



Harmon

Harmon County, part of the original disputed Greer County claimed by both Texas and the United States, was created by special election in 1909, and named for Judson C. Harmon, a former governor of Ohio and later U.S. attorney general. Located in extreme southwestern Oklahoma, the county is known today as the “Irrigation Center of the Southwest.” Hollis is the county seat.

The economy of the county is based largely on farming and ranching, with two contributing industries—Western Fibers Insulation Plant, manufacturing insulation from recycled paper, and Buck Creek “Honey” Mesquite Company, Inc., processing mesquite for use as a flavor enhancer for barbecued meats. Lake Hall provides fishing and recreational opportunities for the area.

The Black-Eyed Pea Festival is held annually during the second week in August. Two Harmon County history books, *Planning the Route* and *Planning the Route 2*, are available. For more county information, contact the Harmon County Historical Society or call the county clerk’s office at 580/688-3658.

Districts

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County Officials

Court Clerk	Stacy Macias (D)	Hollis
Clerk	Shirley Orr (D)	Vinson
Sheriff	Joe Johnson (D)	Hollis
Treasurer	Robbie Gee (D)	Hollis
Assessor	Lavinda Smith (D)	Hollis
Election Brd. Sec.	David Fulton (D)	Hollis
Dist. 1 Comm.	Gary Randall (D)	Hollis
Dist. 2 Comm.	Nicky Boone (D)	Hollis
Dist. 3 Comm.	Rickey Duncan (D)	Gould

Property Valuations

	2003–2004 Assessment	2004–2005 Assessment	Increase or Decrease
Real Estate and Improvement	\$13,017,439	\$13,146,149	\$128,710
Personal Subject to Tax	\$3,181,007	\$3,113,783	(\$67,224)
Total Locally Assessed	\$16,198,446	\$16,259,932	\$61,486
Homestead Exemptions Allowed	\$782,818	\$753,628	(\$29,190)
Net Assessed Locally	\$15,415,628	\$15,506,304	\$90,676
Public Service Assessment	\$3,083,801	\$3,073,555	(\$10,246)
Net Assessed Valuation	\$18,499,429	\$18,579,859	\$80,430

County Seat—Hollis (Pop. 2,108) 2003 Estimate
Area (Land & Water)—538.56 square miles
Per Capita Income (2003)—\$22,222 (Ranks 40th of 77 counties)
Population Stats (2000)—Fem.—1,691, Male—1,592 • **Ethnicity**—
 Wh.—2,161; Bl.—303; Am. Ind.—32; As.—6; Other—1; Pacific Is.—1; Two
 or more races—31; Hisp.—748
Births (2003)—31 • **Deaths** (2003)—55
Unemployment Rate (2003)—3.9%
Labor Force (2003)—1,220
Number of Establishments (2002)—76
Number of Manufacturers (2002)—2
Public Assistance Payments (FY2004)—\$124,452
 TANF—\$45,300 • Supplements—Aged—\$21,644; Blind—
 0; Disabled—\$57,508
Vehicle Registration (2004)—Automobiles—2,041;
 Farm Trucks—620; Comm. Trucks, Tractors, Trailers—
 101; Motor Homes and Travel Trailers—67; Motorcycles—
 61; Manufactured Homes—2; Tax Exempt Licenses—11;
 Boats—166
Crime Incidents (2003)—Murder—0; Rape—0;
 Robbery—4; Fel. Assault—4; Breaking and Entering—36;
 Larceny—94; Motor Vehicle Theft—5; Arson—4 • Total
 Crime Index—143; Crime Rate per 1,000—46.22
Farms (2002)—397 • **Land in Farms** (2002)—296,368

County Population	
1907 (Okla. Terr.)	N/A
1910	11,328
1920	11,261
1930	13,834
1940	10,019
1950	8,079
1960	5,852
1970	5,136
1980	4,519
1990	3,793
2000	3,283
2004 Estimate	2,997

Major Stream Systems—Salt Fork
 and Prairie Dog Town Fork of Red
 River
Museums and Historic Sites—
 Harmon County Historical Museum,
 Hollis
Minerals—oil and gas, salt

