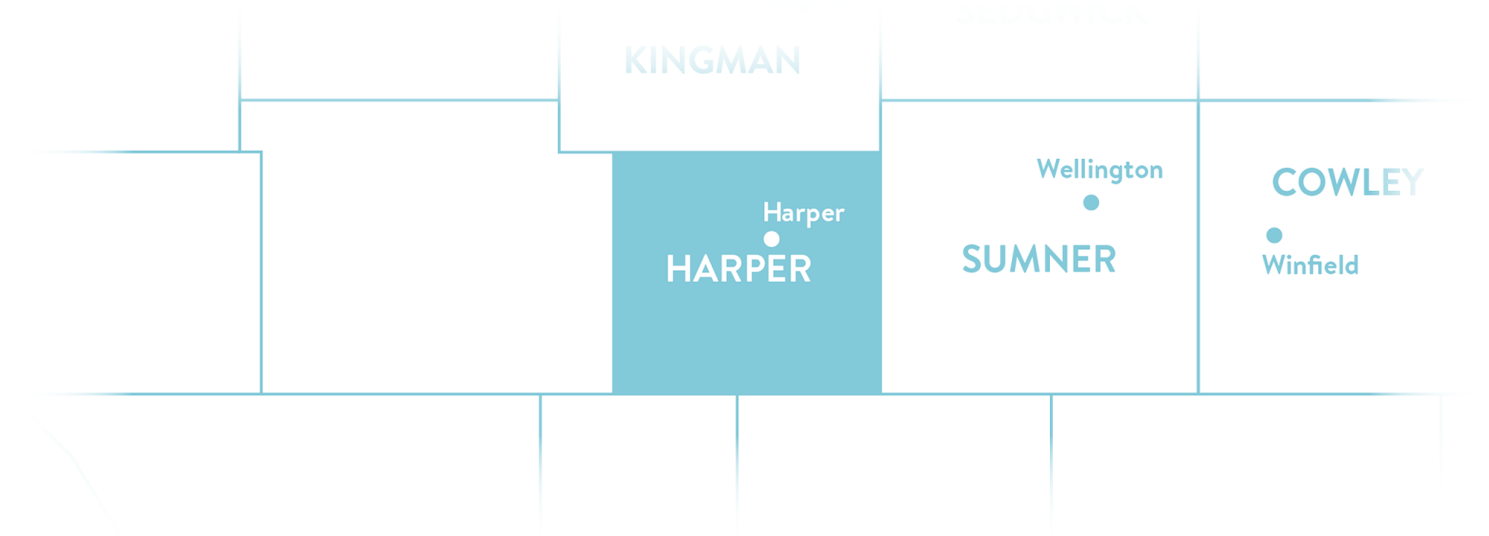




## HARPER COUNTY

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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