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CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

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

Population

	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>
London	4,256	4,035
Laurel County	26,984	24,901
Labor Market Area	160,138	166,596
(Includes Clay, Jackson, Knox, McCreary, Pulaski, Rockcastle, Whitley and Laurel Counties)		

General Employment Characteristics

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Employment 1969</u>	
	<u>Laurel County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	6,200	39,200
Agricultural	1,300	7,100
Nonagricultural	4,900	32,100
Manufacturing	1,100	5,978
Trade and Services	1,456	8,191
Government	1,000	7,000

Manufacturing Employment

<u>Type Industry</u>	<u>Laurel 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	1,187	390	+ 204.4	6,039	2,280	+ 164.9
Food & kindred products	308	192	+ 60.4	592	404	+ 46.5
Lumber & furniture	131	167	- 21.6	2,096	934	+ 124.4
Apparel, textiles, leather	411	0	--	1,806	641	+ 181.7
Printing, publishing, paper	300	9	+3233.3	422	94	+ 348.9
Chemicals, petroleum, coal, rubber	26	2	+ 12.0	268	64	+ 318.8
Stone, clay & glass	10	19	- 47.4	367	111	+ 230.6
Machinery & metal products	1	1	--	429	24	+1687.5
Other	0	0	--	59	8	+ 637.5

There are presently 26 manufacturing firms in Laurel County. Major firms, employment, and year started operations:

<u>Firms</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Year Started Operations</u>
Caron Spinning Co.	290	1963
Chaney Lumber Co.	50	1940
Griffin Pie Co., Inc.	57	1953
Kerns Bakery, Inc.	265	1948
Warner Slimwear	118	1966

Labor Supply

	<u>Laurel 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	2,807	1,128	1,679	17,859	7,876	9,983
Potential additions next five years	2,816	1,443	1,373	18,937	9,658	9,279

Personal Income

Laurel County, 1968: Total - \$43,210,000; Per capita - \$1,671
 1959: Total - \$20,534,000; Per capita - \$ 868

Property Tax Rates

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

	<u>London</u>	<u>Laurel County</u>
State	.015	\$.015
County	.198	.198
School	.515	.335
City	.290	
Total	\$1.018	\$.548

Labor Organizations

There are no labor unions representing manufacturing workers in Laurel County at the present time.

Education

The Laurel County School System includes 3 high schools with standard ratings and 20 elementary schools.

The London Independent School District includes 1 high school with standard rating and 2 elementary schools.

Vocational School: Corbin Extension Center

Courses offered: Appliance Repair, Auto Mechanics, Drafting, Electricity, Welding.

Transportation

Trucking Service: Dance Freight Lines, Inc. (Consolidated), Detherage Freight Line, Dixie Ohio Express, Inc., Mason & Dixon Lines, Inc., McDuffee Motor Freight, Inc. (Ellis Trucking), McLean Trucking Company, O.K. Trucking Company, Smith's Transfer Corporation of Virginia.

Bus Service: Southern Greyhound Bus Lines, Trailways Bus Lines.

Rail Service: Louisville & Nashville Railroad. Piggyback service is available at Richmond, Kentucky, 50 miles distant.

Air Service: London-Corbin War Memorial Airport.

Power and Fuel

Electric Distributors

Kentucky Utilities Company
Jackson County RECC

<u>Natural Gas Distributor</u>	<u>Specific Gravity</u>	<u>Btu Per Cu. Ft.</u>
London Gas Company	.66	1,050 to 1,100

Water and Sewerage

Water: Daily treatment capacity - 1.5 million gallons; average daily use - 500,000 gallons; maximum daily use - 1,000,000 gallons; storage capacity - 950,000 gallons; size distribution lines - 12, 8, 6, 4, 2, and 3/4 inches.

Sewerage: Type treatment - primary and secondary - clarifier and drying beds; design capacity - 1.5 million gallons per day or a population of 20,000; size of sewer mains - 15, 8, 6, and 4 inches

Local Government

Police Protection: Number of law enforcement officers - 7 (city); 4 (county).

Fire Protection: Number of volunteer firemen - 24; American Insurance Association fire rating, City of London - Class 7.

Health

Local general hospital - Marymount General Hospital; capacity - 28 beds; staff - 8 doctors and 8 registered nurses; special personnel - 14 licensed practical nurses, 22 aides.

Other Local Facilities

Telephone: Kentucky Telephone Company

Postal: Class of post office - first-class; mail received - 7 times daily; mail dispatched - 6 times daily.

Public Library: Laurel County Public Library; number of volumes - 18,863; annual circulation - 42,130.

Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Statement of Condition as of December 31, 1969</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
First National Bank	\$13,434,439.54	\$12,260,168.92
Second National Bank	24,674,564.81	22,385,911.94
<u>Savings & Loan Association</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Shared Accounts</u>
Federal Savings and Loan Association	\$ 3,753,914.20	\$ 3,480,183.11

Recreation

Local: There are three swimming pools open to the public, one at Sue Bennett College, one at London Hall, and one at Levi Jackson State Park. The London Country Club has a swimming pool, tennis court, fishing, shuffleboard, horse-shoes and croquet, a recently expanded 18-hole golf course and a new clubhouse. A city-owned park, supervised by the recreation board, offers a baseball field, tennis courts, and playground equipment. A 16-lane bowling alley, one indoor theater and one drive-in theater also offer other entertainment in London.

Area: The J. M. Feltner Memorial Boy Scout camp; Levi Jackson State Park; theater groups, concerts, and lectures at Sue Bennett College; Cumberland Falls State Park; Cumberland Lake; Pine Mountain State Park; Herrington Lake; Cumberland Gap National Historical Park; General Burnside State Park.

Industrial Sites

The industrial sites shown in the 1968 London Industrial Resources brochure are still available for industrial use. Acreage of Site #3 has been increased to 53 acres; the eastern and western boundaries of the site have been extended southward, giving the site an additional 200 feet along the L & N tracks.