



Major

Major County was created at statehood from the southern portion of Woods County, Oklahoma Territory, and named for John C. Major, a member of the Oklahoma Constitutional Convention.

Fairview, the county seat, takes its name from its scenic location east of the Glass Mountains, a major tourist attraction in the county. Several companies manufacture products ranging from oil drilling equipment to industrial loaders and steel truck bodies.

The Major County Historical Society Museum, built to promote interest in the history of the area, is located just east of Fairview. *Glass Mountain Country* is a history book written about Major County.

Active civic organizations in the county include the Lion’s Club, chamber of commerce, Ambucs and Rotary Club. Annual events of interest include Fairview Follies in August, Wranglers Rodeo in July, National John Deere Two Cylinder Show also in July, Major County Fair in September, and an Old Time Threshing Bee also in September.

For more county information, call the county clerk’s office at 580/227-4732.

Districts

County Officials

Cong. 3	Court Clerk	Shawna Hoffman (R)	Fairview
St. Sen. 27	Clerk	Kathy McClure (R)	Fairview
St. Rep. 58, 59	Sheriff	Tom Shaffer (R)	Ringwood
D.A. 26	Treasurer	Reba Hiebert (R)	Ringwood
Ct. of Appeals 6	Assessor	Ralph Wilson (R)	Fairview
Ct. of Crim. Appeals... 5	Elect. Brd. Sec.	Mary Ann Lynch (D)	Fairview
Supreme Ct. Jud. 4	Dist. 1 Comm.	Skip Wood (D)	Ames
N.W. Jud. Adm. 4 (Div. I)	Dist. 2 Comm.	Kelly Wahl (R)	Fairview
	Dist. 3 Comm.	Bruce Elwell (D)	Fairview

Property Valuations

	2003-2004 Assessment	2004-2005 Assessment	Increase or Decrease
Real Estate and Improvement	\$31,856,269	\$32,955,495	\$1,099,226
Personal Subject to Tax	\$25,443,493	\$25,518,517	\$75,024
Total Locally Assessed	\$57,299,762	\$58,474,012	\$1,174,250
Homestead Exemptions Allowed	\$2,197,702	\$2,196,336	(\$1,366)
Net Assessed Locally	\$55,102,060	\$56,277,676	\$1,175,616
Public Service Assessment	\$6,831,214	\$6,823,903	(\$7,311)
Net Assessed Valuation	\$61,933,274	\$63,101,579	\$1,168,305

County Seat—Fairview (Pop. 2,622) 2003 Estimate

Area (Land & Water)—580.13 square miles

Per Capita Income (2003)—\$23,862 (Ranks 24th of 77 counties)

Population Stats (2000)—Fem.—3,862, Male—3,683 • **Ethnicity**—Wh.—7,076; Bl.—14; Am. Ind.—65; As.—7; Other—0; Pacific Is.—0; Two or more races—80; Hisp.—303

Births (2003)—71 • **Deaths (2003)**—97

Unemployment Rate (2003)—2.9%

Labor Force (2003)—3,580

Number of Establishments (2002)—208

Number of Manufacturers (2002)—9

Public Assistance Payments (FY2004)—\$62,415
TANF—\$17,567 • Supplements—Aged—\$10,057; Blind—\$0; Disabled—\$34,791

Vehicle Registration (2004)—Automobiles—6,657; Farm Trucks—1,565; Comm. Trucks, Tractors, Trailers—646; Motor Homes and Travel Trailers—315; Motorcycles—283; Manufactured Homes—16; Tax Exempt Licenses—33; Boats—798

Crime Incidents (2003)—Murder—0; Rape—0; Robbery—1; Fel. Assault—20; Breaking and Entering—28; Larceny—111; Motor Vehicle Theft—3; Arson—0 • Total Crime Index—163; Crime Rate per 1,000—21.63

Farms (2002)—879 • **Land in Farms (2002)**—508,689

County Population	
1907 (Okla. Terr.)	14,307
1910	15,248
1920	12,426
1930	12,206
1940	11,946
1950	10,279
1960	7,808
1970	7,529
1980	8,772
1990	8,055
2000	7,545
2004 Estimate	7,363

Recreation Area—Glass Mountain State Park

Major Stream Systems—Cimarron and North Canadian rivers

Museums and Historic Sites—Charles L. Loomis Pioneer Museum, Major County Historical Society Museum at Fairview

Minerals—oil and gas, crushed stone, gypsum

