



Cabinet for Economic Development



KENTUCKY LOCATIONS AND EXPANSIONS ANNOUNCED/REPORTED

Excluding those known to have been cancelled

JANUARY - DECEMBER 2019

REPORT DATE: January 9, 2020

NUMBER OF ANNOUNCEMENTS:	11
TOTAL INVESTMENT:	\$92,633,500
NEW FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT:	251

Plastics & Rubber Facilities
Reported by Announcement Type

Kentucky

New and Expanding Industries Report

Introduction and Methodology

The Kentucky new and expanding industries reports provide a measure of economic development based on qualified industrial activity in the Commonwealth announced or reported during the year. The reports are compiled from data provided by companies, local and industrial development contacts, newspaper announcements, and Cabinet programs designed to locate and retain industry.

The reports include estimated number of jobs, estimated capital investments, and product/service descriptions. Activities are reported in the year the announcements are made, even though full employment announced may not be realized until future years. Kentucky Reinvestment Act (Jobs Saved column) have been calculated into the report beginning with projects announced after July 1, 2009.

If investment or employment exceeds the original announced figures, the additional investment or jobs are included as an expansion in a later report. If actual employment figures are less than those reported, future employment expansion are not reported until after the projected figure has been reached. Efforts are made to eliminate duplications and overestimates of jobs and investments.

New industries are defined as companies locating in a Kentucky community for the first time, companies locating an additional facility in a community with new product line, or the reopening of a facility after an announced permanent shutdown of operations. Expansions are defined as companies increasing employment, capital investment or square footage to physical facilities. Replacement of machinery is included only if it results in greater productivity or product improvement. Expansions announced after January 1, 2003, are included only if they are expected to increase employment or involve at least \$100,000 in investment. As of January 2009, the Investment figure includes (when applicable) rental/lease costs associated with a project. Prior to this, the figure is limited to capital investment. Announced locations/expansions are removed from the report if it is known that the location will not or the expansion did not take place.

The Service & Technology industry section includes new and expanding laboratories, research and development, warehousing and logistics, packaging and distribution, corporate headquarters, back-office operations, etc.

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New Manufacturing Firms

County	City	Facility	Investment	New Full-time Emp.		Product/Service
				Beg.	Full	
Calloway	Murray	The Plastics Group LLC (2019)	\$14,331,000	75	75	injection and blow molded plastic products
Simpson	Franklin	Smiley Monroe (2019)	\$1,317,500	27	27	Automotive conveyor belts
Warren	Bowling Green	Alpla, Inc. (2019)	\$50,000,000	60	60	Bottling and packaging
Totals:				3		\$65,648,500
					162	

Expanding Manufacturing Firms

County	City	Facility	Investment	New Full-time Emp.		Product/Service
				Beg.	Full	
Bell	Middlesboro	Blue Diamond Industries LLC (2019)	\$2,500,000	10	10	Innerduct pipe. High density polyethylene pipe used underground to store and protect fiber optic and power cable. Also produce geothermal pipe and cable in conduit.
Fayette	Lexington	Hummingbird Nano Inc (2019)	\$250,000	2	2	Contract manufacturing for polymer microfluidic chips
Hardin	Elizabethtown	WL Plastics Corp (2019)	\$4,200,000	4	4	
Jefferson	Louisville	H B Molding Inc (2019)	\$250,000	20	20	Plastic injection molding & assembly
Jefferson	Louisville	Unique-Prescotech Industries Inc (2019)	\$500,000	10	10	Fiberglass, paperboard, urethane & polystyrene fabricating, polyethylgine, rubber foil converting
Rockcastle	Mount Vernon	Plastisud (2019)	\$200,000	0	0	Tools & dies, plastic injection & thermoform molds
Simpson	Franklin	RKW-North America (2019)	\$18,835,000	30	30	Polyethylene films used in flexible packaging, medical packaging and household packaging items.
Webster	Dixon	Pioneer Plastics, Inc. (2019)	\$250,000	13	13	Custom injection molding, plastic containers for the food industry, collectibles, display cases, insects, critters, research/medical applications & storage
Totals:				8		89
Grand Totals:				11		251