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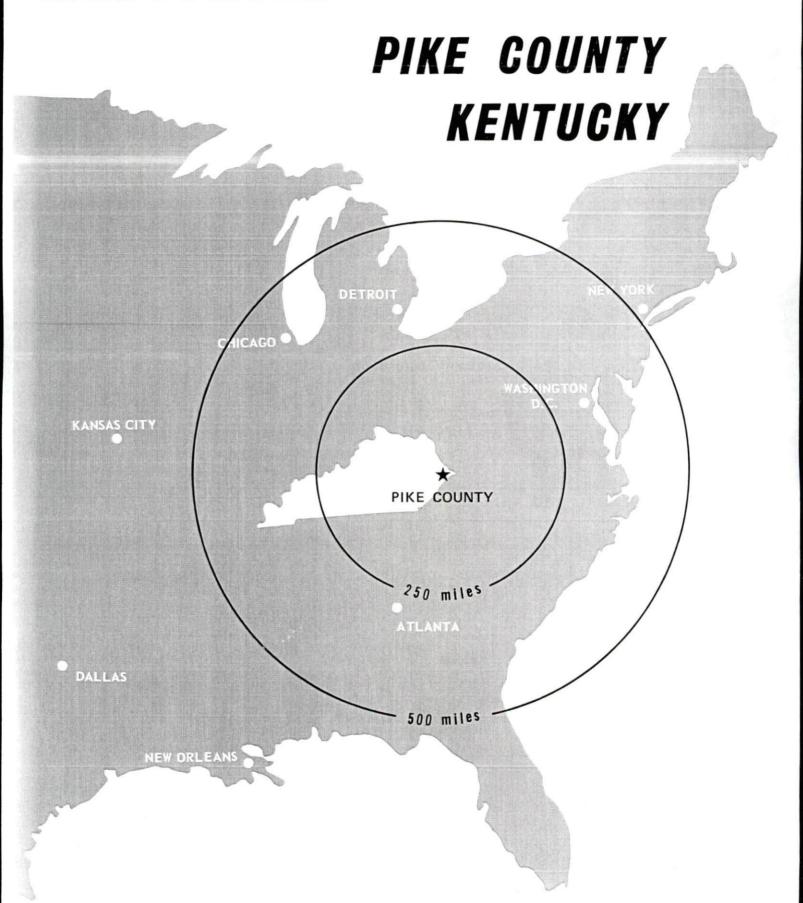
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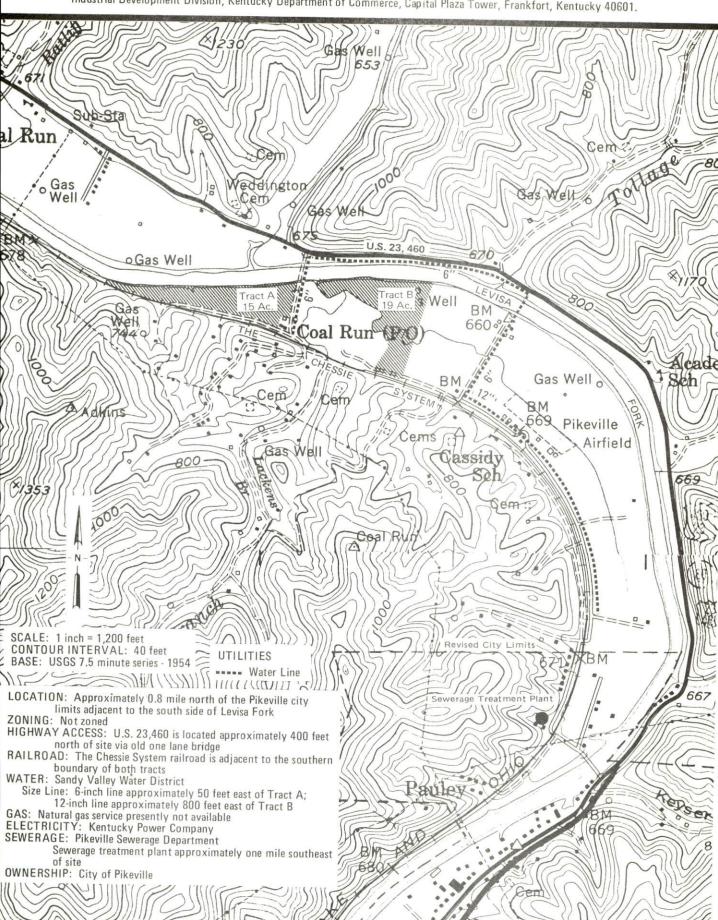
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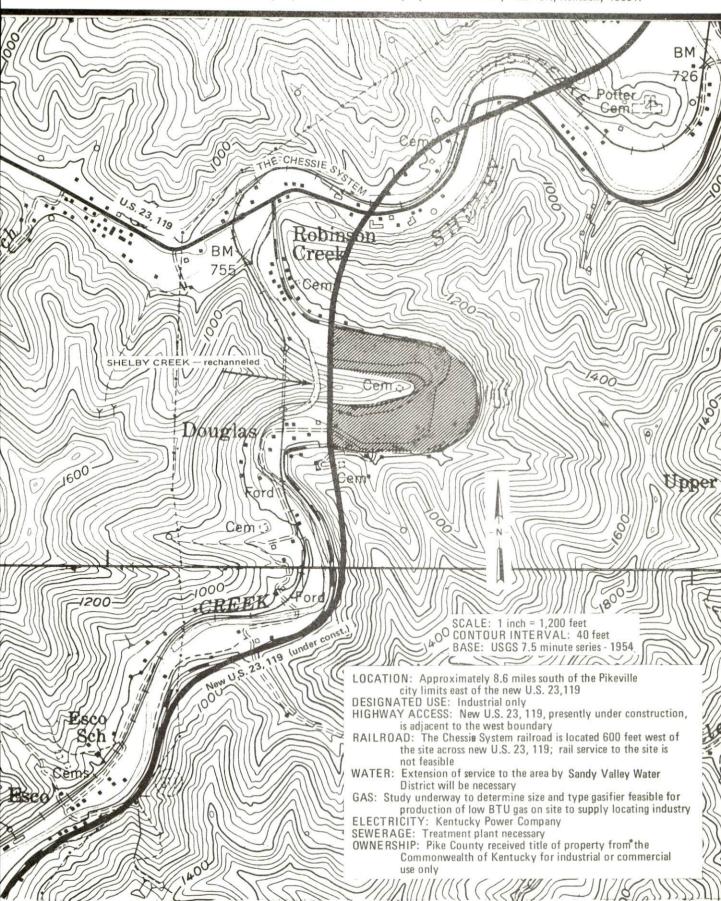
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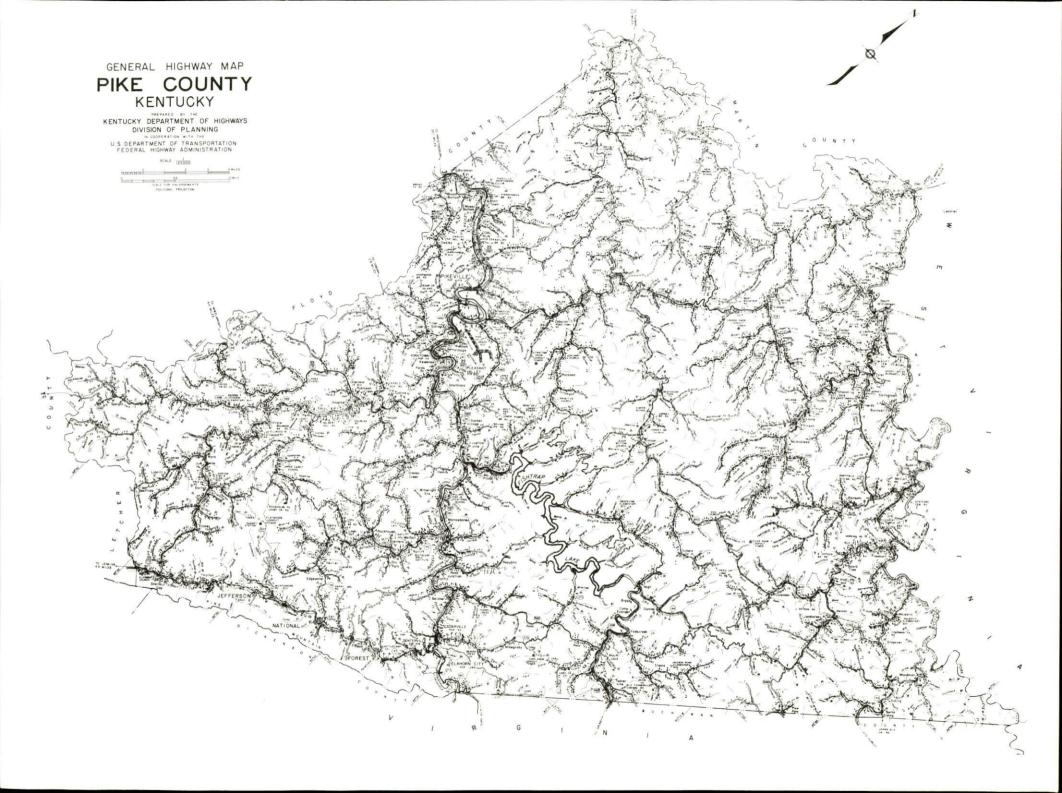
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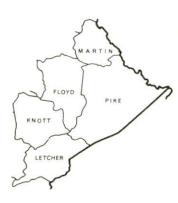
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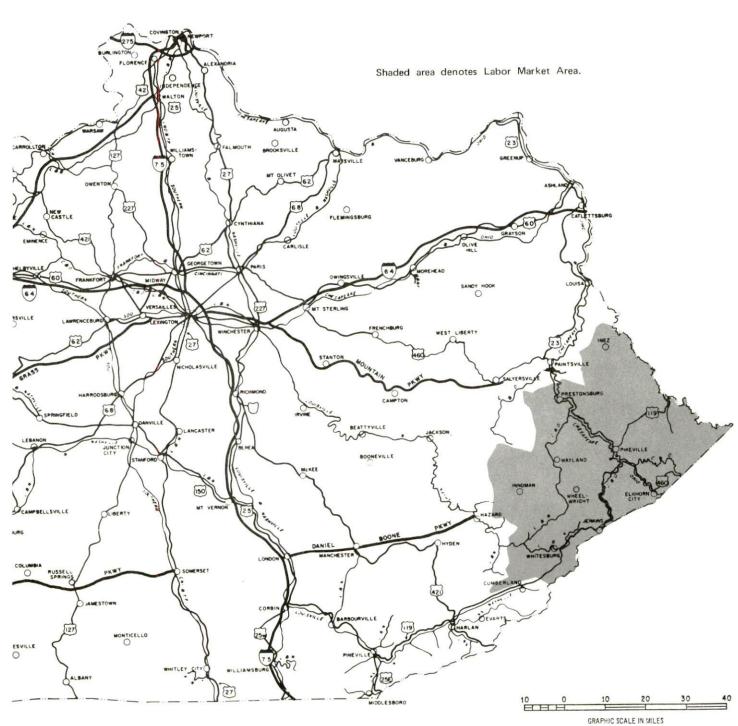
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PIKE COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA





Pike County is located in the Big Sandy River Valley in the extreme eastern part of Kentucky. It lies 143 miles southeast of Lexington, 110 miles southwest of Huntington, West Virginia, and 256 miles northeast of Knoxville, Tennessee. Pike County, covering an area of 782 square miles, is the largest county in Kentucky. It is also the largest underground bituminous coal producing county in the United States. Pike County is nestled in the Cumberland Range of the Appalachian Mountains with the Kentucky-Virginia state line as the southeastern border and the Kentucky-West Virginia state line as the northeastern border. The county had a 1970 population of 61,059. In 1974, the population was an estimated 65,100. In only 4 years, the population increased 7 percent, or 4,041 persons.

Pikeville is the county seat of Pike County. Pikeville was chosen as one of the nation's first group of 75 model cities and was the smallest city to be chosen as a Model City. The goal of the model city plan is to turn Pikeville into a regional trade and services center. In 1970, the population of Pikeville was 4,889.

Elkhorn City is located 19 miles southeast of Pikeville in southern Pike County. Elkhorn City is 3 miles from Breaks Interstate Park, a 3,360-acre park which lies in Kentucky and Virginia.

Economic Framework

In 1973, total employment in Pike County averaged 16,350. Appropriately for a county located over one of the greatest bituminous coal fields in the U. S., mining led in number of persons employed in 1973 with 6,100. Trade and services provided 4,210 jobs; government 2,540; manufacturing 260; and agriculture 50. Major manufactured products include soft drinks, asphalt, concrete ready mix, and bituminous concrete.

Per capita income in Pike County in 1972 was \$2,500, \$1,134 below the Kentucky average. Between 1962 and 1972, per capita income increased approximately 155 percent.

The Pike County labor market area includes Pike, the four adjacent Kentucky counties, Buchanan County, Virginia, and Mingo County, West Virginia. In 1973, employment in the Kentucky part of the labor market area totaled 36,980 with mining providing 12,210 jobs; trade and services 8,580; government 7,050; manufacturing 1,320; and agriculture 160.

Once a relatively poor and underdeveloped area in Appalachia, Pike County today is experiencing an economic growth boom unparalleled in its history. This boom is reflected by recent increases in county population and the fact that bank assets and deposits in Pike County more than doubled in 1974.

The Pikeville Cut-Through, a project which includes rerouting a river, removing the railroad from the downtown area and providing fourlane highway access, is now in progress and completion is set for 1976. The project will open up 200 acres of flat land for development in a growing city that was previously congested, locked between the mountains and the river. A corridor 3,500 feet long was cut through two mountains outside Pikeville -- over 650 feet deep in some areas -- and a total of 13.5 million cubic yards of materials were moved.

Pike County is a principal producing area of coal, and it also produces some natural gas, petroleum, and high-calcium limestone. In 1974, Pike County produced more underground coal than any other county in Kentucky, and Kentucky produced more coal than any other state. Yet, only a small percentage of the rich underground bituminous coal in Pike County has been mined.

Elkhorn City, in southern Pike County, is located near an enormous deposit of many millions of tons of high grade, high silica sandstone free of iron oxide.

A project is planned for Pike County to convert coal to low-BTU gas that can be used by manufacturing firms in their production processes. A feasibility study by Battele-Columbus Laboratories examined alternative gasification processes for producing low-BTU gas and determined candidate industries to locate in Pike County, many of which can use the process gas from a gasifier. The planned site for the gasifier is the Douglas Waste Area, a 45-acre site located approximately 8.6 miles from Pikeville on U. S. 23, 119, a new four-lane highway being constructed.

Resources for Growth

- 1. There is a current estimated labor supply of 6,960 men and 11,820 women available for industrial jobs in the Kentucky part of the labor market area. In addition, 8,300 young men and 7,910 young women will become 18 years of age before 1981 and will be potentially available for work. The current and future labor supplies are both increased by the number of men and women in the bordering Virginia and West Virginia counties who are available for industrial employment.
- 2. Three railroads serve Pike County The Chessie System, the Norfolk and Western, and the Clinchfield with a variety of services. Pikeville is served by four trucking companies and Elkhorn City by two. Pike County is served by a network of more than 90 miles of modern, divided four-lane ARC Corridor Highways, and Pikeville is the highway-hub for the 13 appalachian states. Pikeville is also served by U. S. Highways 23, 119, and 460 and by Kentucky Highway 80. The Mountain Parkway is 51 miles to the northwest. The Pikeville Airport has a 3,000 foot

crushed, rolled stone runway that can accommodate light aircraft. Commercial air service is available at Tri-State Airport near Huntington, West Virginia, 110 miles from Pikeville.

3. The Kentucky Power Company provides electric power to Pikeville, Elkhorn City and Pike County. Natural gas is distributed in Pikeville by the Pikeville Utilities Department, whose source of supply is the Columbia Gas Transmission Company and local companies. Elkhorn City is served by the Lyda Gas Company (residential only). Propane is available from four distributors and fuel oil is available from four.

The raw water supply is adequate for additional growth.

- 4. Education is an integral part of Pike County's future. Pikeville College, a 4-year liberal arts college, in Pikeville offers a federally funded mining technology course that is unique in the U. S. In addition, one community college and one junior college are within 55 miles of Pikeville. Pike County offers two area vocational education centers, at Millard and Belfry, which offer course training in four and five areas, respectively. Mayo State Vocational-Technical School, 42 miles away at Paintsville, offers 25 courses.
- 5. Total banking assets in Pike County (3 banks and their branches) increased approximately 129 percent between 1972 and 1974. In that two-year period, banking assets more than doubled.

Programs for Improvements

Pikeville

The Pikeville Cut-Through is now in process and will be completed in 1976. The Cut-Through involves cutting a corridor through a mountain and rerouting the river, the railroad tracks and the highway. The Cut-Through will generate 200 acres of flat land, relieve congestion in the city and provide modern highways.

Municipal Services

- 1. Three public housing projects now being built will provide an additional 363 units.
- 2. A new addition to the Pikeville library provides space for meetings and exhibits.
- 3. The Pikeville Fire Department has new equipment including a fully equipped rescue van, rescue equipped backboards, 6 self-contained masks with 30 minute tanks, two 10-ton portapowers and several K-12 saws.

- 4. The water treatment plant has doubled its capacity to 1.5 million gallons.
- 5. Water and sewerage service was expanded in 1974 at a cost of \$1,276,000 and gas service at a cost of \$180,000.
- 6. Pikeville is planning a new civic center and amphitheater.

Health Services

1. The Health Planning Council is considering bids on a new intermediate care home.

Commercial

- 1. Two motels have recently expanded and one new motel has opened.
- 2. A shopping center including 21 stores is under construction just north of Pikeville, and several new retail and service firms recently opened in the downtown area.

Transportation

1. Best Way Express, Inc., a trucking company, is initiating service to Pikeville.

Recreation

A new football stadium and athletic field will provide recreation for students, and a park with boating and picnic areas is being planned.

Pikeville College

- A \$3.9 million science facility has opened providing paramedical, predental, medical technology, computer and various technology programs.
- 2. A graduate consortium with Morehead State University has been established through which Pikeville College offers a masters degree in education.
- 3. The college's unique Coal Mining Institute has received approximately \$800,000 in grants since its inception in 1970 for education and research. Enrollment in the school's program is 200.

Elkhorn City

Municipal Services

- 1. The Fire Department has remodeled the station and installed a new telephone system. A new stationhouse is being planned.
- 2. The Police Department is improving the communications system.
- 3. The Sanitary Sewer System is extending 2,000 feet of 8-inch pipeline and planning a new sewage treatment plant.
- 4. Water and sewerage services were extended to the southern city limits in Fall, 1974.
- 5. Thirty-two units of public housing were opened in January, 1975.

Education

1. A new high school is being planned for Elkhorn City.

Communications

1. Radio Station WECL-FM began broadcasting in Fall, 1974.

Commercial

- 1. A new pharmacy is open.
- 2. A new motel and restaurant are open.

Recreation

1. Elkhorn City plans to construct a public pool in the city park.

Pike County

County Services

1. The courthouse system is undergoing a series of improvements including a new annex at Belfry, a new building at Phelps, a remodeling project for the Hellier Annex, and extensive remodeling of the main courthouse in Pikeville.

- Four sanitary landfills are being established and Pike County will soon be served by a county-wide franchised sanitation system which two ecology enforcement officers will supervise.
- 3. The County has initiated a clean-up campaign to include the removal of abandoned cars.
- 4. The Pike County Juvenile Detention Facility, in operation two years, offers an open atmosphere and is considered one of the most progressive detention facilities in the state.
- 5. The Pike County Health Department now has branch facilities in the new branch courthouse at Phelps as well as Pikeville.
- 6. The Pike County Sheriff's Office recently acquired a rescue boat, four 1974 auto cruisers, and three replacement cruisers.
- 7. The Pike County Ambulance Service has ordered a new radio system and is building a transmitting tower. Four new ambulances were received in May, 1975, and the staff began training in EMT and Cardiac-Pulmonary Rescue.
- 8. The Pike County Rescue Squad has a new headquarters building, and new equipment includes a portable lighting system, motors for boats, and jaws.
- 9. The new Marrowbone Water District expects to extend services to additional customers.

Recreation

- 1. A new county park, the Blackberry Fork Recreational Center, is being developed on land donated by private companies.
- 2. Pike County is working to establish Fishtrap Lake into a state park.
- 3. Pike County has begun a concert and lecture series.

Transportation

1. A new 94-mile network of 4-lane superhighways is being built across Pike County. This project by the Appalachian Regional Commission will be completed in 1978 and will place Pikeville at the crossroads of Appalachia.

Commercial

- 1. Phone hookups have increased 160 percent since 1969 with 437 new business telephones.
- 2. Bank assets and deposits in Pike County more than doubled in 1974. The Pike County banking community now ranks as third largest in Kentucky, after Louisville and Lexington.

Health Care

- 1. The Methodist Hospital in Pikeville plans to add a radiation therapy unit, health education program in nursing, and an expanded program in medical technology. This hospital has been designated the Eastern Kentucky Hospital Center.
- 2. The Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital is building a 50-bed addition which will be finished by the end of 1975.
- 3. The Williamson Memorial Hospital has a remodeling project underway which includes two new boilers, a generator, and a fire escape.

Education

- A new vocational school being built at Phelps is due to open in Fall, 1975.
- 2. The "Follow Through Program," a corollary to Head Start, is now offered to grades 1-3 in 5 schools.
- A new gymnasium is being planned for the county high school at Phelps.
- 4. The elementary school at Millard is being renovated.
- 5. The County Science Fair and county reading festival are being reinstituted.
- 6. Pike County is working to upgrade the preschool and Head Start programs.

Industrial

Pike County has hired a research and development institute, Battelle Columbus Laboratories, to investigate the possibilities of a coal gasification plant in Pike County and various gas using industries. The project is now complete and Pike County plans to build a coal gasification plant at the Douglas Waste Area site.

Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Pike County lies in the heart of the Cumberland Mountains region which draws vacationers from all over the nation.

Blackberry Fork Recreational Center, a park now under development in Pike County, will provide recreation for all ages. It will include tot lots, picnic shelters, horseshoe pits, field activities and a basketball court.

Fishtrap Lake, which lies in Pike County, offers boating, fishing and camping areas. The Fishtrap Lake Wildlife area, approximately 16 miles from Pikeville, offers state regulated hunting in season.

In addition, there are two parks within 30 miles of Pikeville. Breaks Interstate Park, located at Elkhorn City, encompasses 3,360 acres and is the site of the largest canyon east of the Mississippi River. Park facilities include lodge, restaurant, housekeeping cottages, tent and trailer compsites, picnic areas, playground, hiking trails, horseback riding, fishing, fishing boat rentals, community pool, visitors' center, and gift shop.

Jenny Wiley State Resort Park, 29 miles from Pikeville in Prestonsburg, is a 1,700-acre park in a beautiful setting. The extensive park facilities and activities include a lodge, dining room, housekeeping cottages, primitive campsites, picnic areas, planned recreation, playground, golf, hiking trails, horseback riding, shuffleboard, fishing, fishing boat rentals, pedal boat rentals, olympic pool, and gift shop. Special attractions include summer theater presentations, a 4,700 foot air lift sky ride and ferris wheel, and the annual hydroplane regatta.

The Jefferson National Forest, which lies in Letcher and Pike Counties, Kentucky, and Virginia, covers 550,626 acres and offers idyllic camping, hunting, and fishing.

THE LABOR MARKET

POPULATION TRENDS

| | | Pop | Percent | Change | | |
|----------------|----------|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Area | 1974* | 1970 | 1960 | 1950 | 1960-70 | 1950-60 |
| Pikeville | 5, 329** | 4,889 | 4,754 | 5,154 | + 2.8 | - 7.8 |
| Elkhorn City | 1,042** | 1,081 | 1,085 | 1,349 | - 0.4 | -19.6 |
| Labor Market | | | | | | |
| Area | 155,700 | 144, 188 | 167,571 | 206,173 | -14.0 | -18.7 |
| Pike County | 65,100 | 61,059 | 68,264 | 81,154 | -10.6 | -15.9 |
| Floyd County | 38,900 | 35,889 | 41,642 | 53,500 | -13.8 | -22.2 |
| Knott County | 16,200 | 14,698 | 17,362 | 20,320 | -15.3 | -14.6 |
| Letcher County | 25,100 | 23, 165 | 30,102 | 39,522 | -23.0 | -23.8 |
| Martin County | 10,400 | 9,377 | 10,201 | 11,677 | - 8.1 | -12.6 |

^{*}Provisional estimates.

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970, 1960, 1950. Population Estimates Series P-26, No.120 and P-25, No. 562, June 1975.

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1973

| | Employment | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Major Employment Group | Pike County | Labor Market Area | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 16,350 | 36,980 | | | | | |
| Agricultural | 50 | 160 | | | | | |
| Nonagricultural | 16,300 | 36,820 | | | | | |
| Manufacturing | 260 | 1,318 | | | | | |
| Government | 2,540 | 7,050 | | | | | |
| Trade and Services | 4,212 | 8,582 | | | | | |
| Mining | 6,096 | 12,208 | | | | | |

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Bureau for Administration and Operations. Kentucky Department of Mines and Minerals.

^{**1973} estimates.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY SEPTEMBER 1974 AND 1964

| | Pike County Labor Market Area | | | | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|------|----------|-------|------|----------|--|
| Industry | 1974 | 1964 | % Change | 1974 | 1964 | % Change | |
| TOTAL | 282 | 277 | + 1.8 | 1,328 | 632 | + 110.1 | |
| Food & Kindred Products | 107 | 92 | + 16.3 | 172 | 145 | + 18.6 | |
| Apparel, Textiles, | | | | 200 | 0 | | |
| Leather | 0 | 0 | 0 | 399 | 0 | 20 1 | |
| Lumber, Furniture Printing & Publishing, | 62 | 126 | - 50.8 | 202 | 281 | - 28.1 | |
| Paper | 9 | 28 | - 67.9 | 31 | 51 | - 39.2 | |
| Chemicals, Petroleum | 1 | | | | | | |
| & Coal, Rubber | 2 | 0 | | 52 | 39 | + 33.3 | |
| Stone, Clay & Glass | 91 | 30 | +203.3 | 117 | 57 | + 105.3 | |
| Machinery, Metal | | | | | | | |
| Products, Equipment | t 4 | 0 | | 340 | 58 | + 486.2 | |
| Other | 7 | 1 | +600.0 | 15 | 1 | +1,400.0 | |

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, September, 1974, September, 1964.

PIKE COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS, THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

| | | F | Employ | yment | |
|--|--|-------|--------|--------|-----------|
| Firm (Establishment date |) Product | Total | Male | Female | Organized |
| Pikeville | | | | | |
| Adams Construction Corporation (1955) | Concrete ready mix, bituminous concrete | 36 | 30 | 6 | 冰 |
| Big Sandy Electric and Supply (1944) | Coils for electrical motors, fabricated metal products | 17 | 13 | 4 | * |
| Coca-Cola Bottling | products | 11 | 13 | 7 | 200 |
| Company of Pikeville | Carbonated | | | | |
| (1912) | beverages | 28 | 25 | 3 | * |
| East Kentucky Beverage | | | | | |
| Company, Inc. (1931) | Soft drinks | 118 | 110 | 8 | * |
| Keene Garage Welding Shop (1945) | Machine shop | 4 | 4 | 0 | |
| Medusa Aggregates | Asphalt | 60 | | | * |
| Company (1974) Pike County News (1920) | Newspaper, job | 00 | | | |
| Tike County News (1/20) | printing | 10 | 5 | 5 | |
| East Kentucky Machine | 1 6 | | | | |
| and Electric Company, | Electric conver- | | | | |
| Inc. (1942) | sion equipment | 28 | 25 | 3 | |
| State Construction | | | 20.2 | | |
| Company (1974) | Asphalt | 27 | 25 | 2 | |
| Robinson Creek | | | | | |
| Colley Block Company, | Concrete blocks, | | | | |
| Inc. (1958) | septic tanks | 31 | 30 | 1 | |
| Precision Drilling | (Not yet in operati | ion) | | | |
| Elkhorn City | | | | | |
| Elkhorn Stone Company | Crushed | | | | |
| (1967) | limestone | | | | * |
| Johnson Brothers Lime- | Aggregate | | | | |
| stone Company (1952) | limestone | 13 | 12 | 1 | |

^{*}See Labor Organizations page 12.

Sources: Kentucky Department of Commerce, Pike County Chamber of Commerce, Department for Human Resources, individual companies.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

Union

Representing manufacturing workers at:

United Steel Workers of America

Adams Construction Corporation Big Sandy Electric and Supply Coca-Cola Bottling Company East Kentucky Beverage Company Medusa Aggregates Company Elkhorn Stone Company

ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY PIKE COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA

| | | (| Current | | Future |
|------------|-------|-------------|------------|----------|-------------------|
| | | Not in | | Under- | Reaching 18 yrs. |
| Area | Total | Labor Force | Unemployed | employed | of age before 198 |
| Labor Marl | ket | | | | |
| Area | 6,960 | 3,080 | 2,710 | 1,170 | 8,301 |
| Pike | 1,620 | 540 | 950 | 130 | 3,452 |
| Floyd | 2,410 | 1,220 | 730 | 460 | 1,994 |
| Knott | 1,410 | 940 | 230 | 240 | 915 |
| Letcher | 1,160 | 370 | 600 | 190 | 1,344 |
| Martin | 360 | 10 | 200 | 150 | 596 |

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor

Supply Estimates by County, 1973. Kentucky Department of
Commerce, Future Labor Supply before 1981.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY PIKE COUNTY LABOR MARKET AREA

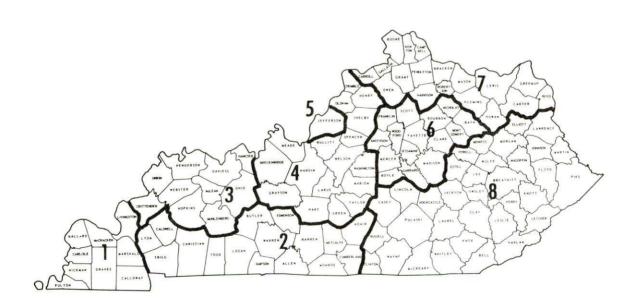
| | | (| Current | | Future |
|-----------|--------|-------------|------------|----------|-------------------|
| | | Not in | | Under- | Reaching 18 yrs. |
| Area | Total | Labor Force | Unemployed | employed | of age before 198 |
| Labor Mar | ket | | | | |
| Area | 11,820 | 8,660 | 950 | 2,210 | 7,908 |
| Pike | 5,460 | 3,770 | 410 | 1,280 | 3,256 |
| Floyd | 2,470 | 1,700 | 320 | 450 | 1,906 |
| Knott | 1,150 | 880 | 90 | 180 | 873 |
| Letcher | 2,120 | 1,860 | 110 | 150 | 1,298 |
| Martin | 620 | 450 | 20 | 150 | 575 |

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, <u>Kentucky Labor</u>
<u>Supply Estimates by County, 1973.</u> Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply before 1981.

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

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

| Area | 1972 | 1962 | % Change |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| Pike County | \$2,500 | \$ 980 | +155.1 |
| Labor Market Area | | | |
| Range | \$1,702 - 2,678 | \$570 - 1,038 | N.A. |
| Kentucky | 3,634 | 1,769 | +105.4 |
| U.S. | 4,549 | 2,381 | + 91.1 |

Sources: Office of Development Services and Business Research, College of Economics, University of Kentucky, Kentucky Personal
Income 1929/68. U. S. Department of Commerce, Office of Business Economics, Survey of Current Business, May, 1974, August, 1974.

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Line serving Pikeville and Pike County - Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company/Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company (Chessie System) Services - Freight service as needed (carload only); 4 through freights daily, 2 northbound and 2 southbound; switching facilities; siding space - 10 sidetracks in vicinity of Pikeville, 3 subdivisions in Pike County; nearest piggyback facilities- Huntington, West Virginia, 110 miles north

Line serving Elkhorn City and Pike County - Clinchfield Railroad (a subsidiary of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company)

Services - Freight service, 5 freights daily; 3 northbound and 2 southbound; switching facilities; siding space-house track for 8 cars; yard track for 250 cars; nearest piggyback facilities- Kingsport, Tennessee, 93 miles south

Line serving Pike County - Norfolk and Western Railroad Company Services - Freight service, 7 freights per day (these currently carry only coal, but they could serve industry as needed); average 8 through freights per day; switching facilities; siding space at Williamson, West Virginia (on the border of Pike County, 31 miles from Pikeville) for approximately 3,500 cars. Passenger service available through Amtrak at Williamson, West Virginia

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

General Manager, Freight Service The Chessie System 603 B & O Central Building 2 North Charles Street Baltimore, Maryland 21201

and/or

Manager of Industrial Development Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company 908 West Broadway Louisville, Kentucky 40203

and/or

Manager, Norfolk and Western Railroad Company Williamson, West Virginia 25661

Truck Service

Company

Hogan Storage and Transfer Company (Irregular)* Point Express, Inc. **

Smith's Transfer Corporation of Virginia
Best Way Express, Inc.

Other Freight Services

REA Express United Parcel Service

Home Office

721 East Fourth Avenue Williamson, West Virginia 25661

P. O. Box 10185, Station C Charleston, West Virginia 25312

P. O. Box 1000 Staunton, Virginia 24401 710 Poplar Avenue

Nashville, Tennessee 37210

Shipping Center

Local pick up and delivery service Pikeville

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

| | I | Delivery | | | Delivery |
|------------------|---------|----------|---------------------|---------|----------|
| | Highway | Time | | Highway | Time |
| City | Miles | TL | City | Miles | TL |
| | | | | | |
| Atlanta, Ga. | 450 | 2 | Los Angeles, Calif. | 2,320 | 7 |
| Birmingham, Ala | a. 510 | 2 | Louisville, Ky. | 213 | 2 |
| Chicago, Ill. | 521 | 2 | Nashville, Tenn. | 441 | 2 |
| Cincinnati, Ohio | 228 | 1 | New Orleans, La. | 865 | 3 |
| Cleveland, Ohio | 398 | 2 | New York, N. Y. | 739 | 2 |
| Detroit, Mich. | 493 | 2 | Pittsburgh, Pa. | 367 | 2 |
| Knoxville, Tenn. | 256 | 2 | St. Louis, Mo. | 487 | 2 |

Source: Delivery Time only - Point Express, Inc., P. O. Box 10185, Station C, Charleston, West Virginia 25312.

^{*}Also serving Elkhorn City.

^{**}Local terminal, Pikeville.

Air

| | Local | Nearest Commercial |
|------------|---|--|
| | Pikeville Airport | Tri-State Airport (Walker- Long Field) |
| Location: | 2 miles northwest of Pikeville | 9 miles west of Huntington, West Virginia, 101 miles from Pikeville |
| Runways: | <pre>l (crushed stone-rolled)</pre> | 1 paved (concrete) |
| Length: | 2,500 feet | 5,280 feet |
| Traffic | | |
| Control: | Wind sock | Control tower |
| Lighting: | None | Beacon, runway |
| Services: | Tie down facilities, 80- 100 octane, taxi, charter, air ambulance and flight instruction | Allegheny, Piedmont; 80-100 octane, jet fuel, major repairs, hangars, tiedowns, flight instruction, charter, restaurant, restrooms, limousine, taxi, car rentals |
| Air Freigh | t | * |
| Service: | | Air freight accepted on a space available basis |
| | | |

Bus -

| | Pikeville | Elkhorn City |
|---------------|--|---------------------|
| | Southern Greyhound Bus Lines Trailways Bus Lines | Trailways Bus Lines |
| <u>Taxi</u> - | Individual operators, 12- hour service daily, radio dispatched | |

Rental Services - U-Haul Truck and Trailer Rentals, National Car Rentals

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Pikeville, Elkhorn City and Pike County - Kentucky Power Company
Source of power - Kentucky Power Company
Total generating capacity - 1,080,000 KW
For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Power Company Pikeville, Kentucky 41501

Natural Gas

Company serving Pikeville - Pikeville Utilities Department
Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Company and local
companies
Size of transmission mains - 6 inches (supplier); 6 and 4 inches
(distributor)
Distribution mains - 4, 2 and 1 inches
Distribution pressure - Low pressure: 15 psi
Btu content - Over 1,000 per cubic foot
For rates and supplies contact:

Pikeville Utilities Office Division Street Pikeville, Kentucky 41501

Elkhorn City is served by a privately owned local gas company, Lyda Gas Company, Inc. The source of supply is one private gas well, and the supply is limited to a few residential customers.

Other Fuels

Propane and butane - Within 42 miles of Pikeville

Williams Energy Company Collins Virgie, Kentucky 41572

Comstock's Hardware Martin, Kentucky 41649

Owen's Bottled Gas Russell Elkhorn City, Kentucky 41522

Hardware Charlie Gas Company Route 23 Paintsville, Kentucky 41240

Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil - Within 19 miles of Pikeville

Kentucky Oil and Refining Company Harold, Kentucky 41635

Chapman's Fuel Oil Service Jackson's Branch Elkhorn City, Kentucky 41522

H. and R. Oil Company Kettle Camp Elkhorn City, Kentucky 41522

Ashland Petroleum Company Bulk Plant Yeager Virgie, Kentucky 41572

Residual fuel oil - Arrangements must be made with the refinery

Low sulphur content coal - Available locally

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Pikeville and Pike County - Pikeville Utilities Department (City of Pikeville Water Treatment Plant)

Source - Big Sandy River

Treatment plant capacity - 1,500,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption - 1,126,000 gallons

Type treatment - Coagulated, settled, filtered, chlorinated, fluoridated Storage capacity - 2,850,000 gallons

Size lines - 10, 8, 6, 4 and 2 inches

Average pressure - 85 psi

Average temperature - 40 degrees F.

MONTHLY WATER FEES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

| 2,000 gallons | \$ 3.41 (Minimum) |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 3,000 gallons | 4.86 |
| 5,000 gallons | 7.76 |
| 10,000 gallons | 14.71 |
| 15,000 gallons | 21.36 |
| 20,000 gallons | .28.01 |
| 30,000 gallons | 38.91 |
| 34,000 gallons | 43.27 |
| All over 35,000 gallons | 2.09 per M gallons |

Tap-on charge: \$112.50

Company serving Elkhorn City - Elkhorn City Water Department Source - Russell Fork of Big Sandy River
Treatment plant capacity - 480,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 100,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 125,000 gallons
Type treatment - Settled, filtered, chlorinated
Storage capacity - 200,000 gallons
Size lines - 8, 6, 4 and 2 inches
Average pressure - 115 psi
Average temperature - 60 degrees F.

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

| First | 2,000 gallons | \$5.00 (Minimum) |
|-------|----------------|-------------------------------|
| Next | 2,000 gallons | 1.00 per M additional gallons |
| Next | 4,000 gallons | .80 per M additional gallons |
| Next | 4,000 gallons | .70 per M gallitional gallons |
| Next | 4,000 gallons | .60 per M additional gallons |
| Next | 4,000 gallons | .50 per M additional gallons |
| Next | 20,000 gallons | .40 per M additional gallons |
| Over | 40,000 gallons | .30 per M additional gallons |

3-inch meter or larger - Minimum \$40

Tap-on charge: \$25

Name of water district - Sandy Valley Water District Area served - Along U. S. 23; Pikeville (Pike County) to Stanville (Floyd County), Kentucky

Date when water district began operating - July, 1969

Source of supply of treated water - City of Pikeville Water Treatment Plant

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 300,000 gallons Peak amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 335,000 gallons Storage capacity - 300,000 gallons

Average pressure - 95 psi

Average temperature - 63 degrees F.

Size lines - 12 and 6 inches

Rates -

| First | 2,000 | gallons | (Mini | mum) | | | |
|------------|---------|---------|-------|------|-----|---|---------|
| 5/8-inch | meter | | \$ | 4.50 | | | |
| 3/4-inch | meter | | | 5.00 | | | |
| 1-inch | meter | | | 6.00 | | | |
| 1 1/2-inch | meter | | | 7.00 | | | |
| 2-inch | meter | | | 8.00 | | | |
| 3-inch | meter | |] | 0.00 | | | |
| 4-inch | meter | |] | 5.00 | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| Next | 3,000 | gallons | \$ | 1.70 | per | M | gallons |
| Next | 15,000 | gallons | | 1.20 | per | M | gallons |
| Next | 30,000 | gallons | | . 80 | per | M | gallons |
| Next | 50,000 | gallons | | . 60 | per | M | gallons |
| All over | 100,000 | gallons | | . 35 | per | M | gallons |

Tap-on charge: \$150

Surface water sources - Big Sandy River - Levisa Fork and Russell Fork Average discharge - Levisa Fork at Pikeville - 1,444 cfs (37 years USGS, unadjusted); Russell Fork at Elkhorn City - 726 cfs (14 years USGS, unadjusted)

Expected ground water yield - 50 to 200 gpm throughout county except portions in northwest and south which yield 5 to 50 gpm

Sewerage

Company serving Pikeville - Pikeville Utilities Department (City of Pikeville Sewage Treatment Plant)

Design capacity - 800,000 gallons per day

Average daily flow - 663,115 gallons

Treatment - Primary and secondary

Type treatment - Trickling filter, clarifier and drying beds

Treated effluent discharged into - Big Sandy River

Size of sanitary mains - 6, 12, and 16 inches

Size of storm mains - 8, 12 and 36 inches

Rates - 85 percent of municipal water bill

Tap-on charge: \$100

Company serving Elkhorn City - Elkhorn City Sanitary Sewer System
Design capacity - 150,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 80,000 gallons
Treatment - Primary and secondary
Type treatment - Aeration
Treated effluent discharged into - Russell Fork of Big Sandy River
Size of sanitary mains - 8 inches
Rates - 125 percent of municipal water bill

Tap-on charge: \$25

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Pikeville

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 4 commissioners - 2-year terms;

City manager

Budget 1975 - General Fund \$712,477.17

Water and Sewer Fund 415,500.00

City Gas System 425,000.00

Fees and licenses - Business license - $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent of net profits; occupational license tax - $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent of gross salaries

Elkhorn City

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

Budget 1974-75 - General Fund \$ 40,700

Water and Sewer

Fund 59.660

Fees and licenses - Business licenses vary from \$5 to \$1,000 per year; auto license - \$5 per year; unloading license - \$50 per year

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 8 magistrates - 4-year terms Budget 1974-75 - General Fund \$496,817; Road Fund \$157,000

Assessed Value of Property, 1974

| Classes of Property | Pikeville | Elkhorn City | Pike County |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Real Estate and Tangibles Real Estate | \$56,110,681 | \$ 5,696,905 | \$199,789,711 |
| Tangibles | | | 126,573,443 |

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, 1974*

| Taxing Jurisdiction | Pikeville | Elkhorn City | Pike County |
|---------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| County | \$.201 | \$.201 | \$.201 |
| School | . 984 | .514 | .514 |
| City | .174 | . 200** | |

^{*}Kentucky Department of Revenue, Kentucky Property Tax Rates, 1974. **Public Service Company - \$.300.

Utilities Gross Receipts Tax for Schools

Pike 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

County agency - Pike County Planning and Zoning Board
Zoning enforced - All areas
Subdivision regulations enforced - City and 5 miles beyond city limits
Local codes enforced - Building and housing
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

| Police | Pikeville | Elkhorn City | Pike County |
|---|---|---|--|
| Total staff Radio-patrol cars Other equipment | 2 6 walkie- talkies, 2 mobile units and base station | 5 2 radio phones 2 walkie-talkies | 10 12 5 radios, 4 walkie-talkies, boat with 85 horsepower engine and full emergency and safety equipment |

| Fire | Pikeville | Elkhorn City |
|--|---|--|
| American Insurance Association Fire Rating Full-time staff | 8 and 9 | 9 |
| Volunteers | 20 | 14 |
| Equipment: | | |
| 1,000 gpm pumper | 1 | |
| 750 gpm pumpers | 2 | 1 |
| 500 gpm pumpers | 1 | 1 |
| 250 gpm pumper | 1 | |
| 1,000 gallon tanker | 1 | |
| Other | Rescue van (fully equipped), K-12 saws, backboards (all rescue equipped) 6 self-contained masks with 30 minute tanks, two 10 ton porta powers | Simultaneous alarm system, 2,500 feet of hose, 3 ladders, pike poles, 6 fire ex- tinguishers, power plant, 2 portable pumps, ropes |

Rescue Service

Pike County Emergency and Rescue Squad, Inc.:

Number of volunteers - 35

Equipment - 1969 heavy duty truck, 1964 pickup truck, 2 half-ton vans (all radio equipped); two 16-foot aluminum boats with 20 HP motors; 18-foot assault boat with 35 HP motor; 15 CB radio sets; rescue saw; two portable generators; porta-power; hydraulic jack

Personnel training - Standard and first aid training, 3 trained skin divers, emergency medical technician course

Pike County Civil Defense Unit:

Full-time staff - 2

Number of volunteers - Approximately 30

Equipment - Shared with Rescue Squad (see above)

Personnel training - First Aid

Sanitation*

| | Pikeville | Elkhorn City |
|--|--|--|
| Type service Fee charged | Municipal | Municipal |
| residential business | \$3.50 per month \$10 to \$150 per month | \$1.50 per month \$2.50 per month |
| Collection frequency: residential business | Twice weekly 6 times weekly | Weekly Twice weekly |
| Trash pickup Disposal method | Daily Landfill | Annually Landfill |
| Industrial service: | | |
| Inside city limits | See municipal service above | |
| Outside city limits | Industry must provide its own services | Industry must provide its own services |

^{*}Pike County is in the process of developing a county-wide franchised sanitation service that will soon be in operation.

EDUCATION

Public Schools

| | Pikeville | Pike County |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Total Enrollment (1974) Elementary High School | 1,220 600 620 | 14,909 10,129 4,780 |
| Student-Teacher Ratio Elementary High School | 21 - 1 20 - 1 21 - 1 | 30 - 1 32 - 1 26 - 1 |
| Percent High School Graduates to College Expenditures Per Pupil (1973-74) | 74. 7 \$562. 62 | 34.2 \$547.65 |
| Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1974 | \$3,464,000 | \$7,415,000 |
| Nonpublic Schools | | |
| Total Enrollment Elementary | 40 40 | |
| Student-Teacher Ratio Elementary | 20 - 1 20 - 1 | |

Vocational Schools

Nearest State School

Mayo State Vocational-Technical School

Paintsville, Kentucky Location

Miles Distant

Accounting Junior Management Curriculum

Data Processing

Clerical Secretarial

Practical Nursing Learning Lab

Electronics (Communications)

Electronics (Industrial) Highway Technology Instrumentation Technical Drafting Tool and Die Design Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics

Carpentry-Building Trades

Cosmetology Diesel Mechanics

Drafting Electricity Graphic Arts Machine Shop Mine Maintenance Radio and TV Service Tool and Die Making Welding

Nearest Area Education Centers

Pike County Area Voca-Pike County Area Vocational Education Center tional Education Center

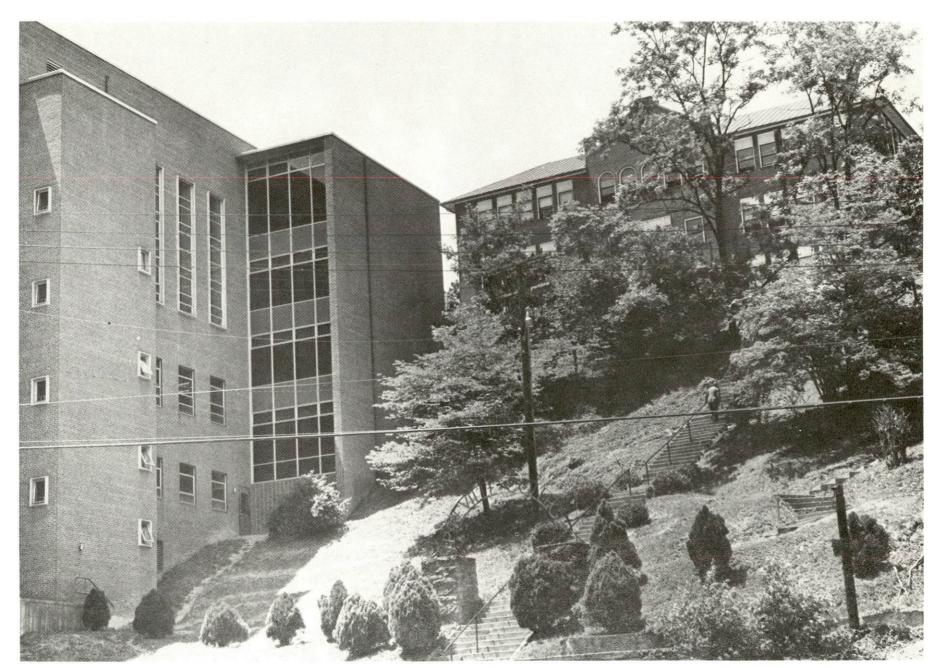
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Location Auto Mechanics Auto Mechanics Curriculum

> Carpentry-Building Trades Drafting

Drafting Electricity Electricity Machine Shop

Welding



PIKEVILLE COLLEGE

HEALTH

Hospitals

| General Hospital | Location | Beds |
|---------------------------|---------------------|------|
| The Methodist Hospital of | | |
| Kentucky | Pikeville, Kentucky | 225 |
| Williamson Appalachian | South Williamson, | |
| Regional Hospital | Kentucky | 143 |
| Williamson Memorial | Williamson, | |
| Hospital | West Virginia | 95 |

The Methodist Hospital of Kentucky

General hospital facilities and services - 6 operating rooms, emergency room, X-ray, pathology, laboratory, electrocardiogram, mental health, inpatient and outpatient clinic, extended care, intensive care, coronary care, pediatrics, obstetrics, physical therapy, inhalation therapy, radioisotope unit (scanner)

Medical staff - 35 doctors, including urologist, pathologist, surgeon, OB-GYN, internists, cardiologist, radiologist, ophthalmologist, otolaryngologist, EENT, psychiatrist, 25 registered nurses, 65 licensed practical nurses

Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital

General hospital facilities and services - 3 operating rooms, 4 X-ray diagnostic machines, facilities for radiation therapy (with the exception of Cobalt), fully equipped laboratory, EKG machine, fully equipped physical therapy department, 3 whirlpools and electromyography, pharmacy, Home Health Care, social service department Also located at the hospital: Mountain Comprehensive Care

Medical staff - 42 physicians (27 active, 4 consulting, 11 courtesy), 30 registered nurses and 48 licensed practical nurses

Williamson Memorial Hospital

General hospital facilities and services - 2 operating rooms, emergency rooms, X-ray, pathology, laboratory, EKG, outpatient clinic, obstetrics, pediatrics

Medical staff - 16 doctors (5 active, 5 consulting, 6 courtesy), 18 registered nurses and 18 licensed practical nurses



WILLIAMSON APPALACHIAN REGIONAL HOSPITAL



METHODIST HOSPITAL OF KENTUCKY

Ambulance Service

Name - Pike County Ambulance Service

Staff - 11 employees - 1 medical assistant and 9 employees with first aid training*

Service - 24 hours, 7 days a week

Equipment - 5 vans with oxygen and cots

Nursing Homes

| | Number | $\underline{\mathtt{Beds}}$ |
|--------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Extended care home | 1 | 100 |

Public Health

Facility - Pike County Health Department

Staff - 1 health officer, 5 sanitarians, 5 registered nurses, 1 X-ray technician, 4 clerks, 1 nutritionist, 1 plumbing inspector

^{*}In May, 1975, the ambulance service staff will begin training in Emergency Medical Technology and Cardiac-Pulmonary Rescue.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

| | Pikeville | Elkhorn City |
|---|--|---|
| Telephone - Services - | South Central Bell Telephone Company Standard | South Central Bell Telephone Company Standard |
| Telegraph - | Western Union | Western Union - by telephone |
| Services - | Telephone | Through Pikeville |
| Postal - U. S. Post Office Class - Mail received - Mail dispatched - | e First 3 times daily Twice daily | Second Twice daily Twice daily |
| Newspapers - Weekly and circulation- Other papers received from - | Pike County News 7,400 Huntington and Williamson, West Virginia; Louisville, Lexington, and Ashland, Kentucky; Bristol, Kingsport and Johnson City, Tennessee | Pikeville, Louisville, and Lexington, Kentucky; Huntington and Williamson, West Virginia |
| Radio - | WLSI-AM, WPKE-AM, WDHR-FM, and WHJC-AM (Buskirk, Kentucky) | WECL-FM |
| Stations received from - | | Pikeville, Louisville, and Jenkins, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio; Grundy, Virginia; Bristol, Tennessee; Williamson, West Virginia; 50 FM stations available through |

cable service

| | Pikeville | Elkhorn City |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Television - | | |
| Cable service | Yes | Yes - local originat- ing station |
| Reception from - | Huntington and Charleston, West Virginia; Bristol, Tennessee | Huntington, Charleston and Bluefield, West Virginia; Bristol and Oak Hill, Tennessee; Hazard and Johnson City, Kentucky |
| Kentucky Educational Television - | All together, there are operating in Pike Coun | A PRO MARKET NAME OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPE |

Library Services*

Public library - Pikeville Public Library
Size collection - Approximately 30,000 volumes
Circulation for 6 month period - 25,000 volumes
Services - Records, TV, film projector, film strip and film strip
projector, screen, copying machine, story hours (3 or 4 per week),
meeting rooms, art, microfilm printer-reader, 2 stereos, record
player, color TV, branch libraries at Elkhorn City, Stone, Virgie
and Phelps

Channel 22

Channel 22

Private library - O'Rear Robinson Library of Pikeville College Size collection - 80,000 volumes Special collections - Kentucky Civil War Services - Periodicals, newspapers, microfilm, microfilm readerprinter, copying machine, tapes, records, record players, cassettes and cassette player, microbook (17,500 on record), music library (2,000 records), science library and U. S. Government Depository Library

^{*}Branch libraries are maintained at Elkhorn City, Stone, Virgie and Phelps.

Religious Institutions

Total number

Total units

| Number of churches - Denominations | Pikeville Il Baptist, Catholic, Christian, Church Christ, Church of Episcopal, Free Baptist, Methodis Presbyterian, We | God, God, Fr Will Baptist, t, Southern | Church of Church of |
|---|---|--|----------------------|
| Financial Institutions | | | |
| Banks | Assets | Deposits | Statement Date |
| The Citizens Bank of Pikeville The First National Bank | \$ 73,507,986.18 84,872,793.62 | \$ 65,848,919.91 77,687,519.65 | 12/31/74 12/31/74 |
| Pikeville National Bank and Trust Company | 160,052,371.32 | 146, 462, 999. 69 | 12/31/74 |
| Savings and Loan Assoc | iations | | |
| | Assets | Shared Accounts | StatementDate |
| First Federal Savings a Loan Association of Pikeville | \$ 4,523,258.84 | \$ 4,272,776.94 | 12/31/74 |
| Hotels and Motels | | | |
| | Pikeville | Elkhorn Ci | ty |

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Clubs and Organizations

Pikeville and Pike County

Business and Civic - Pike County Chamber of Commerce, Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club, Lions Club, Jaycees, PTA

Fraternal - Masons, IOOF, Shriners, Fraternal Order of Eagles

Women's - Eastern Star, Rebekah Lodge, Woman's Club, Junior Woman's Club, Business and Professional Woman's Club, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, DAR, WSCS, Homemakers, American Association of University Women, Licensed Practical Nurses Association

Youth - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, FFA, FHA, FTA, 4-H, Little League baseball and football, Babe Ruth League baseball

Other - American Red Cross, Sportsman's Club, Saddle Club, Mountain Mental Health Association, Pike County Tuberculosis Association, Pike County Bar Association, Hospital Guild, Medical Auxiliary, Guild of St. David's, Ministerial Association, Historical Society, Pikeville Concert Association, Band and Athletic Club, Weight Watchers

RECREATION

Local

| | Pikeville | Elkhorn City |
|------------------------------|--|--------------|
| Public Recreation Facilities | S | |
| Supervised program - | 1 municipal and 2 church-affiliated | |
| Parks - | 1 | 1 |
| Playgrounds - | 3 | 2 |
| Swimming pools - | 2 | |
| Basketball courts - | 2 | 1 |
| Tennis courts - | 8 | |
| Baseball diamonds - | 2 | 1 |
| Football fields - | 1 | |
| Private Recreation Faciliti | es | |
| Country club - | 1 | |
| Golf course - | 1 | |
| Swimming pool - | 1 | 60 |
| Movie theaters - | l indoor, 2 drive-ins | |
| Bowling lanes - | 10 | |

Tourist Attractions

Hatfield-McCoy Feud Historical Plaque at Buskirk, Kentucky The Pikeville Cut-Through, the deepest highway cut through in the U. S., over 600 feet in spots; the result of excavating 17 million cubic yards of material

Elkhorn City - Clinchfield Railroad excursions

Cultural Events

Concert and Lecture Series

Elkhorn City Youth Presentations sponsored by local civic clubs

Area (Within 30 miles)

Breaks Interstate Park
Jenny Wiley State Resort Park
Fishtrap Lake
Jefferson National Forest
Blackberry Fork Recreational Center

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture*

| | Pike County | Labor Market Area |
|--|-------------|-------------------|
| Total land area (acres) | 500,480 | 1,348,608 |
| Percent of area in farm land | 4.0 | 4.1 |
| Number of farms | 154 | 686 |
| Average size of farms (acres) | 130.5 | 120.8 |
| 1969 value of all farm products | \$144,480 | \$ 702,061 |
| Value per farm | 938 | 1,023 |
| Total crop sales | 43,186 | 150,536 |
| Total livestock & livestock products | 99,754 | 535,630 |
| 1973 agricultural production included: | | |
| Corn for grain (bu.) (est.) | 18,000 | 89,300 |
| Cattle and calves (number) | 1,000 | 3,900 |
| Hogs and pigs (number) (preliminary) | 400 | 2,800 |

Natural Resources

| Principal mineral resources Other mineral resources | Coal and natural gas Petroleum, limestone with high calcium zones, and high-silica sandstone |
|---|--|
| Acres of commercial forest land Most abundant tree species | 429,000 Red oak, white oak, yellow poplar, hickory, beech, soft maple and hard maple |

^{*}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, 1973.

Climate*

| | Pike County |
|---|--|
| Temperature Annual mean (30-year record) Average annual 1973 Record highest, July, 1970** (12-year record) Record lowest, January, 1966 (12-year record) Normal heating degree days (30-year record) (Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.) | 56.1 degrees 56.8 degrees 95.0 degrees -15.0 degrees 4,306 |
| Precipitation Mean annual total (30-year record) Mean annual snow and sleet (36-year record) Total precipitation 1974 Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (28-year record) Average number days thunderstorms (30-year record) | 41. 47 inches 16. 30 inches 45. 87 inches 134 |
| Prevailing winds (9-year record) | West-southwest |

^{*}U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1974. Station of record: Bristol, Johnson City, Kingsport, Tennessee.

^{**}Also on earlier dates, months, or years.

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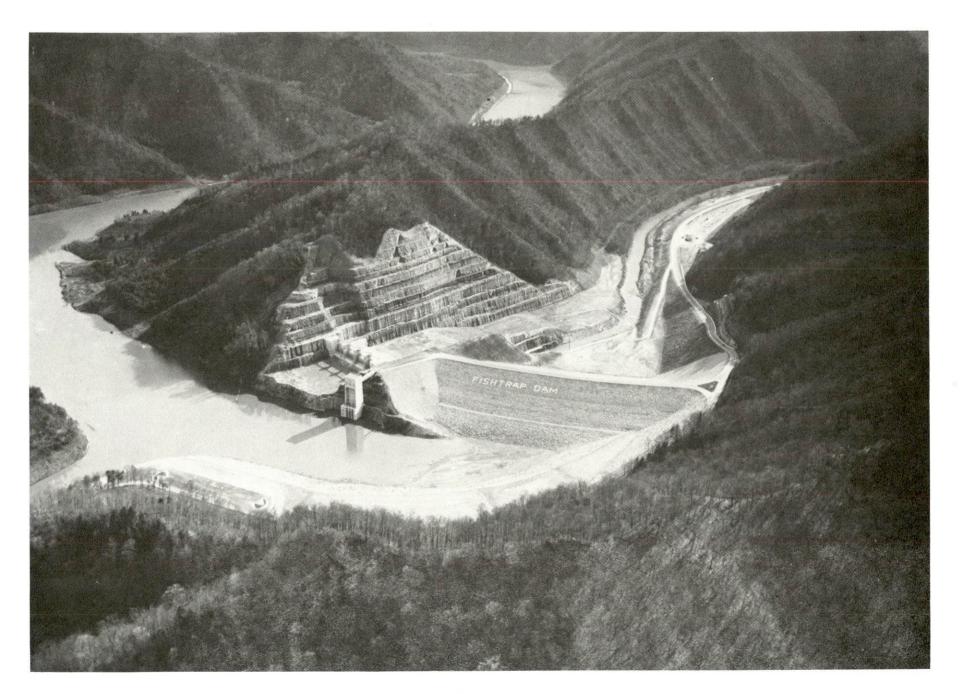
Pike County is located in the Big Sandy Valley in Kentucky's easternmost corner and is bordered by West Virginia on the northeast and by Virginia on the southeast. With an area of 782 square miles, it is the largest county in the state and the largest county east of the Mississippi. Tug Fork of the Big Sandy River flows along the northeastern boundary and the Russell and Levisa Forks of the Big Sandy run through the western part of the county. Fishtrap Reservoir in the central area covers over 11,000 acres. The land surface is mountainous, but there is fertile land in the river valleys. Eighty-five percent of the area is forested, and there are large deposits of coal, oil, natural gas and high-silica sandstone.

Settlers first came to the Pike County area in the 1780's, and by the turn of the century there was some agitation for a new county, although the area's rugged topography delayed the process. In 1821 Pike became Kentucky's seventieth county, its territory taken from Floyd County. It was named in honor of General Zebulon M. Pike, the famous explorer for whom Pike's Peak, Colorado, is also named.

A colorful part of the county's history centers around the infamous Hatfield-McCoy fued, which involved most of the people in Pike County and Logan County, West Virginia. Begun in 1882 when the Hatfields were accused of crossing the state line to vote in Kentucky, and Tolbert McCoy killed "Big Ellison" Hatfield at a polling place, the fued eventually took some 65 lives.

Pikeville, the county seat, is located in a narrow valley on land originally donated by Elijah Adkins. Pikeville College, a four-year liberal arts college with approximately 680 students, is located here. Pikeville's population was 4,899 in 1970. By 1973 that figure had climbed beyond the 5,000 mark. But this can be a misleading figure without further investigation. This figure reflects what could be termed a "bedroom" population in that each business morning, at least 3 times as many people enter the city to take up their respective work as service, retail and office employees in the county's hub before the customers begin to arrive.

In 1830 Pike County recorded 2,677 inhabitants. Population increased to a high of 81,154 in 1950, followed by a decline to 68,264 in 1960. Although the decline continued during the 1960's, it was at a slower rate, leaving 61,059 in 1970. In the 1970's, the population again began to rise and in 1974 Pike County had an estimated 65,100 inhabitants. Population projections show continued increases.



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Mining and quarrying of the area's mineral wealth is the major source of employment in Pike County. Pike County is the nation's greatest underground coal producer. Agriculture accounted for only 50 of the 16,350 employed in 1973 with corn, cattle and hogs the principal products. Manufacturing provided 260 jobs. Large firms include the East Kentucky Beverage Company and Medusa Aggregates Company.