilities for acute care, psychiatric care, rehabilitation, and chemical dependency treatment located in Louisville, 32 miles from Taylorsville.

#### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Jewish Hospital of Shelbyville

Spencer County Ambulance Service Spencer County Rural Health Clinic Spencer County Health Department Taylorsville Health Care Center

#### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Citizens Union Bank The Peoples Bank

#### **Newspapers**

The Spencer Magnet (weekly)

#### **Telephone Service**

BellSouth 911 Enhanced

#### RECREATION

A variety of public and private recreational facilities are available in the Taylorsville area. Facilities located at Taylorsville include a city park with playground equipment and a picnic site. The Spencer County Park features three ball fields, four tennis courts, a soccer field, a running track, a concession stand, and restrooms.

Privately managed recreational facilities include an 18-hole golf course, with a clubhouse and pro shop; and a campground for recreational vehicles.

Spencer County's most popular tourist attraction is the 3,050-acre Taylorsville Lake, created by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the Salt River basin. The Corps of Engineers operates a visitors center overlooking the dam. Four boat ramps, and a marina on the lake offer easy access for boating and fishing. Pontoon and fishing boat rentals are available through Taylorsville Lake Dock. The state managed Possum Ridge Boat Ramp offers a boat ramp, shoreline fishing, horseback riding, and picnic facilities. Several other state managed boat ramps are also available. Over 10,000 acres of surrounding lakeside property including Taylorsville Lake State Park, are devoted to wildlife preservation and recreational uses. Spencer County has acquired 165 acres overlooking the lake and developed a park and picnic area. Village By The Lake provides camping facilities, cabins, and a swimming pool.

Annual events in the Taylorsville area include the Kentucky Gourd Show, Light Up Salt River Festival, the Spencer County Fair, and the Spencer County Homecoming.

Area (Within 45 miles)

Bernheim Forest Churchill Downs E.P. (Tom) Sawyer State Park Kentucky Derby Museum Lincoln Homestead State Park 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

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

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

#### **Potential Labor Supply**

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

#### Underemployed

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

#### **Total Available Labor**

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