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LEITCHFIELD INDUSTRIAL SITES

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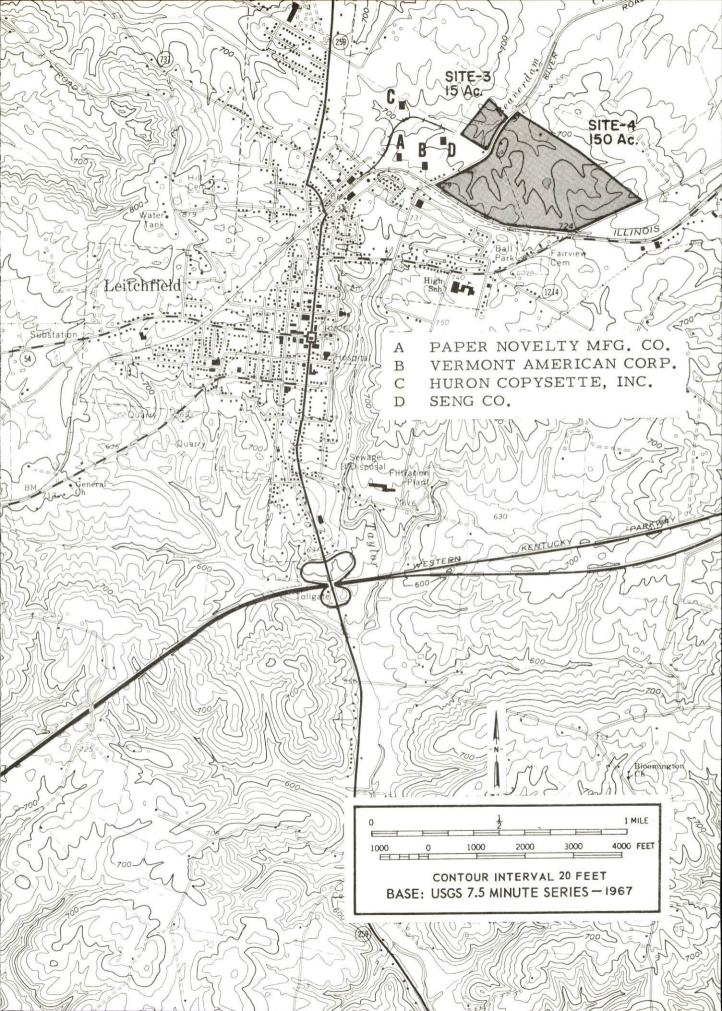
LEITCHFIELD INDUSTRIAL SITES

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For more information about the following sites, contact Mr. Kenneth Goff, Leitchfield, Kentucky, 42754, or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky, 40601.

SITE #3: ACREAGE: 15 acres

LOCATION: Northeast city limits ZONING: None HIGHWAY ACCESS: Fronts on Salt River Road RAILROAD: Illinois Central Railroad spur approximately 200 feet from site WATER: Leitchfield Municipal Water Company SIZE LINE: 12-inch GAS: Leitchfield Municipal Gas Company SIZE MAIN: 4-inch ELECTRICITY: Warren RECC SEWERAGE: Leitchfield Municipal Sewer Company SIZE LINE: 8-inch OWNERSHIP: Leitchfield-Grayson County Industrial Foundation SITE #4: ACREAGE: 150 acres LOCATION: Northeast city limits ZONING: None HIGHWAY ACCESS: Fronts on Salt River Road RAILROAD: Illinois Central Railroad borders southern boundary of site. WATER: Leitchfield Municipal Water Company SIZE LINE: 12-inch line 500 feet from site GAS: Leitchfield Municipal Gas Company SIZE MAIN: 4-inch main 500 feet from site ELECTRICITY: Warren RECC SEWERAGE: Leitchfield Municipal Sewer Company SIZE LINE: 8-inch line and lift station on property OPTIONED BY: Leitchfield-Grayson County Industrial Foundation



LEITCHFIELD, KENTUCKY

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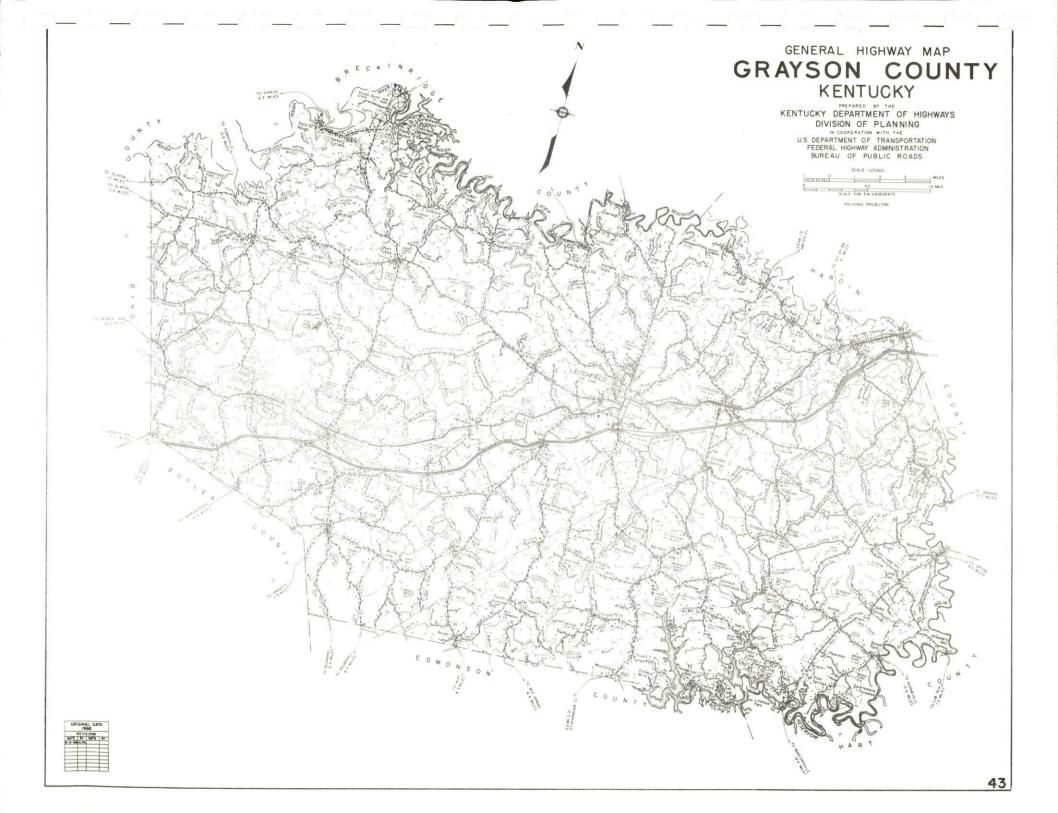
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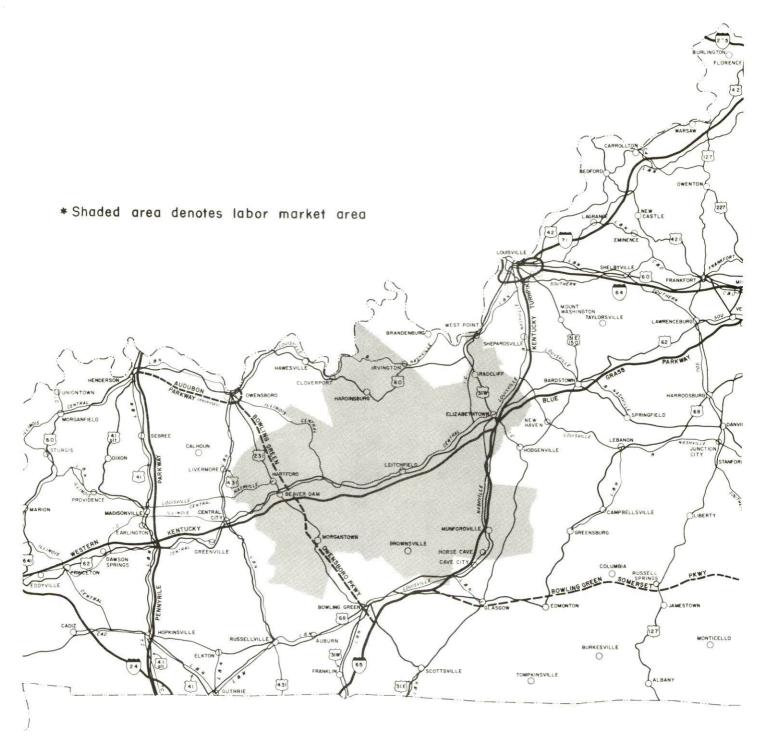
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LEITCHFIELD LABOR MARKET AREA



GRAPHIC SCALE IN MILES

LEITCHFIELD, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Location

Leitchfield, the county seat of Grayson County, is located in west central Kentucky, just off the Western Kentucky Parkway. Leitchfield is 71 miles southwest of Louisville, 184 miles southwest of Cincinnati, Ohio, and 126 miles northeast of Nashville, Tennessee.

The population of Leitchfield was 2,983 in 1970, while the population of Grayson County was 16,445.

The Economic Framework

Total employment in Grayson County in 1970 averaged 4,300 with agriculture providing 1,300 jobs, manufacturing 600, trade and services 710, and government 600. Since 1961 manufacturing employment has increased by approximately 163 percent or 519 jobs. Major industrial products are: apparel, furniture parts, screwdriver sets and holders, carbide-tipped masonry drills and circular saws.

Per capita income in the county in 1969 was \$1,860. Between 1959 and 1969, per capita personal income in the county increased approximately 128 percent.

The Leitchfield labor market area includes Grayson and the six surrounding counties. Area employment in 1970 totaled 40,700 jobs with agriculture providing 8,000, manufacturing 5,685, trade and services 7,645, and government 10,300. Industrial employment in this area has increased approximately 182 percent since 1961, with sharpest gains in the apparel, and machinery and metal products industries.

Despite important industrial gains in recent years the area still has a deficit of 5,235 manufacturing jobs when measured against the national industrial employment-population ratio. 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 6,515 men and 4,670 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, 7,750 young men and 7,385 young women will become 18 years of age by 1978 and potentially available for work.

2. The local transportation capability is excellent. The Illinois Central Railroad provides a variety of services. Adequate trucking service is available. The Western Kentucky Parkway passes one mile south of Leitchfield, and U. S. Highway 62 passes through Leitchfield. Commercial air service is available at the Bowling Green- Warren County Municipal Airport, Bowling Green, Kentucky, and the Owensboro-Daviess County Airport, Owensboro, Kentucky, both only 55 miles from Leitchfield.

3. Kentucky Utilities Company and Warren RECC provides electric power to Leitchfield and Grayson County. Natural gas is supplied in Leitchfield by the Leitchfield Utility Commission, whose source of supply is the Texas Gas Transmission Corporation.

4. Industrial sites - Leitchfield has 2 sites available for industrial use.

5. Education is an important growth asset for Grayson County. Three school systems operate within the county. One university, two senior colleges and two community colleges are located within 60 miles of the county.

The Breckinridge County Vocational Extension Center is located in Hardinsburg, 30 miles distant, and offers training in 7 different courses. The Bowling Green Area Vocational School and the Daviess County Area Vocational School are only 55 miles from Leitchfield and offer 25 and 15 different courses, respectively.

Community Programs for Improvement

Leitchfield's recently completed community projects include: a number of commercial establishments, new Leitchfield Elementary School, and a new manufacturing plant.

Projects under construction include: two new parks, a water district, the expansion of two industrial plants, and two new industrial plants.

Planned community improvements include a new city hall and a new fire truck.

Recreation, Entertainment, and Livability

Rough River Dam State Resort Park, 18 miles distant, is a 9,234acre resort-type park on Rough River Reservoir with lodge, cottages and camping accommodations. Facilities and recreation include a lodge, pool, beach, bathhouse, boat and motor rentals, paddle boats, fishing, miniature golf, tennis, hiking, shuffleboard, picnic shelter, playground area, supervised recreation and a 2,500-foot paved airstrip inside the park. Mammoth Cave National Park, located 30 miles distant, provides the visitor with more than 150 miles of charted caverns occurring on five distinct levels. Guided tours are conducted daily the year-round. There are many interesting attractions in the park. Accommodations available all year include a motel-type lodge, a hotel, and cottages. Camping facilities, picnic areas, and trailer parks are excellent. Recreation activities include tennis, shuffleboard, and boat trips.

Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historic Site, located 43 miles distant, at Hodgenville, Kentucky, includes 100 acres of the original Thomas Lincoln farm where Abe was born and lived until 2 1/2 years old. Nearby is Abraham Lincoln's boyhood home.

Nolin Dam and Reservoir, located 12 miles distant, provides flood control for the Nolin River Basin. The Dam is 166 feet high and 908 feet long. The reservoir is 25 miles long at minimum level and 57 miles long at maximum level. Recreation facilities being developed on 1,023 acres of park area include: fishing, hiking, boating, camping, and picnicking.

	and the second se	Populatio	Percent Change			
Area	1970	1960	1950	1960-70	1950-60	
Leitchfield	2,983	2,982	1,312	-	+127.3	
Labor Market Area	160,899	147,872	139,749	+ 8.8	+ 5.8	
Grayson County	16,445	15,834	17,063	+ 3.9	- 7.2	
Breckinridge Coun	ty 14, 789	14,734	15,528	+ 0.4	- 5.1	
Butler County	9,723	9,586	11,309	+ 1.4	- 18.0	
Edmonson County	8,751	8,085	9,376	+ 8.2	- 13.8	
Hardin County	78,421	67,789	50,312	+15.7	+ 34.7	
Hart County	13,980	14,119	15,321	- 1.0	- 7.8	
Ohio County	18,790	17,725	20,840	+ 6.0	- 14.9	

POPULATION TRENDS $\frac{1}{}$

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS - $1970 \frac{2}{}$

	Employment						
Major Employment Group	Grayson County	Labor Market Area					
TOTAL	4,300	40,700					
Agricultural	1,300	8,000					
Nonagricultural	3,000	32,700					
Manufacturing	600	5,684					
Trade and Services	711	7,643					
Government	600	10,300					

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY JUNE 1971 AND $1961 \frac{3}{2}$

	Gr	ayson	County	Labo	r Market	A	rea
Industry	1971	and the second second	% Change	1971	1961	%	Change
TOTAL	837	318	+163.2	6,151	2,185	+	181.5
Food & Kindred Products		46	- 26.1	308	196		57.1
Apparel, Textiles,							
Leather	390	208	+ 87.5	2,816	1,033	+	172.6
Lumber & Furniture	170	37	+359.5	470	192	+	144.8
Printing, Publishing,							
Paper	53	6	+783.3	160	88	+	81.8
Chemicals, Petroleum,							
Coal, Rubber	0	0	0	719	13	+5	6,430.8
Stone, Clay & Glass	30	21	+ 42.9	217	349	-	37.8
Primary Metals	0	0	0	93	0		0
Machinery & Metal							
Products	146	0	0	1,131	98	+1	,054.1
Other	14	0	0	237	216	+	9.7

LEITCHFIELD MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT $\frac{4}{2}$

		Em	Employment				
Firm	Product	Total	Male	Female			
Albany Cheese, Inc.	Cheese, dried whey	21	18	3			
Future Designs, Inc.	Wedge & standard con-						
	crete blocks	7	-	-			
Grayson County News	Newspaper, job						
	printing	4	1	3			
Leitchfield Concrete Products	Concrete blocks, ready	t					
	mix concrete, precas	t					
	concrete products	18	16	2			
Leitchfield Gazette	Newspaper, job						
	printing	5	3	2			
Leitchfield Mfg. Company	Men's, women's, and						
	children's sportswear	495	40	455			
Magna, Inc.	Pharmaceuticals	50	-	-			
Paper Novelty Mfg. Co.	Christmas decorations	57	24	33			
Seng Company	Furniture parts	250	200	50			
Vermont American Corp.	Screwdrivers, bits &						
	holders, carbide						
	tipped masonry drills	,					
	carbide tipped circu-						
	lar saws	135	111	24			

LEIIC	HFIELD, KE	NIUCKI -	
-		Wages Per Hour	
Classification	Starting	Maximum	$\underline{Prevailing}$
Production Employees			
Assembler	\$1.60	\$2.78	\$2.08
Inspector	1.60	-	2.08
Production Laborer	1.60	2.78	2.21
Service Employees			
Electrician (Class-A)	\$2.75	-	\$3.70
Laborer	1.60	-	2.50
Mechanic, Maintenance	2.80	-	3.50
Truck Driver, Industrial			
(Class-A)	1.60	-	3.50
Office Employees			
Bookkeeper	\$1.60	-	\$2.50
File Clerk	1.60	3.00	1.75
Receptionist	1.60	3.00	2.50
Secretary	2.00	3.25	2.43
Typist	1.60	3.00	1.87

WAGE RATES FOR SELECTED OCCUPATIONS LEITCHFIELD, KENTUCKY $\frac{5}{2}$

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

Union

Representing workers at:

United Furniture Workers of America

Seng Company

			DON WANN	EI AREA				
						oly by 1978		
	Current	Labor Sup	ply, 1971 <u>6</u>	(Becomi	ng 18 Yea	ars of Age)		
Area	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female		
Labor Market								
Area	11,184	6,516	4,668	15,132	7,749	7,383		
Grayson	2,000	1,215	785	1,789	924	865		
Breckinridge	1,450	688	762	1,570	801	769		
Butler	1,290	809	481	1,002	513	489		
Edmonson	1,105	877	228	924	478	446		
Hardin	2,015	1,059	956	6,508	3,323	3,185		
Hart	1,202	671	531	1,423	746	677		
Ohio	2,122	1,197	925	1,916	964	952		
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Area		1969		1959				
Grayson County	\$ 28	3,777,000	\$ 1	2,468,00	0	+130.8		
Labor Market A	rea 490	,302,000						
Kentucky	9,202	2,000,000	4,65	5,000,00	0	+ 97.6		
	PER C	APITA PER	SONAL INC	Come <u>9</u> /				
Area		1969		1959		% Chang		
Grayson County		\$1,860		\$81	7	+127.6		
Labor Market A:	rea \$1,58	0 to 4,280	\$67	72 to 2,19	0	N. A.		
Kentucky		2,847		1,55	2	+ 83.4		

CURRENT AND FUTURE LABOR SUPPLY -LEITCHFIELD LABOR MARKET AREA

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	Leitchfield Independent	Grayson County
Total Enrollment Elementary High School	1,222 620 602	2,577 1,404 1,173
Student-Teacher Ratio Elementary High School	25 to 1 24 to 1 26 to 1	23 to 1 30 to 1 19 to 1
State Rating of High School	Standard	Basic (2)
Percent High School Graduate to College Current Expenditures Per Pu Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1971	44.2	28.8 \$391.43 \$219,000
Parochial School		
Total Enrollment Elementary	112 112	
Student-Teacher Ratio Elementary	22 to 1 22 to 1	
Vocational Schools		
	Nearest Area School	
Location Miles Distant Curriculum	Daviess County Area Vo Owensboro 55 Accounting Jr. Managen General Clerical, Secre Distributive Education, Food Service, Electroni Instrumentation, Auto B Air Conditioning & Refr Auto Mechanics, Cosme Diesel Mechanics, Maso	ment, tarial Steno, Child Care, ics (Industry), ody Repair, igeration, tology,

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Vocational Schools (Contd.)

Location

Miles Distant

Curriculum

Nearest Area School

Nearest Extension Center

Breckinridge County Bowling Green Area Vocational School Extension Center Hardinsburg Bowling Green 30 55 General Clerical Distributive Education Secretarial-Steno Dental Assistant Dental Technician Appliance Repair Health Careers Auto Mechanics Nurse Aide Carpentry Machine Shop Practical Nursing Surgical Technician Welding Ward Clerk Electronics (Technology) Highway (Technology) Technical Drafting Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Auto Body Repair; Auto Mechanics Carpentry Commercial Foods Drafting Electricity Machine Shop Office Machine Repair Printing Radio & TV Repair Small Engine Repair Tool & Die Making Welding

Colleges and Universities

	Area - With:	in 60 miles	Highest Degree		
Name	Location	Enrollment	Conferred		
Brescia College	Owensboro	957	Baccalaureate		
Kentucky Wesleyan College	Owensboro	854	Baccalaureate		
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Gree	n 11,345	Masters		
Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown	679	Associate		
Ft. Knox Community College	Fort Knox	392	Associate		

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Line serving - Illinois Central Railroad

Services - Freight, siding, switching, REA Express

RAILWAY TRANSI	T TIME FRO	OM LEITCHFIELD, KENTU	UCKY, TO: <u>10</u> /
	No. of Days		No. of Days
City	CL	City	CL
Atlanta, Ga.	4	Los Angeles, Calif.	5
Birmingham, Ala.	3	Louisville, Ky	1
Chicago, Ill.	3	Nashville, Tenn.	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	3	New Orleans, La.	3
Cleveland, Ohio	3	New York, N. Y.	4
Detroit, Mich.	4	Pittsburgh, Pa.	4
Knoxville, Tenn.	3	St. Louis, Mo.	3

Truck Service

Company

Home Office

Leitchfield, Kentucky

Leitchfield Transfer Co.^{***} Arnold Ligon Truck Line, Inc. (United Trucking) Majors Transit, Inc. McLean Trucking Company T.I.M.E. - DC, Inc. United Parcel Service

Lebanon, Kentucky Caneyville, Kentucky Winston-Salem, North Carolina Lubbock, Texas Louisville, Kentucky

*Terminal

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

		Deliver	·y			Delive	ry
Η	Highway	Time <u>1</u>	$\underline{1}/$		Highway	Time	
City	Miles	LTL	TL	City	Miles	LTL	ΤL
Atlanta, Ga.	378	2-3	1	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,184	9-14	5-7
Birmingham, A	h.313	2-3	1	Louisville, Ky.	71	1-2	1
Chicago, Ill.	369	3	1	Nashville, Tenn.	126	1-2	1
Cincinnati, Ohi	o 184	1-2	1	New Orleans, La.	656	3- 4	2
Cleveland, Ohio	432	3	1	New York, N. Y.	886	4- 5	2-3
Detroit, Mich.		3	1	Pittsburgh, Pa.	514	3- 4	2
Knoxville, Teni		2	1	St. Louis, Mo.	256	2- 3	1

Air

Nearest Local

Location: Runways: Length: Traffic Control:	0	2,500 ft.	
	Nearest Commercial	Nearest Commercial	
	Bowling Green-Warren County Municipal Airport	Owensboro-Daviess County Airport	
Location:	Bowling Green, 55 miles south of Leitchfield	Owensboro, 55 miles north- west of Leitchfield	
Runways:	2 paved	2 paved	
Length:	4,000 feet; 6,500 feet	6,500 feet; 3,700 feet	
Traffic Control:	Wind tee	Control tower, ground con- trol, and guards	
Lighting:	Runway, obstructions, beacons and wind tee until midnight, after midnight upon request	Beacon, runways, wind tee, obstruction lights and taxi lights	
Services:	80 and 100 octane, jet A-50, storage, minor A & E repairs FAA flight service station, taxi and car rental service, restaurant and Wright Airline	repairs, general flying ser- vice, taxi and Ozark Airlines	
Bus	Kentucky Bus Lines, Continenta	al Trailways	
Taxi	l company, 24 hour service		

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving - Kentucky Utilities Company Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company Total generating capacity - 1,215,000 KW Industrial rates furnished by - Kentucky Utilities Company, Lexington, Kentucky

Company serving Grayson County - Warren RECC Source of power - Tennessee Valley Authority Total generating capacity - 19,400,000 KW Industrial rates furnished by - Warren RECC, Bowling Green, Kentucky

Natural Gas

Company serving - Leitchfield Utility Commission Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation; auxiliary wells Size of transmission line - 6-inch Distribution lines 2 and 6 inches BTU content - 1,050 Distribution pressure - 15 psi

Rates:

First	1,000 cubic feet or less	\$2.80
Next	1,000 cubic feet	1.15 per 1,000 cubic feet
Next	8,000 cubic feet	.95 per 1,000 cubic feet
Next	40,000 cubic feet	.90 per 1,000 cubic feet
All over	50,000 cubic feet	.75 per 1.000 cubic feet

This rate does not include 5% sales tax and the 10% surcharge.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving - Leitchfield Utilities Commission Source - Rough River Reservoir Treatment plant capacity - 1,000,000 gpd Average daily consumption - 360,000 gallons Peak daily consumption - 400,000 gallons Type treatment - rapid sand mix, alum, lime, chlorination Storage capacity - 275,000 gallons Size mains - 6, 8, 10, and 12 inches Average pressure - 70 - 80 psi

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

First	2,00	0 gallons	\$3.50	per M	gallons
Next	3,00	0 gallons	1.25	per M	gallons
Next	5,00	0 gallons	1.00	per M	gallons
Next	10,00	0 gallons	. 90	per M	gallons
Next	10,00	0 gallons	.75	per M	gallons
Next	20,00	0 gallons	.60	per M	gallons
Next 50	,000 to 100,00	0 gallons	.50	per M	gallons
Next 200	,000 to 300,00	0 gallons		-	gallons

Surface water sources - Green River; Rough and Nolin River Reservoirs
Average discharge - Rough River at Falls of Rough, 692 cfs (22 years
USGS unadjusted) Bear Creek near Leitchfield, 42.4 cfs (21 years USGS)
Expected ground water yield - 50 to 200 GPM along western and southwestern border of county and small portions throughout the county; 5 to
50 GPM in northeastern and northwestern tips of county; 5 GPM or less
over remainder of the county

Sewerage

Company serving - Leitchfield Utilities Commission Design capacity - 720,000 gpd Average daily flow - 300,000 gallons Treatment - primary and secondary Type treatment - drying beds Treated effluent discharged into - Taylor Fork of Bear Creek Size of sanitary mains - 8 and 10 inches Rates - 60 percent of monthly water bill

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 6 councilmen - 2-year terms
Budget, 1971 - General Fund \$183,714; Water and Sewer Fund \$181,511;
Gas Fund \$247,182

Fees and licenses - Occupational license of 1% of wages - less federal and state taxes per year

County

Structure - County Judge - 4 year term; 6 magistrates - 4-year terms Budget, 1971-72 - General Fund \$98,000; Road Fund \$59,900

Assessed Value of Property, 1971

Classes of Property*	Leitchfield	Grayson County
Real Estate Tangibles	\$13,311,888 3,996,857	\$67,509,019 11,634,377
Public Service	1,033,061	8,110,994 (1970)

Local General Property Tax Rates Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1971 12/

Taxing Unit **	Leitchfield	Grayson County
State	\$.015	\$.015
County	.116	.116
School	. 501	. 323
City	.176	
Total	.808	. 454

*Property assessed at 100% of fair value.

^{**}Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories and goods in process inventories are not subject to local tax. State rate is only .15 per \$100.

Planning and Zoning

Agency - Grayson County Planning Commission Plans completed - Comprehensive Plan, Base Map, Existing Land Use Map

Codes adopted - Building code, housing code, plumbing code, electric code, fire code, gas code

Safety

Police	Leitchfield	Grayson County
Total staff	8	3
Radio-patrol cars	2	2
Fire		
American Insurance Association Fire Rating Volunteers Equipment: 750 gpm pumper 500 gpm pumpers emergency truck	7 & 9 32 1 2 1	
car	1	
Sanitation		
Type service Cost	municipal	
residential business Collection frequency residential business	\$1.50 per month \$1.50 per month plus 60 weekly as needed	¢ for extra pickups
Trash pickup Disposal method	weekly landfill	

HEALTH

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General Hospital	Location	Beds		
Grayson County War Memorial Hospital	Leitchfield	40		
General hospital facilities - operating room, X-ray equipment, recovery room, maternity ward, emergency room				
Medical staff - 4 doctors, 9 registered nurses, 5 licensed practical nurses				
Nursing Homes				
	Number	Beds		
Personal care homes	1	100		
Public Health				
Facility - Grayson County Health 1	Department			
Staff - One sanitarian, two nurses, two clerks				

Budget, 1971-72 - \$50,523

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

Telephone - General Telephone Company Services - standard

Telegraph - Western Union Services - telephone

Postal - U. S. Post Office Class - first Mail received - once daily Mail dispatched - once daily

Newspapers -Leitchfield GazetteGrayson County NewsWeekly and circulation5,1001,500Other papers received from - Louisville and Bowling Green, Kentucky;
Chicago, IllinoisChicago, Illinois

Radio - WMTL - AM & FM Stations received from - Louisville and Owensboro, Kentucky; Evansville, Indiana

Television - Cable service Reception from - Evansville, Indiana; Nashville, Tennessee; Bowling Green and Louisville, Kentucky Kentucky Educational Television - Bowling Green Transmitter, Channel 53

Religious Institutions

Number of churches - 12 Denominations - Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Church of Christ, Church of God, Methodist, Nazarene, Pilgrim Holiness, Presbyterian, Seventh Day Adventist

Financial Institutions

	Statement as of December 31, 1971	
Bank	Assets	Deposits
Leitchfield Deposit Bank Citizens Bank	\$8,000,399 6,733,142	\$7,314,151 6,292,353

Savings and Loan Associations	Assets	Shared Accounts
First Federal Savings & Loan Association of Leitchfield	\$10,679,444	\$10,147,980

Hotels and Motels

Total number - 4 Units - 62

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Chamber of Commerce, Leitchfield Development Council, Rotary Club, Lions Club, Optimist Club, Jaycees

Fraternal: Masonic, VFW, American Legion

Women's: Woman's Club, Homemakers Club, Eastern Star

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

Other: Sportsman's Club

RECREATION

Local

Public Recreation Facilities Supervised program - year round Parks - 2 (under construction) Playgrounds - 2 Tennis courts - 4 Baseball diamond - 1 Other - fishing, boating, hunting

Private Recreation Facilities Movie theaters - 1 indoor, 1 drive-in Other - skating rink

Area (Within 50 miles)

Rough River Dam State Resort Park Mammoth Cave National Park Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Site Nolin Reservoir

With the close proximity to the metropolitan areas of Bowling Green, Louisville, and Owensboro, Leitchfield residents have access to a multitude of entertainment facilities, ranging from cultural arts programs to college and professional sports.

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture <u>13</u>/

	Grayson County	Labor Market Area
Total land area (acres)	327,680	2,027,573
Percent of area in farm land	71.7	73.1
Number of farms	1,869	11,236
Average size of farms (acres)	125.8	132.1
1964 value of all farm products	\$5,888,667	\$40,381,853
Value per farm	3,151	3,594
Total crop sales	2,593,527	21,290,622
Total livestock & livestock products	3,287,107	18,999,114
1969 agricultural production included:		
Burley tobacco (lbs.)	3,766,000	25,518,000
Corn (bu.)	938,000	6,029,000
Cattle and calves (number)	38,300	255,600
Hogs and pigs (number)	20,700	125,300
Milk production (1968) (lbs.)	38,600,000	180,465,000

Natural Resources

Principal mineral resourcesLimestoneOther mineral resourcesCoal, petroleum, natural gas,
rock asphalt, clayAcres of commercial forest land
Most abundant tree species122,000White oak, red oak, hickory, ash,

yellow poplar, beech, hard maple

Climate $\frac{14}{}$

Grayson County Temperature Annual mean (30-year record) 55.6 degrees F. Average annual (1970) 54.5 degrees F. Record highest July, 1966^{*} (7-year record) degrees F. 98 Record lowest January, 1966* (7-year record) -10 degrees F. Seasonal heating degree-days (30-year record) 4,683 Precipitation Mean annual total (30-year record) 44.73 inches Mean annual snow and sleet (25-year record) 16,0 inches Total precipitation (1970) 47.50 inches Mean number days precipitation (26-year record) (.01 inch or more) 129 Average number days thunderstorms (26-year record) 47 Prevailing winds (17-year record) south *Also on earlier dates, months or years.

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HISTORY

Grayson County, the fifty-fourth county established in the state, dates from 1810. Rough River flows along its northern boundary. It is the eighth largest county in Kentucky containing 514 square miles of land area. Its surface is level to gently rolling, and the soil is fairly fertile. Some tracts of virgin timber remain in the county, and deposits of limestone and iron ore dot the area.

Grayson County was named for Colonel William Grayson, a native and resident of Virginia. He was first elected as a delegate to the Articles of Confederation Congress. He was a member of the Virginia Convention that ratified the Federal Constitution in 1788, which he opposed.

Leitchfield, the county seat, 635 feet above sea level, was incorporated on February 5, 1866. It was named for Major David Leitch who owned the land on which the town was built. Leitch lived in Campbell County, Kentucky, at Leitch's Station, and some of his holdings in Grayson County were adjacent to Washington's claims. It has been said that there is no other town in the world with the exact name of Leitchfield.

George Washington once owned a section of 5,000 acres of land in the extreme northwestern part of the county. He acquired this land in 1788 from Harry Lee, generally known as "Lighthorse Harry."

Jack Thomas was the most popular person in the early history of Grayson County. He was born in a house built by Thomas Lincoln, father of the President. He was the first County and Circuit Court Clerk, and held both offices continuously from the formation of the county until 1851.

Grayson Seminary, incorporated on January 1, 1816, was an outstanding educational institution for a frontier area and continued in operation until the Civil War.

Grayson County has had bad luck with her courthouses. The first building was burned by Confederate soldiers in 1864. The next building was destroyed in 1896. A third courthouse burned in April 1936.

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- 7/ Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1978.
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