

Contents

Chapter 1	Where in the World Is Oklahoma?	2
	Section 1 What Is Geography?	5
	Section 2 Geographic Regions	8
	Section 3 Oklahoma's Natural Resources	23
	Section 4 Oklahoma's Climate	32
Chapter 2	Early Cultures in Our Land	38
	Section 1 The Earliest People	42
	Section 2 Historic Native American Cultures	56
Chapter 3	European Quest for New Land	64
	Section 1 Early European Explorers	68
	Section 2 European-Indian Contact	82
Chapter 4	Oklahoma in Early America	88
	Section 1 Colonial America	92
	Section 2 The Louisiana Purchase	100
Chapter 5	A Clash of Cultures	114
	Section 1 Treaties	118
	Section 2 Trails of Tears	126
Chapter 6	New Land, New Beginnings	142
	Section 1 Forts	146
	Section 2 Adapting to Indian Territory	152
Chapter 7	Opening the West	168
	Section 1 Westward Movement	172
	Section 2 Crossing the Territory	176
Chapter 8	The Civil War in the Indian Territory	188
	Section 1 Divided Loyalties	192
	Section 2 Indian Territory Joins the Confederacy	196
Chapter 9	Trouble on the Plains	210
	Section 1 From Destruction to Reconstruction	214
	Section 2 War on the Plains	218
Chapter 10	Rebuilding Indian Territory	236
	Section 1 The Five Nations Start Over	240
	Section 2 Rebuilding the Economy	246
	Section 3 Law and Disorder	258
Chapter 11	Boomers, Sooners, and Oklahoma Territory	266
	Section 1 Dissolving a Way of Life	270
	Section 2 Oklahoma Territory	282

Chapter 12	Creating the 46th State	294
	Section 1 Growth in the Territories	298
	Section 2 Statehood	308
Chapter 13	Growing Pains	320
	Section 1 Politics	324
	Section 2 Industry and Progress	334
	Section 3 World War I	341
Chapter 14	The Roaring Twenties and the Great Depression	348
	Section 1 The Roaring Twenties	352
	Section 2 The Great Depression	364
Chapter 15	Wars and Baby Boomers	378
	Section 1 World War II	382
	Section 2 Social Change	392
	Section 3 The Postwar Period	399
Chapter 16	Politics, Protests, and Social Change	406
	Section 1 War and Politics	410
	Section 2 State Affairs in the 1970s	419
Chapter 17	Oklahoma Roundup	432
	Section 1 The 1980s	436
	Section 2 The 1990s	440
	Section 3 Contemporary Oklahoma	448
	Section 4 Oklahoma's People	458
Chapter 18	Celebrate Oklahoma!	464
	Section 1 Kaleidoscope of Events	467
	Section 2 Museums and Historic Sites	475
	Section 3 Ethnic Groups	483
Chapter 19	Oklahoma Government	490
	Section 1 State Government	494
	Section 2 Local Government	506
Appendix I	Oklahoma's Vital Statistics	512
Appendix II	Oklahoma's Symbols	513
Appendix III	Oklahoma's Counties	515
Appendix IV	Oklahoma's Governors	518
Appendix V	Oklahoma's Federally Recognized Indian Tribes	520
Appendix VI	Oklahoma's Colleges and Universities	522
	An Atlas of Oklahoma	524
	Glossary	535
	Index	541
	Acknowledgments	565

Maps

Map 1	The Hemispheres	5
Map 2	Oklahoma's Latitude and Longitude	6
Map 3	Oklahoma in the United States	7
Map 4	Oklahoma's Geographic Regions	9
Map 5	Ancient Cross Timbers	25
Map 6	Oklahoma's Aquifers	28
Map 7	Oklahoma's Rivers and Lakes	29
Map 8	Average Temperatures	33
Map 9	Oklahoma's Annual Precipitation	33
Map 10	Bering Land Bridge	44
Map 11	Oklahoma Archaeological Sites, 2004	50
Map 12	Early Explorers and Their Routes	72
Map 13	Coronado's Expedition, 1540-1542	75
Map 14	Route of the de Soto Expedition	76
Map 15	Oñate's Expedition, 1601	77
Map 16	North America, Early 1700s	93
Map 17	North America, 1763	96
Map 18	The Louisiana Purchase	101
Map 19	Early Explorations of Oklahoma	104
Map 20	Missouri Compromise	120
Map 21	Early Indian Territory	124
Map 22	Trails of Tears	134
Map 23	The Five Tribes in Indian Territory	138
Map 24	Indian Territory, 1850	159
Map 25	Territorial Expansion	174
Map 26	Early Trails	179
Map 27	The Compromise of 1850	193
Map 28	The Election of 1860	194
Map 29	The Union and the Confederacy	195
Map 30	The Civil War in Oklahoma	202
Map 31	Indian Territory after the Civil War	227
Map 32	Oklahoma Cattle Trails	250

Map 33	Early Railroads in the Territory	255
Map 34	Oklahoma Territory and Indian Territory	283
Map 35	Land Openings	290
Map 36	The Dust Bowl	370
Map 37	North and South Vietnam	414
Map 38	Oklahoma Counties	507

Figures

Figure 1	Enhanced Fujita Scale for Tornadoes	34
Figure 2	Timeline, 10,000 BC-AD 1500	41
Figure 3	Timeline, 1450-1750	67
Figure 4	Timeline, 1740-1820	91
Figure 5	Timeline, 1800-1850	117
Figure 6	Timeline, 1830-1860	145
Figure 7	Timeline, 1840-1860	171
Figure 8	Timeline, 1850-1870	191
Figure 9	The 1860 Election	194
Figure 10	Timeline, 1860-1890	213
Figure 11	Timeline, 1850-1900	239
Figure 12	Timeline, 1880-1910	269
Figure 13	Timeline, 1890-1910	297
Figure 14	Timeline, 1900-1920	323
Figure 15	Timeline, 1920-1940	351
Figure 16	Timeline, 1940-1960	381
Figure 17	Timeline, 1950-1985	409
Figure 18	Timeline, 1980-2015	435
Figure 19	Oklahoma's Economy	450
Figure 20	Oklahoma's People, 2010	486
Figure 21	Timeline, 1900-Present	493

Signs of the Times

Chapter 1	4
Chapter 2	40
Chapter 3	66

Chapter 4	90	Oklahoma Profiles	
Chapter 5	116	Sequoyah	129
Chapter 6	144	Alice Brown Davis, Seminole	163
Chapter 7	170	Opothleyahola	201
Chapter 8	190	Cynthia Ann Parker	229
Chapter 9	212	Thompson Benton Ferguson and Elva Shartel Ferguson	288
Chapter 10	238	Mattie Beal	291
Chapter 11	268	Charles N. Haskell	317
Chapter 12	296	Jim Thorpe	333
Chapter 13	322	Phillips Family	337
Chapter 14	350	Five Ballerinas	375
Chapter 15	380	Carl Albert	401
Chapter 16	408		
Chapter 17	434	Spotlight	
Chapter 18	466	The Battle of Twin Villages	59
Chapter 19	492	River Transportation	110
		Buffalo	150
A Celebration of Cultures		Santa Fe Trail	178
Stickball	131	Initial Point	217
Immigrant Arrival	487	Chuck Wagons	248
		The 101 Ranch	252
Environmental Challenges		U.S. Deputy Marshals	261
Tornadoes	35	Amusements	305
Oklahoma's Second Deadliest Tornado	303	First Transcontinental Air Passenger Service	359
Woodward Tornado	397	Oklahoma!	391
Tar Creek Superfund Cleanup Site	422	McClellan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System	424
The Weather Industry	447	The Penn Square Bank Scandal	438
		Murrell Mansion	481
Focus on the Economy		Governor Firsts	496
Fur Trade	85	The Dome	504
Economics on the Prairie	181		
		Voices from the Past	
Oklahoma Mysteries		The Diary of Major Sibley	15
How They Came	45	What They Were Saying	200
The Heavener Runestone	69		
Bigfoot Festival	474		