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# Industrial Resources: Letcher County - Whitesburg

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# CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES, WHITESBURG, KENTUCKY

This is a 1974 supplement to "Industrial Resources, Whitesburg, Kentucky" which was published in 1973.

## Population

	<u>1972</u> (Provisional)	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>
Whitesburg	N.A.	1,137	1,774
Letcher County	25,000	23,165	30,102
Labor Market Area	172,300	162,551	201,796
(Includes Harlan, Knott, Perry, Pike, and Letcher Counties.)			

## General Employment Characteristics

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Employment 1972</u>	
	<u>Letcher County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	7,690	46,390
Agricultural	90	440
Nonagricultural	7,600	45,950
Manufacturing	190	1,078
Trade and Services	1,153	9,600
Government	1,200	8,640
Other*	5,057	26,632

\*Approximately 50 percent of the figure reflects mining employment.

## Manufacturing Employment

<u>Type Industry</u>	<u>Letcher County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>June</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>June</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>
TOTAL	160	123	30.1	1,069	1,113	- 4.0
Food & Kindred Products	68	78	- 12.8	394	518	- 23.9
Tobacco	1	0	100.0	3	3	0
Lumber, Furniture	81	9	800.0	406	453	- 10.4
Printing & Publishing, Paper	7	16	- 56.2	54	62	- 12.9
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal, Rubber	0	0	0	6	0	100.0
Stone, Clay & Glass	3	20	- 85.0	70	36	94.4
Machinery & Metal Products, Equipment	0	0	0	122	34	258.8
Other	0	0	0	14	7	100.0

There are presently 6 manufacturing firms in Whitesburg, Kentucky. Firms, employment, and year started operations:

<u>Firms</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Year started operations</u>
Coca Cola Bottling Works	27	1918
Elmac Corporation	30	1949
Green and Webb Lumber Co., Inc.	48	1967
Home Lumber Company	13	1920
Kentucky-West Virginia Armature	45	1950
Royal Crown Bottling Co., Inc.	47	1949

### Labor Supply

	<u>Letcher 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 (1973)	3,280	1,160	2,120	23,120	9,190	13,930
Potential additions next five years	2,723	1,394	1,329	18,734	9,672	9,062

### Personal Income

Letcher County, 1971: Per Capita - \$2,624  
 1961: Per Capita - 1,036

### Local Government

#### Property Tax Rates

Property tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuation, 1973.

	<u>Whitesburg</u>	<u>Letcher County</u>
State	\$ .015	\$ .015
County	.318	.318
School	.588	.588
City	.240	
Total	\$1.161	\$ .921