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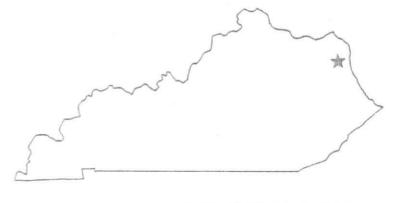
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Boyd & Greenup Counties





RESOURCES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOYD AND GREENUP COUNTIES, KENTUCKY

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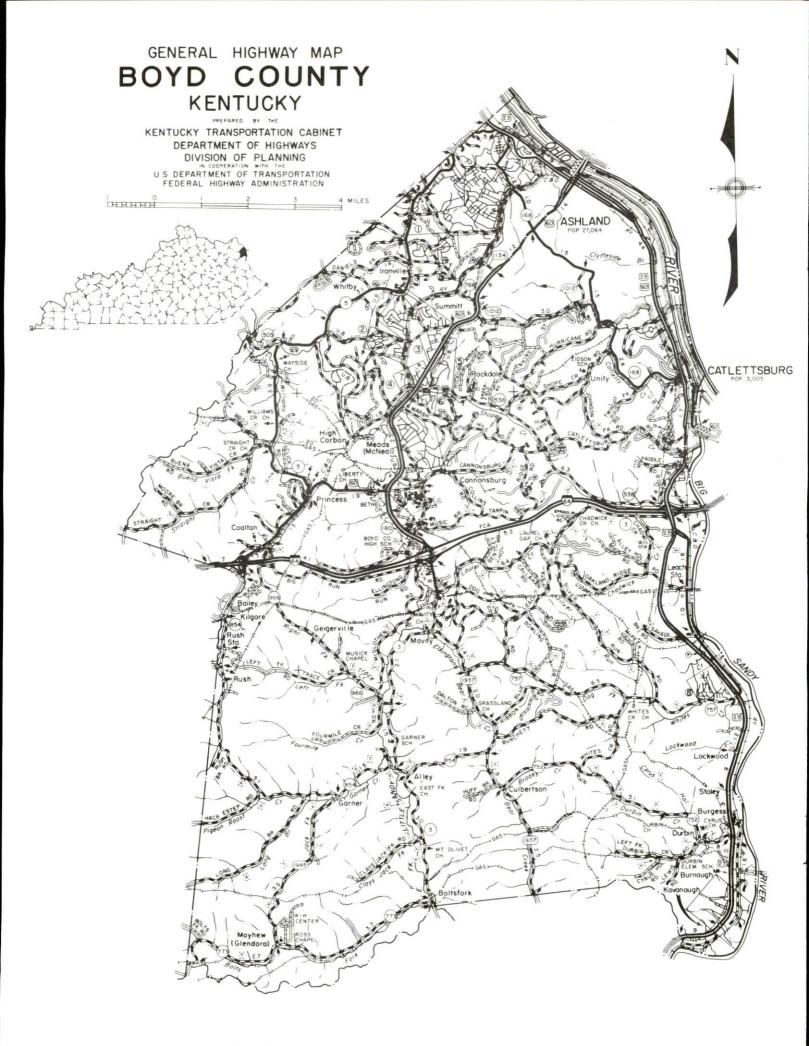
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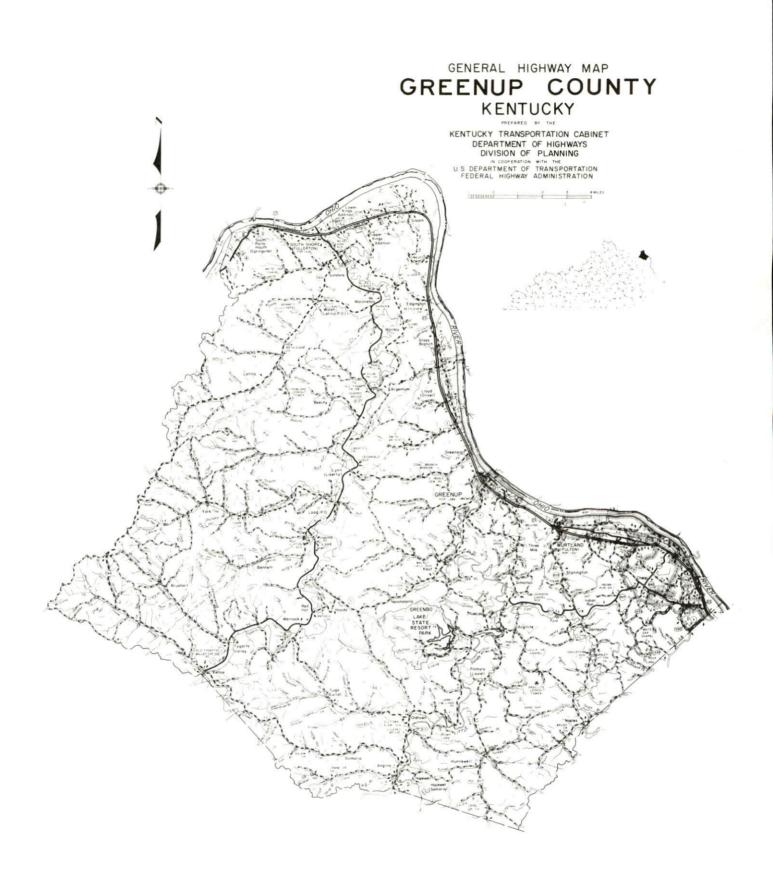
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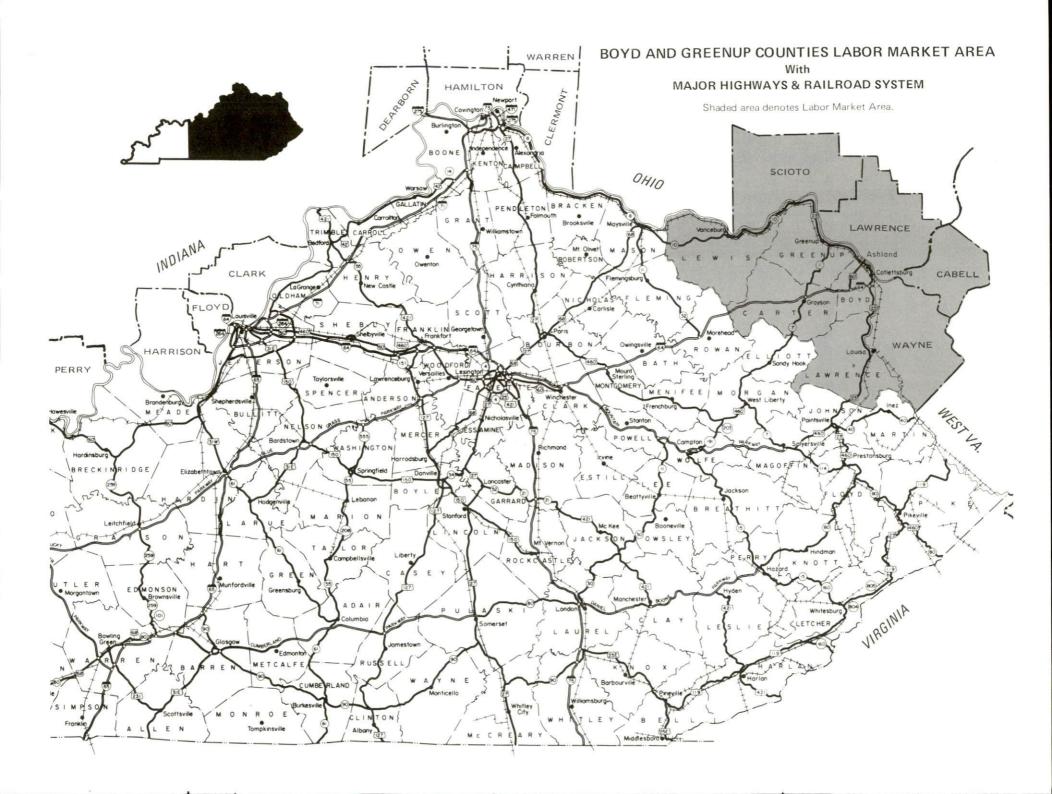
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BOYD AND GREENUP COUNTIES, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Boyd and Greenup counties, situated on the Ohio River in the Appalachian foothills of the tri-state area of Kentucky, Ohio and West Virginia, cover 506 square miles. Although part of the Eastern Kentucky Coal Fields Region, the topography is less rugged than that of other Coal Field counties. Centrally located in the eastern U.S., Kentucky is within 600 miles of 68% of the U.S. population and personal income, and 73% of all U.S. manufacturing production.

According to the 1990 census, Boyd County with two incorporated cities-Ashland and Catlettsburg, had a total population of 51,150. Ashland (1990 population of 23,622) is the largest city in the two counties and is located 67 miles west of Charleston, West Virginia; 195 miles east of Louisville, Kentucky; 134 miles southeast of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 264 miles northeast of Knoxville, Tennessee.

Greenup County had a 1990 population of 36,742. The County has eight incorporated cities: Bellefonte, Flatwoods, Greenup, Raceland, Russell, South Shore, Worthington and Wurtland.

The Economic Framework - The total number of Boyd and Greenup Counties residents employed in 1992 averaged 33,312. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 8,934 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 8,059 jobs; 7,139 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 3,776 employees; and contract construction firms provided 2,714 jobs.

Labor Supply - There is a current estimated labor supply of 19,250 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1993 through 1997, 10,955 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation - Commercial surface traffic routes which serve 35 interstate trucking lines are accessed from Interstate 64 which crosses through Boyd County. A major east-west route, I-64 provides access to I-75, I-65, I-71, I-77 and I-79. Other available highways are U.S. 23 and 60 and Kentucky Routes 7, 10 and 180. Rail service is available through CSX Transportation and Amtrack. The Ohio River has numerous private terminal facilities in both counties. Commercial air service is available through the Tri-State Airport, 14 miles southeast of Ashland. The Ashland Regional Airport in Greenup County maintains a 5,600-foot paved runway for general aviation and corporate transports.

Power and Fuel - Kentucky Power Company and Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation provide electrical power to Boyd and Greenup Counties. Natural gas service is supplied by Columbia Gas of Kentucky.

Tax Incentives - The Ashland Enterprise Zone offers tax incentives and regulatory relief to qualifying businesses which locate or expand activities within the zone's boundaries.

Education - Six public and two private school systems serve the area. Higher education is available through the University of Kentucky's Ashland Community College and the Morehead State University-Ashland Center, both of which offer associate and baccalaureate degrees in addition to continuing education programs and a variety of community-oriented services. Vocational training for major skill areas is available through the Ashland State Vocational-Technical School, plus three area vocational education centers, all located in Boyd and Greenup Counties.

LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Boyd and Greenup Counties Labor Market Area includes Boyd and Greenup Counties and the adjoining Kentucky counties of Carter, Lawrence, and Lewis. Although not included in every statistical category below, the labor market is supplemented by the nearby Ohio Counties of Lawrence and Scioto, and the West Virginia Counties of Cabell and Wayne.

	POPULATIO	N	
	1990	1980	1970
Labor Market Area*	419,883	449,576	406,817
Boyd and Greenup Counties	87,892	94,645	85,568

* Includes populations of Lawrence and Scioto Counties, Ohio; and Cabell and Wayne Counties, West Virginia.

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

ESTIMATED LABOR SUPPLY

	Current		Future	
	Total	Unemployed	Not in Labor Force	Becoming 18 years of age 1993 thru 1997
Labor Market Area* Boyd and Greenup	19,250	6,341	12,909	10,955
Counties	11,116	3,418	7,698	6,595

* These statistics do not completely reflect the total labor supply for the area. A significant number of workers are drawn from surrounding counties in Ohio, West Virginia, and nearby Kentucky counties as well.

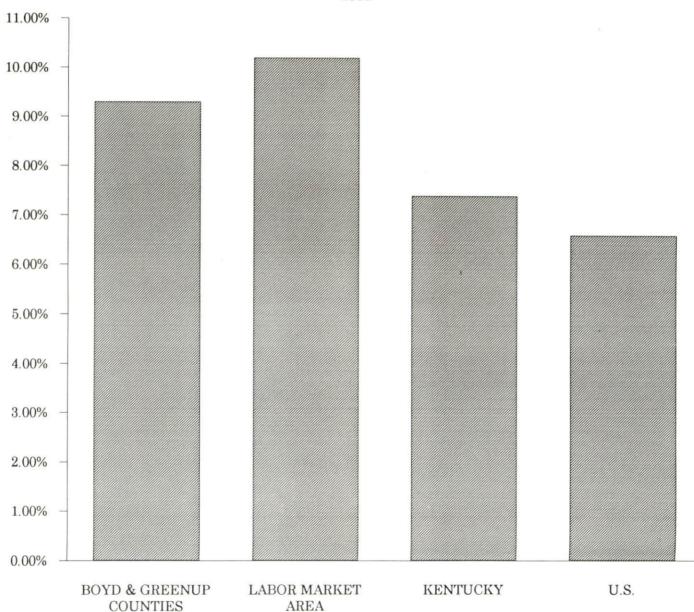
Note: Unemployed - persons unemployed and actively seeking work; Not in Labor Force - represents the number of persons who would enter the labor force if suitable employment were available (based on the assumption that persons in Kentucky would like to participate in the labor force in the same proportion 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, <u>Kentucky Labor Surplus</u> <u>Estimates by County, 1992</u>. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, <u>Future</u> Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1993 thru 1997.

	Boyd and Greenup Counties	Labor Market Area*
Civilian Labor Force	36,730	175,144
Employment	33,312	157,233
Unemployment	3,418	17,911
Rate of Unemployment (%)	9.3	10.2

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1992

* Includes the two Ohio counties and the two West Virginia counties. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, 1993; Ohio Bureau of Employment Services, 1993; West Virginia Division of Employment Security, 1993.



UNEMPLOYMENT RATES 1992

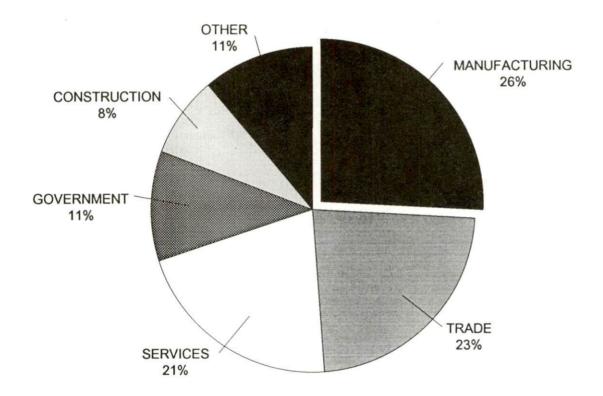
	Boyd and Greenup Counties	Labor Market Area*
All Industries (total)	35,024	44,447
Manufacturing	8,934	11,469
Wholesale & Retail Trade	8,059	10,189
Services	7,139	8,481
State/Local Government	3,776	5,832
Contract Construction	2,714	3,042

SELECTED COMPONENTS OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT BY PLACE OF WORK, 1992

* Includes the five Kentucky counties only.

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers, certain nonprofit corporations, majority of federal government workers, and self-employed workers. Source: Kentucky Cabinet for Human Resources, <u>Average Monthly Workers</u> Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1992.

BOYD & GREENUP COUNTIES

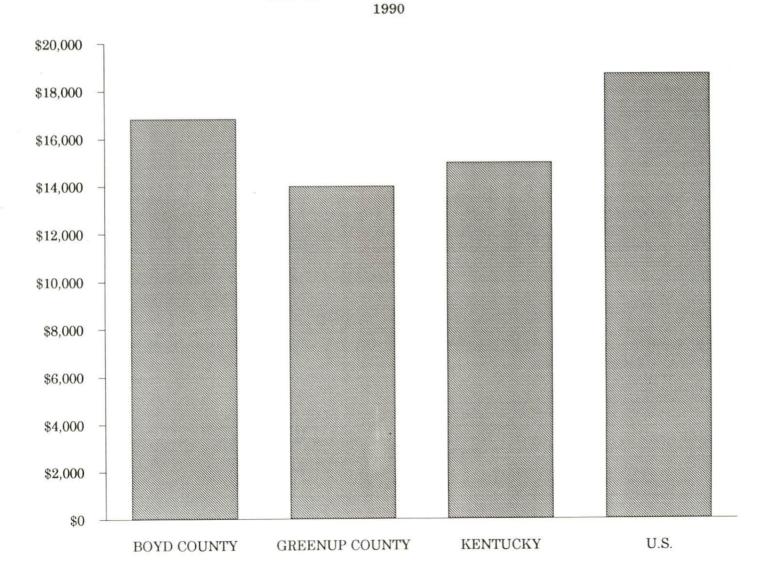


PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME				
Area	1986	1990	Percent Change	
Boyd County Greenup County	\$12,018 \$11,274	\$16,824 \$14,002	$\begin{array}{c} 40.0\\ 24.2\end{array}$	
Labor Market Area Range*	\$7,651 - \$12,018	\$9,755 - \$16,824	-	
Kentucky	\$11,273	\$14,992	33.0	
U.S.	\$14,654	\$18,696	27.6	

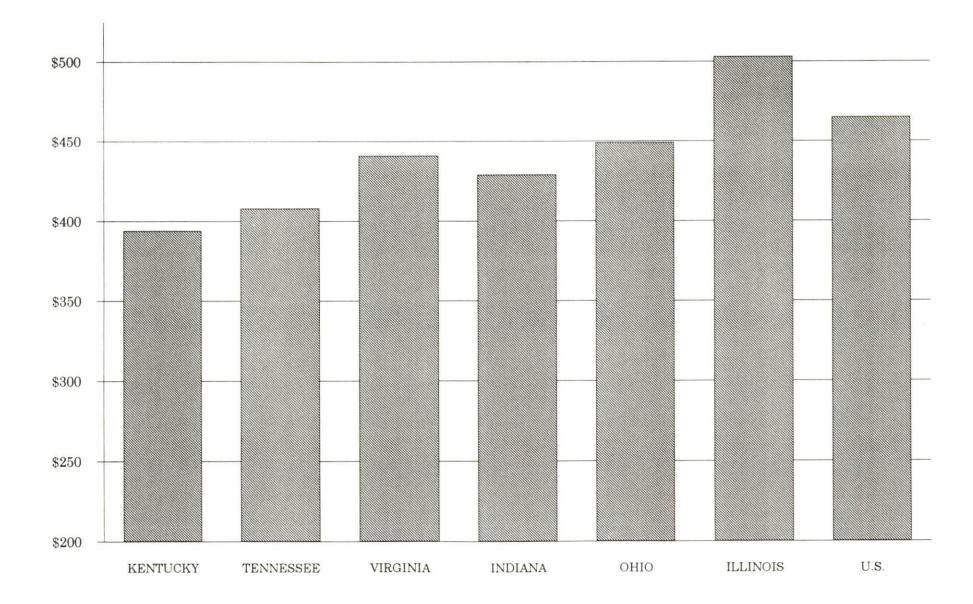
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* Includes the five Kentucky counties only. Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, Kentucky Economic Information System, April 1992.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME



AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES OF WORKERS COVERED BY UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE - 1991



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AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY BY PLACE OF WORK, 1991*

			Kentucky	
	Boyd	Greenup	(State-	
	County	County	Wide)	Tennessee
	county	county	(1140)	1011100000
All Industries	\$462.68	\$479.84	\$394.46	\$408.00
Mining & Quarrying	675.78	N/A	661.68	528.00
Contract Construction	480.41	358.05	410.33	436.00
Manufacturing	686.08	743.45	505.56	477.00
Transportation,				
Communications &				
Public Utilities	574.73	572.25	528.78	541.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	253.22	200.37	268.42	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	403.94	362.92	449.89	495.00
Services	418.45	372.05	350.41	394.00
State/Local Government	398.84	369.25	413.84	N/A
	Virginia	Indiana	Ohio	<u>U. S.</u>
All Industries	\$441.00	\$429.00	\$449.00	\$465.00
Mining & Quarrying	655.00	708.00	609.00	747.00
Contract Construction	452.00	499.00	510.00	514.00
Manufacturing	509.00	583.00	613.00	579.00
Transportation,				
Communications &				
Public Utilities	605.00	531.00	567.00	599.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance &				
Real Estate	523.00	458.00	498.00	596.00
Services	455.00	368.00	398.00	443.00
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, <u>Average Weekly Wages of</u> <u>Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1991</u>. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, <u>Employment and Wages</u>, <u>Annual</u> <u>Averages</u>, 1991, January 1993. Boyd and Greenup Counties are served by the Ashland local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Ashland 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 2,456 job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

	NUMBER OF	AVERAGE
OCCUPATIONAL CATEGORY	PLACEMENTS	WAGE(\$)
All Occupations	2,456	4.71
Clerical	580	4.40
Sales	55	3.69
Services (excluding domestic)	420	4.38
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	10	5.16
Processing	771	4.68
Machine Trades	21	5.33
Bench Work	12	4.50
Structural	103	6.61
Motor Freight/ Transportation	40	7.18
Packaging and Materials Handling	143	5.34

The Ashland local office also serves Carter, Elliott, and Lawrence Counties. The above occupational categories are taken from the <u>Dictionary of Occupational</u> <u>Titles</u> published by the U.S. Department of Labor.

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

EXISTING INDUSTRY

Firm (Establishment date)	Product	1993 Average Employment
Boyd County		
Ashland		
A.C. Marble, Inc. (1960)	Bath tubs, vanity tops, shower walls, cultured marble	35
Area Advertising Agency, Inc. (1975)	Ball caps	20
Armco Steel Company, L.P. (1922)	Steel sheets and coils	2,168
Ashland Carbon Fibers, Division of Ashland Petroleum Company (1984)	Carbon fibers, petroleum pitch, carbon fiber paper	56
Ashland Fabricating and Welding Company (1954)	Steel fabricating job shop, coal processing equipment	. 30
Ashland Hide (1992)	Sole leather	75
Ashland Publishing Company, The Daily Independent (1921)	Newspaper	120
B & M Rechrome Company (1961)	Chrome and rubber bumpers	25
Bright Ideas Bakery (1951)	Bakery products	30
Columbus Showcase Company (1944)	Display showcases, display fixtures, hardware	40
Corbin, Ltd. (1983)	Men's and ladies' clothing	600
Gallaher's Printing and Office Products (1975)	Commercial printing and mailing	85
Heckett, Division of Harsco (1983)	Slag, crushed and expanded; metallic recovery	50
Johnsons Dairy, Inc. (1931)	Milk, cottage cheese, ice cream	50
Kentucky Electric Steel (1986)	Hot rolled steel bars	486
Mountain Enterprises, Inc. (1955)	Asphalt paving	20
Patton Lumber Company (1912)	Millwork, windows, lumber, trusses	22
Pennco, Inc. (1956)	Aluminum and wooden windo and doors, vinyl windows	
RAM Technologies, Inc. (1977)	Custom electronic assemblie	
U.S. Brick Company (1926)	Brick	33

MAJOR BOYD & GREENUP COUNTIES MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT*

(continued)

Firm (Establishment date)	Product	1993 Average Employment
Catlettsburg		
Ashland Petroleum Company, Catlettsburg Refinery (1924)	Petroleum products, petrochemicals	1,600
Big Sandy Asphalt Company (1974)	Emulsified asphalt	20
Calgon Carbon Corporation (1960)	Activated carbon	330
INCO Alloys (1964)	Air induction, high nickel alloys, extruded induction nickel alloys	138
Greenup County		
Greenup		
CAE Vanguard, Inc. (1992)	Railcar axle builder	25
Russell		
Raceland Car Shop, CSX Transportation (1929)	Freight cars and compone	ents 100
South Shore		
MarkWest Hydrocarbon	Fractionation products	33
Partners, Ltd. (1958) North American Refractories Company (1902)	Special refractories	200
Wurtland		
Ametek, Inc. Microfoam	Plastic cushioning	135
Division (1983) E.I. DuPont De Nemours	material Sulfuric acid	25
and Company (1926) PCI, Inc. (1991)	Phthalocyanine chemicals	80

* Firms with 20 or more employees. Sources: Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; The Economic Development Corporation of Boyd and Greenup Counties.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN MANUFACTURING FIRMS

Union

Boyd County

Aluminum, Brick and Glass Workers International Union, AFL-CIO

- Amalgamated Clothing and Textile Workers Union, AFL-CIO
- Graphic Communications International Union, AFL-CIO
- International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America

International Typographical Union, AFL-CIO

- Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union, AFL-CIO
- United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, AFL-CIO
- United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO-CLC

Greenup County

Brotherhood of Railway Carmen of the United States and Canada, AFL-CIO

Brotherhood of Railway, Airline and Steamship Clerks, Freight Handlers, Express and Station Employees, AFL-CIO Representing workers at:

U.S. Brick Company

Corbin, Ltd.

Ashland Publishing Company, The Daily Independent

Scioto Block, Inc.

- Ashland Publishing Company, The Daily Independent; Dickenson Printing Company; Gallaher's Printing and Office Products
- Armco Steel Company, L.P.; Ashland Petroleum Company, Catlettsburg Refinery

Columbus Showcase Company

Armco Steel Company, L.P.; Calgon Carbon Corporation; Contech Construction Products, Inc.; Heckett, Division of Harsco; INCO Alloys; Kentucky Electric Steel

Raceland Car Shop, CSX Transportation

Raceland Car Shop, CSX Transportation

(Continued)

Union

- International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers, AFL-CIO
- International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers
- International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO
- International Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers, AFL-CIO
- Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union, AFL-CIO

Sheet Metal Workers' International Association

United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO-CLC

Representing workers at:

Raceland Car Shop, CSX Transportation

MarkWest Hydrocarbon Partners, Ltd.

Raceland Car Shop, CSX Transportation

North American Refractories Company

Types of Services	Location	Mileage from Ashland
Custom Plastics Producers	Wurtland, Kentucky	8
Electric Motor Repair	Ashland, Kentucky	-
Heat Treating Facilities	Lexington, Kentucky	121
Industrial Waste Removal	Ashland, Kentucky Greenup, Kentucky	10
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Ashland, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	Ironton, Ohio	4
Metal Finishers	Ashland, Kentucky	-
Metal Service Centers	Ashland, Kentucky	-
Millwrights & Riggers	Lexington, Kentucky	121

SELECTED INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Interstate Highway 64, U.S. Highways 23 and 60, and Kentucky Route 180 are "AAA"-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways serving Boyd County. Interchanges of Interstate 64 are located 12 miles southwest of Ashland via U.S. 60, and eight miles southeast of Ashland (two miles south of Catlettsburg) via U.S. 23. A major east-west route, I-64 provides access to I-75, I-65, I-71, I-77 and I-79.

U.S. Highway 23 and Kentucky Route 10 also serve Greenup County. Both Kentucky routes are "AAA"-rated. U.S. 23 is a four-lane highway from South Portsmouth in northern Greenup County, through Greenup and Boyd Counties, and traverses eastern and southeastern Kentucky. In addition, "AA"-rated Kentucky Route 7 serves Greenup County.

U.S. Highway 52, a major four-lane highway from Portsmouth, Ohio, to Huntington, West Virginia, is located just across the Ohio River, and is accessible via bridges at South Portsmouth, Grays Branch, Russell, and Ashland, Kentucky.

Construction of Kentucky Highway 546, ("A-A" Highway) is under way in Greenup County. The 25-mile spur will traverse Greenup County into Lewis County and connect with the completed portion of the highway. It is scheduled for completion in 1995. Another spur extending from Vanceburg, south of Greenup County to I-64 at Grayson is also under construction. The entire 95-mile main highway will extend from the Greenup Lock and Dam near Greenup to Interstate 275 in northern Kentucky.

	Highway		Highway
City	Miles	City	Miles
Atlanta, GA	458	Los Angeles, CA	2,280
Baltimore, MD	428	Louisville, KY	195
Birmingham, AL	497	Nashville, TN	331
Chicago, IL	418	New Orleans, LA	836
Cincinnati, OH	134	New York, NY	613
Cleveland, OH	254	Pittsburgh, PA	258
Detroit, MI	306	St. Louis, MO	453
Knoxville, TN	264	padalangan kana di dagangan 🖌 Sant-Sila-Si	

HIGHWAY MILES FROM ASHLAND, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

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

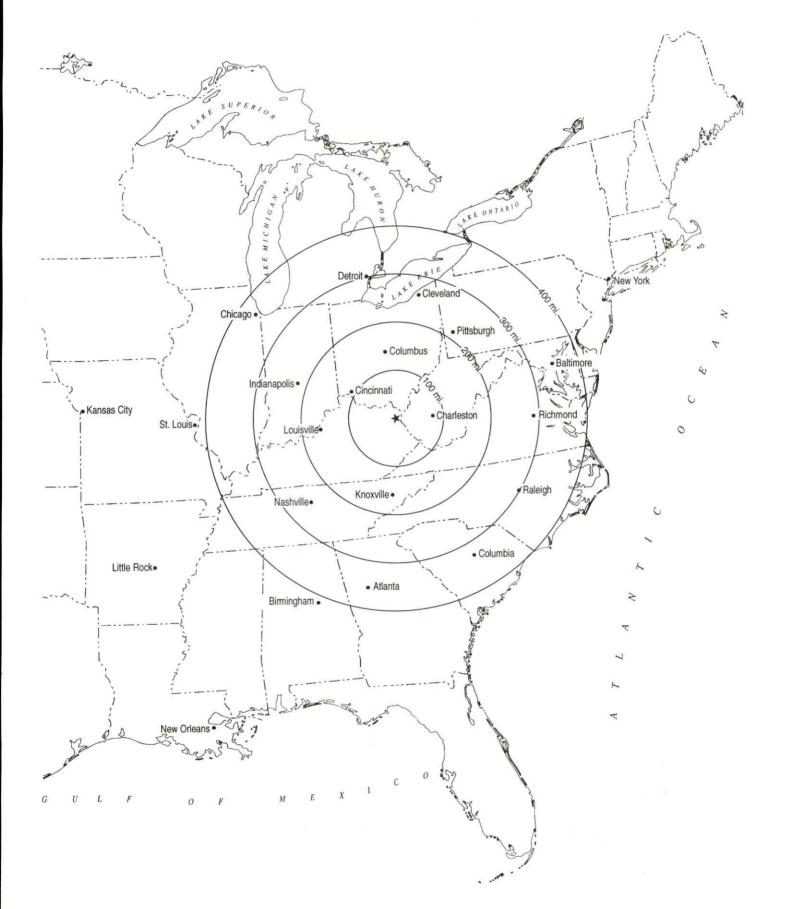
Sources: <u>Rand McNally Standard Highway Mileage Guide</u>, 1990. Official Kentucky Mileage Map, 1985.

Truck Service

Thirty-five common carrier trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Boyd and Greenup Counties.

Source: American Motor Carrier Directory, Fall 1993.

Selected Market Centers



CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Boyd and Greenup Counties. The nearest piggyback facilities are located at Cincinnati, Ohio, 134 miles northwest of Ashland.

Amtrack provides passenger line service to the area with stations located at Catlettsburg-Ashland (Boyd County) and South Portsmouth (Greenup County).

In addition, the Norfolk Southern Railroad provides service to the area across the Ohio River in Ohio and West Virginia.

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

Amtrack Distribution Center 1-800-872-7245

Air

Local

Ashland Regional Airport 6 miles northwest of Ashland 1 paved 5,600 feet

Wind sock

Sundown to sunrise, VASI, REIL, rotating beacon, runway lights

Jet-A fuel, 100LL octane and oil, major and minor A & P repairs, storage, flight instruction, pilot service, plane charter, FBO, AWOS system

Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Tri-State Airport (Walker-Long Field)
3 miles southwest of Huntington, West Virginia;
14 miles southeast of Ashland
ComAir, USAir, C.C. Air, Northwest Airlink

48

Location: Runways: Length: Traffic Control: Lighting:

Services:

Location:

Air Service: Daily Arrivals & Departures:

15

Rail

Water

Ashland is located on the Ohio River, while Catlettsburg is located at the confluence of the Ohio and Big Sandy Rivers. A nine-foot navigation channel is maintained on the Ohio River and to a point nine miles south of Catlettsburg on the Big Sandy River.

Waterborne traffic on the Ohio and Big Sandy Rivers is extensive in the Ashland-Catlettsburg and Greenup County region. Numerous private terminal facilities operate in this area, providing bulk and general cargo transloading facilities for commercial freight.

Electricity

Company serving Boyd County and portions of northern and eastern Greenup County, including Bellefonte, Flatwoods, Greenup, Raceland, Russell, South Shore, Worthington, and Wurtland -Kentucky Power Company

Source of power - Kentucky Power Company

For industrial rates contact:

Economic Development Manager Kentucky Power Company 1701 Central Avenue P.O. Box 1428 Ashland, Kentucky 41105-1428 (606) 327-1244 Fax (606) 327-1246

Company serving a major portion of Greenup County - Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corportion Source of power - East Kentucky Power For industrial rates contact:

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

> > and/or

Grayson Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation
109 Bagby Park
Grayson, Kentucky 41143
(606) 474-5136 or (800) 562-3532

Natural Gas

Company serving **Boyd-Greenup Counties area** - 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 Fax (502) 227-7645

Public Water Supply

Boyd County

Company serving Ashland and Catlettsburg -

City of Ashland Department of Utilities P.O. Box 1839 Ashland, Kentucky 41105-1839 (606) 327-2060

Source of raw water -Treatment plant capacity -Average daily consumption -Peak daily consumption -Storage capacity -Water pressure - Ohio River 12,000,000 gallons per day 8,000,000 gallons 10,000,000 gallons 9,400,000 gallons 25 psi to 150 psi

Name of water district -

Big Sandy Water District 18200 State Route 3 Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129 (606) 928-2075

Area served - Portions of southern Boyd County

Source of treated water - City of Kenova, West Virginia; City of Louisa, Kentucky

Maximum amount of treated water which may be purchased - 600,000 gallons per day (Kenova, WV); 16,666 gallons per day (Louisa, Kentucky)

Average daily consumption -Peak daily consumption -Storage capacity -Water pressure - 375,000 gallons 475,000 gallons 900,000 gallons 35 psi to 190 psi

Big Sandy Water District plans to construct 60 additional miles of water lines. The \$1.5 million project is scheduled for completion by Spring 1994.

Name of water district -

Cannonsburg Water District 1606 Cannonsburg Road Ashland, Kentucky 41102 (606) 928-9808

Area served - Rural Boyd County (Cannonsburg, Coalton, Meads,
Ponderosa and Graydon Heights)Source of treated water - City of AshlandAmount of water which may be purchased - 1,200,000 gallonsAverage daily consumption -
Peak daily consumption -
Storage capacity -
Water pressure -Storage capacity -
30 psi 150 psi

Greenup County

Company serving Bellefonte and Russell -

City of Russell P.O. Box 394 Russell, Kentucky 41169 (606) 836-9666

Source -Ohio River City of Ashland Source of treated water -2,000,000 gallons per day Treatment plant capacity -Amount of water that can be purchased - 864,000 gallons 1,600,000 gallons Average daily consumption -Peak daily consumption -1,900,000 gallons Storage capacity -2,300,000 gallons Water pressure -50 psi to 90 psi City of Flatwoods Company serving Flatwoods -2513 Reed Street Flatwoods, Kentucky 41139 (606) 836-9661

Source of treated water -
Amount of water that can be purchased - 750,000 gallons per dayAverage daily consumption -
Peak daily consumption -
Storage capacity -
Water pressure -554,401 gallons
641,355 gallons
650,000 gallons
30 psi to 70 psi

Company serving Greenup - Greenup Water and Sewer Department 1005 Walnut Street Greenup, Kentucky 41144 (606) 473-7331 (office) (606) 473-6757 (plant)

Source of raw water -	Little Sandy River
Treatment plant capacity -	1,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption -	575,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption -	700,000 gallons
Storage capacity -	900,000 gallons
Water pressure -	30 psi to 130 psi

The City of Greenup is presently constructing several new water lines which will serve 300 new customers and is scheduled for completion by November 1993.

Company serving Raceland -	Raceland Water Works 711 Chinn Street Raceland, Kentucky 41169 (606) 836-4522
Source of treated water - Amount of water that can be put	City of Russell rchased - 180,000 gallons per day (provisions can be made for an additional allowance)
Average daily consumption - Peak daily consumption - Storage capacity - Water pressure -	210,000 gallons 240,000 gallons 100,000 gallons 50 psi to 125 psi

Company serving South Shore -	South Shore Water Works Company, Inc. P.O. Box 485 South Shore, Kentucky 41175 (606) 932-3531
Source of raw water - Treatment plant capacity - Average daily consumption - Peak daily consumption - Storage capacity - Water pressure -	 9 wells; pumping capacity of 725 gallons per minute 900,000 gallons per day 500,000 gallons 700,000 gallons 400,000 gallons 50 psi to 70 psi
Company serving Worthington -	City of Worthington P.O. Box 366 Worthington, Kentucky 41183 (606) 836-6821
Source of raw water - Treatment plant capacity - Average daily consumption - Peak daily consumption - Storage capacity - Water pressure -	3 wells; total pumping capacity of 252 gallons per minute 250,000 gallons per day 134,000 gallons 200,000 gallons 250,000 gallons 50 psi to 55 psi
Company serving Wurtland -	City of Wurtland Water Department 500 Wurtland Avenue Wurtland, Kentucky 41144 (606) 836-0227 (office) (606) 836-2722 (plant)
Source of raw water - Source of treated water - Amount of water that can be pu Treatment plant capacity - Average daily consumption - Peak daily consumption - Storage capacity - Water pressure -	2 wells; total pumping capacity of 200 gallons per minute City of Greenup rchased - No specified limit 115,000 gallons per day At capacity 145,000 gallons 320,000 gallons 70 psi to 80 psi

The City of Wurtland recently constructed a new 120,000-gallon storage tank and plans to renovate its water treatment system.

Raw Water

Surface water sources - Ohio River, Big Sandy River, Little Sandy River, Tygarts Creek

- Average discharge Ohio River at Greenup Dam, Kentucky 90,550 cfs (22 years, USGS); Little Sandy River at Grayson, Kentucky - 475 cfs (53 years, USGS); Tygarts Creek near Greenup, Kentucky - 308 cfs (51 years, USGS)
- Expected ground water yield 500 to 1,000 gpm along the Ohio River; 50 to 200 gpm in a band from southeastern Boyd County to east central Greenup County; 5 to 50 gpm over the remainder of the area

Sewerage

Boyd County

Company serving Ashland -	City of Ashland Department of Utilities P.O. Box 1839 Ashland, Kentucky 41105-1839 (606) 327-2060
Design capacity -	11,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow -	4,500,000 gallons
Type of treatment -	Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into -	Ohio River
Company serving Catlettsburg -	Catlettsburg Wastewater Plant P.O. Box 533 Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129 (606) 739-5145
Design capacity -	500,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow -	225,000 gallons
Type of treatment -	Primary
Treated effluent discharged into -	Big Sandy River

The City of Catlettsburg plans to renovate its existing sewer plant and collection system by January 1995 at a cost of \$3 million.

Greenup County

Company serving Bellefonte, Kenwood, Westwood, and portions of Flatwoods and Russell - Sanitation District #1 of Boyd

and Greenup Counties P.O. Box 617 Greenup, Kentucky 41144 (606) 325-0204

Design capacity -750,000 gallons per dayAverage daily flow -650,000 gallonsType of treatment -SecondaryTreated effluent discharged into - Ohio River

Sanitation District #1 plans to begin construction of a new sewer plant by January 1994.

Company serving Flatwoods, Raceland, and Russell -

Greenup County Environmental Commission P.O. Box 471 Russell, Kentucky 41169 (606) 836-4600

Design capacity -2,050,000 gallons per dayAverage daily flow -1,100,000 gallonsType of treatment -SecondaryTreated effluent discharged into - Ohio River

Company serving Greenup -

Greenup Water and Sewer Department 1005 Walnut Street Greenup, Kentucky 41144 (606) 473-7331 (office) (606) 473-7831 (plant)

Design capacity -200,000 gallons per dayAverage daily flow -150,000 gallonsType of treatment -Primary, secondary, and tertiaryTreated effluent discharged into - Little Sandy River

The City of Greenup is in the process of completely renovating its existing sewer plant and will finish the project by November 1993.

Company serving South Shore -	City of South Shore 1661 East Second Avenue South Shore, Kentucky 41175 (606) 932-6144
Design capacity - Average daily flow -	390,000 gallons per day 150,000 gallons
Type of treatment -	Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into -	

The City of South Shore recently expanded its wastewater treatment plant from 200,000 gallons per day to 390,000 gallons per day at a cost of \$1 million. In addition, sewer service was extended to 300 new residential customers.

Company serving Worthington -

City of Worthington P.O. Box 366 Worthington, Kentucky 41183 (606) 836-6821

Design capacity -200,000 gallons per dayAverage daily flow -135,000 gallonsType of treatment -SecondaryTreated effluent discharged into - Ohio River

135,000 gallons Secondary Ohio River City of Wurtland Sewer Depa

Company serving Wurtland -

City of Wurtland Sewer Department 500 Wurtland Avenue Wurtland, Kentucky 41144 (606) 836-0227 (office) (606) 836-5215 (plant)

Design capacity -1,100,000 gallons per dayAverage daily flow -850,000 gallonsType of treatment -SecondaryTreated effluent discharged into - Ohio River

CLIMATE

Boyd and Greenup Counties

Temperature			
Average a Record hig Record low Normal he (Heating negative	D-year record) nnual 1991 ghest, July 1988 (31-year record) west, January 1985 (31-year record) ating degree days (30-year record) g degree day totals are the sums of e departures of average daily atures from 65 degrees F.)	55.20 58.30 102.00 -16.00 4,676	degrees degrees degrees degrees
Precipitation	1		
Mean annu Total prec Mean num (30-year	0-year record) al snowfall (30-year record) ipitation 1991 ber days precipitation (.01 inch or more) record) ber days thunderstorms (29-year record)	40.74 25.20 38.70 139.40	inches inches inches 41.40
Prevailing w	inds N	/A	
Relative Hur	nidity (30-year record, except 1 a.m 29) year record	1)
1 a.m. 7 a.m. 1 p.m. 7 p.m.	 78 percent (26-year record) 83 percent (27-year record) 58 percent (27-year record) 61 percent (27-year record) 		

Source:	U.S.	Department of	of Commerc	e, Environmental	Science Services
Administr	ation,	Climatological	l Data, 1991.	Station of record:	Huntington, West
Virginia.					

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Boyd County is governed by a county judge/executive and three county commissioners. Each official is elected to a four-year term. Two incorporated cities are located in Boyd County. The City of Ashland is governed by a mayor and four city commissioners. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the city commissioners each serve two-year terms. In addition, the City of Ashland employs a city manager. The City of Catlettsburg is governed by a mayor elected to a four-year term and six city council members elected to two-year terms each.

Greenup County is governed by a county judge/executive and three commissioners. Each official is elected to a four-year term. Eight incorporated cities are located in Greenup County. The Cities of Bellefonte, South Shore and Wurtland are each governed by a mayor and four city commissioners. The Cities of Flatwoods, Greenup, Raceland, Russell and Worthington are each governed by a mayor and six council members. Each mayor is elected to a four-year term, while both the city commissioners and the council members each serve two-year terms.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - City of Ashland Planning Commission Zoning enforced - Within city limits Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city limits 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) City agency - Catlettsburg Planning and Zoning Commission Zoning enforced - Within city limits Subdivision regulations enforced - 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) Joint agency - Greenup County Joint Planning Commission Participating cities - Bellefonte, Flatwoods, Greenup, Russell, and Worthington Zoning enforced - Each participating area is responsible for developing and enforcing its own zoning regulations Subdivision regulations enforced - Within the cities of Bellefonte, Flatwoods, Greenup, Russell, and Worthington Local codes enforced - Housing codes in Bellefonte, Flatwoods, Greenup, Russell, and Worthington 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

Ashland - Occupational license fee of $1 \ 1/2\%$ of the net profits of all businesses and professions from activities conducted within the city. Minimum fee of \$100 per year.

Catlettsburg - An occupational license fee of 1% of net profits of businesses and the gross salaries or wages of individuals is levied within the city.

Flatwoods - An annual business gross receipts fee with a minimum of \$50 is levied for gross receipts up to \$75,000. For all businesses exceeding \$75,000 in gross receipts, an additional fee generally ranging from \$75 to \$480 is levied. The absolute maximum fee is \$1,250.

Greenup - The City of Greenup does not levy any annual business license fees.

Raceland - An annual business license of \$25 is levied.

Russell - The City of Russell does not levy any annual business license fees.

South Shore - The city charges an annual business license of \$50.

Wurtland - The city levies a business license fee of \$25 annually.

Worthington - The City of Worthington does not levy any annual business license fees.

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

Selected Classes of Property	1992 State Rate	Local Taxation Permitted
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

Taxing Jurisdiction	Real Estate	Finished Goods & Tangibles	Motor Vehicles
Boyd County	\$0.2442	\$0.2422	\$0.2400
School Districts:			
Boyd County	0.3430	0.3430	0.5470
Ashland Independent	0.4810	0.4810	0.3330
Fairview Independent	0.7150	0.7150	0.6030
Russell Independent	0.4720	0.4720	0.4980
Cities:			
Ashland	0.5580	0.5580	0.5200
Catlettsburg	0.3278*	0.3278	0.3678
Fire Districts (6)	0.1000	0.1000	0.1000
Cannonsburg Fire District	0.0900	0.0900	0.1000

^{*} An additional \$0.2250 rate is levied on real estate located within the floodwall at Catlettsburg plus a \$0.0004 rate for civil service for all residents.

Taxing Jurisdiction	Real Estate	Finished Goods & Tangibles	Motor Vehicles
Greenup County	\$0.1873	\$0.1877	\$0.1750
School Districts:			
Greenup County	0.5260	0.5260	0.4700
Raceland Independent	0.7330	0.7330	0.6580
Russell Independent	0.4720	0.4720	0.4980
Cities:			
Bellefonte	0.1316	0.1316	0.1278
Flatwoods	0.2156	None	None
Greenup	0.2030	0.2030	0.2030
Raceland	0.1600	None	None
Russell	0.3500	0.6240	0.6240
South Shore	0.2205	None	0.2062
Worthington	0.2600	0.2600	0.2470
Wurtland	0.1075	0.1075	0.1075

LOCAL PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 VALUATION, 1992

Eight fire protection districts and one ambulance district in Greenup County levy a special property tax, not county-wide. The rates range from \$0.0200 to \$0.1000.

Enterprise Zones

The Ashland Enterprise zone offers tax incentives and regulatory relief to qualifying businesses which locate or expand activities within the zone's boundaries. The zone comprises 4.24 square miles which includes industrial land along the Ohio River, commercial and industrial land on U.S. 23 adjacent to and including the central business district, and residential areas in the southeast and southwest portions in the city. The City of Ashland offers a reduction in the annual property tax rate in its local incentives package.

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Ashland Independent	Fairview Independent	Boyd County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1992)	3,782	760	4,028
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools	
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1991-92)	18.0-1	18.2-1	17.9-1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1991-92)	79.2	57.9	70.3
Expenditures Per Pupil (1991-92)	\$3,436.46	\$3,969.53	\$3,502.70
	Raceland Independent	Russell Independent	Greenup County
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1992)			
	Independent	Independent	County
(Fall, 1992)	Independent	Independent 2,530 Southern Association of Colleges	County
(Fall, 1992) Accreditation Pupil-Teacher Ratio	Independent 973	Independent 2,530 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools	County 3,588

Nonpublic Schools

School	Enrollment	Grades
Holy Family Elementary (Ashland)	145	PS-6
Rose Hill Christian School (Ashland)	274	PS-12

Area Colleges and Universities

Name	Location (Miles distant from Ashland)	Enrollment (Fall, 1992)
Ashland Community College	Ashland, Kentucky	3,276
Ohio University	Ironton, Ohio (4)	2,358
(Ironton Campus)		
Marshall University	Huntington, West Virginia (17)	13,093
Kentucky Christian College	Grayson, Kentucky (23)	548
Shawnee State University	Portsmouth, Ohio (33)	3,484
Morehead State University	Morehead, Kentucky (57)	9,169
West Virginia State College	Institute, West Virginia (59)	4,896
University of Charleston	Charleston, West Virginia (67)	1,479

Ashland Community College

Ashland Community College is a member of the University of Kentucky's Community College System and offers Associate degrees in arts, science and applied science. Students wishing to complete baccalaureate degree programs may transfer to other colleges or universities after completing two years of appropriate course work at Ashland Community College. Transfer students may also earn Associate of Arts or Science degrees. Associate of Applied Science degrees are offered in six areas: Accounting Technology; Business Technology with options in management, banking management, management information systems, real estate, and retail marketing; Computer Information Systems with microcomputer and programming options; Engineering Technology with electrical and computer repair options; Nursing; and Office Administration.

The College also offers Business and Industry Program services which focus on economic development activities, work place competencies' development and labor/management relations; non-credit Continuing Education classes for professional or personal development; and community service activities such as concerts, art exhibits, cultural programs, workshops, lectures, and a speaker's bureau. The College recently opened the Learning Resources Center which effectively consolidates several innovative programs of library services, a teleconferencing center, and the academic success program. Master's level courses including engineering and education are now available at the Center.

Morehead State University-Ashland Center

Morehead State University operates an extension campus in Ashland. MSU-Ashland Center offers a variety of education programs for degree and non-degree seeking students. The extension campus, in cooperation with Ashland Community College, confers the same degrees as the Morehead State University main campus. In addition, the Center offers a Masters in Business Administration degree.

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.

Local School District	Location (Mileage from Ashland)	Number of Program <u>Offerings</u>	Cumulative Enrollment 1991-1992	Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually
Boyd County Area Vocational Education Center	Ashland	10	<u>Sec</u> 206	39
Kentucky Tech Schools				
Ashland State Vocational-Technical School	Ashland	14	$\frac{\text{Sec}}{62} \frac{\text{P/S}}{613}$	167
Greenup County Area Vocational Education Center	South Shore (31)	7	<u>Sec</u> 261	51
Russell Area Vocational Education Center	Russell (3)	5	<u>Sec</u> 204	16

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 simply contact a Training and Development Coordinator located at the Kentucky Tech Northeast Region office in Ashland.

Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education, and government agencies customized assessment in career inventories, interest inventories, psychomotor skills and academic potential as well as pre-hire assessment. A Career Connections Assessment Center is located on the campus of Ashland SVTS.

Articulation

Articulation agreements developed between various colleges and universities and the Kentucky Tech systems allow students to earn credits to be used when matriculating to degree programs at a college or university. Ashland SVTS has articulation agreements with Ashland Community College and Morehead State University.

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. Boyd County Public Schools in partnership with Ashland Community College, currently offer a tech prep program in Business and Health Technology.

Adult Basic Education

Adult education programs are available to adults who want to develop new skills, improve basic skills or earn a high school equivalency diploma. In Boyd County, adult literacy and adult basic education are offered at the Ashland 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

(Boyd and Greenup Counties) Physicians - 158 Dentists - 50

Hospitals

General Hospital	Location	Beds
King's Daughters' Medical Center	Ashland	340
Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital	Russell	194

King's Daughters' Medical Center

Medical staff - 155 physicians, 500 registered nurses and licensed practical nurses

A \$9.1 million expansion is under way at the King's Daughters' Medical Center. The project is scheduled for completion by November 1994. A \$1.1 million renovation/construction project for a medical plaza recently opened near the hospital.

Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital

Medical staff - 130 affiliated physicians, 243 registered nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Fivco District Health Department Pathways, Inc. Bellefonte Cancer Center CareUnit (Bellefonte) - substance abuse facility Tri-State Nephrology Associates

Ambulance Service

Twenty-four hour emergency and transfer ambulance service is available in the Boyd and Greenup Counties area.

Newspapers

The Daily Independent (Ashland) Sunday Independent (Ashland) The Greenup County News-Times (Greenup)

Telephone Service

General Telephone Company

Hotels and Motels

Total number - 13 Total rooms - 717

Financial Institutions

Banks

Bank of Ashland Charter One Bank First American Bank Corporation First And Peoples Bank & Trust Company Kentucky Bank & Trust Company Kentucky-Farmers Bank National City Bank

Savings and Loan Associations

Ashland Federal Savings and Loan Association Catlettsburg Federal Savings and Loan Association First Federal Savings and Loan Association Home Federal Savings and Loan Association Russell Federal Savings and Loan Association

RECREATIONAL AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Local

Boyd County

Public recreation facilities in the Ashland area include: Armco Park which contains a picnic area with shelters; Dawson Park with a swimming pool and playground area; Clyffeside Park which maintains a lighted baseball diamond, a basketball court, picnic areas and a shelter house; Central Park which contains 47 acres with three baseball diamonds, five tennis courts, playgrounds, picnic areas, a concession stand, a concert pavilion, a croquet court, and prehistoric Indian mounds; and 14 tennis courts (four of which are enclosed for year-round use) at the Ashland Tennis Center. Four public golf courses are located in Boyd County.

Catlettsburg provides many recreational opportunities including a public park, two baseball fields, a football field, a playground, picnic areas, and basketball and tennis courts. Construction of a jogging track is under way.

Privately-owned facilities open to the public include Camden Park, an amusement park near Huntington, West Virginia, nine miles east of Ashland; three bowling facilities with a combined total of 74 lanes; 12 cinemas; two riding academies; a roller rink with a 1,000-person capacity; two tennis centers; and the YMCA with a men's and women's health club, a children's gymnasium, and an indoor jogging track. Breezeland Swim Club, located in Ashland, has a pool, baby pool, concession stand, tennis courts, shuffleboard court, bathhouse, and lockers.

Organized recreation programs are available in most sports such as baseball, basketball, soccer, T-ball, football and softball through the Ashland Recreation Department. The Recreation Department also sponsors plays in Central Park, puppet shows, special seasonal events, and horseshoe and Frisbee tournaments. Organized baseball teams are available in Catlettsburg as well.

The first Tri-State Fair and Regatta initially held in 1978, has since become an annual event. Fair activities are held from June through August in Ashland, Kentucky; the Huntington, West Virginia, area; and in the Ironton, Ohio, area. Events include powerboat and jet-ski racing, a float boat race, air shows, fairs, horse shows, exhibitions, musical productions, arts and crafts shows, and live concerts in Ashland.

The Paramount Arts Center is the site of many popular entertainment events. Subscription series featuring plays, symphony concerts, and ballets, as well as individual events, are available at the Arts Center. Recent offerings have included a youth education series, a women's series, and noted performing artists. Groups may rent the building for conventions and performances. The Arts Center also features an art gallery with changing exhibits.

Located in downtown Ashland, the Kentucky Highlands Museum displays trace the cultural and industrial heritage of the area. The museum offers both permanent and special exhibits. The Ashland Area Art Gallery is also located downtown, which opens a new exhibit monthly featuring artists of regional and national acclaim.

The Tri-State Tomahawks in the Frontier League of minor league professional baseball provides entertainment for the Ashland area.

Greenup County

Bellefonte Country Club is located in Greenup County. The country club maintains a swimming pool, an 18-hole golf course, a clubhouse, and two tennis courts.

The citizens of Flatwoods are provided an excellent city park, featuring four tennis courts, a multi-purpose court (for basketball, volleyball, shuffleboard, and horseshoes), and a swimming pool with facilities for the handicapped. Picnic tables and grills, playground equipment, restrooms, and a large parking area are available. The local Woman's Club sponsors annual Christmas parades and Miss Teen Pageants.

The City of Greenup has developed a small park on the bank of the Ohio River at Greenup, and a youth center for dances and games. The Greenup Old Fashion Days is an annual festival featuring sidewalk displays and old-fashioned dress. A private swim club is also available in Greenup.

The Greenup County Fair is held annually at the county fairgrounds, which features a tennis court, a baseball diamond, a concert pavilion, and a horse show ring. Little League football, basketball, and baseball are sponsored by community groups.

Small city parks in Raceland and Worthington feature playground equipment, picnic facilities and offer a variety of recreational opportunities.

The Rotary Club of South Shore has contributed to the development of a community park. The family-oriented park features a shelter house, tennis courts, basketball courts, a baseball field, and a horseshoe pit. Family entertainment and community events are held here periodically. A nine-hole golf course is located five miles from South Shore and is available for public use.

The Jesse Stuart Nature Preserve, located three miles southwest of Greenup, consists of 733 acres and is used for passive recreational activities and environmental education.

Greenbo Lake State Resort Park, which is located 15 miles west of Ashland, has a magnificent fieldstone lodge. The facility offers 34 rooms, a dining room, a gift shop, several meeting rooms, a lodge pool, an exhibit hall, and a recreational room. Other facilities and activities at the park include a well-equipped campground, a marina, miniature golf, tennis courts, playgrounds, shuffleboard, planned recreation, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, and picnicking.

River Bend Golf Course, an 18-hole public golf course, is located near Greenbo Lake State Resort Park west of Ashland.

COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENTS

Ashland re-certified as a "Kentucky Certified City" in 1992, and is distinguished as a gold award winner recognizing ten consecutive years of certification. Re-certification is based on achievement in the following areas: existing industry assistance, small business assistance, educational resources, and community development factors of health care, public safety, arts and culture, recreation, governmental awareness and resources. In addition to receiving the 1992 Gold Award, Ashland was recognized as a Hall of Fame community. This category not only demonstrates that a community is adequately prepared for immediate growth, but also that the community has analyzed emerging economic trends, and has set about planning for the future. The Certified Cities Program is sponsored by the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

During 1991 and 1992, 19 companies have located, expanded, or are in the process of expanding manufacturing facilities in Boyd and Greenup Counties. This represents an overall investment of approximately \$155 million into the area. In addition, Ashland Petroleum Company plans a \$200 million expansion per year for the next five years, which started in 1991.

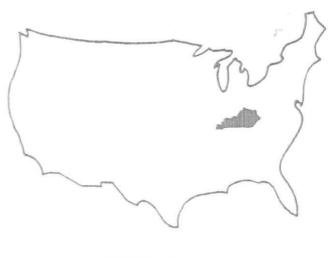
Construction of Kentucky Highway 546, ("A-A" Highway) is under way in Greenup County. The 25-mile spur will traverse Greenup County into Lewis County and connect with the completed portion of the highway. It is scheduled for completion in 1995. Another spur extending from Vanceburg, south of Greenup County to I-64 at Grayson is also under construction. The entire 95-mile main highway will extend from the Greenup Lock and Dam near Greenup to Interstate 275 in northern Kentucky.

Seven separate water and/or sewer projects have been completed recently or are under way at four cities and in rural communities within Boyd and Greenup Counties. These infrastructural improvements enable the cities and rural areas to provide more than adequate treatment capacity for new industry and better overall distribution facilities.

All six public school systems which serve Boyd and Greenup Counties are planning or are currently involved in improvement projects. These projects include renovation and expansion of facilities, plus additions to the curricula including programs for advanced technology, computer use, and for gifted students.

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Ashland Community College recently opened the Learning Resources Center which effectively consolidates several innovative programs into one building. New programs at the Center include: an expansion of library services, a teleconferencing center, and the academic success program. Master's level courses including engineering and education are now available through the teleconference facilities in the Center.



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