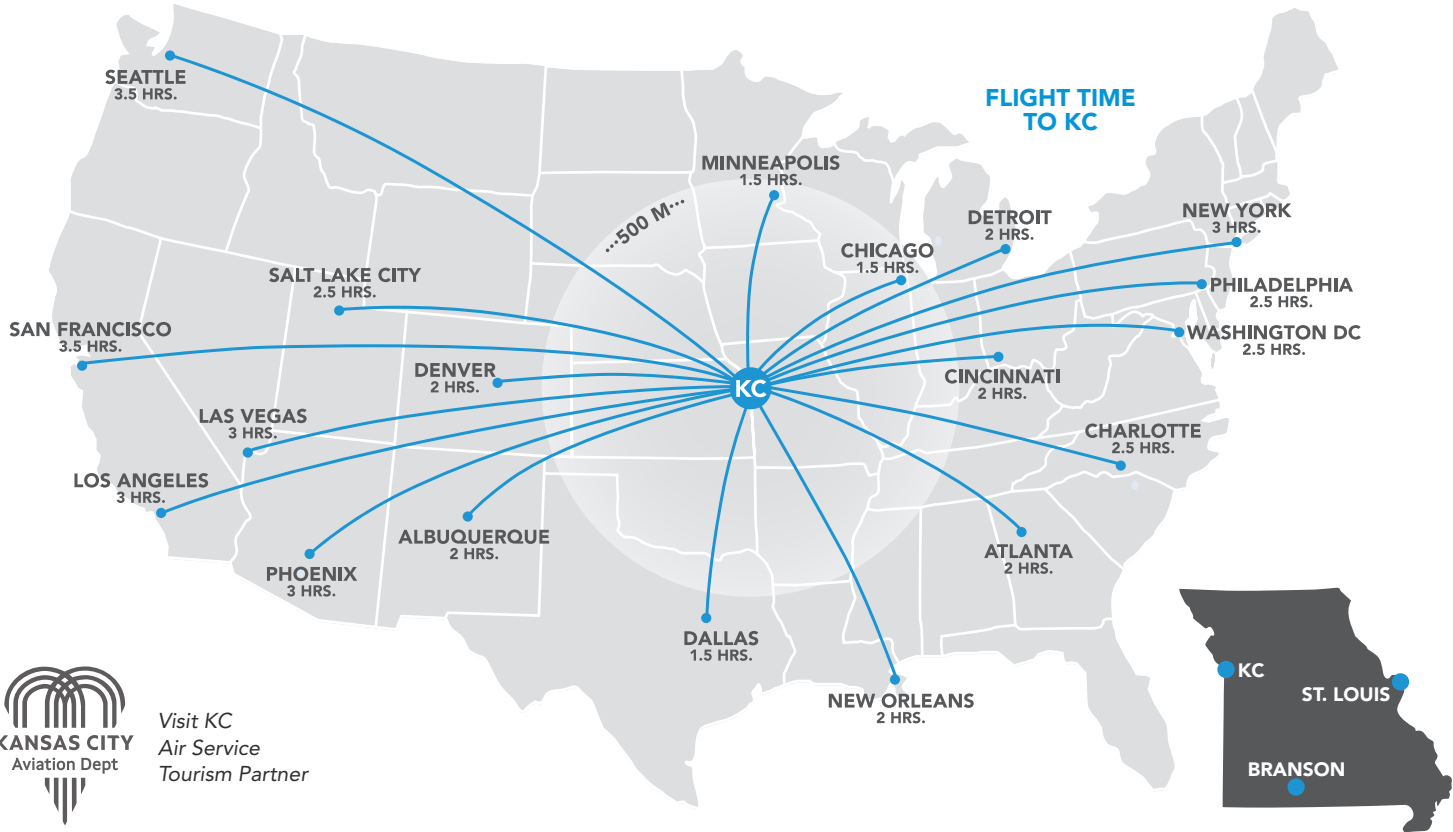


**AIRLINES SERVING THE KANSAS CITY AREA**

- Air Canada
- Alaska Airlines
- Allegiant Airlines
- American Airlines
- Apple Vacations
- Delta Airlines
- Frontier Airlines
- JetBlue Airways
- Southwest Airlines
- Spirit Airlines
- Sun Country Airlines
- United Airlines
- Vacation Express
- VivaAerobus

**DISTANCE DRIVING TO THE KANSAS CITY AREA**

- St. Louis – 397 km
- Branson – 336 km
- Nashville – 893 km
- Memphis – 725 km
- Oklahoma City – 566 km
- Las Vegas – 1834 km
- New York – 1762 km
- Charlotte – 1544 km
- DC – 1520 km
- New Orleans – 1359 km
- Atlanta – 1086 km
- Denver – 901 km
- Minneapolis – 724 km
- Dallas – 724 km
- Chicago – 724 km



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## ITINERARY IDEAS

### Beer, Baseball and Music – America’s greatest pastimes

**Suggested Sites:** American Jazz Museum, Boulevard Brewing Co., Negro Leagues Baseball Museum and the Kansas City Royals at Kauffman Stadium

### Pioneers & Presidents – The heart of American history

**Suggested Sites:** Harry S. Truman Library & Museum, National Frontier Trails Museum, Arabia Steamboat Museum and more, including additional Western heritage sites in Kansas and Oklahoma

### Outlaws & Legends – Follow in their footsteps

**Suggested Sites:** Jesse James Farm Museum, Jesse James Bank Museum, Union Station, Kansas City Gangster Tour and Tom’s Town Distilling Co.

### Five Courses for Foodies – A Midwestern culinary capital

**Suggested Sites:** Kansas City barbecue, Christopher Elbow Artisanal Chocolates, Lidia’s Kansas City, Fox and Pearl and the Hey! Hey! Club speakeasy

### Made in KC – Products from the Heartland

**Suggested Sites:** Hallmark Visitors Center, The Roasterie Coffee factory, Strawberry Hill Povitica Company, J. Rieger & Co. distillery and Boulevard Brewing Co.

### America’s Creative Crossroads – Kansas City’s arts and culture

**Suggested Sites:** Crossroads Arts District, Kauffman Center for the Performing Arts, Hallmark Visitors Center, Thomas Hart Benton Home & Studio and more

## KANSAS CITY HOTELS

- 36,000 rooms in the KC metro
- 5,500 rooms available Downtown
- Major brands represented: Marriott, Loews, Hilton, Westin, Sheraton, Crowne Plaza, Courtyard Inn and many boutique hoteliers

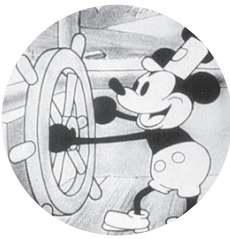


## WHAT’S NEW

- New single terminal at Kansas City International Airport is now open
- The National Women’s Soccer League’s KC Current has established the world’s first stadium built for a women’s pro sports team
- Kansas City is the first major city in America to introduce an entirely fare-free public transportation system
- The KC Streetcar debuts two expansions in 2025, connecting to more hotels and entertainment districts
- Kansas City is an official host city for FIFA World Cup 2026

## HOMETOWN HISTORY

**Walt Disney** opened his first animation company, Laugh-O-Gram Studio, in Kansas City, where he fed a small rodent that became the inspiration for Mickey Mouse.



**Hallmark**, the largest greeting card maker in the world, began in KC in 1910 when Joyce C. Hall started selling postcards out of two shoeboxes at the local YMCA.

KC “ignored” **Prohibition** during the 1920s, leading to an abundance of jazz clubs, brothels and gambling halls, earning KC the moniker “The Paris of the Plains.”

Publisher Andrews McMeel Universal, known for **popular comics** such as “The Far Side” and “Calvin and Hobbes,” has been headquartered in KC since its founding in 1975.

## KANSAS CITY TRADITIONS

*Authentic, All-American and Uniquely KC*

### SWINGING JAZZ

From the Roaring ’20s to the early ’40s, jazz reigned in Kansas City. The city’s 12th Street became world-renowned for its jazz clubs, gambling parlors and brothels—earning Kansas City the moniker the “Paris of the Plains.”



*Today, live jazz can still be heard regularly at 40 clubs throughout the city.*



### WORLD-FAMOUS BARBECUE

When most people think of Kansas City, barbecue comes to mind. And there’s good reason: the city’s signature food is served up at more than 100 barbecue establishments, each boasting a house specialty.

*Every fall, Kansas City hosts 600 teams at the world’s largest barbecue competition, the American Royal World Series of Barbecue.*

### CITY OF FOUNTAINS

Kansas City is home to more than 200 fountains—more than any other city in the world except Rome. From large and majestic to small and whimsical, discover waterworks dedicated to fallen firefighters, the city’s children, women’s leadership and more.

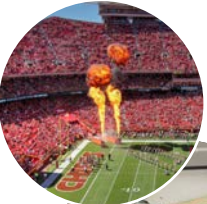
*KC’s most photographed fountain is the ornate Mill Creek Fountain, located near the Spanish-inspired Country Club Plaza.*



## NECESSARY NUMBERS

**2 states:** the KC MSA includes both Missouri and Kansas

Downtown KC has experienced more than **\$10 billion** in commercial, residential and hotel development in the last 15 years.



The Kansas City area boasts more than **100** barbecue restaurants.

Located in the heart of the country, Kansas City is only a **3-hour** flight from either coast.



The City of Kansas City, Missouri, touts **220** parks, **134** miles of trails and bikeways, **29** lakes, **103** playgrounds and **119** monuments.

**142.2** decibels at GEHA Field at Arrowhead Stadium set the Guinness World Record for the loudest stadium on the planet.

## ALL THE BASICS

POPULATION:  
**2.1 million** (MSA)

TIME ZONE:  
**Central**



AVERAGE AGE:  
**36.2**

AVERAGE YEARLY RAINFALL:  
**39"**



AIRPORT:  
Kansas City International Airport (**MCI**)

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## TOP 10 ATTRACTIONS

18th & Vine Historic Jazz District / American Jazz Museum and Negro Leagues Baseball Museum / Jesse James Farm Museum  
Kansas City Barbecue / National World War I Museum and Memorial / Country Club Plaza / Arabia Steamboat Museum  
National Frontier Trails Museum / National Museum of Toys and Miniatures / KC Gangster Tour

