

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

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915 Harrison, 7th Floor  
Topeka, KS 66612-1568  
785-296-3566

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785-296-2009  
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785-296-3487  
Web site: [kansasccommerce.com](http://kansasccommerce.com)

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900 SW Jackson, 5th Floor  
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Kansas Department of Transportation

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

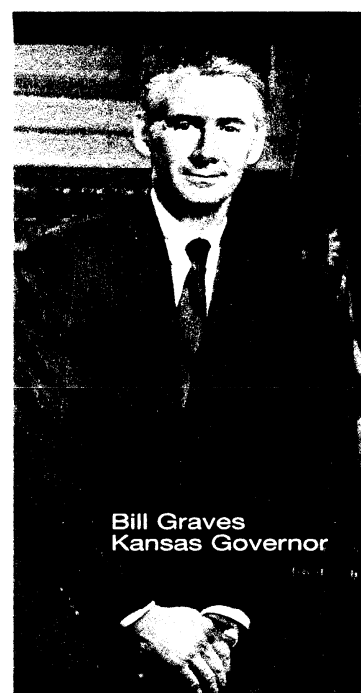
Highway Patrol/Emergency: 785-296-3102  
Emergency (Fire, Police): 911  
Local Information: 1-411  
**Cellular Telephone Users**  
Highway Emergencies / Kansas Highway Patrol: \*47

**KANSAS ROAD CONDITION HOT LINE**

**1-800-888-ROAD**

For 24-hour, recorded road condition information on Kansas highways, call the Kansas Road Condition Hot Line at 1-800-888-ROAD. In Topeka, call 291-3000. This information is available to TTY (Hearing Impaired) users through the Kansas Relay Center at 1-800-766-3777.

Governor Bill Graves  
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*History of the Frontier*

Throughout the frontier settlement period of the 19th century, Kansas was center-stage for the conflicts between Euro-American, Native American, and African-American cultures which shaped our nation's history. These fascinating events, people, and places bring the spirit of America's past to life for thousands of visitors each year. Some of the state's most popular historic stops include:

- Kansas Museum of History, Topeka
- Hollenberg Pony Express Station, Hanover
- Fort Leavenworth • Fort Riley
- Fort Scott • Fort Hays • Fort Harker
- Fort Wallace • Fort Larned • Santa Fe Trail
- Santa Fe Trail Ruts, Dodge City
- Marais des Cygnes Museum, Pleasanton
- Pawnee Indian Village Museum, Republic
- Oregon-California Trail • Smoky Hill Trail
- Frontier Military Scenic Byway
- Santa Fe Trail Center, Larned



*Prairie Earths*

Kansas presents the country's finest tallgrass prairies, the world's most valuable Cretaceous fossils and wetland areas prized for their international significance. Within protected magnificent tallgrass prairies, antelope, buffalo, bobcat, coyote, and eagle stalk their prey.

Kansas offers fantastic travel opportunities for birdwatching, hiking, and bicycling. The state's landscape is a beautiful blend of prairies, lakes, rivers, and hills that hold wildlife, nature trails, and geological finds that are among the best in the world.

- Monument Rocks National Landmark, Gove County
- Prairie Center State Park, Olathe • Konza Prairie, Manhattan • Cheyenne Bottoms, Great Bend
- Cimarron National Grasslands, Elkhart
- University of Kansas Natural History Museum, Lawrence
- Fick Fossil and History Museum, Oakley
- Sternberg Museum of Natural History, Hays
- Big Basin Prairie Preserve, Ashland
- Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve, Strong City
- Maxwell Wildlife Refuge, Canton
- Quivira National Wildlife Refuge, Stafford County
- Finney Game Refuge, Garden City
- Marais des Cygnes Wildlife Area, Pleasanton

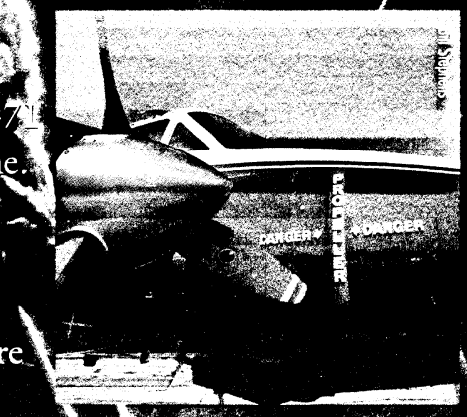


*Band of Flight*

The spacious skies of Kansas have always inspired aviators. Once, it was Amelia Earhart; today, Kansas has earned a reputation throughout the world as the premier builder of general aviation aircraft.

Aviation museums and events across the state offer unforgettable sights, from the Earhart birthplace to the B-52 bomber to the ultra-rare SR-71 Blackbird spyplane. There's no place like Kansas to explore the past, present, and future of aviation.

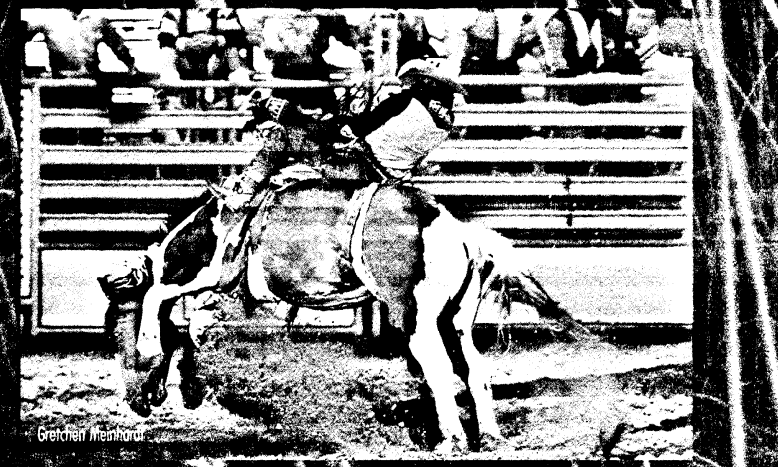
- Kansas Cosmosphere & Space Center, Hutchinson
- Amelia Earhart Birthplace Museum, Atchison
- Mid-America Air Museum, Liberal
- Kingman County Historical Museum, Kingman
- Combat Air Museum, Topeka
- Naval Air Museum, Olathe
- Wichita Aviation Museum, Wichita



*Old West Adventures*

The larger-than-life cowboys legends of the Old West were born on the frontier plains and cowtowns of Kansas. From the Dalton Gang to Mark Dillon, Kansas stirs the imagination and fuels the American spirit. Legendary cowpokes, outlaws, and gunfighters are waiting for you—this heros the real McCoy.

- Old Chisholm Trail, Caldwell, Wichita, Newton, Abilene, Ellsworth
- Boot Hill Museum, Dodge City
- Old downtown, Wichita • Rodeos and Ranch Rodeos, Strong City, Dodge City, Phillipsburg, Pretty Prairie, Coffeyville, Medicine Lodge, Abbeville, Abilene, Mound City, Kansas City
- Dalton Gang Museum, Coffeyville

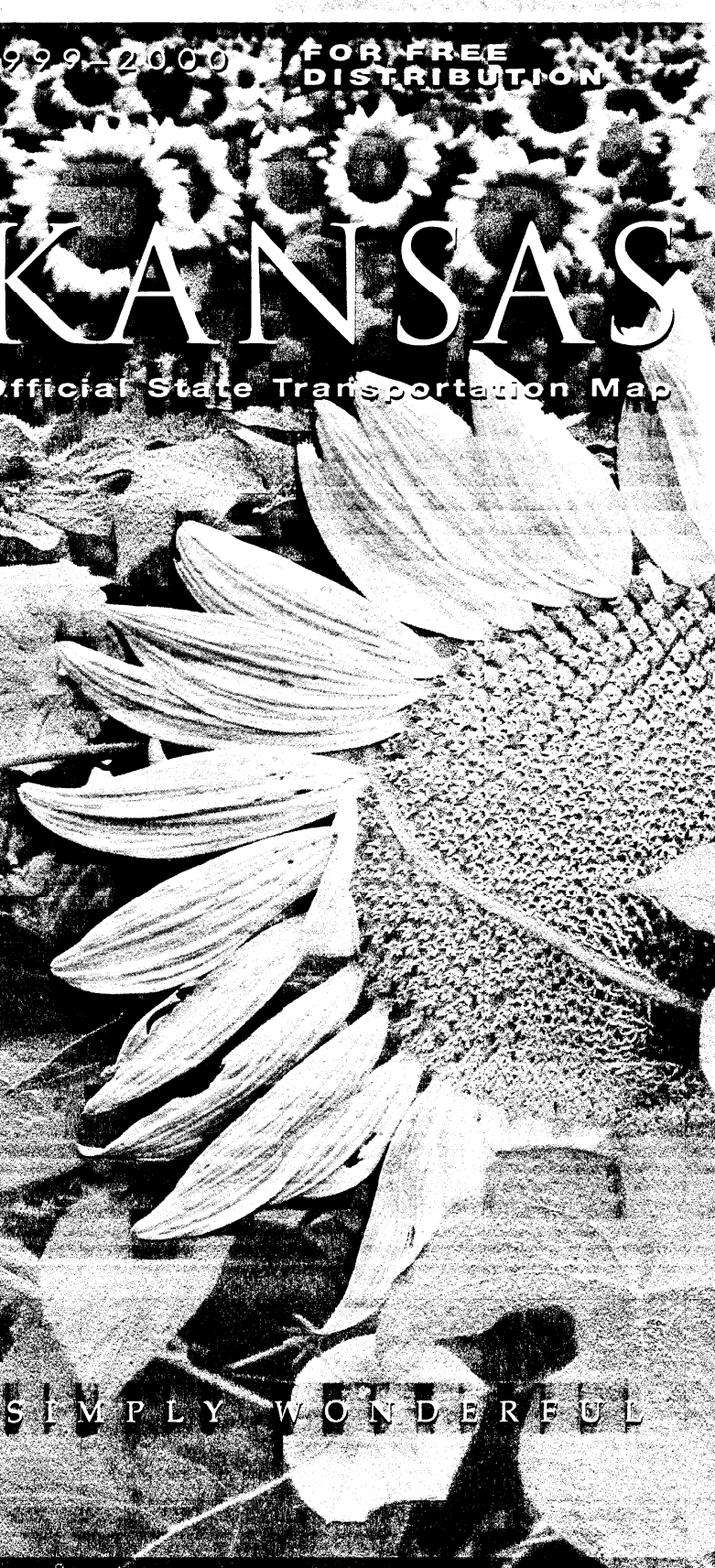


*Farm Country, USA!*

Kansas means agriculture! A history filled with innovations and determination, as well as a present-day position as a global leader in agricultural production, mark the unique character of Kansas.

Massive combines rolling across endless acres of wheat, millions of sunflowers in full bloom, tens of thousands of cattle in sprawling feedlots—these unparalleled experiences are complemented by the nation's leading agricultural university, museums, and open working ranches. The greatest agricultural sights in modern America include:

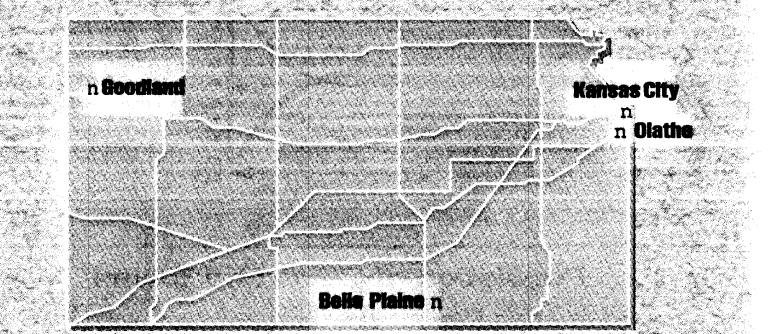
- National Agricultural Center and Hall of Fame, Bonner Springs • Cottonwood Ranch, Studley
- Bar Ranch, Flint Hills • Mennonite Heritage Museum, Goessel • Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson
- Prairie Museum of Art & History, Colby
- Cherokee Strip Land Rush Museum, Arkansas City
- Kansas Barbed Wire Museum and Post Rock Museum, La Crosse • Hillsboro Historical Park
- McPherson County Old Mill Museum, Lindsborg
- Kauffman Museum, North Newton
- 31 Show, Great Bend and Garden City



**VISITOR RESOURCES**

**PLAN THE PERFECT TRIP TO KANSAS WITH THE NEW ONLINE TRAVEL PLANNER**  
The state now offers Kansas Area Travel Ideas and Events (KATIE), our customized travel planner. KATIE gives you all the information you need about Kansas destinations. Simply call 1-800-2KANSAS to have our operators personalize a travel itinerary for you, or access [www.kansasccommerce.com](http://www.kansasccommerce.com) to build your own itinerary. Either way, you get the most up-to-date information about Kansas lodging, events, attractions, outdoor adventures, shopping, restaurants, and amenities. KATIE even makes it easy for you to search events and attractions that most interest you. So, if you're planning a trip to Kansas—call or visit KATIE first. And, once you get here, stop by one of our KATIE Information Centers for free coffee, directions, and further assistance.

**KANSAS TRAVEL INFORMATION CENTERS**  
Kansas has several Travel Information Centers located throughout the state. Friendly travel counselors can give you helpful state information and direct you toward points of regional interest. Clean rest rooms, drinking water, free coffee, picnic areas, and pet exercise areas are also available at some centers.



*The following centers are open year-round except New Year's Day, Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., May 15 through September 15, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., September 16 through May 14.*

- **Kansas City:** I-70 westbound at milepost 415
- **Goodland:** I-70 eastbound at milepost 7
- **Belle Plaine:** I-35 Kansas Turnpike at milepost 265. Accessible from both northbound and southbound lanes.
- **Olathe:** I-35 Exit 220. East on 119th Street, south on Strang Line Road 1/2 mile. Accessible from both northbound and southbound lanes.

