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Oklahoma: Our History, Our Home

Chapter 10: Rebuilding Indian Territory

Railroads were vital to opening the western regions for settlement, allowing not only emigrants from the east coast, but trade and speedier communication between all parts of the country. In this lesson, you will learn more about the railroads of the lands that would become Oklahoma.

Instructions: Use the information at the following links to complete each item below.

Part I: Two companies were hired to build the transcontinental railroad. One started in the east, the other in the west. The companies were paid by the mile, so there was advantage in building quickly. Use the website to answer the following questions.

<https://www.history.com/topics/inventions/transcontinental-railroad>

1. In what year was the groundbreaking of the transcontinental railroad, and when was it completed?

2. Which two rail companies built the railroad?

3. In what town was the eastern end of the railroad? _____

4. In what town was the western end of the railroad? _____

5. What was the payment to the companies for each mile of rail completed?

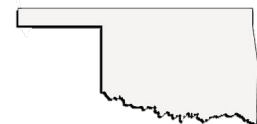
Part II: 1884 Railroads Click the links and examine the maps from 1884 carefully. Enter the information into the table below.

<https://i.pinimg.com/originals/70/08/6b/70086b09d007613e5c0218ccc87b0a8b.jpg>

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/7/7b/Atlantic_%26_Pacific_Railroad_Map.jpg

<https://www.american-rails.com/images/3400958uo909650093o750992.jpg>

	<i>Missouri Pacific Railway</i>	<i>Atlantic & Pacific Railroad</i>	<i>St. Louis & San Francisco Railway</i>
Direction of travel			



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Some of the towns served			
Connects to which state(s)			

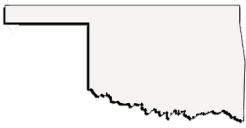
Part III: 1896 Railroads Click the links and examine the maps from 1896 carefully. Enter the information into the table below.

http://www.frisco.org/shipit/index.php?media/missouri-kansas-and-texas-railroad-map.4640/full&lightbox=1&last_edit_date=1462751917

<https://texashistory.unt.edu/ark:/67531/metaph220495/m1/1/zoom/?resolution=5.153960075835972&lat=3087.4037112239002&lon=5314.124096797339>

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	<i>Missouri - Kansas - Texas Railway</i>	<i>St. Louis, Iron Mountain, & Southern Railway</i>	<i>Atchison, Topeka, & Santa Fe Railroad</i>
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Part IV: 1915 Railroads By this time, railroads were common across the United States. Use the links to locate your home county in Oklahoma. Find the train stations in your county in 1915. Identify the nearest railroads.

[County Maps](#)

6. What towns had train stations in your county?

7. What railroads ran through or nearest to your county?

