

1981

Industrial Resources: Harlan County - Cumberland, Benham and Lynch

Kentucky Library Research Collections
Western Kentucky University, spcol@wku.edu

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/harlan_cty



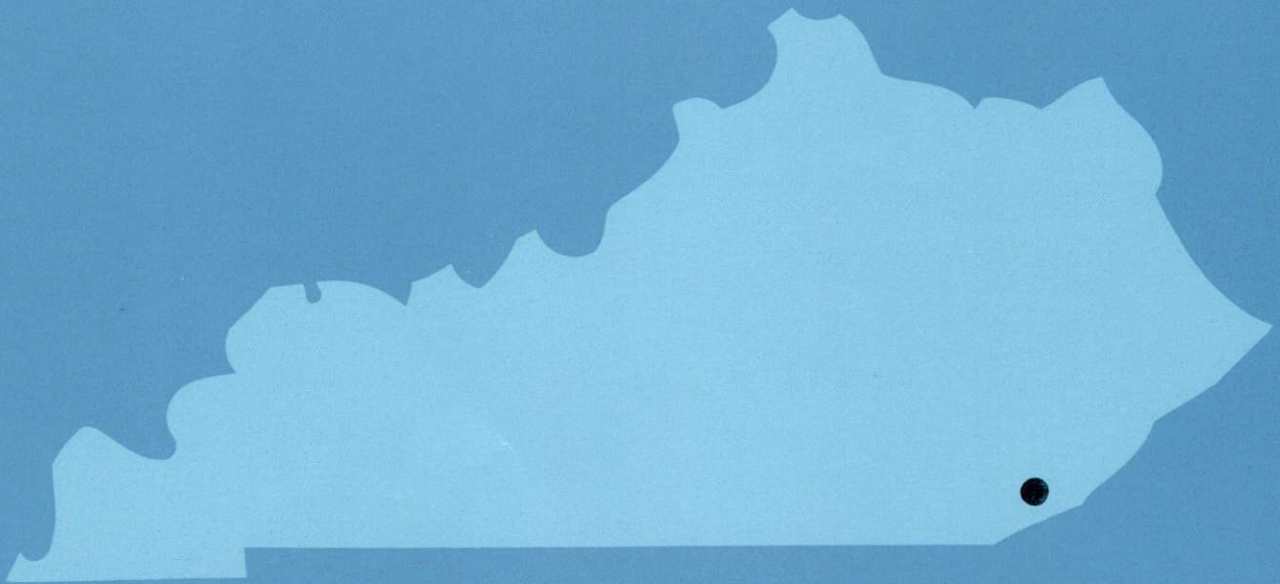
Part of the [Business Administration, Management, and Operations Commons](#), [Growth and Development Commons](#), and the [Infrastructure Commons](#)

Recommended Citation

Kentucky Library Research Collections, "Industrial Resources: Harlan County - Cumberland, Benham and Lynch" (1981). *Harlan County*. Paper 10.
https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/harlan_cty/10

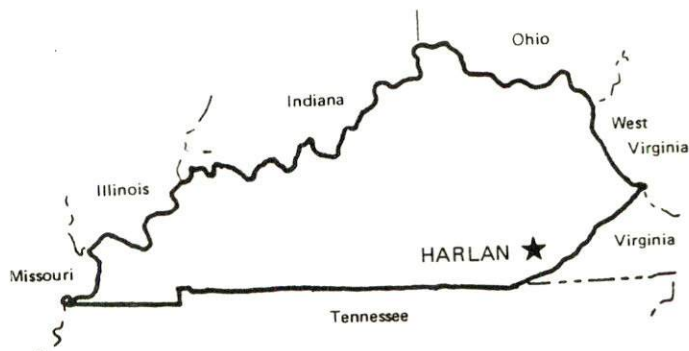
This Report is brought to you for free and open access by TopSCHOLAR®. It has been accepted for inclusion in Harlan County by an authorized administrator of TopSCHOLAR®. For more information, please contact topscholar@wku.edu.

A summary
of resources
Harlan, Ky.



KENTUCKY & CO.
The state that's run like a business.

SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES
HARLAN, KENTUCKY



POPULATION: 1980: Harlan - 3,024
1980: Harlan County - 41,889; Labor Market Area - 155,551

HARLAN LABOR MARKET AREA: Includes Harlan, Bell, Leslie, Letcher and Perry counties

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS OF RESIDENTS, 1980:

	<u>Harlan County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Civilian Labor Force	12,127	48,150
Employment	10,936	43,043
Agricultural	43	286
Nonagricultural	10,893	42,757
Unemployment	1,191	5,107
Rate of Unemployment (%)	9.8	10.6

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME, 1979:

Harlan County	\$6,581
Labor Market Area Range	\$5,945 - \$7,039

ESTIMATED AVAILABLE LABOR SUPPLY, 1979:

Harlan County	1,434 Male	1,086 Female
Labor Market Area	4,887 Male*	4,048 Female*

LOCAL MANUFACTURING PLANTS:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>
National Electric Coil Division	Electric coils and motor winding, machine shop	107
Harlan Workshop Enterprises, Inc.	Woodworking, upholstered furniture and custom furniture	60
Harlan Machine and Electric Company	Machine shop and mine motor repair	32
Gaines Lumber Company, Inc.	Rough and kiln dried dressed lumber, walnut, hickory and poplar veneer logs, wood chips	30
Harlan Newspaper, Inc.	Newspaper	27
Harlan Paving and Construction Company	Asphalt	10
Harlan Ready Mix Concrete	Ready-mixed concrete	10
Baird Roofing and Sheet Metal Company	Sheet metal fabrication	10
C & F Ready Mix Concrete	Ready-mixed concrete	6
Durham Printing, Inc.	Job printing	6

*The labor supply will be supplemented by the number of men and women in the adjoining counties of Lee and Wise in Virginia who are potentially available for industrial jobs.

LABOR ORGANIZATIONS:

The International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers, AFL-CIO, represents manufacturing workers at National Electric Coil Division.

TRANSPORTATION:

Rail: The Louisville & Nashville Railroad serves Harlan. Services include one southbound freight daily stopping when needed; switching facilities; team track space for 14 cars; and siding space for approximately 160 cars. The nearest piggyback facilities are at Knoxville, Tennessee, 140 miles south of Harlan.

Highways: Kentucky Highway 38 and U.S. Highway 119 and 421 serve Harlan. The Daniel Boone Parkway, running east to west, can be reached 37 miles to the north via U.S. 421. Access to Interstate 75 can be reached at Corbin, 70 miles northwest of Harlan.

Road Distance in Miles:

Atlanta	345	Baltimore	615	Chicago	505
Detroit	501	New York	805	St. Louis	496

Truck: Hogan Storage and Transfer Company (an irregular route common carrier), Skyline Transportation, Inc., and Smith's Transfer Corporation provide interstate motor carrier service to Harlan. Both interstate and intrastate service is provided by Overnite Transportation Company.

Air: Tucker-Guthrie Memorial Airport at Harlan has one paved, 2,700-foot runway. Commuter air carrier service is available at the London-Corbin Airport near London, Kentucky, 79 miles northwest of Harlan, and scheduled airline service is available at the Tri-City Airport near Kingsport, Tennessee, 79 miles southeast of Harlan.

UTILITIES:

Electricity: Harlan and a portion of Harlan County are served by Kentucky Utilities Company. Other customers in Harlan County are served by Cumberland Valley RECC whose source of supply is East Kentucky Power Cooperative.

Natural Gas: Harlan has no natural gas service.

Other Fuels: Propane is available from three distributors in Harlan County. Three distributors of fuel oil are located in Harlan.

WATER AND SEWERAGE:

Water: Harlan Municipal Water Works serves the city and the source of raw water is Poor Fork Branch of the Cumberland River. The treatment plant capacity is 2,000,000 gallons per day. The average daily consumption is 850,000 gallons and peak daily consumption is 1,000,000 gallons. Local storage capacity is 1,250,000 gallons.

Sewerage: Harlan Municipal Sewage Plant serves the city. The design capacity of the treatment plant is 500,000 gallons per day, average daily flow is 300,000 gallons and treatment is primary and secondary. A 201 Facilities Plan Study has been completed.

GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE:

City: Harlan is served by a mayor elected to a two-year term and seven council members elected to two-year terms.

County: Harlan County is served by a county judge/executive and five magistrates elected to four-year terms.

TAXES:

Combined state and local property tax rates per \$100 valuation, 1980
(100% assessment)

	<u>Inside City of Harlan</u>	<u>Outside City</u>
1. Land and buildings	\$1.188	\$0.664
2. Mfg. machinery, raw materials, goods in process, pollution control equipment	0.150	0.150
3. Finished goods, office equipment, vehicles, other tangibles	1.397	0.873
4. Intangibles (accounts rec., notes, bonds, etc.)	0.250	0.250
5. Leaseholds in I. R. bond financed plants	0.015	0.015

EDUCATION: Two school systems serve students in the Harlan Area. The total number of pupils in the Harlan Independent School System is 1,066, including 553 elementary and 513 high school students. Harlan County school enrollments total 7,600 with 5,230 elementary, and 2,370 high school students. The Harlan State Vocational-Technical School is located in Harlan.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Telephone: South Central Bell Telephone Company provides standard services to Harlan.

Telegraph: A Western Union Telegraph office is located in Harlan and a toll-free number is available for sending telegrams, mailgrams and international messages.

Newspaper: The Harlan Daily Enterprise is published daily. The weekend edition is released on Saturday. Current circulation is 8,000.

Radio Station: WHLN-AM and WFSR-AM both broadcast from Harlan.

Television: Cable service is available in Harlan and reception is from Lexington, Kentucky; Knoxville, Johnson City, and Bristol, Tennessee; and Asheville, North Carolina.

OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES:

Hospitals: The Harlan Appalachian Regional Hospital is located in Harlan. Facilities include 179 acute care, 24 skilled nursing, and 26 intermediate care beds.

Churches: There are approximately 11 churches in Harlan. Most major denominations are represented in the area.

Financial Institutions: Harlan is served by the Harlan National Bank. Home Federal Savings and Loan Association, Barclays-American Credit, CIT Financial Services, Empire Finance Company of Harlan, Inc., and Kentucky Finance Company provide Harlan with financial services.

Kentucky Department of Commerce
Division of Research and Planning
Capital Plaza Office Tower
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

1981

Program manager - Brenda Roberts; research - Edith Rogers; clerical - Annette Mitchell; graphics - Frank Ferrante, Tony Cecconi, Jimmy Thompson. Cost of printing paid from state funds.