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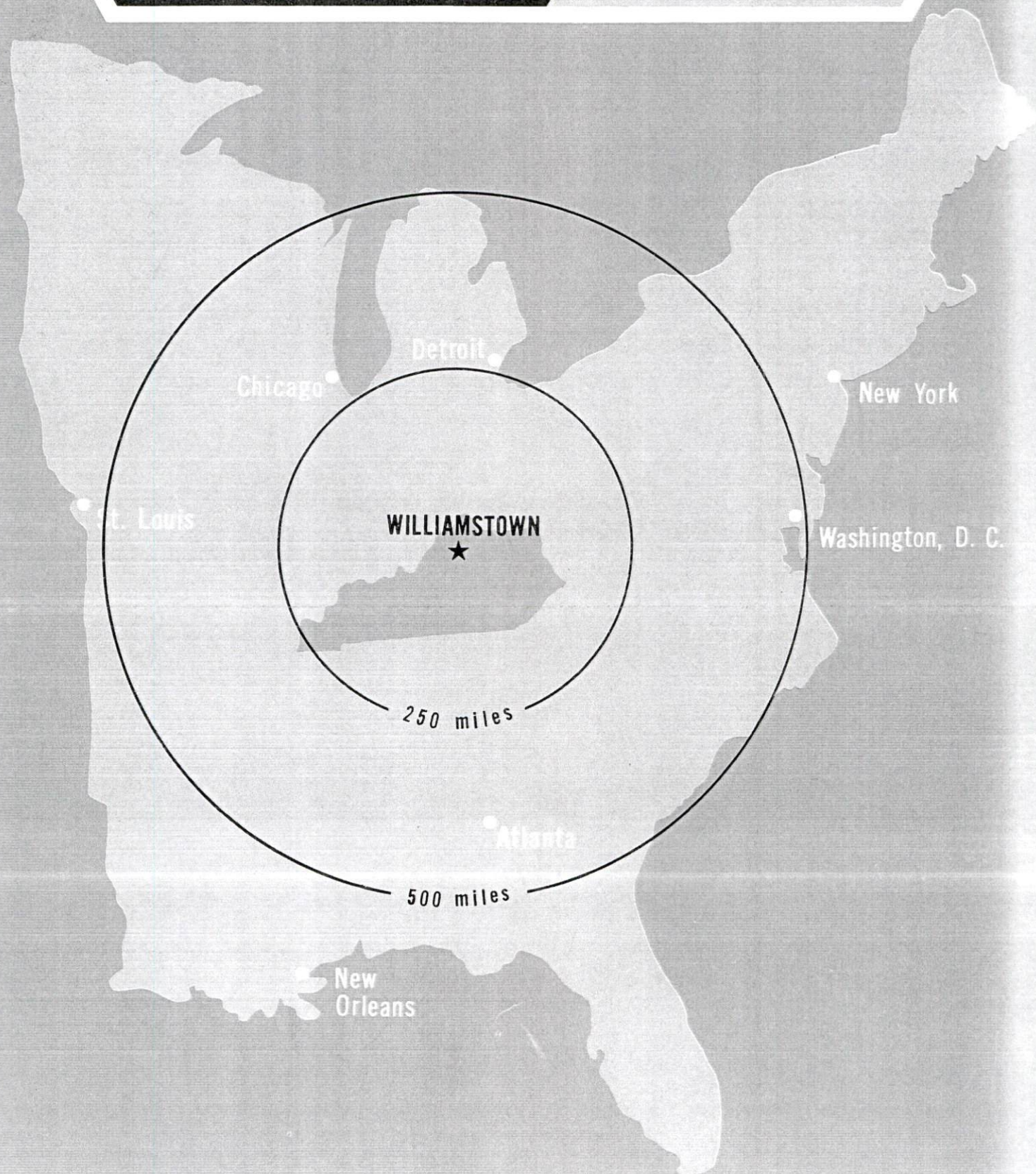
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

**WILLIAMSTOWN
KENTUCKY**



CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES, WILLIAMSTOWN, KENTUCKY

This is a 1970 supplement to "Industrial Resources, Williamstown, Kentucky," which was published in 1969.

Population

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>
Williamstown	2,051	1,611
Grant County	9,485	9,489
Labor Market Area	223,406	203,281
(Includes Boone, Gallatin, Harrison, Kenton, Owen, Pendleton, Scott, and Grant Counties.)		

General Employment Characteristics

Employment 1969

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Grant County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	2,800	57,800
Agriculture	900	7,100
Nonagriculture	1,900	50,700
Manufacturing	224	10,306
Trade & Services	571	16,656
Government	500	6,400

Manufacturing Employment

<u>Type Industry</u>	<u>Grant County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>1969</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>% Change</u>	<u>1969</u>	<u>1959</u>	<u>% Change</u>
TOTAL	206	217	- 5.1	10,411	6,519	+ 59.7
Food & kindred products	0	1	--	595	1,007	- 40.9
Apparel, textiles, leather	0	95	--	494	577	- 14.4
Lumber & furniture	0	0	--	920	251	+266.5
Printing, publishing, paper	5	4	+25.0	1,213	829	+ 46.3
Chemicals, petroleum, coal, rubber	193	116	+66.4	693	383	+ 80.9
Stone, clay, glass	6	0	--	274	66	+315.2
Primary metals	0	0	--	312	131	+138.2
Machinery & metal products	0	0	--	5,111	2,914	+ 75.4
Other	2	1	+100.0	799	361	+121.3

There are presently five manufacturing firms in Grant County. Major firms, employment, and year started operations:

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Year Started Operations</u>
Phillips Films Co., Inc.	211	1958

Labor Supply

	<u>Grant County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Current	420	146	274	3,789	1,668	2,121
Potential additions next five years	943	498	445	22,933	11,673	11,260

Personal Income

Grant County, 1968: Total personal - \$18,777,000; Per capita - \$1,820
 1959: Total personal - \$10,387,000; Per capita - \$1,154

Property Tax Rates

Property tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuation, 1969:

	<u>Williamstown</u>	<u>Grant County</u>
State	.015	.015
County	.224	.224
School	.728	.646
City	.200	
Total	\$1.167	\$.885

Labor Organizations

Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers - Phillips Films Co., Inc.

Education

The Grant County School System includes one high school with standard rating, and five elementary schools.

The Williamstown Independent School District includes one high school with standard rating, and one elementary school.

Vocational School: Northern Kentucky Area Vocational School
Courses Offered: Accounting Junior Management, Data Processing, General Clerical, Secretarial-Steno, Child Care, Clothing Service, Food Service, Hospital Housekeeping, Medical Assistant, Practical Nursing,

Electronics (Technology), Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, Auto Body Repair, Auto Mechanics, Carpentry, Commercial Art, Commercial Foods, Cosmetology, Drafting, Machine Shop, Printing, Radio and TV Repair, Welding

Transportation

Trucking Service: Dance Freight Lines, Inc. (consolidated); Dixie Ohio Express, Inc.; Huey Motor Express; McLean Trucking Company, Spade Continental Express, Inc.; Stewart Truck Line

Bus Service: Southern Greyhound Bus Lines

Rail Service: Southern Railway System. Piggyback service is available at Cincinnati, Ohio, 35 miles distant.

Air Service: Greater Cincinnati Airport, Covington, Kentucky, 35 miles distant.

Power and Fuel

Electric Distributors

Williamstown City Utilities Company
Harrison County RECC
Owen County RECC

Natural Gas Distributor

Natural gas service is not available at this time.

Water and Sewerage

Water: Daily treatment capacity - 500,000 gallons; average daily use - 210,000 gallons; maximum daily use - 375,000 gallons; storage capacity - 425,000 gallons; size distribution lines - 4, 6, 8, and 10 inches.

Sewerage: Type treatment - primary and secondary; design capacity - 187,500 gallons per day; size of sewer mains - 8, 10, and 12 inches.

Local Government

City

County

Police Protection: Number of law enforcement officers -

5

3

Fire Protection: Number of volunteer firemen - 35; American Insurance Association fire rating, City of Williamstown - Class 7.

Health

Nearest general hospital - Grant County Hospital, Williamstown, Kentucky; capacity - 30 beds; staff - 4 doctors and 10 registered nurses; special personnel - consulting pathologist, dietitian, radiologist, 2 lab technicians, X-ray technician

Other Local Facilities

Telephone: Citizens Telephone Company

Postal: Class of post office - second; mail is received 1 time daily and dispatched 1 time daily.

Public Library: Grant County Library; number of volumes - 11,930; annual circulation - 9,028; bookmobile circulation - 43,000 volumes.

Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Statement of Condition as of December 31, 1969</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Bank of Williamstown	\$9,050,559	\$5,308,181
Grant County Deposit Bank	6,646,170	3,791,369

Recreation

Local: Lake Williamstown, a municipally owned 500-acre lake, provides excellent facilities for boating, fishing, water skiing, swimming, and camping; a beach with bathhouse, and three boat docks with mooring facilities.

Area: General Butler State Park, Kincaid Lake State Park, Big Bone Lick State Park, Lake Boltz, and Bullock Pen Lake.

Industrial Sites

The three industrial sites listed in the 1969 Williamstown Industrial Resources brochure remain available for industry. Agents for the sites have been changed and are as follows: Site #1 - Mayor C. Herbert Caldwell, Williamstown, Kentucky; Site #2 - Mr. George R. Powers, Williamstown, Kentucky; Site #3 - Southern Railway System.

WILLIAMSTOWN INDUSTRIAL SITES

SITE # 1: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 105 acres of level to sloping terrain
LOCATION: One-fourth mile off U. S. Highway 25
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Paved road to U. S. 25 one-fourth mile distant
RAILROADS: A Southern Railway spur extends to the property
WATER: Williamstown City Utility Company
ELECTRICITY: Williamstown City Utility Company
OWNERSHIP: City of Williamstown
AGENT: J. L. Webb, Bank of Williamstown, Williamstown Kentucky

SITE # 2: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 65 acres, level to sloping
LOCATION: Adjacent to site # 1 behind the new Williamstown High School
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Paved road to U. S. 25
WATER: Williamstown City Utility Company
ELECTRICITY: Williamstown City Utility Company
OWNERSHIP: Williamstown Independent School District
AGENT: J. L. Webb, Bank of Williamstown, Williamstown Kentucky

SITE # 3: ACREAGE AND TOPOGRAPHY: 12 acres, level to rolling
LOCATION: Three-fourth mile south of Williamstown
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Paved road to U. S. 25
RAILROADS: Bound on the west by the Southern Railway
WATER: Williamstown City Utility Company
ELECTRICITY: Williamstown City Utility Company
OWNERSHIP: Southern Railway System
AGENT: J. L. Webb, Bank of Williamstown, Williamstown, Kentucky

Cost per acre will be furnished upon request by the Agent or the Kentucky Department of Commerce.

LEGEND:
UTILITIES AVAILABLE
W - WATER
E - ELECTRICITY

SITE-1
105 Ac.
W.E

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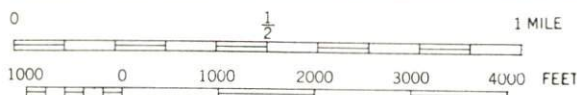
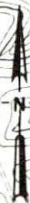
SITE-2
65 Ac.
W.E

SITE-3
12 Ac.
W.E

Williamstown

Railroad
Lakes

Williamstown



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WILLIAMSTOWN, KENTUCKY, A PROFILE

Location

Williamstown, the county seat of Grant County, is located approximately half-way between the industrial centers of Cincinnati and Lexington, just off I-75. Williamstown had an estimated population of over 2,000 in 1968.

The Economy

Williamstown and Grant County are basically agriculturally oriented. Employment in agriculture totaled 1,000 in 1968. Employment in trade and services totaled 375, government employed over 300 persons, and manufacturing employment was 200 in 1968.

A key to the economic future of Williamstown could well be its central location between Lexington and Cincinnati, both of which are substantial industrial centers.

Williamstown has good local leadership, high community interest, excellent highway and rail services, plus a growing labor supply and several available industrial sites, all of which supplement the ideal location and the optimistic outlook for economic growth for Williamstown.

In the Grant County labor market area, total employment averaged 57,030 in 1968, manufacturing employment was 9,520, trade and services employed 15,230, agriculture 8,050, and government employment was in excess of 5,375. Kenton County provides approximately 50 percent of the total employment.

Labor Supply

There is an estimated current labor supply of 149 men and 275 women in Grant County.

In the Grant County labor supply area an estimated current labor supply of 1,830 men and 2,220 women are available for industrial employment.

Industrial Sites and Services

Williamstown has three available industrial sites ranging in size from 12 to 105 acres. Highway and rail access are excellent, and water and electricity are on the sites.

- Rail service is provided to Williamstown by the Cincinnati and Chattanooga Division of the Southern Railway System.
- An interchange to I-75 is located at Williamstown.
- Trucking service is provided by six firms.
- Greater Cincinnati Airport is 35 miles north.
- An ample supply of electric power is available from the Williamstown City Utilities Company. A natural gas system is being planned for Williamstown.

Education

Several major institutions of higher learning are located in nearby Lexington, Covington, and Georgetown, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio.

Recreation

The central location of Williamstown attributes to the access its citizens have to recreational facilities.

Lake Williamstown has excellent facilities for boating, fishing, and swimming, as do Lake Boltz, Bullock Pen Lake, and Falmouth Lake State Park, all of which are located near Williamstown.

The University of Kentucky in Lexington provides major inter-collegiate sports and Cincinnati is represented by the three major professional sports: baseball, basketball, and football.

Fine arts programs are offered in Lexington and Cincinnati.

THE LABOR MARKET

Population

Williamstown had a population of 2,200 persons in 1968, an increase of 589 persons since 1960. Grant County's population was estimated at 9,600 in 1969, a slight increase since 1960.

TABLE 1

POPULATION TREND - WILLIAMSTOWN AND GRANT COUNTY,
KENTUCKY ^{1/}

Year	Williamstown		Grant County	
	Population	% Change	Population	% Change
1900	613		13,239	
1950	1,466	139.2	9,809	-25.9
1960	1,611	9.9	9,489	- 3.3
1968	2,200 ^{2/}	36.5		
1969			9,600 ^{3/}	1.2

General Employment Characteristics

In Grant County, total employment averaged 2,885 in 1968; the dominant economic activity being agriculture which employed 1,000 persons. Other segments of employment are trade and services (375), government (325), and manufacturing (200).

In the Grant County labor market area, which includes Boone, Gallatin, Harrison, Kenton, Owen, Pendleton, and Scott Counties, total employment for 1968 averaged 57,030. Of that average, trade and services totaled 15,230, manufacturing 9,520, agriculture 8,050, and government 5,375.

The Grant County labor market area has had an increase of 3,000 workers in manufacturing employment since 1960.

Manufacturing Characteristics

Manufacturing activity in Grant County remained relatively stable during the 1960's. The greatest concentration of manufacturing employment is in the production of chemicals.

Although Grant County manufacturing employment is stable, increased personal income, access to I-75, and the new influence to I-71 access to Louisville, give reasonable optimistic outlook to manufacturing growth in Grant County.

TABLE 2

WILLIAMSTOWN MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS,
AND EMPLOYMENT ^{4/}

Firm	Product	Employment		
		Total	Male	Female
Grant County News	Newspaper, job printing	4	1	3
Phillips Film Co., Inc.	Polyethylene film, bags	211	204	7
Williamstown Roller Mills	Feed			

In the Grant County labor supply area, manufacturing employment has shown tremendous growth since 1960. Total manufacturing employment exhibited an increase of over 3,000, or a 47.7 percent increase. Machinery and metal products employed 4,629 of the total workers employed in manufacturing. The growth of manufacturing in Boone County is the primary influence in this growth of the area, with an increase of over 1,700 persons newly employed.

Kenton County's manufacturing is 46.8 percent of the total manufacturing in the labor market area. Grant County's percent of the total was 2.1.

TABLE 3

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT, WILLIAMSTOWN LABOR MARKET
AREA, SEPTEMBER 1968 ^{5/}

Industry	Employment
TOTAL	9,528
Metal products and machinery	4,629
Printing, publishing, paper	1,236
Lumber and furniture	881
Others	2,782

Labor Organizations

Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers is the bargaining unit for workers at Phillips Film Company, Inc.

Wage Levels

The average weekly wage in all industries in Grant County in 1968 was \$88.28. Comparable figure for Kentucky was \$112.16. All counties in the labor market area were below the Kentucky average for all industries. 6/

Labor Supply

Grant County has an estimated current labor supply of 150 men and 275 women available for industrial employment. This supply will be augmented by an additional 450 boys and 450 girls who will become 18 years of age by 1975.

There is an estimated current labor supply of 1,830 men and 2,220 women available for industrial jobs in the Williamstown labor market area. During the next five years an additional 11,400 boys and 11,060 girls will become 18 years of age and supplement this labor supply. The current labor supply includes the unemployed, underemployed, and persons who would enter the labor force if jobs become available.

TABLE 4

CURRENT AND FUTURE LABOR SUPPLY-WILLIAMSTOWN LABOR MARKET AREA

County	Current Labor Supply January 1969 <u>7/</u>			Future Labor Supply by 1975 (Becoming 18 Years of Age) <u>8/</u>		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Labor Market Area						
Grant	4,053	1,833	2,220	22,468	11,409	11,059
Boone	424	149	275	915	458	457
Gallatin	471	148	323	2,865	1,478	1,387
Harrison	260	100	160	378	188	190
Kenton	461	199	262	1,284	133	651
Owen	606	336	270	13,740	1,985	6,755
Pendleton	565	331	234	749	367	382
Scott	670	281	389	1,096	563	533
	596	289	309	1,441	737	704

Income

The total personal income in Grant County in 1968 was \$18,777,000. Per capita income was \$1,956 for a gain of \$863 during the previous nine years. 9/

EDUCATION

The educational system in the Williamstown and Grant County area has the facilities to produce an effective labor force for future industrial growth.

Elementary and High Schools

The Williamstown Independent School District is comprised of one new high school, occupied in 1968, with a standard rating, and one elementary school. In addition to the 26 professional and 13 non-professional employees, the school system employs a speech therapist, a counselor, and a homebound teacher. Vocational business, vocational home economics and industrial arts contribute to the program structure.

The 1968-69 budget for the Williamstown Independent School District was \$259,988.

The Grant County School System includes one high school, with a standard rating, and five elementary schools. Special personnel includes two speech therapists, two counselors, and two remedial reading teachers. There are 92 professional personnel employed and 55 non-professional employees. Complementing the academic program are vocational business, vocational agriculture, vocational home economics, and industrial arts.

The 1968-69 budget was \$910,092.

An office building for the Board of Education has been constructed and a new elementary school is being planned.

TABLE 5

SCHOOLS, ENROLLMENT, NUMBER OF TEACHERS, STUDENT-TEACHER RATIO IN WILLIAMSTOWN AND GRANT COUNTY, 1968 ^{10/}

School	Grades	Enroll- ment	No. of Teachers	Student- Teacher Ratio
Williamstown Independent Elementaries	K- 6	293	8	37-1
Williamstown High	7-12	185	11	16-1
Grant County Elementaries	1- 8	1,288	58	22-1
Grant County High	9-12	494	26	19-1

Vocational Schools

The Northern Kentucky Area Vocational School, located in Covington, 39 miles north of Williamstown, provides 24 courses of vocational skills.

The Central Kentucky Area Vocational School is located in Lexington, Kentucky, 40 miles south of Williamstown, and offers 18 courses of vocational skills.

Both the Northern Area and Central Area schools offer a wide variety of courses in business and office, agriculture, home economics, health occupations, technical, and trade and industrial training.

Located at Williamstown is an interchange to I-75 which connects Covington and Lexington.

Colleges

Institutions of higher learning within a 40-mile radius of Williamstown include:

<u>College or University</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Distance</u>
University of Kentucky	Lexington, Kentucky	40 miles
Transylvania University	Lexington, Kentucky	40 miles
Lexington Technical Institute	Lexington, Kentucky	40 miles
Thomas More College	Covington, Kentucky	39 miles
Northern Community College	Covington, Kentucky	39 miles
Georgetown College	Georgetown, Kentucky	35 miles

The universities and colleges in the Cincinnati area are within one hour's driving time from Williamstown.

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

The Cincinnati and Chattanooga Division of the Southern Railway serves Williamstown. There is one local freight daily each way and ten through freights daily each way. Switching service is provided seven days a week, and sidings are available to accommodate 55 cars. The average number of outbound carloads per month is four, consisting usually of plastics, coal, lumber, wallboard, and roofing. The average number of inbound carloads per month is 35. REA Express is available five days a week in Williamstown.

TABLE 6

RAILWAY TRANSIT TIME FROM WILLIAMSTOWN, KENTUCKY, TO: 11/

No. of Days		No. of Days	
City	CL	City	CL
Atlanta, Ga.	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	6
Birmingham, Ala.	2	Louisville, Ky.	2
Chicago, Ill.	3	Nashville, Tenn.	3
Cincinnati, Ohio	1	New Orleans, La.	3
Cleveland, Ohio	3	New York, N. Y.	5
Detroit, Mich.	3	Pittsburgh, Pa.	4
Knoxville, Tenn.	2	St. Louis, Mo.	3

Highways

Interstate 75 has an interchange located at Williamstown. Williamstown is also served by U. S. 25 and Kentucky Route 36. An interchange at Walton, 20 miles north of Williamstown, will provide access to Interstate 71, which will connect Louisville and Covington.

Truck Service: The following trucking firms serve Williamstown:

<u>Company</u>	<u>Home Office</u>
Dance Freight Lines, Inc. (Consolidated)	Lexington, Kentucky
Dixie Ohio Express, Inc.	Akron, Ohio
Huey Motor Express	Cincinnati, Ohio
McLean Trucking Company	Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Spade Continental Express, Inc.	Cincinnati, Ohio
Stewart Truck Line	Dry Ridge, Kentucky

TABLE 7

HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME FROM
WILLIAMSTOWN, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time (Days)		City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time ^{12/}	
		TL				TL	
Atlanta, Ga.	433	2-3		Los Angeles, Calif.	2,139	7-8	
Birmingham, Ala.	455	2-3		Louisville, Ky.	90	1	
Chicago, Ill.	331	3		Nashville, Tenn.	257	1-2	
Cincinnati, Ohio	40	1		New Orleans, La.	811	3-4	
Cleveland, Ohio	284	2-3		New York, N. Y.	686	4-5	
Detroit, Mich.	305	2-3		Pittsburgh, Pa.	324	3-4	
Knoxville, Tenn.	242	2		St. Louis, Mo.	297	2-3	

Air

Located 35 miles north of Williamstown is the Greater Cincinnati Airport. This airport provides over 100 flights daily with three paved runways, all over 5,000 feet in length and 150 feet wide. Major airlines such as American, TWA, Eastern, and Piedmont serve this airport.

Other Transportation Services

Bus service to Williamstown is provided by Southern Greyhound Bus Lines, with three daily buses north and three daily buses south.

Grant County Taxi Cab Company provides 24-hour taxi service in Williamstown.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Williamstown is supplied electricity by the Williamstown City Utilities Company, whose source of supply is the Union Heat, Light and Power Company, a subsidiary of the Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company. Total electric generating power of the Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company is presently 1,718,000 KW in three generating stations located along the Ohio River. The construction of a new generating unit will add 131,000 KW to the system in 1969, and an additional 234,000 KW will be added in 1970.

Harrison and Owen County Rural Electric Cooperative Corporations, whose wholesale source is the East Kentucky Power Cooperative, serve approximately 102 and 2,257 customers in Grant County, respectively.

The East Kentucky Power Cooperative is a generation and transmission cooperative with headquarters in Winchester, Kentucky. East Kentucky Power Cooperative transmits low-cost, wholesale power to its 18 member rural electrics which serve more than 171,000 members in 93 counties. This power is generated at East Kentucky Power Cooperative's William C. Dale station at Ford, Kentucky, and John Sherman Cooper Station at Burnside, Kentucky.

Natural Gas

Facilities for a natural gas system to serve Williamstown are presently being planned.

Coal

A representative freight cost to Williamstown users for industrial and domestic coal is \$3.22 per ton. ^{13/}

Fuel Oil

Kentucky has three fuel oil refineries located in Catlettsburg, Louisville, and Somerset. Kentucky's fuel supply is supplemented by border state operations.

Delivered prices of the various grades may be obtained from the Kentucky Department of Commerce.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Williamstown Water Works provides treated water to the City of Williamstown. Lake Williamstown is the source of raw water for the 500,000 gpd treatment plant. Treatment is by means of a conventional rapid sand filtration plant. Average daily use is 210,000 gallons and maximum daily water use has been 375,000 gallons. Water distribution lines are 4, 6, 8, and 10 inches, and pressure is maintained between 110 and 125 psi. Eleven hours is the average daily pumping time.

Storage facilities consist of two elevated tanks at 200,000- and 75,000-gallon capacities, and a clear well with a capacity of 150,000 gallons. There are presently 684 customers served in Williamstown.

Rates:

First	1,000 gallons	\$1.00
Each additional	1,000 gallons	.50

Sewerage

The City of Williamstown has a new sewerage treatment plant with a design capacity of 187,500 gpd. Treatment is primary and secondary by means of aeration and aerobic digestion. Separate sanitary and storm sewers are maintained with sewer lines being 8, 10, and 12 inches in size. Surplus capacity is presently 112,500 gpd. There are presently 2,025 customers connected to the system. Sewerage rates have not as yet been established. Treated effluent is discharged into Stermmill Branch and in turn into Clark's Creek.

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture

The approximate total land area of Grant County is 159,360 acres, with 89 percent of the area devoted to farm land. In 1964, there were 1,148 farms in the county, with an average size of 124 acres.

Farming income in the county is primarily from burley tobacco, cattle, and dairying. The 1964 value of sales of all farm products totaled \$4,464,736, averaging \$3,889 per farm. Crop sales totaled \$2,884,689; livestock and livestock products totaled \$1,575,047.

In 1967, agricultural production in Grant County included 5.5 million pounds of burley tobacco, 142,000 bushels of corn, and 11,840 tons of alfalfa hay. Livestock on farms on January 1, 1968, included 22,500 cattle and calves, 2,100 hogs and pigs, and 1,700 sheep and lambs. Milk cows on farms during 1966 averaged 4,100 head, with milk production for the year totaling 32 million pounds.

Mineral Resources

The principal mineral resource of Grant County is limestone. Other minerals reportedly present include clay and natural gas. No commercial development of minerals in this county is being carried out at the present time.

Water Resources

The largest source of surface water supply is Eagle Creek. The average discharge of Eagle Creek at Glencoe is 529 cfs (USGS, 35 years record). Local sources are secured from impoundments.

The expected yield of ground water in Grant County, with the exception of a narrow band along the western perimeter, is 5 gpm or less. But for the remaining portion, the ground water yield is expected to be 5 to 50 gpm and could be considered a potential for industrial water supplies. Exceptions may be found in restricted areas.

Forests

There are 38,100 acres of commercial forest land in Grant County, covering 23.8 percent of the total land area. The most abundant species are white oaks, red oaks, hickories, ash, black walnut, red cedar, and hard maple.

In Kentucky, within a 50-mile radius of Williamstown, there are 875 thousand acres of commercial forest land. In 1962, 23 million board feet of timber were harvested from this area. While some of the timber harvest is used locally, much of it is shipped out of the area for further processing.

Forests of the entire area receive organized protection from fire from the State Department of Natural Resources.

Climate

Grant County has an attractive year-round climate.

Snowfall is heaviest during the months of December, January, and February. Average yearly precipitation is 39.52 inches, with the heaviest rainfall occurring during the months of March and July.

In an average year about 184 days are cloudy, 100 days partly cloudy, and 81 days clear. The normal monthly minimum temperature range is from 22.7 to 64.8 degrees F., while the maximum temperature range is from 39.2 to 86.3 degrees F. Annual average temperatures range from 31.0 to 75.6 degrees F.

Prevailing wind is from the south-southwest and an average year has 19 days of fog.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Structure

Williamstown, a fifth-class city, is governed by a mayor and six councilmen. The mayor is elected for a four-year term, and acts as a council manager. The councilmen are elected for two-year terms.

Grant County is governed by a fiscal court which meets in session once a month. The court is composed of the county judge and three magistrates, all of whom are elected for four-year terms.

Finance

Williamstown's income totaled \$85,738 for the 12 months ending December 31, 1968, while expenditures for the same period totaled \$73,200. Bonded indebtedness of the city as of February 1, 1969, was \$109,000.

Grant County's estimated budget for 1969-70 is \$217,417. Current bonded indebtedness for Grant County is a \$243,000 voted hospital bond. Bonded indebtedness of the Grant County School System is \$944,000.

Taxes

Property taxes are the major source of income for Williamstown and Grant County. Property must be assessed at 100 percent of value under provisions of the Kentucky Constitution. Net assessed value of property in these jurisdictions:

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Williamstown (1968)</u>	<u>Grant County (1968-69)</u>
Real Estate	\$10,145,600	\$42,230,920
Tangibles		6,333,330
Public Service	15,055,934	24,802,169

Property tax rates for 1968 are shown in Table 8.

TABLE 8

PROPERTY TAX RATES PER \$100 OF ASSESSED VALUE
FOR WILLIAMSTOWN AND GRANT COUNTY, 1968 ^{14/}

Taxing Unit	Williamstown	Grant County
State	\$.015	\$.015
County	.229	.229
School	.743	.661
City	<u>.200</u>	<u> </u>
Total	\$1.187	\$.905

The City of Williamstown requires business licenses which range from \$5.75 to \$25.75 annually.

Williamstown is empowered by state law to allow a five-year exemption from municipal taxation for new industry.

Planning and Zoning

The Grant County Planning Commission serves the City of Williamstown. Present studies being conducted include a Comprehensive Plan, Subdivision Regulations, Zoning Ordinance, and Neighborhood Analysis.

Safety

Fire: The Williamstown Fire Department, with 35 volunteer firemen, has a Class-7 American Insurance Association fire rating. Equipment of the department includes a Mack 750-gpm pumper, a GM 700-gpm pumper, and a truck with a 1,000-gallon tank with an electrical starting pump. This truck is used in rural areas surrounding Williamstown. Radio equipment and hose are provided on the pumpers; the tank truck has 250 feet of hose.

Police: The Williamstown Police Department is staffed by a chief and four patrolmen. Motorized equipment consists of one radio-equipped car. Radio contact with the State Police District Headquarters, 7 miles from Williamstown, and the Grant County Sheriff's Office is maintained.

Police protection in Grant County is provided by the county sheriff and two deputies. Two radio-equipped patrol cars are utilized.

Sanitation

Garbage collection is contracted by the City of Williamstown and provided free of charge to residents once a week. Collection is available daily in the business district for a nominal charge, depending on frequency and volume of collection.

HEALTH

Hospitals

Williamstown is served by the Grant County Hospital, located in Williamstown. This general facility has 30 beds, 6 bassinets, X-ray, electrocardiogram data phone, and complete laboratory, emergency and operating facilities. Included in the staff are four medical doctors, one dentist, ten registered nurses, a consulting pathologist, dietitian, radiologist, two lab technicians and an X-ray technician.

A psychiatric clinic and a TB clinic are operated by the hospital.

Nursing Homes

Williamstown and Grant County residents are served by the Carlsbad Nursing Home with 34 beds, and the Dry Ridge Convalescent Home, Inc., with 114 beds. Both are located in Dry Ridge, 4 miles from Williamstown. The Jonesville Rest Home is a self-care unit providing 25 beds.

Public Health

The Grant County Health Department is located in Williamstown and operates with a staff of two nurses, a sanitarian, a nutritionist, and a part-time plumbing inspector. Programs offered include immunization of preschool and school children, school health, family planning, mental health clinic, TB outpatient clinic, venereal disease control, heart program, and services to crippled children.

The 1969-70 budget is \$38,032.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Housing

Williamstown has a limited number of houses for rent or sale. Apartments are limited and the rental is between \$50 to \$80 per month. Construction cost of a new three-bedroom brick house ranges from \$15,000 to \$17,000, excluding cost of lot. There are six subdivisions with approximately 75 lots available and a new 75-lot subdivision is planned.

Communication

Telephone: Citizens Telephone Company, a subsidiary of Cincinnati and Suburban Bell Telephone Company, provides service to over 3,000 residents in Grant County. The company provides toll-free exchange within the county, and offers a full modern service program to subscribers. An additional 1,500 lines were included in recent improvements.

Postal: Williamstown has a second-class post office with eleven employees. Mail is dispatched and received once daily. City delivery service is offered, and three rural routes are served. Postal receipts for 1968-69 were approximately \$40,000.

Newspapers: The Grant County News, a weekly newspaper published each Thursday, has a circulation of over 3,000. Newspapers are received daily from Lexington and Louisville, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio.

Radio: Radio reception is good from stations in Lexington and Louisville, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio.

Television: Television reception in Williamstown is from Lexington, Kentucky, and Cincinnati and Dayton, Ohio. All major networks are represented.

Libraries

The Grant County Library is located in Williamstown and provides area residents with approximately 11,930 volumes. Circulation in 1968 was 9,028. Bookmobile service is offered two days a week with a circulation in 1968 of over 43,000 volumes. Operating hours for the library are noon to 5 p. m. , Monday through Friday, and 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. , on Saturday. A story hour is offered on Wednesdays.

Churches

Church denominations represented in the Williamstown area are: Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Methodist, and Jehovah's Witnesses.

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of December 31, 1968</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Bank of Williamstown	\$8, 342, 788. 03	\$7, 526, 325. 41
Grant County Deposit Bank	6, 099, 908. 21	5, 430, 508. 69

Hotels and Motels

<u>Name</u>	<u>Units</u>
Donald Hotel	20
Half-Way House	40
Skyline Motel	20
I-75 Motel	31
Mulberry Motel	5
Dot's Motel	12
Telstar Motel, Dry Ridge	20

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic: Grant County Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Lions, Kiwanis

Fraternal: American Legion, Masons

Women's: American Legion Auxiliary, Daughters of American Revolution, Eastern Star, Woman's Club, Younger Women's Club

Youth: Boy Scouts, 4-H, Junior Conservation, Little League, FHA, FFA

Recreation

Local: Cooperation between Williamstown and the city school system provides a local supervised recreation program on the school grounds during June, July, and August.

Williamstown has a roller rink, two city parks, and a Little League baseball program.

A new recreation-ball field is available to residents, and plans are being made for a new swimming pool.

Lake Williamstown, a municipally owned 500-acre lake, provides excellent facilities for boating, fishing, water skiing, swimming, and camping. Located 2 miles from Williamstown, the lake has more than 375 modern cottages and summer homes surrounding the entire lake front. A beach with bathhouse and three boat docks with mooring facilities enhance Lake Williamstown's outstanding services.

General Butler State Park, located in Carrollton, 54 miles west of Williamstown, has the following recreational facilities: resort lodge with dining room, cottages, tent and trailer camping, boating, and swimming.

Falmouth Lake State Park, Big Bone Lick State Park, Lake Boltz, and Bullock Pen Lake are located within a 25-mile radius of Williamstown and provide various recreational facilities.

Racing: Keeneland Race Track is located in Lexington and offers thoroughbred racing with annual spring and fall meets. Harness racing is provided at the Big Red Mile Trotting Track, also in Lexington.

Kentucky's newest race track, Latonia Race Course, is located in Florence, 27 miles north of Williamstown.

Churchill Downs, home of the Kentucky Derby, is located in Louisville, approximately 90 miles from Williamstown.

College Sports: The University of Kentucky, located in Lexington, offers a full program of collegiate athletics. Intercollegiate programs are also offered in Covington, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio.

Professional Sports: Cincinnati is the home of the major league baseball Reds, the basketball Royals, and the football Bengals, offering a full program of professional sports.

Music and Drama: Concerts, lectures, and drama series are offered in Lexington, Kentucky, and Cincinnati, Ohio, providing Williamstown residents with nearby cultural offerings.

Community Improvements

Public: A new sewerage treatment plant; a new high school; new parking lot; new office building for Board of Education; new elementary school being planned; an access road off U. S. 25 which fronts the new Williamstown High School.

Business and Industrial: Four new motels, providing a combined total of 108 units; ten units of motel expansion and an additional 10 units planned; a 72- by 108-foot industrial building of concrete and steel structure purchased.

HISTORY

Grant County, dating from 1820, contains 250 square miles of land and its surface is rolling, and its soil ranges from fertile to moderately fertile. A low ridge extends across it from the south to the north, which forms a watershed between the Licking and Kentucky Rivers.

Williamstown, the county seat, was originally named Philadelphia, but was changed to Williamstown, due to the fact that another town in Kentucky bore the name Philadelphia. It was renamed in honor of William Arnold who gave the land on which the public building was located and free building timber for a period of three years to anyone who would buy a lot from him.

Historical notes of interest:

The establishment of Grant County was a hotly contested issue in the legislative election of 1819. A political agreement between Senator Jesse Budsor and Representative William Littell settled the issue.

The naming of Grant County was also a hot issue, this time between members of the same family. The county was finally named for Samuel Grant, but was contested by his brother Colonel John Grant.

In 1841, John Utterback, a stock drover from Bourbon County, was killed by Smith Maythes and Lyman Crouch near Williamstown. While lodged in jail, the two men threatened to burn the town and kill several prominent citizens, which in turn aroused the people, who then broke into jail and proceeded to hang them. Maythes was wanted for murder in Mason County, while Crouch was a respected member of the Cincinnati police force.

Several years prior to the Civil War, two Grant County representatives, Benjamin B. Johnson and Overton P. Hogan, favored a solution to national problems other than war.

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