## Oklahoma's Vital Statistics

### **POPULATION, 2010:**

3,751,351 (28th most populous state)

### **Most populous county:**

Oklahoma County, 718,633

### **Least populous county:**

Cimarron County, 2,475

### **Largest Cities:**

Oklahoma City, Tulsa, Norman, Broken Arrow, Lawton, Edmond, Moore, Midwest City, Enid, Stillwater

### **LOCATION:**

Between 94° 29′ and 103° west longitude Between 33° 39′ and 37° north latitude

### **LAND AREA:**

69,903 square miles (18th largest state)

### **Largest county:**

Osage County, 2,304 square miles

### **Smallest county:**

Marshall County, 427 square miles

### **DISTANCES:**

464 miles east to west 320 miles north to south

### **NUMBER OF LAND REGIONS: 10**

### **LOCATION WITHIN UNITED STATES:**

South central

**TIME ZONE:** Central

### **GEOGRAPHIC CENTER OF THE STATE:**

In Oklahoma County, 8 miles north of Oklahoma City

### **BORDERING STATES:**

Colorado, Kansas, Texas, Missouri, Arkansas, New Mexico

### **NUMBER OF COUNTIES: 77**

### **AVERAGE ELEVATION:**

1,300 feet above sea level

### **Highest point:**

Black Mesa, 4,973 feet above sea level

### **Lowest point:**

Little River flood plain, 287 feet above sea level

### **HIGHEST TEMPERATURE:**

120° Fahrenheit, on July 18, 1936, at Alva; on July 19, 1936, and August 12, 1936, at Altus, on August 12, 1936, at Poteau; on July 26, 1943, at Tishomingo; and on July 27, 1994, at Tipton

### **LOWEST TEMPERATURE:**

-31° Fahrenheit, on February 10, 2011, at Nowata

### **ADMITTED TO UNION:**

November 16, 1907 (46th state)

### **NICKNAMES:**

The Sooner State, Boomer's Paradise

**CAPITAL:** Oklahoma City

**OLDEST TOWN: Vinita, 1871** 

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# Oklahoma's Symbols



### **AMPHIBIAN**

Bullfrog (adopted 1997)

### **ANIMAL**

Bison (1972)

### **ANTHEM**

"Oklahoma!" by Rodgers and Hammerstein (1953)

### **BEVERAGE**

Milk (1985)

### **BIRD**

Scissor-tailed flycatcher (1951)



### **BUTTERFLY**

Black swallowtail (1996)

### **CARTOON CHARACTER**

GUSTY created by former Tulsa weatherman Don Woods (2005)

### **CHILDREN'S SONG**

"Oklahoma, My Native Land" by Martha Kemm Barrett (1996)

### **COLORS**

Green and white (1915)



### **COUNTRY AND WESTERN SONG**

"Faded Love" by John Willis and Bob Wills (1988)

### **CRYSTAL**

Hourglass selenite crystal (2005)

### **FISH**

White (or sand) bass (1974)

### **FLORAL EMBLEM**

Mistletoe (1893)

### **FLOWER**

Oklahoma rose (2004)



### **FOLK DANCE**

Square dance (1988)

### **FOLK SONG**

"Oklahoma Hills" by Woody Guthrie and Jack Guthrie (2001)

### **FOSSIL**

Saurophaganax maximus (2000)

### **FUR-BEARING ANIMAL**

Raccoon (1989)

### **FRUIT**

Strawberry (2005)

### **GAME ANIMAL**

White-tailed deer (1989)

### **GAME BIRD**

Wild turkey (1989)

### **GRASS**

Indian grass (1972)



### **INSECT**

Honeybee (1992)

### **MOTTO**

Labor Omnia Vincit ("Labor Conquers All Things") (1893)

### **MUSICAL INSTRUMENT**

Fiddle (1984)

### PERCUSSIVE MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

Drum (1993)

### **POEM**

"Howdy Folks" by David Randolph Milsten (1973)

### **REPTILE**

Mountain boomer or collared lizard (1969)

### **ROCK**

Rose rock (Barite rose) (1968)

### **ROCK SONG**

"Do You Realize?" The Flaming Lips (2009)



### **SOIL**

Port silt loam (1987)

### **SONG**

"Oklahoma!" by Rodgers and Hammerstein (1953)

### **THEATRE**

Lynn Riggs Players of Oklahoma, Inc. (1961)

### **TREE**

Redbud (1937)

### **VEGETABLE**

Watermelon (2007)

### **WALTZ**

"Oklahoma Wind" by Dr. Dale J. Smith (1982)

### **WESTERN BAND**

The Sounds of the Southwest (1997)

### **WILDFLOWER**

Indian Blanket (1986)

# Oklahoma's Counties

COUNTY	YEAR FORMED	2010 POPULATION	COUNTY SEAT	NAMED FOR
Adair	1907	22,683	Stilwell	Cherokee Adair family
Alfalfa	1893	5,642	Cherokee	Governor William "Alfalfa Bill" Murray
Atoka	1907	14,182	Atoka	Choctaw leader Atoka
Beaver	1890	5,636	Beaver	Beaver River
Beckham	1907	22,119	Sayre	Kentucky Governor John C. W. Beckham
Blaine	1890	11,943	Watonga	U.S. Senator James Gillespie Blaine
Bryan	1907	42,416	Durant	William Jennings Bryan
Caddo	1901	29,600	Anadarko	Caddo tribe
Canadian	1889	115,541	El Reno	Canadian River
Carter	1907	47,557	Ardmore	Ben W. Carter, prominent early-day family
Cherokee	1907	46,987	Tahlequah	Cherokee tribe
Choctaw	1907	15,205	Hugo	Choctaw tribe
Cimarron	1907	2,475	<b>Boise City</b>	Cimarron River
Cleveland	1889	255,755	Norman	President Grover Cleveland
Coal	1907	5,925	Coalgate	The coal deposits in area
Comanche	1901	124,098	Lawton	Comanche tribe
Cotton	1912	6,193	Walters	Cotton grown in the area
Craig	1907	15,029	Vinita	Cherokee leader Granville Craig
Creek	1907	69,967	Sapulpa	Creek tribe
Custer	1892	27,469	Arapaho	General George Armstrong Custer
Delaware	1907	41,487	Jay	<b>Delaware District of Cherokee Nation</b>
Dewey	1892	4,810	Taloga	Admiral George Dewey
Ellis	1907	4,151	Arnett	Albert H. Ellis, member of constitutional convention

COUNTY	YEAR FORMED	2010 POPULATION	COUNTY SEAT	NAMED FOR
Garfield	1893	60,580	Enid	President James A. Garfield
Garvin	1907	27,576	<b>Pauls Valley</b>	Chickasaw leader Samuel Garvin
Grady	1907	52,431	Chickasha	Henry W. Grady of Georgia
Grant	1893	4,527	Medford	President U. S. Grant
Greer	1896	6,239	Mangum	Texas Lt. Governor John Greer
Harmon	1909	2,922	Hollis	Ohio Governor Judson Harmon
Harper	1893	3,685	Buffalo	Oscar G. Harper, clerk of constitutional convention
Haskell	1907	12,769	Stigler	Charles N. Haskell, member of constitu- tional convention and later governor
Hughes	1907	14,003	Holdenville	W. C. Hughes, member of constitutional convention
Jackson	1907	26,446	Altus	Confederate General Thomas (Stonewall) Jackson
Jefferson	1907	6,472	Waurika	President Thomas Jefferson
Johnston	1907	10,957	Tishomingo	Douglas H. Johnston, governor of Chickasaw Nation
Kay	1893	46,562	Newkirk	Originally county "K," changed to word Kay
Kingfisher	1890	15,034	Kingfisher	King Fisher, an early settler
Kiowa	1901	9,446	Hobart	Kiowa tribe
Latimer	1907	11,154	Wilburton	James S. Latimer, member of constitutional convention
Le Flore	1907	50,384	Poteau	Choctaw Le Flore family
Lincoln	1891	34,273	Chandler	President Abraham Lincoln
Logan	1890	41,848	Guthrie	General John Alexander Logan
Love	1907	9,423	Marietta	Overton Love, Chickasaw judge
Major	1907	7,527	Fairview	John C. Major, member of constitutional convention
Marshall	1907	15,840	Madill	Maiden name of mother of constitutional convention delegate
Mayes	1907	41,259	Pryor	Cherokee Chief Samuel H. Mayes's family
McClain	1907	34,506	Purcell	Charles M. McClain, member of constitutional convention
McCurtain	1907	33,151	Idabel	Choctaw McCurtain family
McIntosh	1907	20,252	Eufaula	Creek McIntosh family
Murray	1907	13,488	Sulphur	William "Alfalfa Bill" Murray, president of constitutional convention and later governor

COUNTY	YEAR FORMED	2010 POPULATION	COUNTY SEAT	NAMED FOR
Muskogee	1907	70,990	Muskogee	Muscogee Creek tribe
Noble	1893	11,561	Perry	U.S. Secretary of the Interior John W. Noble
Nowata	1907	10,536	Nowata	Delaware word for "welcome" or sign saying town had no water
Okfuskee	1907	12,191	Okemah	Creek town in Alabama
Oklahoma	1890	718,633	Oklahoma City	Choctaw words meaning "people" and "red"
Okmulgee	1907	40,069	Okmulgee	Creek word meaning "boiling water"
Osage	1907	47,472	Pawhuska	Osage Nation
Ottawa	1907	31,848	Miami	Ottawa tribe
Pawnee	1893	16,577	Pawnee	Skidi Pawnee tribe
Payne	1890	77,350	Stillwater	Boomer leader David L. Payne
Pittsburg	1907	45,837	McAlester	Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Pontotoc	1907	37,492	Ada	Pontotoc Creek in Chickasaw homeland in Mississippi
Pottawatomie	1891	69,442	Shawnee	Potawatomie tribe
Pushmataha	1907	11,572	Antlers	Choctaw Chief Pushmataha and Pushmataha District of Choctaw Nation
Roger Mills	1892	3,647	Cheyenne	U.S. Senator Roger Q. Mills of Texas
Rogers	1907	86,905	Claremore	Clement V. Rogers, member of constitutional convention
Seminole	1907	25,482	Wewoka	Seminole tribe
Sequoyah	1907	42,391	Sallisaw	Sequoyah, Cherokee who invented Cherokee syllabary
Stephens	1907	45,048	Duncan	Congressman John H. Stephens of Texas
Texas	1907	20,640	Guymon	U.S. state
Tillman	1907	7,992	Frederick	U.S. Senator Benjamin Tillman of South Carolina
Tulsa	1907	603,403	Tulsa	Tulsey Town, Alabama, an old Creek settlement
Wagoner	1907	73,085	Wagoner	Bailey P. Waggoner, railroad attorney
Washington	1907	50,976	Bartlesville	President George Washington
Washita	1892	11,629	Cordell	Washita River
Woods	1893	8,878	Alva	Sam Wood of Kansas
Woodward	1893	20,081	Woodward	B. W. Woodward of Santa Fe Railroad Company



## Oklahoma's Governors

### **TERRITORIAL GOVERNORS**

GOVERNOR	POLITICAL PARTY	TERM OF OFFICE
George Washington Steele	Republican	1890-1891
Robert Martin	Republican	1891-1892
Abraham Jefferson Seay	Republican	1892-1893
William Cary Renfrow	Democrat	1893-1897
Cassius McDonald Barnes	Republican	1897-1901
William Miller Jenkins	Republican	1901
William C. Grimes	Republican	1901
Thompson Benton Ferguson	Republican	1901-1906
Frank Frantz	Republican	1906-1907

### **STATE GOVERNORS**

GOVERNOR	POLITICAL PARTY	TERM OF OFFICE
Charles Nathaniel Haskell	Democrat	1907-1911
Lee Cruce	Democrat	1911-1915
Robert Lee Williams	Democrat	1915-1919
James Brook s Ayers Robertson	Democrat	1919-1923

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GOVERNOR	POLITICAL PARTY	TERM OF OFFICE
Jack Callaway Walton	Democrat	1923
Martin Edwin Trapp	Democrat	1923-1927
Henry Simpson Johnston	Democrat	1927-1929
William Judson Holloway	Democrat	1929-1931
William Henry Murray	Democrat	1931-1935
Ernest Whitworth Marland	Democrat	1935-1939
Leon Chase Phillips	Democrat	1939-1943
Robert Samuel Kerr	Democrat	1943-1947
Roy Joseph Turner	Democrat	1947-1951
Johnston Murray	Democrat	1951-1955
Raymond Dancel Gary	Democrat	1955-1959
James Howard Edmondson	Democrat	1959-1963
Henry Louis Bellmon	Republican	1963-1967
Dewey Follett Bartlett	Republican	1967-1971
David Hall	Democrat	1971-1975
David Lyle Boren	Democrat	1975-1979
George Patterson Nigh	Democrat	1979-1987
Henry Louis Bellmon	Republican	1987-1991
David Lee Walters	Democrat	1991-1995
Francis Anthony Keating	Republican	1995-2003
Brad Henry	Democrat	2003-2011
Mary Fallin	Republican	2011-2019
John Kevin Stitt	Republican	2019-

# Oklahoma's Federally Recognized Indian Tribes

TRIBE TRIBAL HEADQUARTERS

Absentee Shawnee Tribe Shawnee

Alabama Quassarte Tribal Town Wetumka

Apache Tribe Anadarko

Caddo Nation Binger

Cherokee Nation Tahlequah

Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes Concho

Chickasaw Nation Ada

Choctaw Nation Durant

Citizen Potawatomi Nation Shawnee

Comanche Nation Lawton

Delaware Nation Anadarko

Delaware Tribe of Indians Bartlesville

Eastern Shawnee Tribe Seneca, Missouri

Fort Sill Apache Tribe Apache

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TRIBE	RIBAL HEADQUARTERS
Iowa Tribe	Perkins
Kaw Nation	Kaw City
Kialegee Tribal Town	Wetumka
Kickapoo Tribe	McLoud
Kiowa Tribe	Carnegie
Miami Nation	Miami
Modoc Tribe	Miami
Muscogee (Creek) Nation	Okmulgee
Osage Nation	Pawhuska
Otoe-Missouria Tribe	Red Rock
Ottawa Tribe	Miami
Pawnee Nation	Pawnee
Peoria Tribe of Indians	Miami
Ponca Nation	Ponca City
Quapaw Tribe	Quapaw
Sac & Fox Nation	Stroud
Seminole Nation	Wewoka
Seneca-Cayuga Tribe	Miami
Shawnee Tribe	Miami
Thlopthlocco Tribal Town	Okemah
Tonkawa Tribe	Tonkawa
United Keetoowah Band of Cherokees	Tahlequah
Wichita & Affiliated Tribes	Anadarko
Wyandotte Nation	Wyandotte
Yuchi (Euchee) Tribe of Indian (Historic Tribe that has filed for federal recognitio	n) Sapulpa



# Oklahoma's Colleges and Universities

SCHOOL	FOUNDED	CITY	ТҮРЕ
Bacone College	1880	Muskogee	Private
Cameron University	1908	Lawton, Duncan	Public
Carl Albert State College	1933	Poteau, Sallisaw	Community college
Connors State College	1908	Warner, Muskogee	Community college
East Central University	1909	Ada	Public
Eastern Oklahoma State College	1920	Wilburton, McAlester, Idabel	Community college
Family of Faith College	1992	Shawnee	Private
Hillsdale Free Will Baptist College	1959	Moore	Private
Langston University	1897	Langston, Oklahoma City, Tulsa	Public
Mid-America Christian University	1953	Oklahoma City	Private
Murray State College	1908	Tishomingo	Community college
Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College	1919	Miami	Public
Northeastern State University	1851	Tahlequah, Broken Arrow, Muskogee	Public
Northern Oklahoma College	1901	Tonkawa, Enid, Stillwater	Community college
Northwestern Oklahoma State University	1897	Alva, Enid, Woodward	Public

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SCHOOL	FOUNDED	СІТҮ	ТҮРЕ
Oklahoma Baptist University	1906	Shawnee	Private
Oklahoma Christian University	1950	Oklahoma City	Private
Oklahoma City Community College	1970	Oklahoma City	Community college
Oklahoma City University	1904	Oklahoma City	Private
Oklahoma Panhandle State University	y 1909	Goodwell	Public
Oklahoma State University	1890	Stillwater, Tulsa, Oklahoma City, Okmulgee	Public
Oklahoma Wesleyan University	1909	Bartlesville	Private
Oral Roberts University	1963	Tulsa	Private
Phillips Theological Seminary	1906	Tulsa	Private
Redlands Community College	1938	El Reno	Community college
Rogers State University	1909	Claremore, Bartlesville, Pryor	Public
Rose State College	1970	Midwest City	Community college
St. Gregory's University	1875	Shawnee	Private
Seminole State College	1931	Seminole	Community college
Southeastern Oklahoma State University	1909	Durant, Idabel	Public
Southern Nazarene University	1899	Bethany	Private
Southwestern Christian University	1946	Bethany	Private
Southwestern Oklahoma State University	1901	Weatherford, Sayre	Public
Tulsa Community College	1968	Tulsa	Community college
University of Central Oklahoma	1890	Edmond	Public
University of Oklahoma	1890	Norman, Tulsa	Public
University of Science & Arts of Oklahoma	1908	Chickasha	Public
University of Tulsa	1894	Tulsa	Private
Western Oklahoma State College	1926	Altus	Community college