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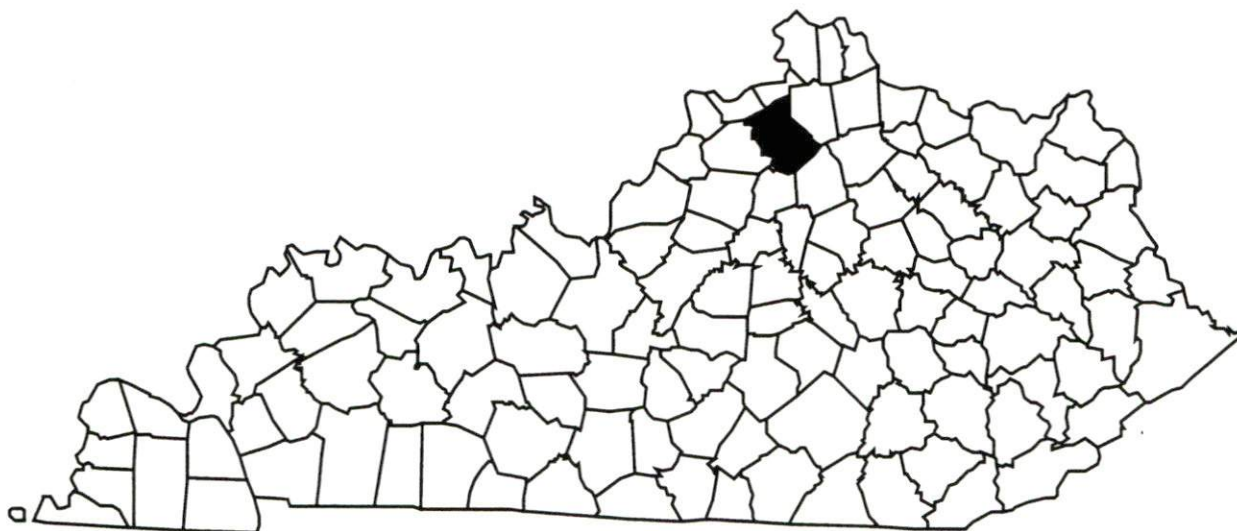
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# Kentucky

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## OWENTON, KENTUCKY – A RESOURCE PROFILE

Owenton, the county seat of Owen County, is located in the north central portion of the Bluegrass Region of Kentucky. Owenton is located 52 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio; 75 miles northeast of Louisville, Kentucky; and 50 miles northwest of Lexington, Kentucky. The city had an estimated 1996 population of 1,467.

Owen County covers a land area of 352 square miles and had an estimated 1997 population of 10,087 persons.

**The Economic Framework** – Owen County firms employed 1,670 people in 1997. Contract construction firms provided 97 jobs; wholesale and retail trade provided 268 jobs; 401 were employed in the service industry; and state and local government accounted for 448 jobs.

**Labor Supply** – There is a current estimated labor supply of 22,831 persons available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, from 1999 to 2003, approximately 9,683 young persons in the labor market area will become 18 years of age and potentially available for industrial jobs.

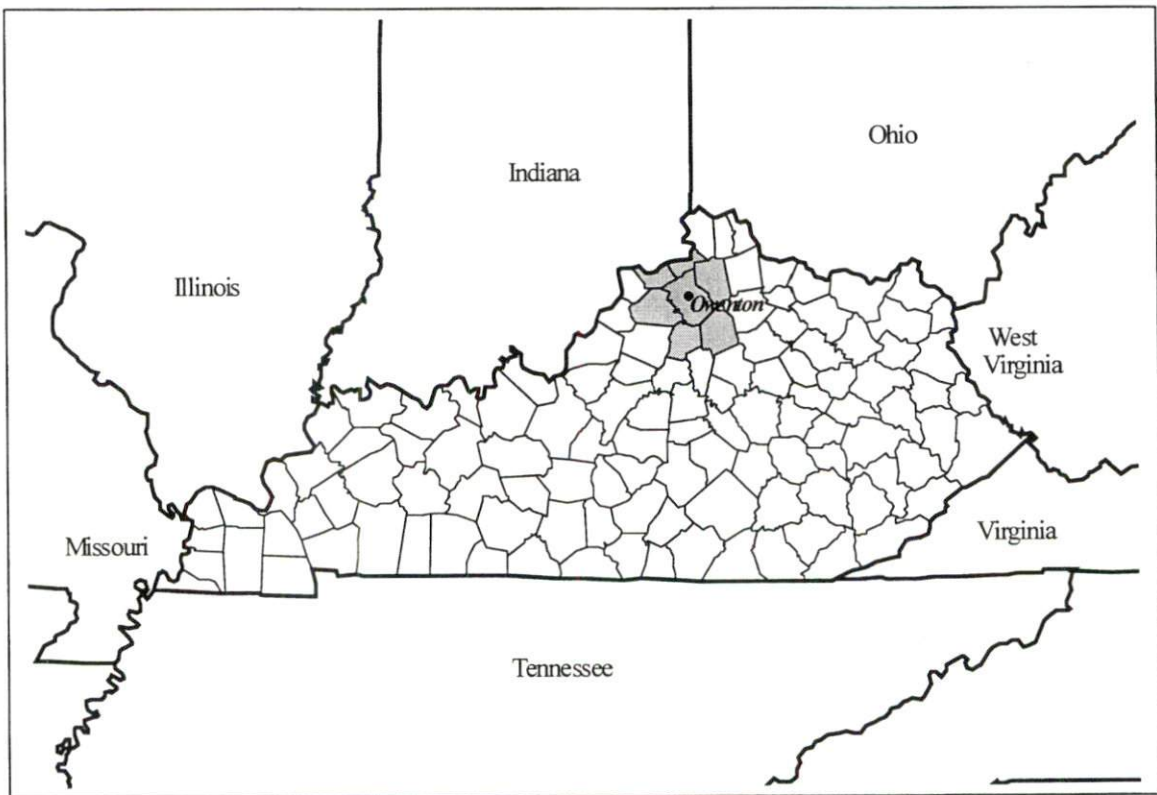
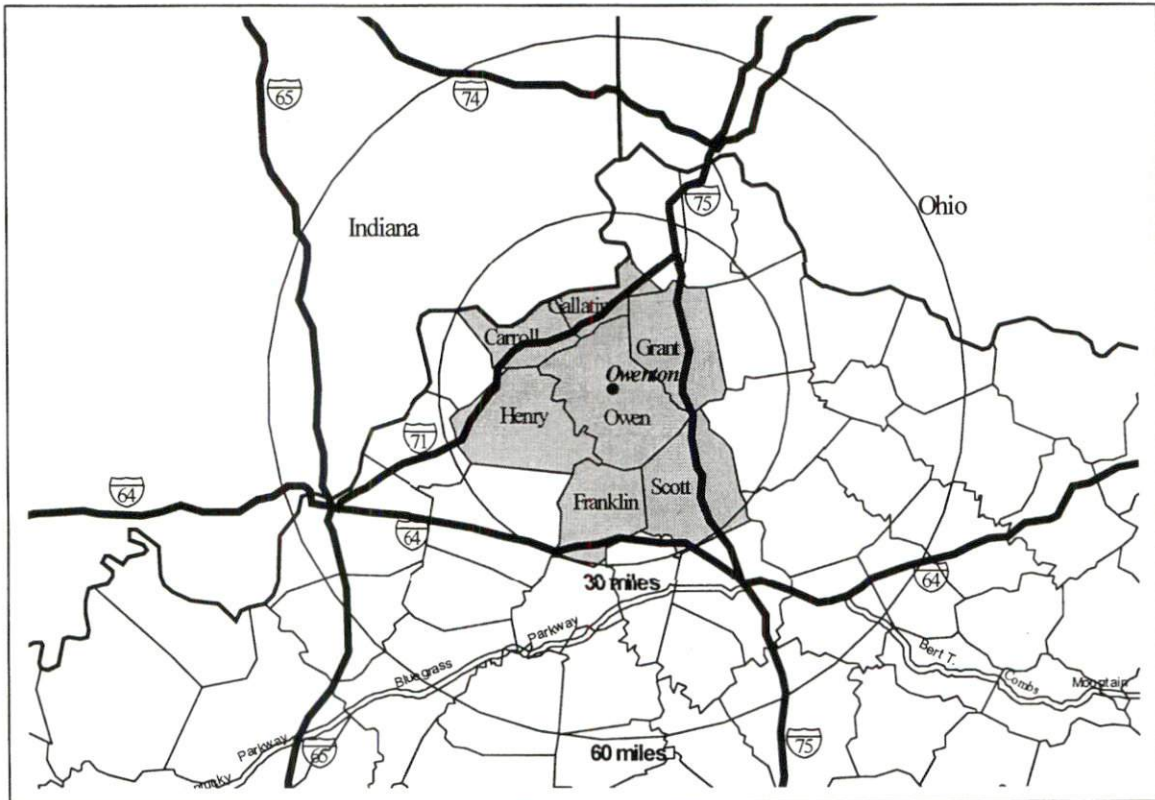
**Transportation** – Highways serving Owenton are U.S. Highway 127 and Kentucky 22, both AAA-rated trucking highways. Interstate 71 can be accessed 15 miles north of Owenton. Access to Interstate 75 is available 21 miles northeast of Owenton via Kentucky 22. Sixteen trucking companies provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Owenton. Scheduled commercial airline service is available at the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport in Boone County, Kentucky, 57 miles north of Owenton; and at the Blue Grass Airport, 48 miles southeast of Owenton near Lexington. CSX Transportation provides rail service at Sparta, 14 miles north of Owenton.

**Power and Fuel** – Kentucky Utilities Company provides electric power to Owenton and parts of Owen County. Owen County is also served by the Owen Electric Cooperative. Natural gas service will be available to Owenton in the near future.

**Education** – The Owen County School System provides primary and secondary education to Owenton and Owen County. The Owen County School System is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Twenty-three colleges and universities are located within 60 miles of Owenton. The nearest state technical colleges providing post-secondary education are Central Kentucky Technical College Anderson Campus in Lawrenceburg and Central Kentucky Technical College Lexington Campus in Lexington. The nearest area technology centers (ATC) providing secondary education are Carroll County ATC in Carrollton; Harrison County ATC in Cynthiana; and Shelby County ATC in Shelbyville.



## 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 Owenton labor market area includes Owen County and the following additional counties: Carroll, Franklin, Gallatin, Grant, Henry, and Scott.

### Population

	<u>1980</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1996*</u>	<u>1997*</u>
Labor Market Area	112,727	120,290	134,213	136,654
Owenton	1,341	1,306	1,467	N/A
Owen County	8,924	9,035	9,855	10,087

**Note:** \* 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	140,973	155,063	167,186
Owen County	10,906	12,568	14,127

**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>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	22,831	2,535	2,383	17,913	9,683
Owen County	781	174	225	381	790

**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>Owen County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	4,605	70,327
Employed	4,430	67,792
Unemployed	174	2,535
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.8	3.6

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

### Work Force Commuting Patterns (1990)

Workers commuting out of Owen County	1,842
Workers commuting into Owen County	323
Working and residing in Owen County	2,082

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

### Selected Components of Nonagricultural Employment by Place of Work, 1997

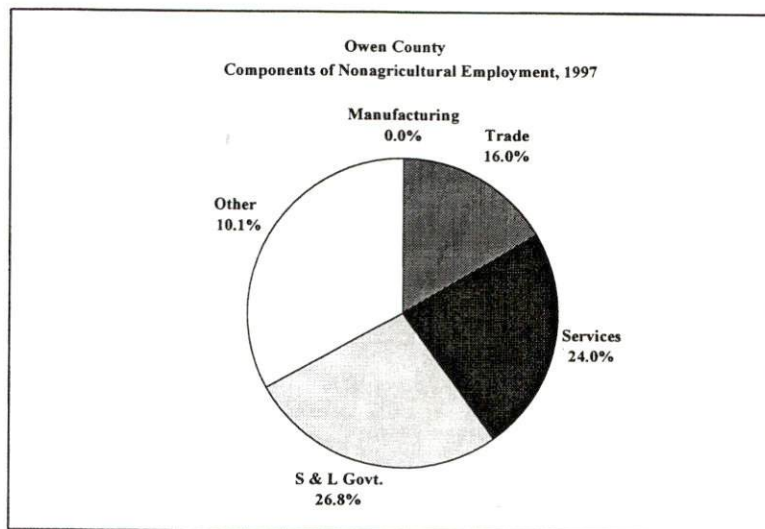
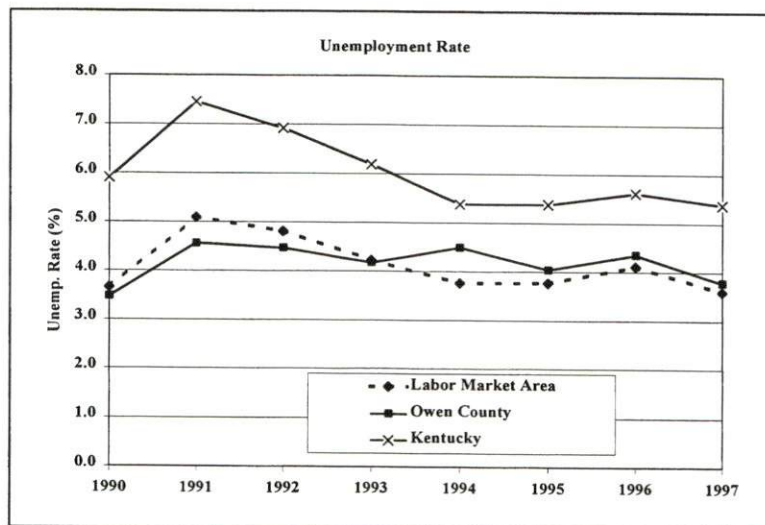
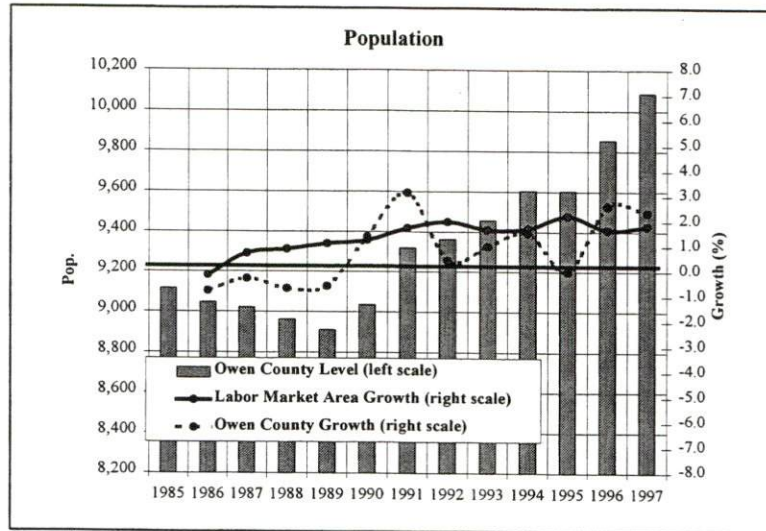
	<u>Owen County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
All Industries	1,670	66,318
Mining & Quarrying	0	0
Contract Construction	97	2,025
Manufacturing	N/A	18,689
Transportation & Public Utilities	125	1,554
Wholesale & Retail Trade	268	12,127
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	70	1,841
Services	401	10,114
State & Local Government	448	19,059
Other	21	562

**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>1992</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>Percent Change (1992-1996)</u>
Owen County	\$13,339	\$15,425	15.6
Labor Market Area Range	\$13,278 - \$19,130	\$15,383 - \$22,679	-
Kentucky	\$16,761	\$19,773	18.0
U. S.	\$20,631	\$24,436	18.4

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

### Average Placement Wages

The Kentucky Department for Employment Services local office in Covington serves Owen County. The focus of the following data is on job placements made by the Covington 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, 1998, the local employment office filled Owen 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	4,463	7.61
Professional, Technical & Managerial	103	7.22
Clerical	645	6.43
Sales	81	7.62
Domestic	8	5.63
Services (excluding domestic)	352	6.08
Agricultural, Fishery, Forestry, etc.	60	6.72
Processing	289	10.14
Machine Trades	286	8.59
Bench Work	311	7.95
Structural	224	8.67
Motor Freight & Transportation	461	8.56
Packaging & Materials Handling	1,643	7.38
Other	0	0.00

**Note:** Occupational categories are taken from the Dictionary of Occupational Titles published by the U.S. Department of Labor. The Covington local office serves Boone, Campbell, Carroll, Gallatin, Grant, Kenton, Owen, and Pendleton Counties.

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

**Average Weekly Wages by Industry by Place of Work, 1997**

	<u>Owen County</u>	<u>Kentucky (Statewide)</u>	<u>Tennessee</u>	<u>Virginia</u>
All Industries	\$418.42	\$488.00	\$521.00	\$555.00
Mining & Quarrying	0.00	790.00	839.00	772.00
Contract Construction	450.29	516.00	561.00	544.00
Manufacturing	N/A	644.00	621.00	644.00
Transportation & Public Utilities	670.18	648.00	653.00	761.00
Wholesale & Retail Trade	239.65	337.00	391.00	392.00
Finance, Insurance, & Real Estate	418.56	613.00	696.00	748.00
Services	353.70	440.00	495.00	580.00
State & Local Government	422.24	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

### Owenton Manufacturing Firms, Their Products and Employment

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Product(s)</u>	<u>1998 Emp.</u>	<u>Date Established</u>
American Laminating, Inc.	Identification name plates & engraved signs	3	1987
News-Herald Publishing Co.	Newspaper publishing	5	1868
Owen Co. Machine & Tool	Machine shop	15	N/A
Schlumberger Industries	Clamps, gas meters, gas pressure fittings & regulators	200	1978

**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.

### Recent Industrial Developments

The Owen County Industrial Foundation owns a 70-acre industrial park.

### Labor Organizations in Owen County

There are currently no labor organizations representing manufacturing workers in Owen County.

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



**Selected Industrial Services – Within 50 Miles of Owenton**

<b>Miles</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Custom Plastics Producers</b>	<b>Electric Motor Repair</b>	<b>Heat Treating Facilities</b>	<b>Industrial Waste Removal</b>	<b>Machine Shops, Tool &amp; Die</b>	<b>Metal Castings</b>	<b>Metal Finishers</b>	<b>Metal Service Centers</b>	<b>Mill- wrights &amp; Riggers</b>
14	Stamping Ground					X				
17	Williamstown	X								
18	Frankfort	X			X					
22	Georgetown	X		X		X				
23	Eminence								X	
25	Carrollton					X				
26	Versailles					X				
26	Walton				X					
28	Lawrenceburg					X				
31	Cynthiana					X	X			
31	Shelbyville					X				
32	Florence	X							X	
32	Lexington	X	X		X	X		X		X
33	Burlington					X			X	
34	Elsmere	X								
35	Erlanger	X				X				X
36	Hebron					X		X		
38	Nicholasville	X			X	X				
38	Paris					X				
39	Covington					X				
39	Park Hills		X							
41	Buckner				X					
41	Newport				X			X		
42	Bellevue					X				
42	Harrodsburg					X				



45	Bloomfield									X
47	Winchester		X			X			X	
48	Jeffersontown	X								
49	Prospect	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

U.S. Highway 127 and Kentucky Highway 22, both AAA-rated (80,000-pound gross load limit) trucking highways, serve Owenton. Interstate 71 can be accessed 15 miles north of Owenton. Access to Interstate 75 is available 22 miles northeast of Owenton via Kentucky 22.

A \$40 million complete renovation to U.S. Highway 127 from Owen County to Franklin County is under way and scheduled to be completed in 2000. Improvements have been made to U.S. 127 North including a new \$1.1 million bridge over Eagle Creek.

Other highway improvement projects in the planning stage include the reconstruction of Kentucky 22 from Owenton to the high school and the reconstruction of Kentucky 355 from Monterey to Kentucky 227 near Carrollton.

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

<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Highway Miles</u>
Atlanta, GA	428	Kansas City, MO	583
Baltimore, MD	567	Knoxville, TN	218
Birmingham, AL	438	Los Angeles, CA	2,161
Charleston, WV	217	Louisville, KY	75
Chicago, IL	341	Minneapolis, MN	753
Cincinnati, OH	52	Nashville, TN	247
Cleveland, OH	303	New Orleans, LA	779
Columbia, SC	478	New York, NY	690
Columbus, OH	159	Pittsburgh, PA	341
Dallas, TX	909	Raleigh, NC	534
Des Moines, IA	637	Richmond, VA	534
Detroit, MI	315	St. Louis, MO	334
Indianapolis, IN	160	Tallahassee, FL	699

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

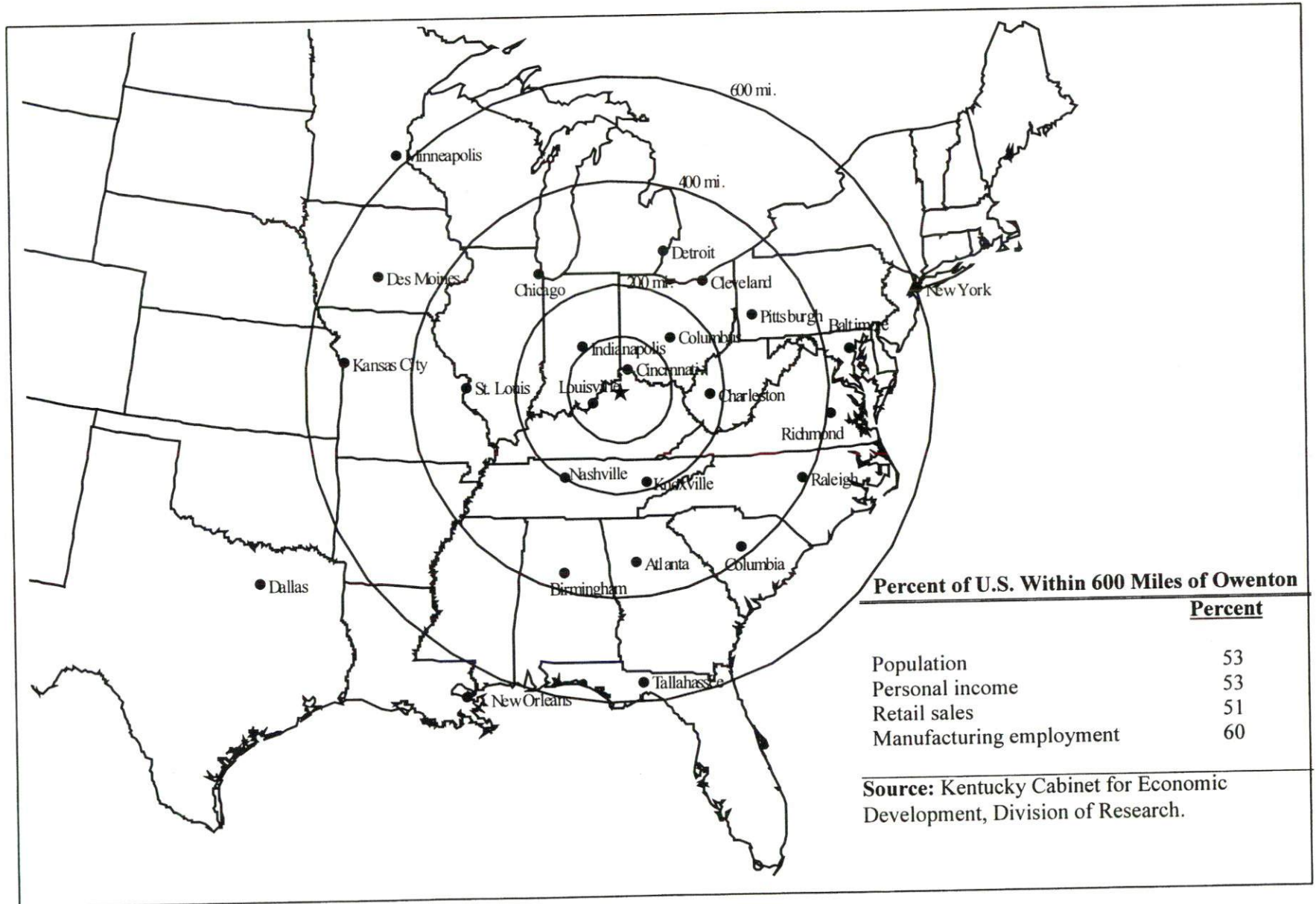
**Source:** AAA Map 'n' Go, DeLORME, 1998.

### Truck Service

There are currently sixteen common carrier trucking companies that provide interstate and/or intrastate service to Owenton.

**Source:** American Motor Carrier Directory, Spring 1999.

**Selected Market Centers Map**



## **Rail**

Owenton is not served directly by rail transportation, however, CSX Transportation offers rail service at Sparta, 14 miles north of Owenton. The Norfolk Southern Corporation provides the nearest intermodal facilities at Georgetown, Kentucky, 35 miles southeast of Owenton.

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

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

## **Air**

### **Local**

Location:	Capital City Airport
Runway length:	Frankfort, KY
Phone:	5,005 feet (asphalt)
	(502) 564-3714

### **Commercial/International**

#### Major Commercial Airline Service

Location:	Blue Grass Airport
	Lexington, Kentucky
	48 miles southeast of Owenton
Air service:	ASA, Comair, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest Airlink, TW Express, United Express, US Airways
Daily arrivals & departures:	192

#### International Airport

Location:	Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport
	Covington, Kentucky
	57 miles north of Owenton
Air service:	Air Trans, American, American Eagle, Comair, Continental, Continental Express, Delta, Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Skyway, Sunworld, SwissAir, TWA, United, US Airways, US Airways Express
Daily arrivals & departures:	1,060



## UTILITIES

### Electricity

Service area: **Owenton and portion of Owen County**  
Company: Kentucky Utilities Company  
Source of power: Kentucky Utilities Company  
For industrial rates contact:  
  
Economic Development Department  
Kentucky Utilities Company  
One Quality Street  
Lexington, KY 40507  
(606) 255-2100

Service area: **major portion of Owen County**  
Company: Owen Electric Cooperative  
Source of power: East Kentucky Power Cooperative  
For industrial rates contact:  
  
Industrial Development Department  
East Kentucky Power Cooperative  
P.O. Box 707  
Winchester, KY 40391  
(606) 744-4812

and/or

Owen Electric Cooperative  
Owenton, KY 40359  
(502) 484-3471

### Natural Gas

Extension of natural gas to Owenton and Owen County is in the planning stages.

## **Public Water Supply**

Service Area: **Owen County**  
Company: Tri-Village Water District  
Owenton, KY 40359  
(502) 484-5774

Treatment facilities information:  
Average daily consumption: 294,441 gallons  
Peak daily consumption: 455,000 gallons  
Storage capacity: 814,000 gallons  
Water pressure: 32 psi to 100 psi  
Additional water source: Owenton Water Works  
Maximum available for purchase: 500,000 gallons per day

Improvements: Construction of a 100,000 gallon storage tank and a booster pump station and 5,000 feet of 6" line are planned at an estimated cost of \$410,000.

Service area: **Owenton**  
Company: Owenton Water Works  
P.O. Box 280  
Owenton, KY 40359  
(502) 484-2330

Treatment facilities information:  
Source of raw water: Savern Creek  
Treatment plant capacity: 1,400,000 gallons per day  
Average daily consumption: 695,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption: 1,132,000 gallons  
Storage capacity: 735,000 gallons  
Water pressure: 40 psi to 65 psi

Improvements: There are some distribution improvements in progress in connection to the highway relocation.

## **Sewerage**

Service area: **Owenton**  
Company: Owenton Sewerage System  
102 North Main Street  
Owenton, KY 40359  
(502) 484-2330

Design capacity: 1,400,000 gallons per day  
Average daily flow: 225,000 gallons per day  
Type of treatment: Secondary  
Treated effluent discharged into: Stevens Creek

## CLIMATE

### Owen County

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#### Temperature

Normal (114-year record)	55.10 degrees
Average annual, 1997	53.60 degrees
Record highest, July 1988 (53-year record)	103.00 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (53-year record)	-21.00 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,783
Normal cooling degree days (30-year record)	1,140

#### Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	44.55 inches
Mean annual snowfall 30-year record)	17.50 inches
Total precipitation, 1997	59.13 inches
Mean number days precipitation (0.01 inch or more) (30-year record)	129.10
Mean number days thunderstorms (53-year record)	43.90

<u>Prevailing Winds</u> (26-year record)	South
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#### Relative Humidity (30-year record)

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

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**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: Lexington, Kentucky.

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

### **Structure**

The City of Owenton is served by a mayor and six council members. The mayor is elected to a four-year term and the council members serve two-year terms. Owen County is served by a county judge/executive and four magistrates. The county judge/executive and the magistrates are elected to four-year terms.

### **Planning and Zoning**

City agency - Owenton Planning Commission

Zoning enforced - Within city limits

Subdivision regulations enforced - Within city only

Local codes enforced - Building

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

### **Local Fees and Licenses**

The City of Owenton levies a business license fee ranging from \$20 to \$500 annually for businesses located within the city limits of Owenton. A one percent occupational license tax is levied on all wages, salaries, and commissions of individuals employed within the city and on net profits of businesses within the city.

### **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 &amp; Tangibles</u>	<u>Motor Vehicles</u>
<u>County</u>			
Owen County	0.2550	0.3265	0.2660
<u>Cities</u>			
Owenton	0.2810	0.3756	0.2829
<u>School Districts</u>			
Owen County	0.5030	0.5870	0.5900

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

## EDUCATION

### Primary and Secondary Schools

#### Public School District Enrollments and Expenditures, 1996-1997

	<u>Total Enrollment</u>	<u>Expenditures Per Pupil</u>	<u>Pupil to Teacher Ratio</u>
Owen County	1,915	\$5,091	16.6 to 1

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

#### Transition to Adult Life of High School Graduates, 1996-1997

<u>County-wide</u>	<u>Number of Graduates</u>	<u>Percent of Total Graduates (%)</u>
Total High School Graduates	109	100.0
To College	44	40.4
To Vocational/Technical School	3	2.8
To Workforce	54	49.5
To Work & School	3	2.8
To Military	1	0.9
Other	4	3.7

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

### Colleges and Technical Schools

#### Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Owenton

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
18	Kentucky State University	Frankfort	2,288
22	Georgetown College (Private)	Georgetown	1,626
22	Midway College (Private)	Midway	968
32	Lexington Community College	Lexington	5,558
32	Transylvania University (Private)	Lexington	1,021
32	University of Kentucky	Lexington	24,171
36	Thomas More College (Private)	Crestview Hills	1,322
39	Asbury College (Private)	Wilmore	1,258
39	Northern Kentucky University	Highland Heights	11,785
42	Hanover College (Private)	Hanover, IN	1,087
43	Athenaeum of Ohio (Private)	Cincinnati, OH	104
43	College of Mt. St. Joseph (Private)	Cincinnati, OH	2,205
43	Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati Campus (Private)	Cincinnati, OH	147

**Area Colleges and Universities Within 60 Miles of Owenton (continued)**

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall 1997)</u>
43	Southern Ohio College, Cincinnati Campus	Cincinnati, OH	500
43	University of Cincinnati	Cincinnati, OH	35,000
43	Xavier University (Private)	Cincinnati, OH	6,423
51	Centre College (Private)	Danville	1,001
54	Eastern Kentucky University	Richmond	15,425
57	Bellarmino College (Private)	Louisville	2,678
57	Jefferson Community College	Louisville	8,667
57	Spalding University (Private)	Louisville	1,573
57	Sullivan College (Private)	Louisville	2,481
57	University of Louisville	Louisville	20,894

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

**Source:** Kentucky Council on Higher Education.

**Technical Schools**

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (1997-1998)</u>		
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>Total</u>
25	Carroll County ATC	Carrollton	429	21	450
28	Central Kentucky Technical College Anderson Campus	Lawrenceburg	0	115	115
31	Harrison County ATC	Cynthiana	720	5	725
31	Shelby County ATC	Shelbyville	539	46	585
32	Central Kentucky Technical College Lexington Campus	Lexington	0	1,154	1,154
35	Northern Kentucky Technical College Edgewood Campus	Edgewood	0	248	248
35	La Grange Voc. Ed. Center	La Grange	0	179	179
36	Boone County ATC	Hebron	175	3	178
37	C. E. McCormick Area Tech. Center	Alexandria	241	1	242
37	J. D. Patton Area Tech. Center	Fort Mitchell	185	0	185
39	Northern Kentucky Technical College Covington Campus	Covington	7	473	480
39	Northern Kentucky Technical College Highland Heights Campus	Highland Heights	30	212	242
41	Oldham County ATC	Buckner	146	1	147
42	Harrodsburg ATC	Harrodsburg	383	4	387
47	Clark County ATC	Winchester	207	2	209
51	Central Kentucky Technical College Danville Campus	Danville	107	125	232
52	Garrard County ATC	Lancaster	199	0	199
54	Madison County ATC	Richmond	799	0	799



### Technical Schools (continued)

<u>Miles</u>	<u>Institution</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (1997-1998)</u>		
			<u>Sec</u>	<u>P/S</u>	<u>Total</u>
56	Nelson County ATC	Bardstown	527	4	531
57	Jefferson Technical College	Louisville	0	1,586	1,586
58	Montgomery County ATC	Mount Sterling	692	0	692
60	Bullitt County ATC	Shepherdsville	297	0	297

**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 Owenton, 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 Northern Kentucky Technical College Covington Campus in Covington.

#### 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 Owenton area is located at the Northern Kentucky Technical College Covington Campus in Covington.

#### 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 Owenton area, adult basic education and adult literacy classes are administered through the Owen 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 - 16  
Dentists - 3

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Local</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Owen County Memorial Hospital	Owenton	50

Medical staff - 8 physicians, 18 registered nurses, 14 licensed practical nurses, 38 assistants

### Other Medical Facilities and Services

Owen County Ambulance Service  
Owen County Health Center  
Owen County Life Squad  
Owenton Manor Nursing Facility  
Three Rivers Health Department and Home Health Agency

### Banks and Savings & Loan Associations

Citizens Bank of New Liberty  
First Farmers Bank and Trust Company  
Peoples Bank and Trust Company

### Newspapers

The News-Herald (weekly)

### Telephone Service

BellSouth  
"911" emergency system

## RECREATION

Owenton provides little league programs in basketball, football, soccer, and baseball. The school's playgrounds, football fields, gymnasiums, and baseball diamonds are available for use. The Owen County Fairgrounds and a county park are located on a 41-acre site just north of Owenton. Facilities include grandstands, two tennis courts, a lighted softball field and baseball diamond, little league facilities, basketball and volleyball courts, a soccer field, and a walking trail and horseshoe area.

Several recreational areas are located in the county. Eagle Creek Recreation Area is located at the confluence of Eagle Creek and the Kentucky River, 20 miles northeast of Owenton. Eagle Creek offers fishing, boating, camping, and swimming.

Elmer Davis Lake, two miles south of Owenton, is a 140-acre public lake which offers excellent bass fishing.

Elk Lake Shores, six miles from Owenton, is a private resort which offers fishing, boating, and swimming on a 207-acre lake.

Hideaway Hills, located on Elmer Davis Lake, is a private resort which offers fishing, swimming, and tennis.

Glenwood Hall Resort & Country Club "Perry Park", 11 miles west of Owenton, is a private resort with a marina, a restaurant and yacht club, an airstrip, stables, tennis courts, camping area, two pools, an 18-hole golf course, proshop, and several other recreational facilities.

Fairway Golf Course, 12 miles northwest of Owenton, offers an 18-hole golf course, cottages, and fishing.

The Owen County Arts Council was formed in 1992 and has helped fund the Owen County Community Theatre.

### Area (Within 60 miles)

Big Bone Lick State Park  
General Butler State Resort Park  
The Kentucky Horse Park  
The Kentucky River  
Kentucky's State Capital (Frankfort)  
Kincaid Lake State Park  
The Lake Jericho Recreation Area  
Turfway Park Race Track

Major Metropolitan Areas:  
Northern Kentucky and Cincinnati, Ohio  
Lexington Kentucky

## 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.

<b>Labor Market Area Example – Logan County</b>				
<b>Adjacent to Logan</b>	<b>Commuter County</b>	<b>Commuters into Logan</b>	<b>Percent of Total Commuters</b>	<b>Cumulative Percent</b>
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.

### **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.