Located in eastern Oklahoma, Haskell County was created at statehood and named for Charles N. Haskell, a member of the Oklahoma Constitutional Convention and first governor of Oklahoma.

Haskell County was one of the first permanent Choctaw settlements in the Indian Territory. Many Choctaws arrived by steamboat at Tamaha, and settled there along the Arkansas River. Haskell County was also the site of several skirmishes during the Civil War. The county seat is located at Stigler.

Belle Starr, the bandit queen, frequented the area during the late 1800s. She was reportedly killed near present-day Hoyt.

There is an in-county transit system. Local industries include meat packing, milling, and trucking. Recreational opportunities may be found at the Robert S. Kerr Lake, Sequoyah Wildlife Refuge and the Haskell County Recreation Club. Annual events include Reunion Days during the third week in June, the Christmas Parade on the first Saturday in December, and the Antique Car Show during late October.

_Haskell County History: Indian Territory through 1988_ is available from the Haskell County Historical Society. For more information, call the county clerk’s office at 918/967–2884.

### Districts

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### Property Valuations

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County Seat—Stigler (Pop. 2,777) 2003 Estimate
Area (Land & Water)—625.27 square miles
Per Capita Income (2003)—$21,424 (Ranks 48th of 77 counties)
Population Stats (2000)—Fem.–6,026, Male–5,766 • Ethnicity—
Wh.–9,134; Bl.–72; Am. Ind.–1,715; As.–32; Other–3; Pacific Is.–0;
Two or more races–659; Hisp.–177
Births (2003)—155 • Deaths (2003)—157
Unemployment Rate (2003)—7.0%
Labor Force (2003)—5,620
Number of Establishments (2002)—229
Number of Manufacturers (2002)—5
Public Assistance Payments (FY2004)—$415,681
TANF—$144,857 • Supplements—Aged—$85,216; Blind—
$2,121; Disabled—$183,487
Vehicle Registration (2004)—Automobiles—7,652;
Farm Trucks—1,590; Comm. Trucks, Tractors,
Trailers—646; Motor Homes and Travel Trailers—303;
Motorcycles—172; Manufactured Homes—17; Tax
Exempt Licenses—242; Boats—1,243
Crime Incidents (2003)—Murder–1; Rape–4; Robbery–
2; Fel. Assault–43; Breaking and Entering–40; Larceny–
108; Motor Vehicle Theft–23; Arson–2 • Total Crime
Index–221; Crime Rate per 1,000—18.75
Farms (2002)—901 • Land in Farms (2002)—274,562

County Population
1907 (Okla. Terr.) .......... 16,865
1910.......................... 18,875
1920.......................... 19,397
1930.......................... 16,216
1940.......................... 17,324
1950.......................... 13,313
1960.......................... 9,121
1970.......................... 9,578
1980.......................... 11,010
1990.......................... 10,940
2000.......................... 11,792
2004 Estimate............. 12,088

Major Lakes—Eufaula, Webbers Falls, Robert S. Kerr lakes
Major Stream Systems—Tributaries of Arkansas between state line and
mouth of Canadian River, and the Poteau River
Minerals—oil and gas, coal