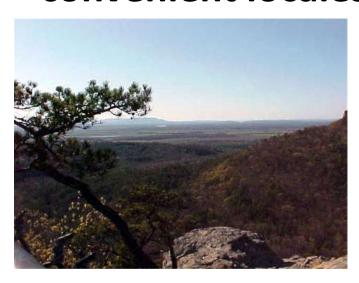


Arkansas Overlooked Treasure! One of the state's prettiest and most convenient locales



Dave Boliek, Perry County Chamber of Commerce





Perry County, Arkansas





General Demographics

Population 10,245 (-1.9% from 2010) 22% under 18 18% over 65 60% between 18 and 65

White – 95% Hispanic – 3% Black -2%

3,903 Households
79.5% Home Ownership
Median home value \$77,700
Average travel time to work – 35-minutes
Median Household Income - \$42,455

Private nonfarm establishments – 107 Private nonfarm employment ----- 816



Countywide Strategic Initiative

Branding Tourism Residential Development/Jobs





Why Branding?

We know all about us...
not everyone else does.
Most common remark:
"I've driven through there... seems
like a nice place."



How do folks see Perry County? We took a survey.



Why Tourism?

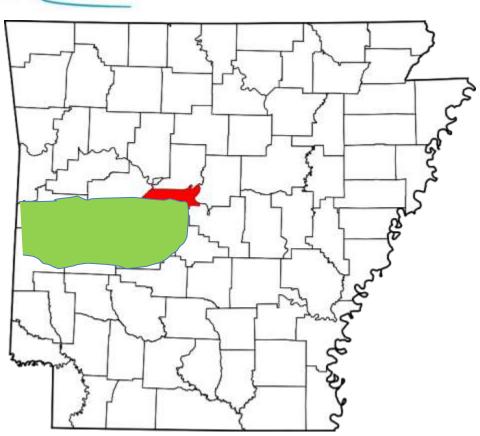
More natural activities than nearly any other county... and close to population centers.





Gateway to the Ouachitas





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Current Tourism Impact

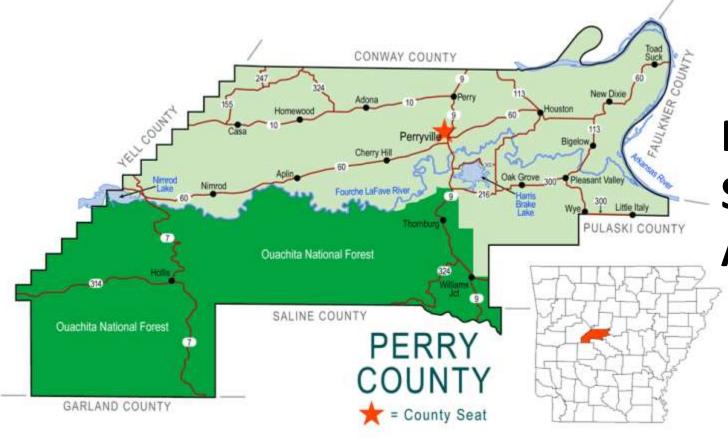
	Perry County	Tri-Peaks Region	<u>Statewide</u>
Travel Expenditures	\$20,339,000	\$259,356,000 - 7.8%	\$6,698,501,000 - 0.3%
Travel Payroll	\$ 2,839,000	\$ 40,768,000 - 7.0%	\$1,209,926,000 - 0.2%
Travel Generated Jobs	s 129	2,198 - 5.9%	62,005 - 0.2%
Total Visitors	72,641	1,040,605 - 7.0%	25,885,000 - 0.3%



Source: Arkansas Travel and Tourism







NO Stats Available





Bicycling
Camping
Fishing
Hiking
Horse Riding and Camping
Hunting
Lake Sylvia
Mineral Prospecting
Nature Viewing

OHV Riding and Camping
Outdoor Learning
Picnicking
Rocks and Minerals
Scenic Driving
Target Shooting
Water Activities
Winona Auto Tour





US Army Corps of Engineers

Nimrod Lake – 140,621 Visitors (2012) Toad Suck Park – 183,799 Visitors (2014) **Total Impact -- 324,420 Visitors**



Source: US Army Corps of Engineers





Heifer Ranch Visitors

4079 – Overnight Program

9377 – Day Programs

3528 – Day Programs (dropin)

767 – Conference Center Rentals

Total 17,751

Source: Heifer International



May we share a quick, by no means complete, tour of Perry County?







Harris Brake Lake

Arkansas Game and Fisheries lake.



"Hello,
Welcome to
Perry County"





Wye Mountain Daffodil Festival.

Wye Mountain United Methodist Church





Heifer International Ranch





Heifer Ranch Global Village







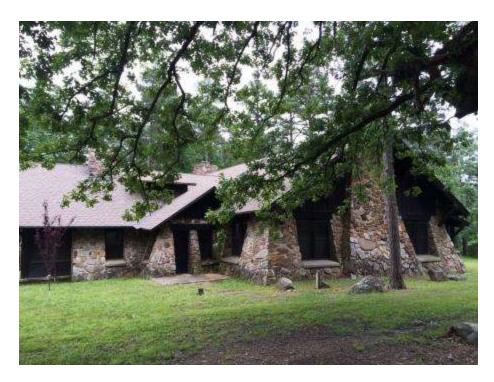
Lake Sylvia – USFS Recreation Area







Lake Sylvia – USFS includes historic Lake Sylvia Girl Scout Camp.



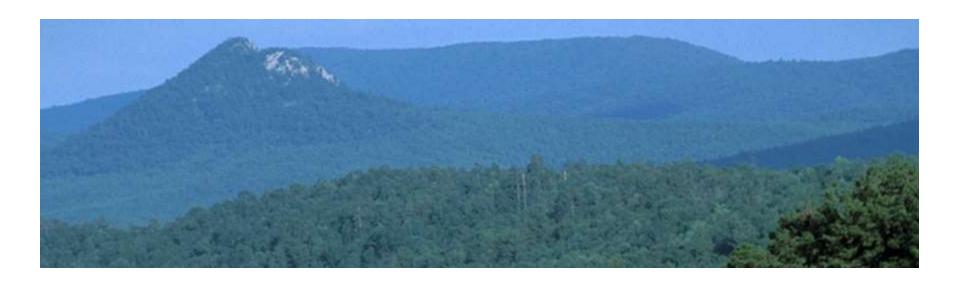


Flatside Wilderness Area





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Flatside Wilderness Area Forked Mountain Falls



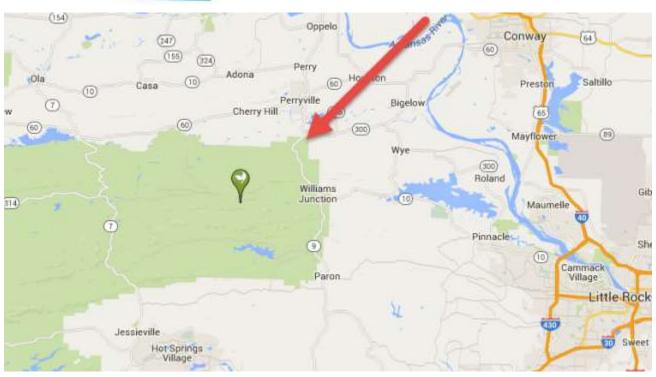


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Winona Wildlife Management Area



160,000 acres – moderate to rugged mountain terrain and narrow valleys within the Ouachita Mountains





Lake Winona







Winona Scenic Drive

27 Miles – Hwy 9 to Hwy 7

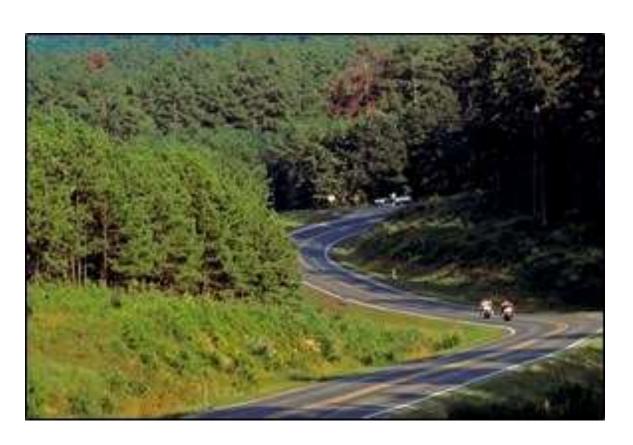


Wildcat
Mountain
Scenic Bike
Trail





Highway 7 Scenic Byway





Cypress Creek Park - Adona











Why Residential/Jobs?

Nicest place to live in central Arkansas.

Convenient to Little Rock,

Conway, Morrilton, Russellville.



With that kind of scenery and outdoors things to do -- who wouldn't want to live here?



