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INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

ASHLAND CATLETTSBURG

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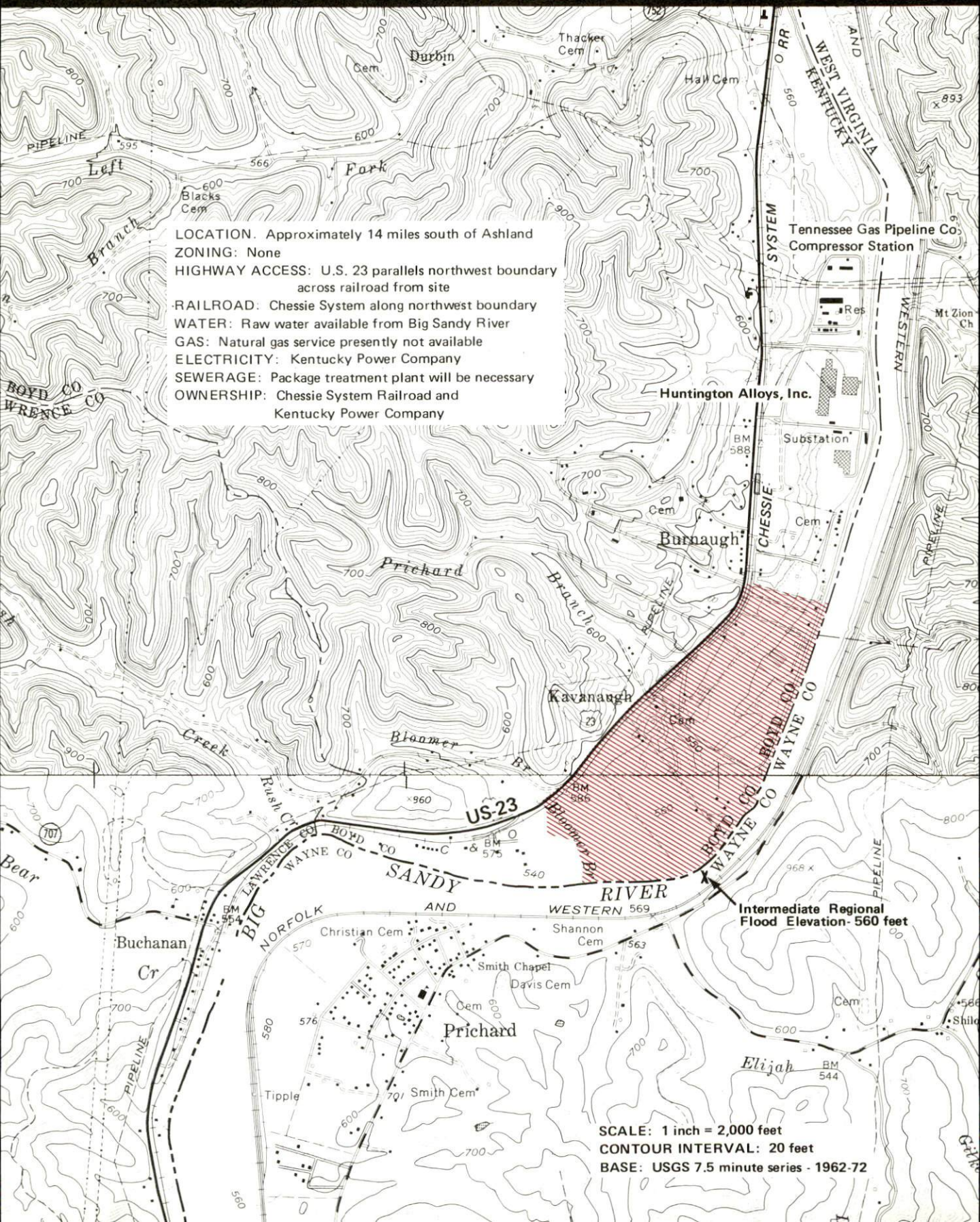


DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

ASHLAND AREA --- Site No. 178 --- 200 Acres

Potential Site

For more information contact Mr. Donald Loftus, Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce, Ashland, Kentucky 41101, or the Industrial Development Division, Kentucky Department of Commerce, Capital Plaza Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



LOCATION. Approximately 14 miles south of Ashland
ZONING: None
HIGHWAY ACCESS: U.S. 23 parallels northwest boundary across railroad from site
RAILROAD: Chessie System along northwest boundary
WATER: Raw water available from Big Sandy River
GAS: Natural gas service presently not available
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Power Company
SEWERAGE: Package treatment plant will be necessary
OWNERSHIP: Chessie System Railroad and Kentucky Power Company

Huntington Alloys, Inc.

Tennessee Gas Pipeline Co.
Compressor Station

Burnaugh

Kavanaugh

US-23

SANDY RIVER

Intermediate Regional
Flood Elevation-560 feet

Prichard

SCALE: 1 inch = 2,000 feet
CONTOUR INTERVAL: 20 feet
BASE: USGS 7.5 minute series - 1962-72

INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES
ASHLAND AND CATLETTSBURG, KENTUCKY

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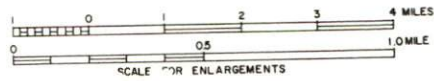
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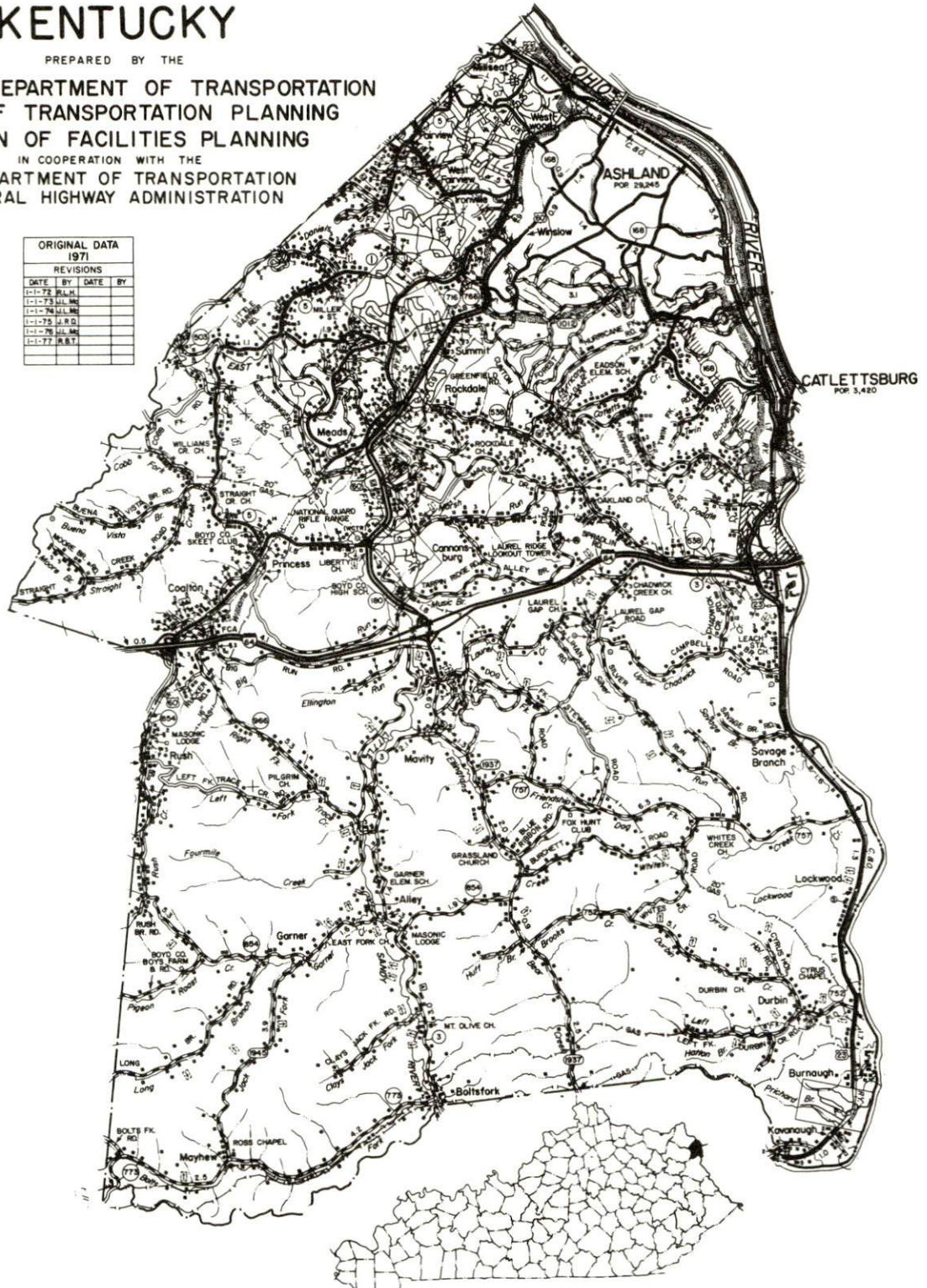
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GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP BOYD COUNTY KENTUCKY

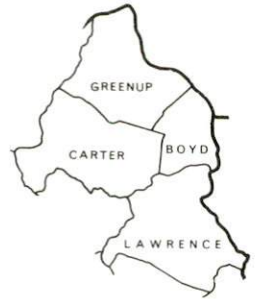


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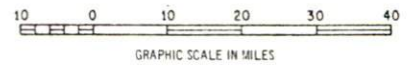
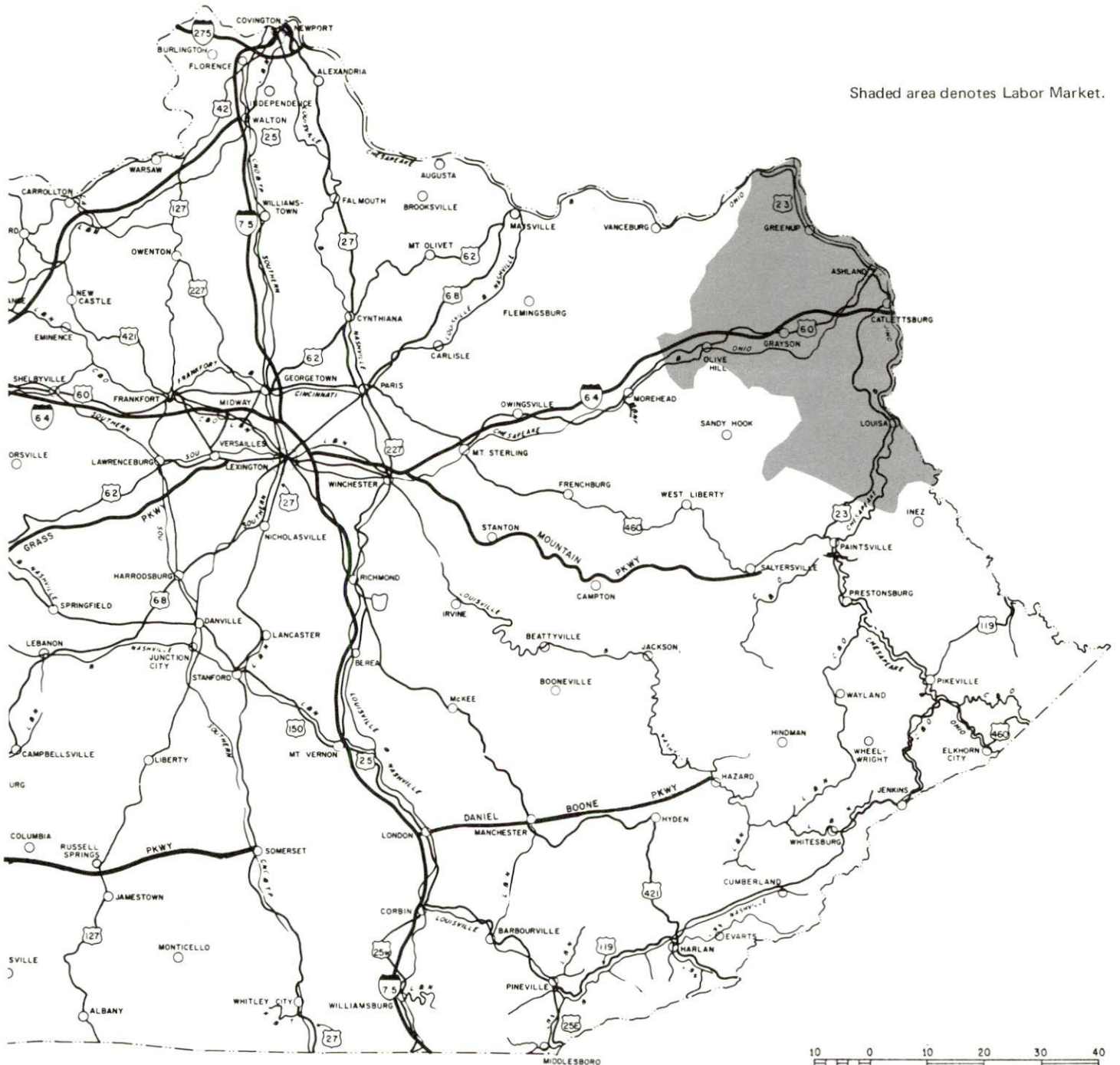
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ASHLAND-CATLETTSBURG LABOR MARKET AREA

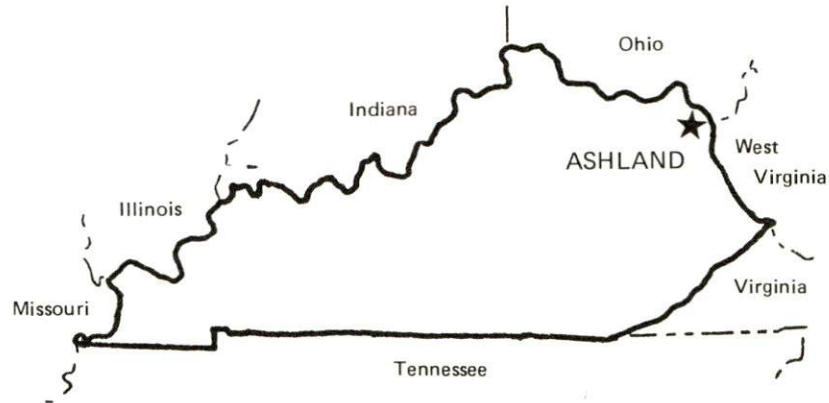


Shaded area denotes Labor Market.



SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES
ASHLAND AND CATLETTSBURG, KENTUCKY

LOCATION



Road Distance in Miles:

Atlanta	<u>480</u>	Baltimore	<u>443</u>
Chicago	<u>470</u>	Detroit	<u>418</u>
New York	<u>615</u>	St. Louis	<u>453</u>

POPULATION

City of Ashland, 1975	<u>27,456</u>
City of Catlettsburg, 1975	<u>3,776</u>
Boyd County, 1976	<u>52,400</u>
Labor Market Area, 1976	<u>122,900</u>
% Nonwhite, Boyd County, 1970	<u>1.7</u>

LABOR ANALYSIS

Labor Market Area - Boyd, Carter, Greenup and Lawrence Counties

Estimated available workers from labor market area:

Male	<u>7,410</u>	Female	<u>9,090</u>
Unemployment rate, 1976		Labor Market Area	<u>5.3%</u>
Boyd County	<u>4.1%</u>	Greenup County	<u>4.9%</u>
Carter County	<u>8.4%</u>	Lawrence County	<u>6.6%</u>

Total employment, Boyd County - 19,410

Manufacturing employment in labor market area - 12,505

Major local manufacturing plants:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Employment</u>
<u>Armco Steel Corporation</u>	<u>4,447</u>
<u>Ashland Petroleum Company</u>	<u>1,173</u>
<u>National Mine Service Company</u>	<u>775</u>
<u>Semet. Solvay Division,</u>	
<u>Allied Chemical Corporation</u>	<u>541</u>
<u>Kentucky Electric Steel Company</u>	<u>425</u>
<u>Huntington Alloys, Inc.</u>	<u>350</u>
<u>Calgon Corporation</u>	<u>239</u>

Labor unions in local manufacturing plants:

Ladies' Garment Workers; Leather Workers; Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers; Brick and Clay Workers; and Steel Workers

TRANSPORTATION

Highways:

Interstate - I-64; U.S. Highways - U.S. 23 and 60

Rail:

Railroad - The Chessie System
Distance to nearest piggyback - 20 miles

Truck:

Number of interstate motor carriers - 15; Local terminal - 1

Water:

Nearest navigable river - Ohio River
Nearest public riverport - Cincinnati area
Distance - 196 miles

Air:

Nearest commercial service - Huntington, West Virginia
Distance - 20 miles; Airlines serving - Allegheny and Piedmont
Nearest local airport - Worthington, Kentucky
Distance - 6 miles; Runway length - 5,600 feet

UTILITIES AND SERVICES

Electricity:

Ashland, Catlettsburg and Boyd County

Local distributor - Kentucky Power Company

Source of power - Kentucky Power Company

Natural Gas:

Ashland, Catlettsburg, and Boyd County

Local distributor - Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.

Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation

Available for new industry - No

Other Fuels:

Number of area propane distributors - 4

Number of area distillate fuel oil distributors - 3

Water, treated:

Ashland and Catlettsburg

Local supplier - City of Ashland Utilities Department

Excess municipal system capacity - At capacity

Expansions planned - Yes

Water, raw:

Sources for industrial use - Ohio and Big Sandy Rivers

Sewer:

Ashland

Excess treatment capacity - 10,000,000 gpd

Planned expansions - Yes

Catlettsburg

Excess treatment capacity - 275,000 gpd

Planned expansions - No

Industrial Services

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Miles Distant</u>
Tool & Die, Machine & Pattern Shops	<u>Ashland</u>	<u>---</u>
Metal Service Centers	<u>Huntington, W. Va.</u>	<u>20</u>
Heat Treating	<u>Georgetown</u>	<u>128</u>
Metal Finishers	<u>Lexington</u>	<u>118</u>
Electric Motor Repair	<u>Lexington</u>	<u>118</u>

CLIMATE

Temperature, Normal - 54.6 degrees F.
Precipitation, Normal - 38.44 inches
Snowfall, Mean Annual - 23.9 inches
Relative Humidity (%) - 7 a.m. - 80; 7 p.m. - 68

GOVERNMENT

Ashland

Type - City Manager
Police personnel - Full-time - 51
Fire department personnel - Full-time - 60
Fire insurance rating (A.I.A.), class - Inside city - 4

Catlettsburg

Type - Mayor-Council
Police personnel - Full-time - 9
Fire department personnel - volunteer - 20
Fire insurance rating (A.I.A.), class - Inside city - 7

TAXES

Property taxes;

Combined state and local rates per \$100 valuation, 1977
(100% assessment)

	<u>Inside City of Ashland</u>	<u>Inside City of Catlettsburg</u>	<u>Outside City</u>
1. Land and buildings	\$1.453	\$1.743	\$0.773
2. Mfg. machinery, raw materials, goods in process, pollution control equipment	0.150	0.150	0.150
3. Finished goods, office equipment, vehicles, other tangibles	1.588	1.878	0.908
4. Intangibles (accounts, notes, bonds, etc.)	0.250	0.250	0.250

Special local taxes:

Net profits tax - Ashland - 1.5%; Catlettsburg - 1%

EDUCATION

State vocational-technical school - Ashland
Area vocational educational center - Catlettsburg
College or university - Ashland Community College

Public Schools:

High school enrollment - 2,778; Student/teacher ratio - 20-1
Elementary school enrollment - 5,589;
Student/teacher ratio - 20-1
Middle school enrollment - 2,481; Student/teacher ratio - 22-1

Nonpublic Schools:

Enrollment - 301
Student/teacher ratio - 12-1

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Ashland

Banks - 3; Total assets - \$218,662,520.00

Savings & loan associations - 3; Total assets - \$93,674,540.00

Catlettsburg

Bank - 1; Total assets - \$39,369,892.70

Savings & loan association - 1; Total assets - \$30,883,444.00

COMMUNICATIONS

Local newspaper - Ashland Daily Independent

Daily - 25,400; Sunday - 26,400

Local radio stations - WCMI-AM and WAMX-FM (Ashland)

WTCR-AM and WCAK-FM (Catlettsburg)

Television stations - KET, Ashland transmitter - Channel 25
and cable service (Catlettsburg)

MEDICAL

Number of physicians locally - 57

Number of dentists locally - 34

Hospitals - King's Daughters' Hospital and Our Lady of Bellefonte
Hospital; Number of beds - 463

RELIGIOUS FACILITIES

Churches - 60; Synagogue - 1

PUBLIC LODGING

Total number hotels and motels - 19; Total rooms - 425

RECREATION FACILITIES

Ashland and Catlettsburg

Public golf courses - 6; Parks - 3; Tennis courts - 20

Swimming pools - 2; Country club - 1

Other major facilities - YMCA, 2 private swimming pools, Paramount
Art Center

Nearest state park - Greenbo Lake State Park, 15 miles from Ashland
Camping; Swimming; Fishing; Boating; Lodgings; Dining facility;
Open year round

THE LABOR MARKET AREA

POPULATION			
Area	1976*	1970	Percent Nonwhite
			1970
Ashland	27,456**	29,245	2.6
Catlettsburg	3,776**	3,420	0.3
Labor Market Area	122,900	116,144	N/A
Boyd County	52,400	52,376	1.7
Carter County	23,000	19,850	0.2
Greenup County	35,000	33,192	0.4
Lawrence County	12,500	10,726	0.3

*Provisional Estimates.

**1975 Population Estimates.

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970. U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-25, No. 665, May 1977; Series P-26, No. 76-17, July 1977.

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1976

	Boyd County	Labor Market Area
Civilian Labor Force	20,238	42,979
Employment	19,411	40,719
Agricultural	287	1,325
Nonagricultural	19,124	39,394
Unemployment	827	2,260
Rate of Unemployment (%)	4.1	5.3

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Force Estimates, Annual Averages, 1976.

MAJOR BOYD COUNTY MANUFACTURING FIRMS,
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT*

Firm (Establishment date)	Product	Employment			Organized
		Total	Male	Female	
<u>Ashland</u>					
A. C. Marble, Inc. (1960)	Cultured marble	45	33	12	
Armco Steel Corporation (1922)	Iron, steel sheets, coils	4,447	4,295	152	**
Ashland Crafts, Inc. (1951)	Children's dresses and sports-wear	129	3	126	**
Ashland Publishing Company (1921)	Newspaper	116	94	22	
Betsy Ross Bakeries, Inc. (1944)	Bread	100	89	11	
Castle Showcase Company (1944)	Display show-cases and fixtures, hardware	45	40	5	
Johnson's Dairy, Inc. (1931)	Milk, cottage cheese, ice cream	67	56	11	
Kentucky Electric Steel Company (1964)	Steel flats, structural and bar angles	425	422	3	**
A. C. Lawrence Leather Company, Inc. (1900)	Sole leather	89	89	0	**
Metal Products Division, Armco Steel Corporation (1966)	Culvert pipe, mine roof mats, mine overcasts	48	45	3	
National Mine Service Company (1950)	Mining machinery, equipment, mining industrial locomotives	775	685	90	

(Contd.)

<u>Firm (Establishment date)</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>			<u>Organized</u>
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	
Pennco, Inc. (1956)	Aluminum windows, glass doors	65	45	20	
Pepsi Cola Bottling Company (1938)	Beverages	46	44	2	
Semet Solvay Division, Allied Chemical Corporation (1913)	Coke, crude tar, ammonia	541	540	1	**
Valley Poultry Farms, Inc. (1954)	Egg processing	70	50	20	
<u>Catlettsburg</u>					
Ashland Petroleum Company (1924)	Petroleum products, petrochemicals	1,173	1,132	41	**
Calgon Corporation (1960)	Activated carbon	239	206	33	
Huntington Alloys, Inc. (1964)	Extruded high-nickel alloys, vacuum induction high-nickel alloys	350	337	13	

*Employment of 45 or more.

**See Labor Organizations below.

Source: Kentucky Department of Commerce, Division of Research and Planning.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

<u>Union</u>	<u>Representing manufacturing workers at:</u>
International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union	Ashland Crafts, Inc.
Leather Workers International Union of America	A. C. Lawrence Leather Company
Oil, Chemical and Atomic Workers International Union	Ashland Petroleum Company; Semet Solvay Division, Allied Chemical Corporation
United Brick and Clay Workers of America	Cline Brick Company
United Steelworkers of America	Kentucky Electric Steel Company; Armco Steel Corporation

INDUSTRIAL SERVICES

	<u>Location</u>	<u>Miles Distant</u>
Tool & Die, Machine & Pattern Shops	Ashland	---
Metal Service Centers	Huntington, West Virginia	20
Heat Treating	Georgetown	128
Metal Finishers	Lexington	118
Electric Motor Repair	Lexington	118

Source: Kentucky Directory of Selected Industrial Services, 1977.

ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY
ASHLAND AND CATLETTSBURG LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 years of age before 1983
Labor Market					
Area	7,410	3,230	2,510	1,670	5,990
Boyd	4,580	2,880	990	710	2,547
Carter	930	0	630	300	1,034
Greenup	1,130	0	680	450	1,848
Lawrence	770	350	210	210	561

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1976. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply Before 1983.

ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY
ASHLAND AND CATLETTSBURG LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Under- employed	Future
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed		Reaching 18 years of age before 1983
Labor Market					
Area	9,090	6,940	510	1,640	5,654
Boyd	5,630	4,610	200	820	2,367
Carter	1,540	1,180	130	230	977
Greenup	850	210	140	500	1,778
Lawrence	1,070	940	40	90	532

Sources: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1976. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply Before 1983.

AVERAGE WEEKLY WAGES BY INDUSTRY,
BY PLACE OF WORK, 1976

	<u>Boyd County</u>	<u>Carter County</u>
All Industries	\$216.02	\$149.60
Mining & Quarrying	247.85	250.59
Contract Construction	262.56	215.80
Manufacturing	280.24	141.43
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	251.09	205.02
Wholesale & Retail Trade	145.70	116.11
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	177.24	172.13
Services	144.06	112.73
Other	120.51	*

	<u>Greenup County</u>	<u>Lawrence County</u>
All Industries	\$281.95	\$143.89
Mining & Quarrying	290.86	197.12
Contract Construction	202.21	123.15
Manufacturing	351.50	126.50
Transportation, Communications & Public Utilities	233.38	*
Wholesale & Retail Trade	114.57	110.91
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	124.16	167.67
Services	109.80	112.65
Other	78.96	*

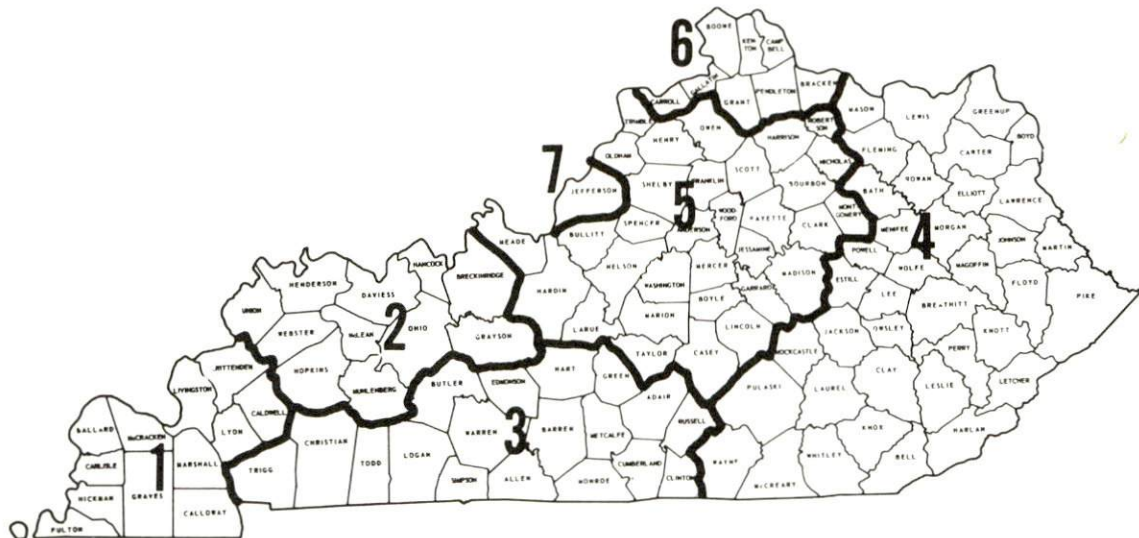
*Not disclosed.

Note: Excludes domestic workers, railway workers; certain nonprofit corporations; majority of federal, state, and local government workers; and self-employed workers.

Source: Kentucky Department for Human Resources, Average Weekly Wages of Workers Covered by Unemployment Insurance, 1976.

Occupational wage rates for specific industries are usually not available to most government agencies, and wage data furnished to state employment agencies by individual 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 127 clearly defined office, production, and service occupations. Tabulations are published for seven 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

<u>Area</u>	<u>1975</u>	<u>1971</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
Boyd County	\$5,555	\$3,704	50.0
Labor Market Area			
Range	\$2,923 - 5,555	\$1,853 - 3,704	N/A
Kentucky	4,886	3,314	47.4
U. S.	5,903	4,195	40.7

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis,
 Survey of Current Business, April 1977. U. S. Department of Commerce,
 Bureau of Economic Analysis, March 1976.

TRANSPORTATION

Rail

Line serving - Ashland and Catlettsburg - The Chessie System

Services - Approximately 20 eastbound and 20 westbound freights daily; siding space for approximately 2,000 cars in Ashland and 12,200 cars in Russell, 4 miles distant; refrigeration and heating services in Russell; nearest piggyback facilities at Huntington, West Virginia, 20 miles from Ashland

Line serving Ashland and Catlettsburg - Amtrack

Services - Passenger service from a central station located in Catlettsburg

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

Real Estate and Industrial Development
The Chessie System
610 Temple Bar Building
Cincinnati, Ohio 45022
(513) 369-5258

Highways

U.S. Highways 23 and 60 serve the Ashland and Catlettsburg area. U.S. Highway 23 has been widened to four lanes from Ashland to Portsmouth, Ohio. An interchange of Interstate 64 is located 12 miles from Ashland via U.S. 60 and 8 miles away via U.S. 23. Catlettsburg is only 2 miles from an I-64 interchange via U.S. 60.

U.S. Highway 52, located directly across the Ohio River from Ashland and Catlettsburg, provides a four-lane stretch of highway from Huntington, West Virginia to near Portsmouth, Ohio.

Truck Service

<u>Company</u>	<u>Home Office</u>
Aetna Freight Lines, Inc. B & P Motor Express, Inc.	Wheelersburg, Ohio 45694 720 Gross Street Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15224
Commercial Lovelace Motor Freight, Inc.	3400 Refugee Road Columbus, Ohio 43227
Farson Motor Lines, Inc.*	P. O. Box 227 Ashland, Kentucky 41101
Gordons Transports, Inc.	P. O. Box 59 Memphis, Tennessee 38101
Hogan Storage & Transfer Company	721 East Fourth Avenue Williamson, West Virginia 25661
W. J. Maier Storage Company	P. O. Box 1653 Huntington, West Virginia 25700
McLean Trucking Company	P. O. Box 213 Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27102
O.. K. Trucking Company	3000 East Crescentville Cincinnati, Ohio 45241
Overnite Transportation Company	P. O. Box 1216 Richmond, Virginia 23209
Reinhardt Transfer Company	1410 Tenth Street Portsmouth, Ohio 45662
Smith's Transfer Corporation	P. O. Box 1000 Staunton, Virginia 24401
Suburban Motor Freight, Inc.	1100 King Avenue Columbus, Ohio 43216
Wilson Freight Company (Steel Division)	11353 Reed Hartman Highway Cincinnati, Ohio 45241
Yellow Freight System, Inc.	P. O. Box 7270 Overland Park, Kansas 66207
<u>Other Freight Services</u>	<u>Nearest Shipping Center</u>
United Parcel Service	Ashland

*Local terminal.

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

City	Highway Miles	Delivery		City	Highway Miles	Delivery	
		Time TL				Time TL	
Atlanta, Ga.	480	2		Los Angeles, Ca.	2,298	6-8	
Baltimore, Md.	443	1		Louisville, Ky.	190	1	
Birmingham, Ala.	516	2		Nashville, Tenn.	328	1	
Chicago, Ill.	470	2		New Orleans, La.	845	3	
Cincinnati, Ohio	196	1		New York, N. Y.	615	3	
Cleveland, Ohio	305	2		Pittsburgh, Pa.	275	2	
Detroit, Mich.	418	3		St. Louis, Mo.	453	2	
Knoxville, Tenn.	293	1					

Source: Delivery Time Only - Overnite Transportation Company,
P. O. Box 1216, Richmond, Virginia 23209.

Air

Local

Location: Ashland-Boyd County Airport
Worthington, Kentucky, 6 miles
northwest of Ashland

Runways: 1 paved
Length: 5,600 feet

Traffic Control: Wind sock and tetrahedron

Lighting: Sundown to sunrise

Services: SJet A, 100LL, 80 octane, oil; major
and minor A & E service; charter;
flight instruction; storage

Air Freight Service: Chartered air freight service can
be arranged.

Nearest Commercial

Location: Tri-State Airport (Walker-Long Field)
Huntington, West Virginia, 20 miles
east of Ashland

Runways: 2 paved
Length: 6,500 and 3,000 feet

Traffic Control: Tower

Lighting: Beacon runway (24 hours)

Services: Allegheny and Piedmont Airlines; LL-100
and jet-A fuels; major and Avionics
repairs; weather information; hangars
and tiedowns; APU; charter; flight
instruction; rental plane; restaurant;
and taxi, limousine, and car rentals

Air Freight Service: Air freight accepted on a space
available basis.

Bus - Greyhound Bus Lines and Continental Trailways Bus Lines serve both Ashland and Catlettsburg. Ashland has recently organized a city transit system.

Taxi - One company in Ashland and one in Catlettsburg, both offering 24-hour service.

Rental Services - Car, truck, trailer and bus rentals are available in the area.

Water

Due to Ashland's and Catlettsburg's location near the confluence of the Ohio and Big Sandy Rivers, river transportation is an important asset to the entire area. A nine-foot navigation channel is maintained along the Ohio River and on the Big Sandy to a point south of Catlettsburg. Eleven privately-operated water terminals are located on the Kentucky shores in the Ashland area.

The Eastern Kentucky Port Authority was formed in 1977. A study is now underway to determine the feasibility of a riverport development in the Ashland area.

POWER AND FUEL

Electricity

Company serving Ashland, Catlettsburg and Boyd County - Kentucky
Power Company
Source of power - Kentucky Power Company
Total generating capacity - 1,065,000 KW

For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Power Company
340 Fifteenth Street
Ashland, Kentucky 41101
(606) 324-2144

Natural Gas

Company serving Ashland, Catlettsburg and Boyd County - Columbia
Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
Source of supply - Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation
Size of transmission mains - 10 inches (supplier);
10 inches (distributor)
Distribution mains - 2 to 8 inches
Distribution pressure - 6 ounces
Btu content - 1,050 per cubic foot; Specific gravity - .65

For rates and supplies contact:

Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.
1733 Winchester Avenue
Ashland, Kentucky 41101
(606) 324-7114

Other Fuels

Propane

Finch Gas & Appliance
U.S. 60W
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Quall's & Son Appliance
326 10th Street
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Stan Harvey Gas Company
106 South Second
Ironton, Ohio 45638

Williams Energy Company
23rd and Beech
Kenova, West Virginia 25530

Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil -

Ashland Petroleum Company
11th and Winchester
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Clark Gulf Oil Distributors
101 Wheatley Road
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

Standard Oil Company
215 Third Street
Ashland, Kentucky 41101

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

Low sulphur content coal - Available locally.

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Water

Company serving Ashland and Catlettsburg -
City of Ashland Utilities Department*
P.O. Box 1839
Ashland, Kentucky 41101
(606) 325-8571

Source - Ohio River
Treatment plant capacity - 8,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily consumption - 7,500,000 gallons
Peak daily consumption - 8,000,000 gallons
Type treatment - Aeration, coagulation, sedimentation,
filtration, chlorination, fluoridation
Storage capacity - 9,150,000 gallons
Size lines - 1 to 24 inches
Average pressure - 119 psi
Average temperature - 45 degrees F.

MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE
AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

Inside Ashland city limits

First	2,000 gallons	\$0.85 per M gallons (\$1.70 minimum charge)
Next	8,000 gallons	0.60 per M gallons
Next	90,000 gallons	0.50 per M gallons
All over	100,000 gallons	0.35 per M gallons

Catlettsburg and outside Ashland city limits

First	2,000 gallons	\$1.28 per M gallons (\$2.55 minimum charge)
Next	8,000 gallons	0.90 per M gallons
Next	90,000 gallons	0.75 per M gallons
All over	100,000 gallons	0.53 per M gallons

Tap-on charge: Residential - Inside city limits - \$100
Outside city limits - \$125
Commercial and Industrial - Based on cost
of labor and materials

*The city plans to increase the capacity of the treatment plant to 12,000,000 gpd. The project is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 1979.

Name of water district - Cannonsburg Water District
 Box 1535
 Ashland, Kentucky 41101
 (606) 928-9808

Area served - Portion of rural Boyd County
 Date when water district began operating - 1972
 Source of supply of treated water - City of Ashland Utilities
 Department

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 400,000 gallons

Storage capacity - 525,000 gallons

Average pressure - 60 psi

Average temperature - 60 degrees F.

Size lines - 3, 6, 8 and 12 inches

Rates -

<u>Meter Size</u>	<u>Tap-On Charge</u>	<u>Minimum Monthly Rate For First 2,000 Gallons</u>
5/8 - inch	\$150.00	\$ 9.00
1 - inch	170.00	11.00
2 - inch	190.00	14.00
4 - inch	Actual cost	20.00
8 - inch	Actual cost	35.00
10 - inch	Actual cost	50.00

Monthly rates after first 2,000 gallons

Next	3,000 gallons	\$2.00 per 1,000 gallons
Next	15,000 gallons	1.50 per 1,000 gallons
Next	30,000 gallons	1.20 per 1,000 gallons
Next	50,000 gallons	1.00 per 1,000 gallons
All over	100,000 gallons	.50 per 1,000 gallons

Surface water sources - Ohio and Big Sandy Rivers

Average discharge - Unlimited

Expected ground water yield - 500 to 1,000 gpm along the Ohio River;
 50 to 200 gpm in eastern part of county; 5 to 50 gpm in western
 portion of county

Sewerage

Company serving Ashland - City of Ashland Utilities Department
P.O. Box 1839
Ashland, Kentucky 41101
(606) 325-8571

Design capacity - 13,000,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 3,000,000 gallons
Treatment - Primary*
Type treatment - Sedimentation, clarification, anaerobic sludge
digestion, sludge thickener, chlorination
Treated effluent discharged into - Ohio River
Size of sanitary mains - 6 to 24 inches
Size of storm mains - 6 to 48 inches
Rates - 125 percent of monthly water bill
Tap-on charge: Residential - Inside city limits - \$125
Outside city limits - \$225
Commercial and Industrial - Cost of materials
and labor

Company serving Catlettsburg - Catlettsburg Municipal Sewer System
City Building
Catlettsburg, Kentucky 41129
(606) 739-5223

Design capacity - 500,000 gallons per day
Average daily flow - 225,000 gallons
Treatment - Primary and secondary
Type treatment - Aeration, clarifier, chlorine
Treated effluent discharged into - Big Sandy River
Size of sanitary mains - 6, 8, 10 and 12 inches
Size of storm mains - 18 to 24 inches
Rates - 130 percent of monthly water bill
Tap-on charge: \$75

*Secondary treatment facilities are to be added. The first phase of the 201 Facilities Plan has been completed. Work is underway on a \$1,500,000 sewer interceptor and connecting system.

CLIMATE

Boyd County

Temperature

Normal (30-year record)	54.6 degrees
Average annual 1976	52.5 degrees
Record highest, August, 1918 (88-year record)	106.0 degrees
Record lowest, February, 1899 (88-year record)	-27.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,817
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65 degrees F.)	

Precipitation

Normal (30-year record)	38.44 inches
Mean annual snowfall (89-year record)	23.90 inches
Total precipitation 1976	33.77 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (88-year record)	142
Mean number days thunderstorms (76-year record)	44

Relative Humidity

1 a.m.	N/A
7 a.m.	80 percent (60-year record)
1 p.m.	56 percent (31-year record)
7 p.m.	68 percent (60-year record)

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1976. Station of record: Parkersburg, West Virginia.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City

Ashland

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

City manager

Budget 1977-78 - General Fund \$4,027,439

Water and Sewer Fund 1,535,762

Fees and licenses - Occupational license fee - 1½ percent on net profits of businesses (\$30 minimum); auto permit - \$20 per year

Catlettsburg

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 8 councilmen - 2-year terms

Receipts 1975-76 - General Fund \$235,937

Sewer Fund 61,768

Fees and licenses - Occupational license fee - 1 percent on wages and net profits

County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 3 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1977-78 - General Fund \$707,360; Road Fund \$169,300

Assessed Value of Property, 1977

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Ashland</u>	<u>Catlettsburg</u>	<u>Boyd County</u>
Real Estate and Tangibles		\$19,363,365	
Real Estate	\$287,643,090		\$437,192,946
Tangibles	61,621,820		116,052,853

Property Taxes

All property in Kentucky is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

Land and buildings are taxed by the state and may be taxed by local jurisdictions. The state rate is \$0.315 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories, pollution control equipment, and goods in the process of manufacture are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Other tangible personal property owned by manufacturers (automobiles, trucks, finished goods, office furniture, office equipment) is taxed by the state at \$0.45 per \$100 and may be taxed by local jurisdictions.

Property stored in public warehouses in a transit status is not subject to local taxation. The state rate is only \$0.015 per \$100.

Intangible personal property located in Kentucky (money in hand, shares of stock, notes, bonds, accounts, and other credits) is taxed by the state at \$0.25 per \$100, and is not subject to local taxation.

Intangible personal property owned by corporations in Kentucky as a result of business transactions performed out-of-state, but having a tax situs in Kentucky (accounts receivable, notes, bonds, credits, non-domestic bank deposits, licensing or royalty agreements, shares of stock of any affiliated company, etc.) is taxed by the state at \$0.015 and is not subject to local taxation.

Combined State and Local Rates Per \$100 Valuation, 1977*
(100% assessment)

	<u>Inside City of Ashland</u>	<u>Inside City of Catlettsburg</u>	<u>Outside City</u>
1. Land and buildings	\$1.453	\$1.743	\$0.773
2. Mfg. machinery, raw materials, goods in process, pollution control equipment	0.150	0.150	0.150
3. Finished goods, office equipment, vehicles, other tangibles	1.588	1.878	0.908
4. Intangibles (accounts, notes, bonds, etc.)	0.250	0.250	0.250

Planning and Zoning

City agencies - Ashland Planning Commission and Catlettsburg Planning Commission

Zoning enforced - City only

Subdivision regulations enforced - City and 5 miles beyond city limits

Local codes enforced - Housing and building

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).

*Kentucky Department of Commerce.

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Ashland</u>	<u>Catlettsburg</u>	<u>Boyd County</u>
Total staff	51	9	10
Radio-patrol cars	17	2	5

Fire

American Insurance Association Fire Rating	4	7	
Full-time staff	60 (3 stations)		
Volunteers		20	75 (4 stations)

Rescue Service

Boyd County Civil Defense Rescue Unit:
Number of volunteers - 15
Equipment - One fire truck, one utility truck, two porta-powers, three generators
Personnel training - EMT, first aid training, civil defense training and fire training

Solid Waste

	<u>Ashland</u>	<u>Catlettsburg</u>	<u>Boyd County</u>
Type service	Municipal (residential only) and private	Private	Private
Fee charged:			
residential	\$5 per month	\$3 per month	\$4 per month
business	Contract	Contract	Contract
industrial	Contract	Contract	Contract
Collection frequency:			
residential	Weekly	Weekly	Weekly
business	Contract	Contract	Contract
industrial	Contract	Contract	Contract
Trash pickup	Weekly	On request	On request
Disposal method	Landfill	Landfill	Landfill

EDUCATION

Public Schools

	<u>Ashland Independent</u>	<u>Fairview Independent</u>	<u>Boyd County</u>
Total Enrollment (October, 1977)	4,509	1,053	5,292
Elementary	2,200	542	2,847
Junior High	1,156		1,325
High School	1,147	511	1,120
Student-Teacher Ratio			
Elementary	17-1	24-1	24-1
Junior High	16-1	30-1	23-1
High School	20-1	25-1	25-1
High School	17-1	20-1	24-1
Accreditation	Southern Association of Colleges and Schools		
Percent High School Graduates to College	62.2	31.8	38.8
Expenditures Per Pupil (1975-76)	\$839.68	\$807.99	\$712.05
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1976	\$588,000	\$413,000	\$5,312,000

Nonpublic Schools

Total Enrollment	301
Elementary	200
High School	101
Student-Teacher Ratio	
Elementary	12-1
High School	15-1
High School	8-1

Area Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Location (Miles Distant)</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1976)</u>	<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
Ashland Community College	Ashland	1,436	Associate
Ohio University, Ironton Campus	Ironton, Ohio(5)	250	*
Marshall University	Huntington, West Virginia(20)	8,305	Academic and Professional
Kentucky Christian College	Grayson(25)	476	Baccalaureate
Shawnee State Central Technical College	Portsmouth, Ohio(32)	1,710	Academic and Professional
Morehead State University	Morehead(59)	7,383	Masters, Ph.D.**

*No degree is issued. The Campus serves only as a preparatory school for a baccalaureate degree at Ohio University.

**Cooperative program with the University of Kentucky, Lexington, for a Ph.D. in education only.

Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>
Location	Ashland State Vocational- Technical School
Curriculum	Ashland Business and Office Clerical Secretarial Consumer and Home Economics Child Care Services Food Services Health and Personal Service Occupations Cosmetology Practical Nursing Nurse Assistant Industrial Education Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry-Building Trades Drafting Electronics Technician Industrial Electricity Machine Shop Radio and TV Repair Tool and Die Making Welding

	<u>Nearest Area Education Center</u>
Location	Boyd County Area Vocational Education Center
Curriculum	Catlettsburg Consumer and Home Economics Child Care Services Commercial Sewing Health and Personal Service Occupations Health Careers Industrial Education Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Auto Body Repair Auto Mechanics Carpentry-Building Trades Drafting Industrial Electricity Office Machine Repair Welding

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

HEALTH

Local Medical Personnel

Physicians - 57
Dentists - 34

Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
King's Daughters' Hospital	Ashland	340
Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital	Russell, 4 miles distant	123

King's Daughters' Hospital

General hospital facilities - Emergency room, 7 operating rooms, recovery room, dental surgery room, X-ray, laboratory, OB section, pediatrics, pediatrics special care unit, intensive care unit, cardiac care unit, 17-bed psychiatric unit, occupational therapy, physical therapy, inhalation therapy, nuclear medicine, home health services

Medical staff - 54 doctors on active staff, 16 doctors on courtesy staff, 12 dentists, 2 pathologists, 138 registered nurses (full-time), 15 registered nurses (part-time), 55 licensed practical nurses, 115 nurses' assistants, 6 emergency medical technicians, 8 X-ray technicians

Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital

General hospital facilities - X-ray, surgery, outpatient laboratory and X-ray, emergency, EKG, pharmacy, laboratory, recovery rooms, pediatrics, physical therapy, intensive care unit, cardiac care unit

Medical staff - 12 doctors on active staff, 25 doctors on courtesy staff, 30 registered nurses, 16 licensed practical nurses

Other Medical Facilities

Lansdowne Mental Health Center Regional Office offers outpatient services and also offers inpatient services through King's Daughters' Hospital.

Ambulance Service

Name - Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc.

Staff - 10 paramedics (EMT-2), 2 EMT-A

Service - 24-hour service to Ashland and Boyd County

Equipment - 2 modular ambulances, 1 van-type ambulance

Public Health

Facility - Boyd County Health Department

Staff - 1 physician, 6 registered nurses, 2 health environmentalists,
3 community health workers, 2 clerks, 1 dentist (part-time)

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

Communications

	<u>Ashland</u>	<u>Catlettsburg</u>
Telephone -	General Telephone Company	General Telephone Company
Services -	Direct dial and push button	Direct dial and push button
Telegraph -	Western Union	Western Union
Services -	Messenger service and telephone	By telephone from Ashland
Postal - U.S. Post Office		
Class -	First	Second
Mail received -	7 times daily	3 times daily
Mail dispatched -	6 times daily	3 times daily
Newspapers -	Ashland Daily Independent	
Daily and circulation -	25,400	
Sunday and circulation -	26,400	
Other papers received from -	Lexington and Louisville, Kentucky; Huntington, West Virginia	Ashland, Kentucky; Huntington and Charleston, West Virginia
Radio -	WCMI-AM; WAMX-FM	WTCR-AM; WCAK-FM
Stations received from -	Louisville, Kentucky; Huntington and Charleston, West Virginia	Louisville, Kentucky; Huntington and Charleston, West Virginia
Television -		
Cable service	Yes	Yes
Reception from -	Lexington, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio; Huntington and Charleston, West Virginia	Lexington, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio; Huntington and Charleston, West Virginia
Kentucky Educational Television -	Ashland transmitter, Channel 25	Ashland transmitter, Channel 25

Library Services

Public library - Ashland Public Library

Size collection - 95,174 volumes

Circulation, 1976-77 - 135,479

Services - Newspapers, periodicals, magazines, records, films and film projector, genealogy, Kentucky authors collection, art, U.S. Government Deposit Library

Private library - Ashland Community College Library

Size collection - 26,313 volumes, audio-visual materials collection - 6,000

Circulation, 1976-77 - 28,000

Services - Newspapers, instructional material, magazines, records, films, filmstrips, slides, microfilm, study desks, copy machine, tapes, periodicals, educational games, and reading, writing and math laboratories

Religious Institutions

Ashland

Catlettsburg

Number of churches -

60

14

Denominations -

Apostolic
Baptist
Catholic
Christian
Christian Science
Church of God
Church of Christ
Congregation
Episcopal
Holiness
Jehovah's Witnesses
Latter Day Saints
Lutheran
Methodist
Nazarene
Pentecostal
Presbyterian
Seventh Day Adventist
Wesleyan

Baptist
Christian
Church of God
Methodist
Nazarene
Pentecostal
Presbyterian

Nearest Synagogue -

Ashland

Congregation -

Agudath Achim (reform)

Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>
<u>Ashland</u>			
Bank of Ashland	\$ 36,567,702.63	\$33,283,503.04	9/30/77
Second National Bank	103,085,118.00	93,264,653.00	9/30/77
Third National Bank	79,009,700.00	70,647,400.00	9/30/77

Catlettsburg

Kentucky Farmers Bank \$ 39,369,892.70 \$34,616,353.59 9/30/77

<u>Savings and Loan Associations</u>	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Savings Accounts</u>	<u>Statement Date</u>
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Ashland

Ashland Federal Savings and Loan Association	\$ 25,630,694.36	\$23,254,612.93	6/30/77
First Federal Savings and Loan Association	31,358,465.44	26,747,623.82	9/30/77
Home Federal Savings and Loan Association	36,685,380.46	31,398,812.48	6/30/77

Catlettsburg

Catlettsburg Federal Savings and Loan Association	\$ 30,883,444.00	\$27,236,852.00	9/30/77
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Hotels and Motels

Total number - 19
Total units - 425

Clubs and Organizations

Ashland and Catlettsburg Area

Business and Civic - Ashland Area Chamber of Commerce, Catlettsburg Chamber of Commerce, Jaycees, Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary, Optimist, Toastmaster, Medical Association, Ministerial Association, NAACP, Welcome Wagon, Newcomers Club, Life Underwriters, Red Cross, Civic League, PTA, South Ashland Business Association, National Alliance of Businessmen, United Way, Board of Realtors, Bar Association

Fraternal - Masonic Lodge, Elks, Moose Lodge, American Legion, Eagles, FOP, IOOF, VFW, Knights of Columbus, YMCA

Women's - Woman's Club, DAR, Eastern Star, Jaycettes, Homemakers, Rebekah, Business and Professional Women's Club, Altrusa, Garden Club, League of Women Voters, Elks Auxiliary, Toastmistress, American Business Women's Association, Pilot Club, American Legion Auxiliary, Beta Sigma Phi, American Association of University Women, Heritage Club, Junior Woman's Club, Democratic Women's Club, Republican Women's Club, YWCA, Church Women United

Youth - Boy Scouts, Campfire Girls, Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, Brownies, Babe Ruth League, Little League, Junior League Football, Beta Club, Young Democrats, 4-H Club, FHA, FTA, FFA, FBLA

Other - Performing Arts, Boat Club, Creative Arts, Creative Crafts, Humane Society, Kennel Club, National Campers and Hikers Association, Parents without Partners, Senior Citizens, Weight Watchers, Travel Club, Historical Society, Eastern Kentucky Genealogical Society, CB Radio Club, Concerned Americans

RECREATION

Local

The Ashland-Catlettsburg area has many recreation facilities available. There are three parks totaling more than 100 acres: Armco Park, mainly a picnic area with shelters, Dawson Park with a pool and play area, and Central Park, the largest with approximately 55 acres, three ball diamonds, tennis courts, playgrounds, picnic areas, concession stand, croquet, and several prehistoric-Indian mounds.

There are two bowling alleys, four playgrounds, two indoor theatres, three outdoor movies, four 18-hole golf courses, two skating rinks, two private swimming pools (Breezeland Swim Club and Tranquillan Pool) and two public pools. The YMCA is constructing a \$650,000 addition to its modern facilities. Five of the 16 court tennis complex are to be enclosed to allow year-round competition.

There are organized Little Leagues, Babe Ruth Leagues, Senior Babe Ruth Leagues, men's softball leagues and junior leagues in football and girl's softball. Also available to the area residents through membership is the Bellefonte Country Club. Ashland is the home of the Paramount Art Center which presents musical and theatrical programs in a theatre seating 2,200 persons.

Of historic interest in the Wee House in the Woods, the museum home of Jean Thomas, the famous "Traipsin' Woman", champion and preserver of ancient Appalachian folk songs and originator of the Ashland Folk Festival. The house is being relocated in the Appalachian Cultural Park, 3 miles from downtown Ashland adjoining Armco Park. The park will also be the relocation site of Caney School, where author Jesse Stuart once taught. An amphitheater with seating for 750 or more persons and a convention center to be used for dinner meetings, conventions and other public and private gatherings are being constructed in the park and hopefully, will be completed in 1978.

Area (Within 35 miles)

Greenbo Lake State Resort Park, located 15 miles from Ashland, is a 3,300-acre resort park that features the beautiful Greenbo Lake. The park contains a reconstructed blast furnace that is representative of the early iron production facilities in the area. Other park facilities include a 36-room lodge with dining room, camping facilities, playgrounds, motor boat and paddle boat rentals, boat dock, slips, launching ramp, picnic shelter, hiking trails, bathhouse and swimming pool.

Grayson Lake State Park, 30 miles from Ashland, is located on Grayson Reservoir, a 1,500-acre fishing lake. Also offered are 150 primitive camping sites, boat dock and ramps, beach and picnic areas.

Carter Caves State Resort Park, approximately 35 miles distant, is a 1,000-acre park set in rugged cliffs, mountain streams, caves, and natural bridge formations. Facilities and activities offered by the park include a swimming pool, tennis courts, 37-acre lake, 9-hole golf course, miniature golf, boat rentals, picnic shelters, playgrounds, 300-seat convention center, hiking, horseback riding, and guided tours through the caverns.

PROGRAMS FOR IMPROVEMENT

Industrial

Ashland Oil, Inc., is currently undergoing a multi-million dollar expansion program that will create nearly 400 new jobs. This program includes the construction of a \$75 million unleaded gas facility, a \$178 million coal liquefaction plant, a \$50 million lubricating oil plant, a 70,000-square foot office and storage building, a \$2 million expansion of research and engineering facilities, and warehouse facilities to house distribution operations of the company's industrial chemical and solvents division.

Armco Steel Corporation has installed a conveyor-type ore handling system which has increased plant capacity from 3,500 to 4,400 tons per day and added 300 new jobs.

Allied Chemical Corporation has begun construction on a \$90 million coke oven battery that will feature the latest technology in pollution abatement.

Calgon Corporation completed a carbon reactivation facility at a cost of \$16 million. This new system can restore the purification capacity of used carbon.

National Mine Service Company plans an \$8.5 million expansion project that will provide facilities for the production of hydraulic roofing supports.

Cline Brick Company has constructed a new 14,000-square foot block plant in an effort to meet the increased demand for construction materials.

Mansback Metal Company has spent \$1.2 million on new equipment to expand their scrap metal business.

Ashland Crafts has constructed a new 20,000-square foot facility to house its clothing operation.

The Eastern Kentucky Port Authority was formed in 1977. A study is now underway to determine the feasibility of a riverport development in the Ashland area.

Utilities

The City of Ashland Utilities Department plans to increase the capacity of the water treatment plant to 12 million gallons per day. Construction is expected to be completed in the spring of 1979. Secondary treatment facilities are to be added to the sewage treatment plant. The first phase of the 201 Facilities Plan has been completed.

The Kentucky Power Company has moved into a new \$6 million office building.

The Big Sandy Water District has been formed to serve residents of south Boyd County.

Communications

General Telephone Company has begun a \$25 million five-year expansion project that will offer the first electronic toll call switching system in eastern Kentucky.

The Ashland Daily Independent newspaper has purchased a computer system that will provide speedier editing and typesetting, increased accuracy, and coverage of later-breaking stories.

Health

The King's Daughters' Hospital has added a pediatrics special care unit and expanded their nuclear medicine program. The hospital plans to establish an ambulatory care system.

Our Lady of Bellefonte Hospital is upgrading its emergency facilities in order to attract more physicians.

The Lansdowne Mental Health Center has moved its administrative offices into a new \$1.5 million building.

The Emergency Ambulance Service, Inc., has been established to provide efficient ambulance service to Boyd County residents. The service has acquired 4 ambulances equipped with advanced radio communications and telemetry.

Education

The Boyd County School System has constructed a new vocational school that offers ten courses. A new elementary school, which will accommodate 300 pupils, is planned.

The Fairview Independent School District has remodeled a building to house the administrative offices.

The Ashland Independent School District plans to enlarge and remodel an old school building for middle school classes, construct a vocational school, and convert an abandoned building into a maintenance center and bus garage.

The Ashland Community College completed the final phase of its move to its present location with the construction of a 384-seat auditorium.

Community Improvements

Ashland

The City plans to initiate a \$200,000 downtown beautification program. The City has already repossessed the former Chessie System right-of-way extending from 12th to 25th Street. A 140-space municipal parking lot is being constructed on a five-block strip of this property. The Second National Bank is constructing a 525-space parking complex adjacent to the bank.

The Ashland Rehabilitation and Conservation of Housing Board has been created to improve housing in Ashland. The Board has already initiated a housing assistance program to provide financial assistance to 190 low and moderate income families. Also, an urban renewal project was implemented to remove a blighted housing subdivision and locate improved housing for the displaced families. A \$2.5 million HUD project calls for the construction of a 100-unit apartment complex for low and moderate income families.

The Appalachian Cultural Park is a 160-acre park presently under development. This \$1.75 million project will involve the relocation of Jean Thomas' "Wee House in the Woods" and development of it as a museum and research center of Appalachian culture; relocation of Caney School, where Jesse Stuart taught; construction of a 750-seat amphitheater to revive Jean Thomas' American Folk Song Festival and outdoor music and drama; and construction of an 18,000-square foot convention center.

The Paramount Arts Center has completed the first phase of a renovation program that included restoring the theater's facade, remodeling office and lobby areas, installing stage lighting, and re-wiring the entire building.

A \$650,000 addition is under construction at the YMCA. The building will have a men's health club, an all-purpose room, four racquetball courts, a weight room and a clubroom observation deck.

The city is redeveloping Clyffeside Park, an 11-acre park that will have a baseball diamond, tennis courts, basketball courts, picnic areas and shelter house.

Five of the sixteen tennis courts in Central Park are to be enclosed for use in all seasons.

A \$900,000 renovation project of the Ashland Public Library is planned.

Catlettsburg

A study is in progress for the restoration of downtown Catlettsburg to the era of the big rivertown days. Catlettsburg hopes to beautify the business district by building new storefronts and a downtown mall.

The Third National Bank is constructing a branch bank in Catlettsburg.

The Felicia Patton Park is to be constructed on a former dam site on Big Sandy River. The park will have 2 tennis courts, observation tower, bicycle path, shelter house and picnic area.

The Catlettsburg Fire Department has purchased a 750 gpm pumper and a 300 gpm mini-pumper.

**Kentucky Department of Commerce
Capital Plaza Tower
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601**

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(502) 564-4270**

**Industrial Development Division
(502) 564-7140**

**Field Services Division
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**Existing Industries Division
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**Agribusiness Division
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**Office of Minority Business Enterprise
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**Research and Planning Division
(502) 564-4886
Map Sales Office
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(502) 564-4715**

**International Trade and Investment
Promotion Division
(502) 564-2170**

**Kentucky Industrial Development Finance Authority (KIDFA)
(502) 564-4554**

**Kentucky Film Commission
(502) 564-2240**