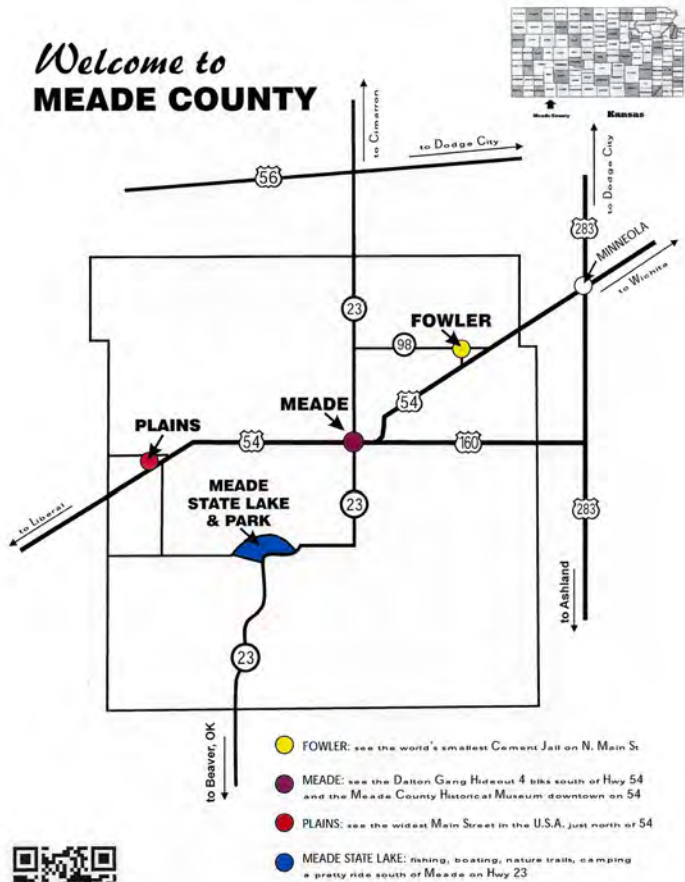


Welcome to MEADE COUNTY



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Meade Chamber of Commerce: www.meadechamber.com
 Meade County Government: www.meadeco.org
 Meade County History: www.oldmeadecounty.com

Major Highways:

US 54
 US 160
 Kansas 23
 Kansas 98

Population:

County—4,575
 Fowler—590
 Meade—1,721
 Plains—1,146

Climate:

Semi-arid with four distinct seasons:

Winter: Dec—Feb

Average temp: 35-36°

Sun shines 65% of the time.

Spring: Mar—May

Average temp: 54°

Sun shines 67% of the time.

Summer: Jun—Aug

Average temp: 77.2°

Sun shines 77% of the time.

Fall: Sep—Nov

Average temp: 57°

Sun shines 71% of the time.

Major Events:

Dates announced annually

Trash & Treasures Day

Spring & Fall—Meade Chamber

Trout Fishing Derby

March—Lake Meade State Park

Artesian Valley Health Fair

April—Meade District Hospital

OK Kid's Day

May—Lake Meade State Park

Crooked Creek Livestock Show & KPRA Rodeo

June—Meade County Fairgrounds

Fowler Threshing Days

July—Fowler

WRCA Ranch Rodeo and Meade County Fair

Mid-July—Meade County Fairgrounds

Chuckwagon Theatre

August—Dalton Gang Hideout

Joe Roberts Memorial Car Show

September—Lake Meade State Park

Christmasing in Plains

First Sunday in Dec

Lions Club—Plains

Events to Experience!

Spring & Fall:

- **Trash & Treasures Day**—Meade—The entire town turns into a garage sale. Maps of homes having sales, and country folks bring their sales into town and line the main streets with "treasures" for sale. www.meadechamber.com

March

- **Trout Fishing Derby** — Lake Meade State Park. 2nd weekend in March. (620) 873-2572

April:

- **Artesian Valley Health Fair** . Meade District Hospital. (620) 873-2141

May:

- **OK Kid's Day**—Lake Meade State Park. A day full of fun and education for kids. (620) 873-2572

June:

- **Crooked Creek Livestock Show & Meade County KPRA Rodeo**—Meade County Fairgrounds. Youth compete from Kansas and surrounding states, exhibiting and showcasing the animals they raise in 4-H or FFA projects. (620) 629-5972

July—September:

- **Apple Hutch Orchard**—Plains. Seasonal fruits you pick yourself, peaches, apples, pears, grapes and pumpkins in season. (620) 629-1447 www.AppleHutch.biz

July:

- **Independence Day Celebrations** in Fowler, Meade, and Plains. All three towns have fireworks displays at dark. (620) 873-8765
- **Fowler Threshing Days**—Fowler. Every year this includes a parade, an old time threshing demonstration, arts & crafts, food, fun, and games. (620) 255-6097
- **Meade County Fair**—Meade County Fairgrounds. A 4-H Fair administered by the Meade County Extension office. Activities include an officially sanctioned **WRCA Ranch Rodeo** and a cowboy church service. (620) 873-8790

August:

- **Chuckwagon Theatre**—Meade. The Way Out West Off Broadway Players present a melodrama at the Dalton Hideout Stage. (620) 873-2731 www.daltonhideout.com

September:

- **Joe Roberts Memorial Car Show**—Lake Meade State Park. Sponsored by Friends of Meade State Park and Lake. 3rd Saturday in September. (620) 873-2923

November/December:

- **Christmas in the Park**—Meade. Starting with Santa's appearance on the Friday after Thanksgiving and running through New Years, Meade City Park on Hwy 54 is a wonderland of lights! www.meadechamber.com

December:

- **Christmasing in Plains**—Plains. A community day sponsored by the Plains Lions Club includes a parade, hog roast and many events for young and old on the first Sunday in December. (316) 393-0579



*Diverse in landscape
 and steeped in history
 Meade County offers
 many opportunities
 to explore the
 Wild, Wild West . . .*

*. . . where potential
 exceeds the limitless sky!*



Meade County . . . Welcome to the Wild Wild West!

Imagine walking down the boardwalk of an old western town... peering into the shops... stopping at the train station... leaving your horse at the livery. This is a unique experience of the **Meade County Historical Museum.**

Located on Highway 54 in downtown Meade, the museum offers the history of Meade County from pre-historic times through the present. Plan to spend some time here because there is lots to see. The museum is open year-round, 9-5 Tue—Sat and 1-5 on Sunday. Admission: Freewill. www.meadecountymuseum.com



Imagine visiting the home of an outlaw's sister... walking down an eerie 95-foot long tunnel as you escape from the house to the barn in an effort to evade the lawman knocking at the front door. This could be your experience at the

Dalton Gang Hideout in Meade where the restored home of Eva Dalton Whipple, sister of the infamous gang, sits quietly in the south part of town just four short blocks from Highway 54.



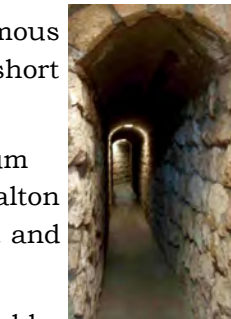
Today the Whipple barn houses a gift shop and museum artifacts with a great deal of information on the Dalton Gang. The Hideout is open year-round, 9-5 Mon—Sat and 1-5 on Sunday.



Admission: \$5, with a family rate available.

www.daltonhideout.com

Imagine visiting a century-old jail... hearing the clank of the door as it swings shut behind you... peering out of the bars at your shocked and saddened family and friends. This could be your experience as you stop by the historic **Smallest Concrete Jail in Kansas** located on the north end of Main Street in Fowler.



Widest Main Street in the USA - Plains, Kansas



Imagine gazing upon the **Widest Main Street in the USA** as featured in “Ripley’s Believe It or Not!” This could be your experience in Plains as you stroll down this famous main street and visit with some of the friendliest folks you’ll find in Southwest Kansas.

Imagine sitting by the water on a warm summer day... dropping a line in and watching the kids as they run and play in the shade of gigantic cottonwood trees. This could be your experience at



Lake Meade State Park, located 13 miles south of Meade on Highway 23.

You won’t be bothered by a lot of noise at Lake Meade... no speed boats allowed, but you will find fishing, swimming, boating and camping. The wildlife preserve west of the lake provides great hiking and exploring.

Considered by many the top spot in the central United States for bird watching, the lake area is inhabited by over 300 species. Meade Lake is open year-round, there is a fee for using the lake so be sure and stop by the Ranger’s Office when you first arrive. Enjoy the RV sites and new Visitor’s Center.

FOOD

Fowler:

Duck Inn, 410 Main
Medrano’s Mexican/American, 406 Main
Neon 57, 102 E 5th
Quik Pick Convenience Store, Hwy 54

Meade:

Bart’s Tavern & Grill, 152 N Post
Bob’s Drive-In, E Hwy 54
Cancun Mexican Grill, W Hwy 54
Charley Biggs Chicken, W Hwy 54 (@ Thriftway)
The Chuckwagon, W Hwy 54
Hunt Brothers Pizza, W Hwy 54 (@ Meade Auto Truck Plaza)
Meade Auto Truck Plaza, W Hwy 54
Noble Roman Pizza, W Hwy 54 (@ Thriftway)
Pizza Hut, W Hwy 54
The Snappy Stop, E Hwy 54
Subway, N Hwy 23 (@ Love’s)
U-Pump-It, W Hwy 54

Plains:

E-Z Stop, Inc, E Hwy 54
J & D’s Donuts & Deli, 406 Grand
Mama Fina’s, E Hwy 54
Plains Tavern, 301 Grand
Small Kitchen Joint, W Hwy 54

GOLF COURSES

Fowler, East side of town

Meade, 17189 O Rd
Plains, N Grand Ave

LODGING

Fowler:

Somewhere in Thyme Bed & Breakfast (620) 646-5500 or 6703

Meade:

Circle-O Motel and RV Park, E Hwy 54 (620) 873-2543
Dalton’s Bedpost, E Hwy 54 (620) 873-2131
Moon Mist Budget Host Motel, W Hwy 54 (620) 873-2121
Sunset Motel, W Hwy 54 (620) 873-5229

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Fowler:

Fowler Community Clinic, 404 Main (620) 646-5446
Fowler Nursing Home, 401 E 6th (620) 646-5215
Fowler Rural Health Clinic, 423 1/2 Main (620) 646-5358

Meade:

Artisan Valley Health System
Lone Tree Retirement Center, 801 E Grant (620) 873-2146
Meade District Hospital, 510 E Carthage (620) 873-2141
Meade Medical Clinic, 119 N Hart (620) 873-2112
Wellness Center, 315 E Rainbelt (620) 873-5256

Plains:

Plains Rural Health Clinic, 402 Grand (620) 563-9313