



# Visit McKinney: Facts at a Glance

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## Facts at a Glance

McKinney offers its residents and visitors alike both a rich history and well-maintained historic district, old and modern architecture and a warm community atmosphere throughout its varied neighborhoods and districts. Learn more about what McKinney has to offer at [VisitMcKinney.com](http://VisitMcKinney.com), toll-free at 888-649-8499, or e-mail at [info@visitmckinney.com](mailto:info@visitmckinney.com).

### McKinney Population

Just under 200,000 (Jan. 2021)

### Location

McKinney is located on N. Central Expressway (Hwy. 75), approximately 30 miles north of Dallas.

### History of McKinney

McKinney, named for Collin McKinney, a signer of the Texas Declaration of Independence and early settler in North Texas, has thrived as county seat of Collin County since it was first established in 1848. McKinney's commercial and residential historic districts have been carefully preserved as the community continues to develop new technologies and unique destination niches. Visitors and residents alike relish the sense of place and authenticity McKinney offers.

### McKinney Land/Government

City Hall: 222 N. Tennessee, McKinney TX 75069; 972-547-7500, [www.mckinneytexas.org](http://www.mckinneytexas.org)

- *McKinney Land Area:* 62.9 square miles
- *City Elevation:* 670 feet
- *Projected Population on Build-Out:* 375,000
- *Form of Government:* City Council (7 members)/Mayor/City Manager
- *Total City Employees:* Roughly 1200
- *Fire Stations:* 10
- *Public Library:* 2

### McKinney Parks/Recreation

- *Parks:* 48
- *Golf Courses (public & private):* 2 public and 4 private
- *Recreation Centers:* 3
- *Swimming Pools:* outdoor aquatic centers, 1 indoor pool at the Senior Center plus indoor/outdoor aquatics at the Apex Centre.

### Parks & Rec (continued)

- *Tennis Courts:* 2 at Finch Park; 11 lighted courts at The Courts, Gabe Nesbitt Community Park

- *Soccer Fields: 24*
- *Boxing Gym: 1*
- *Skatepark: 1*
- *Dog Park: 1*

**McKinney Weather & Climate**

- *Average High/Low Temperature – 77/55*
- *Hottest Temperatures – Temperatures reach into the low 100s (July through September)*
- *Lowest Temperatures – Rarely much lower than 30 degrees December through February.*
- *Average Number of Sunny Days: 234*
- *Time of Most Intense Heat: 4 p.m.*
- *Prevailing Wind/Direction: S at 9-13 mph*

**Annual Average Precipitation:**

- *Rain: 33.22 inches*
- *Snowfall: 2.7 inches*

**Nearest Lake**

Lake Lavon - [www.swf-wc.usace.army.mil/lavon/](http://www.swf-wc.usace.army.mil/lavon/) - Corps of Engineers lake 20 min. east

**Airports**

McKinney National Airport (general aviation) - [www.flytki.com](http://www.flytki.com)

**Nearby:**

- DFW International Airport (45 minutes west) – [www.dfwairport.com](http://www.dfwairport.com)
- Love Field (30 miles southwest) – [www.dallas-lovefield.com](http://www.dallas-lovefield.com)

**Overnight Accommodations**

- 1531 Rooms (hotels/bed & breakfasts)

**Contact Information for McKinney Government & Services**

- Visit McKinney: [www.VisitMcKinney.com](http://www.VisitMcKinney.com) - 214-544-1407
- McKinney, Unique by Nature (citywide landing page): [www.uniquebynature.org](http://www.uniquebynature.org)
- City of McKinney: [www.mckinneytexas.org](http://www.mckinneytexas.org) - 972-547-7500
- McKinney Chamber of Commerce: [www.mckinneychamber.com](http://www.mckinneychamber.com) – 972-542-0163
- McKinney Community Development Corporation: [www.mckinneycdc.org](http://www.mckinneycdc.org) – 214-544-0296
- McKinney Economic Development Corporation: [www.mckinneyedc.com](http://www.mckinneyedc.com) – 972-562-5430
- McKinney Main Street: [www.downtownmckinney.com](http://www.downtownmckinney.com) - 972-547-2660
- Fire: [www.mckinneyfire.org](http://www.mckinneyfire.org) – Non-Emergency – 972-547-2700
- Police: [www.mckinneypolice.org](http://www.mckinneypolice.org) – Non-Emergency - 972-547-2700

**City/Area Recreation (Arts, Leisure, Sports):**

- McKinney Parks & Recreation: [www.mckinneytexas.org](http://www.mckinneytexas.org) - 972-547-7480
- McKinney Performing Arts Center; [www.mckinneyperformingartscenter.org](http://www.mckinneyperformingartscenter.org) – 214-544-4630
- Myers Park and Event Center - [www.myersinfo.com](http://www.myersinfo.com) – 972-548-4792
- Lake Lavon State Park- [www.tpwd.state.tx.us/fishboat/fish/recreational/lakes/lavon/](http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/fishboat/fish/recreational/lakes/lavon/) - 972-442-3141

**News & Information:**

- McKinney Courier Gazette - [www.scntx.com](http://www.scntx.com) – 972-542-2631
- 97.5 KLAK FM - [www.975klak.com](http://www.975klak.com), 972-542-9755
- North Texas e-News - [www.ntxe-news.com](http://www.ntxe-news.com), 903-227-1679
- Community Impact News - [communityimpact.com](http://communityimpact.com) – 214-618-9001
- McKinney Chamber News Website – [mckinneyonline.com](http://mckinneyonline.com)

**Transportation:**

- McKinney National Airport: [www.flytki.com](http://www.flytki.com) – 972-562-4214
- Texas Department of Transportation: [www.dot.state.tx.us](http://www.dot.state.tx.us)
- Road/Weather Conditions (TXDOT): [www.dot.state.tx.us/travel/road\\_conditions.htm](http://www.dot.state.tx.us/travel/road_conditions.htm) - 800-452-9292

**Driving Distances to McKinney**

<b>City</b>	<b>Mileage</b>
Dallas, TX.....	33 miles
Fort Worth, TX.....	62 miles
Texarkana, TX/AR.....	154 miles
Oklahoma City, OK.....	164 miles
Shreveport, LA.....	174 miles
Fort Smith, AR.....	198 miles
Tulsa, OK.....	206 miles
Austin, TX.....	210 miles
Houston, TX.....	248 miles
Little Rock, AR.....	268 miles
San Antonio, TX.....	280 miles
Galveston, TX.....	293 miles
Amarillo, TX.....	326 miles
New Orleans, LA.....	451 miles
El Paso, TX.....	578 miles

**Education:**

**McKinney Independent School District - [www.mckinneyisd.net](http://www.mckinneyisd.net);**

#1 Duvall Street, McKinney TX 75069, 469-302-4000

- Enrollment: 24,500
- Elementary (K-5th grades): 20
- Middle (6th-8th grades): 5
- High School (9th-12th grades): 3
- Alternative High School (Serenity High): 1

*Education Level of McKinney's Adult Residents:*

- Percentage of McKinney Residents with High School Diploma: 91%
- Percentage of McKinney Residents with Bachelor's Degree: 43%

**Collin College – [www.collin.edu](http://www.collin.edu)**

Central Park Campus, 2200 W. University Drive - 972-548-6790

There are no dormitories on the McKinney campus. Students either reside in apartments or commute into the city. A new conference center will be complete and open in early 2016. And a Higher Education Campus is located at the city's Gateway (Central Expressway at U.S. 121).

**Enjoying a Good Meal and a Night on the Town**

McKinney's restaurants offer a wide range of cuisine from the unique, one-of-a-kind eateries on the downtown square and in Adriatica to family-favorite popular chain restaurants, diners will find something for everyone in their party. The city's wineries and wine bars offer the perfect start or end to your night out, or finish off your evening with coffee and dessert at one of McKinney's coffee houses. Live music entertains diners at many of McKinney's downtown restaurants or the city's wineries and some art or performance enthusiasts find a concert or play at the McKinney Performing Arts Center or a visit to an art gallery to be a nice touch for a night on the town.

**Getting Healthy**

Whether interested in preventative medicine, healing massage, spa treatments or working out to get fit, McKinney offers something for everyone. With a number of state-of-the-art spas, training facilities, and hike and bike trails, McKinney is a great place for anyone, no matter their age, to stay in shape, get pampered or practice healthy living.

**Accolades:**

- McKinney was designated as a Texas Music Friendly Community in 2020 by the Texas Music Office, an economic development division within the Office of the Governor.
- McKinney was declared a “Texas Film-Friendly City” by the Office of the Governor. (2019)
- *Livability.com* named McKinney in its top 100 most livable cities in the U.S. (2019)
- McKinney became part of the “Monarch Butterfly Initiative.” (2017)
- McKinney was ranked the #1 Best Place to Live by CNN and *Money Magazine* in 2014, up from #2 in 2013, #5 in 2010 and #14 in 2008. McKinney is the only Texas city to make the Top 15 on four consecutive lists.
- *Texas Highways* Magazine readers selected McKinney as their #17-ranked favorite destination in Texas on the magazine’s Top 40 Cities list in 2014.
- McKinney has been named a Tree City USA by the National Arbor Day Foundation.
- First Lady Laura Bush designated McKinney a Preserve America City in 2006.



**Interesting Facts:**

- Downtown McKinney is one of the oldest authentic downtowns in Texas, with homes, commercial buildings, museums and bed and breakfasts dating back to the mid-1800s. The historic district boasts about 1,400 historic buildings, with many “housing” ghosts; ghost stories and legends abound with Chestnut Square Historic Village offering ghost tours to guests.
- Tournament Players Club of Craig Ranch, a private club, was ranked 13th Best Golf Course in Texas by the Dallas Morning News in 2007. The TPC hosted the Nationwide Tour in 2008. And in 2021, TPC hosted the AT&T Byron Nelson golf tournament.
- The U.S. Census Bureau ranked McKinney the fastest growing city in America in 2006 based on percentage of growth – 97.6 percent from 2000 to 2006.
- McKinney is home to two firsts in “green” initiatives – the first environmental-experiment Wal-Mart store in the country, built in 2005, and the first environmentally-conscious Toyota dealership, Patt Lobb Toyota.
- Olympic track gold medalist Michael Johnson selected McKinney for the location of his Michael Johnson Performance Center, a training facility for amateur and professional athletes as well as aspiring Olympic athletes.
- McKinney ISD boasts a 92 percent graduation rate with students earning a mean college entrance exam SAT score of 1103.
- The Dallas-Fort Worth metroplex is the fourth largest metropolitan area in the country, and McKinney’s complete build-out is predicted to rank it as the fourth largest city in the metroplex.
- McKinney was known for cotton crops and fabric manufacturing in the old McKinney Cotton Mill. The cotton mill closed in the 1970s, at which time it was the top manufacturer of denim in the world. Renovations began on the building in the late 1990s, with portions of it now being leased as office space as well as a ballroom/banquet hall that is available for special event rental. Its rustic features and unique design elements also make it a popular location for fashion and wedding photo shoots.