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Demystifying Investment in the USA Steps for Success

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CABINET FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

WHAT MAKES KENTUCKY BUSINESS FRIENDLY

Logistics hub of the world

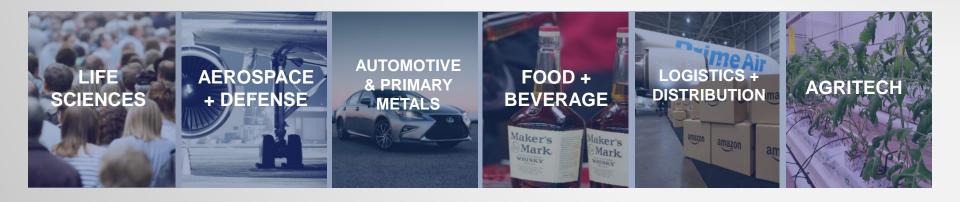
Record-breaking exports + strong international presence

Lowest costs of doing business in the U.S. (CNBC 2019)

Workforce training initiatives



KENTUCKY'S TOP INDUSTRY SECTORS





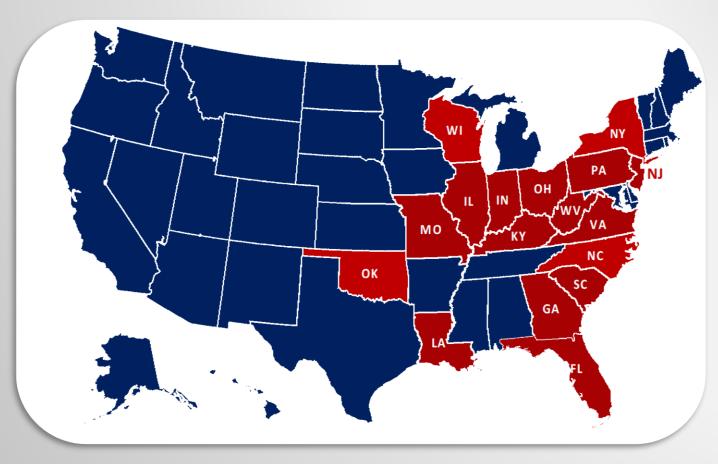


CASE - ORIGINS

- Founded in 1971 in Brussels, CASE brings together
 17 U.S. states with official representation(s) located throughout Europe.
- Our mission is to provide information and support to European investors in the United States. Demystify the process for a soft landing.
- CASE offers 50+ years of experience working with companies of all sizes and active in all industry sectors.
- CASE is funded by its state members, which serve as direct extensions of their state government's economic development organizations.
- Free of charge, no obligation & confidential



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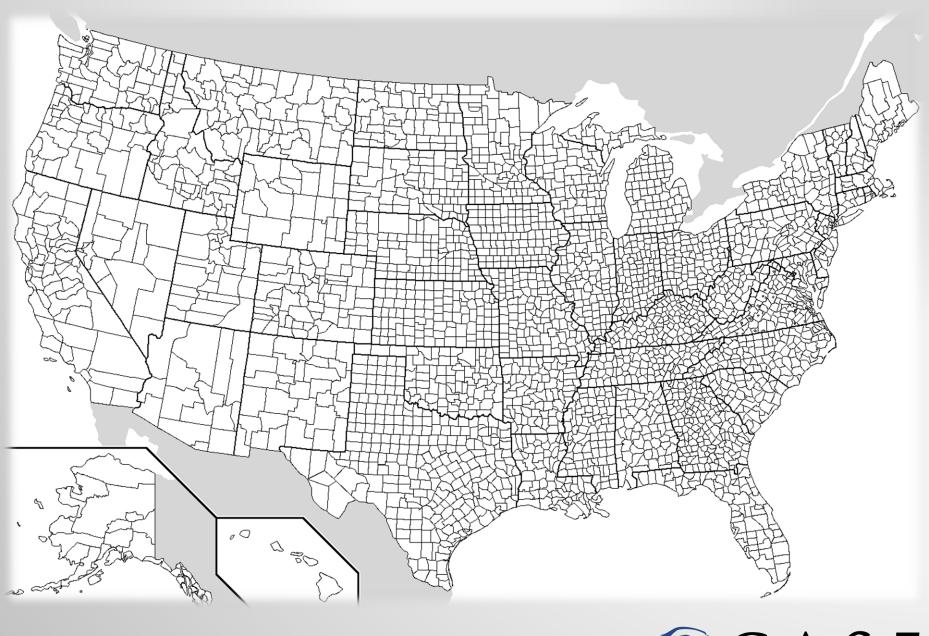




CASE'S ROLE & RESOURCES

- First point of contact with U.S. state representations on the ground → Access
- Experienced economic development professionals with expertise guiding companies of any size and from any sector → Ease



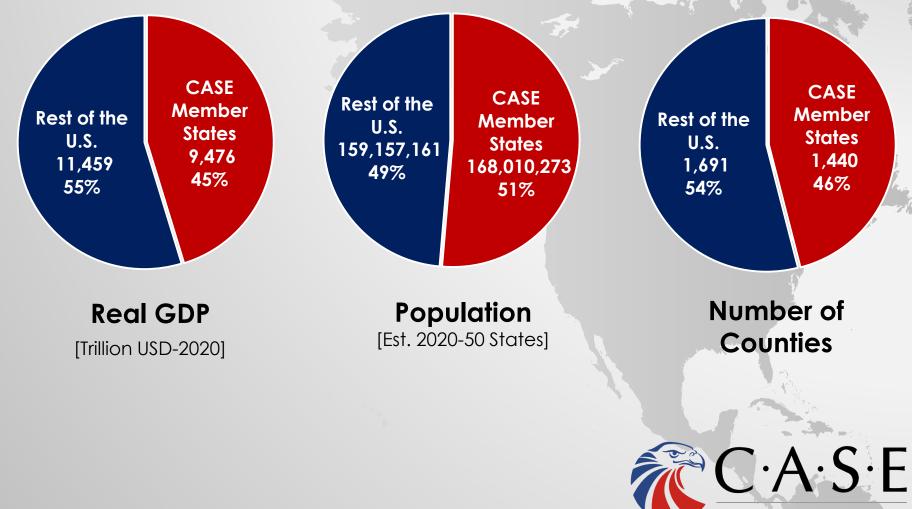








CASE MEMBERSHIP IN NUMBERS



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→ WHERE TO START

- Business Plan: Existing customers, current footprint & growth potential
- Regional Focus: location, location, location!
- Size & Scope of Project: What we need to know
 - Commercial/sales office, warehousing, assembly, or production?
 - CAPEX
 - FTEs: Wages, qualifications
 - Investment period & Timeline
- Project Needs & Requirements
 - Buildings & sites
 - Comparative Analyses on operational costs: energy, construction, etc.
 - Labor: Wages, labor availability & workfroce training
 - Industry sector Information
 - Incentives & support: State & Local Levels



