The impact of Kansas State University on the state of Kansas is felt across each of the 105 counties. As the nation’s first operational land-grant university, K-State is committed to serving the state’s 2.9 million residents. A fundamental tenet of the university’s mission is to contribute to the advancement of the state of Kansas.

To explore how expansive our footprint really is, visit k-state.edu/govrelations/impact/index.html.

Smith County

20,229
Total enrollment at K-State (fall 2021)

17 — number of students attending from Smith County

$210,665,568
Financial aid amount awarded to K-State students.

76% of K-State students receive scholarships, grants, loans or work-study. (fall 2021)

$171,579 — financial aid awarded to students from Smith County

16 — number of students receiving financial aid from Smith County

97% of recent bachelor’s degree graduates surveyed are employed or attending graduate school or professional programs (Class of 2020-2021)

54% of recent graduates employed in Kansas

71% of recent graduates employed in the region (KS, MO, NE, OK, CO)

#1 — highest starting salaries in Kansas (SmartAsset, 2014-2020)

5,607
Total FTE employees at K-State (fall 2021)

3 — number of employees in Smith County

$155.5 Million
Total private support to the university (FY21)

$9,090 — total donations from Smith County

49 — number of donors from Smith County

110,740
Total number of K-State alumni living in Kansas

158 — number of alumni residing in Smith County

Alumni by college in Smith County

65 — Agriculture
0 — Architecture, Planning & Design
23 — Arts & Sciences
14 — Business Administration
17 — Education
6 — Engineering
10 — Graduate School
24 — Health & Human Sciences
5 — K-State Salina
3 — Veterinary Medicine
University Facts

#1 — Best value college in Kansas (SmartAsset, 2020)

$10,677 — average financial aid packet for a full-time, Kansas undergraduate student (2021)

86% — Freshman-to-Sophomore Retention Rate (fall 2021)

3,967 bachelor’s degrees, 1,146 master’s degrees, and 216 PhDs & 123 DVMs conferred in 2021

$213.9 Million — amount of research expenditures funded by federal and private sources in FY 2020

338 — number of U.S. patents issued to Kansas State University to date

$3.39 Million — amount earned in licensing income in FY 2020

4 — number of U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) Feed the Future labs located at Kansas State University

Kansas State University owns 529 buildings with a replacement value of $3,300,189,553

The information contained in this report was collected from offices across the K-State campus. Visit k-state.edu/about/engagement/impact/sources.html for more information.