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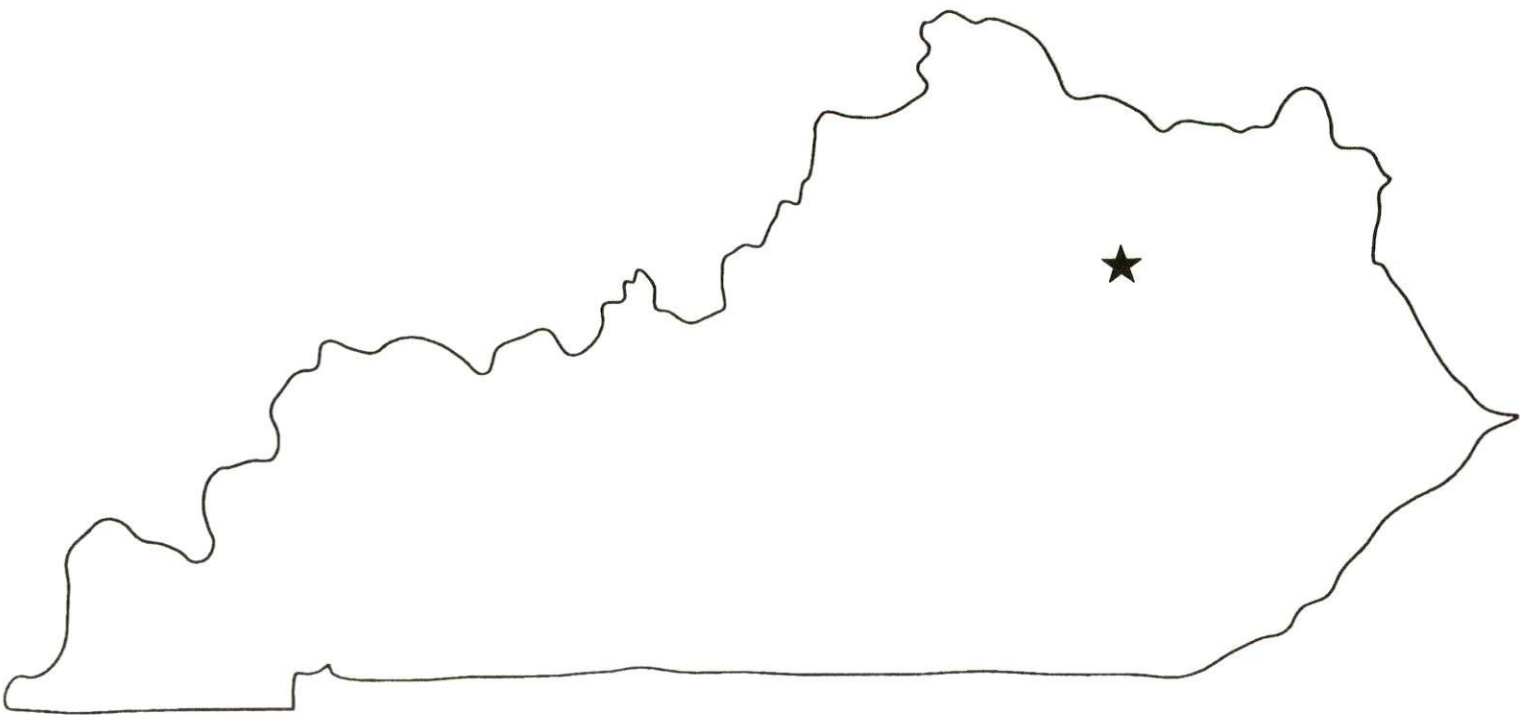
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# Kentucky

**Resources For  
Economic Development**

**Mt. Sterling**



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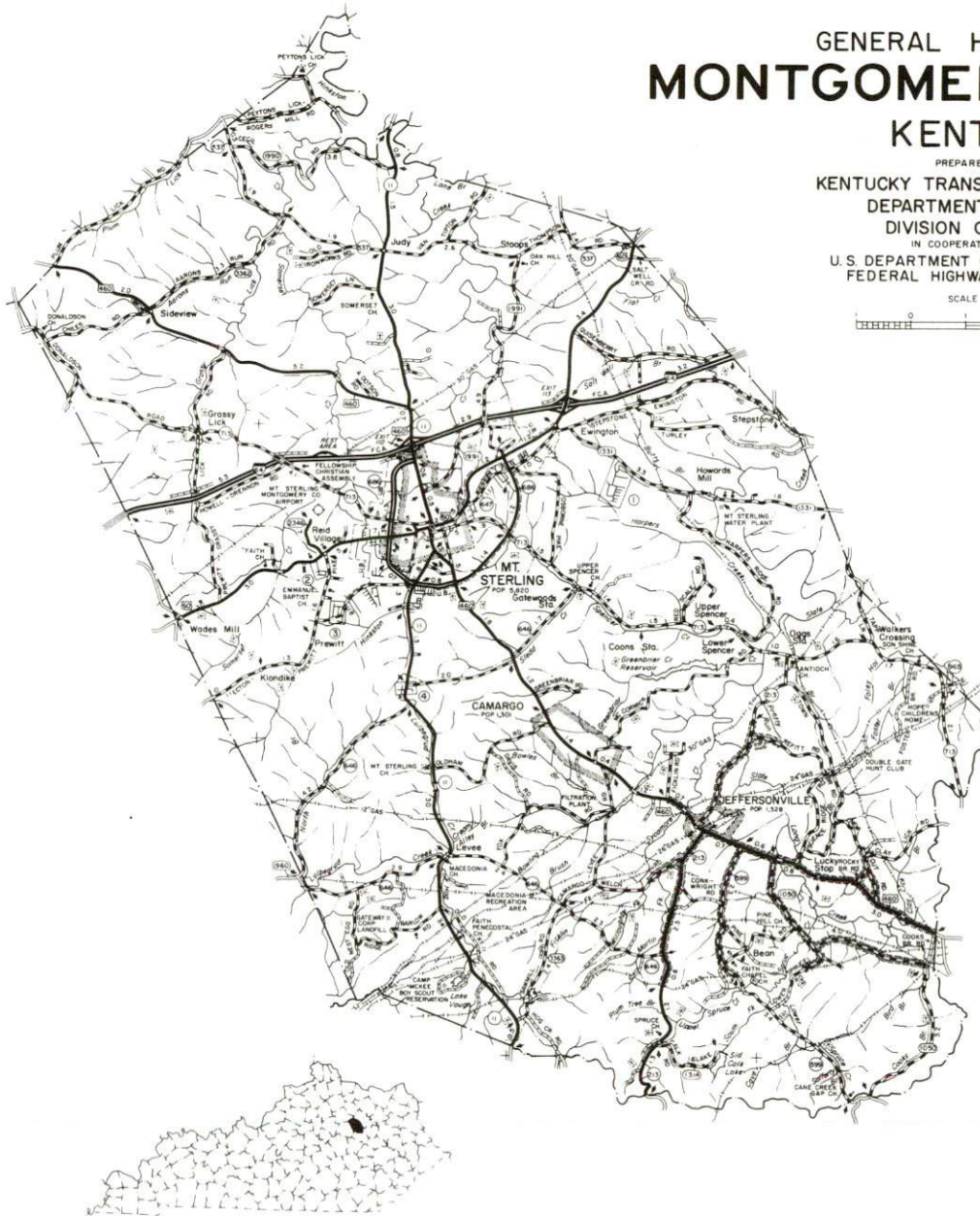
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# GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP MONTGOMERY COUNTY KENTUCKY

PREPARED BY THE  
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IN COOPERATION WITH THE  
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

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## MT. STERLING, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Mt. Sterling, the county seat of Montgomery County, is located in the Outer Blue Grass Region of central Kentucky. Mt. Sterling lies 36 miles east of Lexington, Kentucky; 109 miles east of Louisville, Kentucky; 114 miles southeast of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 184 miles north of Knoxville, Tennessee. Mt. Sterling's 1990 population was 5,362. Montgomery County, with a land area of 198 square miles, had a 1990 population of 19,561.

**The Economic Framework** - The total number of Montgomery County residents employed in 1992 averaged 6,747. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,437 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 1,788 jobs; 1,050 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 851 employees; and contract construction firms provided 295.

**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 6,807 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1994 through 1998, 7,921 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - Mt. Sterling is served by the following major highways: Interstate 64, U.S. 60 and 460, and Kentucky 11. Access to the Mountain Parkway is available near Winchester, 14 miles southwest of Mt. Sterling, and Interstate 75 is accessible near Lexington, 30 miles west of Mt. Sterling. Thirty trucking firms provide interstate and/or intrastate trucking service to the Mt. Sterling area. The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport has a 4,850-foot paved runway. The nearest scheduled commercial air service is available at Lexington's Bluegrass Airport, 40 miles west of Mt. Sterling.

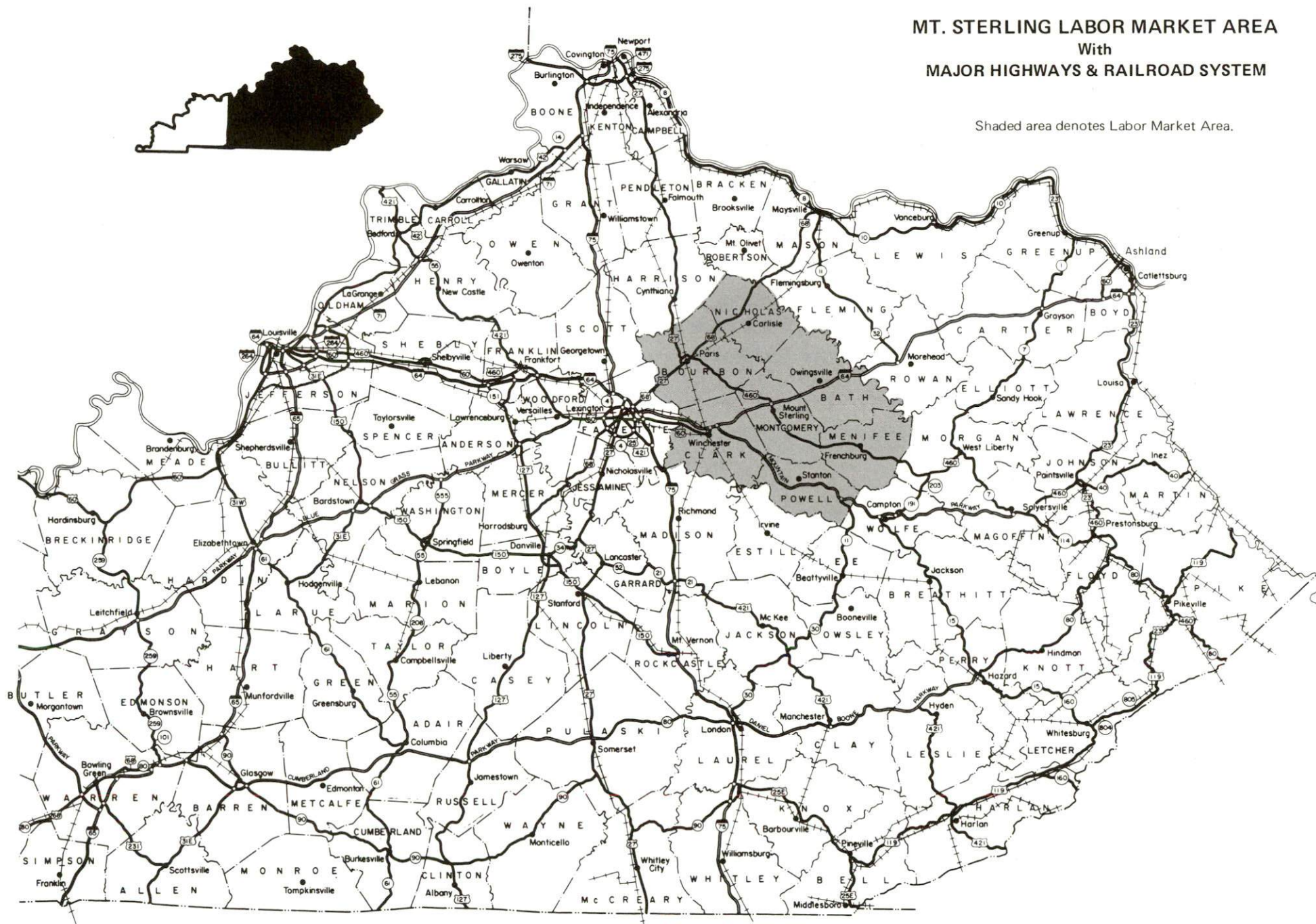
**Power and Fuel** - Electric power is provided to Mt. Sterling and parts of Montgomery County by Kentucky Utilities Company, an electric generation and transmission company. Montgomery County is also served by Clark Rural Electric Cooperative. Natural gas is provided to Mt. Sterling by Columbia Gas of Kentucky. Delta Natural Gas Company provides natural gas to portions of Montgomery County.

**Education** - Primary and secondary education is provided to Mt. Sterling by the Montgomery County School System. Eleven institutions of higher learning are located within 60 miles of Mt. Sterling. Vocational training is provided by the Montgomery County Area Vocational Education Center in Mt. Sterling, and the Rowan State Vocational-Technical School in Morehead, 31 miles east of Mt. Sterling.



# MT. STERLING LABOR MARKET AREA With MAJOR HIGHWAYS & RAILROAD SYSTEM

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.





## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Mt. Sterling Labor Market Area includes Montgomery County and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Bath, Bourbon, Clark, Menifee, Nicholas, and Powell.

### POPULATION

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1980</u>	<u>1970</u>
Labor Market Area	101,488	101,173	85,427
Mt. Sterling	5,362	5,820	5,083
Montgomery County	19,561	20,046	15,364

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, January 1991.

### POPULATION PROJECTIONS

	<u>1995</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	103,000	104,097	105,277	105,148
Montgomery County	19,665	19,719	19,630	19,335

Note: Population projections are from Moderate Growth Series forecast.

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

### ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	<u>Current</u>		<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Future</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>		<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1994 thru 1998</u>
Labor Market Area*	6,807	3,937	2,870	7,921
Montgomery County	3,045	866	2,179	1,588

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

Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; 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). Underemployed persons (employed only 14 to 26 weeks during the year) are no longer included in labor surplus estimates.

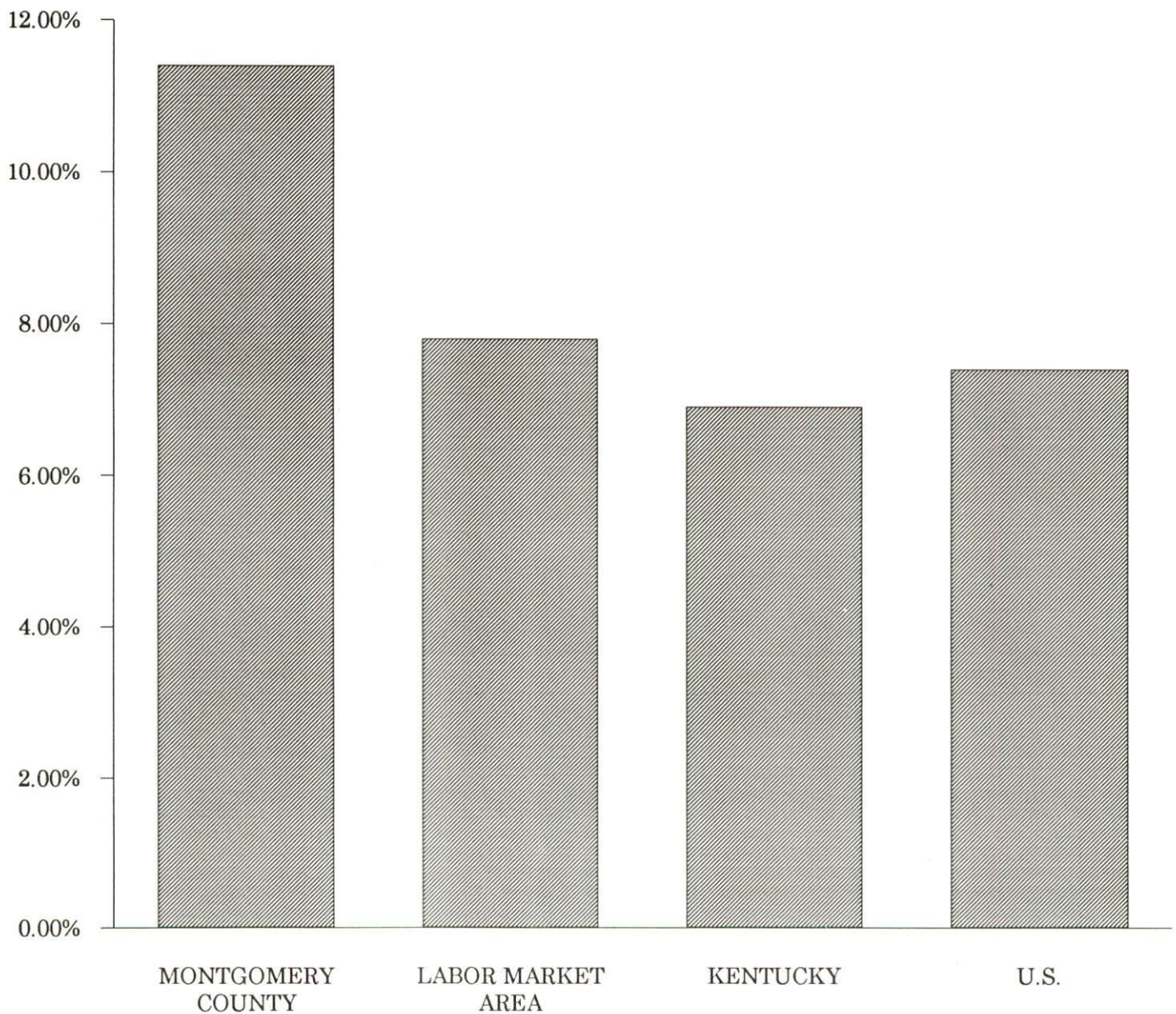
Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Surplus Estimates by County, 1992. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1994 thru 1998.

# LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1992

	Montgomery County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	7,613	50,315
Employment	6,747	46,378
Unemployment	866	3,937
Rate of Unemployment (%)	11.4	7.8

Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1992.

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1992



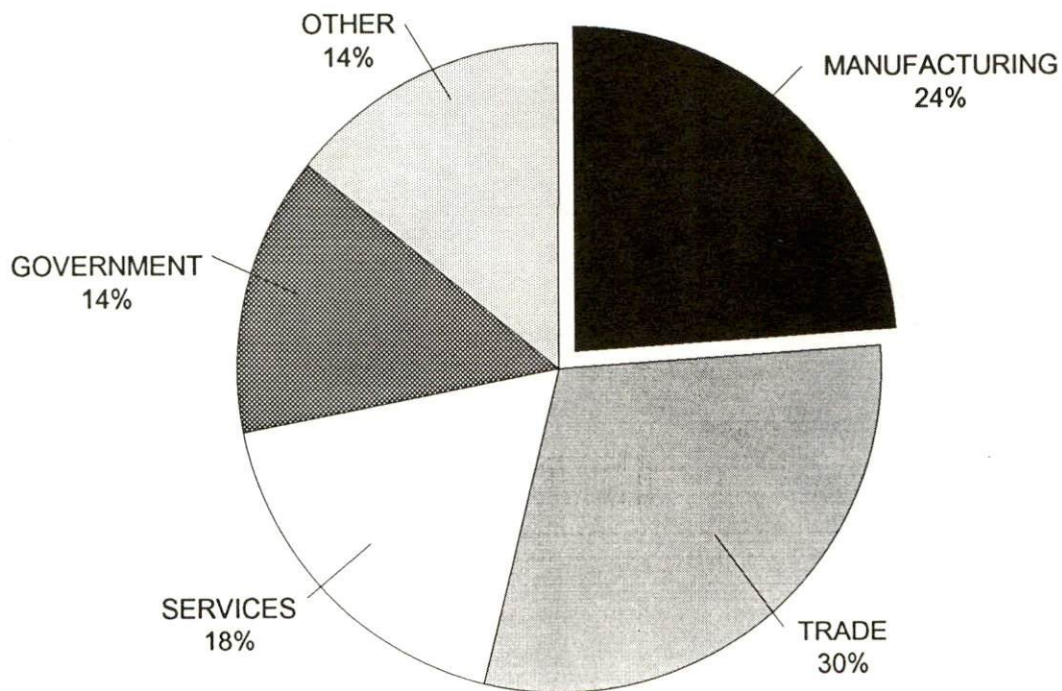


SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992

	Montgomery County	Labor Market Area
All Industries (total)	5,887	27,765
Manufacturing	1,437	8,000
Wholesale & Retail Trade	1,788	6,757
Services	1,050	3,942
State/Local Government	851	4,422
Contract Construction	295	1,266

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, 1992.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY



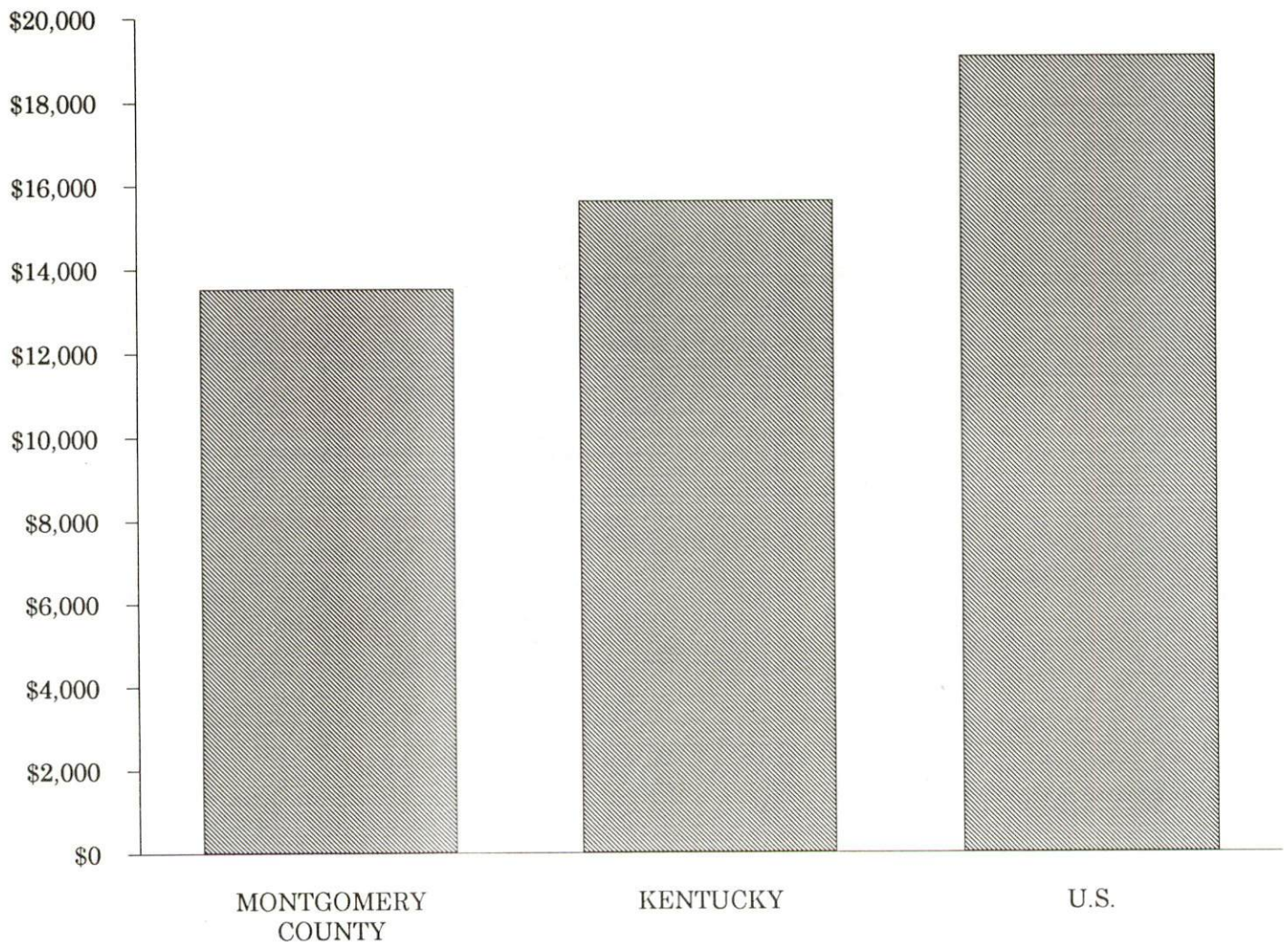


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1987</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Montgomery County	\$10,450	\$13,526	29.4
Labor Market Area Range	\$6,520 - \$13,135	\$8,933 - \$15,175	-
Kentucky	\$12,216	\$15,626	27.9
U.S.	\$15,638	\$19,091	22.0

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System, April 1993.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME  
1991



## AVERAGE PLACEMENT WAGES

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Montgomery County is served by the Morehead local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Morehead 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, 1993, the local employment office filled 1,787 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

<u>OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY</u>	<u>NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS</u>	<u>AVERAGE WAGE(\$)</u>
All Occupations	1,787	4.51
Clerical	448	4.35
Sales	107	4.29
Services (excluding domestic)	327	4.32
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	8	10.69
Processing	1	5.00
Machine Trades	57	4.47
Bench Work	442	4.36
Structural	92	5.85
Motor Freight/ Transportation	37	4.73
Packaging and Materials Handling	226	4.67
Other	5	4.70

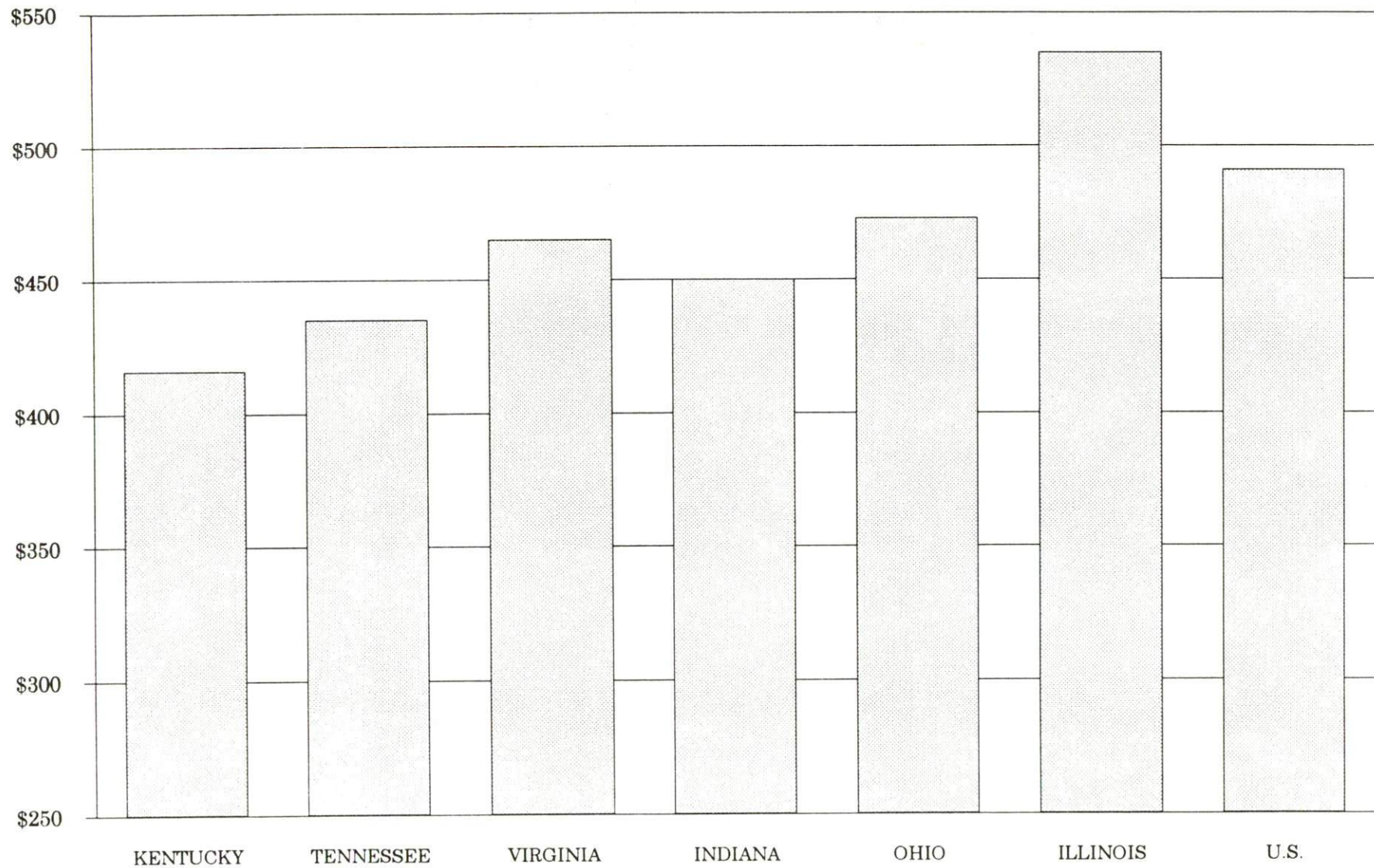
The Morehead local office also serves Bath, Menifee, Morgan, and Rowan Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, Department for Employment Services.



**AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1992**





AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY  
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992\*

	Montgomery County	Kentucky (State- Wide)	Tennessee	Virginia
All Industries	\$317.62	\$415.94	\$435.00	\$465.00
Mining & Quarrying	537.25	685.48	564.00	690.00
Contract Construction	404.00	431.97	456.00	456.00
Manufacturing	352.21	535.73	510.00	535.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	424.36	560.84	561.00	637.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	240.83	282.29	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	336.18	493.68	548.00	576.00
Services	286.86	371.91	419.00	483.00
State/Local Government	391.32	434.01	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$450.00	\$473.00	\$535.00	\$491.00
Mining & Quarrying	731.00	639.00	787.00	799.00
Contract Construction	504.00	525.00	658.00	527.00
Manufacturing	609.00	653.00	652.00	612.00
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	548.00	590.00	674.00	632.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	511.00	545.00	728.00	670.00
Services	386.00	419.00	488.00	468.00
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 the salaries and wages of all persons working for that type business. For example, the manufacturing category includes both production workers and administrative personnel. 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, 1992. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1992, October 1993.

## EXISTING INDUSTRY

### MT. STERLING MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> <u>(Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1993</u> <u>Average Employment</u>
Atlas Concrete Products (1946)	Concrete tanks & products, ready-mixed concrete	7
Chef America (1993)	Microwaveable food products	200
Custom Machining, Inc. (1984)	Machine shop, fixtures, machine tool parts	17
Donnelly Corporation (1993)	Modular window systems-auto	60
Eldridge's Barbeque (1950)	Hot dog sauce, pork & beef barbeque	4
Equine Textiles (1991)	Equine preparations	19
Hasco Newspapers, Inc. (1961)	Web offset printing, newspaper	17
Highway Drainage Pipe, Inc. (1949)	Concrete pipe, manholes, gabions, channel lining, woven wire	15
Ruth Hunt Candy (1923)	Candy	9
ILSCO (1992)	Electronic connectors	103
Jockey International, Inc. (1955)	Men's knit underwear, men's woven undershorts	490
Lion Uniform (1992)	Uniforms	110
Mid-State Plastics (1990)	Plastic water meter boxes	32
Mount Sterling Industries (1966)	Machine shop, special machinery, tools, dies, jigs and fixtures	9
Mountain Town Machining, Inc. (1979)	Machine shop, special machines, tooling, precision grinding	14
Ed Parks Enterprises, Inc. (1986)	Tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, assembly	6
A.O. Smith Electrical Products Company (1964)	Hermetic motors	200
Snap-Lok, Inc. (1989)	Aluminum fence parts, draw aluminum wire from rod	6
Sonoco Plastic-Drum Corporation (1985)	Plastic drums, covers	46
Summit Polymers (1993)	Plastic parts for automotive industry	57
Trojan, Inc. (1960)	Electro mechanical sub- assembly, fluorescent and shatterproof lamps, coiled wire products	100
Vinyl-Tec (1993)	Vinyl windows, vinyl products	50
Walker Construction Company (1959)	Crushed limestone, bituminous concrete, ready-mixed concrete	135

Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Industrial Authority.

## RECENT INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENTS

In 1993, four companies began manufacturing operations in Mt. Sterling: Chef America, Donnelly Corporation, Summit Polymers, and Vinyl-Tec. Collectively, these companies employ approximately 370 persons. Quality Cabinets is presently constructing a new plant and will begin manufacturing kitchen cabinets in 1994. The company expects to employ approximately 250 persons.

Po Folks Restaurant located its corporate headquarters in Mt. Sterling in 1993. In addition, a training center and research and development facility is located at the headquarters. The company employs approximately 90 people in Mt. Sterling.

## LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers AFL-CIO	A.O. Smith Electrical Products Company

## SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

<u>Types of Services</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Mt. Sterling</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Lexington	36
	Richmond	38
Electric Motor Repair	Mt. Sterling	-
Heat Treating Facilities	Lexington	36
	Richmond	38
Industrial Waste Removal	Mt. Sterling	-
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Mt. Sterling	-
Metal Castings	Cynthiana	41
Metal Finishers	Frenchburg	22
Metal Service Centers	Winchester	16
Millwrights & Riggers	Lexington	36

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



## TRANSPORTATION

### Highways

Major highways serving Mt. Sterling are Interstate 64, U.S. Highways 60 and 460, and Kentucky Route 11. All are "AAA"-rated trucking highways (80,000-pound gross load limit). Access to Interstate 75 is available 30 miles west of Mt. Sterling via Interstate 64. An interchange of the Mountain Parkway, which provides access to eastern Kentucky, is located 14 miles west of the city. Kentucky Route 686, the Mt. Sterling Bypass, encircles the city and provides access to surrounding areas.

Improvements to U.S. 460 have been completed. A 3.5-mile section south of Mt. Sterling to Camargo, has been widened and straightened.

#### HIGHWAY MILES FROM MT. STERLING, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	City	Highway Miles
Atlanta, GA	378	Los Angeles, CA	2,195
Baltimore, MD	503	Louisville, KY	109
Birmingham, AL	413	Nashville, TN	246
Chicago, IL	380	New Orleans, LA	768
Cincinnati, OH	114	New York, NY	688
Cleveland, OH	354	Pittsburgh, PA	334
Detroit, MI	374	St. Louis, MO	368
Knoxville, TN	184		

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

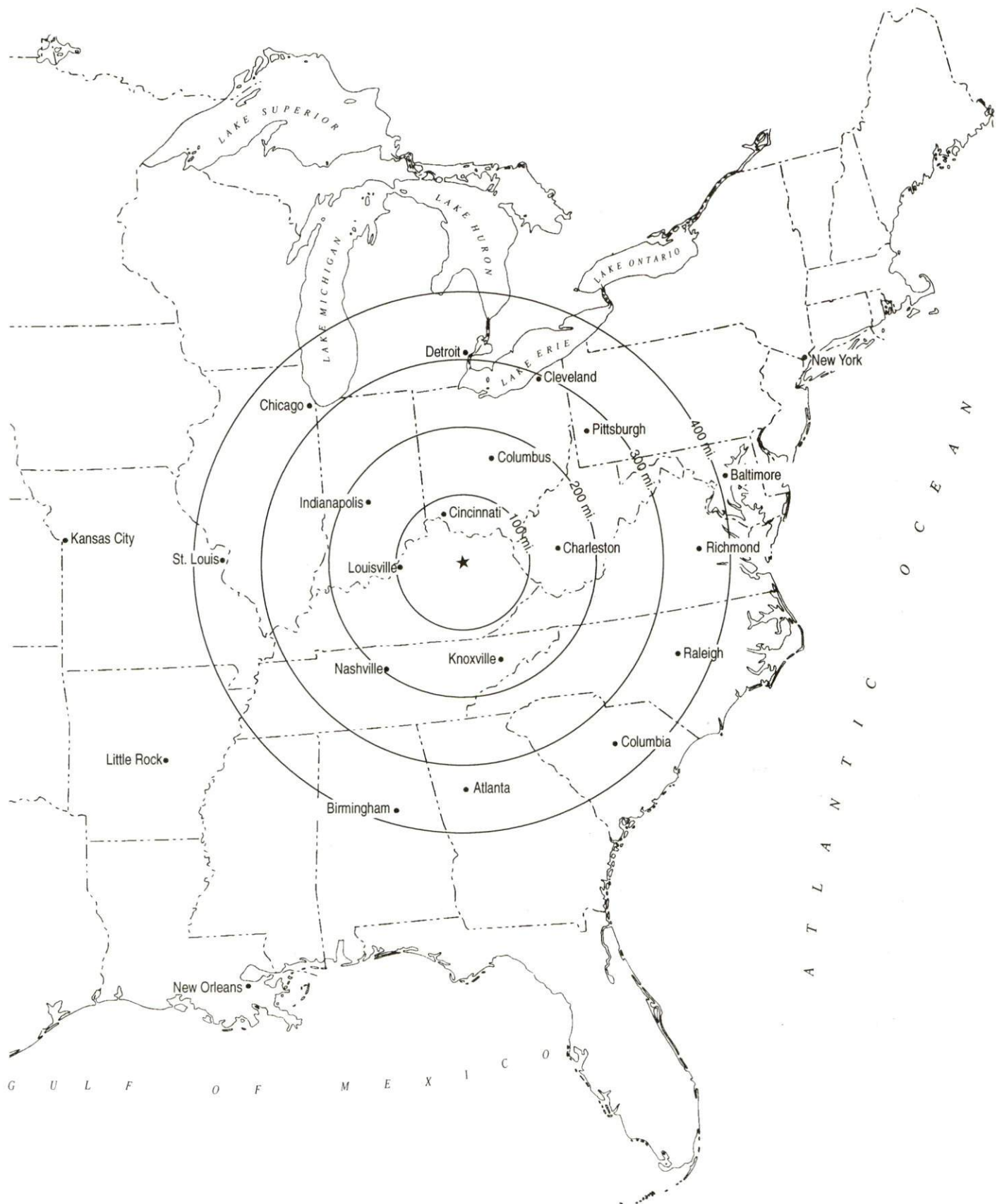
Sources: Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

### Truck Service

Thirty trucking firms provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Mt. Sterling. City Cartage maintains its headquarters and a terminal in Mt. Sterling.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1993.

# Selected Market Centers



## Rail

Mt. Sterling is not presently served by rail. The nearest rail service is provided by CSX Transportation in Winchester, 16 miles southwest of Mt. Sterling. The nearest intermodal service is provided by Southern Railway System at Georgetown, 46 miles northwest of Mt. Sterling.

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

## Air

### Local

Location:	Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport
Runways:	2 miles west of Mt. Sterling
Length:	1 paved
Traffic	4,850 feet
Control:	Unicom, wind sock, tetrahedron, NDB instrument landing
Lighting:	VASI, landing
Services:	Major & minor A & P repairs, jet-A and 100LL fuel, charter, flight instruction, tie-downs, hangar, car rental
Air Freight Service:	Chartered air freight services must be arranged

The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport plans to expand its runway to 5,000 feet by 1995. The airport was one of only twenty-one airports in Kentucky to receive a new Global Positioning Satellite system.

### Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Bluegrass Airport
	4 miles west of Lexington, Kentucky; 40 miles west of Mt. Sterling
Air Service:	Delta, USAir, United Express, American Eagle, ComAir, TW Express, Atlantic Southeast Airlines, Northwest Airlink
Daily Arrivals & Departures:	120



## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Company serving Mt. Sterling and parts of Montgomery 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

Company serving parts of Montgomery County - Clark Rural Electric  
Cooperative

Source of power - East Kentucky Power  
For industrial rates contact:

Clark Rural Electric Cooperative  
P.O. Box 748  
Winchester, Kentucky 40392-0748  
(606) 744-4251

and/or

Industrial Development Department  
East Kentucky Power  
P.O. Box 707  
Winchester, Kentucky 40392-0707  
(606) 744-4812

### Natural Gas

Company serving Mt. Sterling - Columbia Gas of Kentucky  
Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation  
For rates and supplies contact:

Economic Development Department  
Columbia Gas of Kentucky  
70 Fountain Place  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601  
(502) 227-4998

Company serving portions of Montgomery County - Delta Natural Gas  
Company

Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation  
For rates and supplies contact:

V.P.-Marketing and Public Relations  
Delta Natural Gas Company  
3617 Lexington Road  
Winchester, Kentucky 40391  
(606) 744-6171

## Public Water Supply

Company serving Mt. Sterling - Mt. Sterling Water and Sewer System  
300 East Main Street  
P.O. Box 392  
Mt. Sterling, Kentucky 40353-0392  
(606) 498-0166 Fax (606) 498-0168

Source - Slate Creek Impoundment and Greenbriar Reservoir  
Treatment plant capacity - 3,000,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 1,700,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 2,400,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 1,800,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 55 psi to 105 psi

## Sewerage

Company serving Mt. Sterling - Mt. Sterling Water and Sewer System  
300 East Main Street  
P.O. Box 392  
Mt. Sterling, Kentucky 40353-0392  
(606) 498-0166 Fax (606) 498-0168

Design capacity - 3,000,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow - 1,500,000 gallons  
Type of treatment - Secondary, Trickling filter  
Treated effluent discharged into - Hinkston Creek

## CLIMATE

### Montgomery County

#### Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	54.90 degrees
Average annual 1991	57.30 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (47-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (47-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,814
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

#### Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	45.68 inches
Mean annual snowfall (47-year record)	15.70 inches
Total precipitation 1991	41.80 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (47-year record)	129.40
Mean number days thunderstorms (47-year record)	44.90

#### Prevailing winds (through 1963)

South

#### Relative Humidity (28-year record, except 1 a.m. - 27-year record)

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

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1991. Station of record: Lexington, Kentucky.



## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Structure

The city of Mt. Sterling is governed by a mayor and eight council members. The mayor serves a four-year term and the council members serve two-year terms. Montgomery County is served by a county judge/executive and three commissioners. Each official is elected to a four-year term.

### Planning and Zoning

City agency - Mt. Sterling Planning and Zoning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within city limits

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within the city and five miles beyond corporate limits

Local codes enforced - Building and housing within city limits

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 Mt. Sterling levies a business license fee ranging from \$25 to \$150, depending on the number of employees. The city also levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals employed in the city and on net profits of businesses operating in the city. Montgomery County levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses in unincorporated areas only.

## 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 PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1992 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.184	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

### LOCAL PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1992

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods &amp; Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Montgomery County	\$0.2380	\$0.2552	\$0.2968
School Districts:			
Montgomery County	0.4000	0.4000	0.4000
Cities:			
Mt. Sterling	0.2600	0.2600	0.2440

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

#### Montgomery County

Total Enrollment (Fall, 1992)	3,703
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	15.6-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	61.0
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,731.44

### Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1992)</u>
Morehead State University	Morehead (31)	9,169
Lexington Community College	Lexington (36)	4,862
Transylvania University	Lexington (36)	974
University of Kentucky	Lexington (36)	24,197
Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond (38)	16,866
Georgetown College	Georgetown (46)	1,476
Midway College	Midway (48)	798
Maysville Community College	Maysville (49)	1,325
Berea College	Berea (49)	1,579
Asbury College	Wilmore (55)	1,138
Kentucky State University	Frankfort (59)	2,544



## VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL TRAINING

Kentucky Tech schools are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and provide secondary (Sec) and postsecondary (P/S) vocational-technical training.

<u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Mt. Sterling)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Cumulative Enrollment 1992-1993</u>	<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
Montgomery County Area Vocational Education Center	Mt. Sterling	6	<u>Sec</u> 320 <u>P/S</u> 78	56
Rowan State Vocational-Technical School	Morehead (31)	12	<u>Sec</u> 161 <u>P/S</u> 322	136

### 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 needing customized training should contact a Training and Development Coordinator located at Rowan SVTS.

### Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, pre-hire assessment, psychomotor skills and academic potential. A Career Connections assessment center is located at the Rowan SVTS.

### Tech Prep

Tech Prep is a combined secondary and post secondary program of studies that leads to an associate degree or diploma in a technical field. Montgomery County AVEC is currently in the third year implementation of its tech prep program in the area of business technology and health services.

### Adult Education Services

Adult education is available to adults who want to develop new skills, or earn a high school equivalency degree. In Montgomery County, adult basic education is provided by the Montgomery County Adult Learning Center.

### Bluegrass State Skills Corporation

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation, an independent public corporation created and funded by the Kentucky General Assembly, provides programs of skills training to meet the needs of business and industry from entry level to advanced training, and from upgrading present employees to retraining experienced workers.

The Bluegrass State Skills Corporation is a major source for skills training assistance for a new or existing company. The Corporation works in partnership with other employment and job training resources and programs, as well as Kentucky's economic development activities, to package a program customized to meet the specific needs of a company.

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 21

Dentists - 14

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Mary Chiles Hospital	Mt. Sterling	103

Medical staff - 21 active physicians; 15 courtesy physicians;  
54 registered nurses; 19 licensed practical nurses

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Cave Run Clinic  
Montgomery County Health Center  
Mt. Sterling Clinic  
Mt. Sterling Medical Center  
Pathways, Inc.

### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Commonwealth Bank FSB  
The Exchange Bank of Kentucky  
Montgomery & Traders Bank & Trust Company  
Mt. Sterling National Bank

### Newspapers

Mt. Sterling Advocate (weekly)

### Telephone Service

South Central Bell



## RECREATION

### Local

Mt. Sterling offers a variety of recreational opportunities for all ages. The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Recreation, Tourism, and Convention Commission maintains facilities in the four local parks. The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Pool and Park contains two junior olympic-size swimming pools, bathhouse facilities, four lighted tennis courts, an outdoor basketball court, a tot lot with a variety of playground equipment, and a picnic area with a covered shelter. The park has two Little League baseball diamonds, an all-purpose building, and a picnic area. Supervised programs are offered year-round in activities such as softball, baseball, swimming, tennis, Little League football, soccer, and adult basketball and volleyball.

The Montgomery County Board of Education maintains a variety of recreational facilities at the local schools which can be used for a number of supervised programs. The facilities include five gymnasiums, two football fields, three soccer fields, two Little League baseball diamonds, five tennis courts, three playgrounds and an outdoor basketball court.

Construction of Phase I of a new 68-acre community park was recently completed. The \$7.5 million development includes a baseball complex, soccer fields, tennis courts, volleyball courts, playground areas, picnic shelters, and walking trail. Future plans are to construct racquetball courts, indoor and outdoor swimming pools, an amphitheater, and a community center.

Private recreational facilities include a country club with a swimming pool and a nine-hole golf course; a movie theatre; a drive-in movie theatre; Sid Calk Lake, Inc., a private recreational and real estate development; the McKee Boy Scout Reservation; and Greenbriar Lake, a fishing lake.

October Court Day is an annual event which attracts thousands of people to Mt. Sterling. With the old time trading and selling of everything from Barlow knives to hunting dogs, this event marks the opening of the fall term of court. Court Day is held on the third Monday in October, however, the festivities begin the Saturday before.

### Area (Within 40 miles)

Daniel Boone National Forest  
Fort Boonesborough State Park  
Cave Run Lake  
White Hall Historic Site  
Blue Licks Battlefield State Park  
Kentucky Horse Park  
Natural Bridge State Resort Park

## COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

In 1993, four companies began manufacturing operations in Mt. Sterling: Chef America, Donnelly Corporation, Summit Polymers, and Vinyl-Tec. Collectively, these companies employ approximately 370 persons. Quality Cabinets is presently constructing a new plant and will begin manufacturing kitchen cabinets in 1994. The company expects to employ approximately 250 persons.

Po Folks Restaurant located its corporate headquarters in Mt. Sterling in 1993. In addition, a training center and research and development facility is located at the headquarters. The company employs approximately 90 people in Mt. Sterling.

The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Industrial Authority recently completed construction of a 25,000-foot "spec" building. The Authority maintains a continuous "spec" building program.

Helig-Meyers Furniture Company plans to expand its distribution center an additional 140,000 square feet.

A \$4.0 million renovation of the Gateway Plaza Shopping Center is under way in Mt. Sterling. A new Winn-Dixie is also opening in the Center.

The City of Mt. Sterling is renovating a ten-building area in downtown Mt. Sterling. The upper floors will be converted into 51 apartments for the elderly. The \$4.2 million project is expected to be completed by December 1994.

The Mt. Sterling-Montgomery County Airport plans to expand its runway to 5,000 feet by 1995. The airport was one of only twenty-one airports in Kentucky to receive a new Global Positioning Satellite system.

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