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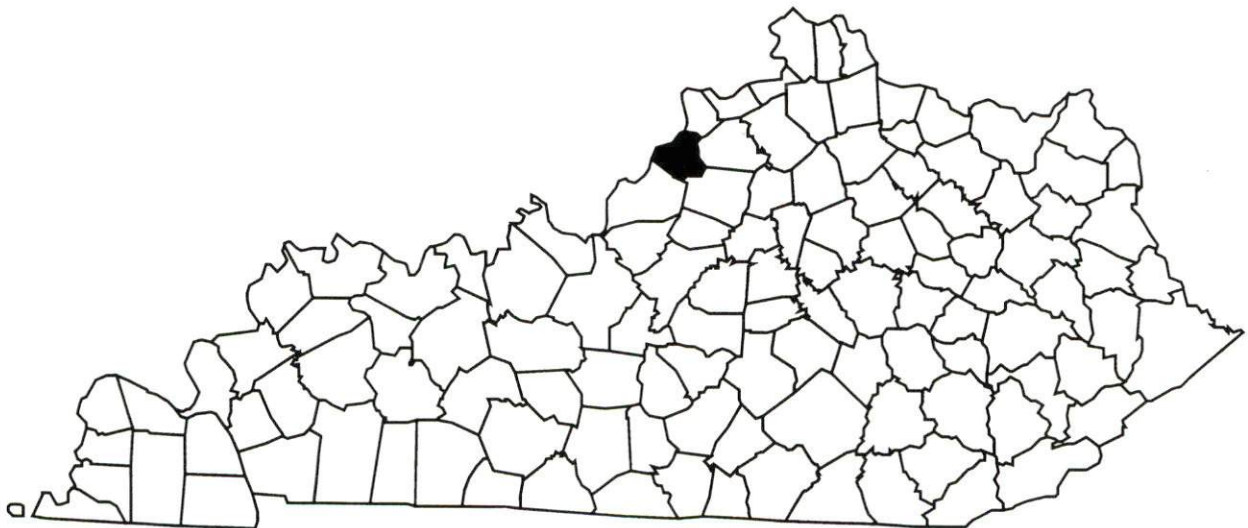
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OLDHAM COUNTY, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Oldham County lies in the Outer Blue Grass Region in north-central Kentucky. The county covers a total land area of 189 square miles. The Ohio River forms the northwest boundary of the county. Oldham County had an estimated 1998 population of 44,395.

LaGrange, the county seat of Oldham County, is located adjacent to Interstate 71. LaGrange is 26 miles northeast of Louisville, Kentucky; 76 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio; and 197 miles northeast of Nashville, Tennessee. LaGrange had an estimated 1998 population of 5,405.

The Economic Framework – Oldham County firms employed 11,033 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 1,259 jobs; mining and quarrying firms in the county employed 62; manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,328 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 2,627 jobs; 2,283 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 2,757 jobs.

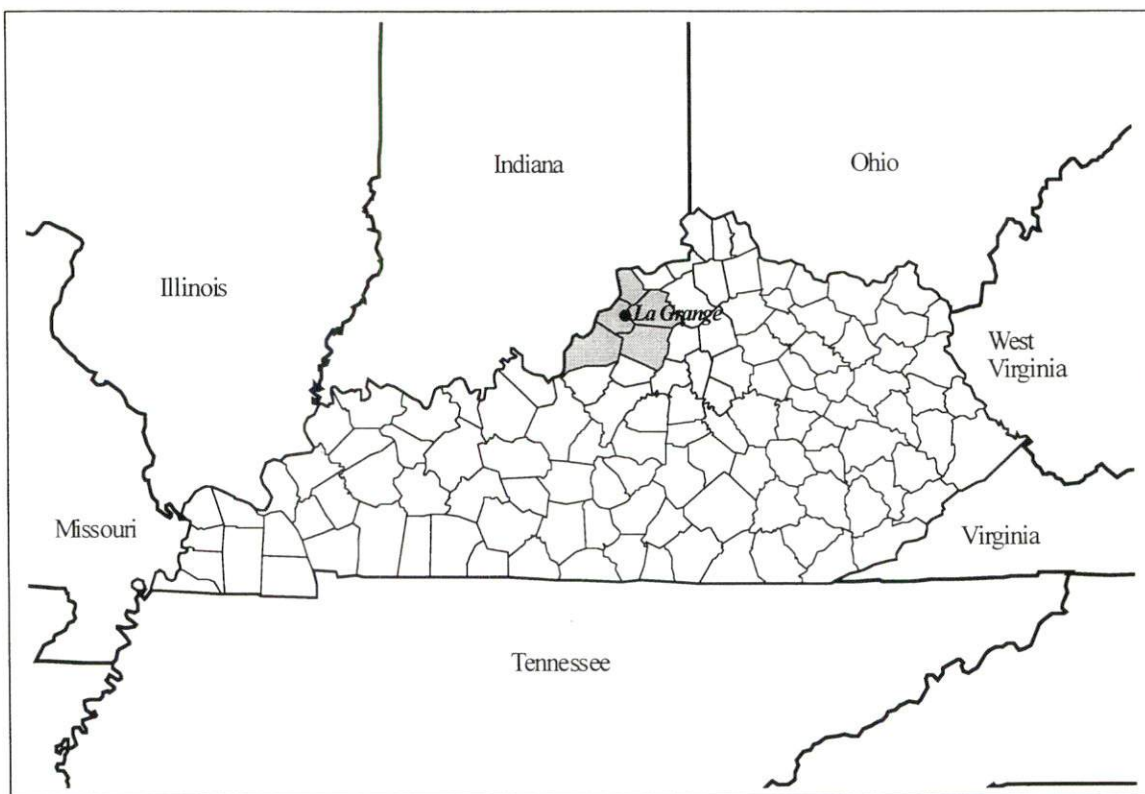
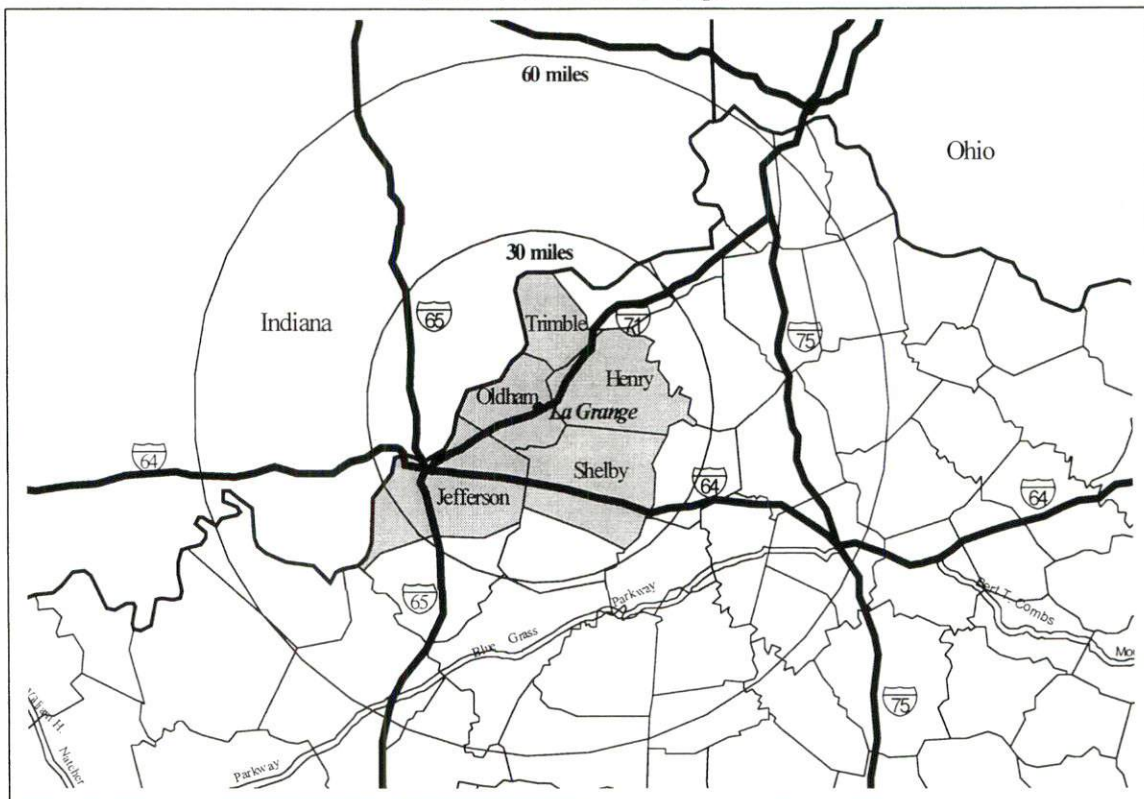
Labor Supply – There is a current estimated labor supply of 211,176 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 through 2003, approximately 50,233 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

Transportation – Major highways directly serving Oldham County include Interstate 71, a major north-south route, and Kentucky Highways 146 and 53. Twenty-one trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to the area. Main line rail service is provided to LaGrange by CSX Transportation. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is located at the Louisville International Airport, 29 miles southwest of LaGrange. Riverport facilities are available on the Ohio River at Louisville, 25 miles southwest of LaGrange.

Power and Fuel – Electric power is provided to LaGrange and part of Oldham County by the Kentucky Utilities Company. A major portion of Oldham County is served electric power by the Louisville Gas and Electric Company. LaGrange and parts of Oldham County are provided natural gas service by the Louisville Gas and Electric Company.

Education – Primary and secondary education is provided by the Oldham County School System, which is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Seventeen colleges and universities are located within 60 miles of LaGrange. The nearest state technical college providing post-secondary education is the Jefferson Technical College in Louisville. The Oldham County ATC (area technology center) in Buckner, provides secondary education.

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 Oldham County labor market area includes Oldham County and the following additional counties: Henry, Jefferson, Shelby, and Trimble.

Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1995*</u>	<u>1998*</u>
Labor Market Area	754,764	742,123	761,169	768,468
Oldham County	27,795	33,263	42,114	44,395
La Grange	2,971	3,901	4,937	5,405
Crestwood	531	1,435	1,782	1,936
Pewee Valley	982	1,283	1,587	1,700
Orchard Grass Hills	1,047	1,058	1,313	1,421

Note: * Population estimates. N/A – Data not available.

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

Population Projections

	<u>2000</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2020</u>
Labor Market Area	769,655	782,103	782,349
Oldham County	47,305	57,463	66,576

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

Estimated Labor Supply

	<u>Available Labor, 1998</u>			<u>Future Labor</u>	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Potential Labor Supply</u>	<u>Under-employed</u>	<u>Becoming 18 years of age 1999 through 2003</u>
Labor Market Area	211,176	14,541	11,833	184,802	50,233
Oldham County	4,517	457	526	3,535	3,428

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, 1998

	<u>Oldham County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	23,685	423,338
Employed	23,228	408,797
Unemployed	457	14,541
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.9	3.4

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

Work Force Commuting Patterns, 1990

Workers commuting into Oldham County	3,669
Workers commuting out of Oldham County	9,985
Workers residing and working in Oldham County	5,693

Source: University of Louisville, State Data Center.

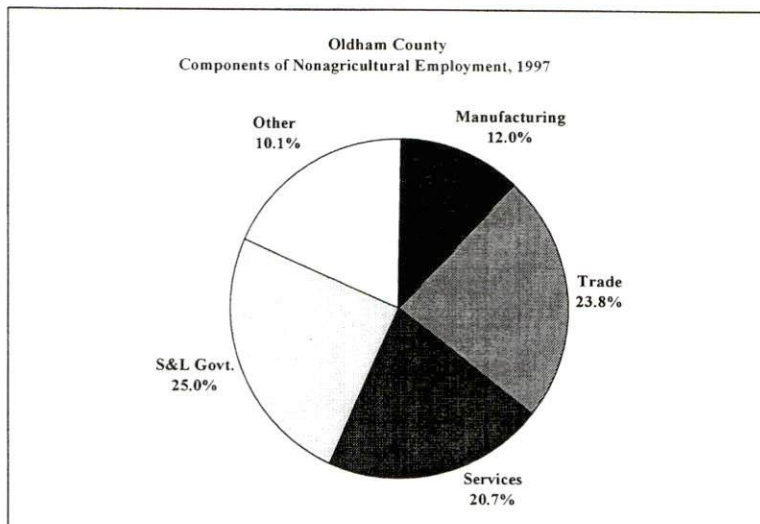
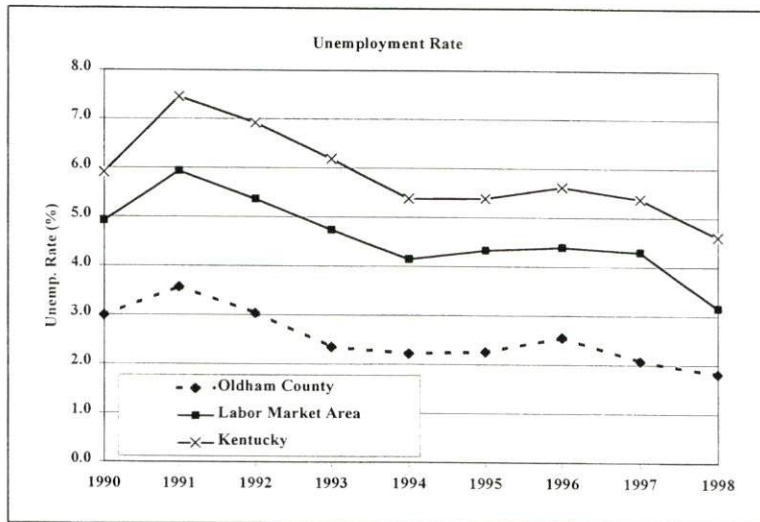
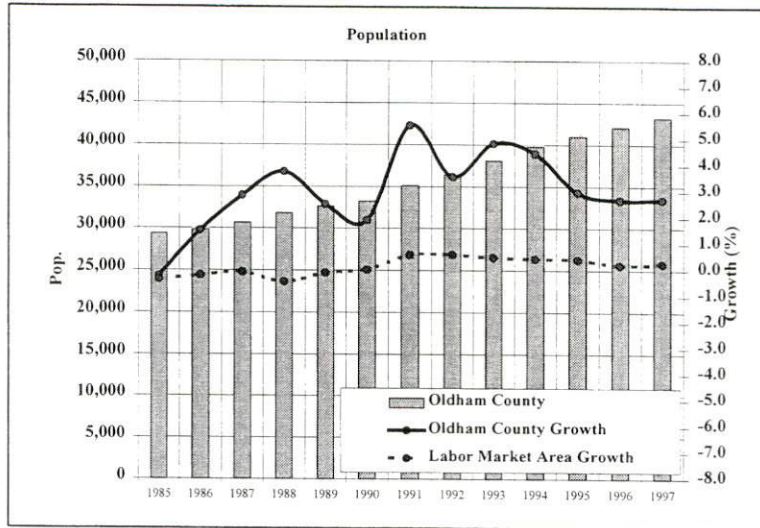
Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Oldham County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	11,033	437,549
Mining & Quarrying	62	294
Contract Construction	1,259	21,722
Manufacturing	1,328	71,219
Transportation & Public Utilities	79	33,075
Wholesale & Retail Trade	2,627	111,482
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	290	25,967
Services	2,283	128,524
State & Local Government	2,757	42,332
Other	350	2,876

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, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1997.

Selected Charts



Per Capita Personal Income

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>Percent Change (1993-1997)</u>
Oldham County	\$24,067	\$29,409	22.2%
Kentucky	\$17,309	\$20,570	18.8%
U.S.	\$21,368	\$25,288	18.3%
Labor Market Area Range	\$13,854 - \$24,067	\$15,236 - \$29,409	-

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

Average Placement Wages

The Kentucky Department for Employment Services local office in Louisville serves Oldham County. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Louisville local office and may therefore be used as an indicator of the wages which employers in the area pay new employees. During the twelve months ended on June 30, 1998, the local employment office filled Oldham County job openings in various occupational categories. The average hourly wage for selected occupational categories were:

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

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

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

Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997

	<u>Oldham County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$446.67	\$488.00	\$521.00	\$555.00
Mining & Quarrying	654.76	790.00	839.00	772.00
Contract Construction	438.24	516.00	561.00	544.00
Manufacturing	633.99	644.00	621.00	644.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	480.81	648.00	653.00	761.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	321.46	337.00	391.00	392.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	592.01	613.00	696.00	748.00
Services	447.65	440.00	495.00	580.00
State & Local Government	470.57	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, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1997. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1997, December 1998.

EXISTING INDUSTRY

Oldham County Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
Buckner			
Aggressive Tool & Die Inc.	Tool & die	20	1989
B P Machine & Tool Inc.	Machine shop: general machining, tooling, custom metal fabricating, tool & die	8	1994
Clayton & Lambert Mfg. Co.	Grain dryers & bins, storage silos, steel panels for inground pools & pool structures	20	1888
Creative Tueskoeks Corp.	Textile machinery	15	1976
Fastline Printing Inc.	Offset printing; computer typesetting & desktop publishing; spiral & saddle stitch binding	4	1981
Fastline Publications	Monthly magazine publishing	50	1978
Hartlage Manufacturing	Injection molded plastic parts	60	1992
Hartlage Mold & Tool Co.	Plastic injection molds	10	1978
Horse Star Cards Inc.	Derby & jockey trading cards	7	1989
Kentucky Water Treatment Inc.	Water treatment chemicals & equipment	3	N/A
Metalogic Inc.	Metal roofing systems	5	1994
Metro Window Co.	Custom windows	4	1983
Octa Inc.	Custom machining	22	1985
Pearce Brothers Ready-Mix	Ready-mixed concrete	20	1986
Product Handling Equipment Inc.	Conveyors & materials handling equipment	15	1992
Signmasters of KY	Magnetic, painted, plastic, wooden, electrical, neon & vinyl lettered signs	3	N/A
Superior Container Corp.	Aluminum containers	8	1984
Tomes, George Laminated Prdts	Laminated counter tops, cabinets, store fixtures & office furniture	3	1959
Toolcraft Co.	Foil container dies, special machinery, precision CNC machining, tool & die, jigs & fixtures, cutting, boring, drilling, grinding, lathe & mill work	8	1975
Torbitt & Castleman Co.	Mexican salsas, barbeque steak sauces, chocolate & pancake syrups, jams & jellies	200	1869
Tri County Steel Inc.	Sheet, structural & ornamental steel fabricating	9	1990
Trussway Ltd.	Wooden wall panels, roof & floor trusses	150	N/A
Warming Glo	Wax candles	22	1990
Crestwood			
Allgeier's Welding & Fabctn Co.	Structural steel fabricating; arc, MIG & TIG welding	6	1974
Columbia Metals Co.	Nonferrous metal processing & metal recycling	7	1988
D & C Welding	Metal fabricating & welding service	2	1997
Inkworks Printing Inc.	Commercial offset printing & computerized typesetting	6	1981
J A S Publications	Legal periodical publishing	4	N/A

Oldham County Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment (continued)

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
Kimball Signs	Wooden, painted, plastic, magnetic, screened & vinyl lettered signs	1	1983
Kintec Wood Truss	Wooden roof and floor trusses	55	1976
Louisville Music News Inc.	Music newspaper publishing	2	1989
Marketing Specialties	Offset printing & advertising specialties	5	N/A
Microdry Inc.	Industrial microwaves	13	1988
Nemeth Engineering Associates	Dielectric & induction heating equipment, microwave drying systems, wood gluing equipment & presses	30	1975
Ohio Valley Asphalt LLC	Hot mix asphalt	12	1942
Specialty Conveyor Concepts	Industrial conveyors	10	1988
Star Aviation	Aviation equipment repair & maintenance	5	1995
Wilding Industries Inc.	Desk nameplate, small sign & plastic laminate engraving	2	1974
Zabel Industries	Waste water septic system filters	12	N/A
Goshen			
Harmony House Publishers Inc.	Offset & letterpress printing; book publishing; typesetting; perfect, glue, plastic, ring, sewn, staple, spiral wire, side & saddle stitch binding	4	1983
La Grange			
Alcatel Magnet Wire	Magnet wire	100	1988
Allstate Ready-Mix	Ready-mix concrete	8	1998
Berkel & Company	Auger pressure grouted piling	4	1998
Blair Printing Co.	Commercial letterpress & offset printing	3	1976
Creative Graphics	Screen printing	2	1984
Custom Powder Coating & Paint	Powder coating service, painting & sandblasting	2	1988
Engravers Paper Co.	Stationery engraving service	9	N/A
Harcourt & Co.	Engraved stationery & diplomas	9	1905
Hunter Kneppshield	Playground equipment & picnic shelters	17	1997
Jenner Co.	Stationery engraving, thermography, lithography & foil stampings	30	1910
Kentucky Cutters	Die cutting	8	1984
Kentucky Silk Pie	Food products	5	N/A
Kentucky State Reformatory	Metal beds, cabinets & license plates	14	N/A
Lesco Design & Manufacturing	Steel fabricators: conveyors, cranes & vehicle loading ramps	130	1961
Marcum Development Co. Inc.	Plastic injection molding & extruding	4	1983
Moser Panelized Housing Inc.	Prefabricated panelized houses	40	1986
Natural Products	Organic mulch, compost & landscaping bark; recycled wood products	4	1990
Northland Corp.	Kiln dried hardwood lumber	140	1933
Oldham Era Inc.	Weekly newspaper publishing	15	1876
Rocket Man Inc.	Mobile beverage dispensers & food service vending equipment	6	N/A

Oldham County Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment (continued)

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
Southern States Cooperative	Feed & fertilizer mixing & blending	8	N/A
Supreme Corp.	Truck body mountings & repairing	10	N/A
Pewee Valley			
Caibe & Co.	Solid surface counter tops	7	1985
Directories Inc.	Directory publishing	1	1967
Westport			
Glass Patterns Quarterly Inc.	Magazine & catalog publishing & typesetting	5	1985
Woodcrafts by Kriels	Cabinets, entertainment centers & custom woodworking	1	N/A

Note: N/A - Data not available.

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

Labor Organizations in Oldham County

International Union of Operating Engineers, AFL-CIO
United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO, CLC

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

Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of La Grange

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
4	Buckner				X					
11	Eminence								X	
13	Prospect	X								
15	Shelbyville					X				
17	Jeffersontown	X								
22	Carrollton					X				
23	Louisville	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
29	Fairdale					X				
32	Frankfort	X			X					
34	Bloomfield									X
34	Shepherdsville				X					
37	Lawrenceburg					X				
39	Stamping Ground					X				
41	Bardstown	X	X			X			X	
43	Versailles					X				
47	Georgetown	X		X		X				
47	Williamstown	X								
50	Radcliff	X								

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

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

TRANSPORTATION

Highways

Major highways serving Oldham County include Interstate 71, U.S. Highway 42, and Kentucky Highways 146, 53, 393, 524, 329 and 22. All are AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways.

Interstate 71, with interchanges located at LaGrange, Buckner and Crestwood, is a major north-south route connecting Louisville, Kentucky; and Cincinnati, Ohio. Interstate 71 intersects with Interstates 64 and 65 in Louisville, 25 miles southwest of LaGrange, and with Interstate 75 in Boone County, 56 miles northeast of LaGrange. U.S. 42 is accessible four miles north of LaGrange via Kentucky 53. Kentucky 146 is a AAA-rated trucking highway directly serving LaGrange.

Construction of a full cloverleaf interchange on Interstate 71 at Kentucky Highway 393 near Buckner has been completed. The interchange provides access to Buckner from northbound and southbound I-71 traffic.

Highway Miles from La Grange, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	443	Indianapolis, IN	136
Baltimore, MD	591	Kansas City, MO	534
Birmingham, AL	389	Knoxville, TN	254
Charleston, WV	253	Lexington, KY	87
Chicago, IL	317	Louisville, KY	26
Cincinnati, OH	76	Minneapolis, MN	728
Cleveland, OH	327	Nashville, TN	197
Columbia, SC	515	New Orleans, LA	729
Columbus, OH	183	New York, NY	714
Dallas, TX	860	Pittsburgh, PA	364
Des Moines, IA	613	Raleigh, NC	570
Detroit, MI	339	Richmond, VA	571
Evansville, IN	142	St. Louis, MO	285
Huntington, WV	204	Tallahassee, FL	714

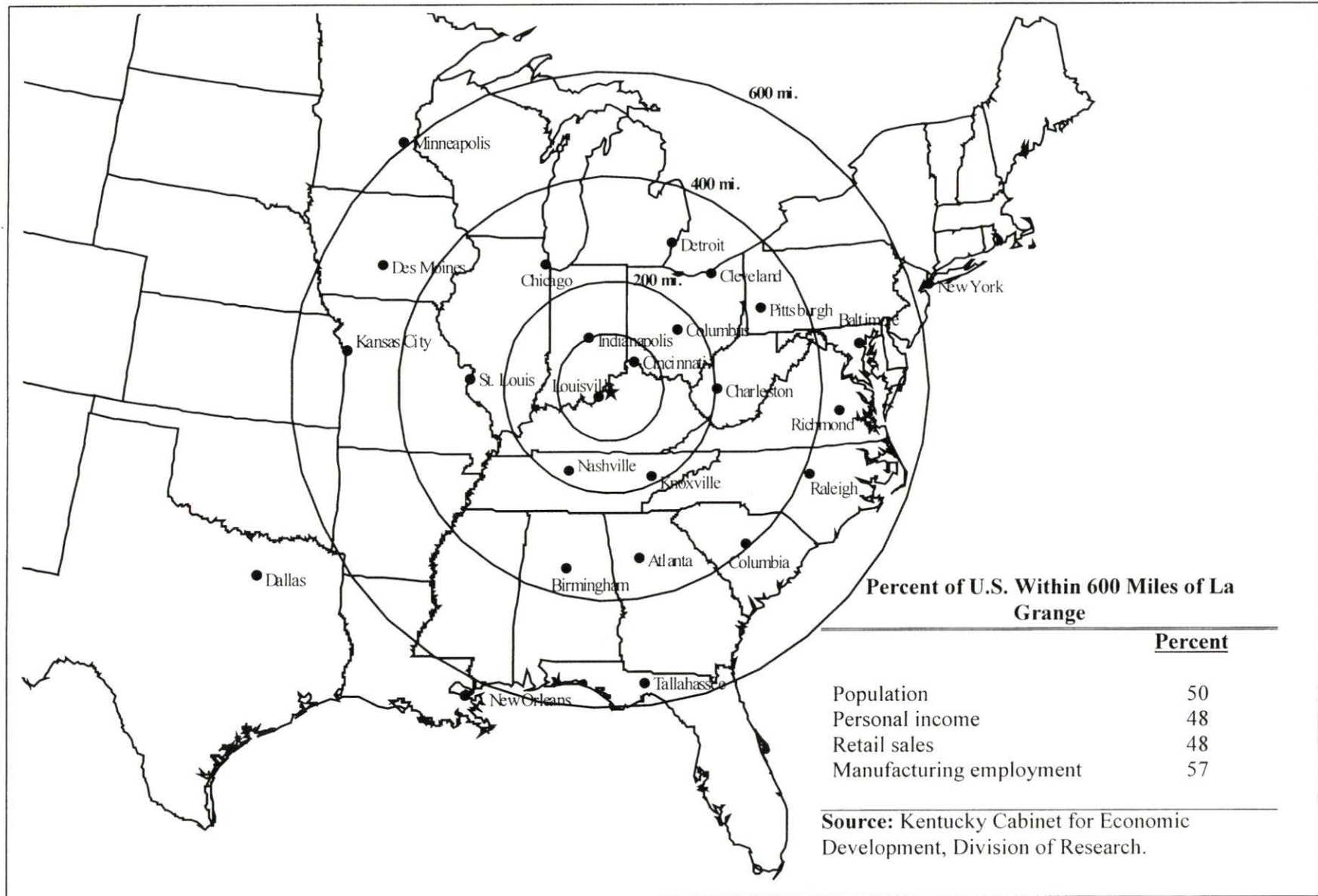
Note: Mileage computations are via the best interstate or primary highways, not necessarily the most direct route of travel.

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

Truck Service

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

Selected Market Centers Map



Rail

CSX Transportation provides main line rail service to Oldham County. Burlington Northern Railroad, Norfolk Southern Corporation, and Paducah and Louisville Railway provide intermodal facilities at Louisville, 25 miles southwest of LaGrange.

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

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

Air

Commercial/International

Louisville International Airport

Location:	Louisville, KY
Distance from La Grange:	29 miles southwest
Phone:	(502) 368-6524
Air service:	American, ASA, Comair, Continental, Continental Express, Delta, Delta Express, Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Skyway, Southwest, TWA, United, United Express, US Airways, US Airways Express
Daily arrivals & departures:	182

Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport

Location:	Covington, KY
Distance from La Grange:	71 miles northeast
Phone:	(606) 767-3151
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

Water

The Ohio River forms the northwestern boundary of Oldham County. A nine-foot navigation channel is maintained for the entire length of the Ohio River.

Port facilities are available on the Ohio River at Louisville, 25 miles southwest of LaGrange. The Jefferson Riverport Complex has been designated as a Foreign Trade Zone and offers complete U.S. Customs services for exports and imports. The Port of Louisville terminal, although privately-owned, is also available for public use.

UTILITIES

Electricity

Service area: **LaGrange and parts of Oldham County**
Company: Kentucky Utilities Company
Source of power: Kentucky Utilities Company
For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Utilities Company
Economic Development Department
One Quality Street
Lexington, KY 40507
(606) 255-2100

Service area: **major portion of Oldham County**
Company: Louisville Gas & Electric Company
Source of power: Louisville Gas & Electric Company
For industrial rates contact:

Louisville Gas and Electric Company
Economic Development Department
P.O. Box 32010
Louisville, KY 40232
(502) 627-3714

Natural Gas

Service area: **LaGrange and parts of Oldham County**
Company: Louisville Gas & Electric Company
Source of supply: Texas Gas Transmission Company
For rates and supplies contact:

Louisville Gas & Electric Company
Economic Development Department
P.O. Box 32010
Louisville, KY 40232
(502) 627-3714

Public Water Supply

Service area: **LaGrange**
Company: LaGrange Utilities Commission
412 West Jefferson Street
La Grange, KY 40031
(502) 222-9325

Treatment facilities information:
Average daily consumption: 700,000 gallons per day
Peak daily consumption: 900,000 gallons per day
Storage capacity: 1,000,000 gallons per day
Water pressure: 44 psi to 95 psi
Additional water source (maximum available for purchase): Oldham County Water District (1,000,000 gallons per day)

Improvements: Lines on two city streets will be upgraded at a cost of \$90,000 to be completed in November, 1999. In the planning stages are lines being run to the new industrial corridor at an estimated cost of \$300,000 to begin in November, 2000 and the replacement of existing lines over the next ten years at an estimated cost of \$1.3 million.

Service area: **LaGrange**
Company: Oldham County Water District
3707 West Highway 146, P.O. Box 51
Buckner, KY 40010
(502) 222-1690
Source of Raw Water: Wells
Capacity of treatment plant: 5,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption: 3,000,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption: 4,500,000 gallons
Storage capacity: 3,600,000 gallons per day
Water pressure: 30 psi to 160 psi

Raw Water

Surface water sources - The Ohio River, Harrods Creek, and Floyd's Fork of the Salt River
Average discharge - Ohio River at Markland Dam, 114,100 cfs (26-year record, USGS); Floyd's Fork near Pewee Valley, 95.1 cfs (5-year record, USGS)
Expected ground water yield - 500-1,000 gpm along the Ohio River; 5-50 gpm along Floyd's Fork; 5 gpm or less in the remainder of the county

Sewerage

Service area: **LaGrange**
Company information: LaGrange Utilities Commission
412 West Jefferson Street
La Grange, KY 40031
(502) 222-9325
Design capacity: 775,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow: 525,000 gallons per day
Type of treatment: Secondary
Treated effluent discharged into: Tributary to Curry's Fork

Improvements: Currently underway is a pump station and force main for Industrial Corridor at a cost of \$175,000. Also underway is rehabilitation and I&I work at a cost of \$105,000.

Service area: **Buckner**
Company information: Oldham County Sanitation District
P.O. Box 809
Crestwood, KY 40014
(502) 243-3215
Design capacity: 135,000 gallons per day; expandable to 1,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow: 61,000 gallons per day
Type of treatment: Extended aeration
Treated effluent discharged into: North Curry's Fork

CLIMATE

Oldham County

Temperature

Normal (125-year record)	56.7 degrees
Average annual, 1997	56.2 degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (50-year record)	105 degrees
Record lowest, January 1994 (50-year record)	-22 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,514
Normal cooling degree days (30-year record)	1,288

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	44.39 inches
Mean annual snowfall 30-year record)	17.4 inches
Total precipitation, 1997	49.71 inches
Mean number days precipitation (0.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	124.7
Mean number days thunderstorms (50-year record)	46.2

<u>Prevailing Winds</u> (28-year record)	South
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Relative Humidity (30-year record)

1 a.m.	76 percent
7 a.m.	81 percent
1 p.m.	81 percent
7 p.m.	81 percent

Notes: Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F. Cooling degree day totals are the sums of positive departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, National Climatic Data Center, Local Climatological Data, 1997.
Station of record: Louisville, Kentucky.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

LaGrange is governed by a mayor and eight council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term, while the council members each serve two-year terms. Oldham County is governed by a county judge/executive and eight magistrates. Each county official serves a four-year term.

Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Oldham County Planning and Zoning Commission

Participating cities - LaGrange, Crestwood, Pewee Valley

Zoning enforced - All areas

Subdivision regulations enforced - All areas

Local codes enforced – Building and housing (countywide)

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

Businesses within the city of LaGrange are required to pay an annual license tax. Contractors, professional, and delivery type businesses in LaGrange pay a flat annual license tax. The amount of the license ranges from \$50 to \$300 per year, depending upon the type of business. Manufacturing, retail, and wholesale trade businesses must pay a license tax based upon gross receipts. The minimum tax is \$50.

Sales and Use Tax

A state sales and use tax is levied at the rate of 6.0% on the purchase or lease price of taxable goods and on utility services. Local sales taxes are not levied in Kentucky.

State and Local Property Taxes

The Kentucky Constitution requires the state to tax all classes of taxable property, and state statutes allow local jurisdictions to tax only a few classes. All locally taxed property is subject to county taxes and school district taxes (either a county school district or an independent school district). Property located inside the city limits may also be subject to city property taxes. Property assessments in Kentucky are at 100% fair cash value. Accounts receivable are taxed at 85% of face value. Special local taxing jurisdictions (fire protection districts, watershed districts, and sanitation districts) levy taxes within their operating areas (usually a small portion of community or county).

State Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>State Rate, 1998</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
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

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods & Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
<u>County</u>			
Oldham County	0.1679	0.2037	0.1680
<u>Cities</u>			
Crestwood	0.1100	0.0000	0.0000
Goshen	0.1960	0.0000	0.0000
La Grange	0.2600	0.2650	0.2650
Orchard Grass Hills	0.1600	0.1600	0.0000
Park Lake	0.1700	0.0000	0.0000
Pewee Valley	0.1800	0.1800	0.0000
River Bluff	0.2380	0.0000	0.0000
<u>School Districts</u>			
Oldham County	0.5580	0.5580	0.6430

Source: Property Tax Rates 1998, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

EDUCATION

Primary and Secondary Schools

Public School District Enrollments and Expenditures, 1996-97

	<u>Total Enrollment</u>	<u>Expenditures Per Pupil</u>	<u>Pupil to Teacher Ratio</u>
Oldham County	7,773	5,377	17.5

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

Transition to Adult Life of High School Graduates, 1996-97

<u>County-wide</u>	<u>Number of Graduates</u>	<u>Percent of Total Graduates (%)</u>
Total High School Graduates	489	
To College	350	71.6
To Vocational/Technical School	10	2.0
To Workforce	89	18.2
To Work & School	14	2.9
To Military	11	2.2
Other	15	3.1

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

Nonpublic Schools, 1997-98

	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Grades</u>
DeHaven Christian Academy	143	K-8
Immaculate Conception Elementary	175	PS-8
Pewee Valley Jr. Academy Seventh Day Adventist Elementary	35	K-9
Price Family School	2	7-10
St. Aloysius School	375	PS-8
St. Francis Elementary	300	PS-8

Source: Kentucky Schools Directory 1997-98, Kentucky Department of Education.

Colleges and Technical Schools

Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of La Grange

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
22	Hanover College	Hanover, IN	1,087
23	Bellarmino College	Louisville	2,678

Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of La Grange (continued)

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
23	Jefferson Community College	Louisville	8,667
23	Spalding University	Louisville	1,573
23	McKendree College	Louisville	810
23	Sullivan College	Louisville	2,481
23	University of Louisville	Louisville	20,894
25	Indiana University, Southeast	New Albany, IN	5,647
32	Kentucky State University	Frankfort	2,288
42	Midway College	Midway	968
47	Georgetown College	Georgetown	1,626
48	Saint Catharine College	St. Catharine	345
54	Asbury College	Wilmore	1,258
55	Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown	3,595
56	Lexington Community College	Lexington	5,558
56	Transylvania University	Lexington	1,021
56	University of Kentucky	Lexington	24,171
Total Enrollment			84,667

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

Source: Kentucky Council on Higher Education.

Kentucky Technical Schools Within 60 Miles of La Grange

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (1997-98)</u>		
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>Total</u>
3	Oldham County ATC	Buckner	146	1	147
15	Shelby County ATC	Shelbyville	539	46	585
22	Carroll County ATC	Carrollton	429	21	450
23	Jefferson Technical College	Louisville	0	1,586	1,586
32	Franklin County Area Vocational Education Center	Frankfort	178	0	178
34	Bullitt County ATC	Shepherdsville	297	0	297
37	Central KY Technical College Anderson Campus	Lawrenceburg	0	115	115
41	Nelson County ATC	Bardstown	527	4	531
52	Meade County ATC	Brandenburg	337	2	339
53	Harrodsburg ATC	Harrodsburg	383	4	387
55	Elizabethtown Technical College	Elizabethtown	47	662	709
56	Central KY Technical College Lexington Campus	Lexington	0	1,154	1,154
56	Eastside Center for Applied Technology	Lexington	345	0	345
56	Southside Center for Applied Technology	Lexington	261	0	261

Kentucky Technical Schools Within 60 Miles of La Grange (continued)

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (1997-98)</u>		
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>Total</u>
58	Boone County ATC	Hebron	175	3	178
58	Marion County ATC	Lebanon	501	0	501
59	Harrison County ATC	Cynthiana	720	5	725
Total Enrollment			4,885	3,782	8,488

Notes: Kentucky Tech secondary schools (Sec), called area technology centers (ATC), are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and the post-secondary schools (P/S), called technical colleges, are governed by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS). Adult courses may be offered at some secondary technical schools. Miles are calculated as the straight-line distance from La Grange, not road miles.

Source: Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, KCTCS.

Customized Training

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

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 Oldham County area is located at the Jefferson Technical College.

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 Oldham County area, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Tri-County Community Action in LaGrange and adult basic education is provided by the Oldham 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 - 53

Dentists - 23

Hospitals

General Hospital	Location	Beds
Tri-County Baptist Hospital	LaGrange	120

Medical staff - 180 physicians, 105 registered nurses, 33 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities and Services

Oldham County EMS

Oldham County Health Department

Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Bank of Louisville

Bank One

Fifth Third Bank

National City Bank

PNC Bank

THE BANK - Oldham County

Newspapers

The Oldham Era (weekly)

Telephone Service

BellSouth

RECREATION

A year-round, supervised recreation program is open to all county residents. The program is operated through the Oldham County Board of Education and the various activities are conducted through the schools, using school recreational facilities.

The Wendell Moore Park is located one mile north of Buckner. The park contains a 56-acre fishing lake, volleyball courts, basketball courts, horseshoe pits, grills, picnic shelters, public restrooms, and parking facilities. There are plans for the construction of additional facilities at Oldham County Recreational Park. They include a miniature golf course and additional soccer and football fields.

LaGrange sponsors Pony and Babe Ruth Baseball Leagues. In addition, there are a number of county-wide softball leagues, some operated by the Recreation Department and others privately organized. Additional public recreational facilities in LaGrange and Buckner include two tennis courts, five baseball diamonds, and two football fields.

A city park has recently been developed in LaGrange. The ten-acre park contains picnic areas, shelters, ball fields, and restrooms. A small park located on the Ohio River near Westport, Kentucky, provides facilities for launching small boats and a boat dock. Several new soccer fields recently opened in Buckner. A new driving range is located between Buckner and Crestwood.

There are three semi-private and one private country clubs in Oldham County. Each club maintains an 18-hole golf course and three of the country clubs have swimming pools.

An indoor eight screen movie theatre complex, Oldham 8 Theatres, is in LaGrange. A new YMCA is scheduled for opening in mid 2000. The Oldham County Convention/Community Center and Aquatics facility opened in May 1998. A new 54 acre park, Briar Hill Park, opened in 1997 and a 21 acre park, Peggy Baker Park, will open in 2000.

Area (Within 65 miles)

Bernheim Forest Arboretum and Nature Center
Big Bone Lick State Park
E.P. "Tom" Sawyer State Park
General Butler State Resort Park
Louisville (Kentucky's largest city)
My Old Kentucky Home State Park
Taylorsville Lake State Park
The Kentucky Horse Park

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

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.