



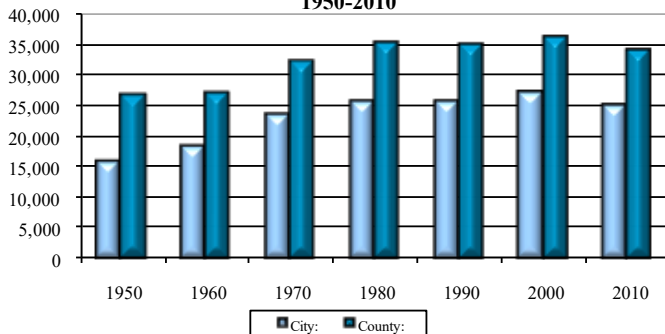
COMMUNITY PROFILE

LOCATION

Emporia is strategically located at the intersection of I-35, I-335 (Kansas Turnpike), and U.S. Highway 50. With the 75-mph speed limit, it is a relatively short drive to Kansas City (110 miles), Wichita (85 miles), and Topeka (50 miles).

POPULATION

Population of Emporia and Lyon County 1950-2010



Year	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010
City:	15,669	18,190	23,116	25,287	25,512	26,760	24,916
Change:	N/A	16.1%	27.1%	9.4%	0.9%	4.9%	-6.9%
County:	26,576	26,928	31,866	35,108	34,732	35,935	33,690
Change:	N/A	1.3%	18.3%	10.2%	-1.1%	3.5%	-6.2%

MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Local government:	Commission-Manager
Comprehensive city plan:	Yes
City zoning ordinance in effect:	Yes
Fire insurance classification:	03 in city 09 outside
Full-time fire department personnel:	53
Police officers:	45
City engineer employed:	Yes
Municipal Library:	Yes
Refuse service provided:	Yes
City streets paved:	97%

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

Public Schools

Type	Number	Teachers	Enrollment	Grades
Elementary	7	205	2,069	Pre-K-5
Middle	2	73	1,044	6-8
High School	2	103	1,265	9-12
Tech College	1	40	1,928	
University	1	237	5,420	

Private Schools

Type	Number	Teachers	Enrollment	Grades
Christian School	1	8	76	Preschool thru 8th
Sacred Heart Catholic	1	8	59	K thru 5th

Web Sites

Emporia State University www.emporia.edu

Flint Hills Technical College www.fhtc.edu

U.S.D.#253 www.usd253.org

Source: Survey 2020

COMMERCIAL SERVICES

Machine Shops in city:	4
Tool and Die service in city:	Yes
Electric motor repair service available:	Yes
Newspaper:	Daily & Weekend
Radio Stations:	12
Television channels received:	Over 160
Seating capacity of largest meeting room:	1,000
Hotels, motels, bed & breakfast:	14
Total rooms available:	730
Chamber of Commerce & CVB:	Yes

TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Rail

Emporia is served by the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad Company with through service from Chicago to California and Chicago to Texas.

Highway

Highway bus service available: Yes
 Highway serving city: Kansas Turnpike I-335, I-35, U.S. 50, Kansas 99, Kansas 57
 Motor freight carriers serving community: 9

Air

Nearest public airport: Emporia Municipal Airport
 Distance from Emporia: 5 miles south
 Length of longest runway: 5,000 feet
 Lighted landing strip: Yes
 Private aircraft storage available: Yes
 Private aircraft maintenance available: Yes

Commuter Airline Service

Nearest airport: Wichita Dwight D. Eisenhower National Airport
 Distance from Emporia: 96 miles
 Carriers: Alaska Airlines, Allegiant, American, Delta, Frontier, Southwest, and United Airlines
 Daily flights: 32
 Air cargo carriers: DHL, Federal Express, UPS

Major International Airport

Nearest airport: Kansas City International
 Distance from Emporia: 125 miles
 Carriers: Air Canada, Alaska Airlines, Allegiant, American, Apple Vacations, Delta, Frontier, Southwest, Spirit Airlines, United Airlines, VivaAerobus, and Vacation Express/Miami Air
 Daily flights: 150
 Air cargo carriers: DHL, Fed Ex Express, and UPS
 Daily flights: 19

Shipping

Length of time goods in transit to:

City	Days by Railroad	Days by Mtr Freight	Miles from Emporia
Atlanta	3	1.25	932
Chicago	1	1	609
Dallas	1	9 hrs	432
Denver	1	11 hrs	540
Kansas City	6 hrs	2.5 hrs	110
Los Angeles	2	2	1479
Memphis	2	1	592
Minneapolis	3	11 hrs	541
New Orleans	3	1	933
New York	5	2	1307
St. Louis	2	2	365

UTILITIES

Water

Water supplier: Municipal
 Name of supplier: City of Emporia, Kansas
 Address: 522 Mechanic, Emporia, Kansas
 Rate information contact: Kerry Sull, City Clerk
 City water source: Reservoir and Rivers
 River water available: 20 cubic ft./second
 Supply of reservoir water available: 16,500,000,000 gallons
 Approved by State Dept. of Health: Yes
 Capacity of water plant: 15,000,000 gallons per day
 Average daily consumption: 6,000,000 gallons
 Peak consumption (one day): 12,000,000 gallons

Sanitation

Type of sewage treatment plant: Integrated Fixed-Film Activated Sludge (IFAS) system
 Approved by State Dept. of Health: Yes
 Sewer use charge: Yes
 Characteristics of waste treatment plant:

Measurement	Capacity	Present Load
Gallons per day	5,400,000	2,860,000

Natural Gas

Natural gas service available: Yes
 Name of supplier: Kansas Gas Service, Inc.
 Address of supplier: Emporia, Kansas
 Rate information contact: 785-431-4072

Electricity

Electric Power supplier: Evergy
 Name of supplier: Emporia, Kansas
 Address of supplier: Emporia, Kansas
 Rate information contact: Community Support
 785-575-8134

Telecommunications

Cable: Valu-Net
 Wireless phone providers: AT&T
 Cricket Wireless
 Nex-Tech Wireless
 T Mobile
 U.S. Cellular
 Verizon
 Internet Service Providers: AT&T
 Century Business Technologies
 Valu-Net

RECREATION FACILITIES

Public golf course, 18-hole grass greens:	Yes
Public parks:	Yes
Public tennis courts:	Yes
Country club:	Yes
Nearest public access lake for swimming, fishing, water-skiing, motor boating:	14 miles

LOCAL MANUFACTURING CHARACTERISTICS

Manufacturing plants & processors in community.....	20
Manufacturing plants with unions	2

Occupation	Mean Wage	Median Wage
Production Occupations	\$17.76	\$16.39
Office Clerk, General	13.37	12.77
Tractor-Trailer Truck Driver	18.97	17.75
Machinist	19.68	19.35
Maintenance & Repair	16.90	16.32
Metal Workers	17.82	17.67

Source: Kansas Wage Survey, 2020 Edition
Kansas Department of Labor

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Banks in community:	4
Credit unions:	2

HEALTH FACILITIES

Hospitals in community:	1
Number of beds:	25
Medical personnel:	
MD	24
DO	10
PA	5
APRN	13
RN	163
LPN	41
Practices in Emporia:	
DDS	13
DC	9
DVM	9

Company	Product/Service	Employment
Simmons Pet Food	Manufacturer of private label canned cat/dog food	1,093
U.S.D. #253	Education K - 12	1,027
Tyson Fresh Meats	Meat packing	972
Emporia State University	University	733
Hostess Brands	Bakery products	570
Newman Regional Health	Hospital	413
Lyon County	County Government	275
City of Emporia	City Government	239
Hopkins Manufacturing Corporation	Manufactures quality automotive products	209
CAMSO Manufacturing USA Ltd.	Manufacturer of rubber products	201
Norfolk Iron & Metal Company	Steel distribution center	133
Evco Wholesale Food Corporation	Wholesale food distributor	133
Hill's Pet Nutrition	Manufacturer of dry pet food	123
Fanestil Meats	Wholesale meat processing and distribution	88
Fusion	Cloud services, storage and security	84
Vekte, Inc.	Manufacturer of hydraulic clamping equipment	83
Holman Distribution	Warehousing, shipping, transportation	75
Flint Hills Technical College	Technical college	72
Sauder Custom Fabrication, Inc.	Custom pressure vessels	63
Dynamic Discs/Dynamic Distribution	Manufactures, distributes & retail sales disc golf equipment	60
Bunge Corporation	Processor of soybeans and meal	58
Glendo Corporation	Manufactures and distributes engraving tools	52
Better Life Technologies	Manufacturer of plastic home products	51
Cargill Animal Nutrition	Manufacturer of dry dog/cat food	47
Valu-Net	Fiber optic broadband internet service provider	36
Thermal Ceramics	Manufacturer of refractory ceramic	28
Hornet Manufacturing	Contract manufacturing	15
Pratt Industrial	Manufactures industrial valves & actuators	13
W.A. Moyer, L.C.	Manufacturer of glass level vials	13
BPE, Inc.	Manufacturer of archery products	3

Source: Telephone Survey (01/21)

MILL LEVY AND TAX INFORMATION

	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
City	41.582	41.606	41.531	42.947	42.575	42.854	43.099	42.862
County	56.501	54.513	58.676	60.896	60.826	60.088	59.303	55.423
School	61.381	61.386	61.415	63.059	63.349	63.184	63.133	63.187
State	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.500	1.500
Tax Rate	160.964	159.005	163.122	168.402	168.250	167.626	167.035	162.972
City Assessed Valuation	145,169,237	145,649,901	147,368,408	147,071,968	154,094,713	159,798,972	168,946,561	173,758,901
County Assessed Valuation	269,100,625	299,027,672	306,142,995	308,291,355	310,609,110	323,923,479	339,405,493	354,572,999
Sales Tax	8.15%	8.15%	8.50%	8.50%	8.50%	8.5%	8.5%	8.5%

EMPORIA

Made famous by the late William Allen White, editor of the Emporia Gazette newspaper, Emporia today is a manufacturing, educational, transportation, trade, medical and cattle center of the East Central Kansas region.

The Emporia area, located midway between Topeka and Wichita on the Kansas Turnpike (I-335) and between Kansas City and Wichita on I-35, is an important crossroads and trade area for the East Central Kansas population of approximately 82,000 people. The amount of truck traffic generated from Emporia's manufacturing community provides a competitive advantage on in-bound freight. The amount of heavy commercial traffic is only second to the Kansas City metropolitan area. The Burlington Northern Santa Fe railroad main line passes through Emporia. The Emporia municipal airport, with a 5,000-foot hard surface runway, can accommodate most corporate aircraft.

Emporia State University is one of the finest medium-sized universities in the mid-west. Over 5,000 students are enrolled in the university offering outstanding programs in education, business, arts & sciences, and library science and information management. More information is available at their website at www.emporia.edu

Flint Hills Technical College offers training in Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, Automotive Technology, Business Technology, Certified Medication Aide, Certified Nurse Aide, Computer Program Design & Development, Computerized Machine Tool Engineering, Dental Assisting, Dental Hygiene, Emergency Medical Technician, Emergency Services Technology, First Responder, Graphic Arts Technology, Healthcare Administration/Management, Home Health Aide, Hospitality Dietary Management, Hospitality/Culinary Arts, Industrial Engineering Technology, IV Therapy, Multimedia Design, Network Technology, Power Plant Technology, Practical Nursing, Technical Studies, and Welding Technology. More information is available on their web site at www.fhtc.edu

Training partnerships are developed between the manufacturing community, Emporia State University, Flint Hills Technical College, and Emporia Unified School District #253 to deliver customized instruction.

INCENTIVES

The Emporia area offers many benefits to manufacturers who create new high quality employment opportunities and business investments. Those benefits include tax abatement on property for up to ten years and land at a reduced price. A performance based cash grant program exists to a qualifying business that creates quality jobs and investment. For further information, contact the Emporia RDA at 620-342-1600 or e-mail at kheermann@emporiarda.org

SITES

Emporia's Industrial Park I opened in 1955. Industrial Park I & Park II are filled. Industrial Park III has 3 lots ranging in size from 13 to 15 acres. Industrial Park IV is a 150-acre park. Owner of the park is Emporia Enterprises, Inc. Services available at the site are gas, sewer, electricity, and water. For more information, contact the Emporia RDA, Kent Heermann, President at 620-342-1600 e-mail address: kheermann@emporiarda.org or our website at www.emporiarda.org