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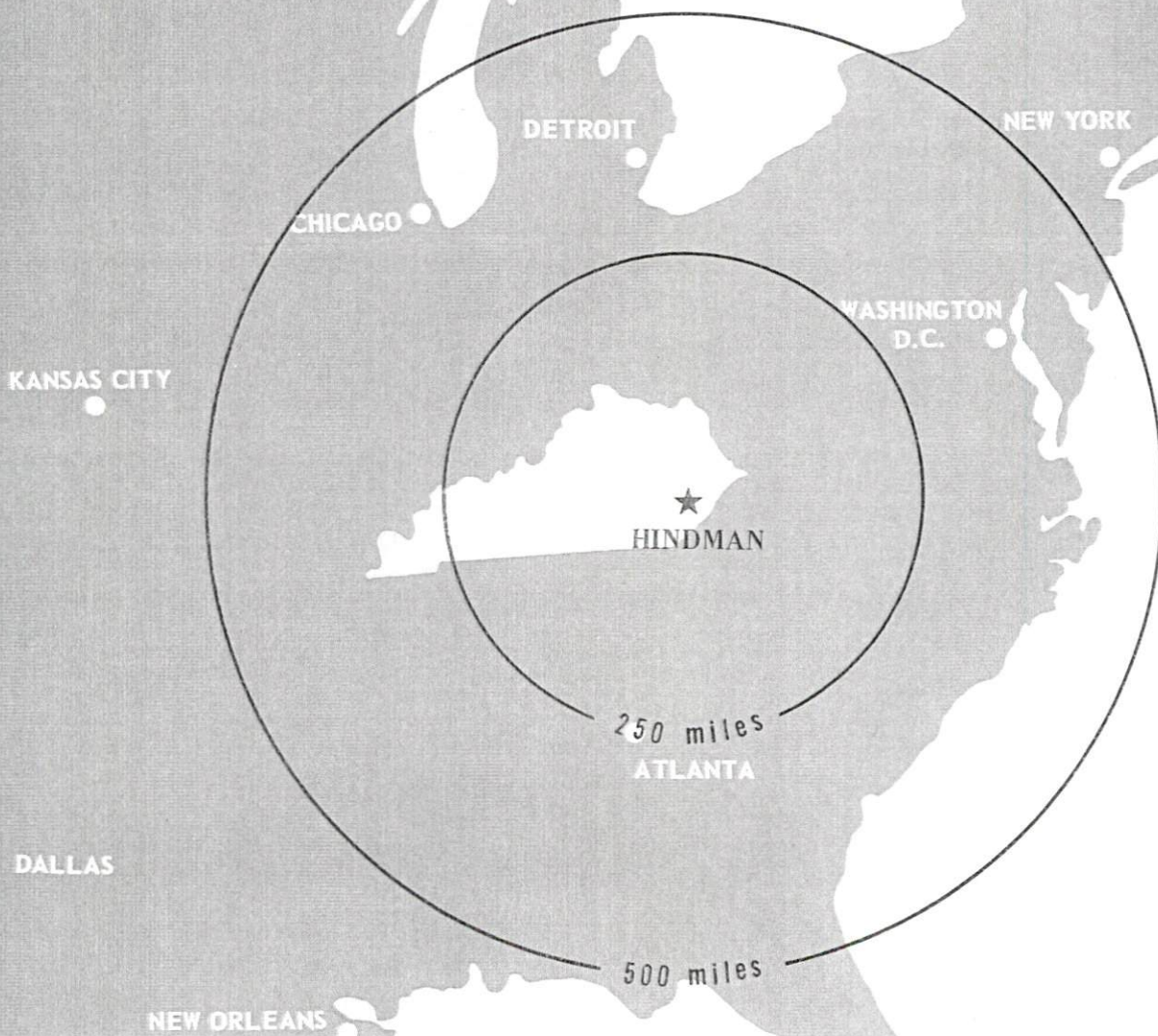
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HINDMAN KENTUCKY



KNOTT COUNTY, KENTUCKY

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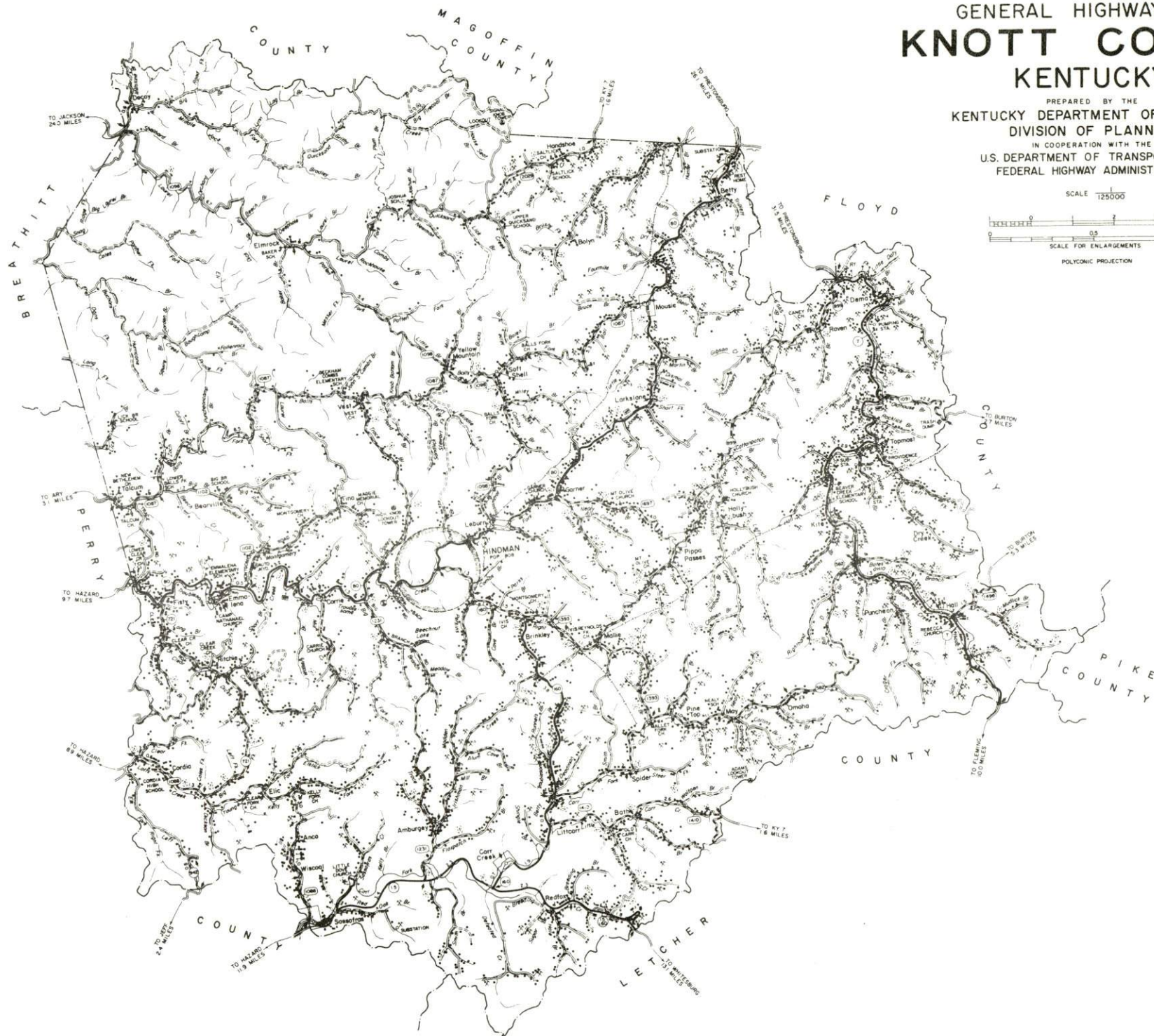
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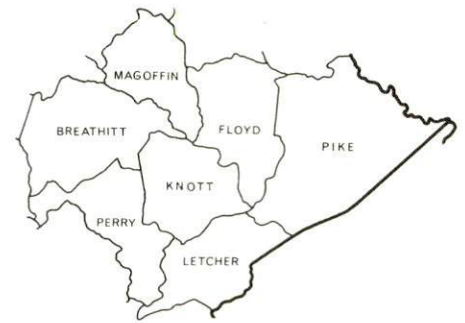
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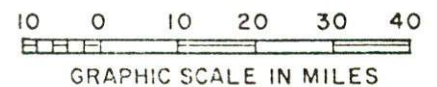
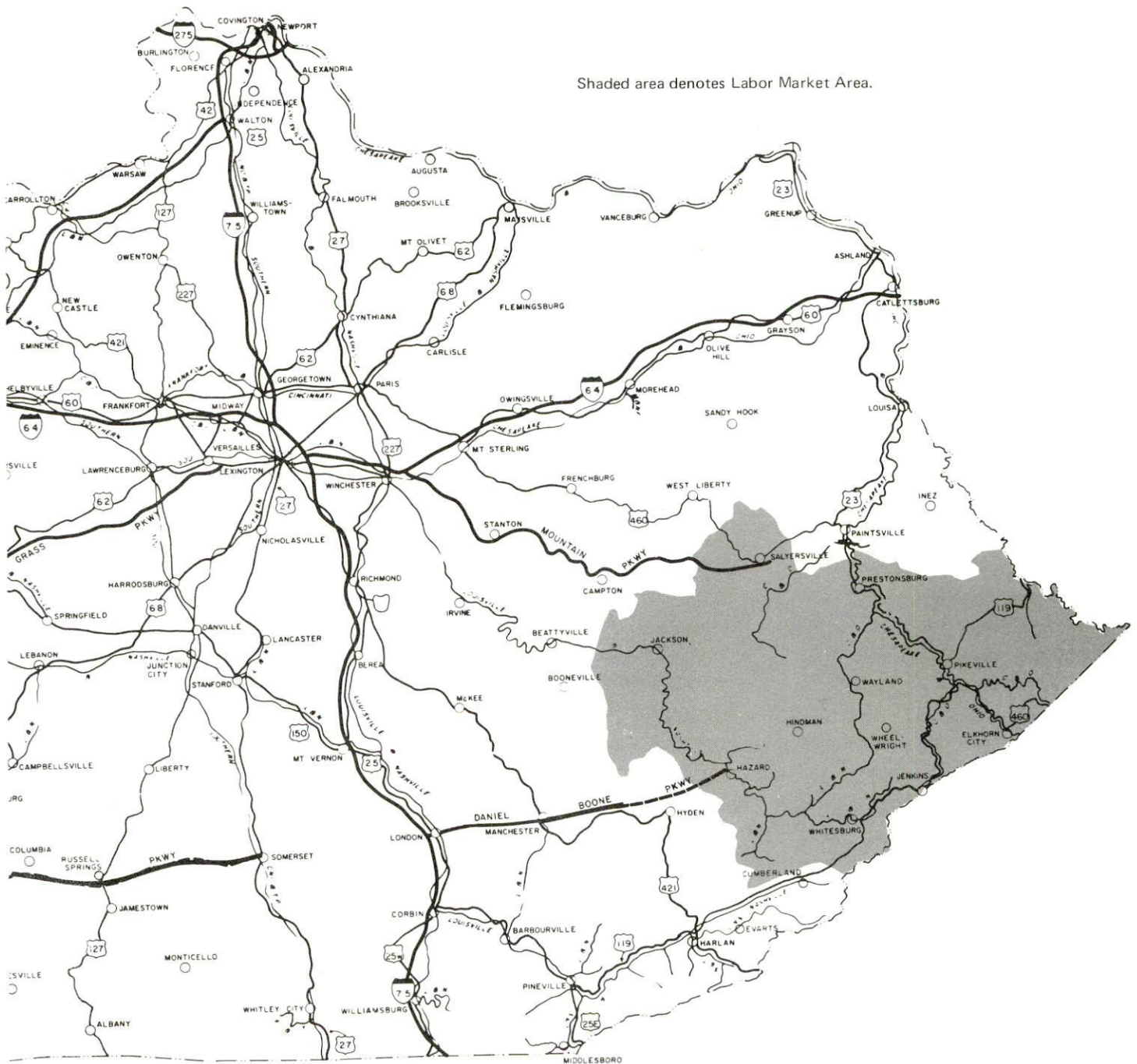
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HINDMAN LABOR MARKET AREA



Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.



HINDMAN, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Hindman, the county seat of Knott County, is located in the mountainous southeast region of Kentucky. Hindman is 237 miles southeast of Louisville, Kentucky, 181 miles northeast of Knoxville, Tennessee, and 238 miles southeast of Cincinnati, Ohio.

The population of Hindman in 1970 was 808, while the population of Knott County was 14,698. Knott County has a total land area of 356 square miles.

The Economic Framework

Total employment in Knott County in 1972 averaged 2,410 with mining providing 1,180 jobs, government 860, and trade and services 310. Manufacturing provided only 18 jobs in 1972 with production in the lumber and furniture industries.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1971 was \$1,558 or \$1,752 below the Kentucky average.

In the Hindman labor market area, which includes Knott and its six surrounding counties, total employment in 1972 averaged 49,550 with mining providing 14,870 jobs. Government provided 9,400 jobs, trade and services 9,460, and manufacturing 1,460. Manufacturing employment in the area is heaviest in Floyd County in the leather goods industry. In the labor market area, industrial employment has increased by nearly 82 percent since 1963 with sharpest gains in the leather industry.

Despite important industrial gains in recent years the area still has a deficit of 16,592 manufacturing jobs when measured against the national industrial employment-population ratio for 1972. This indicates an area where the potential for additional manufacturing production is excellent.

Resources for Growth

1. There is a current estimated labor supply of 11,520 men and 15,340 women available for industrial jobs in the Knott County labor market area. In addition, 11,120 young men and 10,550 young women will become 18 years of age by 1980 and will be potentially available for work.

2. Transportation - Highway access is provided by Kentucky 80 and 160. With the completion of the Daniel Boone Parkway from Hazard to London by the end of 1974, highway transportation in the area surrounding Hindman will be significantly improved. The nearest rail service is provided by the Chessie System at Lackey, 15 miles northeast. Commercial air service is available at the London-Corbin Magee Field Airport, 86 miles southwest; small aircraft facilities are available at the Whitesburg Municipal Airport, 20 miles south of Hindman.

3. Energy - In Hindman, electricity is supplied by the Kentucky Power Company. Electric power is furnished to Knott County by the Kentucky Power Company and the Big Sandy RECC. Natural gas service to Hindman is provided by Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. There is one distributor of propane in Hindman and six distributors of distillate fuel oil within 25 miles of Hindman.

4. Education - Hindman has one school system--the Knott County School System.

One senior college, one junior college, and three community colleges are located within 60 miles of Hindman. In addition, Alice Lloyd College, a two-year institution at Pippa Passes, is located 5 miles from Hindman. Established in 1923, the role of Alice Lloyd College has been to provide an outstanding education to qualified students of the Appalachian region.

Vocational education facilities are available at a state vocational technical school at Hazard, 21 miles distant, which offers 19 course areas, and at the Knott County Area Vocational Education Center at Hindman, which offers 6 course areas.

Community Programs for Improvement

Community projects listed below are an indication of the progress made in Hindman and Knott County in providing facilities and services needed to stimulate growth and development.

Education: The Knott County high schools have been consolidated into the Knott County Central High School. The new high school building is nearing completion and will be ready for the 1974-75 school year. In addition, a recreational building which will house a gymnasium, an indoor swimming pool, a band room, and dressing rooms is under construction with completion expected by the fall of 1975. The total cost of the new high school facilities is \$3,000,000. A self-study

and evaluation of the entire high school program is underway in conjunction with the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. A study of phase elective curriculum is also underway. The new Carr Creek Elementary School was occupied in 1974 and an eight room addition to the school costing \$375,000 will be ready for the 1974-75 school year.

Health: The East Kentucky Health Service Center began operation in December, 1972. The staff of this private clinic includes two physicians, one dentist, a laboratory technician, an X-ray technician, and a pharmacist. The June Buchanan Medical Clinic will open in August, 1974. This new facility will be staffed with two physicians and one dentist and services will include X-ray, laboratory, emergency care, and ten beds for new mothers. A nursing home is planned for Knott County with construction to begin in the summer of 1974. This will be an 82-bed facility with 50 skilled care beds and 32 intermediate care beds.

Water and Sewerage: The Hindman Water and Sewerage Company has recently completed the extension of its water lines for approximately four miles along Kentucky Route 80 eastward and for approximately five miles along Kentucky Route 160. In addition, a plan has been submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency for the allocation of \$25,000 in planning funds for the Hindman sewerage facilities.

Recreation: The contract has been let for a \$188,300 recreational facility for Knott County. The facility will have a swimming pool, volleyball and tennis courts, and nature trails. Completion of the project is expected by the end of 1974.

Communication: The Thacker-Grigsby Telephone Company has extended its lines into the Elmrock and Decoy areas of Knott County -- an area previously without telephone service. At the Cody exchange service has been converted from an 8-party line system to a maximum of 4-party line service. In addition, the telephone company has been working to upgrade existing services by the installation of additional cables throughout its service area. WKCB-AM, the only radio station in Knott County, began operation in January of 1971. There are plans now pending for the station to add FM service by the end of 1974.

Other: A community center for Knott County is presently in the planning stages. This facility would have a pioneer museum, a library, hobby shop and game room, day care and recreation room, community auditorium and office space.

Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Hindman residents have local recreational facilities that include several playgrounds, a tennis court, two baseball fields, and a football field. A recreational facility with a swimming pool, volleyball and tennis courts, and nature trails will be completed by the end of 1974.

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, 43 miles northeast of Hindman, is a 1,700-acre park situated on Dewey Lake and surrounded by a 12,000-acre forest. A resort lodge, dining room, cottages, and camping facilities are available at the park. Recreational facilities include an olympic size swimming pool, hiking trails, a 9-hole golf course, riding stables, picnic areas, a playground, and lake cruises. Fishing boats, motors, and paddle boats are available for rental and a dock is situated at the park. Park attractions include Sugar Camp Mountain with a 4,700 foot chair lift sky ride and the Jenny Wiley Ampitheatre with musical productions presented during the summer months.

Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park, 46 miles northwest of Hindman, is a 750-acre park located in the scenic mountains of Kentucky. The park offers lodge accommodations and facilities for tent and trailer camping. Boat rentals are available and a dock and fishing pier are located at the park. Recreational activities include pool and lake swimming and fishing, and boating on the 1,250-acre Buckhorn Lake.

Breaks Interstate Park, 70 miles southeast of Hindman, is a 2,700-acre park located on the Russell Fork of the Big Sandy River at the Kentucky-Virginia Border. The park is the site of the largest river canyon east of the Mississippi. The canyon is a 5 mile cut with palisades rising 1,000 feet on either side. Other features include 12-acre Laurel Lake, hidden springs, caves, and a Visitor's Center with nature exhibits. Facilities are available for swimming, fishing, boating, horseback riding, hiking, and picnicking. Lodge accommodations and camping sites are available.

Kingdom Come State Park, 52 miles south of Hindman, is located along the scenic route of Little Shepherd Trail. This 1000-acre park has camping sites, hiking trails, fishing in a 3-acre lake, picnic tables, and a playground.

THE LABOR MARKET

POPULATION TRENDS

Area	Population				Percent Change	
	1972*	1970	1960	1950	1960-70	1950-60
Hindman	N.A.	808	793	521	+ 1.9	+52.2
Labor Market						
Area	196,200	185,734	218,977	274,865	-15.2	-20.3
Knott County	15,600	14,698	17,362	20,320	-15.3	-14.6
Breathitt County	14,500	14,221	15,490	19,964	- 8.2	-22.4
Floyd County	38,600	35,889	41,642	53,500	-13.8	-22.2
Letcher County	25,000	23,165	30,102	39,522	-23.0	-23.8
Magoffin County	10,600	10,443	11,156	13,839	- 6.4	-19.4
Perry County	27,100	26,259	34,961	46,566	-24.9	-24.9
Pike County	64,800	61,059	68,264	81,154	-10.6	-15.9

*Provisional Estimates.

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970, 1960, 1950. U. S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-26, June 1973.

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1972

Major Employment Group	Employment	
	Knott County	Labor Market Area
TOTAL	2,410	49,550
Agricultural	10	1,080
Nonagricultural	2,400	48,470
Manufacturing	18	1,458
Government	860	9,400
Trade and Services	310	9,456
Mining	1,180	14,874
Other	32	13,282

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Bureau for Administration and Operations. Kentucky Department of Commerce, 1973 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers. Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals, Annual Report, 1972.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY
SEPTEMBER 1973 AND 1963

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Knott County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>1973</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>	<u>1973</u>	<u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>
TOTAL	28	33	-15.2	1,653	910	+ 81.6
Food & Kindred Products	0	0	0	243	226	+ 7.5
Tobacco	0	2	--	3	3	0
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	0	0	0	563	0	--
Lumber, Furniture	28	22	+27.3	285	453	- 37.1
Printing & Publishing, Paper	0	0	0	57	52	+ 9.6
Chemicals, Petroleum, Coal, Rubber	0	0	0	39	41	- 4.9
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	0	0	96	45	+113.3
Primary Metals	0	0	0	0	0	0
Machinery, Metal Products, Equipment	0	9	--	353	87	+305.7
Other	0	0	0	14	3	+366.7

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, September 1973, September 1963.

KNOTT COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

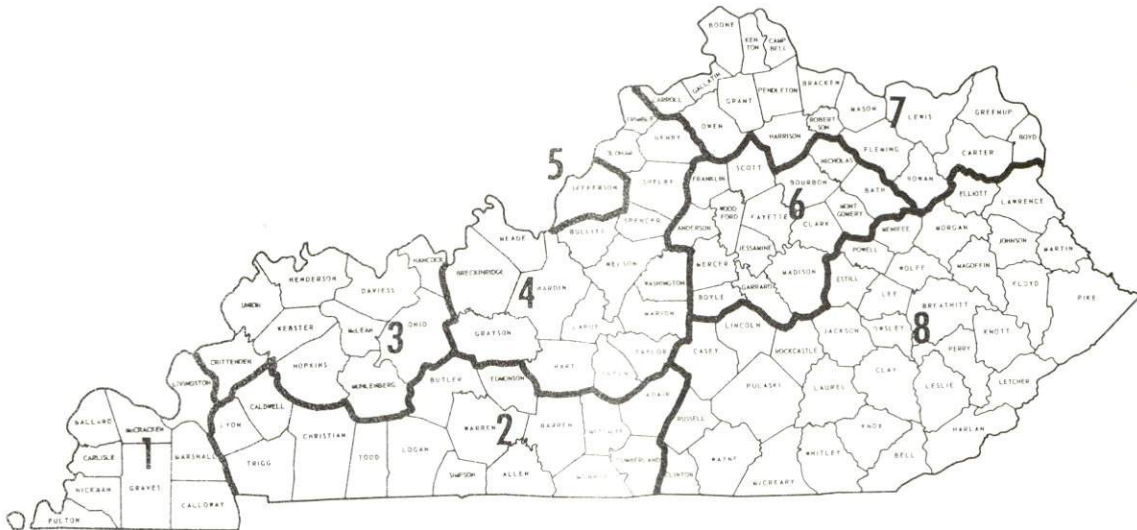
<u>Firm (Establishment Date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>		
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Garner Smith Lumber Company, Inc.	Rough lumber	7	7	0
Littcarr Mountain Furniture Company (1972)	Upholstered furniture	8	4	4

Source: Kentucky Department of Commerce, Division of Research and Planning.

WAGES

Occupational wage rates for specific industries are usually not available to most government agencies, and wage data furnished to state employment agencies by industrial employers is protected from disclosure by federal law. The most reliable up-to-date wage information can be obtained by direct contact with local employers.

Associated Industries of Kentucky, a voluntary organization of Kentucky businesses, regularly collects occupational wage rates and fringe benefits data from participating member firms. Data is compiled for over 130 clearly defined office, production, and service occupations. Tabulations are published for eight regions of Kentucky, as shown on the map below. It should be noted that the data may be weighted by the preponderance of firms in the larger cities and may be somewhat higher than the rates paid in the smaller communities. Data from these tabulations are available, upon request, from the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



Associated Industries of Kentucky Area Wage Surveys

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

There are no unions representing manufacturing workers in Knott County.

ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY HINDMAN LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current				Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed	Under employed	Reaching 18 yrs. of age by 1980
Labor Market					
Area	11,520	6,190	3,650	1,680	11,120
Knott	1,410	940	230	240	927
Breathitt	1,400	850	270	280	919
Floyd	2,410	1,220	730	460	2,059
Letcher	1,160	370	600	190	1,394
Magoffin	1,590	1,110	360	120	631
Perry	1,930	1,160	510	260	1,581
Pike	1,620	540	950	130	3,609

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1973. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1980.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY HINDMAN LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current				Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed	Under employed	Reaching 18 yrs. of age by 1980
Labor Market					
Area	15,340	11,400	1,320	2,620	10,549
Knott	1,150	880	90	180	889
Breathitt	1,130	850	100	180	907
Floyd	2,470	1,700	320	450	1,965
Letcher	2,120	1,860	110	150	1,329
Magoffin	1,180	980	90	110	634
Perry	1,830	1,360	200	270	1,476
Pike	5,460	3,770	410	1,280	3,349

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1973. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1980.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Knott County	\$1,558	\$ 566	+175.3
Labor Market Area			
Range	\$1,197 - 2,624	\$556 - 1,095	N.A.
Kentucky	3,310	1,677	+ 97.3
U. S.	4,164	2,265	+ 83.8

Sources: University of Kentucky, Office of Development Services and Business Research, Per Capita Income in Kentucky. U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Survey of Current Business, August, 1973.

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Line serving Hindman - The nearest rail service is provided by the Chessie System at Lackey, 15 miles northeast.

Services - Two freights daily, switching facilities, siding space for eighteen cars; nearest piggyback facilities are located at Ashland, 120 miles north.

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

General Manager, Freight Service
The Chessie System
603 B & O Central Building
2 North Charles Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21201

Truck Service

Company

Bell Lines, Inc.
Hazard Express
Hogan Storage & Transfer Co.
(Irregular)
Overnite Transportation Co.
Point Express, Inc.

Home Office

Charleston, West Virginia
Hazard, Kentucky

Williamson, West Virginia
Richmond, Virginia
Charleston, West Virginia

Other Freight Services

REA Express
United Parcel Services

Nearest Shipping Center

Hazard, Kentucky
Cornettsville, Kentucky (15 miles
southeast of Hazard)

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM
HINDMAN, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Delivery		City	Delivery	
	Highway Miles	Time TL		Highway Miles	Time TL
Atlanta, Ga.	375	3	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,344	5
Birmingham, Ala.	435	4	Louisville, Ky.	237	1
Chicago, Ill.	529	3	Nashville, Tenn.	366	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	238	2	New Orleans, La.	790	3
Cleveland, Ohio	490	3	New York, N. Y.	872	4
Detroit, Mich.	504	4	Pittsburgh, Pa.	496	4
Knoxville, Tenn.	181	2	St. Louis, Mo.	501	3

Source: Delivery time only - Hazard Express, Hazard, Kentucky.

Air

	<u>Nearest Small Craft Airport</u>	<u>Nearest Commercial</u>
	Whitesburg Municipal Airport	London-Corbin Magee Field Airport
Location:	Northwest of Whitesburg, 20 miles distant	London, 86 miles distant
Runways:	1 paved	1 paved
Length:	2,550 feet	6,000 feet
Traffic		
Control:	Wind sock	Wind sock
Lighting:	None	Beacon, runway, and obstruction lights
Services:	80-100 octane, hangar	Piedmont Airlines, 80 and 100 octane, JP-A-50, taxi, weather, flight training, charter and ambulance service, vending machines
Air Freight Service:		Commercial air carriers accept air freight on a space-available basis

Taxi - Three companies - 24-hour service

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Hindman and Knott County - Kentucky Power Company

Source of power - Kentucky Power Company

Total generating capacity - 1,080,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Power Company
High Street
Hazard, Kentucky

Company serving Knott County - Big Sandy RECC

Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative

Total generating capacity - 548,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Big Sandy RECC
P. O. Box 671
Paintsville, Kentucky 41240

Natural Gas

Company serving Hindman - Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.

Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation

Size of transmission mains - 4-inch (supplier); 4-inch (distributor)

Distribution mains - 4 and 3 inches

Distribution pressure - 10 psi

Btu content - 1,150; Specific gravity - .65

For rates and supplies contact:

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
Box 1030
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Other Fuels

Propane and butane - Willard Blair Furniture & Appliances, Hindman

Fuel Oils -

Distillate fuel oil - Ashland Petroleum Company, Bulan; Roberson Sales Company (Ashland), Bulan; Leo and Glenn Combs Distributors (Gulf Oil Corp.), Darfork; Perry Oil Company, Inc. (Shell Oil Products), Hazard; Standard Oil Company, Lothair; Texaco Oil Products, Lothair

Residual fuel oil - arrangements must be made with the refinery.

Low sulphur content coal - Available locally

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Hindman - Hindman Water and Sewerage Company

Source - One well

Treatment plant capacity - 144,000 gpd*

Average daily consumption - 70,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 100,000 gallons

Type treatment - Coagulation, sedimentation, filtration, aeration, chlorination, and fluoridation

Storage capacity - 250,000 gallons

Size lines - 8, 6, and 4 inches

Average pressure - 80 psi

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

3/4-inch meter	First	3,000 gallons	\$5.50 minimum
	Next	12,000 gallons	1.00 per M gallons
	Next	35,000 gallons	.90 per M gallons
	Next	50,000 gallons	.80 per M gallons
	Next	50,000 gallons	.70 per M gallons
	Next	50,000 gallons	.60 per M gallons
	All over	200,000 gallons	.50 per M gallons
1 -inch meter		\$ 25 meter charge	15,000 gallons
1 1/2-inch meter		125 meter charge	100,000 gallons
2 -inch meter		250 meter charge	200,000 gallons

Tap-on charge - \$25 for residential and commercial customers;
tap-on charge will vary for large industrial consumers.

Name of water district - Caney Creek Water District

Area served - Pippa Passes

Date when water district began operating - Summer 1969

Source of raw water - 3 wells

Capacity of treatment plant - 100,000 gpd

Type of treatment - Filtration, chlorination, soda ash

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 40,000 gallons

(Cont'd.)

*Source: Department for Natural Resources and Environmental
Protection.

Storage capacity - 100,000 gallons
Average pressure - 80 psi
Size lines - 6 inches
Rates -

First	2,000 gallons	\$4.00 minimum
Next	3,000 gallons	1.75 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	1.50 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.25 per M gallons
All over	20,000 gallons	.90 per M gallons

Tap-on charge - \$150

Surface water sources - Carr Fork Reservoir
Average discharge - Impoundment - unlimited supply
Expected ground water yield - 50 to 200 gpm over entire county except
for a small portion along eastern boundary which yields 5 to 50 gpm

Sewerage

Company serving Hindman - Hindman Water and Sewerage Company
Design capacity - 125,000 gpd
Average daily flow - 100,000 gallons; Treatment - Secondary
Type treatment - Contact stabilization
Treated effluent discharged into - Troublesome Creek
Size of sanitary mains - 8 and 6 inches
Rates - \$6.50 minimum or 60 percent of monthly water bill
Tap-on charge - \$25

Company serving Pippa Passes - Caney Creek Water District
Design capacity - 100,000 gpd
Average daily flow - 40,000 gallons; Treatment - Primary and
secondary
Type treatment - Aeration, drying beds
Treated effluent discharged into - Caney Creek
Size of sanitary mains - 6 and 8 inches
Rates - \$4.00 per month
Tap-on charge - \$150

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 6 councilmen - 2-year terms

Budget 1973-74 - General Fund	\$40,000
Water and Sewer Fund	36,000

Fees and licenses - Occupational license \$25 annually; automobile tax \$3 per year

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 4 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1973-74 - General Fund	\$110,369
Road Fund	39,000

Assessed Value of Property, 1973-74

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Hindman</u>	<u>Knott County</u>
Real Estate	\$3,000,000	\$26,015,124
Tangibles	600,000	13,841,810
Public Service		12,269,403

Property Taxes

Land and buildings are taxed by the state and may be taxed by local jurisdictions. The state rate is \$0.015 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Tangible personal property owned by manufacturers (automobiles, trucks, finished goods, office furniture, office equipment) is taxed by the state at \$0.15 per \$100 and may be taxed by local jurisdictions.

Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories, and goods in process inventories are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Property stored in public warehouses is not subject to local taxation. The state rate is only \$0.015 per \$100.

All property is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

Local Property Tax Rate Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1973*

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Hindman</u>	<u>Knott County</u>
County	\$.231	\$.231
School	.519	.519
City	.100	

Planning and Zoning

There is presently no planning and zoning agency in Hindman or Knott County.

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Hindman</u>	<u>Knott County</u>
Total staff	1	9
Radio-patrol cars	1	3
Other equipment		Breathalyzer

Fire

Volunteers	24	
Equipment:		
500 gpm pumpers	2	
Personnel training - State Fire School, first aid training, emergency medical training		

Rescue Service

Knott County Rescue Squad:
Number of volunteers - 30
Equipment - One half-ton pickup truck with a utility body
Personnel training - First aid training

*Kentucky Department of Revenue, Kentucky Property Tax Rates, 1973.

Sanitation

	<u>Hindman</u>	<u>Knott County</u>
Type service	Private	Private
Fee charged:		
residential	\$4 monthly	Contract
business	\$6-\$20 monthly	Contract
Collection frequency:		
residential	Once weekly	When desired
business	Twice weekly	When desired
Trash pickup	When desired	When desired
Disposal method	Landfill	Landfill

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	<u>Knott County</u>
Total Enrollment (1973-74)	4,348
Elementary	3,172
High School	1,176
Student-Teacher Ratio	28 to 1
Elementary	29 to 1
High School	26 to 1
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
Percent High School Graduates to College	43.5
Expenditures Per Pupil (1972-73)	\$465.75
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1973	\$2,009,000

Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>	<u>Nearest Area Education Center</u>
	Hazard State Vocational-Technical School	Knott County Area Vocational Education Center
Location	Hazard	Hindman
Miles Distant	21	
Curriculum	Clerical Secretarial Practical Nursing Learning Lab Electronics (Industrial) Highway Technology Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Commercial Foods Cosmetology Diesel Mechanics	Clerical Secretarial Auto Mechanics Carpentry Electricity Welding

Vocational Schools

Nearest State School

Curriculum	Drafting
	Electricity
	Heavy Equipment
	Machine Shop
	Mine Maintenance
	Masonry
	Welding

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area - Within 60 miles</u>		<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1973)</u>	
Alice Lloyd College	Pippa Passes	338	Associate
Hazard Community College	Hazard	219	Associate
Lees Junior College	Jackson	267	Associate
Pikeville College	Pikeville	780	Baccalaureate
Prestonsburg Community College	Prestonsburg	518	Associate
Southeast Community College	Cumberland	361	Associate

HEALTH

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Hazard Appalachian Regional*	Hazard	142

General hospital facilities - X-ray service, emergency service, pathology and clinical laboratory, home health service, pharmacy, blood bank, intensive care unit, nursery, 2 major operating rooms, minor operating room, obstetrics, physical therapy, inhalation therapy, 38-bed skilled nursing facility, pediatric department, emergency ambulance service, mental health unit, child development clinic, infant care program, rehabilitation counseling, social services, chaplain program, volunteer services, education services

Professional staff - 16 physicians, 43 registered nurses, 79 licensed practical nurses, 1 radiologist, 2 pathologists, 3 pharmacists, 2 surgeons, 1 doctor of internal medicine, 1 pediatrician

Nursing Homes

Construction of a nursing home to be located just outside of Hindman is to begin in the summer of 1974. This 85-bed facility will have 50 skilled care beds and 32 intermediate care beds.

Public Health

Facility - Knott County Health Clinic

Staff - Administrative assistant who is also a sanitarian, 3 registered nurses, 3 health service aids, 3 clerks

Budget 1973-74 - \$529,316**

*Expansion program underway - At the present time the hospital is involved in an expansion program, the second one in two years. Plans call for a 6-bed coronary and intensive care unit, and an emergency care center. Facilities to be expanded will include laboratory, X-ray, pharmacy, surgery and emergency services.

**Knott County is part of the Kentucky River District Health Department which also includes Lee, Letcher, Owsley, Perry, and Wolfe Counties.

Other

Facility - East Kentucky Health Service Center

Staff - Executive director, 2 physicians, 6 physicians assistants,
dentist, 3 dental therapists, pharmacist, pharmacy technician,
laboratory technician, X-ray technician, office clerk, receptionist

Facility - June Buchanan Medical Clinic

Staff - 2 physicians, 1 dentist

Services - X-ray, laboratory, emergency care, 10 beds for new mothers

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

Telephone - Thacker-Grigsby Telephone Company, Inc.

Services - Direct dial, toll free exchange within county

Telegraph - Western Union

Services - By phone to Hazard

Postal - U. S. Post Office

Class - Second Class

Mail received - Once daily

Mail dispatched - Once daily

Newspapers - Knott County News

Weekly and circulation - 3,000

Other papers received from - Louisville and Lexington, Kentucky;
Huntington, West Virginia

Radio - WKCB-AM

Stations received from - Hazard, Jenkins, Lexington, Louisville,
Prestonsburg and Whitesburg, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio;
Nashville, Tennessee

Television -

Cable service

Reception from - Hazard and Lexington, Kentucky; Bristol and
Knoxville, Tennessee; Asheville, North Carolina

Kentucky Educational Television - Hazard transmitter, Channel 35

Library Services

The Hindman Baptist Church has provided space for library facilities which are open to the public two days a week.

Religious Institutions

Number of churches - 3

Denominations - Baptist, Methodist, United Baptist

Nearest Synagogue - Ashland, Kentucky

Congregation - Agudath Achim (reform)

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of December 31, 1973</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Bank of Hindman	\$9,459,316.84	\$8,476,740.18

Hotels

Total number - 2

Units - 30

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Jaycees, Lions, Hindman Businessmen's Association, Knott County Development Association

Fraternal - American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, Masons, VFW

Women's - Beta Sigma Phi, Eastern Star, Homemaker's Club

Youth - Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Brownies, Cub Scouts, 4-H, FHA, Little League

Other - Knott County Ministerial Association

RECREATION

Local

Public Recreation Facilities

- Playgrounds - 4
- Swimming pools - 1 (under construction)
- Tennis court - 1
- Baseball diamonds - 2
- Football field - 1

Private Recreation Facilities

- Movie theaters - 1 drive-in
- Other - Skeet shooting facilities

Tourist Attractions

- Alice Lloyd College
- Carr Creek Community Center
- Hindman Settlement School
- Frontier Homestead
- Nature trails along Quicksand Creek

Area (Within 70 miles)

- Buckhorn Lake State Resort Park
- Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
- Kingdom Come State Park
- Breaks Interstate Park

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture*

	<u>Knott County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total land area (acres)	227,904	1,929,216
Percent of area in farm land	6.0	13.2
Number of farms	142	1,988
Average size of farms (acres)	95.6	128.2
1969 value of all farm products	\$124,506	\$2,420,197
Value per farm	876	1,217
Total crop sales	14,480	1,458,384
Total livestock & livestock products	109,276	930,335
1972 agricultural production included:		
Corn for grain (bu.)	14,000 **	353,500 **
Cattle and calves (number)	500 **	7,900 **
Hogs and pigs (number)	300 **	3,700 **

Natural Resources

Principal mineral resources	Coal
Other mineral resources	Petroleum and natural gas
Acres of commercial forest land	195,000
Most abundant tree species	Red oak, white oak, yellow poplar, hickory, hard and soft maple, beech, yellow pine

*U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Agriculture, 1969. U. S. Department of Agriculture and Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Agricultural Statistics, 1972.
**Preliminary figures.

Climate*

Knott County

Temperature

Annual mean (30-year record)	56.1 degrees
Average annual 1973	56.8 degrees
Record highest, July, 1970** (12-year record)	95.0 degrees
Record lowest, Jan., 1966 (12-year record)	-15.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,306
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65°F.)	

Precipitation

Mean annual total (30-year record)	41.47 inches
Mean annual snow and sleet (36-year record)	16.3 inches
Total precipitation 1973	45.87 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (28-year record)	134
Average number days thunderstorms (30-year record)	46

Prevailing winds (9-year record)	West-southwest
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*U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services
Administration, Climatological Data, 1973. Station of record: Bristol,
Johnson City, Kingsport, Tennessee.

**Also on earlier dates, months, or years.

HISTORY

Knott County, the one-hundred-eighteenth county formed in Kentucky dates from 1884. Its territory was taken from Breathitt, Floyd, Letcher, and Perry Counties. It contains 356 square miles of mountainous land, and the soil is thin except along the river and creek bottoms. The mountains are covered with a young growth of timber since lumbering became one of the first profitable industries in the region and the older and larger trees were harvested. Only a few traces of virgin timber are still standing.

Knott County was named for J. Proctor Knott, the Governor of Kentucky at the time the county was formed. He was a native of Marion County, moved to Missouri soon after he was licensed to practice law, served one term in the Legislature of that state and also as Attorney General before returning to Kentucky to live. After having served six terms in Congress, he was elected Governor of Kentucky in 1883. He was elected a delegate to the Convention that wrote the present Constitution of the State in 1890-1891. He became dean of the Law School, which he organized, at Centre College, and was acting President for two years.

Hindman, the county seat, was named for James Hindman, the Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky when Granville Combs surveyed its site on lands donated by the Peyton Duke family.

In 1902, the Hindman Settlement School was founded by Mary Stone of Louisville and Katherine Pettitt of Lexington under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Its establishment resulted largely from the interest shown by Solomon Everidge, an 82-year old mountaineer who walked from Hindman to Hazard, a distance of 20 miles, to enlist educational help for his area. The school, the first of its kind in the state, was started on a few rented acres on which there was a small house. It grew to contain several buildings located on 165 acres of land. One important phase of its work centers on the Fireside Industries in which traditional homecrafts were revived and blankets, coverlets, and other products of the loom were made and sold.

Alice Lloyd College at Pippa Passes was established in 1923 and named for a Boston woman who earlier had founded Caney Creek Community Center.

Knott County had a population of 5,438 in 1890, which by 1950 had grown to 20,320. There was a subsequent decline, however, to 17,362 by 1960 and then to 14,698 by 1970. The estimated population for 1972 shows an increase to 15,600. Hindman had a 1970 population of 808.

Agriculture accounted for only 10 of the county's 2,410 jobs in 1972. Manufacturing employed 18. Knott County's economy is heavily dependent upon the mining industry which employed 1,180 in 1972.

Carl D. Perkins, a native of Hindman, has served as a Representative in Congress since 1948. He has favored economic measures to promote the welfare of Knott Countians and Eastern Kentucky.