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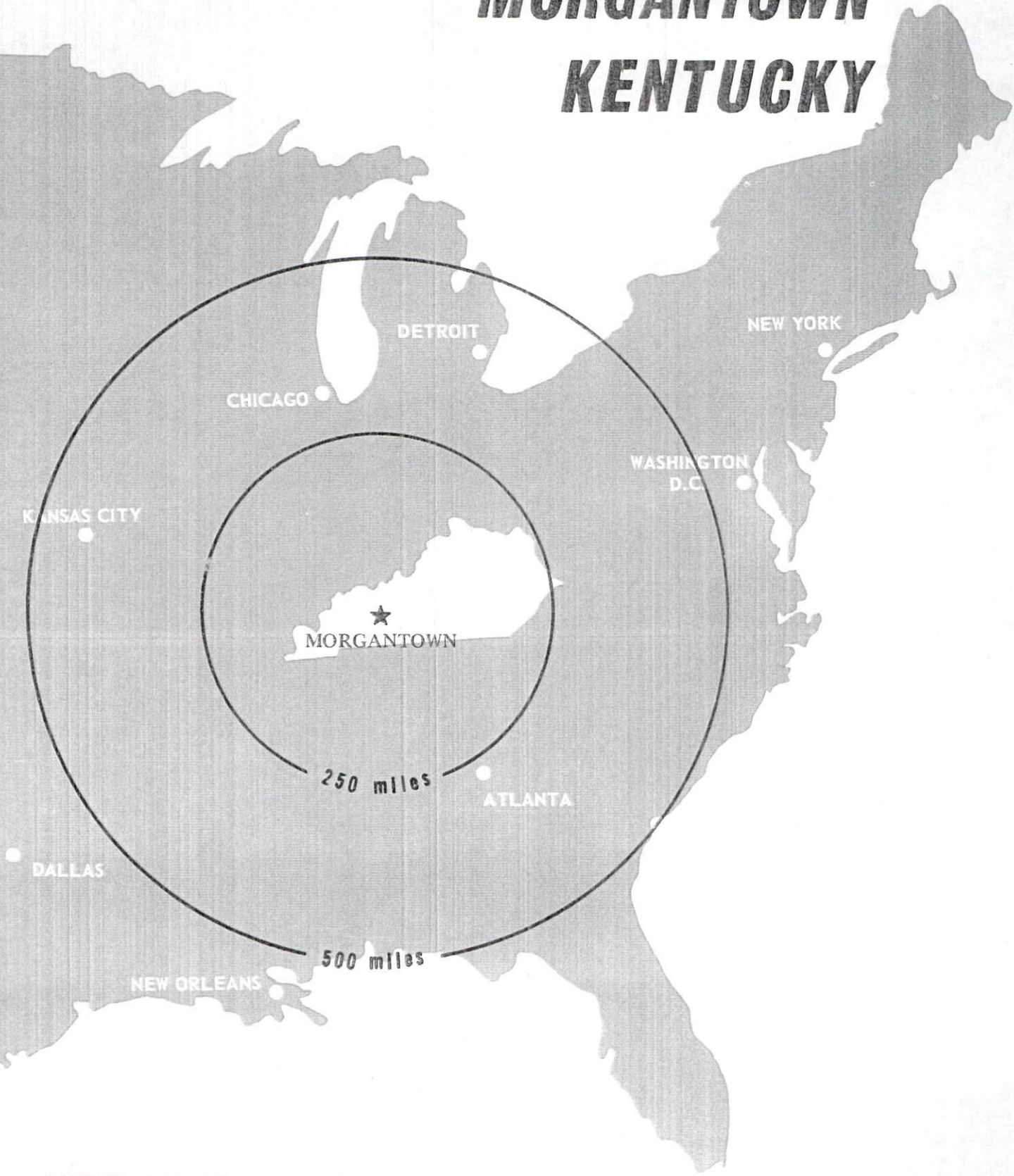
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# INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

## ***MORGANTOWN KENTUCKY***



BUTLER COUNTY, KENTUCKY

MORGANTOWN INDUSTRIAL SITES

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For more information about the following sites, contact Mr. Charles Black, Mayor, P. O. Box 417, Morgantown, Kentucky; or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Capital Plaza Office Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky.

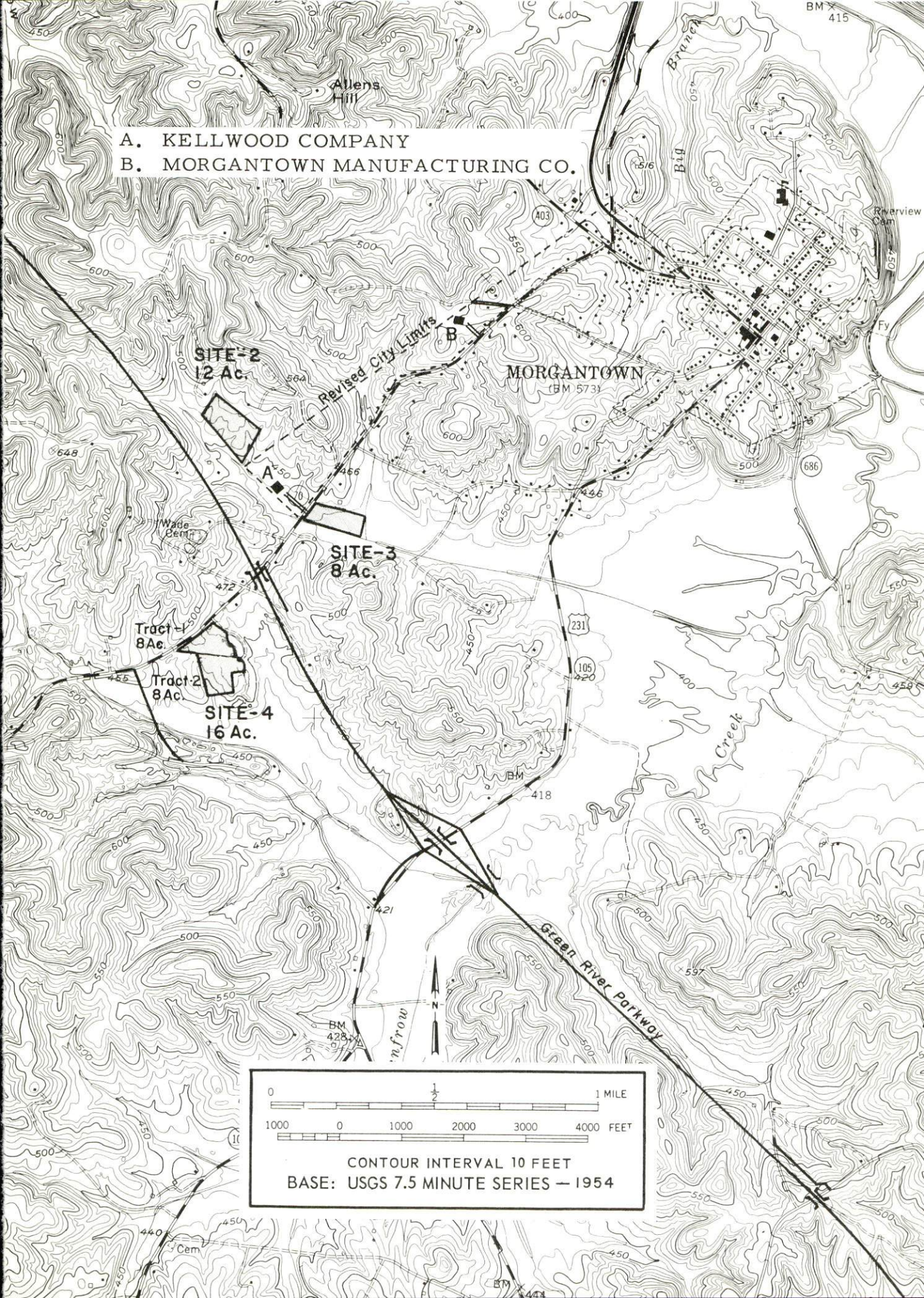
SITE #2: ACREAGE: 12 acres  
LOCATION: In county just outside west city limits  
ZONING: None  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Access road of approximately 600 feet needed to Kentucky 70  
RAILROAD: Not rail served  
WATER: Morgantown Water System  
SIZE LINE: 12-inch line 1,250 feet east of site  
GAS: Morgantown Natural Gas System  
SIZE MAIN: 12-inch line 1,250 feet east of site  
ELECTRICITY: Warren RECC  
SEWERAGE: Morgantown Disposal System  
SIZE LINE: 4-inch force main 1,250 feet east of site  
OWNERSHIP: Private

SITE #3: ACREAGE: 8 acres  
LOCATION: In county southwest of Morgantown city limits  
ZONING: None  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on Kentucky 70  
RAILROAD: Not rail served  
WATER: Morgantown Water System  
SIZE LINE: 12-inch line adjacent to site on west side of Highway 70  
GAS: Morgantown Natural Gas System  
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main approximately 100 feet northwest of site  
ELECTRICITY: Warren RECC  
SEWERAGE: Morgantown Disposal System  
SIZE LINE: 4-inch line adjacent to site on west side of Highway 70  
OWNERSHIP: Private

SITE #4: ACREAGE: 16 acres  
LOCATION: In county, southwest of Morgantown, bordering on the east side of Kentucky 70  
ZONING: None  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on Kentucky 70  
RAILROAD: Not rail served  
WATER: Logansport-Dunbar Water District  
SIZE LINE: 6-inch line borders northwest boundary of site  
GAS: Morgantown Natural Gas System  
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main 2,400 feet northeast of site  
ELECTRICITY: Warren RECC  
SEWERAGE: Morgantown Disposal System  
SIZE LINE: 4-inch line approximately 2,400 feet northeast of site  
OWNERSHIP: Private



A. KELLWOOD COMPANY  
B. MORGANTOWN MANUFACTURING CO.



SITE-2  
12 Ac.

SITE-3  
8 Ac.

SITE-4  
16 Ac.

Tract 1  
8 Ac.

Tract 2  
8 Ac.

MORGANTOWN  
(BM 573)

Revised City Limits

Green River Parkway

Creek

Allens Hill

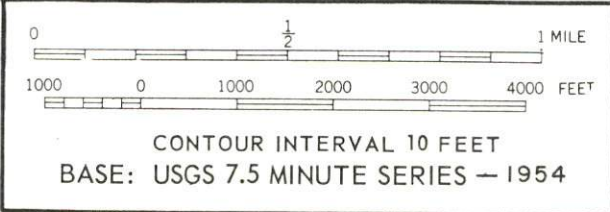
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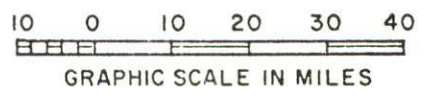
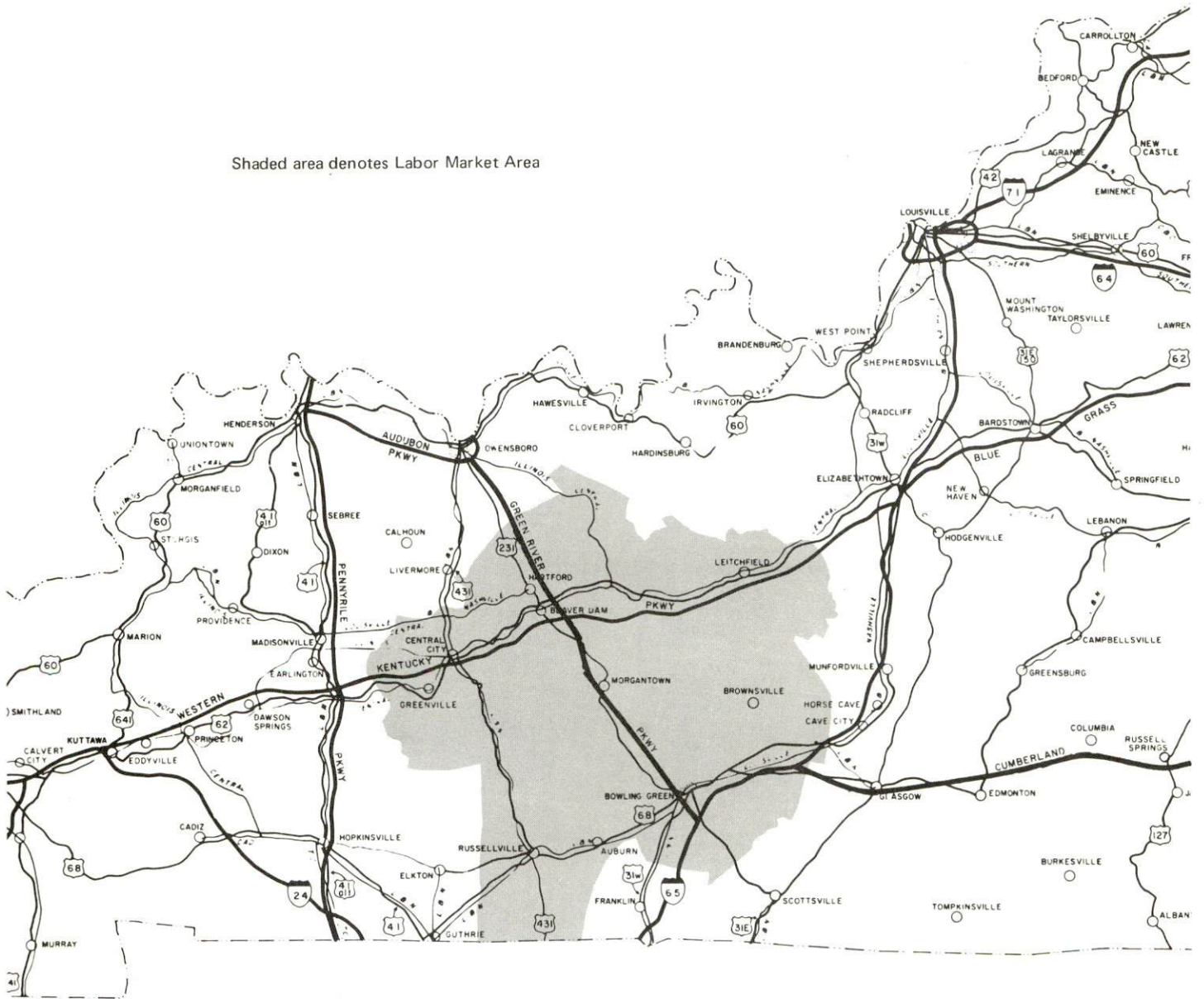




# MORGANTOWN LABOR MARKET AREA



Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area





## MORGANTOWN, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Morgantown, the county seat of Butler County, is situated in the central portion of Butler County. Close proximity to Bowling Green provides the residents the advantages of a metropolitan area. Morgantown is 108 miles southwest of Louisville, Kentucky and 85 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee. Morgantown had a 1970 population of 1,394.

Butler County, with a land area of 443 square miles, is located in southwestern Kentucky in the Western Coal Field Region. The Green River forms a portion of the county's southern boundary and a portion of the western boundary. Butler County had a 1970 population of 9,723.

### The Economic Framework

Total employment in Butler County averaged 3,200 in 1972, with manufacturing providing 780 of these jobs. Since March 1963, manufacturing employment has increased 161 percent. The major industrial product manufactured in the county is apparel.

Per capita personal income in the county in 1971 was \$2,040, a 165.6 percent increase since 1961.

In the Morgantown labor market area, which includes Butler and the six adjoining counties, 1972 total employment averaged 63,190, with manufacturing providing 14,000, trade and services 12,310, government 9,610 and agriculture 7,680. Manufacturing employment has increased 147.1 percent since 1963, with the sharpest gains in the apparel and machinery industries.

This area has a deficit of 603 manufacturing jobs when measured against the national industrial employment-population ratio. This indicates an area with a potential for additional manufacturing production.

### Resources for Growth

1. There is a current estimated labor supply of 6,240 men and 8,780 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition, 8,040 young men and 7,570 young women will become 18 years of age by 1979 and potentially available for work.

2. Transportation - The Illinois Central Gulf Railroad provides services in Beaver Dam, 18 miles northwest of Morgantown. The Western Kentucky Parkway is located at the northernmost tip of Butler County. The Green River Parkway, now complete, provides Morgantown with two interchanges, connecting the city with the state's excellent network of highways. Commercial air service is available at Owensboro, 41 miles northwest of Morgantown.

3. Electric power is available in large quantity from the Warren County RECC, with TVA serving as the source of supply. The Morgantown Natural Gas System provides natural gas service. The local water supply from the Green River is more than adequate for continued growth.

4. Education - One school system, the Butler County School System, operates in Butler County.

One university, two senior colleges and one community college are located within 60 miles of Morgantown.

#### Community Programs for Improvement

Morgantown Manufacturing Company has recently completed their production facilities and expect to be operational very soon.

Morgantown has recently completed a new shopping complex in the center of town. The design of the center includes a 15-foot walkway through the center with stores opening onto it. The county has completed a new building housing the county's ASC office and the Farm Bureau. A new skating rink has been constructed and a local funeral home has had an addition of 1,000 square feet and has been redecorated. Also, a laundromat has had a 1,000 square foot expansion doubling its previous size, and a new building has been completed housing a beauty salon.

The Green River Bank has recently located in Morgantown and provides a number of services including drive-in banking. The Morgantown Bank has undergone extensive remodeling and is now computerized. The Production Credit Association has recently located in Morgantown and is housed in a new building.

Morgantown has just opened a 40-unit public housing complex which will complement the pre-existing 20-unit rent supplement apartment complex. Also, a private 4-unit apartment building was recently completed.

The Butler County School System has completed a music and art building for the elementary and high schools. Also, a central office building has been completed. The Butler County High School has current plans for the construction of a new cafeteria-kitchen. There are also current plans to remodel the office practice section of the high school.

A \$786,000 contract has been awarded for the construction of a new county courthouse. This structure will house both city and county offices.

### Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Morgantown is situated in an area which has easy access to diversified recreation.

Mammoth Cave National Park, 38 miles east of Morgantown, provides one of the world's largest and most remarkable networks of interrelated cavern corridors. Cave attractions include the Snowball Dining Room, Frozen Niagara, Crystal Lake, and Bottomless Pit. Other park attractions include a scenic boat trip on the Green River, nature trails, an amphitheatre, tent and trailer campsites, swimming, picnic areas and excellent fishing.

Park Mammoth Resort, the Diamond Caverns, Mammoth Onyx Cave, Crystal Onyx Cave, and Hundred Dome Cave are all within 40 miles of Morgantown.

Lake Malone State Park, an 826-acre lake surrounded by a 338-acre park, provides tent campsites, picnic area, playground, swimming, fishing, and boat rentals. The park is only 34 miles southwest of Morgantown.

Fifty-four miles south of Morgantown is Auburn, Kentucky. This town at one time was the home of a colony of Shakers. A museum in Auburn houses many artifacts, hand crafted and used by the Shakers.

Western Kentucky University, 25 miles south of Morgantown in Bowling Green, provides the area with intercollegiate sports and cultural events.



## THE LABOR MARKET

### POPULATION TRENDS

Area	Population				Percent Change	
	1972*	1970	1960	1950	1960-70	1950-60
Morgantown	N. A.	1,394	1,318	850	+ 5.8	+55.1
Labor Market Area	167,700	160,471	145,408	156,182	+10.4	- 6.9
Butler County	9,800	9,723	9,586	11,309	+ 1.4	-18.0
Edmonson County	9,600	8,751	8,085	9,376	+ 8.2	-13.8
Grayson County	17,400	16,445	15,834	17,063	+ 3.9	- 7.2
Logan County	21,700	21,793	20,896	22,335	+ 4.3	- 6.4
Muhlenberg County	28,600	27,537	27,791	32,501	- 0.9	-14.5
Ohio County	19,400	18,790	17,725	20,840	+ 6.0	-14.9
Warren County	61,200	57,432	45,491	42,758	+26.2	+ 6.4

\*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	
	Butler County	Labor Market Area
TOTAL	3,200	63,190
Agricultural	660	7,680
Nonagricultural	2,540	55,510
Manufacturing	780	13,999
Government	550	9,610
Trade and Services	256	12,308
Other	954	19,593

Source: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Division of Research and Statistics.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY  
MARCH 1973 AND 1963

Industry	Butler County			Labor Market Area		
	1973	1963	% Change	1973	1963	% Change
TOTAL	728	279	+ 160.9	15,379	6,225	+ 147.1
Food & Kindred						
Products	0	0	0	850	912	- 6.8
Tobacco	0	0	0	137	156	- 12.2
Apparel, Textiles,						
Leather	619	275	+ 125.1	5,061	1,942	+ 160.6
Lumber, Furniture	106	4	+2550.0	1,366	850	+ 60.7
Printing & Publishing,						
Paper	3	0	0	290	101	+ 187.1
Chemicals, Petroleum						
& Coal, Rubber	0	0	0	443	104	+ 326.0
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	0	0	82	86	+ 4.7
Primary Metals	0	0	0	481	226	+ 112.8
Machinery, Metal						
Products, Equip.	0	0	0	6,411	1,840	+ 248.4
Other	0	0	0	258	8	+3125.0

Source: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, March 1973, March 1963.

MORGANTOWN MANUFACTURING FIRMS,  
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

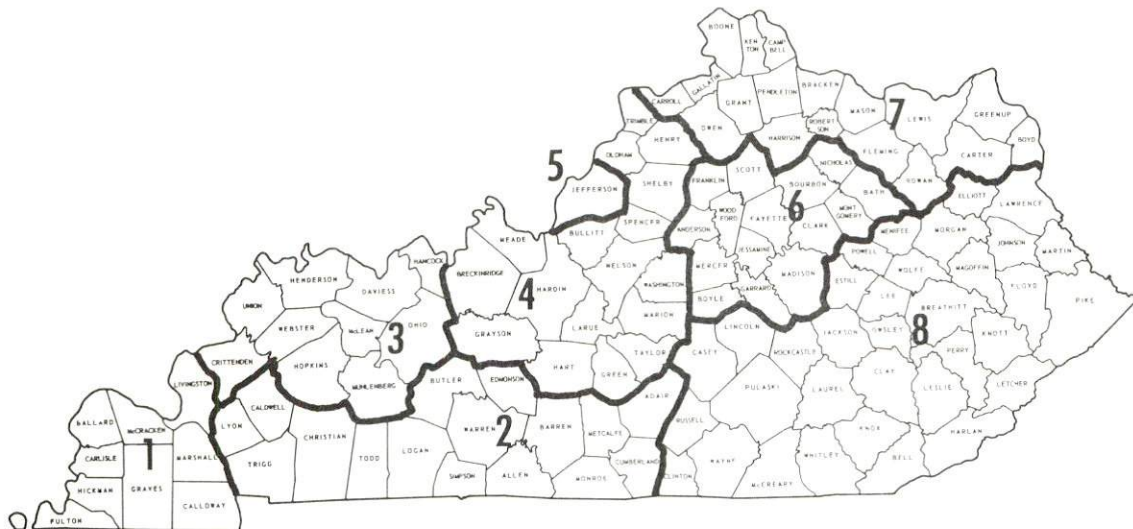
Firm (Establishment Date)	Product	Employment		
		Total	Male	Female
Green River Republican (1885)	Newspaper, job printing	2	1	1
Kane Industries, Inc. #3 (1953)	Men's and boys' sport and suit coats	162	17	145
Kellwood Company (1967)	All weather coats, rainwear	403	97	306
Morgantown Feed Mill (1955)	Feed, fertilizer	12	11	1
Morgantown Manufacturing Company (1973)	Auto parts	70		
Rone & McGuyer, Inc. (1965)	Pallets, lumber	45		
Coleman Saling Manufac- turing Company, Inc. (1968)	Modular homes	55	54	1

Source: Kentucky Department of Commerce, 1974 Kentucky Directory of Manufacturers.

## 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 Morgantown.

### ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY MORGANTOWN LABOR MARKET AREA

<u>Area</u>	Current			Future	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Under- employed</u>	<u>Reaching 18 Yrs. of Age by 1979</u>
Labor Market					
Area	6,240	1,150	1,970	3,120	8,041
Butler	760	360	180	220	517
Edmonson	540	30	370	140	456
Grayson	710	190	240	280	913
Logan	930	450	150	330	1,134
Muhlenberg	650	0	310	340	1,440
Ohio	580	120	180	280	928
Warren	2,070	0	540	1,530	2,653

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1973. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1979.

### ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY MORGANTOWN LABOR MARKET AREA

<u>Area</u>	Current			Future	
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Not in Labor Force</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Under- employed</u>	<u>Reaching 18 Yrs. of Age by 1979</u>
Labor Market					
Area	8,780	4,150	1,210	3,420	7,571
Butler	660	310	120	230	486
Edmonson	710	370	140	200	454
Grayson	1,110	760	80	270	835
Logan	970	490	110	370	1,035
Muhlenberg	2,110	1,620	110	380	1,345
Ohio	1,030	600	80	350	914
Warren	2,190	0	570	1,620	2,502

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1973. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1979.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>1961</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Butler County	\$2,040	\$ 768	165.6
Labor Market Area Range	\$1,743 - 3,248	\$768 - 1,599	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

Morgantown is not directly served by a railroad. The nearest rail service, provided by the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad, is at Beaver Dam, 18 miles from Morgantown. Services include freight, siding, and switching. Nearest piggyback facilities are located in Bowling Green, 25 miles distant.

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

Director of Industrial Development  
 Illinois Central Gulf Railroad Company  
 135 East 11th Place  
 Chicago, Illinois 60605

### Truck Service

<u>Company</u>	<u>Home Office</u>
Associated Transport, Inc.	New York, New York
Majors Transit, Inc.	Caneyville, Kentucky
McLean Trucking Company	Winston-Salem, North Carolina
United Trucking of Kentucky, Inc.	Lebanon, Kentucky

<u>Other Freight Services</u>	<u>Nearest Shipping Center</u>
United Parcel Service	Bowling Green, 25 miles distant

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

<u>City</u>	<u>Delivery</u>		<u>City</u>	<u>Delivery</u>	
	<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>Time TL</u>		<u>Highway Miles</u>	<u>Time TL</u>
Atlanta, Ga.	324	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,215	5
Birmingham, Ala.	258	2	Louisville, Ky.	108	1
Chicago, Ill.	409	2	Nashville, Tenn.	86	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	221	2	New Orleans, La.	602	2
Cleveland, Ohio	462	2	New York, N. Y.	877	3
Detroit, Mich.	483	2	Pittsburgh, Pa.	502	3
Knoxville, Tenn.	287	2	St. Louis, Mo.	372	2

Source: Delivery time only - Majors Transit, Inc., P. O. Box 7, Caneyville, Kentucky 42721.



Air

Nearest Commercial

Location: Owensboro-Daviess County Airport  
Owensboro, 41 miles distant  
Runways: 2 (paved)  
Length: 6,500 feet, 3,700 feet  
Traffic  
Control: Control tower, ground control, ILS systems,  
guards  
Lighting: Beacon, runways, wind tee, obstruction lights  
and taxi lights  
Services: 80, 91, and 100 octane; Jet A fuel, Ozark Airlines,  
storage, major A&E repairs, general flying  
service, and taxi  
Air Freight  
Service: All commercial air carriers accept air freight on a  
space-available basis

Bus

Fuqua Bus Lines

Rental Services

Nearest rental service - Bowling Green, 25 miles from Morgantown

## POWER AND FUEL

### Electricity

Company serving Morgantown - Warren Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation

Source of power - TVA

Total generating capacity - 19,400,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Warren RECC  
P. O. Box 1118  
951 Fairview Avenue  
Bowling Green, Kentucky 42101

### Natural Gas

Company serving Morgantown - Morgantown Natural Gas System

Source of supply - Midwestern Gas Transmission Company

Size of transmission mains - 4 inches (supplier); 2 inches (distributor)

Distribution mains - 2 inches

Distribution pressure - 25 psi

Btu content - 1,000 per cubic foot

Specific gravity - .6

For rates and supplies contact:

Morgantown Natural Gas System  
P. O. Box 417  
Morgantown, Kentucky

### Other Fuels

Propane and butane - Miller's Bottled Gas, Inc., Bowling Green, Kentucky  
Pargas, Inc., Franklin, Kentucky

### Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil - Ashland Petroleum Co. (Ashland fuel oil)  
Glasgow, Kentucky

Standard Oil Company, Bowling Green, Kentucky

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

Low sulphur content coal - available in Eastern Kentucky.

## WATER AND SEWERAGE

### Water

Company serving Morgantown - Morgantown Water System\*  
Source - Green River  
Treatment plant capacity - 432,000 gpd  
Average daily consumption - 190,000 gallons  
Peak daily consumption - 225,000 gallons  
Type treatment - Coagulation, chlorination, filtration, fluoridation  
Storage capacity - 418,000 gallons  
Size lines - 12, 8, 6 and 4 inches  
Average pressure - 45 psi  
Average temperature - 60° F.

### MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

#### Commercial Rates

First	2,000 gallons	\$4.70 (Minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	.15 per 100 gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	.125 per 100 gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	.085 per 100 gallons
All over	20,000 gallons	.065 per 100 gallons

Tap-on fee - 1-inch and larger - Cost of making tap

Name of water district - Logansport-Dunbar Water District  
(Rochester, Butler County)

Area served - Logansport and Dunbar

Date when water district began operating - September 1973

Source of supply of treated water - City of Morgantown

Storage capacity - 100,000-gallon standpipe

Size lines - 10, 8, 6 and 4 inches

Rates -

First	2,000 gallons	\$6.25 (Minimum)
Next	3,000 gallons	2.50 per M gallons
Next	5,000 gallons	2.00 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.75 per M gallons
All over	20,000 gallons	1.50 per M gallons

Tap-on charge - \$250 - regular

\$100 - before construction of line

\*A 2,000-foot extension of a 6-inch water line is under construction.



Surface water sources - Green River

Average discharge - Green River at Lock 4 at Woodbury 7,664 cfs  
(34-year record, unadjusted, USGS)

Expected ground water yield - Band running east-west through central and southern portion of county 5 to 50 and 50 to 200 gpm, respectively; northern portion and southern tip of county have yields of 5 gpm or less

### Sewerage

Company serving Morgantown - Morgantown Water System

Design capacity - 200,000 gpd

Average daily flow - 110,000 gallons

Treatment - Primary and secondary

Type treatment - Aeration, clarification\*

Treated effluent discharged into - Green River

Size of sanitary mains - 12, 10, and 8 inches

Sewer rates - 60 percent of water bill for both residential and commercial customers

Tap-on charge - Residential - \$50

Commercial - 1-inch and larger - Cost of making tap

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\*Plan to add chlorination to treatment plant in 1974.

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### City

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

Budget 1973 - General Fund	\$106,119.21
1972 - Water and Sewer Fund	107,542.06
1972 - Gas Fund	81,287.39

Fees and licenses - Occupational and unloading licenses - \$25.50 per year; occupational license tax - 1 percent

### County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 5 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1973-74 - General Fund	\$ 68,400
Road Fund	39,100

### Assessed Value of Property, 1973

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Morgantown</u>	<u>Butler County</u>
Real Estate	\$6,532,110	\$34,459,462
Tangibles	1,972,325	8,787,660
Public Service		6,572,675

### 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>Morgantown</u>	<u>Butler County</u>
County	\$ .2175	\$ .2175
School	.3900	.3900
City	.2120	

Special (not county-wide): Watersheds -

Big Muddy Creek	\$ .0010
Big Reedy Creek	.0009
Caney Creek	.0008
Mud River	.0008

Utilities Gross Receipts Tax for Schools

Butler County levies a 3 percent tax on utilities receipts for schools. This tax is paid by all consumers of utilities. Exempted are receipts from utilities services that are resold and the receipts from the sale of energy or energy producing fuels that exceed 3 percent of the cost of production in manufacturing, processing, mining or refining.

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Morgantown Planning Commission  
Mandatory state codes enforced - Plumbing, National Fire Protection Association Code, National Building Code (for major buildings and residential construction containing more than 12 bedrooms per building)

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Morgantown</u>	<u>Butler County</u>
Total staff	4	2 (full-time) 2 (part-time)
Radio-patrol cars	1	2
Other equipment	Radio connection with Kentucky State Police in Barren River area	Radio base at Morgantown

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



<u>Fire</u>	<u>Morgantown</u>
American Insurance Association Fire Rating	7
Volunteers	22
Equipment:	
500 gpm pumpers	2
Utility truck	1

#### Rescue Service

Butler County Rescue Squad:

Number of volunteers - 15

Equipment - Station wagon, utility truck, troop truck, boat, dragging equipment, two-way radios, 2 light generators

Personnel training - First aid

#### Ambulance Service

The city and county have cooperated in funding and the county now provides this service to its residents.

#### Sanitation

	<u>Morgantown</u>	<u>Butler County</u>
Type service	private	private
Fee charged:		
residential	\$2 per week	contracted
business	\$4 per week	contracted
Collection frequency:		
residential	once weekly	contracted
business	twice weekly	contracted
Trash pickup	weekly	
Disposal method	city dump	

## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

	<u>Butler County</u>
Total Enrollment (1973)	2, 331
Elementary	1, 627
High School	704
Student-Teacher Ratio	23 - 1
Elementary	24 - 1
High School	21 - 1
Percent High School Graduates to College	25.2
Expenditures Per Pupil (1972-73)	\$509.32
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1972	\$1, 074, 000

### Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>	<u>Nearest Area Education Center</u>
	Bowling Green State Vocational-Technical School	Russellville Area Vocational- Education Center
Location	Bowling Green	Russellville
Miles Distant	25	31
Curriculum	Marketing and Distributive Education Dental Assistant Dental Technician Health Careers Nurse Aide Practical Nursing Surgical Technician Ward Clerk Electronics (Technology) Highway Technology Technical Drafting Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics	Accounting Junior Management Clerical Secretarial Health Careers Appliance Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry Drafting Electricity Machine Shop Welding
	(Cont.)	

Nearest State School (Cont.)

Carpentry  
Commercial Foods  
Drafting  
Electricity  
Machine Shop  
Printing  
Radio and TV Repair  
Tool and Die Making  
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, 1972)</u>	
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green	11,329	Masters
Brescia College	Owensboro	931	Baccalaureate
Kentucky Wesleyan	Owensboro	772	Baccalaureate
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville	356	Associate



## HEALTH

### Hospitals

<u>Nearest General Hospitals</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Bowling Green-Warren County Hospital	Bowling Green	276 hospital beds 23 extended care facility beds 24 bassinets
Greenview Hospital	Bowling Green	157 beds

#### Bowling Green-Warren County Hospital

General hospital facilities - 5 operating rooms, 5 emergency rooms  
4-bed coronary care unit, physical therapy department, electro-  
cardiograph, X-ray facilities, home health agency, coffee shop for  
visitors

Medical staff - 65 doctors, 97 registered nurses, 156 aides, 44 licensed  
practical nurses and 243 other employees

#### Greenview Hospital

General hospital facilities - 4 operating rooms, emergency facilities,  
8-bed coronary care-intensive care unit, physical therapy department,  
outpatient department, pathological laboratory, nuclear medicine  
diagnostic department, inhalation therapy, X-ray department, gift  
shop, coffee shop, pharmacy

Medical staff - 68 doctors, 38 registered nurses, 14 licensed practical  
nurses, 20 graduate nurses and 180 other employees

### Nursing Homes

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Extended care homes	1	66

### Public Health

Facility - Butler County Health Department

Staff - 2 nurses, sanitarian, 2 clerks, health officer (part-time),  
nutritionist (part-time)

Budget 1973-74 - \$46,015.75

## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Communications

Telephone - South Central Bell Telephone Company  
Services - Standard

Telegraph - Western Union  
Services - By telephone to Bowling Green

Postal - U. S. Post Office  
Class - Second  
Mail received - Once daily  
Mail dispatched - Once daily

Newspapers -  
Weekly and circulation - Green River Republican - 3, 350  
Other papers received from - Louisville, Owensboro, and Bowling  
Green, Kentucky

Radio -  
Stations received from - Bowling Green, Central City, Owensboro,  
Russellville, and Louisville, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee

Television -  
Reception from - Bowling Green, Louisville, and Paducah, Kentucky;  
Evansville, Indiana; Nashville, Tennessee  
Kentucky Educational Television - Bowling Green transmitter,  
Channel 53

### Library Services

Public library - Butler County Public Library  
Size collection - 15, 787 volumes  
Circulation, 1972-73 - 35, 913  
Services - Bookmobile, story hour, work with retarded, Day Care  
Center, train five N. Y. C. (National Youth Council) children, com-  
munity room, Butler County Art Show, knitting and crocheting classes

### Religious Institutions

Number of churches - 7  
Denominations - Baptist, Methodist, Catholic, Latter Day Saints, Pres-  
byterian, Church of Christ, Holiness

Nearest synagogues - Owensboro, Kentucky, 41 miles distant  
Congregations - Adath Israel (reform)

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of June 30, 1973</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Green River Bank	\$ 3,378,366.63	\$ 2,801,406.37
Morgantown Deposit Bank	13,935,568.14	12,844,312.50

Clubs and Organizations

Business and Civic - Lions, Jaycees, Morgantown Business Association

Fraternal - Masons, Odd Fellows

Women's - Lioness, Jaycettes, Eastern Star, Rebekah, DAR

Youth - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts

Other - Senior Citizens Organization



## RECREATION

### Local

#### Public Recreation Facilities

Supervised program - yes

Playground - 1

Baseball diamond - 1

Football field - 1

Other - Youth Center

### Area (Within 40 miles)

Mammoth Cave National Park

Park Mammoth Resort

Diamond Caverns

Mammoth Onyx Cave

Crystal Onyx Cave

Hundred Dome Cave

Lake Malone State Park

## AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

### Agriculture\*

	<u>Butler County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total land area (acres)	283,392	2,142,923
Percent of area in farm land	61.6	66.8
Number of farms	1,007	10,800
Average size of farms (acres)	173.3	132.6
1969 value of all farm products	\$3,607,087	\$55,985,864
Value per farm	3,582	5,184
Total crop sales	1,259,037	20,176,211
Total livestock & livestock products	2,281,712	35,365,878
1972 agricultural production included:		
Burley tobacco (lbs.) (Est.)	792,000	19,139,000
Corn for grain (bu.)**	784,000	8,505,800
Cattle and calves (number)**	23,200	262,000
Hogs and pigs (number)**	13,500	148,100
Milk production, 1971 (lbs.)	8,400,000	174,630,000

### Natural Resources

Principal mineral resources	Coal, limestone and petroleum
Other mineral resources	Rock asphalt
Acres of commercial forest land	134,900
Most abundant tree species	Red oak, white oak, hickory, sweetgum, ash, yellow poplar, beech

\*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\*

Butler County

Temperature

Annual mean (30-year record)	57.0 degrees
Average annual 1972	54.5 degrees
Record highest, July, 1966 (12-year record)	104.0 degrees
Record lowest, January, 1963 (12-year record)	-18.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,435
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65° F.)	

Precipitation

Mean annual total (30-year record)	41.45 inches
Mean annual snow and sleet (32-year record)	13.40 inches
Total precipitation 1972	42.27 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (32-year record)	114
Average number days thunderstorms (32-year record)	46

Prevailing winds (14-year record) South-southwest

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\*U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services  
Administration, Climatological Data, 1972. Station of record:  
Evansville, Indiana.



## HISTORY

Butler County is located in the west central part of the state and covers 445 square miles of territory. Green River bisects the county, and along with Barren River forms a portion of the county's southern border. Green River is noted for its unusual depth. The land surface is hilly and its soil fairly productive. Nearly one-half of the county's area is forested, and there are large deposits of coal.

The first settlers in Butler County included Richard C. Dellium and James Forgy, who settled at Berry's Lick in 1794. Soon other settlers arrived, and as the settlement expanded to the Green River, Morgantown became the center of population growth. Green River was used to transport agricultural products and logs downstream to market and later to barge coal to the Ohio.

Butler became Kentucky's fifty-third county in 1810, its territory taken from Logan and Ohio Counties. It was named for General Richard Butler, a Revolutionary figure from Pennsylvania. Morgantown, the county seat, was incorporated in 1813 and soon became a center for timber harvesting activities and culture. In the 1870's a normal school and seminary for teacher training was established.

The year of its formation, 1810, Butler County had 2,181 inhabitants. The population reached an all-time high of 15,896 in 1900 but declined during the first half of this century. The total was 11,309 in 1950 and 9,586 in 1960, after which the decline reversed, leaving 9,723 in 1970.

Agriculture provided 660 of the county's 3,200 jobs in 1972, with burley tobacco, corn, cattle, milk and hogs the principal products. Manufacturing employment increased 160.9 percent or 447 jobs between 1963 and 1973. The greatest production is in the apparel industry. Largest of the county's firms are Kellwood Company, which makes rainwear, and Kane Manufacturing Company, making men's sportswear.

Among prominent citizens in Butler County's history was William S. Taylor, who was elected Governor of Kentucky in 1899.