

KANSAS

The Sunflower State

KEY FACTS



Capital

Topeka



Largest city

Wichita



Became a state

January 29, 1861 (34th)



State bird

Western Meadowlark



State flower

Wild Native Sunflower



State tree

Plains Cottonwood



Motto

To the stars through
difficulties



Plains Cottonwood

This fast-growing tree can reach 100 feet



Mount Sunflower

The highest point in Kansas at 4,039 feet



Monument Rocks

These chalk pillars formed in an ancient sea



Wild Native Sunflower

These yellow flowers turn to face the sun



Dodge City

This historic town was a wild west outpost



Nicodemus Historic Site

Black settlers founded this town in 1877

• Hays



Western Meadowlark

This songbird has a bright yellow chest



American Buffalo

The largest land animal in North America



Salt Mining

Huge salt deposits lie deep underground here



Aviation Industry

Wichita is a major global center for aviation



Wheat Farming

Kansas is a top producer of this golden grain



Kansas River

This river flows into the Missouri River



Amelia Earhart Home

The famous female pilot was born here in 1897



Topeka
Lawrence

• Overland Park



Brown v. Board Site

This site marks a major civil rights victory



Flint Hills

The largest remaining tallgrass prairie



Ornate Box Turtle

This turtle has a shell with yellow lines

OKLAHOMA