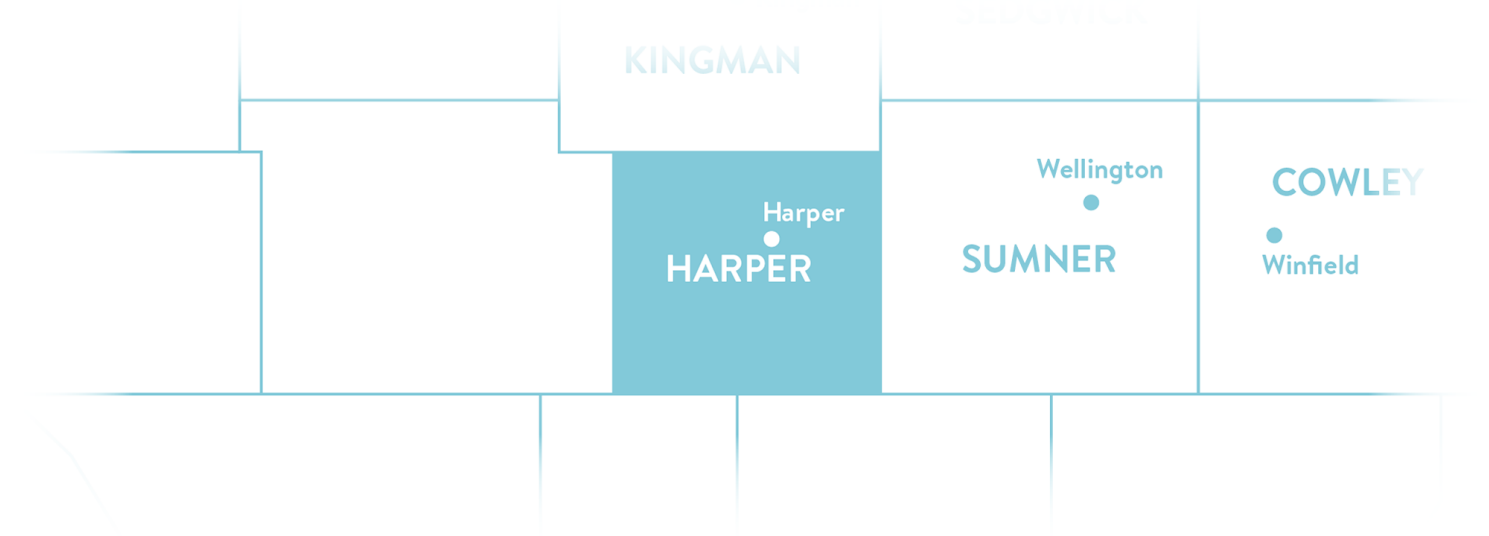




HARPER COUNTY

Located 45 minutes southwest of Wichita, Harper County is a vibrant community of about 5,600 people, living in safe and clean rural towns, with a surprisingly diverse local economy. The population includes an educated and productive workforce, with home-town values and a superior work ethic.



The County boasts a large and diversified manufacturing base of more than 20 firms, ranging in size from several employees to over 100.

In 2019, the new 62,500 square-foot \$40 million Patterson Health Center opened in Harper County with the goal of transforming the landscape of rural healthcare. The health center employs over 150 people and includes a 16-bed critical-access hospital, health clinic, physical therapy and rehabilitation center, and a wellness center.

While Harper County is valued for its country roads, wooded streams, and the abundant wildlife of the Kansas prairie, it's only a short drive to four-lane interstate highways, Wichita's Dwight D. Eisenhower National Airport and world-class universities.

County Data

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| Population | 5,436 |
| Land area | 801 |





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| Average population density | 7 |
| Median age | 42.3 |
| High School Graduate or Higher | 90.4% |
| Some College, No Degree | 26.6% |
| Associate Degree | 6.7% |
| Bachelor Degree or Higher | 17.1% |
| Average 1-Way commute to work (min) | 16.1 |
| Civilian labor force | 2,875 |
| Unemployment rate | 2.5% |
| Unemployment | 73 |
| Number of business establishments | 212 |
| Employees | 2,310 |
| Average annual pay | \$37,206 |
| Median household income | \$49,455 |

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

- Harper Industries
- Elkhorn Valley Packing
- Cox Machine
- Patterson Health Center
- Prairie Belting
- Blanchat Manufacturing

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