STATISTICAL SKETCH

Bastrop is a city of 18,000 people. Morehouse Parish has a population of about 35,000.

The tax rate in the City of Bastrop is 31 mills, the State 5.75 mills and the Parish 31 mills.

The Bastrop area is an important center of heavy manufacturing activity. Its well-known industrial products include fibre-board, bleached paper, paper milk containers, aluminum sulphates, petro-chemicals, dairy products, metal fabrications, pulpwood trailers and bodies, wood products.....and the newest.....garments and feed pellets.

The major attractions of the Bastrop and Morehouse Parish area for outside visitors and travelers are its recreational activities and facilities. The lakes, streams and woods of Morehouse Parish offer excellent fishing for bass, catfish, bream and crappie as well as hunting for deer, quail, dove, turkey, squirrel and rabbit.

Two game reserves exist in the Parish, one at Oak Ridge (Coullee) and one north of Bastrop (Georgia-Pacific).

Other Morehouse villages are Bonita, Collinston, Mer Rouge, and Oak Ridge, and they lie in the rural area that is part of the cotton belt. Soybeans, wheat, rice, corn, coastal bermuda and cattle are other important agriculture products, as well as timber.

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