

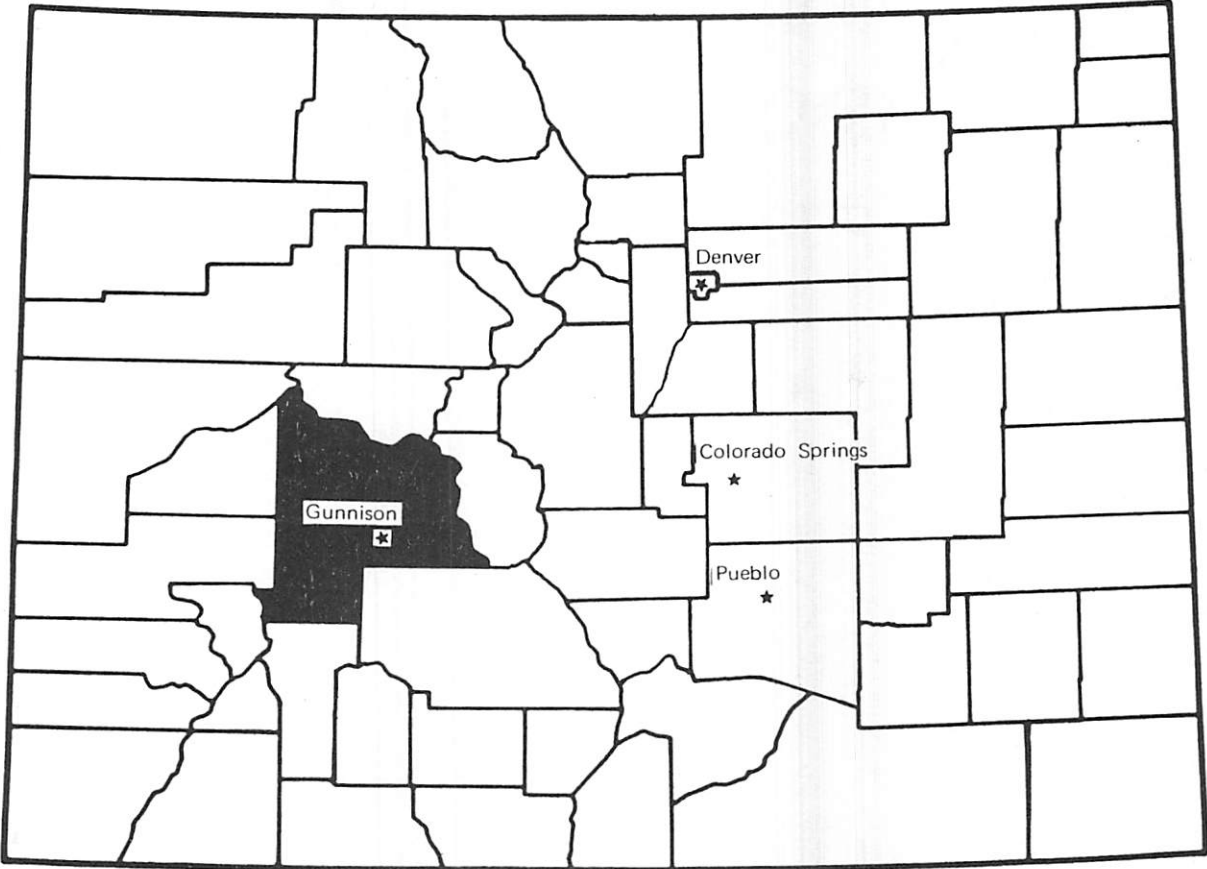
AN ECONOMIC OVERVIEW

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Gunnison County

Gunnison is a recreational and tourist – oriented community of 4,613 residents, located in western Colorado.



POPULATION

In 1970 the population for Gunnison was 4,613, while Gunnison County had 7,578. The population of Gunnison has grown steadily over the past ten years, which is unlike other cities of similar characteristics. The same is true for the county population.

There are 3,361 households in Gunnison County. Over 98 percent are Anglo while the remaining two percent are Mexican-American, Negro and Indian. Nearly 40 percent of the population have annual incomes in excess of \$7,000; approximately 25 percent of these have annual incomes over \$10,000.

EDUCATION

Gunnison is well-served by seven schools: five elementary, one junior high and one senior high school.

The pupil-teacher ratio is excellent in all levels with the ratio being 18 to 1 in the elementary schools, 16 to 1 and 15 to 1 in the junior and senior high schools respectively.

Western State College is a five year state college having an enrollment of 3,194. It is the state's oldest institution of higher education west of the Continental Divide. The college offers a wide variety of curriculum leading to Master's Degrees plus an Educational Specialist Degree.

LABOR AND WAGES

In 1970, there were 3,261 Gunnison County residents in the total labor force. Of this number, 80 percent were from Gunnison, with the remaining labor force drawn from a 30-mile radius, which

includes several surrounding rural communities. The largest employer is the Government employing 830 followed by the agriculture industry which employs 250.

The three largest manufacturing employers are Building Logs, Inc., Gunnison Ready-Mix Concrete Company, and AST Company.

There are five labor unions represented in the area, all of equal prominence in the community.

CONSTRUCTION DATA

The issuance of both residential and commercial building permits during the last ten years has had uneven growth. This uneven growth pertains to both the number of permits issued as well as their valuation.

RETAIL SALES

Retail Sales for Gunnison County have increased steadily almost every year. Sales have more than doubled since 1960, with a figure of \$25.2 million in 1971. The same is true for the community of Gunnison.

BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL RESOURCES

Gunnison has three financial institutions: two banks and one savings and loan institution. The combined bank deposits totaled \$13.5 million as of 1971, while the savings and loan deposits totaled over \$3.3 million.

TRANSPORTATION

Gunnison is served by its own airport, which is located two miles west of the city. Frontier Airlines services area passengers

with four flights per day. Gunnison also has an airline chartering service with three planes available.

Located on or near Highways 135, 114, 149, 92 and U.S. 50, Gunnison has access to widely-used motor freight carriers. Three freight carriers which have warehouse and transfer facilities with weekday service are located in Gunnison: Rio Grande Motorway, Ephraim Freightways and Jim Chelf, Inc.

Gunnison also has busline service provided by Continental Trailways and local taxi service.

UTILITIES

The City of Gunnison supplies the community with water and electrical power while Peoples Natural Gas Company furnishes gas.

The local water treatment plant has an average daily consumption of 970,000 gallons with the peak consumption having been 1,317,000 gallons. One hundred percent of the community is served by the city sewer system which includes service to the industrial area as well.

Other community utilities and services include garbage and trash collection, landfill dump, and telephone and telegraph services.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Gunnison has a full-time city manager form of government. In addition to being the county seat, government in the community consists of Home Rule Charter.

The police department has a staff of eight and the sheriff's office has five members on its force.

Gunnison's fire department is maintained by 31 volunteers and four pieces of equipment. There is one fire station centrally located in the city. The rural fire department is under the jurisdiction of the County Sheriff with one main truck being stationed at the Sheriff's office in Gunnison. Gunnison proper has a class seven fire insurance rating.

MEDICAL AND PROFESSIONAL FACILITIES

Gunnison County Public Hospital is an accredited hospital with a capacity of 24 beds. In addition, Gunnison's medical facilities include a 24-hour ambulance service and two pharmacies.

Gunnison's professional community consists of nine lawyers, three C.P.A.'s and ten real estate brokers.

RECREATION AND CULTURAL FACILITIES

Excellent year-round recreational facilities are found in and around Gunnison. In addition to Gunnison's fine parks, there are two golf courses, six tennis courts and two swimming pools.

Snow skiing, snowmobiling, fishing, camping, hunting and boating can all be found within an hour's time from Gunnison.

The city also supports baseball, basketball, football and track as well as several annual recreational events. These include Cattlemen's Day, Rodeos and Races, the 4th of July celebration at Crested Butte and Gunnison.

Gunnison's cultural facilities include 30 local concerts a year, several traveling concerts, lecture series, a local art gallery and two active drama groups.

I. BUSINESS & FINANCIAL RESOURCES FOR 1971

A. Banks: Financial Condition/Year-end Call

1. Number of banks: Two
2. Deposits: \$13,546,866.58
3. Capital: \$ 905,739.80
4. Surplus: \$ 445,000.00
5. Assets: \$15,392,292.00

B. Savings & Loan Associations: Financial Condition/Year-end Call

1. Number of savings and loan associations: One
2. Deposits: \$3,309,566
3. Capital: None
4. Surplus: \$ 48,741
5. Assets: \$4,186,059

C. Industrial Banks: Financial Condition/Year-end Call

1. Number of industrial banks: None

D. Government Funding: N.A.

1. Industrial revenue bonds have not been used.
2. The Small Business Administration regional office address is: Denver, Colorado
3. Economic Development Administration
 - a. In designated Economic Development District - No
 - b. Designated as revelopment area - No
 - c. Designated as growth center - No

4. Four Corners Regional Commission

- a. Within designated area - Yes

E. Development Corporations

1. State

- a. Colorado Business Development Corporation
- b. 837 Equitable Building
Denver, Colorado 80202
- c. Loan program:

Colorado Business Development Corporation was established pursuant to a 1965 legislative act to be a vehicle for stimulating industrial and economic development in the state of Colorado.

In general, its purpose is to make both short and medium term loans for many types of manufacturing, business and service-oriented enterprises. Loan applications are scrutinized to determine whether the enterprise will have either a high "multiplier effect" on the state's economy or a significant impact on the economy of a local community. Economic justification for a loan is determined by two principal factors: (1) the degree to which the project will create new wealth in the state, and (2) how it will increase employment in the state, particularly outside the large urban areas.

CBDC is privately financed and self-supporting. The funds with which it operates are provided by its shareholders and members. Shareholders, who include Colorado manufacturers, retailers, utilities, newspapers, various types of financial institutions, management firms, and others, have provided equity for the Corporation.

CBDC is eligible to serve as the originating lender in SBA's regular loan programs involving guaranteed and immediate participation loans. It is anticipated that

occasional use of these programs will be made to help protect CBDC against the greater risks of some loan situations and to broaden its economic base.

2. Local - None

II. CLIMATE 1971

A. Number of days in year

Clear - 65

Partly cloudy - 280

Cloudy - 20

B. Precipitation

1. The total annual precipitation is 11.51 inches.

2. The average rainfall is 11.00 inches.

3. The average rainfall per month, in inches, is:

January	.13
February	.54
March	.24
April	.87
May	.51
June	.11
July	2.02
August	3.61
September	1.13
October	.78
November	.35
December	1.21

C. Prevailing wind:

Direction - West

Velocity: High - 45

Average -

15-20

D. The average number of days between killing frost is 70.

1. The months beginning and terminating the period are June 20 to August 31.

E. Average daily temperature

	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Mean</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Average Number Days of Sunshine</u>	<u>Avg. Relative Humidity</u>
Jan.	32.8	18.4	3.9	25	45 %
Feb.	35.6	22.5	9.3	25	45 %
March	46.4	30.0	13.6	27	40 %
April	56.3	38.2	20.0	28	40 %
May	62.2	44.7	27.1	29	35 %
June	75.7	55.9	36.1	30	25 %
July	79.1	60.3	41.4	30	25 %
August	78.7	60.8	42.8	30	30 %
September	68.3	48.8	29.3	29	30 %
October	59.2	41.6	24.0	29	30 %
November	44.2	28.0	11.8	30	40 %
December	25.6	11.9	-1.9	30	45 %

III. COMMUNITY FACILITIES IN 1972

A. Civic, Fraternal, Professional, and Social Organizations

Elks Lodge

Masonic Lodge

Odd Fellows

Rotary Club

Lions Club

(For detailed lists of other social organizations contact Gunnison Chamber of Commerce.)

B. United Fund - No

C. Churches

1. List by denomination:

Assembly of God

First Baptist

Trinity Baptist

St. Peter's Catholic

Community Church

Church of Christ

Episcopal Church

Mt. Calvary Lutheran

Ecumenical Christian Center

Church of Jesus Christ, Latter Day Saints

Jehovah's Witnesses

Queen of All Saints, Catholic/Crested Butte

United Christian, Crested Butte

Baptist Chapel, Crested Butte

Community Church, Pitkin

D. Communications

1. Newspapers

- a. Gunnison County Globe, weekly, circulation of 1,700+
- b. Gunnison Courier, weekly, circulation of 2,300 +
- c. Gunnison New-Champion, weekly, circulation of 2,300+

2. Non-local newspapers regularly distributed in the community.

- a. Pueblo Chieftain, daily, circulation of 48,000
- b. Denver Post, daily, circulation of 255,000
- c. Denver Rocky Mt. News, daily, circulation of 194,000
- d. Grand Junction Sentinel to the community, daily, circulation of 20,000

2. Radio - TV

a. Radio

Call Letters	KGUC
Network Affiliation	Intermountain
Power (watts)	1000

- b. TV - Brought in by translators. Viewers pay volunteer \$15 per year.

Call Letters	KBTV, Channel 9,
	Denver
Network Affiliation	ABC
Power (watts)	N.A.

Call Letters KOAA-TV, Chan. 5,
Pueblo
Network Affiliation NBC
Power (watts) N.A.

Call Letters KREX-TV, Chan. 10
Network Affiliation CBS Grand Junction
Power (watts) N.A.

1) Cable TV - No

E. Hotels and Motels (in and within three miles of city).

1. The total number of hotels and motels is 19.
2. The total number of rooms is 454.
3. Rates are:

Single	Low -	\$6.00
	High -	15.00
Double	Low -	10.00
	High -	20.00

F. Restaurants

1. Meeting and banquet facilities for over 25 people:
(private dining - meeting within city)
 - a. Dos Rios Motor Hotel - seats 250
 - b. Tomichi Village Inn - seats 125
 - c. Western Motel - seats 90

Other local restaurants where groups of up to 75 could be accommodated. Semi-privacy in others. Many other outside immediate area of city at resorts and at Crested Butte.

G. Post Office

1. The number of sub-stations is seven.
 - a. The class rating of the post office is first.
2. The frequency of delivery in the business areas

is one per day, six days.

3. The frequency of delivery in residential areas is one per day, six days.

IV. EDUCATION

A. Schools

1. Public schools

	<u># of Schools</u>	<u># of Teachers</u>	<u>Avg. Daily Atten.</u>	<u>Student/ Teacher Ratio</u>
a. Elementary	5	45	800	18 to 1
b. Junior High	1	12	200	16 to 1
c. Senior High	1	26	400	15 to 1
d. Jr. College	-	none		
e. Vocational or Technical	-	none		
f. Trade Schools	-	none		

2. Parochial schools - None.

4. The distance, in miles, to the nearest vocational training center is 126 miles (Grand Junction).

B. Cost (Public Schools)

1. The estimated cost of education per pupil per year is \$850.

C. Programs

1. The following are part of the school program:

- Kindergarten
- Guidance
- Physical education
- Vocational training
- Business education
- Adult evening classes
- Classes for retarded children

2. The schools were consolidated in 1960.

3. The district is served by school transportation.
4. The building program in the last five years has been: none.
5. The number of volumes in the school library is:

High school	- 6,363
Junior high	- 4,100
Elementary	- 5,740
College	- 100,000 plus

D. Colleges and Universities

1. Schools within a 50 mile radius:

- a. Western State College
Gunnison, Colorado
Public
Five year, B.A. and M.A. degrees
No two-year certificates issued
Approximately 325 undergraduate
degrees issued annually, B.A.
Approximately 100 M.A. degrees issued
annually.
Evening courses are provided

E. Private Business or Vocational Schools

1. Business schools: None

V. GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION FOR 1972

A. The local government management form is:

Mayor - Council: N.A.

City Manager: Full-Time

Commission: N.A.

B. The terms of office for Colorado county officials are as follows:

1. Clerk 4 years
2. Treasurer 4 years
3. Assessor 4 years
4. Commissioners 4 years

C. The community adopted a Home Rule Charter.

D. Regulations

1. There are municipal, county, or regional planning commissions established by law for the following:
 - a. City
 - b. County
 - c. Regional
2. There are city and county regulations for the following:
 - a. Planning
 - b. Zoning
 - c. Subdividing
 - d. Building codes

E. Law Enforcement

1. Police department

- a. The number of police personnel is eight.
- b. The number of cars is three.
- c. There is radio control.

2. Sheriff department

- a. The number of police personnel is five.
- b. The number of cars is two.
- c. There is radio control.

F. Fire Protection

1. City fire department

- a. The number of volunteers is 31.
- b. The number paid is one (Chief).
- c. The number of pieces of equipment is four.
- d. The number of stations is one.
- e. Type of equipment and number:

Ladders	- none
Pumpers	- 1
Emergency	- 1
Other	- Hose Truck

- f. The fire insurance class is seven.

2. Rural fire department (under jurisdiction of County Sheriff.) One main truck stationed at Sheriff's office in Gunnison. The number of volunteers depends on the sheriff. None are paid. Various pieces of minor equipment located at Crested Butte, Doyleville, Powder Horn. Possibility of formation of regular fire district in the near future.

VI. LABOR AND WAGE DATA FOR 1970 (Most information is from local State Employment Office and Department of Employment.)

A. General

1. Population 16-64 years of age in county:

Male - 2,950 (1970 Census)
Female - 2,552 (1970 Census)

2. Population 16-64 years of age currently employed in the county:

Male -) 3,088 (combined)
Female -)

B. Supply

1. The following is listed by county (annual average 1971)

a. Total labor force - 3,261

b. Total unemployed - 173

c. Percent of labor force unemployed - 5.3%

2. Estimated number employed in:

Manufacturing -	15
Mining -	100
Agriculture -	250
Trade (retail & wholesale) -	135
Government -	830
Transportation -	10
Utilities & communications -	26
Finance, insurance, real estate -	50
Service -	95
Other -	1,189

C. Composition of labor force:	Approx. No. <u>Working</u>	Approx. No. <u>Available</u>
1. Clerk, general office	93	NA
2. Bookkeepers	6	
3. Key punch operators	2	
4. Clerk-typists	12	
5. Stenographers	na	
6. Secretaries	42	
7. Draftsmen	3	
8. Engineers, senior	na	
9. Machinists	2	
10. Auto mechanics	21	
11. Bricklayers	na	
12. Carpenters	17	
13. Electricians	8	
14. Power equip. operators	6	
15. Painters	3	
16. Plumber-pipefitters	10	
17. Truck drivers	8	
18. Printers	7	

D. Wage ranges by type of employment:

	<u>Hourly Wage Range</u>		
	<u>Entry Rate</u>	<u>Median</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
1. Clerk, general office	1.50		2.50
2. Bookkeeper, general			\$600/mo
3. Clerk typist			1.60
4. Secretary			\$400/mo.
5. Draftsman			None
6. Engineer, senior			None
7. Machinist			na
8. Auto mechanic	2.50		6.00
9. Carpenter	2.30		5.00
10. Electrician	2.50		6.00
11. Power equipment opr.	4.80		na
12. Painter	2.50		5.00
13. Plumber-pipefitter	na		8.00
14. Truck driver	2.60		5.00
15. Printer	na		3.50

E. Union Activity - very little

1. The major unions in the area are:
 - a. Carpenters
 - b. Laborers
 - c. Electricians
 - d. Operating Engineers
 - e. Teamsters
2. The time lost due to work stoppages during the last five years has been: unknown
3. There is no one union particularly prominent in the community.
4. The last union organizational election was held (unknown).
 - a. The percentage for unionization is unknown.
5. Union leadership is not active in industrial development work.

F. Employee Mobility

1. Of those employed in manufacturing in the community, the following percentages come from:
 - a. Town - 80%
 - b. 10 mile radius - 10%
 - c. 20 mile radius - 5%
 - d. 30 mile radius - 5%

G. The largest manufacturing employers are:

1. Building Logs, Inc.
Six to 15 male employees
One female employee
Product: Loc Logs precut for homes and other

buildings
There is no union affiliation

2. Gunnison Ready-Mix Concrete Co.
Six to ten male employees
One female employee
Product: Concrete, also septic tanks
There is no union affiliation
3. AST Co.
Six to 7 male employees
One female employee
Product: Fiber glass septic tanks
There is no union affiliation

H. The seasonal industries in the community are:

1. None that manufacture. Our so-called seasonal business with fluctuating employment are recreation such as ski area, some resorts, etc.

I. The five largest commercial or service employers are:
(Service employers are non-governmental.)

1. Cattlemen Inn
10 male employees
30 female employees
Type of service: Hotel, Restaurant
2. Dos Rios Motor Hotel
13 male employees
15 female employees
Type of service: Motel, Restaurant
3. Crested Butte Ski Area
20 to 200 total male and female employees
Type of service: Ski area
4. Colonial House
one male employee
17 female employees
Type of service: Restaurant
5. Other types with employee numbers ranging from 15 on up are two banks, a cleaners & laundry, telephone company, other eating places and combination resort-dining rooms.

J. General Information

1. There was a current labor survey within the last year.
2. We would conduct a comprehensive labor availability survey if a manufacturer was seriously considering locating in the city.
3. The school system is possibly capable of implementing vocational training suggested by new or existing industry.

VII. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR 1972

A. Hospitals

1. Gunnison County Public Hospital
An accredited community hospital with
24 beds and 2,160 out-patients.

B. Number and type of medical personnel:

Total physicians	5	
General practitioners	5	
Registered nurses	11	(full & part time)
Dentists	3	
Radiologists	1	(consulting)
Chiropractors	1	

C. Nursing Homes - none

D. Ambulance Service - yes

1. 24 hour service is available.

E. There is no city or county public health department.

F. Pharmacies for prescriptions - yes

1. Two

G. Professional

1. The number of lawyers is nine.
2. The number of stock brokerage firms is zero.
3. The number of accountants (CPA) is three.
4. The number of real estate brokers
(licensed realtors) is ten.
5. The number of architects is zero locally.

VIII. METROPOLITAN DATA

A. Banks	CITY		COUNTY	
	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Clearings</u>	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Clearings</u>
1. 1950	NA	NA	NA	NA
2. 1960	40,515,907	39,235,001		
3. 1965	57,518,389	56,616,024		
4. 1966	56,055,654	55,676,341		
5. 1967	54,152,019	53,592,587		
6. 1968	61,125,054	58,802,955		
7. 1969	68,820,813	67,902,047		
8. 1970	82,173,493	76,900,556		
9. 1971	100,154,528	97,916,418		

B. Savings & Loans

1. 1953	217,837
2. 1960	985,076
3. 1965	1,719,576
4. 1966	1,826,901
5. 1967	1,983,036
6. 1968	2,125,385
7. 1969	2,352,419
8. 1970	2,595,140
9. 1971	3,309,566

Savings Deposit at year-end.

C. Bldg. Permits - Residential

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
1. 1953	24	66,160	NA	NA
2. 1960	59	197,750		
3. 1965	74	266,758		
4. 1966	56	93,659		
5. 1967	48	107,931		
6. 1968	68	180,649		
7. 1969	75	88,009		
8. 1970	56	145,470		
9. 1971	60	394,795		

D. Bldg. Permits - Commercial

				<u>CITY</u>		<u>COUNTY</u>	
				<u>Number</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Valuation</u>
1.	1954	11		80,561		N.A.	
2.	1960	32		36,755			
3.	1965	35		133,047			
4.	1966	27		80,249			
5.	1967	26		245,141			
6.	1968	30		77,335			
7.	1969	34		46,030			
8.	1970	21		342,750			
9.	1971	30		103,220			

SOURCE: City

E. Retail Sales

				<u>CITY</u>	<u>COUNTY</u>
1.	1950			NA	NA
2.	1960			9,016,758	10,109,000
3.	1965			-	-
4.	1966			13,249,203	15,584,868
5.	1967			13,090,334	14,535,011
6.	1968			14,758,713	16,573,493
7.	1969			15,878,000	18,680,000
8.	1970			17,550,461	20,647,602
9.	1971		Est.	21,371,463	25,154,663

F. Assessed Valuation

1.	1950			-	10,286,700
2.	1960			3,098,720	11,860,105
3.	1965			3,971,042	14,118,862
4.	1966			-	14,664,255
5.	1967			4,217,680	15,131,185
6.	1968			5,058,530	16,217,170
7.	1969			-	-
8.	1970			5,439,635	17,632,965
9.	1971			5,673,435	18,500,020

G. **Postal Receipts** CITY COUNTY

Only 1st class P.O. in county in Gunnison.

1.	1950	\$ 32,019	N.A.
2.	1960	60,405	
3.	1965	-	
4.	1966	98,793	
5.	1967	104,977	
6.	1968	115,188	
7.	1969	-	
8.	1970	120,619	
9.	1971	133,808	

H. Rail Carloadings Air Express Air Freight
Rec'd. Forwarded Shipments Pounds

(Information not available)

I. **Motor Vehicle Registrations (County)**

		<u>Cars</u>	<u>Trucks</u>
1.	1950	1,725	564
2.	1960	2,215	643
3.	1965	2,953	1,185
4.	1966	2,853	1,173
5.	1967	2,798	1,060
6.	1968	2,799	1,019
7.	1969	2,985	1,054
8.	1970	3,231	1,125
9.	1971	3,453	1,162

J. Utilities in Service (City)

		<u>Electric Meters</u>	<u>Gas Meters</u>	<u>Water Meters</u>	<u>Telephones</u>
1.	1950	NA	NA	NA	
2.	1960	"		"	
3.	1965	"		"	
4.	1966	"		"	
5.	1967	"		"	
6.	1968	"		"	
7.	1969	2,031		917	
8.	1970	2,136		959	
9.	1971	2,239		952	
10.	1972	2,386		1,024	5,200 phones & extensions (3,200 customers)

K. Population

		<u>City</u>	<u>County</u>
1.	1950	2,770	5,716
2.	1960	3,477	5,477
3.	1970	4,613	7,578

Age
Classification

	<u>County</u>	
	M	F
1.	0-14	851 749
2.	15-19	762 720
3.	20-45	1,685 1,357
4.	45-65	554 530
5.	Over 65	174 187

L. Approximate number of family units (County): 3361

a. Percent Negro	.0031
b. Percent Mexican-American	.0035
c. Percent White	.987
d. Percent Indian	.0019

M. Income (County):

	<u>\$0-</u> <u>2999</u>	<u>3000-</u> <u>4999</u>	<u>5000-</u> <u>6999</u>	<u>7000-</u> <u>9999</u>	<u>Over</u> <u>10,000</u>
Families	21.3%	15.6%	23.2%	15.0%	24.9%

N. Housing:

1. The number of housing units constructed during the last five years has been:

		NUMBER		
		<u>Single-</u> <u>Family</u>	<u>Two or</u> <u>More Units</u>	<u>Mobile</u> <u>Homes</u>
a.	1967	0	1	0
b.	1968	2	2	0
c.	1969	2	0	0
d.	1970	7	1	1
e.	1971	7	4	52
				(In three parks)

IX. RECREATION AND CULTURAL FACILITIES

A. Parks (within county limits)

1. City Park
Two blocks
East edge of city
2. Lions Park
5 acres
West of city

B. Golf Courses

1. Dos Rios Golf Club
Public and Private combined
2. Spring Creek Resort
Public and Private combined

C. The number of tennis courts is six.

D. The number of swimming pools is two (plus motel pools).

E. Places to Boat

1. Blue Mesa Lake,
Curecanti National Recreation Area
Six miles from Gunnison
2. Taylor Reservoir,
Taylor Park
34 miles from Gunnison
3. Lake San Cristobal,
Lake City
56 miles from Gunnison
4. Plus many other smaller lakes

F. Places to Fish

1. In above lakes, plus the many others.
2. Gunnison National Forest makes up most of the county. 1,300 miles of stream and lake fishing.

G. Places to Hunt

1. Throughout the county.

H. Ski Areas

1. Crested Butte Ski Area
27 miles from Gunnison
2. Cranor Ski Hill
Two miles from Gunnison

I. Snowmobiling

1. Throughout most of county.

J. Lakes

1. Blue Mesa Lake
6 miles from Gunnison
2. Taylor Reservoir
34 miles from Gunnison
3. Lake San Cristobal
56 miles from Gunnison

K. Bowling Facilities

1. Western State College
Two alleys

L. Baseball, Football and Basketball Leagues

1. Little League
2. Some men's leagues.

M. Theaters

1. Movie

a. Indoor

- 1) West Theater
- 2) Twin Screen (new) name unknown at this time.

b. Outdoor - none

2. Community Theaters

a. Drama groups

- 1) Webster Players, Community
- 2) Mountaineer Players, College

N. Annual major recreational events

1. College and High School football, basketball, Baseball, track, skiing and other sports.
2. Cattlemens Days Rodeos, Races, 3rd Weekend in July.
3. Fourth of July Celebration, Crested Butte.
4. July 4th Fireworks, Rotary Club sponsored. (Gunnison)

O. Community Public Library

1. Number of volumes - 8,000
2. Number of branches - none
3. Bookmobile - none

P. National Parks - Monuments

1. Curecanti National Recreation Area
Six miles from Gunnison
2. Black Canyon of the Gunnison National Monument
56 miles from Gunnison
3. Gunnison National Forest
Takes up most of the county

Q. Museums

1. Gunnison County Pioneer & Historical Museum
East edge of town
2. Western State College,
Hurst Hall
On campus

R. Concerts

1. Community (local) - College concerts, approx. 30
per yr.
2. Traveling - yes, the number of concerts vary.

S. Galleries

1. Art (local) - yes at WSC
2. Traveling - yes at WSC

T. Lecture Series

1. Various types at Western State College.

U. Ruins

1. None

V. Campgrounds

1. There are 12 commercial campgrounds from within the city to 56 miles out.
2. There are approximately 40 government campgrounds from 8 miles to 56 miles of the city.

X. Tourist Promotion

1. There is a tourist promotion program.
2. The tourist attractions are identified with signs.
3. The city is identified with adequate signs.
4. A central information place is maintained.
5. Tourist attractions are listed and described in a brochure.
6. Existing tourist attractions are continuously maintained and improved.
7. Some historical sites marked with official state markers.

X. TAXATION

A. Income Tax

1. Corporate

- a. Five (5) percent of net income derived from sources within Colorado.

2. Individual

- a. Rates range from three (3) percent to eight (8) percent.
- b. A \$750 dependent exemption is allowed plus the full amount of federal taxes. Other deductions generally conform to the federal income tax law.

B. Property Taxes

- 1. There is no state property tax levy. Local taxes are levied by cities, schools, counties, and special districts. All classes of property, with the following exceptions, are by law to be assessed at 30 percent.

- a. Freeport merchandise is assessed at five (5) percent of actual value (monies invested).
- b. Valuation on all other business inventories (raw materials, goods in process, and finished goods to be sold in Colorado) will be reduced according to the following schedule:
 - 1) To ten (10) percent in '1972
 - 2) To five (5) percent in 1973 and thereafter
 - a) The above taxable year assessment rates are applied to inventories for the preceding year.

- 2. Local property tax mill levies vary throughout the state. Actual mill levies may be obtained from the County Assesors or from the Division of Commerce and Development. Intangibles are not taxed in Colorado.

C. Sales Tax

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| 1. Local | 1% |
| 2. State | 3% |
| 3. Total local and state | 4% |
4. A sales tax of three (3) percent is levied on the sale, purchase, use or consumption of tangible personal property within the state of Colorado. Included in this tax are telephone and telegraph service, gas and electric service when consumed or used by the purchaser and not resold. Exempt sales tax include interstate sales and sales for resale or processing. Sales of fuel and power are exempt when sold for processing, construction, manufacturing, mining, refining, irrigation, and industrial use. Food, transient lodging and meals are subject to the sales tax. Prescription drugs and prosthetic devices are exempt from the tax. Cigarettes and gasoline are exempt from sales tax, however, a five (5) cent per pack cigarette tax and a six (6) cent per gallon tax on gasoline is imposed as of 1968.

The Colorado Division of Commerce and Development, 600 Capitol Annex, Denver, Colorado, 80203 will provide information on local mill levies. Questions concerning tax administration and compliance may also be addressed to the Division.

XI. TRANSPORTATION

A. Airlines

1. Airport facilities

- a. Location of the nearest airport served by commercial airlines - west city limits.
- b. The distance in miles from mid-town is two miles.
- c. The approximate driving time is 10 minutes.
- d. Limousine service is not available.
- e. Car rental service is available.
 - 1) Western State Auto Rental
 - 2) Switzerland Jeep Rental
- f. Length of runways is 7,200 ft.
 - 1) Type of surface - paved
- g. Other airport facilities (navigational and service)
 - 1) Western State Aviation, rental, leasing, fuel, storage, and other services.

2. Scheduled airlines

- a. Frontier Airlines
Four incoming daily flights
Four outgoing daily flights
Convair equipment

3. Charter service

- a. Western State Aviation
One Twin Beech, One Cessna 182,
One Cessna 180
Two pilots available

B. Bus Lines

- 1. Continental Trailways Bus
Four arrivals

Four departures

C. Local Transportation:

1. There is no bus line.
2. There is taxi service.
 - a. Approximate number of cabs is one.

D. Motor Freight Carriers

1. Rio Grande Motorway
Transfer facilities
Home base: Gunnison
Five days of service
2. Ephraim Freightways
Transfer facilities
Home base: Gunnison
Five days of service
3. Jim Chelf Inc.
Transfer facilities
Home base: Gunnison
Five days of service

E. Railroads

1. Passenger service: None
2. Freight service: None

F. Number of days to:	<u>Air</u>	<u>Rail</u>	<u>Truck</u>
1. Chicago	1	None	3
2. Dallas	1	-	3
3. Denver	35 Min	-	1
4. Salt Lake City	1	-	1
5. Kansas City	1	-	2
6. Los Angeles	1	-	3

G. Major Highways

1. Interstate

a. U.S. 50 (Federal not Interstate)

2. State

a. 135

b. 114

c. 149

d. 92

3. County

a. Several county roads.

XII. UTILITIES

A. Electric Power

- a. City of Gunnison
201 W. Virginia
For further information, contact the above-named company.

B. Gas

- a. Peoples Natural Gas Co.
109 N. Wisconsin
For further information, contact the above-named company.

C. Water

1. Supplied by:
 - a. City - yes
 - b. Public district - N.A.
 - c. Private - N.A.
2. Name of supplier: City of Gunnison
3. Local address: 201 W. Virginia
4. The source of water is wells.
 - a. The number of wells is seven.
5. The water supply has been checked by the State Health Department.
6. The capacity of the water treatment plant is unknown.
7. The average daily consumption is 970,000 gallons.
8. The peak consumption has been 1,317,000 gallons.
9. The size of the primary distribution main is Average of 8"; a few 12" and some are 6".
10. The normal pressure on mains is 100 PSI.

11. The storage capacity in gallons is:

Overhead - 1,400,000 (tanks)

Ground level - none

12. The system is looped.

13. Water rates

a. City

1) Next 500 gallons	\$3.00 min. mo./rate
2) First 6,000 gals. per month	\$.50 per 1000
3) Next 4,000 gals. per month	\$.36 per 1000
4) Next 10,000 gals. & all over.	\$.24

b. Outside city: - None

14. Analysis of treated water (Units indicated in PPM-except Ph)

Total solids -	137
Alkalinity (total) -	196
Chlorides -	2.0
Sulphate -	15
Manganese -	0
Iron -	0.05
Hardness (CaCo) -	224
Heavy Metals -	0
(lead)	
Fluoride -	0.2

D. Sewer

1. Treatment plant

a. Type - Sewage Disposal

b. Capacity (gallons per day) - 5,800,000

c. Average load - 2,800,000

d. Peak load - 3,500,000

2. 100 percent of the community is served by the

sewer system.

3. The industrial area is served by a line size of 18", 15", and 8".
4. Sewer rates
 - a. \$2.50 all residential users
 - b. 50% of water bill on all other users
5. Special limitations for industrial sewage:
BOD: N.A.

E. Solid Waste Disposal

1. City service - yes
2. Private service - yes, in county.
3. Frequency of garbage and trash collection:
Twice a week, residential; Daily, commercial users.
4. Type of city dump - land-fill
5. Rate schedule
 - a. \$1.50 Residences
 - b. Contract basis on all others

F. Telephone

1. Mountain Bell
All of Gunnison County
Number of subscribers: 3,500

G. Telegraph Service

1. Western Union
108 W. Tomichi
Office hours: 9-5 Mon thru Fri.
Services provided: Regular, but no home or office
delivery except by mail.

Two pilots on duty