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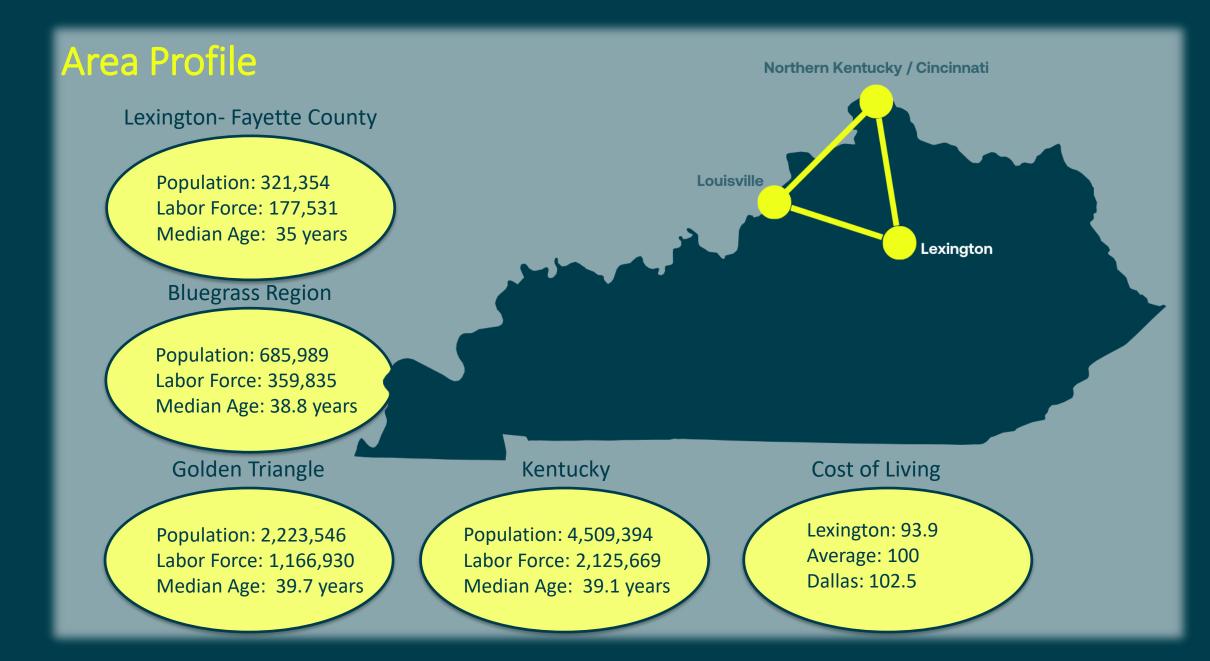
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Sources: U.S. Census Bureau (2021). American Community Survey 5-year estimates. C2ER Cost of Living Index (2022) Annual Averages



Within 600 miles of 65% of the **US** population At the crossroads of I-75 I-64

Lexington is about an hour's drive from Louisville International Airport (SDF) and Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG). From these airports, direct flights include Paris, London, Toronto, Boston, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Hartford, New York, and Washington DC. Approximately 100 non-stop destinations within an hour's drive. **50+ non-stop**





Lexington's Economy

3.1%

Unemployment Rate Median Household

\$61,526

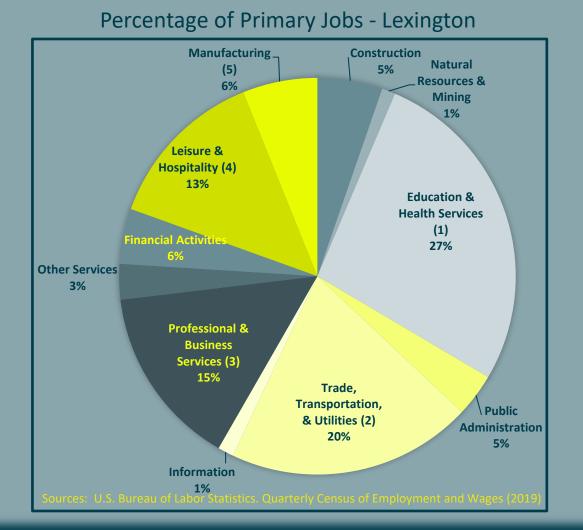
Income

\$50,024

Average Annual Wage

Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Local Area Unemployment Statistics (January 2023). US Census Bureau. American Community Survey. 5-year (2021). U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Occupational Employment and Wage Statistics (2021)

Workforce and Employment



Annual Unemployment Rates (non-adjusted)							
	Annual averages						
	2021	2020	2019	2018			
Bluegrass Region	4.1%	6.0%	3.4%	3.5%			
Bourbon	3.9%	5.9%	3.7%	3.9%			
Clark	4.4%	6.6%	3.8%	4.0%			
Fayette	3.9%	5.7%	3.2%	3.2%			
Franklin	4.4%	6.6%	3.6%	3.6%			
Jessamine	4.0%	5.6%	3.5%	3.5%			
Madison	4.1%	6.0%	3.7%	3.7%			
Montgomery	5.3%	8.0%	5.1%	5.8%			
Scott	3.7%	6.3%	3.3%	3.2%			
Woodford	3.4%	5.0%	3.0%	2.9%			
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Local Area Unemployment Statistics							

Cost of Living

C2ER Cost of Living Index - 2022 Annual Average									
Location	Composite Index	Grocery Items	Housing	Utilit	ies Transport	ation Health Car	e Misc. Goods		
Lexington	93.9	93.4	75.9	107.	.3 97.2	81.9	106.5		
Fort Worth	95.1	93.2	86.3	113	.6 90.7	87.2	100.7		
Dallas	102.5	95.4	96.3	113.	.8 85.7	113.1	110.8		
Philadelphia	104.5	117.5	99.8	111.	.4 109.3	97.5	100.4		
Chicago	120.3	105.5	151.4	96.	7 124.9	113.9	107.4		
Los Angeles	150.6	111.3	239.8	110	.4 128.5	112.1	116.6		
Seattle	149.9	125.3	210.8	105	.4 123.6	130.4	132.0		
Brooklyn	168.6	122.4	292.4	106	.1 114.1	105.9	126.6		
		Bluegrass ¹ Housing Data							
		2022	202	1	2020	2019			
	Total Units Sold	15,207	17,32	25	15,309	14,153			
	Total Dollar Sales	\$4.2 billio	<mark>n</mark> \$4.4 bi	llion	\$3.5 billion	\$2.9 billion			
	Median Sales Pr	ice \$240,000	\$225,0	000	\$198,000	\$178,000			
	Average Days or Market	ⁿ 26	25		19	52			

Sources: The Council for Community and Economic Research. COLI (2022) Bluegrass Realtors. Market Data

Major Regional Employers



HealthCare





Company	Employees	Industry	County
University of Kentucky	24,849	Education	Fayette
Kentucky State Government	11,210	Government	Franklin
Toyota Motor Manufacturing	9,712	Auto Manufacturing	Scott
Amazon.com	5,727	Distribution	Fayette
Fayette County Public Schools	5,620	Education	Fayette
Baptist Health	4,502	Healthcare	Fayette
Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government	2,884	Government	Fayette
Catholic Health Initiatives (CHI)	2,621	Healthcare	Fayette
Conduent	2,500	Outsourcing	Fayette
Veterans Medical Center	2,000	Healthcare	Fayette
Madison County School System	2,000	Education	Madison
Scott County Public Schools	1,926	Education	Scott
Eastern Kentucky University	1,800	Education	Madison
Jessamine County School System	1,500	Education	Jessamine
Lexmark International Inc.	1,500	World HQ	Fayette
Lockheed Martin	1,500	Contractor Support	Fayette
Franklin County School System	1,100	Education	Franklin
Hitachi Automotive Systems Americas Inc	1,100	Auto Manufacturing	Madison
Toyota Production, Engineering & Manufacturing Center	852	Auto Manufacturing	Scott
Adient US LLC	833	Auto Manufacturing	Scott
Montaplast of North America	800	Auto Manufacturing	Franklin
Hyster-Yale Group Inc.	760	Lifting Equipment	Madison
Webasto Roof Systems	619	Automotive Parts	Fayette
Catalent Pharma Solutions	600	Pharmaceutical Manufacturing	Clark
Schneider Electric	598	Energy Machinery	Fayette
TOPY America	567	Auto Manufacturing	Franklin
Big Ass Fans	547	Industrial Ceiling Fans, Lights	Fayette
Link-Belt	525	Construction Equipment	Fayette
EnerSys	520	Battery Manufacturing	Madison
Toyota Tsusho America	511	Auto Manufacturing	Scott
General Dynamics Information Technology Inc.	500	Information Services	Clark

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Networking Groups

Commerce Lexington organizes networking groups for the following industries:

- Global CEO Forum
- Headquarters Group
- Manufacturer's Networking Group
- Bluegrass Bio Group
- Tech Networking Group
- National Horse Center/nationally headquartered equine associations
- Contact Center Consortium Network (C3N)

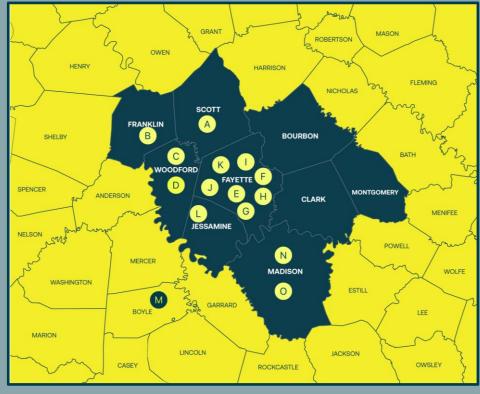
These networking groups meet throughout the year to discuss workforce issues and best practices. They will be a great, free resource should you locate in Lexington.







An Emphasis on Higher Education



- **Georgetown College** Α.
- Kentucky State University Β.
- Midway University С.
- Frontier Nursing University D.
- University of Kentucky Ε.
- F. . Transylvania University
- **Bluegrass Community and** G. **Technical College**

- Η. Indiana Wesleyan University
- Medguest College J.
 - Sullivan University
- Lexington Theological Seminary Κ. L.
 - Asbury University
- M. Centre College

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- Eastern Kentucky University N.
 - Berea College

According to the most recent U.S. Census Data, for cities with a population of 300,000 or more, **Lexington ranks:**

- Bachelor's degree or higher: **11th**
- Advanced degrees: 10th
- High school graduate or higher: 8th

The Bluegrass Region boasts 12 colleges and universities within 40 miles of Lexington. In addition, Lexington has three professional and technical schools.

An Emphasis on Higher Education

Colleges and Universities Within 40 Miles of Lexington 2021 Degrees **Distance from** 2021 Institution Enrollment Graduates Conferred Lexington University of Kentucky 31,536 B M PhD 0 mi 7,842 Eastern Kentucky University 13,394 3,515 ABM 21 mi **Bluegrass Community & Technical** College 9,757 6,249 Α 0 mi Kentucky State University 2,279 202 ABM 22 mi Midway University 1,828 320 ABM 12 mi Asbury University 1,724 405 ABM 16 mi Georgetown College ΒM 12 mi 1,628 347 Berea College 1,468 300 34 mi В Centre College 1,320 339 В 32 mi Transylvania University 973 207 В 0 mi B M PhD Lexington Theological Seminary 94 18 0 mi Frontier Nursing University 913 **B** M PhD 2,500 10 mi Total 68,501 20,657

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enrolled

20,500+

graduates

Activities











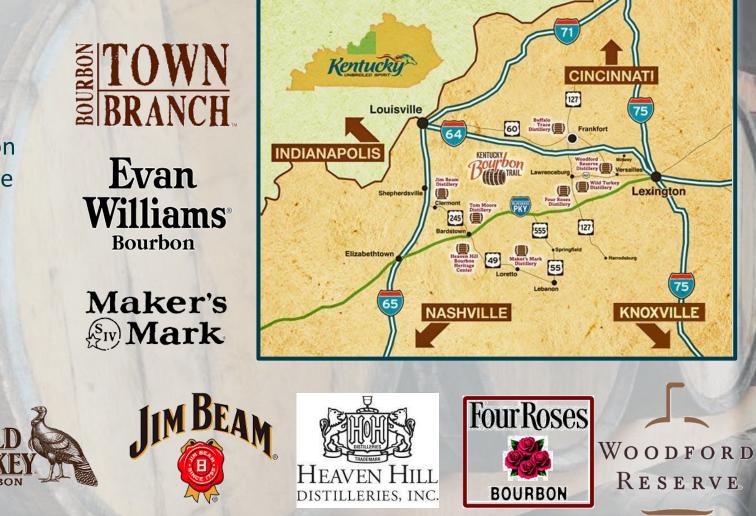
Bluegrass Bourbon Trail

For more than 200 years, Kentucky's legendary distilleries have crafted the world's finest Bourbons. This tradition can be explored on the Kentucky Bourbon Trail tour, featuring eight signature distilleries among the beautiful scenery of the Bluegrass. CNN recently named the Kentucky Bourbon Trail a "Top 10 Classic American Experience."

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KENTUCKY STRAIGHT Bourbon Whiskey

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The Brewgrass Trail

The craft beer movement in Lexington and the Bluegrass Region is alive and well! Craft breweries are now scattered across Kentucky, and more and more thirsty travelers are seeking out small craft brewers and locally made beers In addition to sampling our classic bourbons. The Brewgrass Trail is dedicated to showcasing the craft brewers establishing themselves in the Bluegrass.



Downtown

The Central Bank Center expansion and Town Branch Commons Corridor Project are just two examples of recent investments Lexington has made to preserve the vibrance of downtown.







Arts



LexArts, Lexington's cultural development organization, operates ArtsPlace and Downtown Arts Center. These spaces provide performance space, galleries, and rehearsal space for other arts organizations.

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	Announced Locations & Expansions								
Туре	Company Name	Product		Reported Investment	Direct Jobs	County			
	2023								
Exp.	Buffalo Trace Distillery	Bourbon distillery	\$	51,600,000.00	n/a	Franklin			
Exp.	Asahi Forge of America Corporation	Automotive manufacturer	\$	1,536,000.00	n/a	Madison			
Exp.	Avantor Performance Materials LLC	Chemical manufacturer	\$	11,500,000.00	10	Bourbon			
Exp.	Volta, Inc.	IT solutions & security	\$	36,473.00	2	Franklin			
New	Lamiflex Inc.	Steel & metal manufacturer	\$	2,426,250.00	20	Fayette			
Exp.	Neogen Corporation	International food safety testing \$		6,000,000.00	72	Fayette			
		2022							
Ехр	Hyster-Yale Group, Inc.	Fork lift manufacturer	\$	33,727,000.00	198	Madison			
Ехр	Lexair Inc.	Machine tool manufacturer	\$	8,575,000.00	14	Fayette			
Exp.	Lakeshore Learning Materials	Distribution center for educational materials and classroom furniture	\$	27,326,700.00	40	Woodford			
Exp.	Galls, LLC	Distributor of equipment and uniforms	\$	2,674,000	80	Fayette			
Ехр	Blue Run Spirits, LLC	Bourbon Distillery	\$	50,976,430	45	Scott			
Ехр	Space Tango, Inc.	Microgravity research and development.		2,480,000	16	Fayette			
Ехр	West Sixth Brewing Company	Craft brewing	\$	31,929	7	Fayette			
Ехр	Lexington Manufacturing Center	General Manufacturing		not reported	not reported	Fayette			
Exp.	Catalent Pharma Solutions, LLC	Develop and launch pharmaceuticals, biologics, and consumer health	\$	171,417,000.00	262	Clark			
Ехр	Hera Testing Laboratories, Inc.	Toxicology and therapeutic biotech testing company	\$	6,630,000.00	-	Fayette			
Exp.	Blue Frame Technology LLC	Digital video software company	\$	8,430.00	2	Fayette			
Exp.	Buffalo Trace Distillery, Inc.	Bourbon distillery	\$	29,500,000.00	-	Franklin			
Ехр	Kinetic by Windstream	Headquarters; telecommunications provider	\$	7,500,000.00	-	Fayette			
New	Valvoline Heavy-Duty Fleet Service	Heavy-duty fleet service center			7	Fayette			
Ехр	Silver Fern Group Services	Agribusiness software provider	\$	2,193,600.00	5	Fayette			
New	Vector Corrosion Technologies, Inc.	Supplier of technologies and restoration services for concrete and masonry corrosion	\$	1,161,470.00	20	Fayette			
Exp.	Total Quality Logistics	Freight brokerage firm	\$	3,957,490.00	300	Fayette			
Exp.	Lexmark International	Manufactures laser printers and imaging products	\$	4,085,000.00	0	Fayette			

