



Here are some of the trails that crossed this fertile land of Kansas in the 1800s—trails that played their part in the westward expansion of the nation when thousands of God-fearing people braved the danger of the unknown and suffered hardships to stretch the borders of the nation from the Mississippi westward to the Pacific. When Francisco Coronado entered Central Kansas in 1541, he was seeking gold and precious stones. The riches he found was the soil and he could not transport this back to Spain in quantity. The trails and military roads were the "interstate highways" used by the pioneers and early settlers in the days when hunt-

**LEGEND**

- Santa Fe Trail
- Capt. Zebulon Pike's Route
- Oregon Trail
- Slinky Hill or Butterfield Overland Dispatch
- Fort Leavenworth-Fort Scott Military Road
- Coronado's Route
- Parallell Road
- National Boomer's Route
- Mormon Route
- Chisholm Cattle Trail to Abilene
- Ellsworth Cattle Trail
- Cattle Trail to Dodge City
- East Indian Road through Kansas
- St. Joseph, Mo., to California Route
- Fort Dodge to Fort Hays Route
- Fury Express Trail
- Leavenworth-Pike's Peak Express
- Custer's Last Ride from Fort Wallace
- Cannon Ball Stage Coach Road
- Black Dog's Hunting Route
- Fort Riley-Fort Kearney Cavalry Route

This map is your invitation to use some of the nation's finest highways in exploring the scenic, historic and recreational resources of our great state.

We hope that you will become acquainted with what Kansas has to offer as a state of outstanding business, industrial, recreational and employment opportunities. You will find Kansas a good place to play, and stay.

As you travel our state we ask your cooperation in making this year a safe one for all users of Kansas highways.

Sincerely,



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