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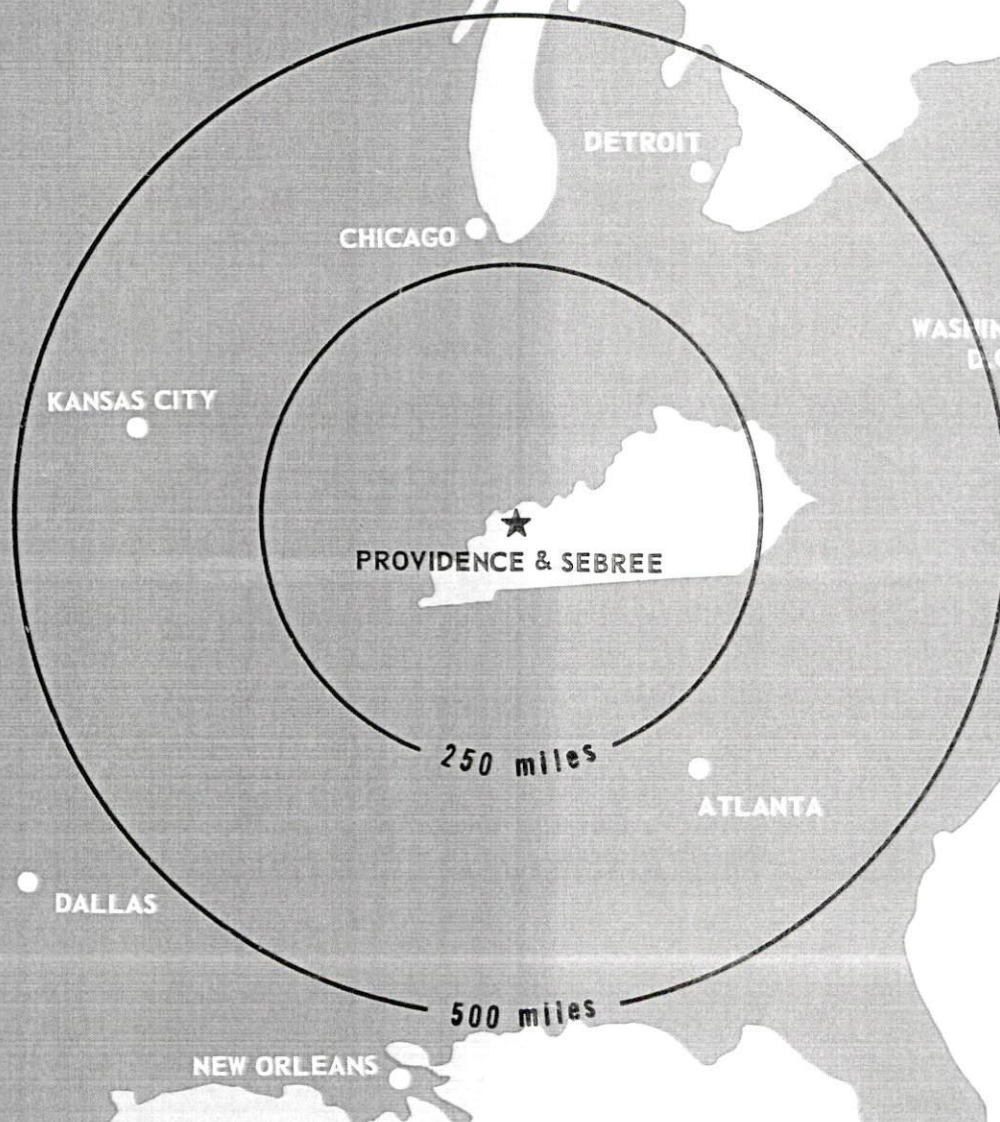
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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

PROVIDENCE & SEBREE ***KENTUCKY***



WEBSTER COUNTY, KENTUCKY

CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES, PROVIDENCE AND SEBREE, KENTUCKY

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

Population

	<u>1972</u> (Provisional)	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>
Providence	N.A.	4,270	3,771
Sebree	N.A.	1,092	1,139
Webster County	13,700	13,282	14,244
Labor Market Area	136,100	134,096	131,834
(Includes Webster, Caldwell, Crittenden, Henderson, Hopkins, McLean and Union Counties.)			

General Employment Characteristics

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Employment 1972</u>	
	<u>Webster County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	4,230	51,460
Agricultural	630	4,480
Nonagricultural	3,600	46,980
Manufacturing	440	9,780
Trades and Services	550	6,180
Government	500	11,755
Other	2,110	19,265

Manufacturing Employment

<u>Type Industry</u>	<u>Webster County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>March</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>%Change</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>%Change</u>
	<u>1973</u>	<u>1963</u>		<u>1973</u>	<u>1963</u>	
TOTAL	378	421	- 10.2	9,509	5,084	87.0
Food & Kindred Products	7	5	40.0	501	354	41.5
Tobacco	0	0	0	1	1	0
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	7	0	--	1,756	1,603	9.4
Lumber, Furniture	35	85	- 58.8	1,067	1,233	- 13.5
Printing & Publishing, Paper	186	225	- 17.3	642	471	36.3
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal, Rubber	5	99	- 95.0	1,447	751	92.7
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	0	0	86	121	- 28.9
Primary Metals	0	0	0	558	136	310.3
Machinery & Metal Products, Equipment	138	7	1871.4	3,367	349	864.8
Other	0	0	0	84	65	29.2

There are presently 13 manufacturing firms in Providence and Sebree.
Major firms, employment and year started operations:

<u>Firms</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Year started operations</u>
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Providence

Norfilm Division of Northern Petrochemical Co.	220	1951
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Sebree

Sebree Division of Shane Manufacturing Co., Inc.	110	1973
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Labor Supply

	<u>Webster 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)	1,830	800	1,030	10,470	4,310	6,160
Potential additions next five years	1,260	622	638	13,035	6,606	6,429

Personal Income

Webster County, 1971: Per Capita - \$2,918
1961: Per Capita - \$1,376

Local Government

Property Tax Rates

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

	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Sebree</u>	<u>Webster County</u>
State	\$.015	\$.015	\$.015
County	.181	.181	.181
School	.637	.447	.447
City	None	.300	
Total	\$.833	\$.943	\$.643

PROVIDENCE INDUSTRIAL SITES

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For more information about the following sites, contact Mr. Jerry Rhoads, Providence State Bank Building, Providence, Kentucky 42450 or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Capital Plaza Office Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.

SITE #2: ACREAGE: 7 acres
LOCATION: Near center of city of Providence
ZONING: Industrial
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on paved city street
RAILROAD: Louisville and Nashville Railroad spur at north boundary of site
WATER: Providence Municipal Light and Water Company
SIZE LINE: 10-inch line along eastern boundary of site
GAS: Providence Municipal Gas Company
SIZE MAIN: 3-inch main adjacent to site along east side of Findley Street
ELECTRICITY: Providence Municipal Light and Water Company
SEWERAGE: Municipal sewerage service
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line along south-eastern boundary of site
OWNERSHIP: Private

SITE #3: ACREAGE: 300 acres
LOCATION: Within northeast city limits
ZONING: None
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Approximately 900 feet from U. S. 41
RAILROAD: Not rail served
WATER: Providence Municipal Light and Power Company
SIZE LINE: 6-inch line approximately 800 feet south of site
GAS: Providence Municipal Gas Company
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main approximately 900 feet from southwest corner of site
ELECTRICITY: Henderson-Union RECC
SEWERAGE: Sewerage service not available
OWNERSHIP: Private

SITE #4: ACREAGE: 57 acres
LOCATION: Within northeast city limits
ZONING: Agricultural
HIGHWAY ACCESS: U. S. 41 A along northern boundary
RAILROAD: Not rail served
WATER: Providence Municipal Light and Water Company
SIZE LINE: 8 and 6-inch lines adjacent to site along north side of U. S. 41 A
GAS: Providence Municipal Gas Company
SIZE MAIN: Adjacent to north side of site across U. S. 41 A
ELECTRICITY: Providence Municipal Light and Water Company
SEWERAGE: Sewerage service not available
OWNERSHIP: Private

SITE # 5: ACREAGE: 15 acres
LOCATION: Within northeast city limits
ZONING: None
HIGHWAY ACCESS: U. S. 41 A along southern boundary of site
RAILROAD: Not rail served
WATER: Providence Municipal Light and Water Company
SIZE LINE: 8 and 6-inch lines along southern boundary of site
GAS: Providence Municipal Gas Company
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main along southern boundary of site
ELECTRICITY: Henderson-Union RECC
SEWERAGE: Sewerage service not available
OWNERSHIP: Private



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PROVIDENCE AND SEBREE, KENTUCKY

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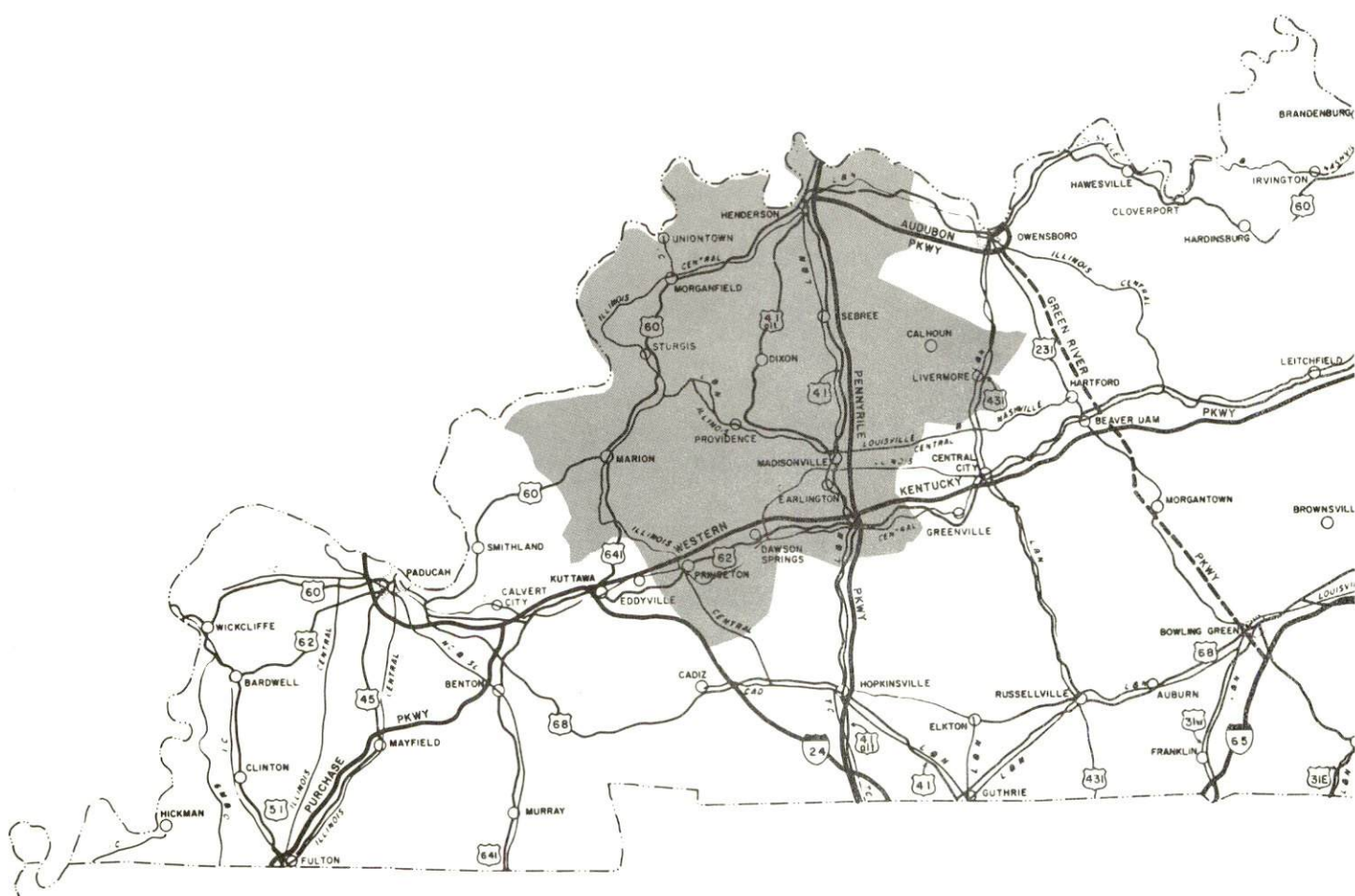
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PROVIDENCE AND SEBREE LABOR MARKET AREA

Shaded area denotes labor market area



PROVIDENCE AND SEBREE, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Location

Providence, largest city in Webster County, is situated in the southwestern portion of the county. Providence is 100 miles from Louisville, Kentucky; 241 miles from St. Louis, Missouri; and 192 miles from Nashville, Tennessee. In 1970, Providence had a population of 4,270.

Sebree, located in the northeastern portion of Webster County, is situated near the Green River. In 1970, Sebree had a population of 1,092.

Webster County, with a land area of 339 square miles, is located in southwestern Kentucky in the Western Coal Field Region. The Green River forms the eastern boundary of the county, and the Tradewater River forms the southwestern boundary. Webster County had a 1970 population of 13,282.

The Economic Framework

Total employment in Webster County averaged 3,500 in 1971, with agriculture providing 660 jobs, manufacturing 460, trade and services 490, government 520, and mining and quarrying 745. Since 1961, manufacturing employment has increased by 63.6 percent or 199 jobs. Major industrial products are plastic bags, freezer boxes, and lumber.

Per capita income in the county in 1970 was \$2,722, a 110 percent increase since 1960.

In the Providence-Sebree labor market area, which includes Webster and the six adjoining counties, 1971 total employment averaged 46,710, with trade and services providing 11,365 jobs, manufacturing 8,500, government 5,700, agriculture 4,670, and mining and quarrying over 3,935 jobs.

Manufacturing employment has increased 83.6 percent since 1961, with the sharpest gains in the rubber and plastics metal products, machinery and equipment industries.

Despite important industrial gains in recent years the area still has a deficit of 3,456 manufacturing jobs when measured against the national industrial employment-population ratio. This indicates an area where the potential for additional manufacturing production is excellent.

Resources for Growth

1. There is a current estimated labor supply of 10,065 men and 11,765 women available for industrial jobs in the labor market area. In addition 6,730 young men and 6,425 young women will become 18 years of age by 1978 and potentially available for work.

2. Providence is served by the Louisville & Nashville and the Illinois Central Gulf Railroads with a variety of services. The Pennyriple Parkway is only 17 miles from Providence by AAA highway, U. S. 41. The nearest commercial airport is 44 miles away at Evansville, Indiana. The nearest local airport at present is Madisonville, 17 miles away; however, plans are underway to construct a small aircraft airport at Providence in the near future. Sebree is served by the Louisville & Nashville Railroad with a variety of services. The nearest piggyback facilities are at Henderson, 18 miles away. The Pennyriple Parkway is only 2 miles east of Sebree while another AAA highway, U. S. 41, passes through Sebree. A 9-foot navigation channel in the Green River is within 3 miles of Sebree. The nearest commercial air service is at Evansville, Indiana, 25 miles away.

3. Providence is supplied electric power by the Providence Municipal Light & Water Company whose source of supply is the Kentucky Utilities Company. Kentucky Utilities supplies electric power to the City of Sebree. Portions of Webster County are served by the Henderson-Union RECC and Green River RECC.

Providence is provided natural gas service by the Providence Municipal Gas Company. The Western Kentucky Gas Company provides natural gas service to Sebree. Portions of Webster County are served by the Clay-Sturgis Gas Company. The Texas Gas Transmission Corporation serves as the source of supply for these distributors. There are six distributors of butane and propane gas, and four distributors of distillate fuel oil in the Providence-Sebree area. Providence has an excess daily capacity of 1,050,000 gallons of treated water available, while Sebree has an excess daily capacity of 50,000 gallons. An ample supply of raw water is available in Webster County.

4. Industrial sites - seven industrial sites are available in Webster County, three at Providence and four at Sebree.

5. Education - Two school systems operate in Webster County - The Webster County School System and the Providence Independent School District.

There are two universities, two senior colleges and three community colleges located within 50 miles of the Providence-Sebree area.

Community Programs for Improvement

Providence

1. Providence Independent School District completed ten new classroom units with the open concept and recently initiated a career education program for grades 1-12 and a program of individual instruction for grades 1-8.
2. A municipal swimming pool is to be constructed on a designated site within the city park.
3. A site has been selected for a new hospital which is to be constructed.
4. A community airport is in the planning stages with an air board established, site selected, and preliminary planning completed.
5. Police department radio equipment is being updated and modernized with a \$5,000 expenditure.
6. Two subdivisions are under development and lots are available.
7. A mobile home park has been completed and another has been proposed.
8. A Kentucky Utilities Company electric substation is to be constructed.

Sebree

1. 110-lot subdivision is planned for houses in the \$16,000-\$18,000 range.
2. A mobile home park has been completed.
3. A new municipal building for police and fire department and city offices is planned.
4. Sebree Springs Park is in the planning stages with a 30-acre site already purchased. Facilities will include: swimming pool, lighted tennis and volleyball courts, pavilion and picnic area.
5. Water and sewer lines have been extended east of the city to the industrial sites.

6. Three new businesses and a new law firm have recently been established.
7. A four-unit apartment complex has been completed.
8. Cable television service is planned.
9. A new vocational school is to be located on the campus of Webster County High School. Proposed courses: Industrial Maintenance, Machine Shop, Auto Mechanics, Welding, Distributive Education, Electricity, and Carpentry.
10. Webster County School System is the demonstration district in Western Kentucky for a continuous progress, team teaching approach, in traditional buildings. One building, Dixon Elementary, is designed for open concept method. The system is also participating in a region-wide career education program for grades 1-12.

Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Webster County is within 50 miles driving distance of six of Kentucky's beautiful lakes and state parks. Fishing, boating, sailing, swimming and picnicking are available. Cabins and lodges are abundant.

John James Audubon State Park lies 40 miles to the north of Providence at Henderson, Kentucky, on U.S. 41, featuring the John James Audubon Museum with original prints of Audubon's paintings. It also has two lakes totaling 40 acres, cottages and camping facilities, beaches, picnic areas, playground, and a 9-hole golf course. The park is open all year.

Due south of Providence is Kentucky Dam Village State Resort Park. This 1,200-acre park has two large lodging facilities plus cottages and campsites. Open all year, it features a pool, beach, 18-hole and miniature golf courses, playground, picnic areas, 4,000-foot airstrip, fishing and ski-boat rentals, horseback riding and tennis.

Lake Barkley State Resort Park, in the vicinity of Kentucky Lake, features a lodge and recreation complex, designed by Edward Durell Stone, which has no equal in the nation. It offers a 120-room lodge with eight suites, two bedroom cottages, heated pool, recreation room with pool, beach and bathhouse, riding stables, hiking trails, picnic areas, playgrounds, fishing, boat rentals, protected marina, and a new 18-hole golf course.

Pennyrile Forest State Resort Park is a 436-acre resort park located near Dawson Springs, Kentucky. It has a 55-acre lake, lodge, air conditioned cottages, camping accommodations, pool, beach, bathhouse, boat rentals, fishing, 9-hole and miniature golf courses, horseback riding, picnic shelter, hiking and playground.

Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area lies between Kentucky Lake on the west and Lake Barkley on the east. It is a 170,000-acre wooded ridge and peninsula formed by the two lakes. It offers hunting, camping, boating, hiking and nature study. Three large family campgrounds are open year-round in addition to twenty limited camping areas with lake access. Additionally, the Conservation Education Center, the Empire Farm and a buffalo herd are features to be enjoyed.

The Jefferson Davis Monument State Shrine at Fairview, Kentucky, is located on the farm where the President of the Confederacy was born. The 351-foot monument houses a museum and offers an elevator ride to the magnificent view at the top.

THE LABOR MARKET

POPULATION TRENDS ^{1/}

Area	Population			Percent Change	
	1970	1960	1950	1960-70	1950-60
Providence	4,270	3,771	3,905	+13.2	- 3.4
Sebree	1,092	1,139	1,158	- 4.1	- 1.6
Labor Market Area	134,096	131,834	134,016	+ 1.7	- 1.6
Webster County	13,282	14,244	15,555	- 6.8	- 8.4
Caldwell County	13,179	13,073	13,199	+ 0.8	- 0.9
Crittenden County	8,493	8,648	10,818	- 1.8	-20.1
Henderson County	36,031	33,519	30,715	+ 7.5	+ 9.1
Hopkins County	38,167	38,458	38,815	- 0.8	- 0.9
McLean County	9,062	9,355	10,021	- 3.1	- 6.6
Union County	15,882	14,537	14,893	+ 9.3	- 2.4

GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1971 ^{2/}

Major Employment Group	Employment	
	Webster County	Labor Market Area
TOTAL	3,500	46,710
Agricultural	660	4,670
Nonagricultural	2,840	42,040
Manufacturing	460	8,500
Government	520	5,700
Trade and Services	493	11,366
Mining and Quarrying	747	3,937*

*Does not include mining employment in McLean and Union Counties.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY SEPTEMBER 1971 AND 1961 ^{3/}

Industry	Webster County			Labor Market Area		
	1971	1961	% Change	1971	1961	% Change
TOTAL	512	313	+ 63.6	9,283	5,056	+ 83.6
Food & Kindred Products	11	5	+ 120.0	438	416	+ 5.3
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	0	0	0	1,727	1,680	+ 2.8
Lumber & Furniture	22	67	- 67.2	1,118	1,225	- 8.7
Printing, Publishing, Paper	226	178	+ 30.0	694	422	+ 64.5
Chemicals, Petroleum,						
Coal, Rubber	6	56	- 89.3	1,670	677	+ 146.7
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	0	0	114	178	- 40.0
Primary metals	0	0	0	229	127	+ 80.3
Machinery, Metal						
Products, Equipment	247	7	+3428.6	3,220	269	+1097.0
Other	0	0	0	73	62	+ 17.7

WEBSTER COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT ^{4/}

Firm	Product	Employment		
		Total	Male	Female
Providence				
B & W Farm Supply Co., Inc.	Feed	1	1	0
J. W. Bryant & Son	Lumber	17	16	1
The Journal-Enterprise	Newspaper, job printing	3	2	1
Lifetime Wood Products, Inc.	Treated wood products	4	0	4
Morgan Concrete Co.	Ready mixed concrete	2	1	1
Norfilm, Division of Northern Petrochemical Co.	Plastic bags, plastic freezer boxes	220	100	120
Providence Machine & Electric	Machine shop	22	20	2
James T. Skinner Sawmill	Lumber, mine timbers	2	1	1
Clay				
AgriCo Chemical Co.	Fertilizer	5	4	1
Clay Machine Works, Inc.	Welding, machine shop	8	7	1
Fairmont Wood Treating Co.	Mine timbers	12	11	1
Kentucky Mills, Inc., of Clay	Pallets, bases, skids, boxes	8	8	0
The Clay City Times	Newspaper	3	0	3
The Stave Co.	Barrel staves	12	12	0
Poole				
Rankin Melton	Rough lumber	6	6	0
Sebree				
Hopkinsville Stone Co.	Asphalt	12	12	0
Bivert Systems, Inc.	Agriculture and commercial insecticide spray system	15	15	0
The Sebree Banner	Newspaper	3	2	0

WAGE RATES FOR SELECTED OCCUPATIONS
PROVIDENCE, KENTUCKY ^{5/}

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Wages Per Hour</u>		
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Prevailing</u>
<u>Production Employees</u>			
Assembler	\$1.84	\$2.40	\$2.15
Inspector	1.85	2.75	2.30
Production Laborer	1.85	2.35	2.10
Welder, Arc or Acetylene (Class-A)	2.50	3.50	3.00
<u>Service Employees</u>			
Electrician (Class-A)	\$2.50	\$3.50	\$3.00
Laborer	1.75	2.50	2.25
Machinist	2.80	3.75	3.25
Mechanic, Maintenance	3.00	3.75	3.25
Truck Driver, Industrial (Class-A)	2.00	3.25	2.50
<u>Office Employees</u>			
Bookkeeper	\$1.75	\$2.25	\$1.90
File Clerk	1.65	2.00	1.80
Receptionist	1.60	2.00	1.75
Secretary	2.00	2.40	2.25
Typist	1.75	2.25	1.90

WAGE RATES FOR SELECTED OCCUPATIONS
SEBREE, KENTUCKY ^{5/}

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Wages Per Hour</u>		
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Prevailing</u>
<u>Production Employees</u>			
Assembler	\$1.70	\$2.35	\$2.00
Inspector	2.00	2.75	2.30
Production Laborer	2.00	2.80	2.40
Welder, Arc or Acetylene (Class-A)	2.60	3.50	3.00
<u>Service Employees</u>			
Electrician (Class-A)	\$3.00	\$3.80	\$3.50
Laborer	1.80	2.50	2.30
Machinist	2.80	3.75	3.25
Mechanic, Maintenance	3.00	4.00	3.50
Truck Driver, Industrial (Class-A)	2.00	3.25	2.50

(Cont.)

<u>Classification</u>	<u>Wages Per Hour</u>		
	<u>Starting</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Prevailing</u>
<u>Office Employees</u>			
Bookkeeper	\$1.75	\$2.25	\$1.90
File Clerk	1.65	2.00	1.80
Receptionist	1.60	2.10	1.80
Secretary	2.00	2.50	2.25
Typist	1.75	2.35	2.00

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing Workers at:</u>
United Mine Workers of America District 23	Norfilm, Division of Northern Petrochemical Company

CURRENT AND FUTURE LABOR SUPPLY - PROVIDENCE AND SEBREE LABOR MARKET AREA

<u>Area</u>	<u>Current Labor Supply, 1972^{6/}</u>			<u>Future Labor Supply by 1978^{7/} (Becoming 18 Years of Age)</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Labor Market						
Area	21,833	10,068	11,765	13,159	6,733	6,426
Webster County	2,709	1,359	1,350	1,302	648	654
Caldwell County	2,561	1,220	1,341	1,181	594	587
Crittenden County	1,415	700	715	791	430	361
Henderson County	3,905	1,408	2,497	3,732	1,853	1,879
Hopkins County	5,258	2,234	3,024	3,751	1,979	1,772
McLean County	2,235	658	1,577	862	436	426
Union County	3,750	2,489	1,261	1,540	793	747

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME ^{8/}

<u>Area</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Webster County	\$ 32,731,000	\$ 18,408,000	+ 77.8
Labor Market Area	372,216,000	211,113,000	+ 76.3
Kentucky	9,719,647,000	4,779,695,000	+103.4

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME ^{9/}

<u>Area</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Webster County	\$2,722	\$1,292	+110.7
Labor Market Area Range	\$1,820 to 3,219	\$905 to 2,073	N.A.
Kentucky	3,019	1,573	+ 91.9

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Webster County</u>
Total Enrollment	851	2,211
Elementary	608	1,495
High School	243	716
Student-Teacher Ratio	22-1	26-1
Elementary	23-1	28-1
High School	19-1	22-1
State Rating of High School	Basic	Standard
Percent High School Graduates to College	33.3	47.7
Current Expenditures Per Pupil	\$420.46	\$431.38
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1972	\$403,000	\$1,151,000

Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>	<u>Nearest Area Education Center</u>
Location	Madisonville State Vocational Technical School	Union City Area Vocational Education Center
Miles Distant	Madisonville 17 miles from Providence	Morganfield 31 miles from Providence
Curriculum	Lab Assistant Medical Assistant Medical Secretary Practical Nursing Radiologic Technology Surgical Technician Electronics (Communications) Highway Technology Auto Repair and Mechanics Carpentry Drafting Electricity Machine Shop Mine Maintenance	Health Careers Auto Mechanics Carpentry Electricity Welding

Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area - Within 50 Miles</u>		<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	
Brescia College	Owensboro	931	Baccalaureate
Kentucky Wesleyan	Owensboro	772	Baccalaureate
Henderson Community College	Henderson	608	Associate
Madisonville Community College	Madisonville	356	Associate
Hopkinsville Community College	Hopkinsville	752	Associate
University of Evansville	Evansville, Indiana	5,322	Masters
Indiana State University Evansville Campus	Evansville Indiana	2,648	Baccalaureate

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Lines serving Providence - Louisville & Nashville Railroad and Illinois Central Gulf Railroad

Services - Freight, siding space and switching facilities

Line serving Sebree - Louisville & Nashville Railroad

Services - Freight, siding space, switching facilities; piggyback facilities at Henderson, 18 miles distant

RAILWAY TRANSIT TIME FROM PROVIDENCE, KENTUCKY, TO: 10/

No. of Days		No. of Days	
City	CL	City	CL
Atlanta, Ga.	3	Knoxville, Tenn.	3
Birmingham, Ala.	3	Los Angeles, Calif.	6
Chicago, Ill.	3	Louisville, Ky.	2
Cincinnati, Ohio	3	Nashville, Tenn.	2
Cleveland, Ohio	3	New Orleans, La.	4
Detroit, Mich.	5	New York, N. Y.	6
East St. Louis, Ill.	3	Pittsburgh, Pa.	5

Truck Service

Company

Home Office

Providence

A & H Truck Line, Inc.
A. Ligon Truck Line, Inc.
(United Trucking)
McLean Trucking Co.
Tennessee Cartage Co., Inc.
T.I.M.E. - D. C., Inc.

Evansville, Indiana

Detroit, Michigan
Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Nashville, Tennessee
Lubbock, Texas

Sebree

A. Ligon Truck Line, Inc.
(United Trucking)
McLean Trucking Company

Detroit, Michigan
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

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

City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time ^{11/}		City	Highway Miles	Delivery Time	
		LTL	TL			LTL	TL
Atlanta, Ga.	390	3	2	Los Angeles, Calif.	2,096	6	4
Birmingham, Ala.	339	3	2	Louisville, Ky.	100	2	1
Chicago, Ill.	365	3	2	Nashville, Tenn.	192	2	1
Cincinnati, Ohio	293	3	2	New Orleans, La.	617	3	2
Cleveland, Ohio	537	3	2	New York, N. Y.	957	4	3
Detroit, Mich.	513	3	2	Pittsburgh, Pa.	577	3	2
Knoxville, Tenn.	393	2	1	St. Louis, Mo.	241	3	2

Air

	<u>Nearest Local</u>	<u>Nearest Commercial</u>
Location:	Madisonville Municipal Madisonville, Kentucky 17 miles from Providence	Dress Memorial Airport Evansville, Indiana 44 miles from Providence
Runways:	1 paved	3 paved
Length:	4,200 ft.	8,023 ft., 5,084 ft., 3,502 ft.
Traffic		
Control:	Wind tee and sock	Tower - 123.0 Unicom
Lighting:	Runway lighted sunset to sunrise and rotating beacon	Runway lighted sunset to sunrise and beacon
Services:	80-87 and 100 octane, flight training and charter - single-multi-engine, major and minor repairs, auto rental	80-87, 91-96, 100-130 octane, jet fuel, JP-4, taxis, courtesy cars, auto rentals, major repairs, 24-hour operation, restaurant, lodging and charter, APU

Bus - Providence and Sebree served by Southern Greyhound Bus Line

Taxi - Two companies with 24-hour radio dispatched service
serve Providence.

Rental Services -

Providence - Car and truck rentals

Sebree - Nearest rentals are at Henderson, Kentucky.

Water - Sebree's close proximity to a 9-foot navigation channel in the Green
River affords the town water transportation possibilities.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Providence - Providence Municipal Light & Water Company
Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company
Total generating capacity - 1,215,000 KW
Industrial rates furnished by - Providence Municipal Light & Water Company, Providence, Kentucky

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

Company serving Webster County - Green River RECC and Henderson-Union RECC
Source of power - Big Rivers RECC
Total generating capacity - 400,000 KW
Industrial rates furnished by - Green River RECC, Owensboro, Kentucky; Henderson-Union RECC, Henderson, Kentucky

Natural Gas

Company serving Providence - Providence Municipal Gas Company
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation
Size of transmission mains - 26 inches (supplier); 3 and 4 inches (distributor)
Distribution mains - 2, 3, and 4 inches
Distribution pressure - 20 psi
Btu content - 1,010
Specific gravity - 0.6
Rates - Gas rates may be obtained from Providence Municipal Gas Company, Providence, Kentucky

Company serving Sebree - Western Kentucky Gas Company
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation
Size of transmission mains - 12 inches (supplier); 2 inches (distributor)
Distribution mains - 2 and 4 inches
Distribution pressure - 4 oz. to 35 psi
Btu content - 1,000
Specific gravity - 0.6
Rates - Gas rates may be obtained from Western Kentucky Gas Company, Sebree, Kentucky

Company serving Providence rural area - Clay-Sturgis Gas Company

Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation

Size of transmission mains - 2 - 26-inch; 1 - 30-inch (supplier);
6-inch (distributor)

Distribution mains - 1, 2, and 3 inches

Pressure - 70 - 200 psi

Specific gravity - 0.6

Rates - Rates may be obtained from Clay-Sturgis Gas Company, Clay,
Kentucky

Other Fuels

Propane and butane

Par-Gas, Nebo

Universal Butane Company, Henderson

Ken-Gas, Henderson

Skelgas, Henderson

Lin-Gas, Henderson

Southern States L. P. Gas, Clay

Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil distributors

Hart Gas and Oil Company, Providence

West Kentucky Oil Company, Providence

Allan Marathon Bulk Plant, Sebree

Phillips 66, Dixon

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

Low sulphur content coal - Available in Kentucky

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Providence - Providence Municipal Light & Water Company

Source - Two lakes and Tradewater River

Treatment plant capacity - 1,500,000 gpd

Average daily consumption - 382,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 450,000 gallons

Type treatment - Filtration, chlorination, coagulation, lime, alum, fluoridation

Storage capacity - 550,000 gallons

Size mains - 12, 10, and 2 inches

Average pressure - 100 psi

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

Minimum Rate		\$3.00
First	3,000 gallons	3.00
Next	2,000 gallons	.90 per M gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	.80 per M gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	.60 per M gallons
Next	30,000 gallons	.40 per M gallons
All over	60,000 gallons	.20 per M gallons

Company serving Sebree - Sebree Water System

Source - Wells

Treatment plant capacity - 150,000 gpd

Average daily consumption - 100,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 125,000 gallons

Type treatment - Softener and filter

Storage capacity - 205,000 gallons

Size mains - 2, 6, and 8 inches

Average pressure - 80 psi

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

First	2,000 gallons	\$3.50
Over	2,000 gallons	.75 per M gallons

Surface water sources - Tradewater and Green Rivers
Average discharge - Tradewater River - 318 cfs; Green River -
10,560 cfs
Expected ground water yield - 50 to 200 gpm along Tradewater River
and small areas in northern portion of county; 5 to 50 gpm in western
portion; 5 gpm over remainder of county

Sewerage

Company serving Providence - Providence Filter Plant
Design capacity - 450,000 gpd
Average daily flow - 250,000 gallons
Treatment - Primary and secondary
Type treatment - Chlorine, trickling filter
Treated effluent discharged into - Tradewater River from drainage
channel
Size of sanitary mains - 6, 8, and 15 inches
Rates - 75 percent of monthly water bill

Company serving Sebree - Sebree Sewerage System
Design capacity - 160,000 gpd
Average daily flow - 90,000 gallons
Treatment - Primary
Type treatment - Aeration
Treated effluent discharged into - Creek
Size of sanitary mains - 10, 8, and 6 inches
Rates - Minimum \$2 or 70 percent of monthly water bill over 2,000
gallons



Providence Municipal Center

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Providence

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

Budget 1972-73 - General Fund \$196,690; Utility Fund \$696,850

Fees and licenses - \$5 car fee, \$10.50 loading fee for trucks under one ton, \$15.50 for trucks over one ton, annually

Sebree

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

Income 1971-72 - General Fund \$23,341.51; Water and Sewer Fund - \$66,456.57

Fees and licenses - Occupational license \$10 minimum; \$42 maximum, annually

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 6 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1971-72 - General Fund \$167,168; Road Fund \$73,750

Assessed Value of Property, 1972

<u>Classes of Property*</u>	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Sebree</u>	<u>Webster County</u>
Real Estate	\$7,451,000	\$2,541,031	\$60,136,875
Tangibles	4,036,030	913,864	14,479,380
Public Service	1,157,755		19,636,457 (1971)

Local General Property Tax Rates Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1972 ^{12/}

<u>Taxing Unit**</u>	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Sebree</u>	<u>Webster County</u>
State	\$.015	\$.015	\$.015
County	.180	.180	.180
School	.544	.445	.445
City		.300	
Total	\$.739	\$.940	\$.640

*Property assessed at 100 percent of fair value.

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

Planning and Zoning

Agency - Webster County Joint Planning Commission

Plans completed - Base Map, Existing Land Use Map, Existing Land Use Analysis

Other programs - BOR Project (Sebree)

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Sebree</u>	<u>Webster County</u>
Total staff	6	2	4
Radio-patrol cars	2	2	2
Other equipment	Breathalyzer High Band Radio Narcotics kit Riot equipment	Radar	Breathalyzer Finger print kit

Fire

American Insurance Association Fire Rating	7	7
Full-time staff	5	
Volunteers	18	12
Equipment:		
1,000 gpm pumpers	2	1
750 gpm pumper		1
other	Rescue truck	Rescue truck

Rescue Service

Providence Fire Rescue Squad:

Number of volunteers - 23

Equipment - 2 emergency medical technicians, power saw, emergency generator, first aid kits, resuscitator, 1 rescue and brush fire 160 gpm truck

Personnel training - Basic fireman and refresher training

Sebree Fire Rescue Unit:

Number of volunteers - 6

Equipment - 1 ambulance-rescue truck, 2 air packs, dragging equipment, respirator

Training - Bimonthly refresher training

Sanitation

	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Sebree</u>
Type service	Private	Municipal
Fee charged:		
residential	\$2.50 monthly	\$1.98 monthly
business	\$2.75 monthly and up	\$1.98 - \$7.00 monthly
Collection frequency:		
residential	Weekly	Weekly
business	Varies	Weekly
Disposal method	Sanitary landfill	Sanitary landfill

HEALTH

Hospitals

<u>General Hospitals</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Hopkins County Hospital, Inc.	Madisonville, 17 miles from Providence	272
Cardwell Hospital	Providence	12
Community Methodist Hospital	Henderson, 18 miles from Sebree	224

Hopkins County Hospital, Inc.

General Hospital Facilities - Intensive care, 6 operating rooms, X-ray, laboratory, physical therapy, pharmacy, home health agency, licensed practical nurses school, X-ray technology school, registered nurses school, recovery room, emergency room, O.B. section, nursery, coronary unit

Medical staff - 55 doctors, 30 registered nurses, 84 licensed practical nurses, 206 nurses' aides and orderlies

Cardwell Hospital

General Hospital Facilities - Minor surgery, laboratory, X-ray, outpatient clinic, ultrasonic treatments

Medical staff - 1 doctor, 1 receptionist, 1 medical assistant, 1 volunteer nurses' aide

Community Methodist Hospital

General Hospital Facilities - 16 bassinets, 6 X-ray and diagnostic and treatment rooms, laboratory facilities, nursery, emergency room, 4 operating rooms, cardiac care unit, intensive care unit, physical therapy, rehabilitation, inhalation therapy unit, 24-hour outpatient clinic

Medical staff - 30 doctors, 36 consultant doctors, 67 registered nurses, 26 graduate licensed practical nurses

Other - School of nursing and vocational licensed practical nursing

Nursing Homes

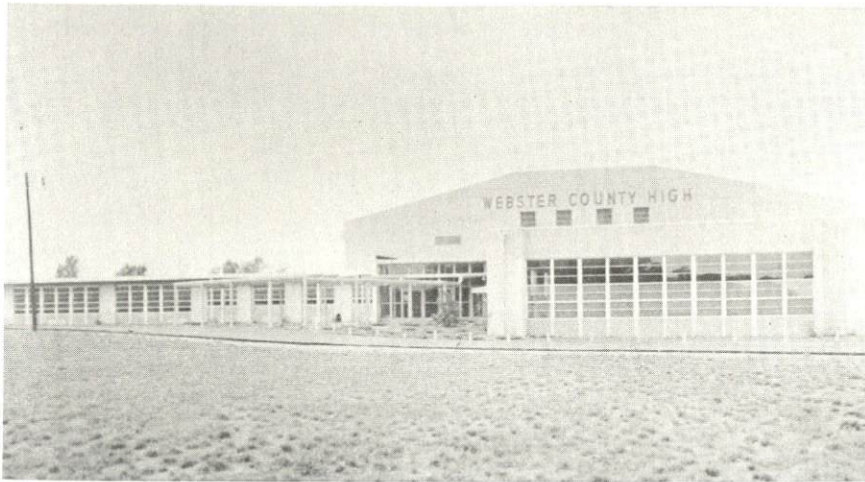
	<u>Number</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Extended care homes	1	20
Personal care homes	2	61

Public Health

Facility - Webster County Health Department

Staff - 1 sanitarian, 2 registered nurses, 2 clerk-typists, 1 administrative assistant

Budget 1972-73 - \$55,929



Webster County High School



Sebree Elementary School



Post Office - Sebree

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Sebree</u>
Telephone -	South Central Bell	South Central Bell
Services -	Standard	Standard
Telegraph -	Nearest service at Madisonville, 17 miles distant	Western Union
Postal - U. S. Post Office		
Class -	Second	Second
Mail received -	Twice daily	Twice daily
Mail dispatched -	Twice daily	Twice daily
Newspapers -	Journal Enterprise	Sebree Banner
Weekly and circulation -	3,180	1,750
Other papers received from -	Louisville, Kentucky; Evansville, Indiana	Louisville and Providence, Kentucky; Evans- ville, Indiana
Radio -		
Stations received from -	Louisville, Henderson, Madisonville and Owens- boro, Kentucky; Evans- ville, Indiana; Nashville, Tennessee	Louisville, Hender- son, Madisonville and Owensboro, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee; Evans- ville, Indiana
Television -	Cable service	
Reception from -	Bowling Green and Paducah, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee; Evansville, Indiana; Cape Girardeau, Missouri	Henderson, Kentucky; Evansville, Indiana
Kentucky Educational Television -	Madisonville transmitter, Channel 35	Madisonville trans- mitter, Channel 35

Library Services

Public libraries - Providence Public Library, Branch of Webster County
Public Library

Circulation, 1971 - 13,935 volumes

Services - Bookmobile, records, paintings, audio visual equipment

Webster County Public Library

Size collection - 23,516 volumes

Circulation - 48,293

Services - Bookmobile, records, paintings, audio visual equipment,
copiers

Religious Institutions

Providence

Number of churches - 20

Denominations - Baptist, Christian, Church of Christ, Presbyterian,
Pentecostal, Jehovah's Witnesses, Methodist, Seventh Day Adventist

Nearest synagogue - Adath Israel (reform), Henderson, 37 miles away

Sebree

Number of churches - 5

Denominations - Baptist, Missionary Baptist, Christian, Methodist,
Pentecostal

Nearest synagogue - Adath Israel (reform), Henderson, 18 miles away

Financial Institutions

<u>Bank</u>	<u>Statement as of June 30, 1972</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Providence State Bank	\$8,171,096	\$7,268,324
Sebree Deposit Bank	5,388,606	4,569,901

<u>Savings and Loan Associations</u>	<u>Statement as of December 31, 1971</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Shared Accounts</u>
Providence Federal Savings & Loan Association	\$ 727,142	\$ 645,599

Hotels and Motels

Sebree

Total Number - 2

Units - 22

Clubs and Organizations

Providence

Business and Civic - Kiwanis, Jaycees, P.T.A., American Legion,
Ministerial Association

Fraternal - Masonic Lodge, VFW, American Legion

Women's - Business & Professional Women's Club, Rose Club, Garden
Club, Mothers' Club, Book Club, 20th Century Club, Eastern Star,
Rainbow Girls, American Legion Auxiliary, Pakendal Club

Youth - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Bownies, Little League,
FFA, FHA, FBLA, 4-H

Sebree

Business and Civic - Lions, P.T.A., Woodmen of the World

Fraternal - Masonic Lodge, American Legion

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

Youth - 4-H, FFA, FBLA, FTA, Little League, Pony League, Pee Wee
League

RECREATION

Local

	<u>Providence</u>	<u>Sebree</u>
Public Recreation Facilities		
Supervised program -	Yes	Yes
Parks -	1	1
Playgrounds -	1	1
Baseball diamonds -	2	1
Other -	Basketball courts	
Private Recreation Facilities		
Country club -	1	
Golf course -	1	
Swimming pool -	1	
Bowling lanes -	1	
Other -	Skeet and trap shoot, archery, skating rink, billiards	

Area (Within 75 miles)

Jefferson Davis Monument State Shrine
 John James Audubon State Park
 Pennyrile Forest State Park
 Kentucky Dam Village State Park
 Lake Barkley State Park
 Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area

AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

Agriculture 13/

	<u>Webster County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total land area (acres)	216,768	1,691,776
Percent of area in farm land	72.5	71.7
Number of farms	861	6,020
Average size of farms (acres)	182.5	201.5
1969 value of all farm products	\$6,790,719	\$59,916,925
Value per farm	7,887	9,953
Total crop sales	3,172,108	25,469,934
Total livestock & livestock products	3,597,792	34,107,428
1970 agricultural production included:		
Burley tobacco (lbs.)	179,000	2,959,000
Corn (bu.)	987,000	9,191,000
Cattle and calves (number)	22,800	195,400
Hogs and pigs (number)	43,800	328,300
Milk production, 1969 (lbs.)	2,280,000	32,320,000

Natural Resources

Principal mineral resources	Coal and petroleum
Other mineral resources	Natural gas and clays
Acres of commercial forest land	66,900
Most abundant tree species	Red oak, white oak, hickory, sweet gum, hard and soft maple, ash, yellow poplar, beech

Climate 14/

	<u>Webster County</u>
Temperature	
Annual mean (30-year record)	57.0 degrees
Average annual 1971	56.9 degrees
Record highest, July, 1966 (11-year record)	104.0 degrees
Record lowest, January 1963 (11-year record)	-18.0 degrees
Seasonal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,435
Precipitation	
Mean annual total (30-year record)	41.45 inches
Mean annual snow and sleet (31-year record)	13.30 inches
Total precipitation 1971	40.25 inches
Mean number days precipitation, (.01 inch or more) (31-year record)	114
Average number days thunderstorms (31-year record)	14
Prevailing winds (14-year record)	South-southwest

HISTORY

Webster County, the one hundred and ninth county formed in Kentucky, dates from 1860. Its land was taken from Henderson, Hopkins, and Union Counties. It contains 339 square miles of territory. A ridge runs through the middle of the county and divides the area between the waters of the Green River on the northeast and Tradewater River on the southwest. This ridge is a succession of hills whose elevation is only slightly higher than the river valleys on each side. The soil is fertile throughout the county.

In 1860, Webster County had a population of 7,533, gradually increasing to a high of 20,974 by 1910. After that, the population began to decrease. In 1940, the county population had dropped to 19,198; to 15,550 by 1950, to 14,244 by 1960; and to 13,282 by 1970. This migration can be primarily attributed to a general lack of local employment and business opportunity.

Webster County was named for Daniel Webster of Massachusetts. Webster, perhaps more than any other public figure of his time, possessed the high qualities of orator, statesman and patriot.

Dixon, the county seat, is 544 feet above sea level. It was named for Archibold Dixon, Lieutenant Governor of Kentucky from 1844 to 1848, and a member of the United States Senate from 1852 to 1855 when he filled the unexpired term of Henry Clay after Clay's death. The site of a prison pen, where Confederate prisoners of war were confined after the skirmishes of Slaughters (1862) and Providence (1864), is on the Court-house Square. The Rice House, located in the southwestern portion of the town, was the birthplace of Cale Young Rice, a distinguished Kentucky poet. Dixon's economy was given a shot in the arm during World War II when air borne units were trained at Camp Breckinridge whose site lies in both Webster and Union Counties.

Alfred Townes was the first person to mine and use coal in Webster County. It came from an outcropping on a hillside at the edge of Dixon, just off the Old Indian Trail which was later followed for several miles by the Natchez Trace. While developing the coal industry, Townes made an attempt to build a railroad into the section. He failed when his financial backers refused to support the project to completion. Today the Louisville & Nashville Railroad and the Illinois Central Gulf Railroad have lines running through the county.

Agriculture provided 660 of the county's 3,500 jobs in 1971. Mining and quarrying provided 745 jobs. Manufacturing employment increased 63.6 percent or 199 jobs between 1961 and 1971. Largest of the county's firms is the Norfilm Division of Northern Petrochemical Company, which produces plastic bags and plastic freezer boxes.

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