Did You Know? Interesting Facts About Cheney, KS

Current Population: **2,120** Median Resident Age: **35.6 years** 26% of homes are rentals

The **Cheney City limits** cover 2 square miles, with the exception of 7 homes inside the boundary lines of MacArthur and 23rd St S and 391st St and 375th St.

Between 2000 and 2011, Cheney had a **population growth rate** of 17.44%. This means we’re the 62nd fastest growing city out of 671 in Kansas. (Goddard #7, Maize #17, Haysville #41, Clearwater #82)

Cheney sits along **Highway 54**, which runs from El Paso, Texas to Chicago, Illinois and Cheney, KS is a half-way point between these terminus points. **US-400** runs from Joplin, Missouri to Granada, Colorado.

The City of Cheney offers water, sewer, natural gas, and trash/recycling **utilities**. City-wide **garage sales** are held in May each year and a free **city-wide clean-up day** is also offered.

The **Cheney Volunteer Fire and Rescue** and has 24 volunteers and 11 EMT’s. The Fire Department covers 233 square miles. The total population served is **5,300** permanent residents and as many as **45,000** seasonal visitors who utilize Cheney State Park and Reservoir. Cheney Fire/Rescue went on **338** calls in 2014.

The **Cheney Police Department** offers 24 hour coverage. Officers are often seen inside the schools as they teach the **DARE programs** and assist with reading and other educational programs.

**Cheney Public Library** offers free wi-fi, year round children’s programs, Summer Reading Program, Adult Winter Reading Program, Inter-Library Loan. They also proctor college exams and patrons can enjoy the upstairs lounge area. Check out [www.cheneypubliclibrary.org](http://www.cheneypubliclibrary.org)

The **Senior Center** serves lunch Monday-Friday to citizens over 60. The center can be rented out for special events.

The **Swimming Pool** was built in **1958**. The **slide** was added in **2011**. Art students painted the **mural** in 2013. The pool is open from **1-6 pm** during the summer months. Kids can take part in the **swim team**. Or parents can rent the pool out for special events in the evening. The shelter house with bathrooms in the pool park can also be rented for $10 for outdoor activities.

**Cherry Oaks Golf Course** has held the following State Golf Tournaments in the past 5 years: **2014** Boys 3A, **2013** Boys 4A, **2012** Girls 3-2-1A, **2010** Girls 4A. A Women’s, Men’s, and Senior **League** are offered Spring-Fall. A **Junior Golf** program is held during the summer. Several **golf tournaments** are held for area fundraisers. Residents can also enjoy **running/walking** on the paved cart paths (2 mile loop around the edge of the course). Visit [www.cherryoaksgc.com](http://www.cherryoaksgc.com) for more info!
The **Sedgwick County Fair** brings an estimated **25,000** people to Cheney during Fair Week. A parade, concerts, softball, carnival, demolition derby are highlights of the event. The **Farm Bureau Building** (located at the fairgrounds) is rented out approximately **twice** a month for weddings, graduations, auctions, and a dog show! See [www.ourcountyfair.com](http://www.ourcountyfair.com) for a list of events!

The **Cheney Recreation Department** offers youth and adult programs throughout the year. Children can enjoy different levels of baseball, basketball, gymnastics, football, karate, and track. Various cooking and art classes are also offered. Adults can enjoy coed softball, a winter volleyball league, Zumba and other activities. **Fieldtrips** are also planned during the summertime! Visit [home.hit.net/~crc/](http://home.hit.net/~crc/) for more information.

**Cheney Reservoir** was built in 1964 and has 9600 surface acres of water. It is a terrific sailing venue as Ninnescah Sailing Organization hosts several regatta events throughout the season.

**Cheney State Park** consists of 1,913 acres of park land and offers boat ramps, campgrounds with hookups, fishing, shelters, picnic areas, nature trails, and modern cabins.

Cheney is home to five **churches**: Cheney Baptist, First Assembly of God, St Paul’s Lutheran, Trinity United Christian, United Methodist. St. Rose Catholic church is located outside of town at Mt. Vernon.

Working parents can send their school-aged children to **REAL Kids after school program**. They also offer summer daycare where kids enjoy various outdoor activities and swimming at the pool.

**Pre-school programs** are offered through Cheney Public School, St. Paul’s In His Hands Preschool, and Trinity Learning Center. There are various in-home **daycares** throughout Cheney. A list of providers can be found at [www.cheneyks.org/relocationinfo/daycareproviderlist.html](http://www.cheneyks.org/relocationinfo/daycareproviderlist.html)

Enjoy great hamburgers and ice cream at **Benny’s Burgers and Shakes**, a noon Chinese buffet at **China’s Bar and Grill**, BBQ at **Hank Is Wiser Brewery**, or pizza and Bowling at **D’Mario’s/Cheney Lanes**. All restaurants also offer a full menu to choose from! Or grab a cup of locally roasted and ground coffee at **Aviator Artisan Coffee**. Cheney Lanes offers bowling leagues and birthday parties.

Cheney also offers **over 50 locally owned businesses** including a grocery store, dentist, chiropractor, pharmacy, flower shop, beauticians, hardware store, insurance companies, bank, gas stations, electricians, plumbers, construction, automobile repair, physical therapist, computer repair, lawn care, and photography.

Sources: Some information was obtained from [http://www.usa.com/cheney-ks-population-and-races.htm](http://www.usa.com/cheney-ks-population-and-races.htm)