



Johnston

Johnston County was created at statehood and named for Douglas H. Johnston, governor of the Chickasaw Nation. The county seat, Tishomingo, is the historic capital of the Chickasaw Nation.

Major industries in the county are Meridian Aggregates, Unimin, U.S. Silica, and Sundowner Trailers. Wildlife and recreational areas include the Tishomingo National Wildlife Refuge, the Federal Fish Hatchery and Catfish Research Center near Reagan, and the Blue River Public Hunting and Fishing area north of Tishomingo. Blue River is stocked with trout every fall and trout derbies are held in February and November each year.

Tishomingo is the home of Murray State College and Technical School and the Chickasaw Council House Museum. Johnston County was the home of both William H. Murray and son Johnston Murray, governors of Oklahoma; and entertainer Gene Autry.

Johnston County History and other books by the Johnston County Historical Society document the history of the area. For additional information, call the county clerk at 580/371-3184.

Districts

County Officials

Cong. 2	Court Clerk	Judy E. Beavers (D)	Tishomingo
St. Sen. 6	Clerk	Kathy Ross (D)	Tishomingo
St. Rep. 20	Sheriff	Tom Winkler (D)	Tishomingo
D.A. 20	Treasurer	Rana Gilpin (D)	Tishomingo
Ct. of Appeals 3	Assessor	Eugenia Wood (D)	Tishomingo
Ct. of Crim. Appeals... 3	Election Brd. Sec.	Janis Stewart (D)	Tishomingo
Supreme Ct. Jud. 2	Dist. 1 Comm.	Pat Ferris (D)	Connerville
S. Cent. Jud. Adm. 20 (Div. II)	Dist. 2 Comm.	Mike Thompson (D)	Wapanucka
	Dist. 3 Comm.	William F. James (D)	Mannsville

Property Valuations

	2003-2004 Assessment	2004-2005 Assessment	Increase or Decrease
Real Estate and Improvement	\$26,952,267	\$28,162,809	\$1,210,542
Personal Subject to Tax	\$10,404,550	\$10,520,758	\$116,208
Total Locally Assessed	\$37,356,817	\$38,683,567	\$1,326,750
Homestead Exemptions Allowed	\$2,750,267	\$2,671,002	(\$79,265)
Net Assessed Locally	\$34,606,550	\$36,012,565	\$1,406,015
Public Service Assessment	\$9,366,556	\$9,559,368	\$192,812
Net Assessed Valuation	\$43,973,106	\$45,571,933	\$1,598,827

County Seat—Tishomingo (Pop. 3,186) 2003 Estimate

Area (Land & Water)—658.29 square miles

Per Capita Income (2003)—\$19,333 (Ranks 69th of 77 counties)

Population Stats (2000)—Fem.—5,343, Male—5,170 • **Ethnicity**—Wh.—7,927; Bl.—174; Am. Ind.—1,562; As.—28; Other—4; Pacific Is.—5; Two or more races—553; Hisp.—260

Births (2003)—128 • **Deaths (2003)**—146

Unemployment Rate (2003)—4.8%

Labor Force (2003)—5,270

Number of Establishments (2002)—160

Number of Manufacturers (2002)—13

Public Assistance Payments (FY2004)—\$335,974
TANF—\$123,963 • Supplements—Aged—\$60,050; Blind—\$0; Disabled—\$145,961

Vehicle Registration (2004)—Automobiles—6,242; Farm Trucks—1,519; Comm. Trucks, Tractors, Trailers—343; Motor Homes and Travel Trailers—326; Motorcycles—191; Manufactured Homes—26; Tax Exempt Licenses—81; Boats—959

Institutions of Higher Learning—Murray State College, Tishomingo

Crime Incidents (2003)—Murder—0; Rape—5; Robbery—1; Fel. Assault—38; Breaking and Entering—54; Larceny—75; Motor Vehicle Theft—14; Arson—2 • Total Crime Index—187; Crime Rate per 1,000—17.80

Farms (2002)—682 • **Land in Farms (2002)**—325,983

County Population	
1907 (Okla. Terr.)	18,672
1910	16,734
1920	20,125
1930	13,082
1940	15,960
1950	10,608
1960	8,517
1970	7,870
1980	10,356
1990	10,032
2000	10,513
2004 Estimate	10,440

Major Lake—Texoma

Major Stream Systems—Washita and Blue rivers and tributaries to Muddy Boggy Creek

Museums and Historic Sites—Chickasaw Council House, and the Bank of the Chickasaw National Museum, Tishomingo

Minerals—sand and stone

