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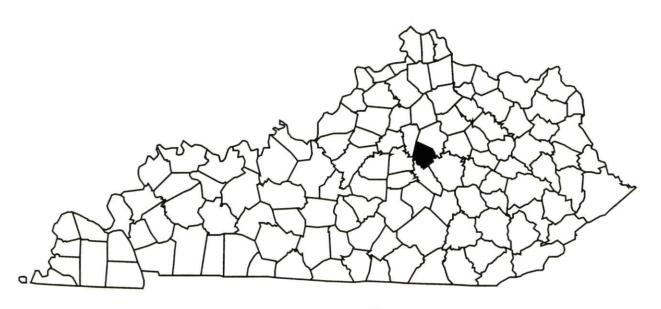
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NICHOLASVILLE, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Nicholasville, the county seat of Jessamine County, lies within central Kentucky's Blue Grass Region, an area of low rolling hills. Nicholasville is 12 miles south of Lexington, Kentucky; 80 miles east of Louisville, Kentucky; and 97 miles south of Cincinnati, Ohio. The city had an estimated population of 16,603 in 1996.

The city limits of Nicholasville and Lexington are only 2.5 miles apart. This close proximity offers Nicholasville all the opportunities of a metropolitan area including cultural events, sporting events, educational institutions, medical services, and many other advantages.

Jessamine County, with a land area of 173 square miles, features terrain which ranges from rolling hills in the northern and central portions of the county, to steeper hills in the southern portions. The Kentucky River, forms the southern boundary of the county, winding through a deeply entrenched gorge where cliff-lined walls rise vertically 400 feet or more. Jessamine County had an estimated 1997 population of 36,038 persons.

The Economic Framework – Jessamine County firms employed 11,327 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 1,139 jobs; manufacturing firms in the county reported 2,490 employees; transportation and public utilities employed 221; wholesale and retail trade provided 3,409 jobs; finance, insurance, and real estate employed 248; 1,627 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 1,883 jobs.

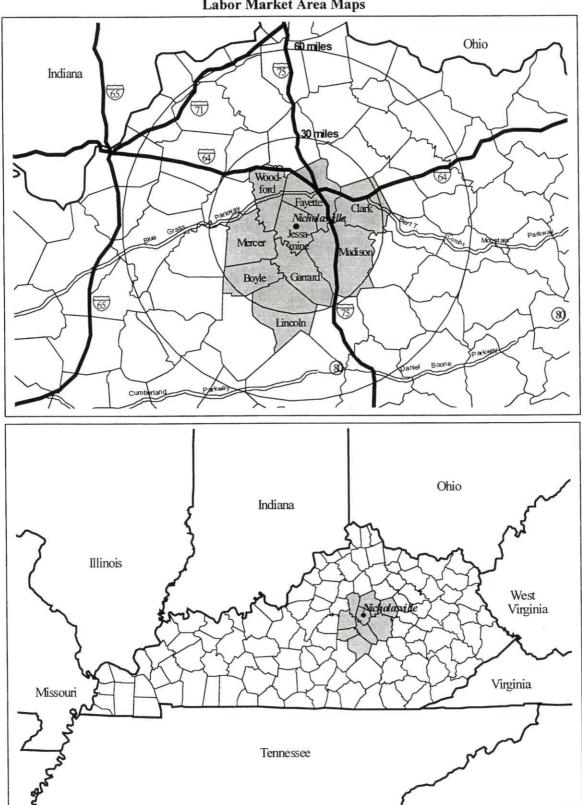
Labor Supply – There is a current estimated labor supply of 104,597 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 to 2003, approximately 30,057 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation – Nicholasville is served by U.S. Highways 27 and 68, both AAA-rated trucking highways, and by Kentucky Routes 29, 39, and 169, all AA-rated trucking highways. In addition, Interstate Highways 64 and 75 are accessible approximately 16 miles northeast of Nicholasville near Lexington. Thirty-one trucking companies serve Nicholasville. The Norfolk Southern Corporation provides main line rail freight service to Nicholasville. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at Blue Grass Airport, 18 miles northwest of Nicholasville near Lexington.

Power and Fuel – The City of Nicholasville Utilities, whose source of electric power is Kentucky Utilities Company, provides electric power to Nicholasville. Kentucky Utilities Company and Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation also serve portions of Jessamine County. Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. provides natural gas service to Nicholasville.

Education – The Jessamine County Public School System provides primary and secondary education to the residents of Jessamine County. Fourteen institutions of higher learning are within 60 miles of Nicholasville. Asbury College and Asbury Theological Seminary are the nearest colleges, both six miles west of Nicholasville in Wilmore, Kentucky. The Central Kentucky Technical College Lexington Campus provides postsecondary technical training in Lexington, nine miles north of Nicholasville.

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 Nicholasville labor market area includes Jessamine County and the following additional counties: Boyle, Clark, Fayette, Garrard, Lincoln, Madison, Mercer, and Woodford.

Population

| | <u>1980</u> | 1990 | <u>1996</u> * | <u>1997</u> * |
|-------------------|-------------|---------|---------------|---------------|
| Labor Market Area | 403,665 | 439,246 | 474,333 | 478,511 |
| Nicholasville | 10,400 | 13,603 | 16,603 | N/A |
| Jessamine County | 26,065 | 30,508 | 35,272 | 36,038 |

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 | 506,554 | 556,818 | 601,095 |
| Jessamine County | 38,263 | 43,658 | 47,733 |

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

Estimated Labor Supply

| | | Available | Labor, 1997 | | Future Labor |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--|
| | <u>Total</u> | Unemployed | Potential Labor <u>Supply</u> | Under- employed | Becoming 18 years of age 1999 through 2003 |
| Labor Market Area Jessamine County | 104,597 5,303 | 7,650 435 | 6,601 456 | 90,345 4,413 | 30,057 2,642 |

Note: Unemployed – people not working but actively seeking work. Potential Labor Supply – represents the number of persons not in the labor force, but would like a job (based on national estimates). Underemployed – people employed in wholesale/retail trade and non-professional services. See Appendix for further explanation. Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1999 through 2003.

Labor Force Characteristics of Residents, 1997

| | Jessamine County | Labor Market Area |
|-----------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Civilian Labor Force | 20,045 | 267,567 |
| Employed | 19,611 | 259,917 |
| Unemployed | 435 | 7,650 |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | 2.2 | 2.9 |

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

Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

| Workers commuting out of Jessamine County | 8,308 |
|---|-------|
| Workers commuting into Jessamine County | 3,140 |
| Working and residing in Jessamine County | 6,666 |
| | , |

Source: University of Louisville, State Data Center.

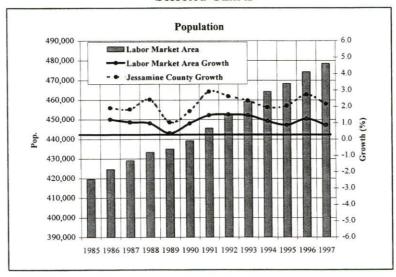
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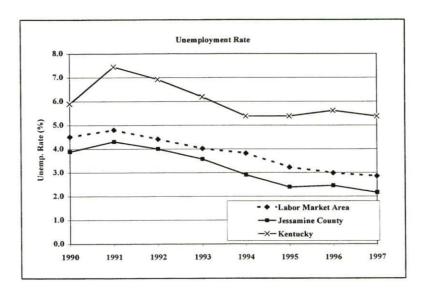
| | Jessamine County | Labor Market Area |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| All Industries | 11,327 | 241,878 |
| Mining & Quarrying | N/A | 173 |
| Contract Construction | 1,139 | 12,530 |
| Manufacturing | 2,490 | 42,870 |
| Transportation & Public Utilities | 221 | 10,746 |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | 3,409 | 62,050 |
| Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate | 248 | 9,756 |
| Services | 1,627 | 62,039 |
| State & Local Government | 1,883 | 36,922 |
| Other | 273 | 4,700 |

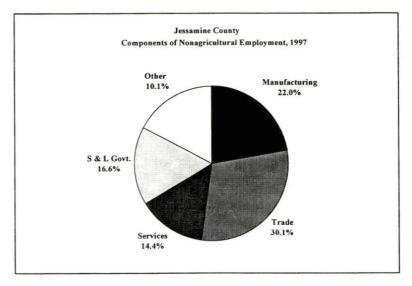
Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers. N/A – Data not available.

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

Selected Charts







Per Capita Personal Income

| | 1992 | 1996 | Percent Change (1992-1996) |
|-------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Jessamine County | \$15,599 | \$18,982 | 21.7 |
| Labor Market Area Range | \$12,775 - \$22,766 | \$14,723 - \$27,030 | - |
| Kentucky | \$16,761 | \$19,773 | 18.0 |
| U.S. | \$20,631 | \$24,436 | 18.4 |

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

Average Placement Wages

The Kentucky Department for Employment Services local office in Lexington serves Jessamine County. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Lexington 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 that ended on June 30, 1998, the local employment office filled Jessamine County job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

| | Number of Placements | Average Wage (\$) |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| All Occupations | 3,491 | 7.42 |
| Professional, Technical & Managerial | 76 | 9.18 |
| Clerical | 716 | 6.49 |
| Sales | 112 | 5.82 |
| Domestic | 15 | 4.99 |
| Services (excluding domestic) | 546 | 5.61 |
| Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc. | 22 | 6.24 |
| Processing | 112 | 8.75 |
| Machine Trades | 99 | 8.37 |
| Bench Work | 234 | 7.19 |
| Structural | 308 | 10.30 |
| Motor Freight/Transportation | 90 | 7.51 |
| Packaging and Materials Handling | 1,151 | 8.02 |
| Other | 10 | 7.00 |

Note: Occupational categories are taken from the <u>Dictionary of Occupational Titles</u> published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Lexington local office serves Fayette and Jessamine Counties.

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

Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997

| | Jessamine <u>County</u> | Kentucky (Statewide) | Tennessee | Virginia |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| All Industries | \$430.12 | \$488.00 | \$521.00 | \$555.00 |
| Mining & Quarrying | N/A | 790.00 | 839.00 | 772.00 |
| Contract Construction | 470.78 | 516.00 | 561.00 | 544.00 |
| Manufacturing | 574.17 | 644.00 | 621.00 | 644.00 |
| Transportation & Public Utilities | 534.76 | 648.00 | 653.00 | 761.00 |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | 354.86 | 337.00 | 391.00 | 392.00 |
| Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate | 438.65 | 613.00 | 696.00 | 748.00 |
| Services | 352.37 | 440.00 | 495.00 | 580.00 |
| State & Local Government | 407.48 | 484.00 | 494.00 | 530.00 |
| | <u>Indiana</u> | <u>Ohio</u> | <u>Illinois</u> | <u>U.S.</u> |
| All Industries | \$530.00 | \$553.00 | \$634.00 | \$578.00 |
| Mining & Quarrying | 849.00 | 773.00 | 881.00 | 961.00 |
| Contract Construction | 604.00 | 619.00 | 765.00 | 610.00 |
| Manufacturing | 732.00 | 776.00 | 792.00 | 737.00 |
| Transportation & Public Utilities | 633.00 | 669.00 | 764.00 | 724.00 |
| Wholesale & Retail Trade | 351.00 | 384.00 | 452.00 | 411.00 |
| Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate | 624.00 | 682.00 | 938.00 | 863.00 |
| Services | 452.00 | 486.00 | 575.00 | 547.00 |
| State & Local Government | 510.00 | 567.00 | 615.00 | 576.00 |

Note: The average weekly wage for each category includes salaries and wages of all persons working for that type of business. For example, the manufacturing category includes both production workers and administrative personnel. Domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers are excluded. Wages for U.S. and surrounding states rounded to nearest dollar. N/A – Data not available.

Sources: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, <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 Nicholasville Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

| <u>Firm</u> | Product | 1998 <u>Emp.</u> | Date Established |
|---------------------------------|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Adcom Wire Company | High carbon spring wire, bright plating & annealed wire | 100 | 1970 |
| Aladdin's Glass & Screen Prdts. | Glass & metal fabricating | 12 | 1989 |
| Allstates Manufacturing | Neon & vinyl lettered signs; aluminum awnings; aluminum fabricated prdts. | 25 | 1986 |
| Allstates Sign & Awning, Inc. | Neon, electrical, metal, screened & vinyl signs; aluminum awnings; aluminum fabricating | 10 | 1986 |
| Alltech Biotechnology Center | Natural animal feed additives, fuel alcohols, brewing & distilling | 150 | 1980 |
| Alternative Jewelry Shop | Gold, silver & gemstone precious decorative jewelry | 2 | 1991 |
| American Backyard Buildings | Prefabricated wooden storage sheds | 3 | 1992 |
| American Cabin Supply | Screen printed napkins, plastic & styrofoam cups; etched crystal & glassware | 50 | 1985 |
| Artistic Wood of KY, Inc. | Custom wooden cabinetry | 18 | 1984 |
| Associated Printing, Inc. | Commercial offset & letterpress printing & computer typesetting | 3 | 1969 |
| Atlantis Plastics, Inc. | Flexible packaging stretch film | 80 | 1984 |
| B & B Manufacturing, Inc. | Machine shop: tooling, prototypes, general & CNC machining, MIG & arc welding | 3 | 1991 |
| Bluegrass Embroidery Service | Embroidering service | 13 | 1988 |
| Bluegrass Treated Wood | Pressure treated fence posts, fencing planks, poles & rough timbers | 8 | 1978 |
| Bomont Industries, Inc. | Typewriter & printer inked ribbon | 13 | 1992 |
| C N C Machining & Engineering | Machine shop: CNC machining, lathe & mill work, drilling & boring | 40 | 1976 |
| Clark Machine Tool & Die, Inc. | CAD & CAM tool design, dies, fixtures & machines; machine shop: wire cutting EDM, drilling, boring, cutting, honing, lathe & mill work | 23 | 1967 |
| Clark Printing | Offset printing | 2 | 1992 |
| Classic Rattan, Inc. | Rattan & wicker furniture | 22 | 1978 |
| Contemporary Wood Design Inc. | Store fixtures, wooden counter tops & unassembled furniture | 6 | 1987 |
| Cowart & Co., Inc. | Custom millwork, cabinets, bookcases, door jambs & window casings; custom architectural woodworking | 13 | 1979 |
| Creative Draperies, Inc. | Draperies, cubicle curtains & bedspreads | 35 | 1969 |
| Cumberland Manufacturing, Inc. | Millwork; wooden & laminated cabinets | 10 | 1991 |
| Custom Collators | Collator rebuilding | 3 | 1988 |
| Custom Creations | Custom cabinets, counter tops, store fixtures, desks, bookcases & entertainment centers | 4 | 1987 |

| D. | Duodeset | 1998 Emp | Date Established |
|--|--|-------------|---------------------|
| <u>Firm</u> | Product | Emp. | Established |
| Custom Wiring, Inc. | Wiring harnesses & assemblies | 35 | 1978 |
| Doc Holliday Molds, Inc. | Plaster molds; ceramic/resin & plaster giftware | 38 | 1982 |
| Donaldson Co., Inc. | Industrial air pollution control devices | 320 | 1979 |
| Faulkner-Fain Co., Inc. | Custom woodworking | 25 | 1957 |
| Flying Armadillo Sign Co | Architectural, magnetic, metal, painted, plastic, | 3 | N/A |
| T.J.mg | wooden, electrical, sandblasted, etched, | | |
| | engraved, screened & vinyl lettered signs | | |
| French Forum Publishers, Inc. | Book & journal publishing | 2 | N/A |
| GHE, Inc. | Machine shop: general & CNC machining, mill | 12 | 1984 |
| | & lathe work, drilling, boring, cutting & | | |
| | honing, arc & gas welding, OD & surface grinding | | |
| Crass Bill Custom | Custom cabinets | 3 | 1989 |
| Green, Bill Custom Woodworking | Custom cabilets | , | 1707 |
| Gulf States Paper Corp | Paperboard folding boxes | 220 | 1970 |
| Hospital Specialty Co | Sanitary napkins, disposable diapers & adult | 190 | 1979 |
| • • | disposable undergarments | | |
| J & L Wire Cloth Co., Inc. | Wire cloth | 14 | 1995 |
| Jackson Plastics, Inc. | Plastic injection molding | 30 | 1995 |
| Jessamine Publishing Co., Inc. | Weekly newspaper publishing | 12 | 1956 |
| Jourdan Graphics Services | Dies & die cutting, folding cartons, embossing & foil stamping | 15 | 1979 |
| K & J Tool & Manufacturing, | Machine shop: general, CNC, prototype & | 7 | 1993 |
| Inc. | dvlpt machining; tooling, prototypes, tool & die; extrusion, progressive & stamping dies | | |
| Kentucky Awards & Signs | Plastic, metal & magnetic signs; engraving svc | 2 | 1992 |
| Kentucky Awards & Signs Kentucky Custom Cabinets, Inc. | Custom commercial cabinets & store fixtures | 2 7 | 1990 |
| Kentucky Trade Bindery | Glue, perfect & saddle stitch binding | 6 | 1991 |
| Lawson Sheet Metal & Welding | Structural & sheet metal fabricating; arc, MIG, | 7 | 1972 |
| Eurosia Saest Metalica Westanig | TIG, heliarc & gas welding | | |
| Lexington Paint & Supply Co | Industrial, latex, oil base, stains, varnish, water | 6 | 1984 |
| | base & enamel paints | | |
| Lexington Tent & Awning | Canvas awnings, canopies, truck covers & | 5 | 1932 |
| | horse stall padding | | |
| MascoTech Specialty-Tubing | Stainless steel tubing | 80 | N/A |
| Mc Kechnie Vehicle | Plastic injection molding | 190 | 1979 |
| Components | 0 | 0 | 1001 |
| Meade Concrete Products | Concrete block | 9 | 1991 |
| Miller's Window Works | Vertical blinds | 6 | 1981 |
| Morgan, Bob Lumber & Concrete | Ready-mixed concrete | 6 | 1971 |
| Multi-Link, Inc. | Telecommunications equipment | 60 | 1987 |
| Neon! | Neon lights & tubes | 2 | 1989 |
| Nicholasville Monument Co. | Monument engraving | 3 | 1972 |
| Outback Industries, Inc. | Archery sporting goods | 15 | 1990 |
| Pass Industries, Inc. | Screwdrivers & hand tools; contract general | 9 | 1983 |
| | machining & metal stampings | | |

| <u>Firm</u> | Product | 1998 Emp. | Date Established |
|--------------------------------|---|--------------|---------------------|
| Post Time Design, Inc. | Plastic, metal, electric, neon, wood, screen printed & vinyl lettered signs | 3 | N/A |
| Premier Sheetmetal, Inc. | Sheet metal fabricating | 22 | N/A |
| Printers Ink | Commercial offset printing & typesetting; glue, saddle stitch & spiral wire binding | 4 | 1974 |
| Raef's Printing Service | Offset printing & computer typesetting | 2 | 1993 |
| Sanchez Screen Printing, Inc. | Fabric screen printing, screened signs, decals & bumper stickers | 6 | 1980 |
| Sargent & Greenleaf, Inc. | High security locks | 175 | 1857 |
| Schmalbach-Lubeca | Plastic beverage bottles | 120 | 1982 |
| Sign Service | Plastic illuminated signs | 2 | N/A |
| Sims Printing Center | Commercial offset printing & saddle stitch Binding | 4 | 1984 |
| Smith, Stanley & Co., Inc. | Railroad & track equipment | 11 | 1923 |
| Southern Bedding Co | Mattresses & box springs | 25 | 1994 |
| Southern States Co-Op, Inc. | Fertilizer blending | 7 | 1955 |
| Teddy Bear Molds | Ceramic molds | 4 | 1985 |
| Top Notch Wood Products, Inc. | Custom plastic laminated cabinets, casework, furniture & counter tops | 9 | 1984 |
| Trim Masters, Inc. | Automotive seating | 270 | 1993 |
| Turner Labels & Shipping Splys | Labels, tags & shipping supplies | 32 | 1979 |
| Winges Mixed Concrete Co. Inc. | Ready-mixed concrete | 19 | 1965 |

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

Recent Industrial Developments

A 117-acre industrial site is under development in Nicholasville. The following firms plan expansions in 1999: Jourdan Graphics, Sector Technology, McKechnie Vehicle Components, Premier Sheet Metal, and K & J Tool and Manufacturing. Hayden Steel, a new steel service center, plans completion of a 64,000 square-foot facility by June, 1999.

Major Nicholasville Supportive/Service Employers

| Organization/Firm Asbury College (Wilmore, KY) Asbury Theological Seminary (Wilmore, KY) | Nature of Business Education Education | 1998 Emp. 354 173 |
|--|--|-------------------------|
| Jessamine County Board of Education Kentucky Veterans Center | Education Long-Term Health Care | 850 385 |
| McLane/Cumberland | Distribution Center | 600 |

Source: Jessamine County Economic Development Authority.

Labor Organizations in Jessamine County

International Brotherhood of Teamsters

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

Selected Industrial Services - Within 50 Miles of Nicholasville

| 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 |
|-------|-----------------|---------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | Nicholasville | X | | | X | X | | | X | X |
| 9 | Lexington | X | X | | X | X | | X | | X |
| 13 | Versailles | | | | | X | | | | |
| 19 | Harrodsburg | | | | | X | | | | |
| 19 | Richmond | X | | X | | X | | X | | |
| 20 | Georgetown | X | | X | | X | | | | |
| 21 | Danville | X | X | | X | X | | | | |
| 22 | Lawrenceburg | | | | | X | | | | |
| 24 | Stamping Ground | | ***** | | | X | | | | |
| 24 | Winchester | | X | | | X | | | X | |
| 25 | Berea | | | | X | X | | | | |
| 25 | Frankfort | X | | | X | | | | | |
| 27 | Crab Orchard | | | | | X | | | | |
| 27 | Paris | | A CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR | | | X | | | | |
| 29 | Waco | | | | X | | | | | |
| 34 | Cynthiana | | | | | X | X | | | |
| 37 | Clay City | | | | | X | | | | |
| 40 | Mount Sterling | | | | | X | | X | | 1.00 |
| 44 | Stanton | | | | | X | | | | |
| 44 | Williamstown | X | | | | | | | | |
| 45 | Bloomfield | | | | | | | | | X |
| 45 | Shelbyville | | | | | X | | | | |
| 46 | Eminence | | | | | | | | X | |
| 46 | Lebanon | X | X | | | X | | | | |
| 49 | Somerset | | X | | X | X | | | | |
| | (C) | | | | : | 4 1 11 | | | | |

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

Nicholasville is served by U.S. Highways 27 and 68 both AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways, and by Kentucky Routes 29, 39, and 169, all AA-rated (62,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways.

Interstate 64, a major east-west highway, and Interstate 75, a major north-south traffic artery, intersect 16 miles northeast of Nicholasville near Lexington via four-lane access.

Highway Miles from Nicholasville, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

| <u>City</u> | Highway Miles | City | Highway Miles |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Atlanta, GA | 379 | Kansas City, MO | 589 |
| Baltimore, MD | 548 | Knoxville, TN | 169 |
| Birmingham, AL | 406 | Los Angeles, CA | 2,168 |
| Charleston, WV | 184 | Louisville, KY | 80 |
| Chicago, IL | 372 | Minneapolis, MN | 784 |
| Cincinnati, OH | 97 | Nashville, TN | 214 |
| Cleveland, OH | 348 | New Orleans, LA | 746 |
| Columbia, SC | 430 | New York, NY | 715 |
| Columbus, OH | 204 | Pittsburgh, PA | 386 |
| Dallas, TX | 877 | Raleigh, NC | 505 |
| Des Moines, IA | 668 | Richmond, VA | 502 |
| Detroit, MI | 360 | St. Louis, MO | 345 |
| Indianapolis, IN | 191 | Tallahassee, FL | 650 |

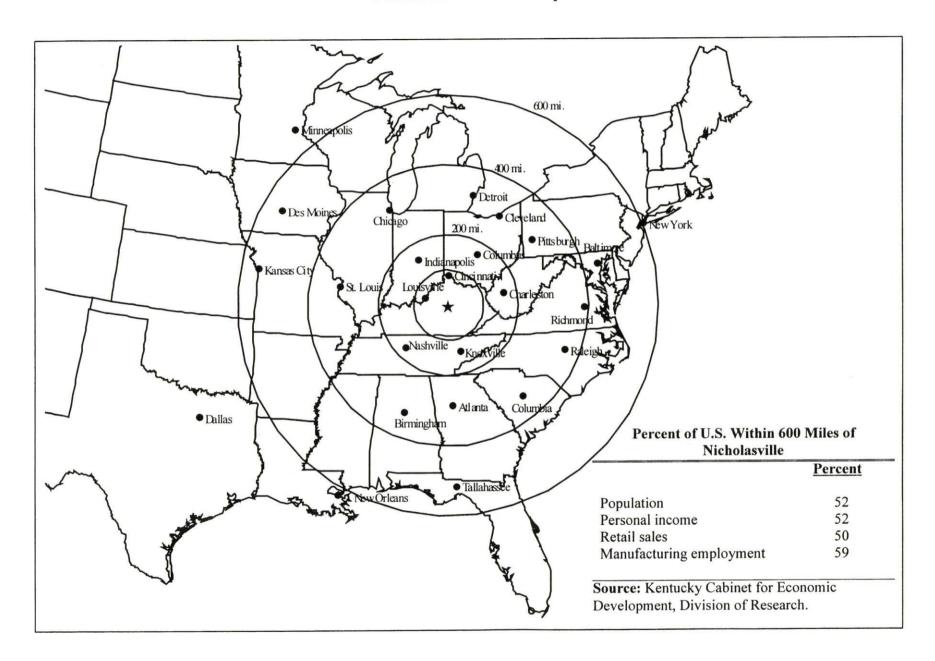
Note: Mileage computations are via the best interstate or primary highways, not necessarily the most direct route of travel.

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

Truck Service

Thirty-one common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Nicholasville. American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1999.

Selected Market Centers Map



Rail

The Norfolk Southern Corporation provides main line rail service to Nicholasville. Intermodal facilities are located at Georgetown, Kentucky, 30 miles north of Nicholasville.

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

Industrial Development Manager Norfolk Southern Corporation

The Tower Suite 2904 611 Commerce Street Nashville, TN 37203 (615) 254-3398

Air

Location:

Location:

Location:

Air Service:

Commercial/International Airports

Nearest Major Commercial Airline Service

Blue Grass Airport Lexington, Kentucky

18 miles northwest of Nicholasville

ASA, Comair, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest Airlink, TW

Express, United Express, US Airways

Daily Arrivals & Departures:

Nearest International Airport

Louisville International Airport

Louisville, Kentucky

85 miles west of Nicholasville

Air Service: American, ASA, Comair, Continental, Continental Express, Delta,

Delta Express, Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Skyway, Southwest,

TWA, United, United Express, US Airways, Valujet

Daily Arrivals & Departures:

172

Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport

Covington, Kentucky

102 miles north of Nicholasville

Air Service: Air Trans, American, American Eagle, Comair, Continental,

Continental Express, Delta, Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Skyway,

Sunworld, SwissAir, TWA, United, US Airways, US Airways

Express

Daily Arrivals & Departures:

1,060

UTILITIES

Electricity

Service Area:

Company:

Source of Power:

For industrial rates contact:

Nicholasville

City of Nicholasville Utilities Kentucky Utilities Company

Manager of Utilities

City of Nicholasville Utilities

517 North Main Street

P.O. Box 450

Nicholasville, KY 40340-0450

(606) 885-9473

Service Area:

Company:

Source of Power:

For industrial rates contact:

major portions of Jessamine County

Blue Grass Energy 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

Blue Grass Energy Cooperative Corporation

1201 Lexington Road

P.O. Box 990

Nicholasville, KY 40340-0990

(606) 885-4191

Service Area:

Company:

Source of Power:

For industrial rates contact:

portions of central, southwestern, and northeastern Jessamine

County

Kentucky Utilities Company

Kentucky Utilities Company

Economic Development Department

Kentucky Utilities Company

One Quality Street

Lexington, KY 40507

(606) 255-2100

Natural Gas

Service Area:

Company:

Source of Supply:

For rates and supplies contact:

Nicholasville

Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc. Tennessee Gas Pipeline Company

VP-Public and Consumer Affairs Delta Natural Gas Company, Inc.

3617 Lexington Road Winchester, KY 40391

(606) 744-6171

Public Water Supply

Service Area: Company:

Jessamine County

Lexington-South Elkhorn Water District

200 West Maple Street Nicholasville, KY 40356

(606) 885-9314

Average daily consumption:

Peak daily consumption:

Storage capacity: Water pressure:

Additional water source:

Maximum available for purchase:

520,000 gallons 745,000 gallons

550,000 gallons 40 psi to 150 psi

KY-American Water Company

As needed

Service Area:

Company:

Jessamine County

Jessamine County Water District #1

200 West Maple Street Nicholasville, KY 40356

(606) 885-9314

Average daily consumption:

Peak daily consumption: Storage capacity:

Water pressure: Additional water source:

Maximum available for purchase:

385,000 gallons

650,000 gallons

250,000 gallons 40 psi to 100 psi

City of Nicholasville

As needed

Service Area:

Company:

Jessamine County

Spears Water Company

104 West Maple Street Nicholasville, KY 40356

(606) 885-5958

Average daily consumption:

Peak daily consumption: Storage capacity:

Water pressure:

Additional water source:

200,000 gallons 300,000 gallons

250,000 gallons 50 psi to 115 psi

City of Nicholasville and KY-American Water Co.

Maximum available for purchase: Unlimited for both sources Service Area:

Company:

Nicholasville

City of Nicholasville

601 North Main P.O. Box 450

Nicholasville, KY 40356

(606) 885-9473

Treatment plant capacity:

Average daily consumption:

Peak daily consumption: Storage capacity:

Water pressure:

6,000,000 gallons per day

2,700,000 gallons

4,200,000 gallons

1,500,000 gallons 35 psi to 40 psi

Sewerage

Service Area:

Company:

Nicholasville

City of Nicholasville

610 North Main P.O. Box 450

Nicholasville, KY 40340-0450

(606) 885-9473

Design capacity: 6,700,000 gallons per day Average daily flow: 1,900,000 gallons per day

Type of treatment:

Treated effluent discharged into:

Tertiary

Town Branch, Jessamine Creek

Improvements:

The City plans construction on an interceptor and pumping station at Town Branch with an estimated cost of \$3.0 million. Completion is

scheduled for September 2002.

CLIMATE

Jessamine County

| Temperature | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Average (114-year record Average annual 1997 Record highest, July 1988 Record lowest, January 1 Normal heating degree da Normal cooling degree da | 8 (53-year record) 963 (53-year record) ays (30-year record) | 55.10 degrees 53.60 degrees 103.00 degrees -21.00 degrees 4,783 1,140 | | | |
| Precipitation | | | | | |
| Normal total (30-year record) Mean annual snowfall (30-year record) Total precipitation 1997 Normal number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (30-year record) Mean number days thunderstorms (53-year record) | | 44.55 inches 17.50 inches 59.13 inches 129.10 43.90 | | | |
| Prevailing Winds (26-year record) | | South | | | |
| Relative Humidity (30-year record) | | | | | |
| 1 a.m. 7 a.m. 1 p.m. 7 p.m. | 77 percent 82 percent 60 percent 64 percent | | | | |

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

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Nicholasville is governed by a mayor and four commissioners. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the commissioners serve two-year terms. Jessamine County is governed by a county judge/executive and six magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Nicholasville Planning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within the corporate limits of Nicholasville

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within the corporate limits of Nicholasville

Local codes enforced - Building

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

Joint agency - Jessamine County-City of Wilmore Joint Planning Commission

Participating cities - Wilmore

Zoning enforced - Wilmore and unincorporated Jessamine County

Subdivision regulations enforced - Wilmore and unincorporated Jessamine County

Local codes enforced - Building

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 Nicholasville levies an occupational license tax of one and one-half percent of salaries, wages, and commissions of individuals employed within the city. Businesses pay a business license tax on gross receipts based upon a sliding scale.

Jessamine County levies a one percent occupational license tax on wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals and on net profits of businesses.

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 |
|----------------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| Jessamine County | \$0.1440 | \$0.1590 | \$0.1850 |
| Cities | | | |
| Nicholasville | 0.1560 | 0.1560 | 0.1970 |
| School Districts | | | |
| Jessamine County School District | 0.5160 | 0.5160 | 0.5470 |

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 |
|------------------|------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| Jessamine County | 6,504 | \$5,241 | 18.3 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 | 333 | 100.0 |
| To College | 166 | 49.8 |
| To Vocational/Technical School | 6 | 1.8 |
| To Workforce | 110 | 33.0 |
| To Work & School | 17 | 5.1 |
| To Military | 8 | 2.4 |
| Other | 26 | 7.8 |

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

Colleges and Technical Schools

Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Nicholasville

| | Location (Miles from Nicholasville) | Enrollment (Fall 1997) |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Asbury College | Wilmore, Kentucky (7) | 1,258 |
| Asbury Theological Seminary | Wilmore, Kentucky (7) | 1,205 |
| Lexington Community College | Lexington, Kentucky (9) | 5,558 |
| Transylvania University | Lexington, Kentucky (9) | 1,021 |
| University of Kentucky | Lexington, Kentucky (9) | 24,171 |
| Midway College | Midway, Kentucky (16) | 968 |
| Eastern Kentucky University | Richmond, Kentucky (19) | 15,425 |
| Georgetown College | Georgetown, Kentucky (20) | 1,626 |
| Centre College | Danville, Kentucky (21) | 1,001 |
| Berea College | Berea, Kentucky (25) | 1,464 |
| Kentucky State University | Frankfort, Kentucky (25) | 2,288 |
| Somerset Community College | Somerset, Kentucky (49) | 2,558 |
| Sue Bennett College | London, Kentucky (55) | 314 |
| Campbellsville College | Campbellsville, Kentucky (58) | 1,583 |

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

Source: Kentucky Council on Higher Education.

Technical Schools

| | | Enro | Enrollment (1997-1998) | | |
|--|---------------------------------------|------|------------------------|--------------|--|
| | Location (Mileage from Nicholasville) | Sec | <u>P/S</u> | <u>Total</u> | |
| Central Kentucky Technical College Lexington Campus | Lexington, Kentucky (9) | 0 | 1,154 | 1,154 | |
| Garrard County ATC | Lancaster, Kentucky (16) | 199 | 0 | 199 | |
| Madison County ATC | Richmond, Kentucky (19) | 799 | 0 | 799 | |
| Harrodsburg ATC | Harrodsburg, Kentucky (19) | 383 | 4 | 387 | |
| Central Kentucky Technical College Danville Campus | Danville, Kentucky (21) | 107 | 125 | 232 | |
| Central Kentucky Technical College Anderson Campus | Lawrenceburg, Kentucky (22) | 0 | 115 | 115 | |
| Clark County ATC | Winchester, Kentucky (24) | 207 | 2 | 209 | |
| Harrison County ATC | Cynthiana, Kentucky (34) | 720 | 5 | 725 | |
| Rockcastle County ATC | Mount Vernon, Kentucky (36) | 367 | 73 | 440 | |
| Montgomery County ATC | Mount Sterling, Kentucky (40) | 692 | 0 | 692 | |
| Casey County ATC | Liberty, Kentucky (43) | 709 | 0 | 709 | |
| Shelby County ATC | Shelbyville, Kentucky (45) | 539 | 46 | 585 | |
| Marion County ATC | Lebanon, Kentucky (46) | 501 | 0 | 501 | |
| Somerset Technical College | Somerset, Kentucky (49) | 2 | 711 | 713 | |
| Nelson County ATC | Bardstown, Kentucky (54) | 527 | 4 | 531 | |
| Lee County ATC | Beattyville, Kentucky (54) | 429 | 21 | 450 | |
| Laurel County Technical College | London, Kentucky (55) | 232 | 399 | 631 | |

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).

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, KCTCS.

Customized Training

The Kentucky Tech system, through its training and development coordinators, will provide technical assistance and will identify and develop low-cost customized training programs and services for both established and prospective businesses. Businesses wanting to establish a customized training program should contact a Training and Development Coordinator at the Central Kentucky Technical College in Lexington (606) 255-8501.

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 Nicholasville area is located at the Central Kentucky Technical College in Lexington (606) 255-8501.

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 Nicholasville area, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Adult Learning Center. Adult basic education is also provided by the Jessamine County Board of Education.

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 - 24 Dentists - 11

Hospitals

Nicholasville's hospital needs are adequately served by its close proximity to Lexington, 12 miles to the north. Lexington has six general hospitals and four specialized hospitals. These hospitals provide approximately 3,400 beds.

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Baptist Health Care Center
Jessamine County Ambulance Service
Jessamine County Comprehensive Care Center
Jessamine County Health Center (public health facility)
Jessamine County Hospice
Jessamine County Senior Home Care
Jessamine Medical Center (associated with Lexington Clinic)

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Bank One Central Bank and Trust Company Citizens National Bank of Jessamine County The Farmers Bank and Trust Company First Southern National Bank of Jessamine County Kentucky Bank National City Bank

Newspapers

Jessamine Journal (weekly)

Telephone Service

GTE South, Inc.

RECREATION

The 22-acre City-County Park offers many youth and adult sports activities. Primary facilities include: a softball field, two basketball courts, two shelters, two tennis courts, and four soccer fields. City-County Park also provides space for the Jessamine Youth Football League in an enclosed lighted football facility equipped with a fieldhouse, grandstands, and concession area. The park is also the home of the Jessamine Little League and Babe Ruth Baseball Association. The baseball games are held at a four-field complex which includes a concession area. A playground is also provided at the park.

The Jessamine County Fairgrounds, located at City-County Park, offers a multi-purpose building including restroom facilities with group reservations available. The Fairgrounds also features a horse show ring, a tractor pull arena, animal barns, a 16-pit horseshoe area, and a covered shelter for pageants, shows, and theatricals.

Six other parks are available locally. Lake Mingo Park features three shelter areas, a tennis court, playground area, picnic area, basketball court, an exercise area, and a one-half mile paved jogging/walking track. Hayden Park, located on Jefferson Street, offers a state-of-the-art playground area, a multi-purpose ball diamond, and a shelter/restroom facility. Rock Fence Park, located on the corner of Oak Street and Kentucky 169, offers a large playground area and shelter/picnic area for the surrounding neighborhood. The James Mason Soccer Facility, on Keene Road at Belle Place, offers an Olympic-size soccer field that is recessed for amphitheater-type seating on all sides of the field. Billy Lockridge Park is located in the front of Keene Land on Keene Way Drive. The park includes a playground area, a picnic area, and a shelter. Woody Grow Park is located in the rear of Keene Land. The park offers a sand volleyball court, a basketball court, a playground area, and a shelter.

Youth athletic programs include baseball, basketball, football, and soccer. The football programs have corresponding cheerleading programs for girls. Adult leagues for basketball, softball, and volleyball are available as well.

Golf courses in Nicholasville include: The Lone Oak Country Club, Connemara Golf Links, High Point Golf Course, Peninsula Golf Resort, Champions Golf Club, and Planter's Row Golf Links.

Special events in Jessamine County include the Festival of the 4th, Jessamine County Fair, Jessamine Jamboree, and Christmas in Jessamine County.

Asbury College, in Wilmore, features special exhibits, performances, and sports events which are open to the public.

Lexington Attractions

Nicholasville benefits from its close proximity to Lexington with a multitude of diverse activities. Recreational opportunities abound with sporting and entertainment events at Rupp Arena and the University of Kentucky to name only the larger facilities. Parks, golf courses, shopping malls, and movie theaters are plentiful also. Cultural activities in the Lexington area are numerous as well. ArtsPlace, the Lexington Opera House, and U.K.'s Singletary Center for the Arts are the major performance facilities for theatre, dance, and music.

Lexington is world-renowed as a center for the horse industry. The area draws visitors from around the world for thoroughbred racing as well as national and international horse shows, steeplechase, and polo. Surrounded by thoroughbred horse farms, the Bluegrass area is one of the most beautiful places in the world.

Area Attractions (Within 25 miles)

Brass Band Festival
Constitution Square State Historic Site
Camp Nelson National Cemetery
Commonwealth Stadium (UK football)
Herrington Lake
Keeneland Race Course
Kentucky Horse Park
Lexington Philharmonic
Old Fort Harrod State Park
Red Mile Harness Track
Rupp Arena (college basketball, professional ice hockey, and other events)
Shakertown at Pleasant Hill
Singletary Center for the Arts
Waveland State Historic Site

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 Market Area | Example - Logan | County | |
|--------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------------|
| . 11 | | | Percent of | C 1.: |
| Adjacent to | | Commuters | Total | Cumulative |
| Logan | Commuter County | into Logan | Commuters | Percent |
| | | | | |
| Y | Todd | 385 | 24.4% | 24.4% |
| \mathbf{Y} | Warren | 377 | 23.9 | 48.4 |
| \mathbf{Y} | Muhlenberg | 365 | 23.2 | 71.5 |
| \mathbf{Y} | Simpson | 162 | 10.3 | 81.8 |
| \mathbf{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 |
| \mathbf{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.