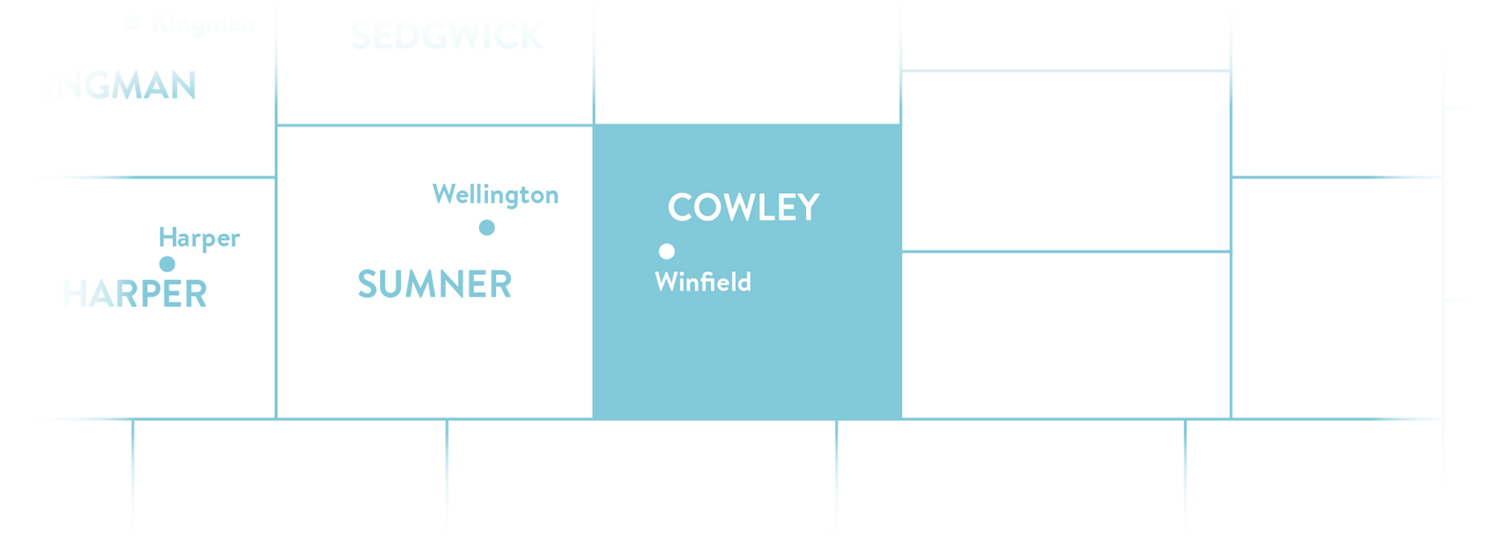


COWLEY COUNTY

With concentrations such as workforce training, entrepreneurial growth and business development, it's no wonder why businesses are prospering in Cowley County, a semi-rural county that is adjacent to the Wichita metropolitan area. The county is known as a longtime leader in plastics manufacturing, aviation, and food processing with companies like GE Aviation, Ferguson Enterprises, and Creekstone Farms.

Cowley County is home to two higher education learning institutions: Cowley College and Southwestern College. Located in Arkansas City, Cowley College is a public two-year community college offering over 80 degree possibilities to over 4,500 enrolled students. Located in Southwestern College is a private four-year institution located in Winfield offering more than 40 undergraduate degrees and six graduate programs.



> The healthy state of existing companies, as well as new entrants into the area, is visible with one visit to Cowley County.

A high concentration of plastic manufacturing with companies including Newell Rubbermaid, WestRock, Husky Liners, Inc., and Western Industries Plastics Products Group, make Cowley County a logical place for the industry to grow.

County Data

Population	34,908



Land area	1,126
Average population density	31
Median age	38.8
High School Graduate or Higher	89.9%
Some College, No Degree	27.1%
Associate Degree	11.9%
Bachelor Degree or Higher	20.1%
Average 1-Way commute to work (min)	18.9
Civilian labor force	16,298
Unemployment rate	3.4%
Unemployment	549
Number of business establishments	775
Employees	14,172
Average annual pay	$38,443
Median household income	$48,087

Sources: 2019 Population Estimates for the 10-County Region; 2010 Census; American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates 2014-2018; Bureau of Labor Statistics - Local Area Unemployment Statistics; Bureau of Labor Statistics - Quarterly Census of Wages 2018 Average

Major Employers

- Creekstone Farms
- GE Engine Services
- Galaxy Technologies
- KanPak
- Silgan Dispensing
- Rubbermaid
- Western Industries
- Winfield Consumer Products/Husky Liners

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