



Canadian

This county was once part of the Cheyenne and Arapaho reservation, administered by the Darlington Agency. It was opened by the Run of '89 and the Run of '92, but the southwest corner of the county, part of the Caddo Reservation, was opened by lottery in 1901.

Fort Reno, established in 1874 to maintain order on the reservation, later served as a cavalry remount station. During World War II, it served as a prisoner-of-war camp.

The economy of Canadian County is based largely on agriculture, and Yukon served for a number of years as a major regional milling center.

The county seat, El Reno, was an early railroad center, and headquarters of the southern district of the Rock Island Railroad until its demise in 1981. Railroad service is still provided by the Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas line.

Annual events include '89er Days in April, Fort Reno and Indian Territory Days in Fort Reno, Chisholm Trail Festival (Yukon) in June, and Czech Festival (Yukon) in October. Historical information is available in the *History of Canadian County* and *Family Histories of Canadian County*. Both books are available for purchase. For more county information, call the county clerk's office at 405/262-1070, or visit www.canadiancounty.org/county on the web.

Districts

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Cong. | 3,4 |
| St. Sen. | 22,23,45 |
| St. Rep. | 41,43,47, 55,56,57,59 |
| D.A. | 4 |
| Ct. of Appeals | 6 |
| Ct. of Crim. Appeals... | 4 |
| Supreme Ct. Jud. | 9 |
| Canad. Jud. Adm. | 26 |

County Officials

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|--------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| Court Clerk | Dee Ray (R) | El Reno |
| Clerk | Phyllis Blair (D) | El Reno |
| Sheriff | Lewis Hawkins (R) | Yukon |
| Treasurer | David Radcliff (R) | El Reno |
| Assessor | Ron Funck (R) | El Reno |
| Election Brd. Sec. | Dorothy Riley (D) | El Reno |
| Dist. 1 Comm. | Phil Carson (R) | Yukon |
| Dist. 2 Comm. | Don Young (R) | Mustang |
| Dist. 3 Comm. | Grant Hedrick Jr. (R) | Calumet |

Property Valuations

| | 2003-2004 Assessment | 2004-2005 Assessment | Increase or Decrease |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Real Estate and Improvement | \$369,694,193 | \$401,249,910 | \$31,555,717 |
| Personal Subject to Tax | \$67,706,767 | \$66,229,882 | (\$1,476,885) |
| Total Locally Assessed | \$437,400,960 | \$467,479,792 | \$30,078,832 |
| Homestead Exemptions Allowed | \$22,308,737 | \$23,070,611 | \$761,874 |
| Net Assessed Locally | \$415,092,223 | \$444,409,181 | \$29,316,985 |
| Public Service Assessment | \$45,450,102 | \$46,824,130 | \$1,374,028 |
| Net Assessed Valuation | \$460,542,325 | \$491,233,311 | \$30,690,986 |

County Seat—El Reno (Pop. 15,938) 2003 Estimate

Area (Land & Water)—905.17 square miles

Per Capita Income (2003)—\$26,929 (Ranks 8th of 77 counties)

Population Stats (2000)—Fem.—43,971, Male—43,726 •

Ethnicity—Wh.—74,568; Bl.—1,833; Am. Ind.—3,613; As.—2,110;

Other—69; Pacific Is.—41; Two or more races—2,077; Hisp.—3,386

Births (2003)—1,216 • **Deaths (2003)**—688

Unemployment Rate (2003)—4.6%

Labor Force (2003)—47,740

Number of Establishments (2002)—1,734

Number of Manufacturers (2002)—72

Public Assistance Payments (FY2004)—\$1,076,283

TANF—\$611,684 • Supplements—Aged—\$102,286

Blind—\$2,067; Disabled—\$315,424

Vehicle Registration (2004)—Automobiles—62,770;

Farm Trucks—2,745; Comm., Trucks, Tractors,

Trailers—4,901; Motor Homes and Travel Trailers—2,159;

Motorcycles—2,733; Manufactured Homes—76; Tax

Exempt Licenses—129; Boats—6,748

Institutions of Higher Learning—Redlands

Community College, El Reno

Crime Incidents (2003)—Murder—2; Rape—9; Robbery—

17; Fel. Assault—118; Breaking and Entering—316;

Larceny—1,193; Motor Vehicle Theft—97; Arson—18 •

Total Crime Index—1,752; Crime Rate per 1,000—27.92

Farms (2002)—1,360 • **Land in Farms (2002)**—500,872

County Population

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|--------------------|--------|
| 1907 (Okla. Terr.) | 20,110 |
| 1910 | 23,501 |
| 1920 | 22,288 |
| 1930 | 28,115 |
| 1940 | 27,329 |
| 1950 | 25,644 |
| 1960 | 24,727 |
| 1970 | 32,245 |
| 1980 | 56,452 |
| 1990 | 74,409 |
| 2000 | 87,697 |
| 2004 Estimate | 95,505 |

Recreation Area—Lake El Reno, Lake Overholser

Major Stream Systems—

North Canadian, Canadian, Washita, and tributaries to the Cimarron

Museums and Historic Sites—

In El Reno, Canadian County

Historical Society, Fort Reno,

Dalington Game Bird Hatchery

Minerals—oil and gas, clay

