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### Muhlenberg County

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## MUHLENBERG COUNTY, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Muhlenberg County lies in the Western Coal Field Region of Kentucky and encompasses a land area of 475 square miles. The estimated population of Muhlenberg County in 1997 was 31,957. Greenville, the county seat, had an estimated population of 4,573 persons in 1996. Greenville is located 133 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky; 93 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee; and 265 miles southeast of St. Louis, Missouri.

Central City is located eight miles north of Greenville and is Muhlenberg County's largest city with an estimated population of 4,924 in 1996. Drakesboro is located eight miles east of Greenville and had an estimated 1996 population of 568 persons.

**The Economic Framework** - Muhlenberg County firms employed 8,163 persons in 1996. Manufacturing firms in the county reported 1,470 employees; wholesale and retail trade provided 2,131 jobs; 1,564 people were employed in service occupations; state and local government accounted for 1,493 employees; contract construction firms provided 276 jobs; and 267 people were employed by mining and quarrying operations.

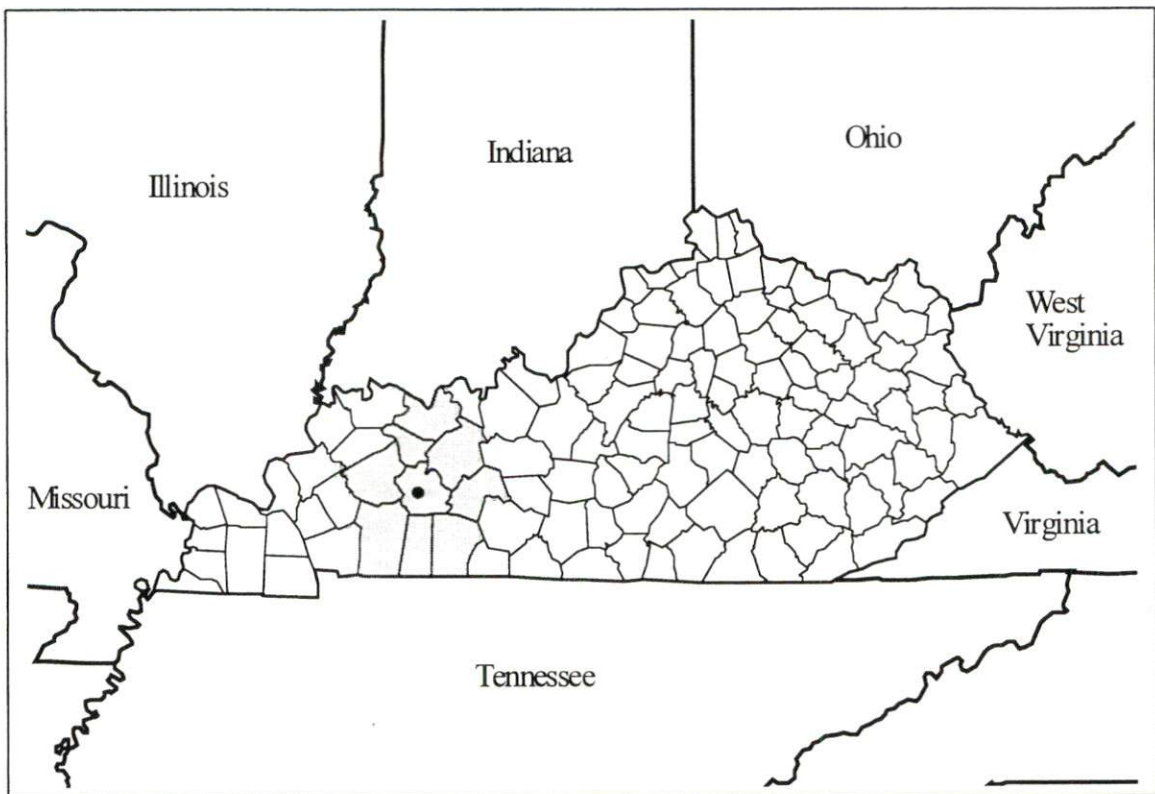
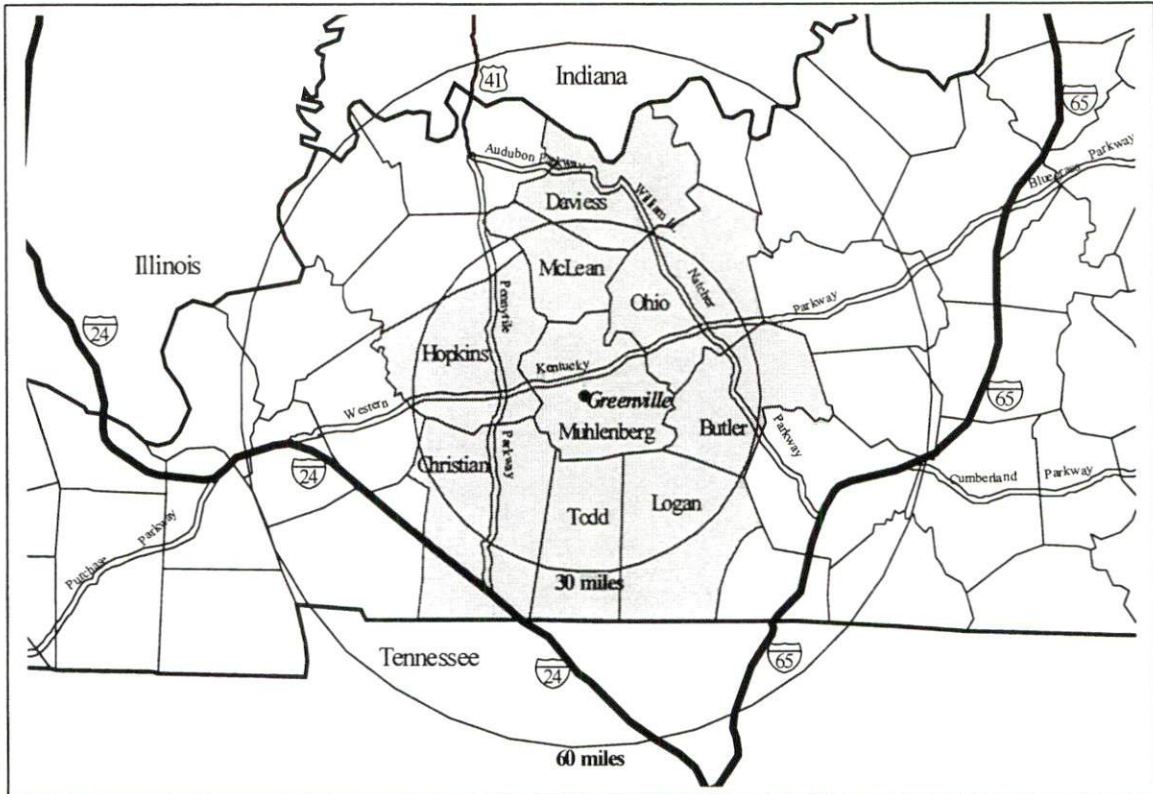
**Labor Supply** - There is a current estimated labor supply of 52,251 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 through 2003, approximately 22,423 young persons in the area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

**Transportation** - Major highways serving Muhlenberg County include the multi-lane Western Kentucky Parkway, U.S. Highways 62 and 431, and Kentucky Routes 176 and 189. All are AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. Nineteen trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Muhlenberg County. Paducah and Louisville Railway provides main line rail service to Greenville and Central City. CSX Transportation operates a branch line in Central City and Drakesboro. The nearest scheduled commercial airline service is available at the Evansville Regional Airport near Evansville, Indiana, 77 miles north of Greenville. The Nashville International Airport is located 88 miles south of Greenville. The Muhlenberg County Airport in Greenville maintains a paved 4,200-foot runway. The nearest navigable waterway is the Green River near Rochester, 18 miles east of Greenville.

**Power and Fuel** - Kentucky Utilities Company serves Greenville, Central City, Drakesboro, and northern Muhlenberg County. The remainder of Muhlenberg County receives electric power from the Pennyrite Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation. Western Kentucky Gas Company provides natural gas service to Greenville and Central City, and Drakesboro Natural Gas provides natural gas service to Drakesboro.

**Education** - Primary and secondary education is provided by the Muhlenberg County Public School System. Ten colleges and universities are located within 75 miles of Greenville. Vocational-technical education is provided by the Muhlenberg County Area Technology Center in Greenville and by Madisonville Technical College, 27 miles northwest of Greenville.

## Labor Market Area Maps



**Note:** For detailed topographical and general highway maps call Maps and Publications at 502-564-4715.  
For industrial site maps call Site Evaluation at 502-564-7140.



## LABOR MARKET STATISTICS

The Muhlenberg County labor market area includes Muhlenberg County and the following additional counties: Butler, Christian, Daviess, Hopkins, Logan, McLean, Ohio, and Todd.

### Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1996*</u>	<u>1997*</u>
Labor Market Area	310,170	310,908	322,313	323,256
Muhlenberg County	32,238	31,318	31,802	31,957
Central City	5,214	5,074	4,924	N/A
Greenville	4,631	4,689	4,573	N/A
Powderly	848	748	771	N/A
Drakesboro	798	565	568	N/A

Notes: \* - Population estimates. N/A - 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	327,401	344,080	356,585
Muhlenberg County	31,653	31,897	31,402

Note: Population projections are from High Growth Series forecast.

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

### Estimated Labor Supply

	<u>Available Labor, 1997</u>			<u>Under- employed</u>	<u>Future Labor Becoming 18 years of age 1999 through 2003</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Potential Labor Supply</u>		
Labor Market Area	52,251	8,812	6,344	37,095	22,423
Muhlenberg County	4,767	1,046	913	2,808	2,383

Note: Unemployed - people not working but actively seeking work. Potential Labor Supply - represents the number of persons not in the labor force, but would like a job (based on national estimates). Underemployed - people employed in wholesale/retail trade and non-professional services. See Appendix for further explanation.

Sources: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census. Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Future Labor Supply Becoming 18 Years of Age, 1999 through 2003.

### Labor Force Characteristics of Residents, 1997

	<u>Muhlenberg County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	11,982	146,649
Employed	10,935	137,837
Unemployed	1,046	8,812
Unemployment Rate	8.7	6.0

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

### Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Muhlenberg County	2,809
Workers commuting into Muhlenberg County	2,030
Working and residing in Muhlenberg County	8,388

**Source:** University of Louisville, State Data Center.

### Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment, by Place of Work, 1996

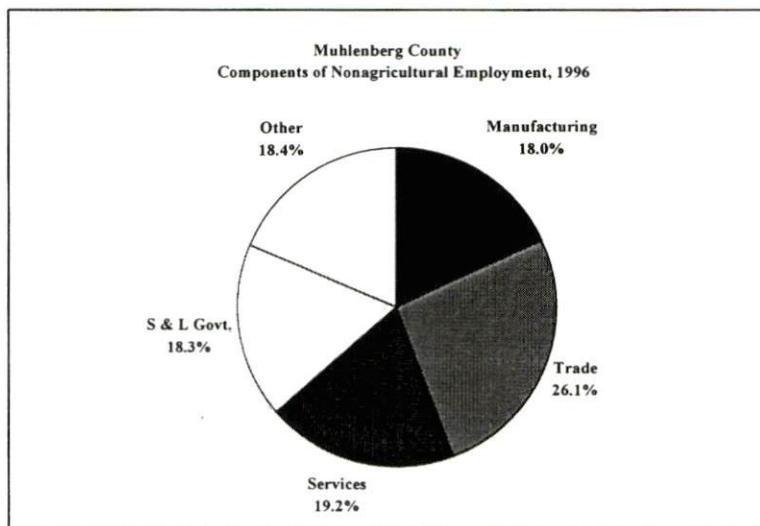
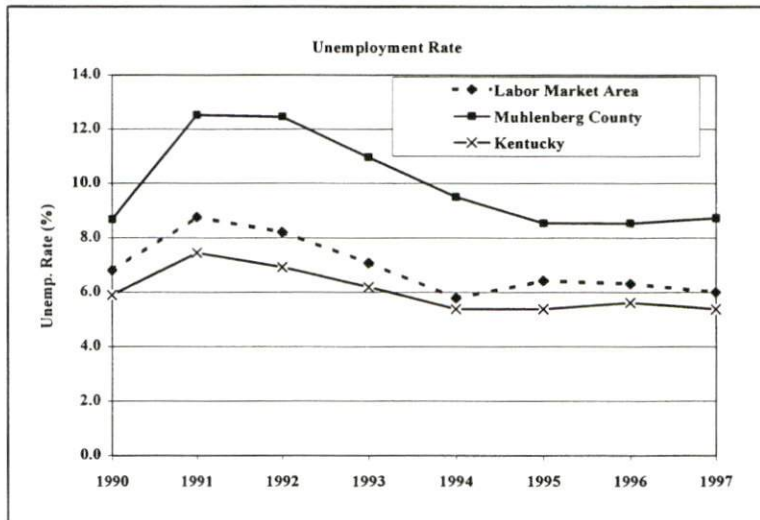
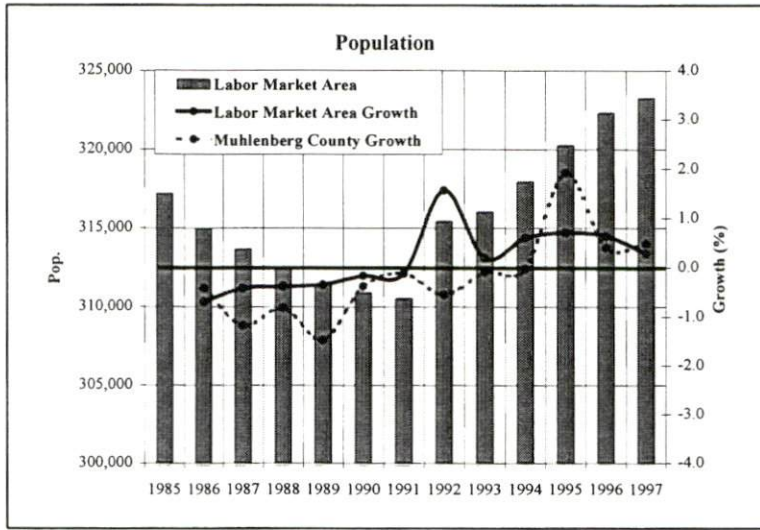
	<u>Muhlenberg County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	8,163	111,417
Mining & Quarrying	267	1,994
Contract Construction	276	5,344
Manufacturing	1,470	27,477
Transportation & Public Utilities	505	4,580
Wholesale & Retail Trade	2,131	26,869
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	284	3,994
Services	1,564	22,447
State & Local Government	1,493	17,657
Other	174	989

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

**Source:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Monthly Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1996.



## Selected Charts



### Per Capita Personal Income

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>Percent Change (1992-1996)</u>
Muhlenberg County	\$13,329	\$15,429	15.8
Labor Market Area Range	\$11,643 - \$17,001	\$14,068 - \$20,104	-
Kentucky	\$16,761	\$19,773	18.0
U. S.	\$20,631	\$24,436	18.4

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

### Average Placement Wages

Muhlenberg County is served by the Madisonville local office of the Kentucky Department for Employment Services. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Madisonville 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, 1996, the local employment office filled Muhlenberg 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	1,025	5.61
Clerical	218	6.35
Sales	70	5.25
Services (excluding domestic)	165	4.56
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	29	5.79
Processing	51	8.48
Machine Trades	24	8.70
Bench Work	158	4.24
Structural	94	7.44
Motor Freight/Transportation	43	5.13
Packaging and Materials Handling	141	4.87
Other	3	5.67

**Note:** Occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department for Labor. The Madisonville local office serves Crittenden, Hopkins, and Muhlenberg Counties.

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

**Average Weekly Wages by Industry  
by Place of Work, 1996\***

	<u>Muhlenberg County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$385.73	\$465.37	\$495.00	\$525.00
Mining & Quarrying	930.33	774.09	718.00	763.00
Contract Construction	612.28	489.34	524.00	515.00
Manufacturing	359.89	608.28	592.00	615.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	631.31	620.62	620.00	718.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	284.25	319.59	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	385.14	576.81	653.00	688.00
Services	323.60	420.80	471.00	550.00
State & Local Government	413.33	473.35	N/A	N/A
	<u>Indiana</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	<u>Illinois</u>	<u>U.S.</u>
All Industries	\$507.00	\$528.00	\$599.00	\$550.00
Mining & Quarrying	810.00	732.00	887.00	916.00
Contract Construction	577.00	590.00	731.00	583.00
Manufacturing	699.00	738.00	737.00	697.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	614.00	641.00	725.00	694.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	587.00	638.00	874.00	802.00
Services	434.00	466.00	547.00	523.00
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 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.

**Sources:** Kentucky Workforce Development Cabinet, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law, 1996. U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment and Wages, Annual Averages, 1996. November 1997.

## EXISTING INDUSTRY

### Muhlenberg County Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm (Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1998 Employment</u>
<b>Bremen</b>		
Associated Pallet, Inc. (1964)	Grade lumber, pallets	100
Baize Forest Products, Inc. (1992)	Rough & grade lumber, crossties	20
Cal-Maine Foods (1993)	Processing of shelled eggs	100
Gatton Farms-Fathers Country Hams, Inc. (1960)	Country ham, bacon, sausage	2
Greenville Log & Lumber (1990)	Mine materials, railroad ties, Grade lumber	100
<b>Central City</b>		
Brewco, Inc. (1989)	Horizontal band saws	23
Brewer, Inc. (1969)	Gang rip saws and cut off saws for wooden pallet industry, multi-head thin kerf band saw	48
Brewer & Reed Lumber, Inc. (1981)	Pallet stock	17
Central City Publishing Corporation (1906)	Newspaper	8
Central Pallett Mills, Inc. (1955)	Pallets	18
Fast Line Saw Systems, Inc. (1989)	Log cut-up systems, debarkers	12
Flynn Corporation (1993)	Apparel	130
IMI (1971)	Ready-mixed concrete	8
Leader News/Paragon Printing (1921)	Newspaper, job printing	20
Nu-Tech Industries, Inc. DBA Brewco Collision Repair Systems (1989)	Collision repair equipment, automotive service equipment, auto parts	37
Vaught Brothers Lumber Company (1990)	Grade lumber, wood products	12
Woodco of Kentucky, Inc. (1994)	Sawmill equipment	4
<b>Drakesboro</b>		
Reed Minerals Division (1979)	Blast grit, roofing granules	45



<u>Firm (Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>1998 Employment</u>
<b>Graham</b>		
The Ensign Bickford Company (1969)	Fuses, detonating cord, non-electric relays, plastic/specialty explosives	115
<b>Greenville</b>		
Commercial Printing, Inc. (1959)	Job printing, business forms, envelopes	7
DAME Manufacturing, Inc. (1987)	Men's and ladies' apparel, denim jackets	250
Flynn Corporation (1995)	Men's and women's jeans	250
Geibel Lumber Company, Inc. (1954)	Hardwood lumber, pallets, skids	15
Greenville Machine Company (1966)	Machine shop	4
Mainline Electric (1965)	Electric distribution panels and consoles	1
Muhlenberg County Opportunity Center (1968)	Signs, trophies and plaques	85
Piper Machine (1987)	Sawmill equipment	8
Plastic Products Company, Inc. (1996)	Injection molded plastics	50
Road Builders, Inc., DBA Greenville Quarries & Quality Blacktopping Company (1948)	Bituminous asphalt, agricultural lime, crushed limestone	66
Special Mine Service, Inc. (1969)	Electrical cable, electrical connectors	5
The Tube Works (1974)	Metal tubing fabrication, custom metal fabrication, custom bicycle & motorcycle frames	2

**Source:** Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development, Division of Research; Muhlenberg Economic Enterprises.

<b>Major Supportive/Service Employers</b>	<b>1998 Employment</b>
Tennessee Valley	482
Muhlenberg County Community Hospital	474
Wal-Mart, Inc.	330
Super Value Distributors	275
Kentucky Utilities Company	118
Central Produce Distribution	40
House of Onyx Distribution	36
Levinson Registered Steels	23
Miller & Hartman Company	

**Source:** Muhlenberg Economic Enterprises.

## Labor Organizations in Manufacturing Firms

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing workers at:</u>
International Brotherhood of Teamsters	Special Mine Service, Inc.
Laborers International Union of North America, AFL-CIO	Reed Minerals Division
United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO-CLC	Road Builders, Inc., DBA Greenville Quarries & Quality Blacktoppers Company

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

## Selected Industrial Services

<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Mileage from Greenville</u>
Custom Plastics Producers	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	41
Electric Motor Repair	Crofton, Kentucky	27
	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	32
Heat Treating Facilities	Hopkinsville, Kentucky	41
Industrial Waste Removal	Central City, Kentucky	8
Machine Shops, Tool & Die	Greenville, Kentucky	-
Metal Castings	McHenry, Kentucky	26
	Elkton, Kentucky	29
Metal Finishers	Livermore, Kentucky	22
	Madisonville, Kentucky	28
Metal Service Centers	Greenville, Kentucky	-
Millwrights & Riggers	Morgantown, Kentucky	45

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

## TRANSPORTATION

### Highways

Major highways serving Muhlenberg County include the Western Kentucky Parkway, U.S. Highways 62, and 431, and Kentucky Routes 176 and 189. All are AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways. Greenville is served directly by U.S. 62 and Kentucky 176, Central City is served by the Western Kentucky Parkway and U.S. Highways 62 and 431, and Drakesboro by U.S. 431 and Kentucky 176.

The Western Kentucky Parkway is a multi-lane highway extending from Interstate 24, 60 miles west of Central City, to Interstate 65 and the Blue Grass Parkway, 81 miles east of Central City. The Western Kentucky Parkway also connects with Pennyriple Parkway, 24 miles west of Central City, and the William H. Natcher Parkway, 20 miles east of Central City. Two interchanges of the Western Kentucky Parkway are located in Muhlenberg County, one at Central City and another six miles north of Greenville via Kentucky 181.

The Greenville-Central City bypass is a multi-lane highway extending from U.S. 62, west of Greenville, to U.S. 431, north of Central City.

### Highway Miles from Greenville, Kentucky to Selected Market Centers

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	339	Kansas City, MO	513
Baltimore, MD	709	Knoxville, TN	271
Birmingham, AL	285	Los Angeles, CA	2,065
Charleston, WV	345	Louisville, KY	133
Chicago, IL	429	Minneapolis, MN	789
Cincinnati, OH	231	Nashville, TN	93
Cleveland, OH	480	New Orleans, LA	625
Columbia, SC	533	New York, NY	874
Columbus, OH	338	Pittsburgh, PA	524
Dallas, TX	721	Raleigh, NC	630
Des Moines, IA	628	Richmond, VA	664
Detroit, MI	493	St. Louis, MO	265
Indianapolis, IN	247	Tallahassee, FL	588

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

**Source:** AAA Map 'n' Go 3.0 for Windows, DeLORME, 1997.

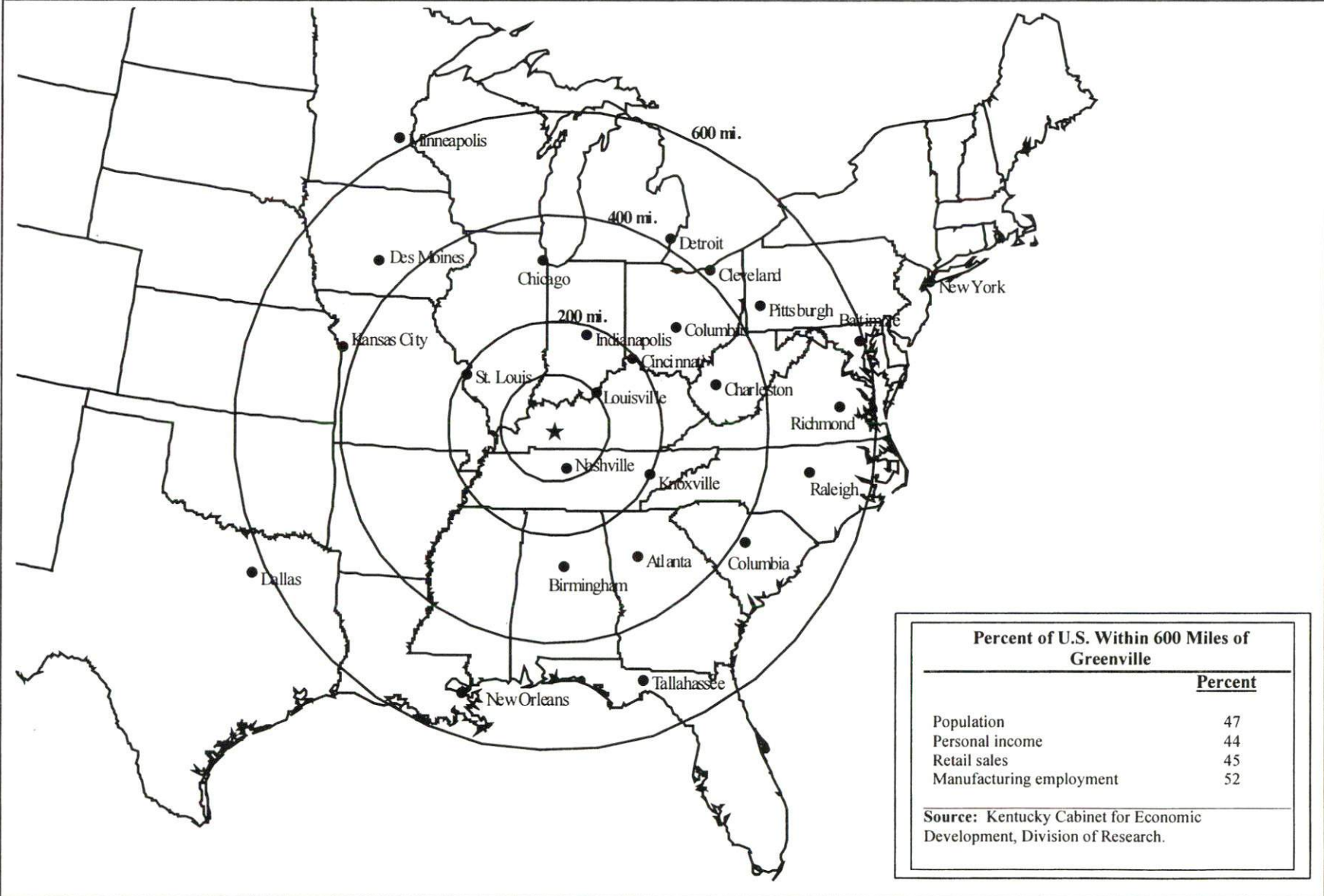
### Truck Service

Nineteen trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Muhlenberg County.

**Source:** American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1998.



### Selected Market Centers Map





## Rail

The Paducah and Louisville Railway serves Greenville and Central City. Central City is also served by CSX Transportation as is Drakesboro. The nearest intermodal facilities are provided by CSX Transportation at Owensboro, 44 miles north of Greenville.

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

Vice-President-Marketing and Sales  
Paducah and Louisville Railway  
1500 Kentucky Avenue  
Paducah, Kentucky 42001  
(502) 444-4341

and/or

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

## Air

### Local

Location:	Muhlenberg County Airport Greenville
Runways:	1 paved
Length:	4,200 feet
Traffic Control:	Wind tee, Unicom frequency 1230
Lighting:	Lights, beacon, VASI, REILS
Services:	100LL octane, charter, minor A & P repairs, Hangars on space available basis, tie-downs

The Federal Aviation Administration has approved the Muhlenberg County Airport to extend its runway to 5,000 feet. Construction is scheduled to begin in 1998.

### Regional

Location: Owensboro-Daviess County Regional Airport  
3 miles southwest of Owensboro city limits  
41 miles north of Greenville

Runways: 2 paved

Length: 6,500 feet; 3,700 feet

Traffic Control: Control tower, ground control, ILS

Lighting: Beacon, runways, windsock, obstruction, and taxi lights

Services: 100LL, jet-A fuel; storage; hanger tie-downs; major A & P repairs; general flying service; taxi, rental car; direct line to motel; Avionics; and terminal snack bar

Air Service: Northwest Airlink

Daily Arrivals & Departures: 10

### Nearest Scheduled Commercial Airline Service

Location: Evansville Regional Airport  
3 miles north of Evansville, Indiana;  
77 miles northwest of Greenville

Air Service: ASA, Comair, American Eagle, Northwest Airlink, TWA Express, USAirways Express

Daily Arrivals & Departures: 98

### Nearest International Airport

Location: Nashville International Airport  
6 miles southeast of Nashville, Tennessee;  
88 miles south of Greenville

Air Service: Air Canada, American, American Eagle, Comair, Continental, Corporate Express, Delta, Delta Express, Midway Connection, Northwest, Skyway, Southwest, TWA, United, US Airways, US Airways Express, Trans States

Daily Arrivals & Departures: 364

### **Water**

The nearest navigable waterway is the Green River, which forms the northeastern boundary of Muhlenberg County. A nine-foot by two hundred-foot navigation channel is maintained from Lock Number 3 near Rochester, 18 miles east of Greenville, to the Ohio River.

The Owensboro Riverport Authority operates a public riverport on the Ohio River at Owensboro, 44 miles north of Greenville on the Ohio River.

## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Company serving **Greenville, Central City, Drakesboro and northern Muhlenberg County** - Kentucky Utilities Company  
Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company  
For industrial rates contact:

Economic Development Department  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
One Quality Street  
Lexington, Kentucky 40507  
(606) 255-2100 Fax (606) 367-5839  
Web site: [www.kuenergy.com](http://www.kuenergy.com)

Company serving **southern Muhlenberg County** - Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation  
Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority  
For industrial rates contact:

Southern Kentucky Industrial Development Association, Inc.  
P.O. Box 726  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241-0726  
(502) 885-5392 Fax (502) 885-9451

and/or

Pennyrile Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation  
2000 Harrison Street  
P.O. Box 551  
Hopkinsville, Kentucky 42241  
(502) 886-2555 Fax (502) 886-5933

### Natural Gas

Company serving **Greenville and Central City** - Western Kentucky Gas Company  
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation  
For rates and supplies contact:

Western Kentucky Gas Company  
P.O. Box 866  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42302-0866  
(502) 685-8069

Company serving **Drakesboro** - Drakesboro Natural Gas  
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation  
For rates and supplies contact:

Utility Manager  
Drakesboro Natural Gas  
P.O. Box 129  
Drakesboro, Kentucky 42337  
(502) 476-8986

### Public Water Supply

Company serving **Greenville** - City of Greenville Utilities Commission  
118 Court Street  
P.O. Box 283  
Greenville, Kentucky 42345  
(502) 338-2642 Fax (502) 338-3967

Source - Luzerne Lake, City Lake  
Treatment plant capacity- 1,000,000 gallons per day  
Source of treated water - Muhlenberg County Water District  
Maximum amount available - no set limit (emergency use)  
Average daily consumption - 665,385 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 1,000,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 1,850,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 40 psi to 80 psi

Company serving **Central City** - Central City Municipal Water & Sewer System  
208 North First Street  
P.O. Box 430  
Central City, Kentucky 42330  
(502) 754-3066

Source - Green River  
Treatment plant capacity- 4,000,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 2,471,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 2,900,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 1,950,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 40 psi to 100 psi

Company serving **Drakesboro** - Drakesboro Water Works  
P.O. Box 129  
Drakesboro, Kentucky 42337  
(502) 476-8986

Source of treated water - Muhlenberg County Water District  
Maximum amount available - 150,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 60,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 59,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 100,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 50 psi to 66 psi



Name of water district - Muhlenberg County Water District  
301 Dean Road  
P.O. Box 348  
Greenville, Kentucky 42345  
(502) 338-1300 Fax (502) 338-7494

Source of supply of treated water - Municipal Water and Sewer System,  
Central City Kentucky  
Maximum amount available - 1,900,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption - 1,338,500 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 1,703,000 gallons  
Storage capacity - 1,730,000 gallons  
Water pressure - 30 psi to 150 psi

### Sewerage

Company serving **Greenville** - City of Greenville Utilities Commission  
118 Court Road  
P.O. Box 283  
Greenville, Kentucky 42345  
(502) 338-2642 Fax (502) 338-3967

Design capacity - 730,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow - 41,000 gallons  
Type of treatment - Primary  
Treated effluent discharged into - Caney Creek

Company serving **Central City** - Municipal Water & Sewer  
208 North First Street  
P.O. Box 430  
Central City, Kentucky 42330  
(502) 754-3066

Design capacity - 973,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow - 450,000 gallons  
Type of treatment - Secondary  
Treated effluent discharged into - Green River

Company serving **Drakesboro** - Drakesboro Sewer Plant  
P.O. Box 129  
Drakesboro, Kentucky 42337  
(502) 476-8986

Design capacity - 165,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow - 80,000 gallons  
Type of treatment - Primary  
Treated effluent discharged into - Plum Creek

## CLIMATE

### Muhlenberg County

#### Temperature

Average (30-year record)	55.96 degrees
Average annual 1996	54.20 degrees
Record highest, July 1954 (56-year record)	105.00 degrees
Record lowest, February 1951 (56-year record)	-23.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (heating degree day totals are the sum of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	4,708

#### Precipitation

Normal total (30-year record)	43.14 inches
Normal annual snowfall (30-year record)	15.50 inches
Total precipitation 1996	64.03 inches
Normal number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	114.90
Mean number days thunderstorms (56-year record)	44.90

Prevailing Winds (28-year record) South

#### Relative Humidity (30-year record)

6 a.m.	79 percent
12 noon	82 percent
6 p.m.	59 percent
12 midnight	62 percent

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**Source:** U.S. Department of Commerce, National Climatic Data Center, Climatological Data, 1996.  
Station of record: Evansville, Indiana.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### Structure

The cities of Greenville, Central City, and Drakesboro are served by a mayor-city council form of government. Greenville and Central City also employ city administrators. Muhlenberg County is served by a county judge/executive and five magistrates.

### Planning and Zoning

Joint agency - Muhlenberg Joint City - County Planning Commission  
Participating cities - Central City, Greenville, Drakesboro, Powderly  
Zoning enforced - Within the corporate limits of Greenville and Central City  
Subdivision regulations enforced - Within the corporate limits of Greenville and Central City and five miles beyond  
Local codes enforced - Building and housing in Greenville and Central City  
Mandatory state codes enforced - Kentucky Plumbing Code, National Electric Code, Kentucky Boiler Regulations and Standards, Kentucky Building Code (modeled after BOCA code)

### Fees and Licenses

The City of Greenville levies a business license fee on businesses within the city which range from \$5 to \$120 per year. The fee for manufacturers with 25 employees or less is \$50 annually. Firms with more than 25 employees are charged \$75 annually. An unloading license is required in Greenville. The fee is \$7.50 to \$25, depending on vehicle capacity.

Business license fees in Central City range from \$10 to \$750 per year. An unloading license fee is also required by the city. The fees are \$10 and \$25, depending on vehicle capacity. An eight percent insurance premium tax is also levied in Central City.

### 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.

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 and Local Property Taxes**

**State Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation**

<u>Selected Classes of Property</u>	<u>1997 State Rate</u>	<u>Local Taxation Permitted</u>
Real Estate	\$0.157	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 1997, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.

**Local Property Tax Rates Per \$100 Valuation, 1997**

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Real Estate</u>	<u>Finished Goods &amp; Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
Muhlenburg County	\$0.1818	\$0.2081	\$0.1682
School Districts:			
Muhlenberg County	0.4970	0.4970	0.4970
Cities:			
Central City	0.2270	0.2270	0.2050
Drakesboro	0.2700	0.3070	0.3070
Greenville	0.2100	0.1940	0.1940
Powerly	0.1470	0.1470	0.0840

**Source:** Property Tax Rates 1997, Kentucky Revenue Cabinet, Department of Property Valuation.



## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

	<b>Muhlenberg County</b>
Total Enrollment (Fall, 1997)	5,300
Pupil-Teacher Ratio (1996-97)	22.5:1
Percent High School Graduates to College (1996-97)	46.1
Expenditures Per Pupil (1996-97)	\$4,180.00

Muhlenberg County is committed to technology in the schools. The high schools each have three networked computer labs for students, and teacher workstations in the classroom. Libraries and administrative offices are automated. Middle schools have a networked lab and five computers in each Math and English classroom. Elementary schools are fully networked with four computers in each primary classroom. Grades 4-6 have new networked labs.

### Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u> <u>(Miles from Greenville)</u>	<u>Enrollment</u> <u>(1996-1997)</u>
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville, Kentucky (27)	2,578
Hopkinsville Community College	Hopkinsville, Kentucky (32)	2,752
Brescia College	Owensboro, Kentucky (44)	753
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro, Kentucky (44)	713
Owensboro Community College	Owensboro, Kentucky (44)	2,314
Henderson Community College	Henderson, Kentucky (64)	1,123
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green, Kentucky (58)	14,613
Austin Peay State University	Clarksville, Tennessee (59)	8,073
University of Southern Indiana	Evansville, Indiana (74)	7,666
University of Evansville	Evansville, Indiana (74)	3,291

Madisonville Community College plans to construct an extension campus in Central City. The campus will be located on a 20-acre site which was donated by the Everly Brothers Foundation.

## Vocational-Technical Training

Kentucky Tech secondary schools (Sec), called area technology centers, are operated by the Cabinet for Workforce Development and the postsecondary schools (P/S), called technical colleges, are governed by the Kentucky Community and Technical College System (KCTCS).

<u>Kentucky Tech Schools</u>	<u>Location (Mileage from Greenville)</u>	<u>Number of Program Offerings</u>	<u>Enrollment 1996-97</u>		<u>Approximate Number Completing Programs Annually</u>
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	
Muhlenberg County Area Technology Center	Greenville	7	138	42	40
Madisonville Technical College	Madisonville (27)	11	67	121	65
Madisonville Health Technology Center	Madisonville (27)	11		362	120

### 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 located at the Madisonville Technical College.

### Assessment Services

Kentucky Tech Career Connections offers to business, education and government agencies testing packages for evaluating job applicants, selecting employees for promotional consideration and developing training programs within the organization. A Career Connections Assessment Center is located at the Madisonville 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 equivalence diploma. In Muhlenberg County, adult education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Muhlenberg County Board of Education and the Muhlenberg County Literacy Council.

### 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 credits to existing businesses for skills upgrade training.

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 13  
Dentists - 9

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Muhlenberg Community Hospital	Greenville	135

Medical staff – 24 physicians, 41 consulting physicians, 87 registered nurses, and 32 licensed practical nurses

The Muhlenberg Community Hospital offers a cardiac rehabilitation department and a cardiac clinic.

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Coal Miners Respiratory Clinic	Muhlenberg County Health Department/
Community Health Center of	Medical Services East Pennyrile District
Western Kentucky, Inc.	Neurology Clinic
Dialysis Specialists	Pennyroyal Center – Muhlenberg County
The Greenville Doctors Clinic	Mental Health Clinic
The Central City Medical Building	Private Duty Nursing
Home Medical Equipment	Trover Clinic
Muhlenberg Community Hospital	Upjohn Home Health Care Service
Home Health Care	
Muhlenberg Community Hospital	
Emergency Medical Service	

### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

First State Bank  
First National Bank  
Peoples First Bank

### Newspapers

Leader - News (weekly)  
Times - Argus (weekly)

### Telephone Service

Bell South  
911 "Enhanced"



## RECREATION

### Local

There are numerous city parks located in Greenville and Central City. These parks offer swimming pools, tennis courts, basketball courts, playgrounds, picnic areas, pavilions, exercise trails and an amphitheater. A large variety of baseball, softball and little league ball parks are located throughout Muhlenberg County. Also available are two country clubs and each offers a nine-hole golf course, an Olympic-size pool and tennis court. Three privately-owned public golf courses are also available in the county.

Lake Malone State Park is located in Muhlenberg County and offers camping facilities, swimming, fishing and boating on a 790-acre lake. A privately owned lodge, recently purchased by Don Everly and featuring in-house dining is located across from the entrance to the park. Other lodging is available throughout the county.

Abundant hunting and fishing opportunities as well as other outdoor activities are available. The largest wildlife area maintained by the Kentucky Fish and Wildlife Department is in Muhlenberg County.

Muhlenberg County is celebrating its 200<sup>th</sup> Birthday this year and a number of planned bicentennial activities are being featured throughout the year.

Muhlenberg County Agriculture and Convention Center is one of the county's greatest resources. It hosts annual events as well as a variety of regular activities.

Other attractions include the Everly Brothers Homecoming Concert, the Duncan Cultural Center, Muhlenberg Community Theater Productions, Home of the Legends Thumbpicking Championship, Merle Travis Birthday Celebration, the Sawdust Festival and the Kentucky Deer Classic.

### Area (Within 80 miles)

Jefferson Davis Monument State Historic Site  
Ben Hawes State Park  
Lake Barkley State Resort Park  
Rough River Dam State Resort Park  
The Land Between the Lakes  
John James Audubon State Park  
Kenlake State Resort Park  
Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park  
Mammoth Cave National Park  
Lake Beshear

**APPENDIX - Definitions**

**Geographic definition of the labor market area**

A county's labor market area is defined as the base county, adjacent counties, and any other major commuting counties. Adjacency is used to define the labor market area primarily because of the small size of Kentucky's counties. The major commuting counties are defined from the point of view of the base county. Major commuting counties are those counties that comprise 90% of the base county's total commuters. The source of the commuting patterns is the 1990 journey-to-work data available from the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.

**Example – Logan County**

To determine the labor market area for Logan County the following steps are taken. First, the counties with workers commuting into Logan county are listed in ascending order (see the table below). The cumulative percent is calculated. Next, all counties that comprise up to 90% of the commuters are included in the labor market area (actually the cut-off will be the county that breaks the 90% threshold – Montgomery County, TN at 92.6% in this case). Although Robertson is not a major commuter county, it is included since it is adjacent. The Logan County labor market is then comprised of the seven bold-faced counties in the table below.

Labor Market Area Example – Logan County

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