

## STATE HIGHLIGHTS

# Kentucky

Long-distance trips account for a significant amount of travel and include a large share of American households. This travel has economic, social and environmental consequences.

- During 1995, about 73 percent of the households in Kentucky took one or more long-distance trips to a destination 100 or more miles away. Kentucky households travel more than the national average which is about 80 percent of all households.
- Travelers who live in Kentucky took 15.9 million person-trips, an average of 4.9 trips and 2,993 miles per traveler. Visitors to Kentucky took 14.1 million person-trips, an average of 5.3 trips and 2,891 miles per traveler.
- The number of trips per visitor to Kentucky has increased 66 percent since 1977, and the number of miles per visitor has increased 68 percent. On average in the United States, the number of trips per traveler has grown 20 percent and the number of miles has increased 39 percent since 1977.
- People who live in Kentucky take 4.6 car trips per traveler compared with 2.2 airplane trips per traveler, however more miles per traveler are by air (3,690 miles) than by car (2,284 miles).
- Travelers from Kentucky who live in households with incomes less than \$25,000 travel less often than travelers in households with incomes greater than \$50,000, about 3.9 trips per traveler compared with 5.9 trips per traveler.
- The most popular destination states for travelers who live in Kentucky are Tennessee, Ohio, and Indiana. Ohio, Indiana, and Tennessee are the most popular origin states for travelers to Kentucky.

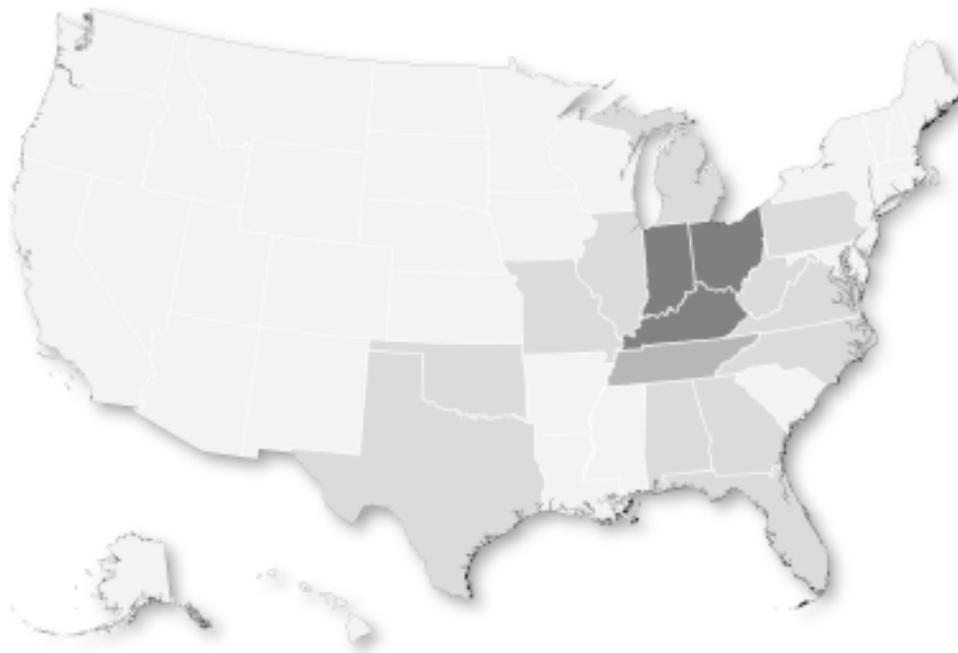
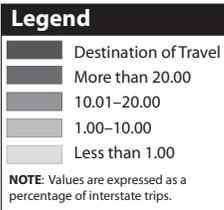
**Table 1. Travel Characteristics for Kentucky and the United States: 1977 and 1995**

	Kentucky			United States		
	1977	1995	Percent change	1977	1995	Percent change
<b>People who live in area</b>						
Percent traveling households	65	73	12.5	72	80	10.8
Trips per household	3.0	5.1	69.0	4.1	5.5	34.1
Trips per traveling household	4.7	7.0	48.9	5.7	6.9	21.1
Trips per capita	1.9	4.1	115.8	2.4	4.0	66.7
Trips per traveler	NA	4.9	NA	4.0	4.8	19.0
Miles per traveler	NA	2,993	NA	2,836	3,943	39.0
Miles per trip	NA	614	NA	709	827	16.6
<b>People who visit area</b>						
Trips per traveler	3.2	5.3	65.6	4.0	4.8	19.0
Miles per traveler	1,725	2,891	67.6	2,836	3,943	39.0
Miles per trip	541	550	1.7	709	827	16.6

**Note:** Data are estimates based on a sample and subject to error; 1995 data are preliminary.

**Source:** U.S. Department of Transportation, Bureau of Transportation Statistics, 1995 American Travel Survey unpublished tables; U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, 1977 National Travel Survey, TC77-N-2.

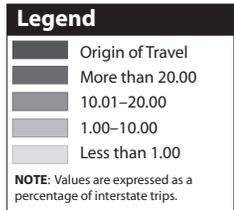




**Table 2. Origin States of People Who Visit Kentucky (In thousands)**

TRIPS WITHIN KENTUCKY		5,574	
Alabama	107	Montana	4
Alaska	1	Nebraska	16
Arizona	12	Nevada	14
Arkansas	65	New Hampshire	5
California	45	New Jersey	31
Colorado	7	New Mexico	47
Connecticut	11	New York	52
Delaware	5	North Carolina	302
District of Columbia	9	North Dakota	2
Florida	321	Ohio	2,114
Georgia	272	Oklahoma	92
Hawaii	2	Oregon	3
Idaho	2	Pennsylvania	155
Illinois	662	Rhode Island	6
Indiana	1,709	South Carolina	46
Iowa	26	South Dakota	3
Kansas	38	Tennessee	930
Louisiana	34	Texas	109
Maine	6	Utah	12
Maryland	48	Vermont	9
Massachusetts	12	Virginia	159
Michigan	520	Washington	14
Minnesota	30	West Virginia	153
Mississippi	39	Wisconsin	50
Missouri	203	Wyoming	1

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**Table 3. Destination States of People Who Live in Kentucky (In thousands)**

TRIPS WITHIN KENTUCKY		5,574	
Alabama	211	Montana	8
Alaska	2	Nebraska	9
Arizona	50	Nevada	64
Arkansas	51	New Hampshire	3
California	118	New Jersey	105
Colorado	47	New Mexico	13
Connecticut	2	New York	108
Delaware	2	North Carolina	188
District of Columbia	80	North Dakota	—
Florida	694	Ohio	1,781
Georgia	317	Oklahoma	26
Hawaii	3	Oregon	2
Idaho	1	Pennsylvania	112
Illinois	562	Rhode Island	10
Indiana	1,389	South Carolina	207
Iowa	11	South Dakota	8
Kansas	33	Tennessee	1,878
Louisiana	55	Texas	154
Maine	14	Utah	11
Maryland	61	Vermont	—
Massachusetts	25	Virginia	207
Michigan	345	Washington	15
Minnesota	37	West Virginia	418
Mississippi	82	Wisconsin	147
Missouri	406	Wyoming	9

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Table 4. Travel Rates by Trip and Traveler Characteristics for Kentucky: 1995

	Person trips <sup>†</sup>	Number of travelers <sup>†</sup>	Trips per traveler	Miles <sup>*</sup>	Miles per traveler	Miles per trip
<b>PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN AREA</b>	<b>15,875</b>	<b>3,240</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>9,855</b>	<b>2,993</b>	<b>614</b>
<b>Means of transportation</b>						
Personal use vehicle	13,862	3,034	4.6	6,930	2,284	500
Commercial air	1,549	701	2.2	2,588	3,690	1,671
Intercity bus	33	20	1.6	31	1,539	962
Train	7	2	4.5	4	2,922	649
Other	424	277	1.5	301	1,087	708
<b>Main purpose</b>						
Business	4,084	914	4.5	2,736	2,993	670
Visit friends or relatives	5,212	1,725	3.0	2,963	1,718	569
Leisure	3,910	1,791	2.2	2,904	1,621	743
Other	2,669	1,118	2.4	1,251	1,120	469
<b>Income</b>						
Less than \$25,000	3,995	1,028	3.9	2,068	2,011	517
\$25,000 to \$49,999	6,432	1,399	4.6	3,975	2,842	618
\$50,000 or greater	5,448	926	5.9	3,812	4,118	700
<b>Age</b>						
Less than 24	3,678	1,079	3.4	2,116	1,961	575
25 to 64	10,788	1,922	5.6	6,835	3,557	634
65 and over	1,409	300	4.7	904	3,016	642
<b>Gender</b>						
Male	8,688	1,631	5.3	5,425	3,327	624
Female	7,187	1,621	4.4	4,430	2,732	616
<b>PEOPLE WHO VISIT AREA</b>	<b>14,091</b>	<b>2,659</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>7,755</b>	<b>2,891</b>	<b>550</b>
<b>Means of transportation</b>						
Personal use vehicle	13,069	2,300	5.7	6,513	2,832	498
Commercial air	699	237	2.9	1,058	4,463	1,514
Intercity bus	44	10	4.5	22	2,276	509
Train	—	—	—	—	—	—
Other	280	112	2.5	162	1,449	578
<b>Main purpose</b>						
Business	2,983	535	5.6	1,772	3,316	594
Visit friends or relatives	5,762	1,090	5.3	3,201	2,937	556
Leisure	2,897	916	3.2	1,464	1,599	505
Other	2,450	589	4.2	1,318	2,238	538
<b>Income</b>						
Less than \$25,000	3,006	570	5.3	1,466	2,570	488
\$25,000 to \$49,999	4,881	962	5.1	2,446	2,543	501
\$50,000 or greater	6,205	1,080	5.7	3,843	3,559	619
<b>Age</b>						
Less than 24	3,545	775	4.6	1,913	2,469	540
25 to 64	9,327	1,646	5.7	5,128	3,115	550
65 and over	1,219	218	5.6	714	3,277	586
<b>Gender</b>						
Male	7,415	1,320	5.6	4,005	3,033	540
Female	6,677	1,289	5.2	3,750	2,909	562

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