

## **Pushmataha**

Originally part of the Choctaw Nation, this county was created at statehood and takes its name from the Pushmataha District of the Choctaw Nation. Pushmataha was also the name of a Choctaw leader.

Antlers, the county seat, is the site of several manufacturing companies that produce items such as custom mixed concrete, lumber, roof trusses, building materials, and sportswear. Tuskahoma, last capital of the Choctaw Nation, is the site of the Choctaw Council House, built in 1884 and noted for its fine architecture.

A popular recreational area for outdoor enthusiasts, Pushmataha County offers locations such as the Kiamichi Mountains, Clayton Lake Recreational Area, Pine Creek State Park, and Sardis Lake for sporting activities. Although tourism and recreation contribute a great deal to the county's economy, agriculture is still a basic component, and wheat is the major crop. Ranching and timber are the main industries.

For additional information, call the county clerk's office at 580/298-3626 or the chamber of commerce at 580/298-2488.

## **Districts County Officials**

Cong2	Court Clerk	Kathy D. Milam (D)	Antlers
St. Sen 5	Clerk	Albert M.Brown (D)	Antlers
St. Rep19	Sheriff	Jim Duncan (D)	Rattan
D.A 17	Treasurer	Jenny Beth Caraway (D)	Antlers
Ct. of Appeals 3	Assessor	Jack Matthews (D)	Antlers
Ct. of Crim. Appeals 3	Elect. Brd. Sec.	Peggy Melton (D)	Antlers
Supreme Ct. Jud2	Dist. 1 Comm.	Calvin Smith (D)	Antlers
S.E. Jud. Adm 17	Dist. 2 Comm.	Joe Hill (D)	Rattan
	Dist. 3 Comm.	Eddy McIntosh (D)	Clayton

<b>Property Valuations</b>	2003–2004 Assessment	2004–2005 Assessment	Increase or Decrease
Real Estate and Improvement	\$25,109,810	\$25,962,789	\$852,979
Personal Subject to Tax	\$3,902,205	\$4,200,791	\$298,586
Total Locally Assessed	\$29,012,015	\$30,163,580	\$1,151,565
Homestead Exemptions Allowed	\$2,943,825	\$2,935,515	(\$8,310)
Net Assessed Locally	\$26,068,190	\$27,228,065	\$1,159,875
Public Service Assessment	\$7,539,736	\$7,602,224	\$62,488
Net Assessed Valuation	\$33,607,926	\$34,830,289	\$1,222,363

County Seat—Antlers (Pop. 2,534) 2003 Estimate Area (Land & Water)-1,422.78 square miles

Per Capita Income (2003)—\$18,528 (Ranks 72nd of 77 counties)

Population Stats (2000)—Fem.-6,060, Male-5,607 • Ethnicity— Wh.-8,997; Bl.-87; Am. Ind.-1,800; As.-11; Other-0; Pacific Is.-2; Two or more races-579; Hisp.-191

Births (2003)—144 • Deaths (2003)—172

Unemployment Rate (2003)-7.8%

Labor Force (2003)-5,480

Number of Establishments (2002)—191

Number of Manufacturers (2002)-16

Public Assistance Payments (FY2004)—\$396,347 TANF-\$75,750 • Supplements-Aged-\$104,334; Blind-\$2,001; Disabled-\$215,262

Vehicle Registration (2004)—Automobiles-8,442; Farm Trucks-1.868: Comm. Trucks, Tractors. Trailers-330; Motor Homes and Travel Trailers-487; Motorcycles-199; Manufactured Homes-16; Tax Exempt Licenses-39; Boats-1,523

Crime Incidents (2003)—Murder-0; Rape-3; Robbery-1; Fel. Assault-40; Breaking and Entering-83; Larceny-158; Motor Vehicle Theft-26; Arson-6 • Total Crime Index-311; Crime Rate per 1,000-26.44

Farms (2002)—780 • Land in Farms (2002)—309,855

<b>County Population</b>			
1907 (Okla. Terr.)	8,295		
1910	10,118		
1920	17,514		
1930	14,744		
1940	19,446		
1950	12,001		
1960	9,088		
1970	9,385		
1980	11,773		
1990	10,997		
2000	11,667		
2004 Estimate	11,715		

Recreation Area—Clayton Lake

Major Lakes—Hugo, Clayton

Major Stream Systems—Kiamichi, Little rivers and Muddy Boggy Creek

## Museums and Historic Sites—

Choctaw Council House, Pushmataha County Historical Museum, Antlers

**Minerals**—oil and gas

